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Ask Us

No rulings likely in TDC hearings

By DONNY BROWN
SDN Managing Editor

No official rulings are expected Monday related to some five lawsuits filed by litigants opposed to the construction of a Texas Department of Corrections prison in Scurry County.

District Judge Joe Evins of Edinburg, who has been named to hear the suits after District Judge Gene Dulaney voluntarily removed himself, said Friday the session in Kerrville will be mainly to allow both sides to "see me and feel me out."

"To see whether I've got horns on," the judge joked. The session, called a docket control conference, is scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday in Kerrville, selected as an approximate

See RULING, page 15a

Authorities seek drug plane bust 'getaway' driver

By BOB CAMPBELL
SDN Staff Writer

State narcotics agents Friday were still looking for the man they believe was the get-away driver for the pilot who landed a drug plane in Borden County Feb. 15.

The pilot, 42-year-old Larry Gene Baugh of Austin, was arrested last week in an Austin suburb, and a spokesman for the Department of Public Safety said the driver will be charged in the case when he is apprehended.

"We have enough to charge him," said DPS narcotics agent Bob Nestoroff, referring to the 35-year-old Austin man who is believed to have driven Baugh away from the rural landing strip west of Gail before converging state, federal and county officers from Borden and Scurry counties could close in.

Two men were arrested on the night of the 15th in Palo Pinto and Erath counties after the plane made a drop of more than 1,200

pounds of marijuana. Those suspects were apprehended after they fled with the marijuana, using a pickup to haul it in a large horse trailer.

Nestoroff said from his Austin office Friday that the suspected pilot Baugh was using a KingAir plane leased from a company in Tyler. The company is not considered to have been involved in the drug-smuggling operation.

The agent said he had executed 10 search warrants in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico since a United States Customs aircraft and a DPS assault helicopter tracked the drug plane from Mexico and across Texas the night of the 15th.

"It's a major ring," Nestoroff said. "There are numerous rings that we know of and probably several that we don't know of yet, but it's one of the major ones."

He said the investigation of Baugh, a self-employed pilot and horse breeder, and the others goes back "for several years."

Borden County Sheriff Norman "Slick" Sneed said following the incident that the private landing strip about five miles west of Gail had been suspected as being used by drug smugglers for some time. Nestoroff told the SDN on Feb. 19 that no charges were planned against the landowner on which the strip was located. See AUTHORITIES, page 16a

Found in Mitchell County...

Tests for plague 'negative' locally

Tests of a rabbit included in an apparent die-off in southwestern Scurry County have shown no signs of bubonic plague.

Results were returned to officials with the Scurry County Health Unit Thursday.

The animal was tested in Colorado at a bubonic plague testing center there.

Paula Pierce, head nurse at the health unit, said more testing is

Involving Cogdell Memorial...

TDC lawsuit expanded

Opponents of a proposed prison in Scurry County for the second time have amended one of five original suits filed in an effort to stop the project.

A petition was filed in 132nd District Court Friday amending the suit filed Dec. 28 against Cogdell Hospital and Scurry County.

As in the first amended petition, the State of Texas and Texas Department of Corrections were added as defendants.

For the first time, plaintiffs are seeking a jury trial in an effort to set aside the agreement between

Cogdell Hospital and the TDC.

The suit was further amended to relate to a separate suit against County Judge Bobby Goodwin seeking to set aside an agreement by which the county would do land leveling.

Plaintiffs in the suit are Jeanne Bullard, Jonisue Stiff, Louise Thompson, Gloria Griffin, Ava Lopour, Rylene Stoker and Joe Lopour.

Defendants include members of the commissioners court, members of the hospital board, former hospital administrator Cy Miller, the state of Texas and the

TDC.

In the suit, plaintiffs contend that the agreement between the TDC and the hospital is "illegal, inequitable, unreasonable and unfair."

The agreement provides for a designated wing for exclusive TDC use and discounts for medical services. The amended petition claims Cogdell rates recently were increased to offset discounts to inmates. In addition, the petition claims the discounts will adversely impact current operating deficits which plain-

See LAWSUIT, page 16a



BI-DISTRICT CHAMPS - Terry Garza, arm raised in victory, shares congratulations with Trey Tippens and Roland Romo after Snyder's 55-53 bi-

district basketball victory over Levelland Friday night. See related article, page 8A. (SDN Staff Photo)

WTC offers SOS session

Registration for the Western Texas College Spring Opportunity Session (SOS) begins Tuesday and will continue through Friday. Classes will begin also on Tuesday and will continue through May 13.

Those registering should first go to the student services office in the administration building.

Courses on the SOS schedule are Freehand Drawing (Art 132), Ceramics (Art 234 and Art 239), Texas History (History 233), Women's Singing Ensemble (Music 132) and Keyboarding (Business 113).

Art 132 will meet from 6 until 10 p.m. on Thursday; Art 234 and 239 from 6-10 p.m. on Tuesdays; Texas History from 6-10 p.m. on Tuesdays; and keyboarding from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Mondays. The singing group will meet from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Mondays.

Midwest manager planning to retire

Parker Wetsel, who is only the third fulltime general manager to serve the 50-year-old Midwest Electric Co-Op Inc., has informed his board of directors he will be retiring effective in June.

He has been with the utility company, which serves rural electric customers in nine counties, since Feb. 15, 1952. He has been general manager since July 1, 1976.

Wetsel, age 64, joined Midwest as a lineman's helper. Since that time, he worked his way through the ranks to become a line foreman, line superintendent, assistant manager in the early 1960s and, 12 years ago, general manager.

He is a native of Fisher County, where he and his wife, Billie Lois, continue to live. His wife retired effective Friday as city secretary



PARKER WETSEL

...to retire... for the City of Roby. Midwest Electric, which has of. See WETSEL, page 15a

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "You must be getting older when most of your dreams are reruns."

There should be more uses for Leap Year, other than just adjusting the calendar to get in synch.

Leap year means 1988 will have 366 days in which a 29th day is added to February to compensate for the difference between the length of the common and astronomical years.

Ever year divisible by 4, such as 1988, is a leap year. The exception is a year completing a century, which must be divisible by 400—such as the year 2000.

We remember a high school classmate who celebrated her fourth birthday when she was 16. It really didn't make an impact in those days, but the same gal—now 42—is just observing her 13th birthday.

It would be pretty neat to be 42 years old and still lay claim to just becoming a teenager.

It would be nice to include some new leap year traditions.

—In Biblical times, debts were forgiven every

seventh year. Because of inflation, we might make such forgiveness each Leap Year. Wouldn't it be nice to have a clean slate at least every four years.

—Pass a law that requires a romantic, candlelight dinner each Leap Year. Quiet conversation without the kids wouldn't be too bad once in every four years.

—Ban all meetings—especially those of the committee variety—during a Leap Year month.

—Have one day of television programming free of commercials.

—Declare it a day free of politicians.

—Require Dan Rather, Ted Koppel and Sam Donaldson to spend a week together in a remote hunting cabin sans indoor plumbing.

—Ban TV game shows for at least one week during Leap Year.

—Allow motorists to drive 70 for at least one day on any four-lane divided highway.

—At least once every four years—eat any and everything that tastes good, and ban the word diet from the vocabulary.

—Fulfill—without repercussion—that secret wish. Then start a countdown for the next Leap Year.

Local

Quilt display

Quilts, both old and new, will be displayed in the Diamond M Museum of Fine Art in an exhibit opening March 6.

Demonstrations of modern and traditional quilting techniques will be in progress as the exhibit opens, and the public is invited to watch these demonstrations from 1-4 o'clock on the opening day.

Quilts made in the Scurry County Senior-Center will be included in the exhibit along with older quilts loaned by local residents.

The Diamond M Museum is in the Diamond M Building at 909 25th Street. It is open from 1-4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. There is no charge for admission.

Set to meet

The Snyder school board has a called meeting slated Monday at 7:30 p.m. to employ a maintenance director for the district.

The action has been prompted by the announced retirement of Bill Sealy, who is expected to step down at the end of this contract year.

In other meetings this week, the Scurry County Appraisal District board will be in session at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Hereford sale

The 39th annual National Anxiety 4th Hereford Breeders show and sale is slated Monday in the Scurry County Coliseum.

The show is to begin at 9 a.m. and the sale at 12:30 p.m. Auctioneer will be Stanley Stout.

Some 94 purebred cattle, each with guarantees of bloodlines, will be included in the exhibit.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Friday, 59 degrees; low, 49 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Saturday, 52 degrees; trace precipitation; total precipitation for 1988 to date, .80 of an inch.

Snyder Area Forecast: Saturday, 20 percent chance of morning rain-showers becoming mostly fair by noon. High around 70. Wind northeast 10 to 15 mph. Tonight, fair. Low in the mid 40s. Wind northeast 5 to 10 mph. Sunday, sunny. High in the lower 70s. Wind southeast 10 to 15 mph.

Cruise ship vacation becomes mess

AUSTIN (AP) — Passengers aboard a cruise vessel traveling around Central America abandoned ship in Panama after the crew mutinied, the air conditioning failed and a travel agency's promise of a dream vacation turned into a floating nightmare.

By Friday, the last of the passengers aboard the cruise ship Galaxy had disembarked in Panama City, Panama, without completing the last leg of the trip between Acapulco and Cancun, Mexico, said Ron Dusek, spokesman for the Texas attorney general's office.

Jim Mattox, the Texas attorney general, filed suit Wednesday against Golden Cruisetours Inc. of San Antonio, two of its subsidiaries and the companies' owners. Mattox alleges hundreds

of thousands of dollars were bilked from cruise customers by canceled trips and unrefunded money.

The cruise was advertised in 52 newspapers across the country, officials said. A brochure promised passengers a "friendly, attentive crew" and the chance to meet new friends.

Passengers say the cruise that began Feb. 11 in Acapulco fell short of the promises. Eighty-seven of the 250 passengers refused to get aboard for the second half of the cruise because the food was cold and the air conditioning was broken, officials said.

The next day, the crew mutinied, according to the U.S. State Department. More passengers left the ship on Feb. 18 before the ship left from Punta Renas, Costa Rica.

Sarita Anderson, one of the passengers, told the Houston Chronicle about a fight that vacationers witnessed in the ship's lounge during a stop in Guatemala.

"As we started into the lounge, there was a fight going on," Mrs. Anderson said. "It was something to do with work schedules."

The English-speaking Honduran crew supervisor was arguing with the ship's staff chief, yelling that the Mexican crew members, kitchen help and cabin boys, who had been hired only days earlier in Acapulco, were being worked too hard, Mrs. Anderson said.

The chief then slugged the Honduran, causing blood to splatter, she said.

"I'm going to kill you," the Honduran said, according to Mrs. Anderson.

About 50 mutineers were removed from the ship in Costa Rica, leading to a dock rally sponsored by a local workers' union which refused to supply replacement labor.

The last 90 passengers disembarked when the ship docked in Panama City, Panama, Dusek said, adding he did not know where it was on Friday.

Telephone calls placed Friday to Golden Cruisetours' office in San Antonio went unanswered.

Iowa man said given life sentence

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A judge, citing the cruel abuse of two infants, sentenced an Iowa man to life in prison Friday for failing to obtain medical aid for a 1-month-old baby.

Gary Dale Elliott Sr., 28, of Des Moines, received the stiff sentence in connection with the April 25, 1987, death of Gary

Elliott Jr.

Injuries to the infant were reported on April 24, 1987, after the child stopped breathing while Elliott and his 21-year-old wife, Tricia Lynn, were staying at a South Padre Island hotel.

Autopsies conducted in Texas and Iowa concluded that the baby died from head injuries suffered 10 to 14 days earlier.

The infant's twin brother, Gregory, reportedly has lost the use of one arm and suffered brain damage from similar injuries.

"I think that this sentence I impose on you cannot possibly make up for what has happened," State District Judge Robert Garza told Elliott before he imposed the maximum sentence. "You'll never be able to make up for what has happened to these children."

E. D. Browning earns honors at Tarleton State

E. D. Browning, son of Vernon and Sandra Browning of Snyder, has been named a Distinguished Student at Tarleton State University.

He is a biology and physical education major and is listed on the "B" honor roll with a 3.71 GPA for the fall 1987 semester.



E. D. BROWNING

They Serve



COUNTY DEPUTY — Darren Jackson, 22, is a Snyder native who graduated from high school as a National Honor Society member and is scheduled to graduate this spring from Western Texas College with a criminal justice degree. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the honor fraternity, and plans to continue his studies in law enforcement, accounting and business at the University of Texas-Permian Basin. Jackson was the top graduate of his class at the West Central Texas Law Enforcement Academy in Abilene. His favorite hobbies are motorcycle riding and water skiing. He and his wife, Ann, have a 10-month-old son, Michael Paul. (SDN Staff Photo)

Sam Robertson in elite group

Snyder insurance executive and sales management leaders. Sam Robertson, district manager for the Franklin Life Insurance Co. of Springfield, Ill., has been named to membership in the 1988 Franklin Million Dollar Conference, the company's elite organization of national sales and sales management leaders.

In qualifying, Robertson has been recognized as one of the company's most successful agency associates. His accomplishments will be recognized at the company's 1988 convention, to be held in July in Hawaii.

Woman shoots police officer

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — A bullet-proof vest saved an officer's life Friday when a woman fired point-blank into his chest after he stopped to see if she needed help with her car, police said.

Buddy Evans, who had pulled over and approached a woman who appeared to be stranded at an intersection, told investigators the woman smiled at him as she pulled the trigger of a small-caliber handgun.

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U.S. supports Delvalle in attempted coup

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration, in a new rebuff to Panamanian strong man Manuel Antonio Noriega, is lending diplomatic support to President Eric Arturo Delvalle in his bid to resist a Noriega-led effort to oust him.

Delvalle was the target of a series of maneuvers that had the earmarks of a military coup after Noriega successfully fought off the president's effort to depose him as defense chief.

"We still regard him as president," State Department spokeswoman Phyllis Oakley said Friday, hours after Noriega's allies in the National Assembly voted to remove Delvalle from office and to appoint the education minister as

president. Delvalle called the move "legally despicable" and urged a national strike to repudiate Noriega's leadership.

Mrs. Oakley said the U.S. decision was based on its support for "civilian constitutional rule."

High-level meetings were held throughout the day Friday as officials assessed the startling array of developments in a country regarded as one of Latin America's most strategically important.

The administration has demonstrated increasing hostility toward Noriega, particularly since two federal grand juries returned indictments Feb. 5 depicting him as a key figure in an international drug trafficking conspiracy.

Delvalle had been viewed by the administration as little more than a front man for Noriega, but that all changed Thursday evening when he broke with the military chieftain.

White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, "We condemn all efforts to perpetuate military rule in Panama, including efforts to remove President Delvalle from office."

Panama's political turmoil, marked by shifting allegiances and high-stakes intrigue, gave rise to questions about whether the United States would intervene militarily. But President Reagan said, "I don't think that's an answer."

Vice President George Bush, speaking to the South Carolina

Press Association, was less categorical than Reagan.

Bush said he would "reserve the right to do whatever is necessary, including military force, to protect America's sacred interest in that region of the world." On the other hand, Bush said he didn't "want to rat-

tle any sabers."

According to a Panamanian dissident, Delvalle knew in advance that his effort to replace Noriega would fail, but the maneuver was only the first step in an elaborate plan designed to force Noriega's departure over the next three weeks.

Jose I. Blandon, a former close associate of Noriega who has joined forces with Delvalle, said in an interview here Friday that he expects democratic countries in Latin America will rally behind Delvalle, further weakening Noriega's position.

Higginbotham has new affiliation

Higginbotham-Bartlett Co. has become an affiliate member of Hardware Wholesalers, Inc., a member-owned buying organization consisting of over 2,600 independent merchants.

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Wayland Walton, manager of Higginbotham-Bartlett Co., said his firm will now be an outlet for more than 36,000 items in the HWI Distribution Center. Walton said his firm will be able to offer the local market a complete

selection of building materials, builders hardware, brand-name tools, plumbing and electrical supplies.

Other departments include lawn and garden supplies, housewares, appliances and sporting goods, which will be carried in stock or may be ordered from the HWI catalog.

Deliveries are made each Thursday from the distribution center in Waco. Special orders can be delivered during the week in which the order is placed, if the item is ordered before 11 a.m. Monday. There is no shipping charge for special orders delivered to the store.

John Laird has been assigned as the area supervisor for the local firm. His responsibilities include employee training, inventory control, management training, and product knowledge training. In addition, training meetings are conducted periodically for specialized instruction of all phases of retailing.

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SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS—These Stanfield students were all named science fair winners. On the first row are the winners for grades 1-3. They are from left, Melanie Kidd, first; Jamie Burleson, second; Melissa Pratt, third; Chris Halbert, fourth; Oscar Aguilar, fifth; Monica Blume, sixth; and John Border, honorary award.

Seated are Andrea Corkran, first; Paige Bell, second; Richard Morely, third; and Stacey Parker, fourth. Those standing are: Mendy Winter, fifth; and Stephanie Uptergrove, sixth. Those receiving special awards were Carl Strelecki, Julie Lang, Cela Ashby and Chris Mitchell. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Mecham trial won't be delayed

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — A last-minute plea by Gov. Evan Mecham's new defense team failed to win a delay in his impeachment trial as the Arizona Supreme Court refused to intercede.

The four justices who heard his appeal for an emergency stay Friday cited constitutional separation of powers in refusing to intervene in the trial scheduled to begin in the state Senate Monday.

However, they said they would consider a more detailed request during the court's regular conference Tuesday.

Senate Minority Leader Alan Stephens, a Democrat, predicted

the justices would not interfere with the nation's first impeachment trial of a governor in half a century.

The court's rebuff to Mecham capped a turbulent day for the first-term Republican governor, who also faces criminal charges of concealing a \$350,000 campaign loan.

First, Mecham's chief lawyer, Murray Miller of Phoenix, disclosed he had resigned. Taking his place was Jerris Leonard, a Washington lawyer and former

assistant attorney general under President Nixon.

"We brought in a number of new people and Murray chose to leave," Mecham told The Associated Press Friday night. "We parted as friends. I've got the best of representation."

Leonard and another addition to the defense team, Thomas Crowe, promptly launched a last-ditch effort to win a delay that the Senate had refused to grant Wednesday night.

Real estate course slated

A 45-hour course in real estate finance is scheduled to begin March 7-May 23 at Western Texas College.

Classes will meet from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Monday nights and from 1-6 p.m. on April 10. Fees are \$56.25 plus the required textbook.

Covered in the course will be fundamentals of the monetary system, sources for primary and secondary mortgage money, pro-

cedures for obtaining real estate funds and other common financing, legal concepts of mortgages and related instruments, closing costs, and acts regulating equal credit opportunity, community reinvestment and state housing agency.

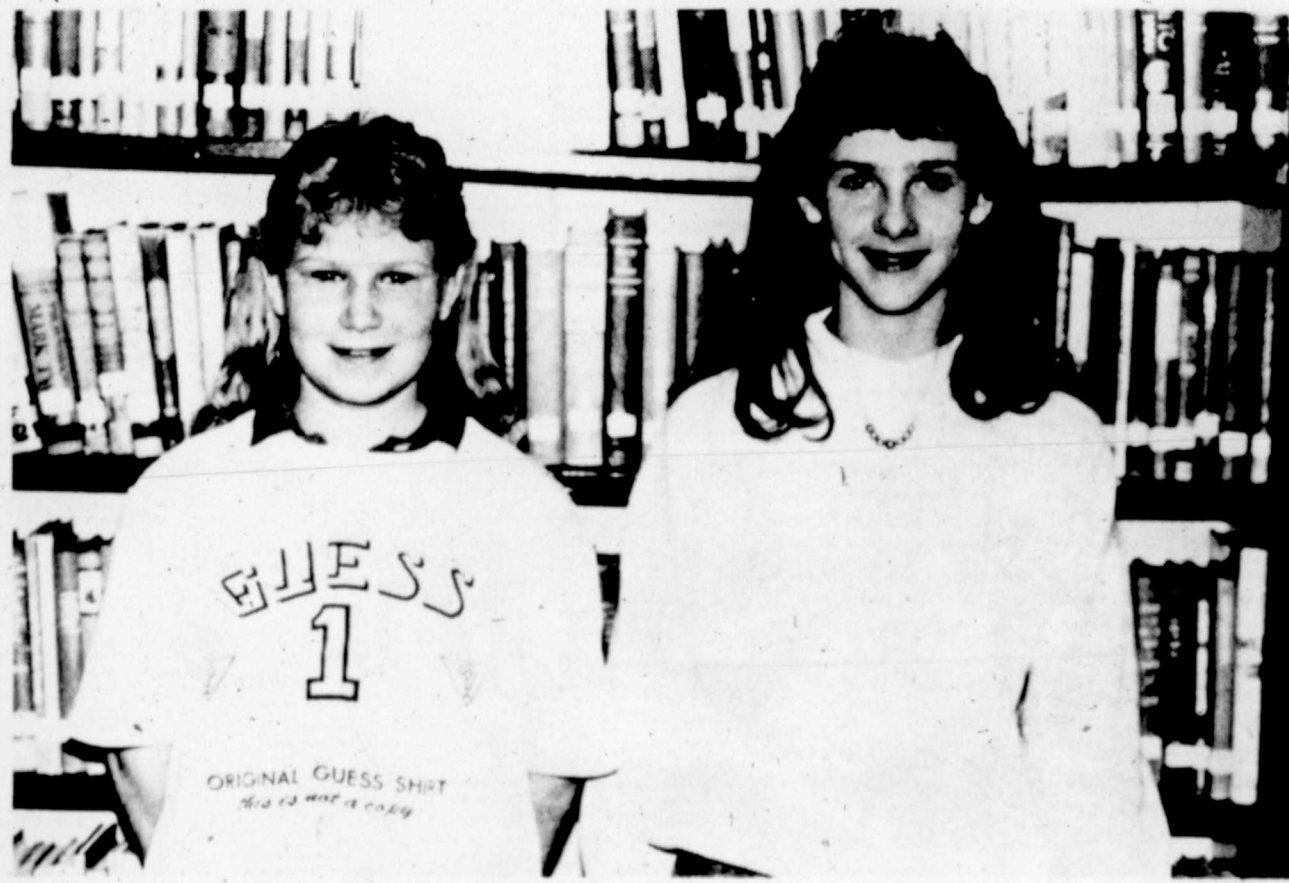
Real estate finance is a required course for persons seeking real estate licenses in Texas.

To pre-register call 573-8511, ext. 240.



JR. HIGH WINNERS—Amanda Sorrells, left, captured first place honors in the Ira Junior High spelling bee held Wednesday morning. She is an eighth grader and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

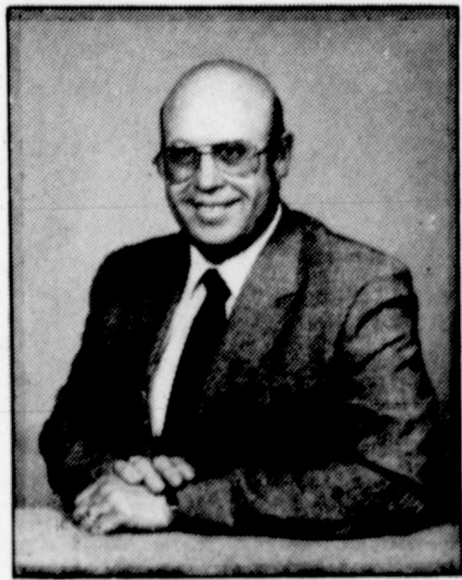
Ray Sorrells. Alternate is Chris Haynes, also an eighth grader, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Haynes. (SDN Staff Photo)



ELEMENTARY WINNERS—Kristi Sorrells, left, is the Ira Elementary School spelling bee champion. The contest was held Tuesday morning. She is a fifth grader and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.

Ray Sorrells. Amy Holmes is the alternate. She is a sixth grader and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Holmes. (SDN Staff Photo)

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THE BEST FOUR—These East students were the best spellers in Tuesday's spelling bee. From left they are: Cory Lelek, champion, sixth grader and son of Jerry and Rhonda Lelek; Susan Bigham, alternate, fifth grader and daughter of Ted and

Janet Bigham; Jake Hooker, third place, sixth grader and son of Kenny and Carol Kornegay; and Cara Belcher, fourth place, fifth grader and daughter of Clay and Cathy Belcher. (SDN Staff Photo)

Democrats tone down the bickering until the debate

by The Associated Press
The Democratic presidential candidates put aside their divisions for talk of party unity and a bid for support in the South before going at one another again today in a debate. Republican George Bush turned up the heat on Pat Robertson for making "ridiculous" allegations about him.

homelessness. Republicans in Maine, meanwhile, began a series of weekend caucuses with supporters of Bush and chief rival Bob Dole engaged in an alliance to stop Robertson. Maine Democrats hold their caucuses - Sunday, with Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis expected to win the New England state.

cautioning that the American people "don't want name-calling." Paul Simon, whose campaign is on the ropes and who isn't actively competing in the 20 Southern and other states voting on March 8, asked for support anyway.

The Democrats were meeting in a debate in Atlanta as they point toward the Super Tuesday primaries across the South and elsewhere that will decide more than one-third of the nominating delegates and propel at least some of the candidates on to the next round in big industrial states.

There was little mention of the internal bickering between Dukakis, Richard Gephardt and Albert Gore Jr. as they and their other rivals spoke Friday evening before a huge Georgia state Democratic Party dinner. They attacked the Reagan administration as one of greed and complacency while each repeated his own campaign themes.

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Sign language course planned

Manual communications, designed to teach persons to communicate with the deaf through sign language, will be taught in a Continuing Education course scheduled by Western Texas College.

have a basic background in signing. Classes will meet from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Tuesdays from March 1-May 24. Ellen Rumpff will be the instructor. Cost will be \$45 per person. To pre-register call 573-8511, ext. 240.

Farm outlook reported uncertain

WASHINGTON (AP) — The use of cotton by domestic textile manufacturers is at the highest level since the early 1970s, but an Agriculture Department analysis says the price outlook for producers is uncertain.

In the 1987 marketing year that ended last July 31, nearly 7.5 million bales of cotton were used

by mills, up from 6.4 million in 1986. As it looks now, 1988 mill use is headed for another gain to around 7.8 million bales.

But imports of cotton textiles also are up, totaling an equivalent of 4.9 million bales in 1987, a 22 percent increase from 1986, the department's Economic Research Service said Friday.

Meanwhile, U.S. exports of raw cotton are expected to be around 7 million bales in the 1988 marketing year, an increase of 300,000 bales from 1987, the agency said in its new outlook report.

Based on Jan. 1 indications, the 1987 cotton harvest — which goes into the overall supply for the 1988 marketing year — is expected to yield 14.7 million bales, up from 9.7 million bales in 1986.

March birthday party planned

Senior citizens who celebrate birthdays in March are invited to be guests for a birthday party in the senior center at 2 p.m. Tuesday afternoon. The monthly parties are sponsored by McDonald's.

The Robert Allen band will play for country and western dancing in the center from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday. Hoss Clayton's band will perform at 11:15 a.m. Tuesday.

The newly formed quilting class will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday morning. All phases of quilt making are being taught in the group.

A program titled "In Good Health With Energy" will be presented by the American Association of Retired Persons at 11:15 a.m. Thursday.

Members of the Golden K Kiwanis Club have begun selling tickets for their fish fry on March 13. Tickets are \$5 each and may be bought in advance through the senior center office.

Blood pressures are checked in the center from 9:45-11:15 a.m. each Friday morning. A sing along is scheduled each Friday from 11:30-noon.

Swimnastics and bowling groups from the center meet each week and senior citizens interested in joining these activities are invited to call 573-4035.

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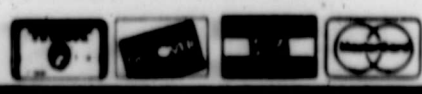
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WTC nursing program...

Students graduate; some receive caps

Graduation and capping ceremonies for students in Western Texas College Vocational Nursing courses were held Thursday at Trinity United Methodist Church. A reception honoring the students and their families followed the program. This was WTC's 27th graduating class and the 28th to receive caps.

Yvette Sickler, director of in-service education at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, was the program speaker. A welcome was given by Bob Doty, assistant professor of agriculture at WTC. Musical selections were given by pianist Jane Womack, assistant professor of music at WTC, and soloist Stacey Hardegree.

Certificates and pins for the graduates were presented by Diane Beard and Winnie Poyner, vocational nursing instructors. Caps for the students entering the clinical phase of their training were also presented by Beard and Poyner. The caps were donated by the auxiliary of Cogdell Memorial Hospital and presented by Katherine Ervin, auxiliary president.

Students graduating were Irma Thomas of Colorado City; Vickie Neal of Dickens; Nancy Tuck of Post and Tammy Bailey, Jo Ann Cagle, Emily Craig and Teresa Thamez of Snyder. Receiving caps were Gracie Hamilton of Colorado City; Sallie Wilson of Girard, Christine Morales of Jayton; Mary Wyrick of Rotan; Roy Bennett, Tanya Bennett, Patricia Holt and Kim Withers of Snyder and Lisa Brock of Waxahachie.



GRADUATES—Students graduating from the Western Texas College vocational nursing course Thursday night are pictured with their instructors. On the front row, left to right, are Diane Beard, RN, BSN, instructor; Tammy Bailey of Snyder, Nancy Tuck of Post, Irma Thomas of Colorado City, and Winnie Poyner, RN, BSN, instructor. On the back row are Emily Craig, Jo Ann Cagle and Teresa Thamez, all of Snyder, and Vickie Neal of Dickens. (WTC Photo)



CAPPED—Nine WTC vocational nursing students received caps in Thursday night ceremonies. On the front row are Diane Beard, RN, BSN, instructor; Sallie Wilson of Girard, Roy Bennett of Snyder, Kim Withers of Snyder and Winnie Poyner, RN, BSN, instructor. On the back row are Christine Morales of Jayton, Tanya Bennett of Snyder, Patricia Holt of Snyder, Mary Wyrick of Rotan, Lisa Brock of Waxahachie and Gracie Hamilton of Colorado City. (WTC Photo)

Former pastor's anniversary set

The Rev. George A. Shoff will mark 50 years in the gospel ministry. He was the pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Snyder for 10 years, from 1963-1973. Rev. Larry McAden is pastor of the church now.

ministry, Shoff directed the Calvary Gospel Center in Ponca City and pastored five churches in Texas and New Mexico. Rev. and Mrs. Shoff now live in Mansfield.

Shoff was born and raised in Wymore, Neb. and came to faith in Jesus during an evangelistic crusade in Ponca City, Okla. He received his training at Arlington Baptist College in Arlington, formerly the Baptist Bible Seminary in Fort Worth.

A special golden anniversary celebration will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at Pleasantview Baptist Church in Arlington. The Shoff's children who are planning the celebration, would like to extend an invitation to friends and members of churches where their father pastored to be part of the anniversary celebration.

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Brown: magazine is not source of criminal activity

HOUSTON (AP) — Publisher Robert Brown, whose Soldier of Fortune magazine is the subject of a negligence lawsuit seeking millions of dollars in damages, defended his magazine Friday as pro-American and anti-Communist and not a source of criminal activity.

Gary Black, 18, and Marjorie Einmann, 64, are suing the self-styled "Journal for Professional Adventurers" for \$22.5 million for running a classified ad that led to the killing of Sandra Black, Gary Black's mother and Mrs. Einmann's daughter.

Robert Black is on Texas' death row for paying John Wayne Hearn \$10,000 to fatally shoot his wife at her Bryan home in February 1985. Hearn is serving three life terms in Florida for the Black slaying and two others in that state.

Hearn's ad appeared in four issues of the magazine in late 1984, offering services of former Marine and Vietnam veterans and weapons specialists with

jungle warfare expertise for "high-risk assignments" in the United States or overseas.

Attorneys for the Boulder, Colo.-based magazine and its parent company, Omega Group, Ltd., do not dispute the ad brought Hearn and Black together, but insist Brown had no way of knowing the ad was for illegal activity.

"We don't have the capability — nor does any publisher — to investigate every ad," Brown said Friday.

He added that if he had been informed of allegations of crimes linked to ads, "we would have called probably a couple of law enforcement contacts and got their input — to see if this was an isolated incident or whether we should preclude future ads."

He noted that magazine surveys showed more than 50,000 of its readers were law enforcement types, and not one of them ever contacted Soldier of Fortune with information that the ads were possible solicitations for criminal conduct.

Asked what his response would have been, Brown replied: "If someone would had called and said somebody had been murdered, you bet your bottom dollar ... I'd have pulled every ad."

Friday's appearance was Brown's second on the witness stand and much of his testimony about classified ads reiterated his previous comments. He was summoned last week as an adverse witness called by the plaintiffs, but magazine attorneys waited until presenting their side of the case to cross-examine him.

Brown also told of articles about efforts to obtain Soviet weapons in Afghanistan for inspection.

Wildflower competition announced

Scurry County residents are invited to enter a photography competition sponsored by the Scurry County Museum as part of 1988 Wild Flower observance.

Entries will be judged in two categories: (1) landscaping, which shows homes or public buildings landscaped with native plants and wild flowers and (2) general, Texas wild flowers and native plants in any setting.

Entries will be divided into three age groups, non-students 18 and older, high school students and Western Texas College students. Each photographer may submit as many as three entries and no photographer may receive more than one cash award.

The grand prize for the competition of \$25 has been donated by Keaton Kolor. First prize in each category will be \$10. Ribbons will be given for second and third place in each category, with ribbons also for honorable mention.

There will be an entry fee of \$3 per picture for non-students and \$1 for students. All entries are to be 8x10 inches or larger and must be framed or matted and ready to hang.

Deadline for entry is April 6. Call 573-6107 for more details.

Defensive driving course planned

An eight-hour defensive driving course has been scheduled by the Continuing Education department of Western Texas College this week.

Classes will meet from 6-10 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday and students must attend both sessions to receive a certificate of completion. Diane Dodd will be the instructor.

Fees are \$25 per person or \$7 for persons 62 years of age and older.

To enroll pre-register by calling 573-8511, ext. 240.

Hermleigh student receives scholarship

A Hermleigh student is among those McMurry College has awarded a newly created United Methodist Church scholarship.

The program was set up for high school students who are members of United Methodist Churches. The scholarship awards the recipient full tuition for four years—eight continuous fall and spring semesters. The scholarship may be split between 2-4 individuals if the awarding church is unable to decide on one student.

Area scholarship beneficiary is Benjamin Richard, Hermleigh United Methodist Church.

Area students on honor rolls

LUBBOCK—More than 2,000 Texas Tech University students qualified for the academic honors lists at the end of the 1987 fall semester.

Students on the President's Honor list earned a perfect 4.0 (A) GPA while enrolled in 12 or more semester hours of classwork. Students finishing 12 or more hours with a GPA of 3.5-3.9 qualified for the Dean's Honor List.

Students making the Dean's List include: Kimberly Ann Willis of Fluvanna, accounting; Timothy Ray Kotrla of Hermleigh, accounting and John Zalman IV of Hermleigh, music education.

Those from Snyder making the Dean's List include, Mike Edward Cline, music education; Benjamin Timothy Curfman, psychology; Robin Deniese Downing, early childhood; Kelli Lynn Griffith, management; Sean Patrick Kennedy, arts and sciences undecided; Belita McCravey Nelson, secondary education; Rosario Morales Peralez, biology; Janetta Jill Pylant, education and Teresa Anne Young, English.

Those on the President's List include Floy Maureen Williamson Green of Hermleigh, microbiology; Mark Lynn Duke of Snyder, accounting; and Marilyn Any Lancaster of Snyder, secondary education.

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Lasso the Lobos, 55-53...

Tigers outlast Levelland for bi-district title

By BILL McCLELLAN
SDN Sports Editor

PLAINVIEW -- Snyder's defense allowed only one point in the final four minutes and Terry Garza's 3-pointer erased that as the Tigers edged Levelland 55-53 in a bi-district playoff game on the Wayland Baptist University campus Friday night.

Garza's triple came with 1:02 left in the ballgame, or 27 seconds after teammate Kevin Combest twisted a knee while battling Levelland's Scott Moore for a loose ball. The Lobos were ahead 53-51 at the time of Combest's injury, and had possession of the ball. But if anybody had asked Trey Tippens, he could have taken the suspense out of the rest of the game.

"I remember with about a minute and 39 seconds left I felt like we were playing with all our hearts. And when Kevin went down, I knew no matter what, we were going to win it then," said the 6-5 Tiger senior, who had 10 points and 11 rebounds and would eventually pull down the biggest rebound of the game.

But the fans weren't as convinced as Tippens was, and Hutchinson Center rocked with

adrenalin until the final buzzer.

Snyder did get the ball back - Combest was deemed sore, but okay - and with just over a minute to play, Garza uncorked a 20-footer from the right side. It grazed the inside rim and dropped through, giving the Tigers a 54-53 edge. Levelland - masters of the clock, it seemed - ran the timepiece down to 32 seconds before calling timeout.

Anxious fans recalled that the Lobos had closed the previous three quarters with 3-point buckets. Right now, the District 1-4A champions needed only two points to regain the lead.

Unsurprisingly, Levelland went to its playmaker, Moore, and he drove inside in hopes of scoring a bucket or drawing the foul. He got neither. The ball bounced from the rim and Garza came away with it for the Tigers. Still, the contest was in doubt.

Levelland mounted a quick press, and kept the Tigers from crossing the timeline in 10 seconds. It was the Lobos' ball again with 13 ticks left on the clock.

Again, the call went out to Moore, the red-haired fireball who seemed to have no quit in

him. The 5-11 senior drove the lane again, used a pick, and took a moving shot from five feet out. It missed. Tippens was ready for the rebound, and nabbed it. Moore, in desperation, came under the big man and fouled him in an attempt to get the ball. The teams walked to the other end

with four seconds left. It was bedlam in the stands, and Coach Larry Scott was having trouble containing an already celebrating bench. He knew that four seconds was long enough for Levelland to get off another long distance shot. Tippens made the first free

throw to give the game its final score. The crazy crowd got a little wilder. He missed the second and Levelland rebounded.

Teddy Latham got off a final shot from near midcourt. It was a couple of feet off the mark. The Tigers had the victory. Tippens knew it all along. Now, so did

everyone else. Snyder could book a regional semifinal date with Wichita Falls Hirschi. Levelland could close the book on a fine year and a 21-11 record.

Moore led all scorers with 22 points. Kenneth Jackson bagged 17 for the Lobos, including a pair of 3-pointers.

Garza popped for 20 to lead Snyder, now 24-8 for the season. Braziel scored 17, Tippens 10 and Combest and Lewis Wesley 4 apiece.

Both teams had enjoyed leads during the game, though never by more than eight points. Garza notched a pair of free throws late in the first quarter to give Snyder a one-point lead. Levelland came back with five straight, including a 3-pointer from Latham - and took a 16-12 advantage into the second quarter.

In the second, Snyder got a three-point play from Tippens to tie the game at 22-22, and eventually led by five 2:41 before halftime. Back came the Lobos. Levelland got the last nine points of the quarter this time - accented by a Moore 3-pointer - and led at intermission, 33-29.

Levelland managed an eight point lead, 37-29, when Moore scored the first four points of the third quarter. Tippens finally scored for Snyder, however, and the Tigers rallied. With baskets from Garza, Braziel and Wesley, Snyder not only caught the Lobos, but eventually took a 46-41 lead.

But Levelland, as in the first and second quarters, had the last word. The Lobos got the last five points again - finished off by another Latham 3-pointer - to tie the score 46-46 heading into the final quarter.

The lead never varied by more than two points the rest of the way. Braziel scored Snyder's first five points of the period, his last coming with 3:44 left and the Tigers trailing 52-51. Turnovers hampered both teams until Moore went to the line with 2:38 left. He hit one free throw for a 53-51 Levelland lead, setting the scene for the dramatic final moments.

Snyder 55, Levelland 53
LEVELLAND- Kenneth Jackson 8-0-17; Scott Moore 8-5-22; Teddy Latham 2-0-5; Dennis Cunningham 3-0-5; Paxton Payton 1-0-2; Jimmy Kempf 0-0-0; Todd Latham 0-0-0; Paul Menasoff 0-0-0; TOTALS 22-54-53.
SNYDER- Tracy Braziel 7-3-17; Terry Garza 7-8-20; Lewis Wesley 2-0-4; Kevin Combest 2-0-4; Van Echols 0-0-0; Trey Tippens 4-2-3-10; TOTALS 22-12-55.
3-Point Goals: Levelland 4 (Jackson 2, Moore, Latham); Snyder 1 (Garza); Total Fouls: Levelland 16, Snyder 9; Fouled Out: Moore; Rebounds: Levelland 13, Snyder 24 (Tippens 11); Turnovers: Levelland 11, Snyder 17; Records: Levelland 21-11, Snyder 24-8.

Levelland	16	17	13	7	-53
Snyder	12	17	17	9	-55



UP FOR TWO -- Snyder's Tracy Braziel goes up for two points against Paxton Payton of Levelland during Friday's bi-district playoff game between the teams. Snyder outlasted the Lobos 55-53 to win the crown and advance in the playoffs. See related article, this page. (SDN Staff Photo)

Playoff details not set

Snyder Coach Larry Scott was on his way to Haskell Saturday in hopes of reaching an agreement with regional semifinal playoff opponent Wichita Falls Hirschi.

Snyder defeated Levelland in bi-district play Friday, while Hirschi downed Crowley.

Telephone conversations between school officials Saturday morning were unable to sort out the confusion. Reportedly, the only playing court available in Abilene on Tuesday was McMurry, and Hirschi officials would not consider that site. Talk was playing in Haskell's small gym, or choosing between Vernon and Abilene with a coin flip.

Western Texas hosts SPC

Western Texas College hoped to conclude the 1987-88 basketball season on a winning note here Saturday as the Westerners were to host South Plains at 7:30 p.m. in Scurry County Coliseum.

Western, 8-22 overall, will finish sixth in the WJAC, despite the outcome of Saturday's game. The Westerners were 5-10 in conference play.

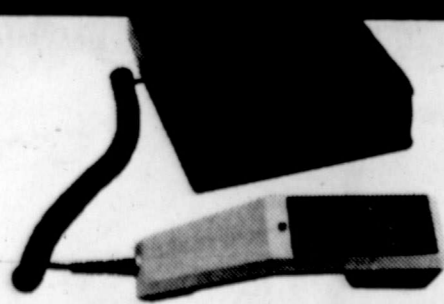
South Plains, went into the game with a 22-7 season mark and was 11-4 in conference play.

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Rockets lose again...

Berry, Spurs disarm Rockets

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) - Walter Berry's pain turned into a big gain for the San Antonio Spurs as he led the team to its second consecutive victory.

Berry scored a game-high 30 points for a 111-107 victory over the Houston Rockets in NBA action Friday night.

"I just wanted to come out and play well, but I didn't expect 30 points," he said. "We played a hard game, got a couple of steals, got a couple of rebounds, and I think that's what turned the game around."

San Antonio held a 32-26 lead after the first quarter, but it was an uphill battle for the Spurs most of the night.

San Antonio led 38-32 with 8:24 to play in the first half, but the Rockets outscored them 20-1 to take a 52-39 lead with 3:48 remaining. At halftime the Spurs trailed 52-39.

Changing ends of the basket also brought a change to the Spurs shooting touch.

Akem Olajuwon scored Houston's first three field goals of the second half, but in the

meantime, the Spurs had narrowed the margin.

With 8:01 remaining in the third period Johnny Dawkins picked off a pass, drove to midcourt and scored to tie the game at 66.

Helped by Frank Brickowski's 10 third-quarter points, San Antonio never relinquished the lead.

"We played about as bad a third quarter as I have ever seen," said Houston coach Bill Fitch. "We were playing on eggshells in the second half."

Trailing by as many as eight points, 97-89 in the final period, the Rockets surged in the final minute when Houston's Robert Reid hit a 3-pointer with 35

seconds remaining to shrink the Spurs' lead to 107-105.

The Rockets' comeback was blocked when Brickowski made a layup with 23 seconds remaining and was fouled in the attempt. Brickowski completed the 3-point play to lift San Antonio to a 110-105 lead.

Olajuwon hit a field goal with 18 seconds left to bring Houston within three points, 110-107, but Ed Nealy's free throw with 11 seconds left, secured the Spurs victory.

"I think we let this one get away," said Houston's Reid. "We didn't think good basketball for

(see ROCKETS, page 9A)

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SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP) — National leaders of Jimmy Swagart's church decided Friday to have a state panel reconsider a proposed three-month suspension of the reigning television evangelist, who tearfully confessed to unspecified sins amid allegations of sexual misconduct. G. Raymond Carlson, general superintendent of the Springfield-based Assemblies of God church, announced the decision after 11 hours of discussion over two days with other members of the church's Executive Presbytery.



COSMETOLOGY GRADUATES—Tammy Plank of Sweetwater and Johnita Cooper of Blackwell, who will be completing their studies in the Western Texas College cosmetology course, were honored at a reception in the cosmetology lab Tuesday. When they have completed the required 1,500 hours of training they will be eligible to take the state Board of Cosmetology examinations for licensing. (WTC Photo)

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NORTH WINNERS—North Elementary named four winners in a spelling bee held Thursday morning. They are pictured from left: Shannon McNeil, 6th grader, came in first; Kenny Treat, 6th grader, finished in second place; Hope Balis, 4th grader, took third place honors; and Misty Clem, 5th grader, is in fourth place. Parents of the winners are Delbert and Melba McNeil, David and Martha Treat, Dale and Marilyn Balis and Fred and Brenda Clem. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Helicopter had mechanical problems during final flight

DALLAS (AP) — Problems forced an Army helicopter to land twice before it crashed in a North Texas cow pasture, killing 10 soldiers and seriously burning eight, witnesses said.

The Chinook CH-47D helicopter had been on a routine transport flight from Fort Hood in central Texas to Fort Sill, Okla., when it crashed Thursday near Chico.

The helicopter landed immediately after takeoff from Fort Hood when pilot Ronald W. Bender reported that a "fault light" on his instrument panel had come on, base spokesman Mike Miller said.

After checking the helicopter, Bender again received clearance to take off, and left the base, Miller said. The spokesman said it was not unusual for pilots to land to check out warning lights.

About 20 minutes later, the helicopter landed near Cranfills Gap about 45 miles north of Fort Hood on land owned by rancher John David Abdnor.

Abdnor said the aircraft's engines stopped. He said the helicopter was on the ground about 20 minutes before lifting off and heading north.

"They opened up the engine on the right side of the back end," said Capt. Calvin Turner of Killeen, who survived the crash by leaping from the aircraft. "We got back in, strapped up, started flying and all of a sudden we heard a lot of noise. "Smoke started coming out.

We all ran up to the cab (in the front). There was a lot of black smoke, and that's all I remember."

If the soldiers moved quickly from the rear of the helicopter to the front and if one of the two engines was disabled, the abrupt weight shift plus the loss of one rotor would make it more difficult for even an experienced pilot to land the craft safely, said Bruce Jay, a spokesman for Boeing Helicopters, which makes the Chinook.

The seven remaining Chinooks at Fort Sill were grounded and inspections ordered before they can be returned to service, base spokesman Richard Brown said.

Investigators were tight-lipped Friday on the cause of the crash.

"We don't have any information about what happened on board. What we're telling ... is that the Army is investigating the crash, but anything else I tell you would be either rumor or speculation," said Fort Hood spokesman Capt. Monett.

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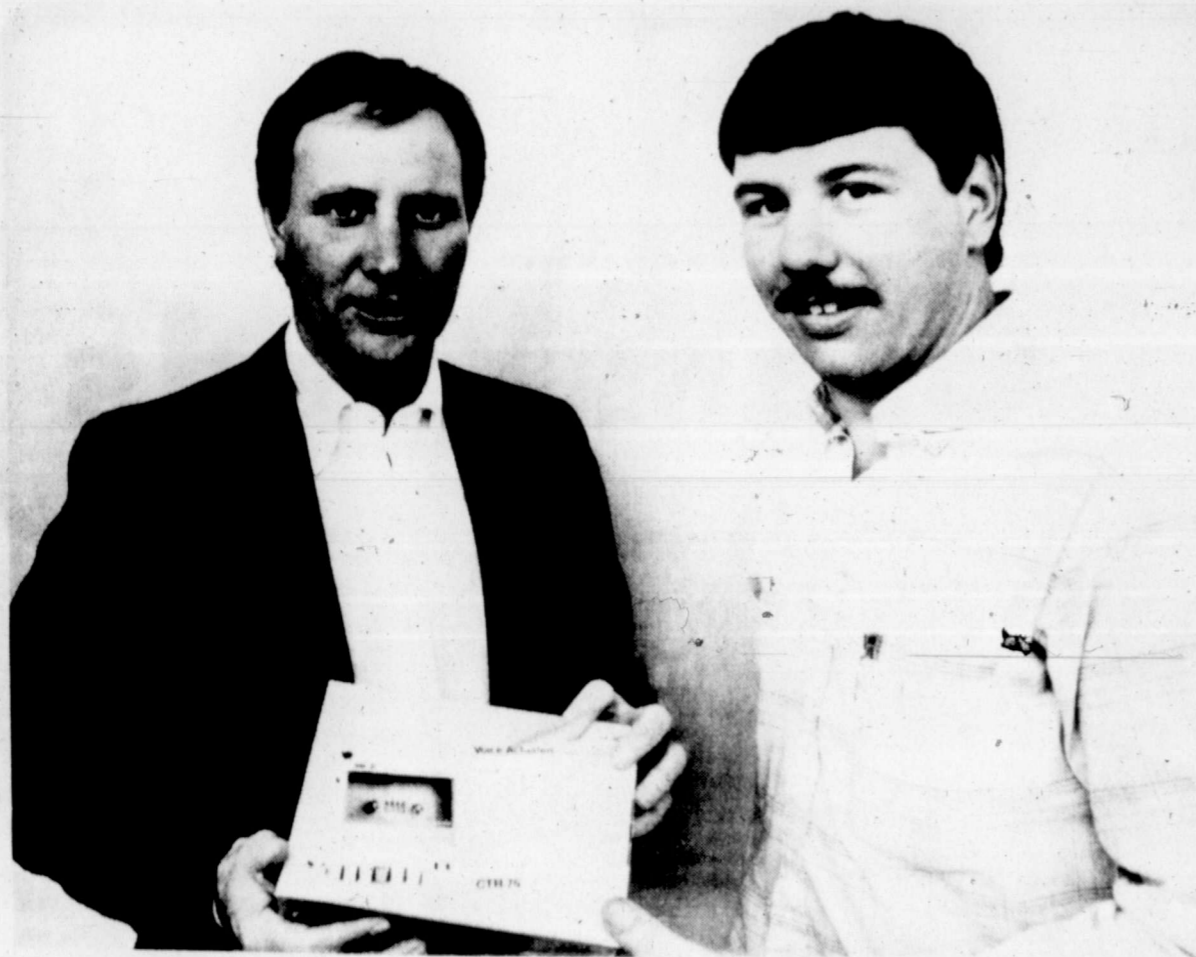
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Man is to face charges

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — A 79-year-old man was charged with attempted murder Friday after he stormed into a board meeting at a retirement home that had evicted him for being a troublemaker and wounded four people with gunfire.

"He picked out the people he felt had done him wrong and began firing," Arlington police spokesman Dee Anderson said.

William H. "Shorty" Cox had been kicked out of the Masonic Home for the Aged 14 months ago because "he had caused a lot of problems. He did not abide by the rules," Anderson said.

Cox was arraigned by a municipal judge Friday and held on \$250,000 bond in the Tarrant County Jail, Anderson said.

Four people suffered minor gunshot wounds Thursday.



RESERVE CHAMPION—Rodney Foster's medium wool lamb was reserve champion at the recent San Antonio Livestock Exposition. The lamb was bred and raised by Foster. Pictured with him is Richard Smith, vocational ag teacher at Hermligh. (Family Photo)

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Council okays overtime pay

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — City Council has approved a \$506,000 overtime program to beef up police patrols after two officers were wounded on a downtown street, officials said.

Council unanimously approved funding the overtime program by transferring \$450,000 from the city's contingency fund Thursday. The \$56,000 balance will be saved by officers taking compensatory time instead of higher hourly wages.

Meanwhile, police officials said officers will receive more training in retaining their weapons, but said the training was already in the works before two officers were wounded Monday night after a man allegedly grabbed an

officer's gun and shot them.

City Manager Lou Fox said the overtime program will add 25,000 manhours of police patrols for the rest of the fiscal year, which ends Sept. 30. The police department currently is working with an \$86 million budget.

The council's plan was adopted three days after a transient, who had been arrested five times in the past eight months, was charged with attempted capital murder in the officers' shootings.

Mayor Henry Cisneros said the council took the action to fight the high downtown crime rate.

"These street characters take advantage of our officers," Cisneros said. "We have people who want to shoot them. It's a sad, dangerous situation."

David Johnson, 28, a drifter from Florida, remained in the Bexar County Jail Friday in lieu of \$1 million bond on attempted capital murder charges.

Officer Ed Gorrell, 33, who was shot in the head, remained in critical condition at Brooke Army Medical Center Friday, hospital spokesman Robert Clark said.

Officer Onofre Serna, 26, who was shot in the left upper chest, was dismissed from the hospital Wednesday and was recuperating at home, officials said.

Police spokesman Sgt. Paul Buske said the officers had a scuffle with a man, who disarmed one of the officers and shot both of them Monday night.

The man took the officer's weapon, ran into an office building, holding as many as six hostages before releasing them and surrendering peacefully, authorities said.

"We need more officers," Cisneros said.

Gem & mineral show scheduled

BIG SPRING—The 19th annual Gem & Mineral Show will be held March 5-6 at the Howard County Fair Barns. Show hours are Saturday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

John Robinson, world renowned gem cutter, will be holding a symposium on Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon and from 2-4 p.m. He cut the so called flea market sapphire and will be available to answer questions.

The theme of this year's show is the wide world of quartz and the show will feature displays of the many phases of the quartz world.

The show will have working demonstrations in faceting, capping, silver chains, gem trees, gold wire wrap and channel jewelry. Hourly door prizes and a grand prize of \$100 will be given away.

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By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Feb. 28, 1988

There will be a noticeable improvement in overall conditions in the year ahead, but your greatest benefits are likely to come from situations where there are old friends involved.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You are generally lucky today in romance, friendship and social involvements, but don't bet on a horse or buy lottery tickets because money matters may not be included. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Positive developments are in the offing for you today, yet you might not capitalize on these advantages because you'll take what occurs for granted.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Confidential matters should not be discussed with anyone except your most trusted friends today. There are indications that you may talk to the wrong people.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you have a business or financial matter that is important to you today, try to devote maximum time to it rather than to your pleasurable diversions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your greatest benefits will come to you today from what you do for others, not for yourself. If you put your interests last, companions will insist you be considered first.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone who is concerned about you will be doing quite a bit on your behalf today. You might not recognize his/her efforts now, but they'll be obvious to you later.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The line of demarcation between social and business situations must be observed today. If you step out of bounds, you'll be penalized.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You can accomplish what you set your mind to today, provided you cooperate properly with the others who are involved. This is not a time to go off on your own.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try to keep everything in proper perspective today. Don't make play into work or, by the same token, don't play when you should be working.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush today. Don't forsake situations where you are assured of a return to gamble on something purely speculative.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) When ironing out an agreement with another today, be fair but not foolish. Whenever you make a concession, be sure the other party makes one as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You're in a favorable cycle for personal accumulation today, yet it may take you a while to realize this, and you'll end up with less than you could have gained.



Feb. 29, 1988

In the year ahead, even though you may have to work a little harder than you have in the past, your rewards will also be greater. Don't be afraid to tackle tough assignments.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today, others may feel it's your lot in life to shoulder burdens that are of their making. Stand up for your rights if you feel imposed upon. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The advice of a well-meaning friend could be more detrimental than constructive today. Take time to analyze things for yourself.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you and your mate have a disagreement today, keep it within the confines of your roof isn't anyone else's business.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Others cannot be relied on today to do things that you should be taking care of yourself. Be self-sufficient, not dependent.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Management of personal resources or the resources of others may not be your forte today. Be more cautious than usual in financial affairs.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Getting others to do your bidding today isn't likely to be an easy matter. If their support is not forthcoming, the fault may be yours.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Nothing will be resolved today if you keep to yourself things that disturb you. Differences should be brought out into the open.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Present conditions are rather positive for you, provided you act in accordance with your best judgment. If you take foolish risks, it's another story.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your image is a trifle fragile today. If you behave poorly in public, it will provide one who is jealous of you with unflattering tidbits to tell others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Certain views about which you feel strongly may not be equally popular with your associates today. They won't be won over by a forceful presentation.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A venture in which you are presently involved should be more clearly defined, or else it may end up costing you more than it does others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In order to maintain a harmonious relationship, do all you can do to appease your mate today, even though his/her demands may be unreasonable.

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Moscow's actions are analyzed by observer

MOSCOW (AP) — With great fanfare, the Soviet Union has begun pulling its nuclear missiles out of East Europe, but is still moving with caution on formally approving a superpower treaty to scrap them.

The Kremlin's double-track approach seems aimed at wringing maximum publicity benefits from the missile withdrawal, while avoiding any commitment to the intermediate-range nuclear forces (INF) treaty before the U.S. Senate votes on its ratification.

The Soviets also have gone public in recent days with accusations that the United States has designs to bust the treaty and that U.S. officials are trying to renege on agreements made at the Washington summit in December.

Soviet President Andrei A. Gromyko took the rhetoric a step further Thursday by claiming progress now depends exclusively on Washington in superpower negotiations seeking a 50 percent cut in strategic nuclear arms.

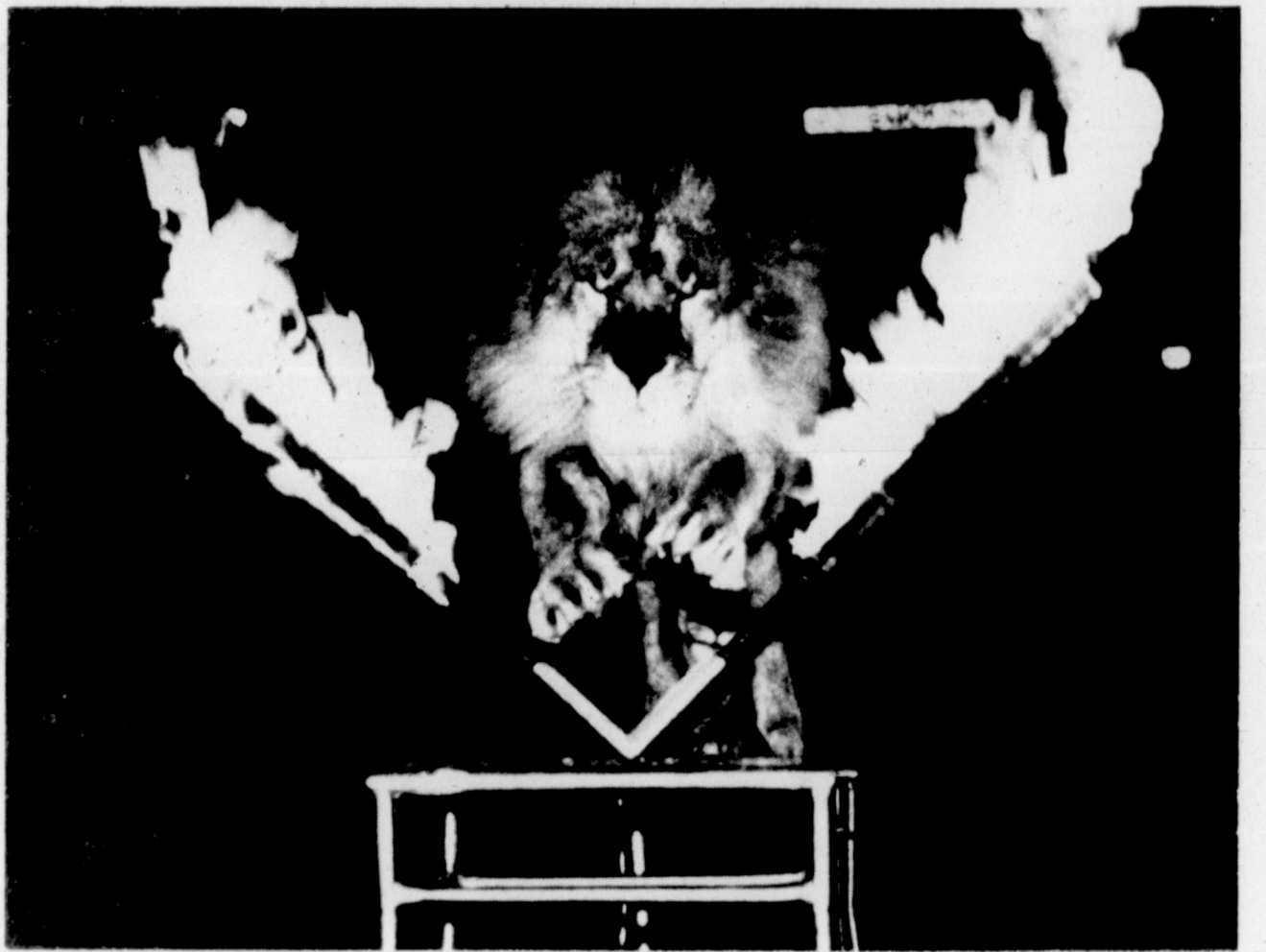
Gromyko told the Hungarian Parliament in a speech that whether those negotiations in Geneva succeed or fail "will depend, of course, on how seriously these talks are treated by the United States."

The medium-range missile treaty signed Dec. 8 by President Reagan and Mikhail S. Gorbachev already has been approved by the ruling Communist Party Politburo, but will not go into effect until it is formally ratified by the Supreme Soviet, the Soviet parliament.

Soviet officials acknowledge their reluctance to commit themselves to the treaty stems from Senate refusal to approve the 1979 SALT II treaty that set limits for strategic nuclear weapons.

Hit-and-run noted

An unknown vehicle and driver hit and damaged a 1984 Honda Civic belonging to Paul Tovar of 2001 Ave. E in an incident discovered at 10:45 p.m. Friday in the 4200 Block of College Ave.



ANDRE & HIS SERENGETI LIONS—Daring and dashing Andre Skarbecki is lionized by spellbound audiences for his personal magnetism and polished presentation as Circus Gatti's premiere lion trainer. The circus is coming to the Scurry County Coliseum Thursday. Performances are set for 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. The sponsor is the Scurry County's Sheriff's Posse. (Circus Photo)

TDC lawsuit is expanded

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tiffs claim were \$1.9 million in 1987.

The plaintiffs charge that the Cogdell board is "guilty of gross breach of their fiduciary duties."

On Nov. 9, Snyder was selected as a site for a 1,000-bed medium security facility. Construction is scheduled to begin in April with completion due in May of 1989.

District Judge Gene Dulaney, who presided over a writ of mandamus hearing in December, has stepped down as judge in the case.

A total of five suits have been filed in an effort to stop the prison project. Two of the suits have been amended.

District Judge Joe Evins of Edinburg has been named to hear the suit, and a docket control conference has been scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday in Kerrville.

Authorities seek drug bust suspect

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Borden County sheriff's candidate Warren Beaver.

Sneed said the strip was being used as a place for the seats to be removed from the plane to make additional room for its illicit cargo.

Nestoroff said the 35-year-old Austin man who had still not been apprehended was apparently waiting on the ground for Baugh to return that night. He is thought to have driven him away before the pursuing aircraft and the converging officers could stop them.

The twin-engine KingAir and a pickup truck in which the airplane's seats were found were confiscated at the strip, and state agents seized two planes owned by Baugh's company when he was arrested in Austin Tuesday.

As of Friday, Baugh was being held at the Federal Correctional Institute in Bastrop on charges of importation and possession with intent to distribute more than 500 kilograms of marijuana.

Suspects arrested Feb. 15 were Gary M. Whittington, 35, of Austin and Gerald Blake Mackey, 35, of Cedar Creek.

The street value of the marijuana was estimated at \$1.2 million.

Re-arrest is ordered

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A state district judge — outraged a man was released on \$100 bond after being accused of trying to sexually assault a co-host of the Miss USA pageant — ordered the suspect's re-arrest and jailing on \$100,000 bond.

But officials said Antonio Garcia, 35, of El Paso, was still at large early Saturday. Deputies with the El Paso County sheriff's department were trying to locate and put him back in jail on a third-degree felony charge of attempted sexual assault.

"I'm shocked and I'm outraged," actress Tracy Scoggins said in an afternoon news conference Friday.

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Scurry County Folks...

By Shirley A. Gorman

"If not for my children I'd probably be in a nursing home now," said Exa Sorrells Grant recently. She was born in Ira on Feb. 25, 1898 and turned 90 on her last birthday.

Mrs. Grant has lived in the same house in Ira for the past 10 years. It was the former home of the school superintendent and is right next door to Doris Byars, her only daughter, who looks after her and brings her dinner every day. For breakfast and supper she said she likes to snack.

Mrs. Grant also has three sons, Elza Grant of Lake Thomas, Dale Grant of Grandview and Donald Grant of Snyder. She also has 12 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

In spite of her years, Mrs. Grant lives alone and is able to manage by herself.

She crocheted avidly, making numerous afghans and slippers for all the members of her family, until she fell in her bedroom and broke her arm in January of 1987. She later cracked her arm again and now she is unable to pursue her lifelong interest. Prior to her injury, it was not unusual for her to crochet 50 pairs of slippers as Christmas presents.

Besides crocheting, Mrs. Grant also always liked to embroider and tat. She also sewed and made clothes for her children, including overalls and shirts for her sons.

Since it is now difficult for her to get up from a chair she is sitting in, she recently acquired a specially made lift chair which assists her.

She is also a member of Lifeline and wears a special device which she can press and sound an alarm should she ever

be in a position where she cannot move. The alarm sounds in Abilene and someone there in turn calls a relative or neighbor

in Ira to check on Mrs. Grant. She said she is grateful she is still able to live in her own home. Mrs. Grant was born on a farm

3½ miles southeast of Ira. Her father had an orchard and raised watermelons and peaches. She always walked to the first

school she attended—Center View—which was located a mile from the family home. It was a one room schoolhouse with one teacher.

She remembers one unpleasant memory, the day she was whipped by the teacher because she missed three spelling words.

"My dad had always said that if we got a whipping at school we also got one at home but for some reason he never whipped me that time after I got home," Mrs. Grant said.

She started the third grade in the old Ira School which was then located south of the present complex. It had two rooms. She recalled starting classes in the south room.

In those days, students graduated in the 11th grade, but due to illness which kept her from her studies, Mrs. Grant said she dropped out of school before graduating. "I regretted it later, but I felt I was too far behind in my studies to catch up," she explained.

Mrs. Grant and her five brothers and four sisters walked to Ira School, across fields and over barbed wire fences. Of her siblings, one brother and three sisters are still living.

Mrs. Grant said that her father would sometimes take her fishing. She rode behind him on a horse. "He always thought I was too ractety for him because I made too much noise," she laughed.

After she quit school, Mrs. Grant said she worked in the fields, hoed, picked cotton, and gathered peaches and watermelons. She also helped prepare meals.

Meal time around the Sorrells home was a big production as they all sat down to eat at a 12-ft. long table with benches equally long.

Meals were cooked on a large wood burning stove.

Recreation in those days consisted of either attending a

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STILL ACTIVE--In spite of an arm injury which continues to nag her, Exa Grant of Ira remains active, but not quite as active as she would like to be. Crocheting, a favorite pastime for many years, is something she can't do very much anymore. She is pictured here

with an array of afghans she has crocheted in the past. The painting in the background is of the home where Mrs. Grant was born. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Mountain often mistaken for Everest

BOSTON (AP) — Makalu appeared in photographs where it was identified as Mount Everest and has at times

appeared in photographs where it was identified as Mount Everest.

Makalu is the world's fifth highest mountain. It rises 27,790 feet from the Nepal-China border. Everest, 12 miles away, is 29,108 feet tall, highest in the world.

Ted Bigham
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573-3622

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Noah Project support group for victims of family violence; 3:45 p.m.; for more information, call 573-1822.
Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4:5-30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.
Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.
Adult Children of Alcoholics (or other dysfunctional families); 3781 Highland; 8 p.m.; for more information, call 573-8730.
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-4870 or 573-1357.

TUESDAY

Ladies Golf Association; tee time at players convenience.
Scurry Women in Motion (SWIM); The Shack; noon; for more information call 573-8611 after 5 p.m.
Twentieth Century Study Club; 3 p.m.
Alpha Study Club; MAWC; 3:30 p.m.
Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4:5-30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.
TOPS TX56; weigh-in and meeting 7-8 p.m.; 2501 35th St.; for more information, call Peggy at 573-9000.
Beta Sigma Phi; Snyder Country Club; 7:30 p.m.
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 573-2101 or 573-8626.
Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101.

WEDNESDAY

Snyder Chrisitan Women's Club; prayer coffee; 10 a.m.; 3717 Dalton, 573-0478.
American Association of University Women; MAWC; 4 p.m.
Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4:5-30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.
Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-0414.
Sparkle City Squares; workshop; National Guard Armory, Towle Park; Sleepy Browning, caller.

THURSDAY

Knapp Extension Homemakers Club; 9:30 a.m.
Snyder Garden Club; MAWC; 9:30 a.m.
Noah Project Advisory Committee; noon; board room, Cogdell Memorial Hospital. All members are urged to attend.
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 more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.
Weight Watchers of West Texas; basement of First Presbyterian Church; 6 p.m. New members welcome and should register at 5:30 p.m.
Snyder Fire Department Auxiliary; West Fire Station; 7 p.m.
Alateen; for the children of alcoholics; 7 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

FRIDAY

Story Time for Preschoolers; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.
Duplicate bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
Cornelius Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.
Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4:5-30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.
Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101.
New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving course; The Shack; \$25; 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Beta Sigma Phi; Mother-Daughter Brunch; Twila Polk home; 11 a.m.
Diamond M Museum, open from 1-4 p.m.
People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominoes; 6:30 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-0414.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-4870 or 573-1357.
Scurry County Museum, Western Texas College, open from 1-4 p.m.
Diamond M Museum, open from 1-4 p.m.
Duplicate Bridge Club; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.



GOLDEN YEAR — Mr. and Mrs. Fred Overman will be honored with a 50th wedding anniversary reception March 5 from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Towle Park Barn. The event is hosted by their sons, J. Dwayne of Andrews; S. Berle of Cisco; Fred G. of Como and James Marlin of Levelland. The presence of family and friends is the only gift requested. (Private Photos)

Scurry Library News and Views

FEATURED THIS WEEK

THE RAVENS. By Christopher Robbins.

While America and the rest of the world watched the Vietnam War on television, a handful of elite Air Force pilots, wearing anything but uniforms and piloting unarmored, small, prop-driven aircraft, fought a secret war, one that has remained secret right up until today.

These incredibly brave and skilled pilots were known as the Ravens. Until now their story has been locked away in classified archives and the memories of those Americans and Laotians who fought and died in a war they believed in. This is the first time their story has been told.

LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.
10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

NON-FICTION

"Multiple Sclerosis" by Louis J. Rosner.

"Keeping Secrets" by Suzanne Somers.

"Rachel and Her Children: homeless families in America" by Jonathan Kozal.

FICTION

"The Echo Vector" by James Kahn.

"Murder at the Palace" by Elliott Roosevelt.

"Your Royal Hostage" by Antonia Fraser.

Trees produce oxygen

ATLANTA (AP) — About 170,000 acres of healthy trees produce the equivalent of the daily oxygen requirement for residents in a city the size of Chicago, says Georgia-Pacific Corp.

Tree leaves absorb carbon dioxide and release oxygen during the photosynthesis, or food-making process.

Workshop on childcare set

Persons who operate child care facilities or keep children in their home can sharpen their skills and gather new ideas to help in their day-to-day tasks in a day-long conference March 26 in Lubbock.

The program is being conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service. It will be from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center north of Lubbock International Airport. The center is on FM 1294, just east of I-27 at the Shallowater exit.

Sessions will include information on licensing, marketing your business, arts and crafts for children, scheduling, cooking

with kids, record keeping, discipline, communication, conflict management and other useful topics.

Deadline for registering is March 10. The \$7.50 fee includes lunch. Additional information is available from the Scurry County Extension Office, 573-5423.

If all the checkers sold in 1987 alone by just one manufacturer could be stacked atop one another, they would make a tower 56 miles high, or more than 10 times taller than Mount Everest.

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Candlelight ceremony is scene for marriage vows

CROSS PLAINS — Kelli Shae Hargrove and James Michael Douglass exchanged vows Jan. 16 in a candlelight ceremony at the First United Methodist Church. Rev. Jerry Lewis of Stanton officiated the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hargrove of Cross Plains, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Nehring of Borden County and Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Douglass of Sweetwater.

Lewis and his wife, Sharon, cousin of the bride, sang "Just You and I" and "What's Forever For." Lewis accompanied one with the piano and one with the guitar. Vondean Hutchins provided organ music.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a formal gown of antique lace and cotton organza with lace applique accents. It featured pearl beaded trim on a Queen Anne neckline with a Bishop hemline extending around a wide chapel-length train and matching veil.

Maid of honor was Kami Hargrove, sister of the bride, with Ashlea White of Gatesville, cousin of the bride, serving as flower girl. They wore red tea-length dresses made of crepe accented in red lace. The gowns were designed by the bride's grandmother.

The groom was attired in a white tuxedo with white cummerbund and bow tie.

Cody Newton of Borden County was best man. Dusty Hargrove, brother of the bride, was ring bearer.

Cody Smith of Abilene and Jody Hook of Brock, cousins of the bride, lit candles and served as ushers.

The male attendants wore white tuxedos with red cummerbunds and ties.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. Jana Pickett registered guests.

The bride's table was covered in white lace accented by the brass punch bowl and coffee urn. The bridal bouquet of red roses and white carnations served as the centerpiece for a three-tiered



MR. AND MRS. JAMES MICHAEL DOUGLASS

wedding cake featuring cascading red roses and a horseshoe caketop with western bride and groom.

The groom's table was covered in red bandana and gingham and featured two horse shoe German Chocolate cakes. A thistle center-

The original Galapagos tortoise population, estimated at 250,000, has been reduced to about 15,000, according to National Geographic.

piece with cowboy hat, boots and rope emphasized a western theme as well as the campfire porcelain coffeepot and cups.

The bride and groom will be at home on the Newton Ranch in Borden County.

Galapagos sea lions delight in seizing marine iguanas' tails and watching the lizards swim furiously, going nowhere, says National Geographic.



Diversified

By Marvin Ensor Extension Agent

THERE'S STILL TIME TO SOIL TEST

It's not too late to collect soil samples for testing to determine fertilizer needs for this year's crops.

Collecting soil samples now and getting them tested can help farmers get a jump on the spring rush at soil testing labs.

Once fertilizer needs are determined, farmers can place their orders. Again, by ordering early, they can avoid the spring rush. Also, fertilizers usually cost more in the spring when demand is greater and supplies tighter.

With fertilizer at hand, farmers can begin application when field conditions permit. This minimizes spring planting delays because of tight dealer schedules and reduces the potential for moisture loss just prior to planting.

For more information concerning soil testing, contact the county extension office.

SOIL INSECT CONTROL IN VEGETABLE GARDENS

As vegetable gardeners in Scurry County prepare for spring planting, their first step should be to control soil insects.

Soil insects can reduce vegetable quality and yields if left uncontrolled.

For effective control, mix insecticides into the soil at a depth

of four to six inches at least two weeks before the garden plot is planted.

Among destructive soil insects are wireworms, white grubs, seed corn maggots, cabbage maggots, mole crickets, sowbugs, slugs, snails and cutworms. Some destroy plant seeds, roots, tubers and underground stem parts while others cut off young plants at or near the soil surface.


Most soil insects can be controlled with diazinon 25 percent liquid concentration or Spectracide 6000 applied as a 5% granule. Granules usually give the best control. If cutworms or sowbugs become a problem after the garden has been planted, broadcast 5% Sevin bait over the soil surface.

Garden sites planted for the first time or those previously in grass or weeds are more likely to harbor damaging numbers of soil pests.


Before applying any pesticide always read and follow label instructions.

Remember soil temperatures need to be near 60° before planting warm season vegetables. This is usually in May.

Mockingbirds and ground finches on certain Galapagos islands drink the blood of other birds.



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Fortieth year to be celebrated

Ouida and Dave Haywood will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary with a reception March 5 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the American Legion, 1800 Ave. R.

The couple was married March 7, 1948 in Portales, N.M. Haywood is retired from Chevron and is currently the commander of the Legion.

Children of the couple are Dr. Birdwell of Clovis, N.M.; Chris Foster of Pecos; Gina Means of Abilene; Brenda Adams of Sweetwater and David Haywood of Snyder.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend the reception.

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MONDAY		TUESDAY	
Juice	Buttered Rice	Spaghetti/Meat Sauce	Buttered Corn
Milk		Pickled Beets	Garlic Bread
TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY	
Fruit	Cinnamon Rolls	Smothered Steak	Fried Vegetable Sticks
Milk		Buttered Potatoes	Hot Rolls
WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY	
Juice	Breakfast Burritos	Submarine Sandwiches	Potato Chips
Milk		Lettuce & Tomatoes	Plum Cobbler
THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
Fruit	Kolaches	Holiday	
Milk		Russia's Paul I was murdered in 1801.	
FRIDAY		LUNCH	
MONDAY		MONDAY	
Bar-B-Qued Hamburger Patties	Mashed Potatoes	Pinto Beans	
Hot Rolls	Fruitsicles		



RETIREMENT HONORED — Roxie Angel (center), children's librarian for 20 years, received a plaque Thursday commemorating her service to the community. Making the presentation were D.V. Merritt of the library board and Joyce Landon, vice-president of the board. A morning reception was held at the Scurry County Library. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ira woman remains active

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church function or a party. Mrs. Grant and her brothers and sisters liked to go to the parties and it was at one of these that she met her future husband—Edgar E. Grant. He had a horse named Jumbo and a buggy and that was how they courted. They often played snap and spin the bottle at parties.

Mrs. Grant and Edgar met in 1914 and were married in Snyder on Nov. 23, 1920. In the intervening years, Grant served in World War I from 1917-1919.

They rode in a buggy to Snyder to get married and spent their honeymoon in the Maxwell Hotel. They also attended a show. In those days she said Snyder only had planks for sidewalks.

Her first home as a married woman was a four-room bungalow located in the Sharon Ridge section of Ira. They farmed on rented land and shared the proceeds with the owner. They grew cotton and feed for the stock. They farmed until 1954. They had to use teams to plow the land before getting a tractor in 1939.

That first home had no running water or electricity and the toilet was located outside. It was 1938 before the Grants got running water and electricity.

Prior to that, water was provided by outdoor wells with a windmill located on top. Water was carried from the well to the house in buckets.

Wash day was a big production because the water had to be haul-

ed from the well and then heated in a big iron pot. Clothes were rubbed on a rub board and then rinsed and hung out to dry. They had to be rubbed twice on the rub board she said.

While a young girl, Mrs. Grant remembered her father heating the water and she and her sister washing clothes all morning long until they were done.

The Grants quit farming in 1954. The 20 acres they bought in Ira represented the first home that they owned. They raised hogs and chickens.

Mrs. Grant lost her husband in 1961 to cancer. Ten years earlier he had learned that he had leukemia. He received experimental atomic treatment which kept him in remission for years.

Ten years ago when Mrs. Grant wanted to live closer to her daughter Doris, she traded 17 acres of her land to the Ira School District for the home she is now living in and a monetary sum.

On that 17 acres, the school district put in a baseball field, an ag complex and bus barn and built a brick home for the superintendent.

Mrs. Grant has seen a lot of change and progress throughout her life. She said that during the oil boom days, Ira really began to grow and at one time had a bank, drug store and barber shop.

She uses modern conveniences today, but it wasn't always that way. During her early years, she said, she remembers heating irons on the stove. They were replaced by gasoline ones which she called "dangerous" and finally electric irons.

When asked what she attributes her long life to, Mrs. Grant said she doesn't really know except that she has always depended on the Lord for everything. Each night she goes to bed listening to the tapes she has of the New Testament.

Whenever able she has always attended the Church of Christ in Ira every Sunday and she said she has always believed in God.

Mrs. Grant also remembers the Harley Saddler shows as her family's source of entertainment. It was a tent show complete with dramatic actors and traveled from town to town just like a cir-

cus, she said. They sold salt water taffy candy and always promised that a diamond ring would be in one of the boxes. Mrs. Grant said her daughter always wanted to get that diamond ring, but she never did.

The first present Mrs. Grant ever received from her husband was a lavalier. She gave it to her daughter in later years and it has since been handed down to a granddaughter.

She stays as active as she can, walking in her home every day. Mrs. Grant enjoys life, visiting and remembering the past.

Ira School

MONDAY

Corndogs
Pork and Beans
French Fries
Cowboy Cookies
Milk

TUESDAY

Goulash
Fried Squash
Relish Dish
Apple Strudel
Bread
Milk

WEDNESDAY

Pinto Beans
Spinach
Corn
Cherry Cobbler
Milk

THURSDAY

Steak Fingers
Creamed Potatoes
Green Beans
Apple Sauce Cake
Rolls
Milk

FRIDAY

Soft Burritos
Mexican Style Beans
Cole Slaw
Brownies
Milk

The reticulated glass frog of Central and South America has transparent skin that helps it blend in with the leaves of the plants where it lives, says National Geographic.

Bridge

James Jacoby

NORTH 2-27-88			
♦ Q J 10 7			
♥ 8 7 4			
♦ K 9 8 5 4			
♣ 3			
WEST	EAST	SOUTH	
♦ 9 8 5	♦ A K 6 3 2	♦ 4	
♥ 6	♥ K 10 9 3	♦ A Q J 5 2	
♦ Q 7 6 3	♦ 10 2	♦ A J	
♦ K Q 9 8 5	♦ A 7	♦ J 10 6 4 2	
Vulnerable: Neither			
Dealer: North			
West	North	East	South
2 ♠	3 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♦ 9			

A costly opening lead

By James Jacoby

It's too bad when failure to make the killing lead costs two tricks and the contract. In this instance I really attach no blame to West. After all, since East had opened with one spade, it certainly seems normal to lead partner's suit, but the diabolical holding in dummy makes that lead a disaster.

East won the king of spades and returned a heart. South won the queen and played a low club. East took the club seven and played another heart. Declarer won the jack, noting that he had a trump loser. He ruffed a club, the ace falling, and led dummy's jack of spades. East covered, South ruffed, and South now cashed the diamond ace and led his diamond jack to dummy's king. Cashing the spade 10 pinned West's eight, and declarer was now able to cash dummy's seven of spades. That was nine tricks in, with the lead still in dummy. A diamond was played, and there was no way to keep South from scoring his last little trump for 10 tricks.

How different if West hits upon a trump lead. East will play the 10, won by South with the queen. A club lead will be won by East, who will lead a trump to declarer's jack. Now South can trump a club, but there is no time or way to enjoy the extra tricks available from dummy's strength in spades. Eventually declarer will lose a heart, a spade and three club tricks for down one.

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.

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Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

THURSDAY

- Helen Wadleigh, Bonita Moore.
- Roger and Bobbie Pearson.
- Donna Early, Lou Meadows.

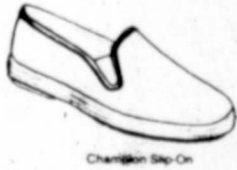
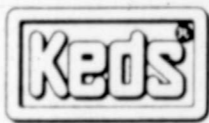
Cards feature humor

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Humor is one of the fastest growing categories in the greeting card industry, reports Steve Finken, an editor at Hallmark Cards here.

Today's humor is more sophisticated than previously, he says, with puns and double entendres especially favored. Younger adults in particular often use humorous cards instead of phone calls or letters because it is sometimes difficult for them to express personal feelings, he notes.

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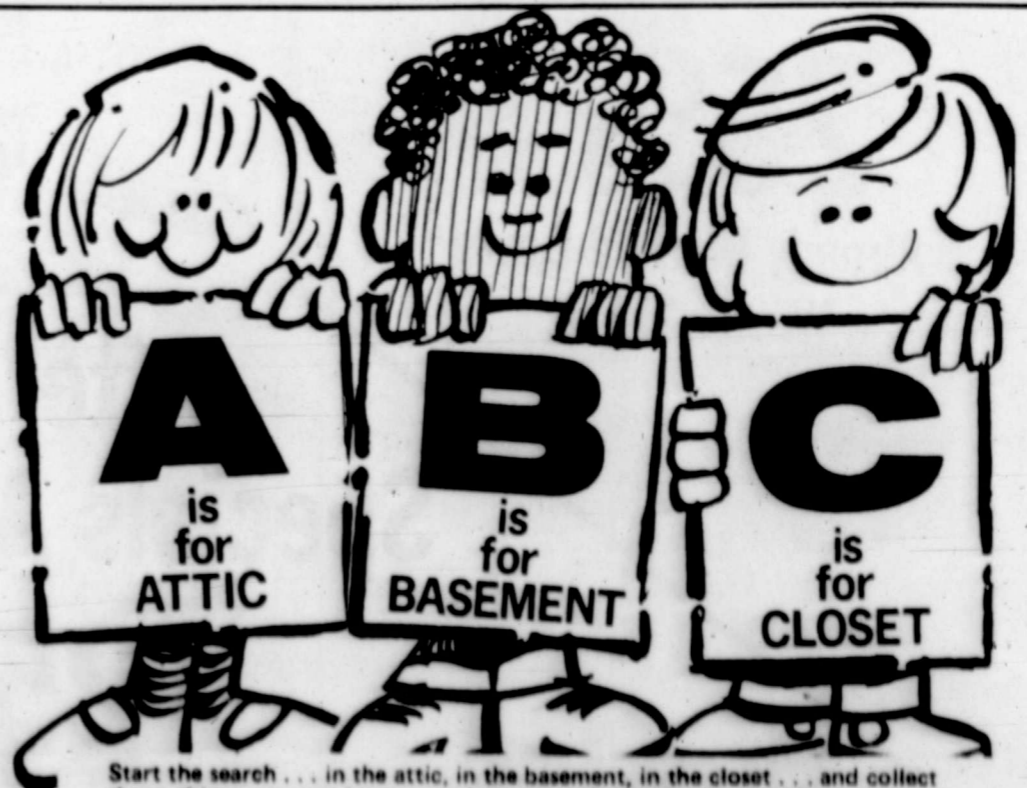
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STUDENTS REWARDED — Lynn Bethel's students who performed in Lubbock Music Teacher's Contest are pictured from left, front: Lisa McNair, third; Ellen Strayhorn, third; Melissa Myers, superior; Carol Strayhorn, superior and Karomy Drum, first. Top row: Kasi Campbell, superior; Brooke Kubena, third; Laura Hamby, third; Regina McNair, superior; Alicia Kubena, first and Paige Bell, superior. Not pictured are Andrea Helm, second; Cole Latimer, first; Michelle Banta, first; Hope Papay, superior; Myste Malone, superior; Blanden Chisum, first; Julie Zeck, second; Emily Zeck, second and Michelle Holmes third. (SDN Staff Photo)



PUPPET SHOW — Members of Trinity Methodist Church CYA group have been taking their puppet show monthly to Snyder Nursing Center to entertain residents. Pictured from left are Marc Bishop with Farmer Fred, Joann Bishop with Bobby and Jason Warren with Roscoe. With the theme, "Fruits of the Spirit," the skit for the day was about peace. (SDN Staff Photo)



BETHEL STUDENTS TAKE HONORS — Music students of Lynn Bethel's recently performed at Odessa College. Pictured from left, standing are Jason Warren, second place; Christopher Fuentes, first place and Kyle Martin, third place. Seated are Cynthia Stansell, third place and Maribeth Dillaha, first place. Not pictured are Katie Perkins, first place, Carrie Keith, first place and Chad Keith, superior rating. (SDN Staff Photo)

Take precautions before buying dream house

NEW YORK (AP) — Take precautions to prevent your dream house from turning into a nightmare.

Inspector to look over the property after the seller accepts and might terminate the offer if flaws are found.

—Add a clause requiring the seller to list all repairs over \$100 made to the property in the past five years. This should alert you to potential problems and to warranties for previous repair work, which should be signed over to you.

Budish offers these tips to help avoid unwelcome surprises:

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Town and Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
Extension Agent

KEEPING TAX RECORDS
When it comes to taxes, the best strategy for record-keeping is to assume your tax return will be audited.

Although the chances of an audit are small, you should be able to show on a worksheet how you arrived at each deduction, and back it up with canceled checks and receipts.

Begin in January to consolidate records for the previous tax year and get organized for the new tax year.

Sort paper, records and receipts into the following categories: income receipts, including Forms 1099 and W-2; bank statements; mortgage statements; all other categories that match deductions, adjustments and credits you plan to claim.

If you run out of desk space or have cartons of old financial

Computers changing modern office design

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. (AP) — Use of computers to increase productivity must be followed by a new look at office space and furniture if the investment in hardware, software and training are to pay off, a national survey indicates.

The study suggests furniture and office arrangements designed to help workers use computers will replace cost of space and employee productivity as the leading issue in office design in the next decade. The survey was commissioned by Steelcase Inc., manufacturer of office furniture.

Of the interior designers polled, 78 percent said they now considered the specific needs of computer users when working on office designs, emphasizing the need for soft lighting to avoid glare on the computer screen.

A 66 percent majority of workers surveyed say they use a computer in the office, with 21 percent working at a computer five or six hours a day. Three-fourths of these employees are at least "somewhat comfortable" with the workspace and furniture set up for computer use. The rest complain that the equipment takes up too much space and that the table holding the computer is too high.

papers in the garage, you may be able to throw some of them away.

The general rule is that records should be kept as long as they're important for any federal tax law. So records supporting income or deductions should be kept at least until the period of limitations expires for the return.

The period of limitations for legal action is usually three years from the date the return was due or filed, or two years from the date the tax was paid, whichever is later.

However, the period of limitations does not expire until six years after the return was filed if income was under-reported by 25% or more, and action can be brought at any time for false or fraudulent returns or if no return is filed.

As you clean out old records, remember that some should be kept indefinitely. Keep copies of tax returns, for example, as part of your permanent tax records. They can be helpful as you prepare future returns and are necessary if you file an amended return. They may also be helpful

to your survivors and the executor of your estate.

If you are missing a return, you may get a copy from the IRS by sending Form 4506, "Request for Copy of Tax Form," to the IRS Service Center, Austin, Texas 73301.

Records that verify the "basis" of property such as your home, should be kept until no longer needed, which can be many years. This includes documents showing your purchase price, purchase expenses, cost of improvements and any other adjustments to basis, such as depreciation or casualty losses.

Keep information about the house you sold and replace with your current house. If you postponed tax on the gain when you sold the former house, the basis of your current house is affected by the postponed gain.

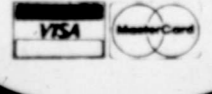
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MRS. VANCE CORBET ANDRESS

Evening promises join man and wife

KILLEEN — Cindy Gayle Carroll and Vance Corbet Andress exchanged wedding vows at 7 p.m. Feb. 12 at Westcliff Baptist Church. Rev. Kenneth Wayne Andress, father of the groom and pastor of the church, officiated the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. David Arthur Carroll of Shawnee, Okla. and Rev. and Mrs. Kenneth Wayne Andress of Killeen. Andress was formerly pastor of the First Baptist Church of Snyder from 1972-79.

Wedding music was provided by Susan Partida, organist; Paula Bowden of Snyder, sister of the groom, pianist; Jim Stawitz, guitarist; and soloists Terry Bowden of Snyder and Rhonda Rhoads.

Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a white organza gown accented with Chantilly lace. The bodice featured a Sabrina neckline and long sleeves accented with pearls and iridescent sequins.

The skirt was accented with a double ruffled flounce and chapel-length train. Her fingertip veil was held by a pearl and iridescent sequin-studded headpiece. She carried a bouquet of

white roses, baby's breath, dusty rose lilies and baby mums interspersed with English ivy, pearls and ribbon streamers.

Janae Woodruff of Canyon was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Leslie Lauth-Torres of Waipahu, Hawaii and Janet Black of Killeen. Allison Nicole Bowden of Snyder, niece of the groom, was flower girl.

Candlelighters were Kathy Stawitz and Stephanie Stitt.

Tony Watson of Belton served as best man. Groomsmen were David Ruiz of Waco and Mike Carroll of Tulsa. Mike Andress of Davao City, the Philippines, was honorary groomsman.

Ushers were Marty Partida of Killeen and Jim Stawitz of Broken Arrow, Okla. Jeremy Bowden of Snyder, nephew of the groom, was ring bearer.

A reception was held in the church fellowship hall following the ceremony.

Following a wedding trip to Nassau, Bahamas, the couple will be at home in Killeen. The bride is a teacher of autistic children in the Killeen Independent School District and the groom is pastor of Westcliff Baptist Church.

Recipe box

By NANCY BYAL
Better Homes and Gardens
Food Editor

Keep avocados at room temperature until they yield to gentle pressure; then they're ready to eat or refrigerate. For faster softening, place in a closed paper bag.

AVOCADO-CITRUS SALAD
3 white grapefruit or 6 oranges
2 medium avocados
Lettuce leaves
1 medium red onion, thinly sliced and separated into rings
¼ cup salad oil
3 tablespoons frozen orange juice concentrate, thawed
1 tablespoon honey

1 tablespoon vinegar
½ teaspoon poppy seed

Working over a bowl to save juice, peel and section grapefruit or oranges. Place citrus sections in bowl with juice. Cut avocados in half lengthwise; remove and discard seeds and peel. Slice avocados into bowl with citrus sections and juice; toss gently to coat. Arrange avocado and citrus on 6 lettuce-lined plates.

In a blender container combine oil, juice concentrate, honey and vinegar. Cover and blend until well mixed. Stir in poppy seed. Drizzle over each salad. Makes 6 servings.

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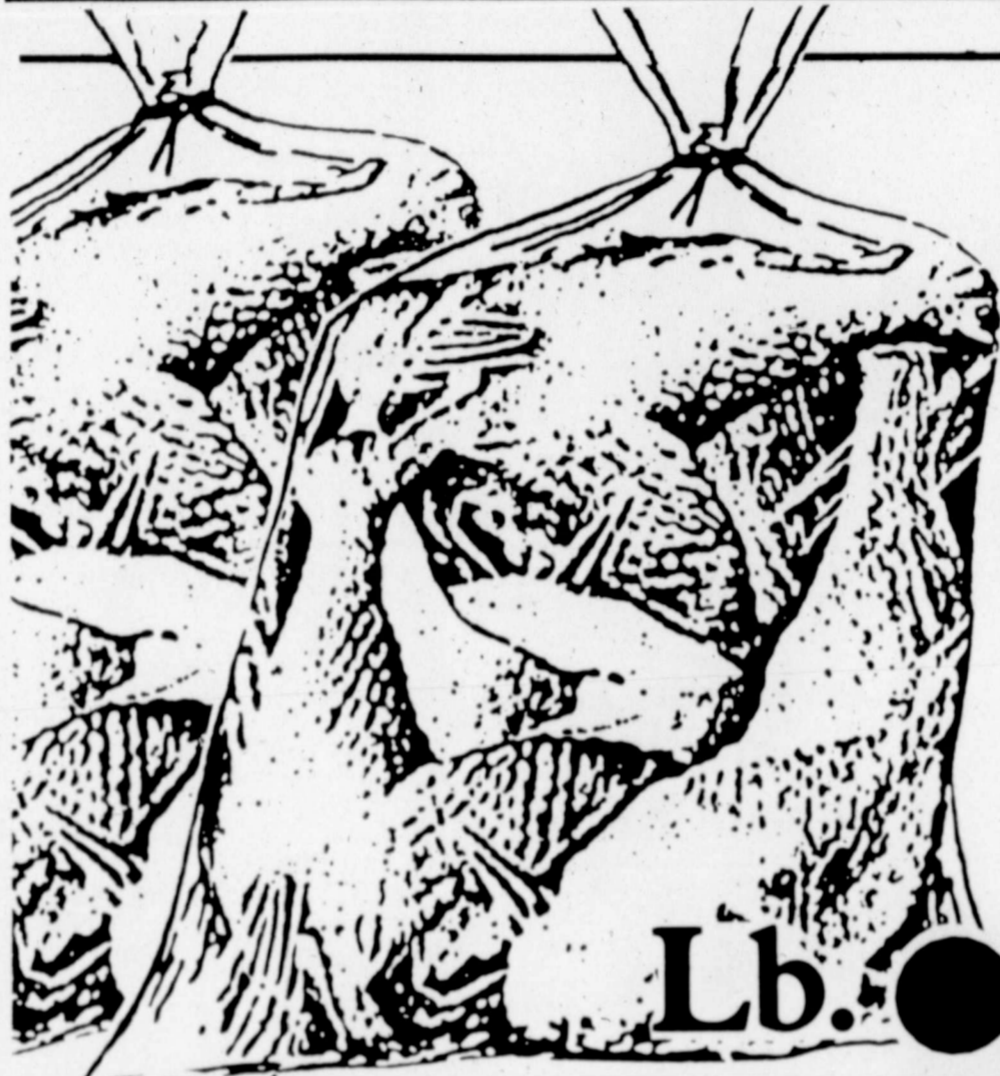
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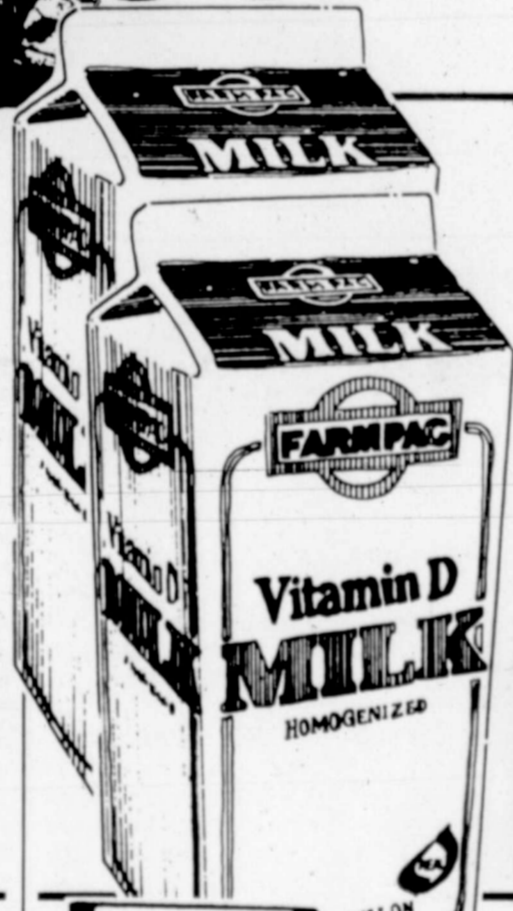
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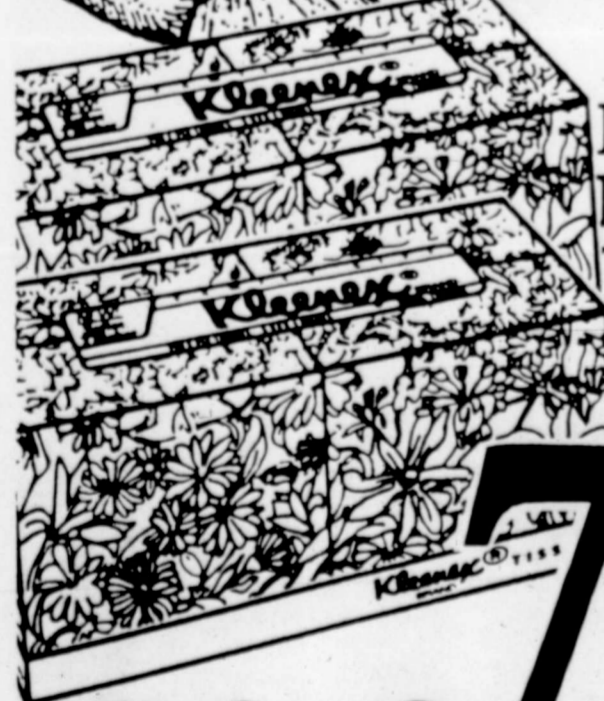
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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Hill of Sweetwater announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Anniessa Carol, to Shawn Blair McCowen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clint McCowen of Snyder. An April 23 wedding is planned at the First United Methodist Church in Sweetwater. (Private Photo)



APPROACHING MARRIAGE — Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Kirkpatrick announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Goldie Lee, to Michael Lane Browning, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Browning. The couple will exchange marriage vows June 17 in the home of the bride's parents. (Private Photo)

Horse works for the telephone company

PENNSBORO, W.Va. (AP) — In a blend of high tech and old-fashioned horsepower, a draft horse named Cindy has stretched a state-of-the-art telephone cable across the rugged hills and hollows of West Virginia where trucks, helicopters and even mules fear to tread.

"She's good to work with, the only way to go in this terrain," said Paul Bowman, a C&P Telephone Co. lineman as he trotted up a steep, rocky incline behind the 1,500-pound horse.

"You can't get a truck in here and she makes it a lot easier, especially on us." Cindy has replaced a crew of a half-dozen workers who normally would have been used to pull the fragile, fiber optic cable between the nearly 80 miles of poles laid from Clarksburg to Parkersburg, said Maywood Ellifritt, a C&P spokesman.

The 7-year-old horse has pulled more than 40 miles of cable and helped lay poles along the mountainous route since July. "We've used a helicopter before to haul in poles and cable, but it's very expensive and impossible to do in some areas," said Ellifritt. "And we used a mule in the beginning but he ran off three times and wouldn't listen. "To get up and down some of those hills, a horse makes more sense than anything else." It's cheaper too. Cindy's owner is paid \$15 an hour. The horse, meanwhile, gets a gallon of a corn-and-oats mixture three times a day and high marks from her co-workers.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



DEAR ABBY: Six years ago, "Gina," my wife (then girlfriend), became pregnant. I was 19 and she was 20. When I told my parents, they took it rather well. We talked about my options — abortion or adoption. I loved the girl, but when I mentioned our keeping the baby, they said it was out of the question, then moved to another subject.

Two months later, I told them at breakfast that Gina and I had decided to keep the baby. They let that pass without saying a word. When I came home from work that night, I found all my belongings on the lawn and the lock on the door had been changed. They left a note on the door saying, "You are no longer our son. You will receive no aid from us, and you are no longer welcome in our home."

Abby, I had never asked for money; all I wanted was their emotional support.

Today I received a letter from my dad saying his company had gone bankrupt, and could I send them \$500 a month — "for a while!"

I love them both, but they deserted me in my time of need, and now they need me (rather, my money). Do I send it to them? Or should I tell them to go jump in the lake?

MY TURN IN MINNESOTA

DEAR MY TURN: Since Minnesota is the land of 10,000 lakes, to tell them to go jump in one may be tempting. But meet with them instead to discuss how you can help them. Forgiveness is the fragrance of the violet on the heel of the shoe that crushed it.

feel it's an invasion of my privacy when she comes over without phoning first. Lately I find myself hiding in the laundry room "doing laundry" so I won't have to visit with her.

My husband doesn't mind her unannounced visits, but he knows that I do, and he gets angry when I ask him to speak to her about it. He doesn't want to hurt her feelings. I don't either — but calling first is not asking too much. Or is it?

I just learned that I am going to have a baby — my husband's first. We are thrilled, but when the baby comes, I'm afraid his mother will be dropping in even more often. Please help me.

HIDING OUT IN EL CAJON

DEAR HIDING: I think your mother-in-law should be asked to please phone to find out if it's convenient for her to drop in. Ideally you and your husband should ask her together. If he refuses, then it's up to you to handle it kindly, respectfully, diplomatically and promptly.

DEAR ABBY: Although I do not know the author, the enclosed poem brightened my day. It was sent to me by a new friend, Elizabeth Stoskopf of Kansas, whom I met on a recent trip to the Orient. I hope you find it sufficiently thought-provoking to share it with your readers.

D. VAN BUREN, SCIO, OHIO

DEAR D. VAN BUREN: From one Van Buren to another, I did. And here it is:

"Life is like a journey, taken on a train
"With a pair of travelers at each windowpane.
"I may sit beside you all the journey through,
"Or I may sit elsewhere, never knowing you.
"But if fate should make me sit by your side,
"Let's be pleasant travelers; it's so short a ride."

DEAR ABBY: A recent letter in your column in the Pasadena Star-News sent me and my family into nearly hysterical laughter. "Stumped" had two married daughters, Linda and Carol. It seems that Carol was having an affair with another man while her husband was at work, and she told her sister, Linda, about it in the strictest of confidence. Well, Linda told their mother who was understandably stumped, so she turned to you asking what she should do — if anything — since she had been sworn to secrecy.

After our laughter subsided, we realized how serious this could be because my two married daughters are named Linda and Carol. Carol is happily married — and absolutely faithful to her husband, Ron. (Thank goodness no mention was made of a brother named "Terry.") I am sorry for "Stumped," but I am truly grateful that my lovely son-in-law, Ron, has a good sense of humor.

NORMA E. TOPITS, SIERRA MADRE, CALIF.

DEAR NORMA: Fortunately, your family accepted this coincidence good-humoredly. My readers are aware that I often invent fictitious names to protect the guilty, but occasionally I accidentally hit a bull's eye.

Years ago, in order to disguise the identity of a couple of "swingers" in a small town, I gave them the unlikely names of "Hugo and Olive." A week later, I heard from a very irate, straitlaced, humorless couple whose real names were — you guessed it — Hugo and Olive. Oops!

DEAR ABBY: Here we are, well into the second month of the new year, and I'm still eating cakes, cookies, candy and nuts I received during the holidays! I really didn't need or want all these goodies. I should be losing weight — not gaining it!

What should I do with all this stuff? Should I eat it and hate myself for doing so? Or just give it away? I'm sure many of these well-meaning folks went to a lot of

expense and trouble preparing these goodies.

If I give it away, how will I know if the people I give it to really want it, or would they just graciously accept it as I did? Tell me, Abby, is there a nice way to let people know I really do not want such gifts in the future?

OVERDOSING ON SWEETS

DEAR OVERDOSING: This may sound like a broken record, but unless you are asked in advance, it's ungracious and unkind to tell people what you don't want. The obvious solution: Don't even taste it — recycle it.

DEAR ABBY: A letter from "Still in Love at 78" prompts me to write this. The lady states that she and her husband spend every waking hour together.

How wonderful — maybe. Let me tell you about my in-laws: They worked together all their married lives, and played together for 60 years. They were rarely apart — even for a few hours. If one couldn't go, the other stayed home. So when Dad died suddenly two years ago, Mom suffered the worst depression imaginable. She couldn't eat. She lost 50 pounds in six months. She couldn't sit in a chair or go for a ride. It was either lie down or walk the floor.

This nightmare continued for six months, during which time she was treated at our local hospital, and later in a psychiatric facility. She's still suffering.

As bad as this sounds, let me tell you, it could have been worse. Had it not been for the professional care and treatment and the loving support of her family, she would be living out her life in a mental hospital.

Abby, please advise couples who are inseparable: Love each other, but have another life outside of each other, so that when the Lord calls one of you home, the other can go on living.

NO NAME OR TOWN, PLEASE

Political parties in Texas turn numbers into delegates

AUSTIN (AP) — Add one more difference to the traditional divisions between Texas Democrats and Republicans — the way they choose their national convention delegates.

Those delegates are Super Tuesday's grand prize. For each party, Texas will choose more delegates than any other state taking part in the March 8 super primary.

But the two parties handle this important business differently. They will dole out different numbers of delegates to their presidential candidates through

different systems. And Democrats won't finish the job until June.

Texas Republicans will send 111 delegates to the GOP National Convention in New Orleans this summer. Democrats will send 197 delegates to their party's convention in Atlanta.

For Republicans, results of the primary election will determine how many delegates each presidential candidate wins.

Democrats will use a complicated two-track system relying on both the Super Tuesday primary results and their tradi-

tional chain of precinct caucuses, county and state conventions.

"We are the only state in the

nation that has the dual track," said Jim Boynton.

Swaggart ministries trial date scheduled

DALLAS (AP) — While Jimmy Swaggart awaits the outcome of his confession to a moral lapse, his ministry is facing a court battle on a variety of financial charges, attorneys say.

In one case, Jimmy Swaggart Ministries has filed suit against Montgomery County taxing authorities over the denial of tax-exempt status to Swaggart's Christian radio station near Houston.

And in two related cases, taxing authorities are seeking more than \$130,000 in delinquent taxes and other claims on three pieces of property in a suit that includes allegations of contribution misuse and profit skimming.

"The key to all these cases is the claim by the Ministries that a building which the Ministries owned and in which are located the offices of their radio station, broadcast facilities and some acreage for the tower location are a place of worship," said Russell R. Graham, an Austin attorney.

Swaggart on Sunday tearfully told his congregation in Baton Rouge, La., that he had committed an unspecified sin.

Assemblies of God officials met Thursday to discuss disciplinary action against the evangelist.

The Swaggart group has been forced to reveal closely held

details of its income and staff salaries in attorneys' discovery motions filed last year.

Those papers show the Ministries collected \$455.8 million in contributions and sales of religious materials from 1979 to 1985. Contributions rose about 25 percent annually since 1979, financial statements show.

Although, the Ministries' attorneys claimed the operation did not make a profit, a 1982 financial statement showed \$11.9 million classified as "excess revenues" after expenses.

The Montgomery County Appraisal District claims the Ministries' property does not meet statutory or constitutional definitions of a place of worship, Graham said.

Appraisal authorities' defense to a lawsuit for denying a property tax exemption in 1982 to Christian radio station KJOJ-FM in Shenandoah had been hampered by the ministries' reluctance to reveal financial information, he said.

State District Judge John C. Martin of Conroe last July sealed further discovery proceedings in the case until the jury trial, which is set for April 4.

The seal increased cooperation from the plaintiffs, Graham said.

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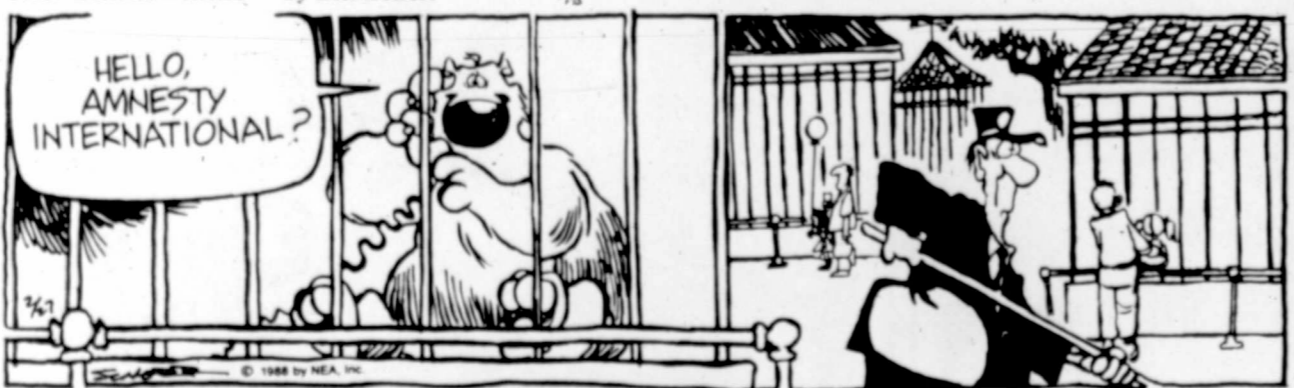
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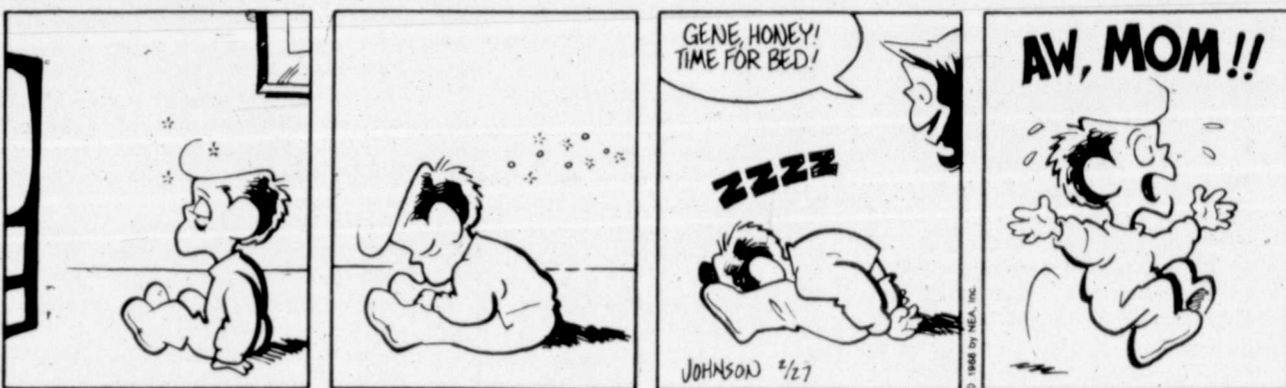
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- Performance
- Needle (comb. form)
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- Flour-de-Idol
- Wings
- Map abbreviation
- Engrossed
- Proportion
- Loudly
- Pressing
- Jealousy
- Football coach - Parseghian
- Fare
- Goal
- Axlike tool
- Family Dr.
- Washington's nation (abbr.)
- Author Jean M.
- Crystalline gem
- Christmas item (2 wds.)
- San ... Calif.
- Calmed
- Canine cry
- Cookout
- Capital of Norway
- Grazing land
- Doesn't exist
- Acorn producers
- Calif. time
- Wide shoe size
- Mao tung

DOWN

- French cleric
- Actor James
- Ivan the Terrible
- Slackening off
- Tech
- Arrow poison
- ... want for Christmas ...
- Hi or bye
- Superlative suffix
- Colloquial language
- Duck
- Edgar Allan
- Nautical rope
- Cigar
- Pakistan language
- Level
- Of ships (abbr.)
- Securing device
- Entertainer - Sumac
- Motorists' org.
- Infect
- Caustic substance
- Comedian Costello
- Arctic abode
- Citrus fruit
- Aphid
- A Scott
- ... first you don't ...
- Future LL.B.'s exam
- Fraternal members
- Medicine portion
- High mountain
- Chemical suffix

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Public Records

New Vehicles
Don Eiring, 1988 Chevrolet pickup from Mal Donelson Chevrolet.

Joey and Diane Arnold, 1988 Mercury from Wilson Motors.

Luther C. and Lawania K. Azbill, 1988 Ford from Wilson Motors.

W.M. Ward, 1988 Chevrolet pickup from Mal Donelson Chevrolet.

Don L. Sealy, 1988 Buick from Howard Gray Motors.

William and Linda K. Sparks, 1988 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Farmers Co-op Gin, 1988 Chevrolet pickup from Mal Donelson Chevrolet.

Calley & Fowler Production Co., 1988 Chevrolet pickup from Mal Donelson Chevrolet.

Bill Wilson Leasing, 1988 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Darren Greenway, 1988 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Marriage Licenses
Michael David Gerold and Jeana Kay Douglas, both of Sweetwater.

Damon Alonzo Johnson Jr. and Laura Denise Johnson, both of San Angelo.

Michael Maxie McQuerry and Debra Sue Henderson, both of Snyder.

Filed in District Court
Magallanes Dump Truck Hauling vs. Robert Durst, doing business as L&R Dirt Service, suit on sworn account.

Snyder Savings and Loan Association vs. L.D. Brinkman of Kerrville, suit on note.

Texas Employers Insurance Association vs. Steven Day Dabney, workman's compensation suit.

Action in District Court
Kathleen Bentet Spurlock and Richard Frank Spurlock, divorce granted.

Associates Capital Services vs. Lupe Hernandez, doing business as Lupe's Welding Service, judgment for the plaintiff by default for \$1,936.

Von Dale Jones and Dennis Wayne Jones, divorce granted.

Warranty Deeds
Anthony Stutts et ux to Ricky Watson et ux, part of Lot 3 in Block 7 of the Lundy's Park Addition to the City of Snyder.

J.C. Massingill et ux to Jack K. Greene et ux, 40 acres in the northwest quarter of Section 71, Block 3, H&GN Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Tex.

Michael S. Leahey et ux to Michael L. Welsh et ux, Lot 20 in the H&A Addition, a subdivision of 31.974 acres in the southwest quarter of Section 207, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Tex.

The First National Bank of Lubbock, independent executor of the estate of Edith McKanna, to James Aaron, Lot 4 in Block 118, Lots 3, 4, 7 through 10 and 17 through 20 in Block 120, Lots 7 through 11 in Block 61 and Lots 7 through 12 in Block 76 of the Original Townsite of Fluvanna.

Ralph Oliver Torres Sr. to Marie Guadalupe Torres, Lot 18 in Block 1 of the Forrest Addition to the City of Snyder. (special warranty deed).

Nelle Greene to William R. Greene, Lot 20 and the east one foot of Lot 19 in Block 1 of the Martin Addition to the City of Snyder.

First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Big Spring to Paul Z. Martinez et ux, the north 85 feet of the east 143 feet of Lot 2 in Block 40 of the Blankenship Addition to the City of Snyder.

Bobby Roe to Horace C. Fowler et ux, a tract in the northwest quarter of Section 121, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Tex.

Don G. Robinson et ux to C.W. Overhulser Jr. et ux, Lots 2 and 4 in Block 42 and the north 40 feet of the west 125 feet of Lot 4 in Block 41 of the Blankenship Addition to the City of Snyder.

Charles William Harrell et ux to Becky Harrell, the west one-half of Section 97, Block 2, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Tex. (warranty deed with vendor's lien).

Joe Chavez to Jesse Chavez, the north 54 feet of the east one-half of Lot 8 and the north 54 feet of Lot 7 in Block 52 of the Wilmeth Addition to the City of Snyder. (gift deed).

William T. Deffebach to E.J. McNally et ux, .0143 of an acre in an 8.4597-acre tract described in a June 2, 1986, warranty deed from Lyle L. Deffebach.

Dole picks up Connally's ok

HOUSTON (AP) — Bob Dole picked up an endorsement Friday from former Texas Gov. John Connally, who said he believes the Kansas senator is the man who can get elected and lead the country.

Connally, also a former U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, said he knows all the Republican candidates, but that it was simply a choice of who would be the best leader.

"Bob Dole understands what this country is about," Connally said at a press conference Friday with Dole. "He is the essence of America."

Dole said Connally's endorsement would help in his efforts to gain votes in the 20-state Super Tuesday race on March 8.

"It does a lot for me," Dole said of Connally's endorsement. "It gives me confidence. It gives me more determination. It means a great deal to a lot of Texans. It's going to be a shot heard around Texas and around the world."

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Common antibiotics prevent pneumonia

NEW YORK (AP) — A widely used pair of antibiotics prevented a deadly form of pneumonia in a group of 30 AIDS patients, while more than half of the patients in a similar untreated group came down with it, researchers reported Friday.

This dramatic success in preventing one of the leading causes of death among AIDS patients is not a cure for acquired immune deficiency syndrome, but could prolong the lives of AIDS sufferers, said the study's principal author, Dr. Margaret Fischl of the University of Miami School of Medicine.

"Any individual that is symptomatic with HIV (the AIDS virus) should be considered for intervention with low-dose antibiotics to prevent Pneumocystis," said Fischl. "It's easily available. It's not expensive."

Soviet missiles leave countries

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AP) — Soviet troops headed home from East Germany and Czechoslovakia taking with them the first nuclear missiles dismantled under the superpower treaty scrapping intermediate-range nuclear weapons.

The Soviet soldiers left two bases in East Germany and one garrison in Czechoslovakia Thursday after a ceremonial send-off highlighted in the communist countries' state-run media.

Both of Moscow's allies lauded the pullout of some shorter-range SS-12 missiles as evidence of the Kremlin's sincere intent on peace.

Czechoslovak radio said the Soviet soldiers loaded missiles on a train Thursday morning at the railway station at Hranice, a garrison town 180 miles southeast of Prague.

Battling driving snow, the Soviets loaded 19 missile launchers onto trains and then attended a ceremony at which they received decorations from the Czechoslovak Ministry of Defense, the radio said.

The Soviet commander of the missile forces said the weapons were to be taken to an unspecified "liquidation" site in the Soviet Union. He said they will not be destroyed until Congress ratifies the treaty signed by Mikhail Gorbachev and President Reagan last December in Washington.

Pneumocystis carinii pneumonia strikes more than half of AIDS patients, and "15 percent to 25 percent of individuals will die with it even when it's recognized and treated," she said.

In a separate development, the anti-AIDS drug AZT was shown to lower virus levels and improve immune systems in more than two-thirds of 18 otherwise healthy AIDS carriers, according to a study done at the University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

Fischl prevented Pneumocystis with a pair of sulfa drugs called trimethoprim and sulfamethoxazole, marketed under a variety of trade names including Bactrim and Septra. They are used for kidney infections, bladder infections, traveler's diarrhea and, at high doses, for treatment of Pneumocystis in AIDS victims, she said.

After three years, Pneumocystis had not struck any of the treated group of 30 patients who had Kaposi's sarcoma, a skin cancer, but had not had any of the so-called opportunistic infections — including Pneumocystis — that strike AIDS patients, Fischl reported.

In a control group of 30 untreated AIDS patients, 16 got Pneumocystis, she said. A report of the findings appeared Friday in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

When the experiment concluded, 42 percent of the treated group was still alive, compared with only 10 percent of the untreated group, Fischl said.

That was clear evidence that the preventive treatment was prolonging lives, but exactly how long it might prolong life could not be determined, she said.

Half of the treated patients suffered from side effects, including nausea, vomiting, itching, redness of the skin and fever.

The results of the Dutch study on AZT, reported in the Feb. 20 issue of The Lancet, a British medical journal, were described as promising. But they fall short of what doctors would need to recommend that healthy AIDS virus carriers begin taking AZT to prevent AIDS, Dr. Samuel Broder, the director of AIDS drug testing at the National Cancer Institute, said Thursday.

Nevertheless, Broder said, it suggests that a recently initiated American study of AZT in healthy carriers "needs to proceed urgently."

"It's very important not to rush out and start using AZT in a situation in which its use has not been proven," Broder said. He noted that AZT can have life-threatening side effects.

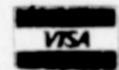
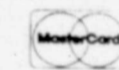
The study found that levels of the AIDS virus "declined significantly" in 13 of 18 men who had longstanding AIDS virus infections but no symptoms of AIDS.

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Zinc plays essential role

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I had some prostate trouble a few years ago and took 30 milligrams of chelated zinc daily. The problem went away and has not come back. The zinc also cleared up a crooked penis. Could you tell me medically why the zinc works?

DEAR READER: Zinc is a necessary and versatile element that participates in the most fundamental of the body's functions, including growth, wound healing, sexual maturation and the maintenance of tissues.

Although present in many foods, zinc can be poorly absorbed from the intestine. Deficiencies are rare, however, and show up as anemia. No reputable scientific study has shown that zinc enhances fertility, sexual ability or health — unless the patient is deficient in zinc to begin with.

I do not know why your conditions were helped by zinc. You must have been depleted and replenished your supply with the zinc supplement. The Recommended Daily Allowance of zinc is 15 milligrams, an excessive amount of zinc can be toxic and can keep other minerals from being absorbed. The RDA can be easily provided by eating a well-balanced diet.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report, FADS I: VITAMINS AND MINERALS. Other readers who want a copy of this newsletter should send \$1 with their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 71, diabetic and have a terrible vaginal odor. Are these factors related?

DEAR READER: Probably. Diabetics are particularly susceptible to infections, especially of the skin and vagina. Yeast vaginitis can cause a malodorous discharge.

On the other hand, women past the menopause can develop troublesome vaginal irritations that are related to a lack of female hormone, not to infection. Therefore, I urge you to see a gynecologist for a precise diagnosis. If you have an infection, it can be treated with antibiotics or anti-fungal drugs. If your problem is hormone-related, you might be helped by the judicious use of estrogen cream, pills or patches. A gynecologist can advise you.

DEAR DR. GOTT: The main artery in the lower part of my stomach was clogged so badly that the doctor gave me a bypass with a plastic implant. Two months after the operation, my stomach is still so sore that you can't touch it, and when I walk or stand after sitting, I feel it rubbing. The doctor says, "Get used to it."

DEAR READER: Assuming no infection or other complication of surgery, your wound should become painless with time.

You evidently had a form of bypass during which the diseased artery was bridged with a prosthesis. This required a lot of technically difficult surgery. With this type of operation, I've found that healing may not be complete for up to a year after the procedure. You don't have to "get used to it"; in a few months, your discomfort should vanish. Of course, you will want to follow your doctor's instructions with respect to exercise and followup visits. However, if you're patient, the situation should resolve as your tissues adapt to the new artery.

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Doctoring for dollars

"What's in it for me?" seems to have become the rallying cry of the 1980s. Fewer people are willing to perform services for others unless the goal is money or power.

I recently received a bill from my attorney for various legal matters. The statement included charges for telephone calls that were billed in tenths of an hour. I guess a tenth of an hour is six minutes. I couldn't remember having spoken to the lawyer in a series of six-minute segments. But, of course, I didn't time our infrequent conversations with a stopwatch, either. Since legal counsel costs me

\$125 an hour, according to the bill, the telephone charges added up. In fact, they added up to a figure that I calculated to have exceeded any practical benefits of the legal consultations.

I wouldn't have objected to token charges — say, a dollar or two per call — for the types of informal advice given, but I minded the senseless and pseudoscientific ring of the transaction. A tenth of an hour. Really.

I object even more to this practice when I hear that some doctors are doing it. True, physicians spend a lot of time on the telephone. At the end of a working day, I am usually faced with a respectably long list of call backs to make. In addition, I am in the habit of picking up the phone to inquire how a patient is faring. The telephone comes with the territory. It is a physician's lifeline; when it stops ringing, there's trouble ahead.

However, I would not choose to demean myself by charging for routine calls. I believe that doctors who give in to this penny ante urge are doing themselves, their patients and their profession no favors. For lawyers, it may be ethical and routine; for doctors, it's just plain tacky.

There's talk these days about how doctoring has lost its pleasure and fun. Maybe it has. Physicians worry about many problems and, unfortunately, these problems are often financial. Therefore, if money is the purpose of doctoring, medical practice has certainly lost much of its luster. This is reflected by the fact that fewer medical graduates are entering the field of internal medicine; this specialty is perceived by young doctors as being less financially rewarding than other specialties, such as orthopedic surgery.

However, the real luster of medicine isn't gold. It never has been. The attraction of doctoring is service. And a dedication to service is about as popular with many modern doctors as emptying bed pans.

This trend is a shame. Some time ago — certainly within my memory — M.D.s expected (and were willing) to provide free care for needy patients. All doctors examined and treated people for whom no fees were billed and none collected. Well-known practitioners routinely donated several days a month to working without reimbursement on the wards of city and charity hospitals. They did this for a variety of reasons, one of which was that it felt good; it gave renewed meaning to hard-earned skills. Few, if any, doctors do this today.

In my opinion, the major portion of this decade's disillusioned doctors have lost interest because the service aspect of medical care has become secondary to financial considerations. It's a no-win situation. Few practicing physicians can possibly justify their careers solely on the basis of income. Wealth isn't what it's all about; service is — or, as one of my colleagues succinctly concluded: It ain't what you got, but what you do.

"What's in it for me?" may be the insistent question asked by attorneys, teachers, businessmen and money-minded yuppies. However, such a question is not going to improve medical care, the status of the profession or the satisfaction of being a doctor. If, for a change, M.D.s could set an example, we might reverse a trend. "What's in it for them?" would be a more appropriate question for the physician vis-a-vis his patients. Then perhaps, the tenth-of-an-hour telephone charge would finally be exposed as an obscenity more in keeping with the pecuniary professions than with the healing arts.

Next, we can address the problem of pompous and reactionary medical writers who yearn to turn the clock back.

Send your questions to Dr. Gott in care of this newspaper at P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Due to volume of mail, individual questions cannot be answered. Questions of general interest will be answered in future columns.

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The last official bare-knuckle bout in the United States, in 1889, went 75 rounds before John L. Sullivan bested Jake Kilrain in Richburg, Miss.

Flexibility sought on when to stop aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration has made "no secret deals" on Afghanistan and will arm guerrillas there "until that support is no longer needed" to gain permanent withdrawal of Soviet troops, a senior official told Congress.

"We will not abandon the Afghan resistance," Robert Peck, deputy assistant secretary of state, said Thursday in testimony before the House Foreign Affairs subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs.

Peck also welcomed a statement by resistance leaders that they would agree to an interim government consisting of some Afghans currently in Kabul, possibly non-Communist members of the Kremlin's client government.

Peck denied charges by some resistance leaders and conservative members of Congress that the administration has agreed to a deal that would cut off aid at the beginning of a Soviet withdrawal, possibly allowing the Red Army or the Afghan regime to slaughter the insurgents.

A proposed U.N. agreement to end the Afghan war contains provisions the administration understands would bar the Kremlin from arming its clients in Kabul or waging offensive operations against the guerrillas, Peck said.

Continued military aid or offensive operations by the Soviets in Afghanistan would violate provisions of the U.N.-sponsored accord guaranteeing "non-interference and non-intervention," he said.

Soviet officials have said they expect U.S. aid to end 60 days after an agreement is signed, but have not said when they would stop aiding Kabul.

"It is a matter on which we are not completely satisfied, and we intend to pressure them," Peck said.

But the administration would oppose any congressional resolution calling for the president to continue military aid to the guerrillas until the departure of the last of the estimated 120,000 Soviet soldiers from Afghanistan, Peck said. Rep. David Dreier, R-Calif., and Sen. Steve Symms, R-Idaho, are preparing such resolutions, congressional aides said.

"The president wishes not to have his hands tied," Peck said. "We will continue our assistance to the Afghan resistance until that support is no longer needed. But the question of when to cut off aid is one that should be left to the president."

Peck denied that administration officials agreed in December 1985, without President Reagan's knowledge, to abide by the U.N. agreement before final details were worked out.

"There have been no secret deals," Peck said. "No deals at

all." The United Nations-sponsored talks, in which Pakistan is representing the guerrillas and the Kabul regime is representing the Soviets, are to resume next Wednesday. Kremlin leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev has said that if the talks produce an accord, Soviet troops will start leaving by May 15 and be gone within 10 months.

Pakistani officials, who originally demanded Soviet withdrawal over three months, now say eight months is acceptable, but they want the parties to agree on the formation of an interim government.

Soviet negotiators have accused Pakistan of introducing new demands at the last minute, a charge echoed by Rep. Stephen J. Solarz, subcommittee chairman.

"It may not be possible to fashion such a government, in which case it would be a tragedy if, as a consequence of such a condition, we ended up without an interim government but with the continued presence of Soviet forces in Afghanistan," said Solarz, D-N.Y.

The Pakistani demand is neither unreasonable nor likely to prevent a Soviet withdrawal.

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