



MEMORIAL DAY — Ken Minyard, David Adams and Jack Willis, left to right, raise the flag during Memorial Day ceremonies. Other ceremonies were being held at both cemeteries and the county courthouse today. (Howard Bigham Photo)

## Park pool's future could be decided in Tuesday meeting

The future of the county-owned Towle Park swimming pool may be decided Tuesday at a meeting of the Scurry County commissioners court set to begin at 10 a.m.

The swimming pool and the presentation of an audit proposal from a Lubbock accounting firm are the only two items on the court's agenda.

Precinct 3 Commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. said he met Friday with a committee interested in seeing the pool opened this summer. Two weeks ago, a delegation of 15 citizens appeared before the court asking for a reversal of last fall's court decision to close the pool because of county budget restraints.

Commissioners told the group the decision to shut down the pool was based on the roll-back election and the fact that the pool operated last summer at a deficit of approximately \$17,000.

Representatives of Coopers and Lybrand are on the agenda to make a presentation for accounting work for Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Members of the hospital board are expected to meet with the court to hear the presentation by the accounting firm.

That firm was the one used by District Judge Gene Dulaney last year when he ordered an operational audit of both the county and the hospital.

## Members to vote on co-op melding

A special membership meeting to vote on the proposal of combining Lone Wolf Electric Cooperative with Cap Rock Electric Cooperative will be held Tuesday in the Colorado High School auditorium in Colorado City.

The 7 p.m. meeting could be of interest to southern Scurry County residents.

Lone Wolf members have received by mail a notice of the special meeting, as well as a proxy by which they may vote on the proposed combining without being present at the meeting.

Cap Rock Electric Cooperative is a neighboring cooperative adjoining Lone Wolf on its northwest boundary and serves 13 counties with approximately 17,000 meters.

Kenneth Rogers, Lone Wolf general manager, said the combining of the cooperatives will add technology and equipment in addition to more manpower in the event of an emergency, while allowing all employees to continue in their present job assignments.

The combining of the two cooperatives has received the approval and unanimous recommendation of the Lone Wolf co-op's board of directors, which is elected from the membership and sets policy for the cooperative.

The Lone Wolf board and management noted the combining is the culmination of over six years of study and investigation into possible solutions to the cooperative's rising costs of wholesale power and other expenses. The board's report after the investigation was that the combining with Cap Rock Electric was the best of all solutions checked out.

So far...

## 25 die on state roads

By The Associated Press  
At least 25 people have died so far in accidents on Texas roadways during the Memorial Day holiday weekend.

The Associated Press began its count of holiday traffic fatalities at 6 p.m. Friday. The count will continue through midnight Monday. Nationwide, at least 256 people had died as of 3 a.m. Monday.

Pantaleon Corpus and Santiago Corpus, both 70, of Edinburg were killed about 10:30 a.m. Sunday a few miles southeast of Edinburg when the vehicle in front of them made a left turn as they were attempting to pass on Farm Road 1426. The vehicle (see DEATHS, page 8)

## Consolation only response by lawmakers to petitions

Responses received from Rep. Charles Stenholm and Sens. Lloyd Benson and Phil Gramm in reference to Snyder citizens' concerns over Federal Communications Commission exclusivity laws offer little more than consolation.

Mrs. W.B. Shaw, who has spearheaded the protest, last month mailed copies of petitions containing the signatures of 2,864 Scurry County residents voicing

their disapproval of the laws. Copies were mailed to the lawmakers, FCC, Abilene City Council and KTXS Channel 12 in Abilene.

The laws allow "local" stations to purchase exclusivity rights which they can use to prevent cable companies from showing duplicate programming by competing stations. In Snyder's situation, KTXS is forcing Snyder Cablevision to delete or replace

certain programming from Lubbock station KJTV 34 (channel 7) and is substituting its commercials on some programming from WFFA Channel 8 out of Dallas.

Although Snyder has no actual local stations, KTXS is considered local by the FCC because its transmitter is within 35 miles.

Sen. Benson's brief response noted in part, "I have had previous inquiries regarding this issue and have been in contact with officials of the Federal Communications Commission. When I receive pertinent information I will be back in touch with you."

Rep. Stenholm noted, "I have written to the FCC to inform them of my constituents' opposition to the changes in the Syndex (syndicated exclusivity) rules. Sharing these viewpoints with the FCC may eventually lead to a review of this decision."

In a three-paragraph letter, Stenholm also mentioned the FCC's defense of the rules, noting "The FCC insists that this ruling should have no impact on super stations as they can purchase nationwide exclusivity and will not affect consumer choices as the existence of over 85 satellite signals should permit cable companies to continue to keep their spectrum filled. In addition, the FCC asserts that the widespread use of VCRs permits consumers to time shift without the need to receive an additional signal."

Stenholm does not refer to the fact, however, that Snyder's situation has nothing to do with "super stations."

He goes on to state the "primary problem is that the FCC does not consider that there are many individuals who do not possess VCRs... (and)... the FCC appears to ignore the fact that many of the 85-plus satellite signals are subscription services (see PETITIONS, page 8)

## Jury trial set to begin

A 90-member jury panel has been called for 9 a.m. Wednesday in 132nd District Court.

On the docket is a case against Liborio Saldana Oliva, 29, who is charged with aggravated sexual assault of a child. The offense is said to have occurred on July 12, 1989. He was indicted by the May 7 Scurry County grand jury.



BANQUET HONOREES — Cindy Srna was named the SHS Bill J. Hood Scholar Athlete Award winner and Toby Goodwin was picked top male athlete during the annual Snyder High School All-Sports Banquet Saturday night in Scurry County Coliseum. Srna, valedictorian of the class of 1990, participated in volleyball, basketball and tennis. Goodwin was a participant in football, basketball and baseball. Anne Osborn, female athlete of the year, was not at the function. She participated in volleyball, basketball and track. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Local stabbed three times during fight with relative

The district attorney's office will investigate and consider felony aggravated assault charges following the early Sunday stabbing of a 20-year-old Snyder man.

Valentine Gutierrez of 1202 20th St. was treated for multiple stab wounds at Cogdell Hospital. Gutierrez suffered three stab wounds — to the shoulder, chest and stomach. He was transferred at 7:30 a.m. Sunday to St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock by Snyder EMS. Monday morning he was listed in stable condition.

The incident occurred about 5:12 a.m. Sunday at 22nd St. and Ave. M and involved a dispute among three relatives.

Investigating police officers said that those involved in the incident so far have declined to file charges.

## Tax savings info at appraisal office

Editor's Note: Below is the first of five articles outlining programs available which may save taxpayers money on their property taxes.

A pamphlet entitled "Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies, Responsibilities," designed to help taxpayers save on their property taxes, is available at the county appraisal office.

The pamphlet is available in both English and Spanish and is published by the State Property Tax Board in Austin. It explains how the property tax system in Texas operates and offers suggestions for possible tax savings.

Scurry County Chief Appraiser Ray Peveler noted that the pamphlet applies to property taxes collected by all types of taxing units: counties, cities, school districts and special districts such as junior college and hospital districts.

Scurry County does not have a

hospital district. Those taxes are instead collected by the county.

Homeowners may qualify for various property tax exemptions offered by taxing entities on residence homesteads, Peveler said. In Texas, a homestead is generally the house and yard used as the owner's principal residence. The pamphlet lists and explains each exemption and how to apply.

For example, all school district homeowners are eligible for a \$5,000 general residence homestead exemption. In addition, certain disabled homeowners and those age 65 years or older may qualify for an additional \$10,000 school exemption.

"A school tax freeze, or ceiling, on the residence homestead is a benefit for a homeowner who was 65 or older on January 1 of this year," Peveler said. "In other words, the homeowner's school (see TAXES, page 8)

Q—Did the county spend \$3,000 on the Towle Park pool's circulation pump just prior to draining the pool?  
—Yes.

## In Brief

### Policy okayed

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Most public universities in Texas have developed drug policies, in keeping with a federal mandate, but Texas A&M apparently has become the first in the state to adopt drug testing.

The board of regents for the Texas A&M System on Friday approved a policy that subjects students, faculty and staff members to drug testing if their performance leads others to suspect they are using or dealing drugs.

Mack Adams, assistant commissioner for student services with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, said the A&M system becomes the first to adopt drug testing as part of the drug abuse policy.

### Happy reunion

MALDEN, Mass. (AP) — Freed hostage Frank Reed's joyous reunion Sunday with his 91-year-old mother was tempered with an urgent plea for the speedy release of the six Americans still held captive.

"They aren't well," he implored after arriving at Boston's Logan International Airport. "They are sick. I promise you they are sick. Let us not forget them."

## Local

### Immunization

Scurry County Health Clinic will not be administering immunization shots on Tuesday and Thursday of this week.

### Vets dinner

There will be a dinner at the VFW Post home for all veterans and their families at 6:30 p.m. today.

All ladies attending are asked to bring a dessert.

### SHS concert

Three Snyder High School bands — stage, concert and symphonic — will be in concert at 7 p.m. Monday at Worsham Auditorium. Admission is free.

### Camp Springs

The Camp Springs home coming will be held from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. June 3 at Northeast Community Center.

Those attending are asked to bring a covered dish. Paper goods and ice will be furnished.

## Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 101; low, 61 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Sunday, 64 degrees; high Sunday, 85 degrees; low, 63 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 63 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1990 to date, 10.54 inches.

West Texas: Cloudy to partly cloudy Tuesday with a chance of mainly afternoon thunderstorms. Highs mid 70s panhandle to around 100 Big Bend valleys. Lows tonight mid 50s panhandle and 60s elsewhere except lower 70s Big Bend valleys.



**ORAL READING PROJECT** — These children in Patti Palmer's first grade class at West recently read library books to the kindergarten children as part of their oral reading project. Front row, from left, Lindsey Bunch, Toby Trammell, Davison Burnett, Holly Sawyer and Nathan Hines. Second

row: Seth Humble, Josh Arnold, Devin Ramby, Amber Dryden, Whitney Graham, Leslie Hancock and Mindy Batts. Third row: Joe Pechacek, Sterling Doty, Allen Smith, Ryan Gibson, James Payne, Christina Arriola, Karynn Rodriguez and Jacob Villalon. (SDN Staff Photo)



**IRA CHEERLEADERS** — Pictured are the Ira varsity cheerleaders for the 1990-91 school year. From left are, Misty Mathis, Dusty Sterling, Della

Webster, Cole Sterling (mascot), Sarah Brown, Lindsey Northcott, and Brandy Oliver, alternate. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Oil Patch News

**Scurry County**  
West Texas Petroleum will drill the No. 1-C Birdwell in the Diamond M field, 10 miles southwest of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 6,700 feet, location is in Section 166, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Breis Production Co. will drill the No. 9 E.A. Turner in the Sharon Ridge field, five miles southeast of Ira. Planned for a depth of 1,700 feet, location is in Tract 19, C.A. O'Keefe subdivision, Section 2, J. P. Smith survey.

**Mitchell County**  
Chevron USA has completed the No. 7,022 North Westbrook unit in the Westbrook field, four miles north of Westbrook. The well was finished to produce 63 barrels of 25 gravity oil and 234 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 48-1 with perforations from 2,961-3,073 feet. Location is in Section 22, Block 28, T1N, T&P survey.

Fina Oil and Chemical has completed the No. 816 Coleman Ranch unit in the Coleman Ranch field, two miles west of Cuthbert. The well produced 104 barrels of 24 gravity oil and 42 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,640-828 feet, and location is in Section 70, Block 97, H&TC survey.

**Nolan County**  
Oryx Energy will drill the No. 1 Pierce, a 7,000-foot wildcat eight miles south of Sweetwater. Location is in Section 11, Block X, T&P survey.

**Howard County**  
Conoco Inc. has completed the No. 45 Douthit in the Howard-Glasscock field, eight miles east of Forsan. The well produced 30 barrels of 28.9 gravity oil and 90 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 32-1 with perforations from 2,172-306 feet. Location is in Section 123, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Conoco Inc. has completed the No. 18-A Reed in the Howard-Glasscock field, eight miles east of Forsan. The venture was finished to produce 54 barrels of 28.4 gravity oil and 198 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 19-1 with perforations from 2,342-508 feet. Location is in Section 141, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Marathon Oil has completed the No. 33 Kloh in the Howard-Glasscock field, four miles west of Forsan. The well produced 78 barrels of 30 gravity oil and 173 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 77-1 with perforations from 2,418-474 feet. Location is in Section 5, Block 32, T2S, T&P survey.

Durham Inc. has completed the No. 2 Ashley in the Phoenix south field, three miles north of Lenorah. The project produced 60 barrels of 32 gravity oil and 94 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,985-990 feet, and location is in Section 21, Block 36, T2N, T&P survey.

Conoco Inc. will drill the No. 19-A Reed in the Howard-Glasscock field, five miles east of Forsan. Planned for a depth of 3,300 feet, location is in Section 141, Block 29, W&NW survey.

**Fisher County**  
ACR Exploration will drill the No. 1 Gray in the Longworth west field, 2.5 miles southwest of Longworth. Planned for a depth of 5,200 feet, location is in Sub-division 34, Gillespie CSL survey No. 305.

**Borden County**  
EP Operating Co. will drill the No. 2-26 Canon in the Jo-Mill field, 11 miles southwest of Gail. Planned for a depth of 7,100 feet, location is in Section 36, Block 33, T5N, T&P survey.

**Garza County**  
Graham Royalty has completed the No. 219-TS North

Huntley unit in the Huntley field, 4.5 miles northwest of Post. The well was finished to produce 22 barrels of 37 gravity oil and 136 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 227-1 with perforations from 3,242-512 feet. Location is in Section 4, SF 1,442, H. G. Brandon survey.

Conoco Inc. will drill the No. 71 Huntley unit in the Huntley east field, seven miles northwest of Post. Planned for a depth of 3,500 feet, location is in Section 1,205, Block 1, H&OB survey.

IP Petroleum Co. Inc. has completed the No. 1 Reed in the Tuf-bow field, three miles east of Justiceburg. The well was finished to produce 12 barrels of 41.3 gravity oil and 289 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,534-537 feet, and location is in Section 11, Block 6, H&GN survey.

Royal American Oil and Gas has completed the No. 1 Ellis, a wildcat located six miles south of Southland. The venture was finished to produce 28 barrels of 38 gravity oil and 22 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,340-360 feet, and location is in Section 1,304, J. Hays survey.

George R. Brown Partnership has completed the No. 43-B City of Post in the Garza field inside the city limits. The well was finished to produce 49 barrels of 36 gravity oil and 135 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 1-1 with perforations from 3,050-100 feet. Location is in Section 1,227, EL&RR survey.

Brothers Production Co. will drill the No. 2-41 PLK in the Happy field, 12 miles south of Post. The re-entry project is planned for a depth of 8,300 feet, and location is in Section 41, Block 2, T&NO survey.

## Problem with shuttle unit being tested; launch still on

**CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)** — A still-unexplained problem has developed with a computerized display unit in space shuttle Columbia, but it is not expected to delay this week's launch, a NASA official said today. Technicians replaced the so-

called "heads-up display," which projects data used by the shuttle's commander during landing, on Sunday night, but that did not fix the problem. NASA tried to determine today what was wrong with the display unit's related equipment.

"That's really our only real problem. Everything else is going very smoothly," NASA test director Al Sofge said at a morning briefing.

Columbia is scheduled to lift off at 12:38 a.m. EDT Wednesday.

make the launch date," he said. The mission already has been delayed two weeks because of repairs to the shuttle's cooling system at the launch pad.

Columbia's seven astronauts, meanwhile, say they are eager to get started on a mission to explore high-energy ultraviolet light and X-rays emitted from stars and galaxies.

"Everything's big on this mission," Columbia commander Vance Brand said Sunday. "We have a big crew. We have a lot of days on orbit, nine or 10, and we think a lot of good and important things to do."

## Machine gun enthusiasts have 'blast'

**HELOTES, Texas (AP)** — The owners of a shooting range here in the Hill Country are used to the sound of gunfire, but the din was incredible this weekend as scores of machine gun enthusiasts had a blast at their place.

"It sounded like a small war," said Nora Villarreal on Sunday night after the heavily armed visitors left the range owned by her husband, Manuel Villarreal.

The two-day Hill Country Machine Gun Shoot concluded Sunday, and about 500 people left after having unleashed enough firepower to rival that of many smaller countries' armies.

After the unit was removed, it tested normally and the replacement unit was not working, prompting NASA officials to suspect a related piece of equipment — the display unit's electronics package, Sofge said.

Sofge said officials should know by midday whether the problem indeed lies with that electronics package. If necessary, technicians will replace the device, about the size of a videocassette recorder and located in the middeck.

It will take about eight hours to replace the electronics package and another eight hours to test it, Sofge said. That work can be performed while other countdown procedures continue, he said.

There is "a very remote possibility" the problem could lie with yet another part, the display unit's power control assembly, but even that wouldn't necessarily delay the launch, Sofge said.

"If it turns out that it is the PCA, we still think we can go ahead and change that out and

The crew — the biggest since the 1986 Challenger explosion — arrived late Sunday morning in five trainer jets from Johnson Space Center in Houston. The countdown began as planned at 1 a.m. Sunday.

"We know we have a great ship, and we're ready to go," Brand said.

Air Force forecasters were predicting an 80 percent chance of favorable weather at launch time.

Columbia will be carrying a \$150 million observatory called Astro that will be operated round-the-clock by four crew members who are astronomers.

It was a diverse crowd that attended the festival in this small town just west of San Antonio, said the 72-year-old Mrs. Villarreal.

"They're all gun enthusiasts, but some are doctors, lawyers and prominent people," she said. "Of course, they are people that can afford those kinds of machine guns."

They evidently can afford ammunition for practice, too, because many of them were expert marksmen, she said.

"Like someone said, these people use machine guns like other people would use a .38 (-caliber weapon) or a .22," she said.

Mrs. Villarreal said she doesn't see the lure herself, but conceded something is fueling the shooters' enthusiasm. In its third year, the festival was bigger and better, expanding for the first time to a two-day event.

**Dr. Gott**  
Peter Gott, M.D.

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**Your Birthday**  
May 29, 1990

"It's recreation to them, I imagine," she said. "But I don't know. I just stay at our store and sell them the soda waters because it's hot out there."

Festival organizer Bill Jonke, who is a San Antonio area gun dealer, could not be reached last Sunday night to provide other details about the festival. His number was unlisted.

Mrs. Villarreal said one tough task remains at their 39-acre property.

"They're going to send somebody over to clean up tomorrow," she said.

In the year ahead you might be inspired to take on a unique, creative project either as a hobby or a second source of income. Develop this situation for both fun and profit.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** If you are presently considering making a financial investment, check your sources for reliable tips. Don't discuss your intentions with persons who have poor track records. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Something mutually beneficial could result today from an involvement with a friend who shares your same interests, ideals and standards. You won't fare as well with those who don't.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Sometimes in life we have to be extremely assertive in order to achieve our aims and objectives. Today, however, more will be gained by being compassionate and sharing.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** There is a possibility today your faith might be put to the test. If you are unwavering, you'll achieve the types of results you desire. Additionally, your tactics will inspire others.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** There could be a shift in conditions today that will have an effect upon associates as well as yourself. Instinctively you'll see its merits and derive more benefits than others.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** The knowledge you gain from books today is likely to be marginal, but you might learn an invaluable lesson from something you'll personally experience with another.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Today if you're comparing similar items before making a purchase, quality should take precedence over price. Don't be dazzled by mark-down or sales.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Today you may have an opportunity to be with someone you really like. If you can't spend as much time together as you desire, make it a quality experience.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Even though your intentions won't be to feather your own nest, people you help today could end up doing more for you than you actually do for them.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Today you might get some precognitive flashes pertaining to a future event. Don't discount your perceptions just because what you envision seems too good to be true.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Something rather peculiar may develop today that could result in a small, but significant, advantage for you careerwise. It might also be beneficial financially.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Hunches or perceptions you get today that have practical applications towards advancing your self-interests should be acknowledged. You might regret it later if they go untested.

## Gibson takes family along

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Mel Gibson takes along a lot of baggage when he hits the road to make a movie — his wife and six kids.

"I couldn't concentrate otherwise," the actor said.

"I get more done when they're around because I know where everyone is and I can relax," Gibson said in the June 4 issue of People magazine.

The youngest in the Gibson brood is 5 months and the oldest is 9.

Gibson, 34, who stars with Goldie Hawn in the romantic comedy "Bird on a Wire," said his 5-year-old son Will wants to follow in his acting footsteps.

Gibson said he asked the boy why and Will responded, "So I can take your place when you die."

## Bob Hope was guest speaker

**SAN DIEGO (AP)** — Bob Hope had them tittering at the University of San Diego commencement with greetings to parents finishing up the "last payment" on their children.

Hope, 86, and his wife, Dolores, collected honorary degrees from the school Sunday before a crowd of about 9,000.

"I really appreciate this honor," Hope said. "Between the Oscars, the Emmys and taxes, it's nice to have something coming in."

He added: "I'm now a doctor. At last I can get on the golf course on Wednesdays."

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## Community Calendar

### MONDAY

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.  
Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.  
Alateen; 12 Step Study; Park Club at Winston Park; 6 p.m.; Call 573-5164 for information.  
Noah Support Group for victims of family violence; 6:30-8 p.m.; free child care during the meeting; for more info call 573-1822.  
Rebekah Lodge 294; Lodge Hall; 7:30 p.m.  
Overeaters Anonymous; Morning Side Baptist Church fellowship hall; 7:30 p.m. Call JoAnn at 573-9839 or Kelly at 573-7705 for information.  
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

### TUESDAY

Ladies Golf Association; tee time 9 a.m.  
Free blood pressure clinic; Ira Community Center; 1-2 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.  
ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.  
TOPS TX56; weigh-in and meeting 7-8 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444 or Mae Cole at 573-8628.  
Scurry County Genealogical Society; Chamber of Commerce; 7:30 p.m.; new members and visitors welcome.  
Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.  
New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8110, 863-2348 or 573-6820.  
Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

### WEDNESDAY

Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; noon.  
Free blood pressure clinic; Hermleigh Community Center; 1-2 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.  
Sparkle City Square Dancers; clogging; old Athletic Center building; 7-8 p.m.  
Sparkle City Square Dancers; workshop; old Athletic Center building; 8-10 p.m.  
Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8015 or 573-3956.

### THURSDAY

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 County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-9410.

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

## Vets begin walks Sunday

CHICAGO (AP) — Veterans and supporters took the first steps of hundred-mile walks Sunday in three states as they sought to remind the nation during the Memorial Day weekend that many soldiers have never come home.

"We're sure that we still have some prisoners in Southeast Asia. We're going to work at this thing till the day when some of them walk out of there," said World War II veteran Charles Walker.

Four groups — from Chicago, Peoria, Madison, Wis.; and Baldwin, Iowa — are staging the event dubbed the "Walk of the Warriors," said Mary Buttry Holub of Warrenville, who helped organize it.

The marchers plan to meet Thursday in the northern Illinois city of Oregon and continue Friday to the nearby Lake LaDonna campground, where they plan to spend the weekend camping together.

## Unprecedented conference ends

LUSAKA, Zambia (AP) — African National Congress guerrilla commanders and veteran officers of the white-led South African army ended an unprecedented conference Sunday pledging to work for peace.

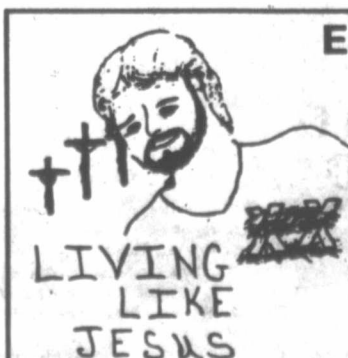
In a joint statement released in the Zambian capital after five days of talks, the two sides declared there should be "mutually binding cessation of hostilities" as soon as possible.

The conference, convened to discuss the present and future role of the security forces, went ahead without the blessing of South African Defense Minister Magnus Malan.

But the 48 current and former military officers who attended said they would make recommendations privately to the government on their return home.

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# School reform could shred fragile image of small town

TEXHOMA, Texas (AP) — Straddling the border of two states whose loyalists believe each other to live on the fool's side of a fault line, this hybrid town has reached a rare civil compromise.

Regardless of their home state, all its schoolchildren go to kindergarten in Texas, elementary school in Oklahoma, junior high in Texas, and graduate from high school in Oklahoma.

Separate school districts operate on each side of town, in buildings on opposite dead ends of Fifth Street, which the state line splits.

Loyalties aside, the arrangement has allowed the shrinking town of about 1,000 people to keep its students here instead of busing them to the nearest county seats.

What Texhoma has brought together, lawmakers in Austin,

500 miles southeast, or Oklahoma City, about 220 miles distant, can easily tear asunder.

At a time when both Texas and Oklahoma are strapped and struggling to keep enough money flowing for public education, this town finds itself at the mercy of two state legislatures.

Texhoma officials are wondering how much longer they will be able to hold their makeshift craft together. They know decisions in either capital could drain money from them, and force local schools to close.

"If they go under it's going to hurt us, and if we go under it's going to hurt them," Mel Yates, superintendent on the Oklahoma side, told the Dallas Times Herald. "We hope to keep it together, but a lot of it is beyond our control."

While sharing a name, Texhoma actually was created as

two towns. It still has two mayors, city councils and water towers, but only one marshal on patrol.

About two-thirds of the people and buildings are on the Oklahoma side.

At first, separate school systems operated on either side, and the Oklahoma Red Devils battled the Texas Bulldogs in cross-town matchups.

But in the late 1920s the Oklahomans, being more in number, one-upped their southern neighbors. "My understanding is that in 1927 the Oklahoma side built a high school that had an inside gym," says Rex Hale, now superintendent on the Texas side.

Lacking an indoor gym of their own, the Texans humbly began paying to send their high school-age children across to Oklahoma. That continued until 1975.

To save money, the Texas district agreed to teach kindergarten and grades 5 through 8. Oklahoma would teach grades 1 through 4, and continue running the high school.

All the children learn Texas history some years and Oklahoma history others.

Students say they pay the distinction between Texas and Oklahoma little mind, except for occasional jokes.

## Strike in Poland said suspended

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Solidarity chairman Lech Walesa persuaded rail workers to suspend a crippling week-old strike early today, easing a crisis that had overshadowed Poland's first fully free elections since World War II.

The labor strife that Walesa helped bring to a halt had crippled freight and passenger service across northwestern Poland, challenging the resolve of the pro-Solidarity government that in January imposed a painful austerity program aimed at the swift creation of a market-based economy.

The rail workers had demanded pay increases the government rejected for fear of unleashing a torrent of wage demands.

In Sunday's elections, Poles sought to oust holdover Communist officials from local councils, but many voters stayed home.

The final turnout was just 42 percent nationwide. By contrast, 62 percent voted in partially free parliamentary elections last June.

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## Bridge

by James Jacoby

NORTH 5-29-90			
♦ 7 5			
♥ A 10 7 3			
♠ 10 8 6 4			
♣ A Q			
WEST	♦ K Q J 10 8 6 4	EAST	♦ A 9 3 2
♦ Q 2	♥ K 9	♠ K 9	♣ A 9 5 3
♥ K	♠ J 7 2	♣ J 7 2	
♣ 10 8 5			
SOUTH			
♦ - - -			
♥ J 8 6 5 4			
♠ J 7 2			
♣ K 9 6 4 3			
Vulnerable: East-West			
Dealer: West			
South	West	North	East
5 ♥	3 ♠	Dbl.	4 ♦
All pass			
Opening lead: ♠ K			

## Playing for the breaks

By James Jacoby

Favorable vulnerability is a license to take chances. After West, vulnerable, had opened three spades, North still doubled for takeout with an anemic collection of cards that only approximated an opening bid. When East raised to four spades, South bid five hearts, not knowing whether he was sacrificing or bidding to make.

Clearly West should have tried the diamond king for an opening lead. That succeeds if East holds the diamond ace or the heart ace or a variety of other holdings. Furthermore, the king of diamonds does not figure to be placed where it will do a lot of good on defense if West waits to use it later. But West made the safe lead, and declarer went to work.

South ruffed the opening lead, played to dummy's ace of hearts, cashed the A-Q of clubs, and ruffed dummy's last spade. Then he cashed his king of clubs, throwing a diamond from dummy. When everyone followed to the third club, declarer exited with a heart. The honors fell together. Declarer hoped that just possibly West might hold a singleton king of diamonds. East had won the king of hearts, and he was smart enough to play a low diamond to his partner's king. But now West had to play a spade. Declarer discarded a diamond from dummy as he ruffed, and then he threw the last two diamonds from dummy on his good clubs.

South had adhered to the declarer's rule: in a poor undoubled contract, play for the lucky division of the cards that will let you 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. © 1989, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

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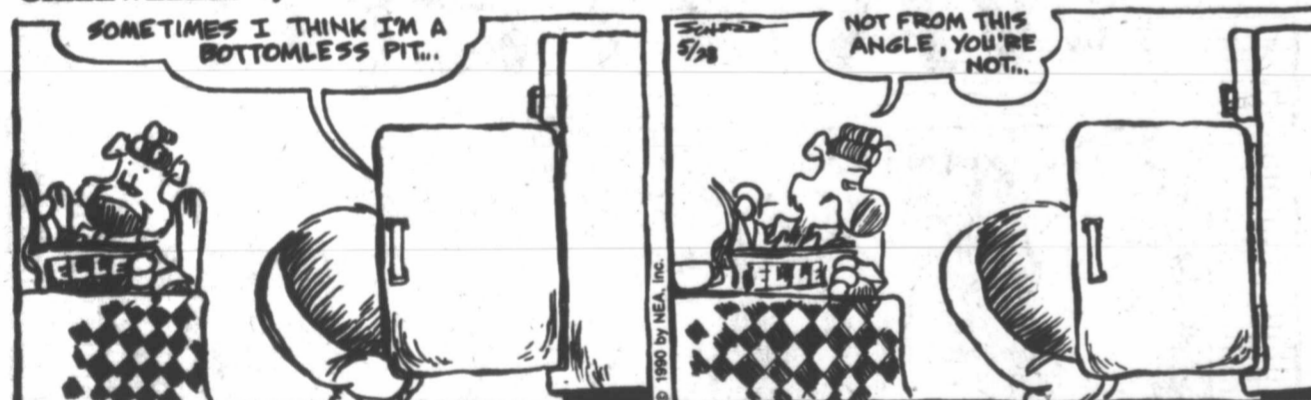
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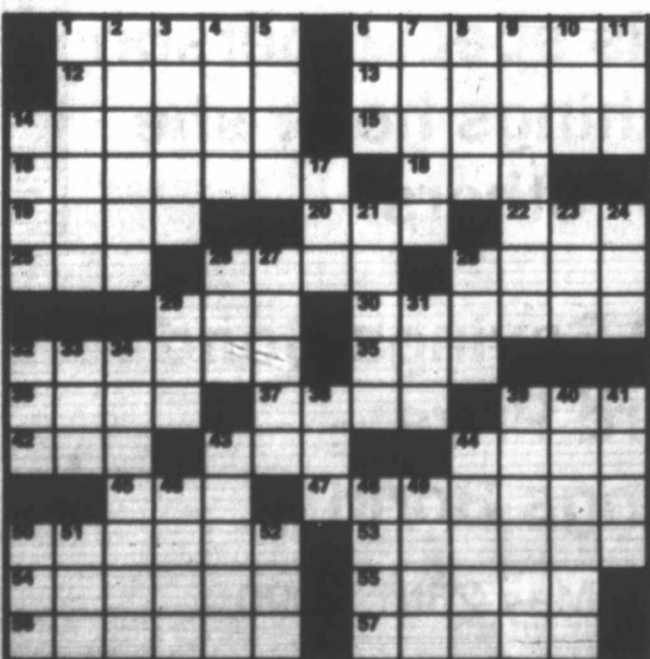
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- 6 Basement
- 12 Shakespearean hero
- 13 Sentence part
- 14 Capable of spontaneous movement
- 15 Suddenly works right
- 16 Psychiatrist
- 18 Chemical suffix
- 19 Telephone wire
- 20 Long time
- 22 Inlet
- 25 Frozen
- 26 Fluff from cloth
- 28 Insects
- 29 Cereal grass
- 30 Mother
- 32 Irish, e.g.
- 35 Printer's

- 36 Type of fuel
- 37 Israeli folk dance
- 39 "Kapital"
- 42 Limb
- 43 Popeye's friend Olive
- 44 Insect feeler
- 45 Artist's deg.
- 47 Of vivid images
- 50 Spikes
- 53 Cooked cereal
- 54 Greek deity
- 55 Vibrant
- 56 Vouch
- 57 Covered with ceramic squares

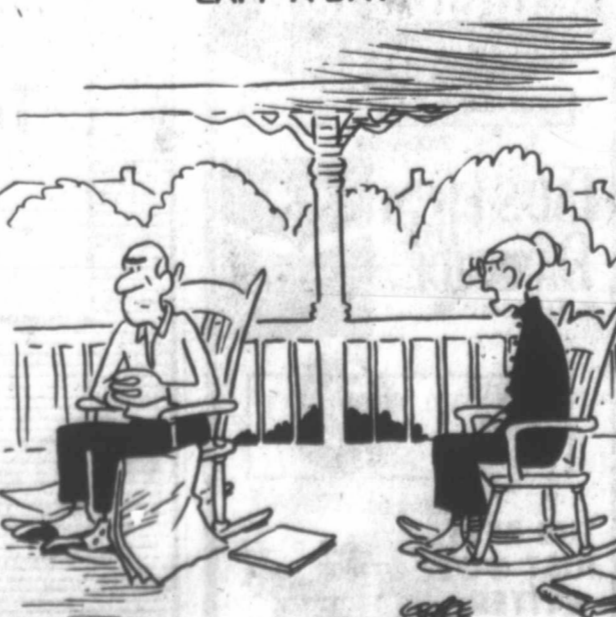
**Answer to Previous Puzzle**



- 5 Words of denial
- 6 New Deal program
- 7 Actress Baretyn
- 8 Reclined
- 9 Alfalfa
- 10 Inquire
- 11 Thing in law
- 14 African land
- 17 Number
- 21 Fish-eating mammal
- 23 That thing's
- 24 Light feather
- 26 Medieval poem
- 27 Irritated
- 28 Letters of alphabet
- 29 Baseball player Mel
- 31 Last queen of Spain
- 32 Acct.
- 33 Always (post.)
- 34 Brightness unit
- 38 Miss Grammar term
- 40 In a row
- 41 Animal welfare org.
- 43 Author Joyce Carol
- 44 Danger
- 46 Reputation
- 48 — first you don't ...
- 49 Surrealist painter
- 50 Tea
- 51 Permit to
- 52 Fast aircraft (abbr.)



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**FLYING DINOSAUR** -- These five Central third grade bi-lingual students in Susan Everton's class are putting the finishing touches on a flying dinosaur, just one of the exhibits in their "touch museum" which they set up last week at the school. Students are from left, Lisa Luera, Escar Rivera, Rene Garcia, Jaime Valdez and Max Arreguin. (SDN Staff Photo)

**ALMOST FINISHED** — These Central third grade bi-lingual students in Susan Everton's class helped to paint one of the dinosaur exhibits in their "touch museum" which they created last week at the

school. From left are, Melissa Rodriguez, Monico Anguiano, David Lujan, Griselda Castillon, and Jessie Munoz. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Illegal dumping may have caused explosion

**HOUSTON (AP)** — The captain and two crew members of a Panamanian ship which exploded and forced the closing of the Houston Ship Channel may have caused the blast by illegally dumping hazardous chemicals, federal authorities say.

The fire started May 11 while the 375-foot chemical tanker Seta was moored for repairs at Newpark Shipyard. The 25 crewmen aboard when the Seta exploded jumped into the ship

channel.

Federal authorities think residue from chemicals illegally dumped into the ship channel may have been ignited by a spark from a welding torch on an adjacent vessel in dry dock, and the fire spread to the tanker, said Coast Guard Lt. Mary Landry.

Cargo tanks had residue from recent hazardous cargoes of acetone, toluene, caustic soda, mineral spirits, xylene, hexane and kerosene.

The captain and two crew members were arrested Friday.

Goran Bacic, the ship's captain, and Klaus Eheler, the port captain, were charged with felony violation of the Clean Water Act, which carries up to a \$50,000 fine and three years in prison, officials said.

Doran Prpic, the second-ranking officer, was charged with a misdemeanor violation of the Clean Water Act.



**BEST ALL-AROUND** — Amy Shoults and Chris Haynes were named Best All-Around students at Ira during last Friday's awards assembly. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Free meal coupons may become reality

**HOUSTON (AP)** — People wary of giving cash to panhandlers soon will be able to hand out coupons redeemable for a free meal at a Houston shelter.

"People call us all the time asking, 'What do I do about these panhandlers?' Giving money to people does not get them off the street," said Shelly Cyprus, president of the Service of the Emergency Aid Resource Center for the Homeless.

The group will begin selling coupons June 22. The coupons, sold in books of 10 for \$10, not only will provide meals for the homeless, but also lead them to a place where they can get further assistance, Ms. Cyprus said.

"We hope the coupons will get the homeless to SEARCH for a hot meal and make them aware of our services," said volunteer Kelly Carney, who is organizing the coupon program.



**100 BOOKS OR MORE** — These West first graders in Patti Palmer's class all read 100 or more books this semester. Front row, from left, Leslie Hancock, Whitney Graham, Amber Dryden, Devin

Ramby and Josh Arnold. Back row: Mindy Botts, Lindsey Bunch, James Payne, Ryan Gibson, Allen Smith and Sterling Doty. (SDN Staff Photo)



**MOST POPULAR** — Stephanie Weber and Shane Ballard were named most popular at Ira Schools' Awards Assembly held last Friday. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Artist carves busts of world leaders

**HUNTINGTON, W.Va. (AP)** — Gill carves black walnut into busts of world leaders, country and music stars and others he admires. In Robert Gill's heart — and hands.



**RIBBON CUTTING** — Members of the Gold Coats held ribbon-cutting ceremonies for Dr. Mario Ochoa at the doctor's clinic just west of Cogdell Hospital. Shown with the Gold Coats, from left, are

Karen Hines, Aurora Ochoa, Dr. Ochoa and Paula Brzozowski. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Aid for chronically ill children said threatened

HOUSTON (AP) — Lisa McGiffert, legislative coordinator for a Senate committee, says children will die if the Texas Department of Health follows through on its threat to stop supporting the Texas Chronically Ill and Disabled Children's Fund.

The fund for the current budget year is nearly depleted and the department may cut benefits from June 15 until September when allocations from the 1991 fiscal year kick in.

But even then, officials expect appropriations for next year to be lower and project the fund will be depleted again by January.

In Houston, 5-month-old Heather Sheldon will be able to walk despite being born with spina bifida, but only because of surgery provided by a state program. Other Texas children may not be so lucky, says Ms. McGiffert, who works for the Senate's Health and Human Services Committee.

"Kids are going to die. Especially these kids. If something goes wrong, you have to take care of it right away or they won't be able to breathe or eat," she told the Houston Chronicle.

The 32,000 children certified eligible for the program include those with cystic fibrosis, congenital ailments such as spina bifida, defects of the heart, lungs and other organs, cancer and other long-term diseases that are

expensive to treat.

The health department estimates that the three-month cutoff would affect 4,300 children who need special care this summer.

"These are very fragile people who are covered by this," said state Sen. Chet Brooks, D-Pasadena. If the children in need of care are forced to wait, he said, "we may just let them slip away."

Brooks has sponsored a bill in

the current special session to provide some relief for the program for the next two years. The Senate approved the measure on Friday, but final action and funding remain uncertain.

The Sheldons are typical of the people the program serves. Heather Sheldon's father does not have a regular job, and the Sheldons don't have health insurance. But without prompt surgery to correct her spina bifida, a congenital condition af-

fecting the spinal cord, Heather probably would not have walked. She may face more surgery.

"It was a lifesaver for Heather," said her mother, Tina Sheldon, 24. "We have no way to pay her medical bills. (The program) gave her a chance to have a normal life."

Without funding, Mrs. Sheldon said many families in the program will have no hope for their children.

## Role of national park service needs to increase at lake

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some 75,000 people have visited Lake Meredith and nearby Alibates Flint National Monument during Memorial Day weekend, but Rep. Bill Sarpalius wants them to have a better time there in the future.

Even with its popularity, the lake has never been able to compete on an equal basis for National Park Service funds. That's because there has never been a guarantee that the agency would always run the facility, Sarpalius said.

"Because the National Park Service didn't have full authority over the lake, its development has been neglected," he said.

So, Sarpalius, D-Amarillo, has introduced a bill to permanently extend National Park Service supervision of Lake Meredith.

Sarpalius has asked for \$1 million in the 1991 budget for Lake Meredith, most of which would be used to make a geographical study and five-year

development plan.

The plan would include new roads, a beach area, a visitors center for Alibates National Monument and possibly a new marina, Sarpalius said.

The reservoir was created 25 years ago by the Bureau of Reclamation to hold water for Panhandle communities. The bureau agreed to let the National Park Service operate a recreational area there.

"The only real development that has taken place on the lake ... was the initial development 25 years ago: six boat ramps and three comfort stations," said Pat McCrary, superintendent of the lake and adjacent Alibates National Monument.

The lake and monument are visited by about 1.5 million people annually, McCrary said, most from within a 250-mile radius.

McCrary said he hopes the national monument will one day have a walking trail and visitors center.

## Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren  
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DEAR ABBY: I'm glad you printed that letter from "Mad at the Mail," who complained because the postage stamps didn't stick. I thought maybe I was losing my mind because lately I've had letters returned to me marked "Postage Due" when I knew for a fact I had put stamps on them. I never had that kind of trouble with stamps before.

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DEAR ABBY: In reference to stamps that don't stick: Recently I had a rather elaborate card to mail that required three 25-cent postage stamps, so I very carefully put a small strip of Scotch tape along the edge of each postage stamp in order to secure it. (It was a sympathy card to a dear friend, and I wanted to make sure it arrived.)

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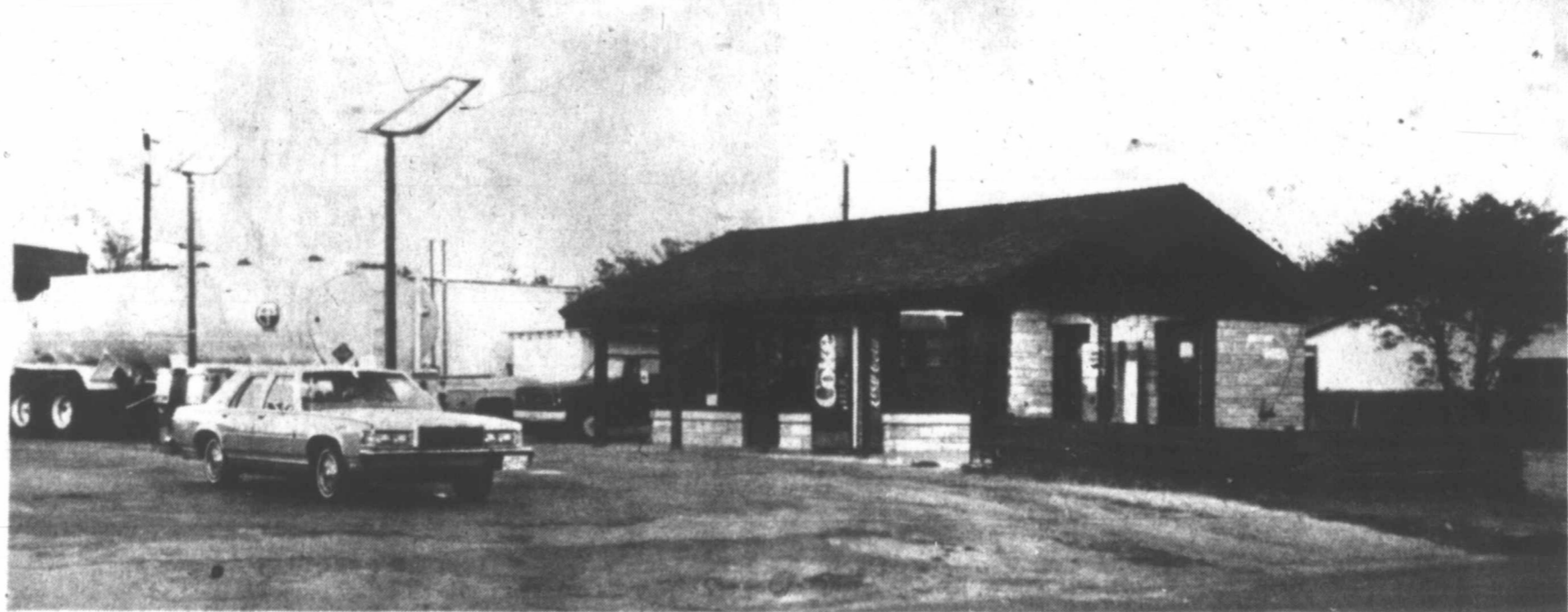
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## Search for 2 game wardens continues

CLAYTON, Texas (AP) — Two Texas Parks and Wildlife Department game wardens are believed to have drowned after their boat struck a stump in Lake Murvaul, authorities say.

Bruce Hill and Barry Decker's boat, bearing a state decal, was found adrift shortly after midnight by a resident at the lake, said Capt. L. Willford of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Sunday after they failed to return home. The search began early Sunday morning.

The missing wardens' boat was found just after dawn Sunday, and it had a large dent on its side.

four gunshots were heard. A local law enforcement officer, who asked not to be identified, said he believes the shots were a call for help as the two men held onto a stump.

More than 50 divers, including some from Louisiana and Lufkin, searched the Panola County lake late Sunday. The lake is located nearly 40 miles south of Longview.

Another game warden, Jerry McRae, said authorities are not holding much hope of finding the men alive.

"Right now, we are thinking the worst," McRae told the Henderson Daily News. "We feel like they did not survive."

McRae said searchers found a tree stump with fresh paint on it, leading authorities to believe the boat may have hit the stump, throwing the men into the water.

Two life jackets were found in the boat, officials said.

The search had to be suspended early Sunday afternoon when a tornado passed by the lake. The storm also knocked out power and phone lines in the area, hampering search efforts.

Rangers from around the state are helping with the search.

The two wardens were reported missing about 3 a.m.

One woman told authorities she heard what sounded like a collision about 10 p.m. Saturday night. Then at 4:15 a.m. Sunday,

The boat was found between a quarter-mile to a half-mile away from a point on the lake called Stovalls' Landing.

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