

Hail, winds plague Texas Hill Country

Baseball-sized hail reported in Abilene

By The Associated Press
Intense thunderstorms that pounded Abilene with baseball-sized hail hammered their way into the Texas Hill Country, where the threat of possible tornadoes lingered today, authorities said.

Funnel clouds and possible tornadoes were reported in several locations, but there were no reports of damage or injuries from the storms, authorities said. The thunderstorms had earlier shattered windows and uprooted trees in Abilene, and destroyed an abandoned train station.

The storm system was dumping more than 2 inches of rain per hour as it made its way across the Hill Country late Thursday, and a flash flood watch continued in Kimble, Mason and Menard counties early today.

The National Weather Service said radar indicated possible tornadoes near Comfort and another north of Boerne about 10:30 p.m. in Kendall County. A funnel cloud was also reported south of Boerne, where golfball-size hail was reported, but there were no reports of tornado sightings.

Earlier warnings had been issued for Callahan, Taylor, Lampasas and San Saba counties. High winds knocked down power lines and trees in Kerrville late Thursday, and a tornado was reported seven miles northwest of town.

Friday
June 3,
1988
Ask Us

Q — Why is the city garbage trucks allowed to drive on the left side of the street going west on 37th St.?
A — The truck picks up dumpsters on its left side, so it must be driven in the left-hand lane. City officials note they find trucks which pick up dumpsters on the left side to be the safest since the driver's wheel can also be located on the normal left side. For those which pick up on the right, the wheel must also be on the right to allow the driver to see the dumpster. They add they have cautioned these drivers to service 37th St during low traffic periods. Flasher lights are placed on the trucks also to increase their visibility.

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Drowning victim recovered

Officers recovered the body of 38-year-old Hilario "Lalo" Silva from Lake J.B. Thomas Friday morning after Scurry County deputies, searching the lake shore in an airplane, saw it floating about 400 yards from the north shore.



TRAGEDY — Officials remove the body of Hilario Silva from the north shoreline of Lake J.B. Thomas Friday morning after the Memorial Day drowning victim was spotted by deputies searching the lake shore by plane. From left are Danny Flenniken of a Big Spring funeral home, Scurry County Deputies Darren Jackson and Ronald "Andy" Anderson, Odi Hernandez of the funeral home and lake supervisor Richard Halfmann. (SD) Staff Photo by Bob Campbell

Stabbing ends with guilty plea

A 27-year-old Snyder man has pleaded guilty to aggravated assault in connection with the April 3 stabbing of a man at a community gathering hall in north Snyder and has been sentenced to six years in the Texas Department of Corrections.

Diamond M Museum will exhibit 26 artists

An exhibit of works by members of Snyder's Palette Club will open at the Diamond M Museum of Fine Art Sunday and remain through June 30. Twenty-six artists are represented in the show.

Museum to open wedding exhibits

Wedding dresses from years past will be featured in an exhibit opening Sunday in the Scurry County Museum.

Rites pending Friday for victim of rollover

Services were pending Friday morning for 54-year-old Byra Vay Strong of 310 33rd St., who was killed Wednesday in a one-car rollover 5 miles south of Post on U.S. Hwy. 84.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A minority of the people often carry a majority of the load."
Keeping tabs on our neighbors: If your spouse happens to be one that drives you crazy with frequent switching of the television channels, you'll appreciate the information written by James Roberts in the Andrews County News.

In Brief

10-year term
BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A federal judge sentenced to 10 years a money courier who officials say was part of a marijuana distribution network headquartered in Florida.

Local

Gramm visit
U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm will visit Snyder briefly Saturday. He is scheduled to have breakfast with college officials and other community leaders at 8 a.m., then to tour the Golf Course and Landscape Technology building on the campus of Western Texas College.

8th graduates

There will be a graduation party for Snyder eighth graders this Sunday at the National Guard Armory sponsored by eighth grade parents.

Soccer plans

The Snyder Soccer Association will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday at the community room of Snyder National Bank to make plans for next year.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Thursday, 80 degrees; low, 62 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Friday, 64 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1988 to date, 3.48 inches.

Suzuki Samurai...

Suzuki vehicle ban sought

NEW YORK (AP) — The Suzuki Samurai is so unstable it "literally trips over its own feet" and rolls over, says the publisher of Consumer Reports, which gave the popular sport vehicle its first "not acceptable" rating in 10 years.

But the American Suzuki Motor Corp. defended the Japanese-built Samurai as safe and said there was no justification for the magazine publisher's claim that it should be banned because it tends to turn over in sudden turns.

Consumers Union, publisher of Consumer Reports, said Thursday the Samurai is too short, too narrow, too light and has too high a center of gravity to be safe. It asked federal regulators to recall the more than 150,000 Samurais sold in this country and provide refunds to owners.

Consumers Union called the four-wheel-drive sport utility vehicle "wholly unsuitable for consumer use" in a petition filed with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

"That car literally trips over its own feet, and I wouldn't want to be in it," said R. David Pittle, technical director of Consumers Union, at a news conference. "They're promoted as safe, fun vehicles, when the fact of the matter is, they're not."

Consumers Union said the \$8,500 Samurai was the first car out of 349 tested in the last decade

to roll over during a routine accident-avoidance test, in which cars are made to swerve to avoid an obstacle in the road.

Consumers Union officials showed a videotape in which the Samurai lurched onto two wheels and began to roll over when it suddenly changed lanes at just under 40 mph. Arm-like extensions installed to protect the test

drivers prevented the car from rolling onto its side.

The Samurai's major competitors, the Jeep Wrangler, the Jeep Cherokee and the Isuzu Trooper, were shown making the same maneuver without losing stability at speeds higher than 40 mph.

It was 10 years ago that Consumer Reports labeled the Dodge

Omni-Plymouth Horizon models "not acceptable," saying they had a dangerous steering problem. The problem was corrected the next model year, the magazine said.

"We were thinking of turning it over to our older son. Now we won't do that," said Edward Taylor, 41, of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, who owns a convertible Samurai.

"You're driving down the road at 65 mph and a cat or dog jumps out in front of you, you have to find out how good a driver you are. It's something I'm not looking forward to," he said.

Doug Mazza, vice president and general manager of American Suzuki, said, "We have absolute confidence that we are selling a safe and stable vehicle." The company said the Samurai was thoroughly tested for safety.

Parole officers are disciplined after they discuss safety fears

AUSTIN (AP) — Parole officers who spoke out against policies banning them from carrying handguns on the job will face disciplinary action and possible suspensions for talking to reporters without permission, officials said.

State parole officials notified the officers Thursday that they could be fired because they talked to reporters about safety issues after a parole officer was raped during a visit to a Beaumont client's home.

Three officers, one in Beaumont and two in Port Arthur, are being cited for violating a policy that prohibits them from talking to the media without specific permission from Executive Director Glenn Heckmann.

Officials are defending that policy, but critics call it a violation of the constitutional right to free speech.

"These people are running that agency like the Gestapo," said Rep. Mark Stiles, the Beaumont Democrat who heads the House Committee on County Affairs. "This is ridiculous. Their (officers) rights are guaranteed in

the Constitution of the United States."

Officers Glynn Walker, Cynthia Toutcheque and Nancy Petkovsek were informed of the disciplinary measures in letters from the public board's Austin headquarters. The letters cite violation of agency policy and gross insubordination.

In addition to the charges of insubordination and policy violation, Walker was told, he would be disciplined for misuse of state property for using a facsimile machine to send a copy of a parole officers' petition from one agency branch to another and for misuse of sick leave for an afternoon he took off.

Two weeks ago, Walker discussed the widespread unrest in the agency following the attack on the female parole officer. At that time, he said, officers were concerned about the lack of safeguards, and many of them wanted to carry firearms while on duty.

Gara Lamarche, executive director of the Texas Civil Liberties Union, called the parole-board policy a "gag order" and said he believes the officers' discussion of safety issues is protected by the Constitution.

"It's the kind of speech that ought to be protected by the First Amendment," he said.

Dear Abby



Porn Excites Gentle Husband To Demand Rough, Crude Sex

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I love and hate my husband. He used to be a fine and gentle man, but lately he has turned into something entirely different. About six months ago, our neighbor invited my husband over to watch some dirty movies. I tolerated it at first, thinking it was harmless. Then, after a while, every time my husband came back from watching those dirty movies he would demand sex — not loving and tender, just rough, crude sex. Abby, our sex life has become a nightmare! It just makes me sick. I am hurt beyond words, and he knows it, too.

What am I going to do? Divorce him? On what grounds? I know I can't live like this any longer.

Please answer in the newspaper because I have three children at home and they always get the mail. NO NAME OR ADDRESS

DEAR NO NAME: You need to re-establish communication with your husband in order to understand why this formerly "fine and gentle man" has turned into a crude, sexually demanding person. You need to be counseled together. (Contact your local mental health facility — the people there can help you.) If he refuses to go with you, go alone. Your marriage depends upon it.

DEAR ABBY: While you've often written about this subject, I have never seen this question answered in your column and I am sure others have wondered about it, too.

When the organs of a deceased loved one are donated — be they corneas or internal organs such as kidneys, liver, heart — can the family have an open-casket funeral?

I know of cases where a family has agreed to donate organs, then they changed their minds because they weren't sure the body could be sufficiently restored for an open-casket funeral.

ANONYMOUS, PLEASE

DEAR ANONYMOUS: I am informed that there is absolutely no evidence of organ removal, so an open-casket funeral is possible if that is the

Witness says Knighten admitted killing 'narc'

WAXAHACHIE, Texas (AP) — A co-defendant told jurors that 16-year-old Greg Knighten admitted firing the shot that killed Midlothian undercover officer George Raffield last October because he knew he was a "narc."

"He said he'd gotten his daddy's gun and he switched the fancy bullets out ... and eventually it got to where he'd shot him," Cynthia Federick, 23, testified Thursday.

Ms. Federick, one of four defendants in the case, agreed to testify against Knighten under an agreement in which she will plead guilty to conspiracy and solicitation of capital murder in exchange for her testimony and an eight-year prison sentence.

Knighten's girlfriend also testified in the packed courtroom

family's choice.

DEAR ABBY: I attend church with a lady whose daughter is to be married in three months. She and her daughter do not know that the future groom has a long history of indecent exposure, and he was arrested for this again not more than six weeks ago. Doesn't this young girl have a right to know this before she marries him? And if so, should I phone her anonymously? Please do not mention my city or state.

CONCERNED FOR HER

DEAR CONCERNED: If he has been arrested, it should be public record. I would not "alert" anyone, unless I were 100 percent sure of my facts. But under no circumstances should you phone her anonymously. Guilty or innocent, the accused should have the right to face his (or her) accuser.

DEAR ABBY: Yours was a great response when you advised the son to talk to his father who had disowned him for getting his girlfriend pregnant — then the father asked his son for \$500 a month for "a while" when his business failed. The father had probably done much soul-searching and had to swallow his pride and pride in order to ask his son for help.

The Bible eulogizes the father who took back the prodigal son. In the same way, a son could take back a prodigal father.

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Thursday, telling the jury that the defendant prayed for forgiveness "for what's happened tonight" about an hour after Raffield was shot.

Jamie Cadenhead, 16, said Knighten came to her house the night Raffield was killed and that Knighten cried most of the evening. Knighten, the son of a Dallas police officer, went into her house, where he slipped her a pistol belonging to his father, Ms. Cadenhead testified.

"I kind of figured what he'd done with the gun, because of what they'd said about George, but I didn't ask because I didn't want to know," Ms. Cadenhead said.

She and Knighten went back outside, and Knighten prayed aloud, saying, "Please, Lord forgive me of my sins and for what's happened tonight," Ms. Cadenhead testified.

Raffield, 21, was posing as a Midlothian High School student as part of an undercover drug operation. His body was found Oct. 24 in a field south of Midlothian.

Ms. Cadenhead and Ms. Federick testified that Knighten had originally defended Raffield when confronted with the prospect he was an undercover officer.

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Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101 or 573-8626.
New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

SATURDAY
Defensive Driving; The Shack; \$25; 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Diamond M Museum, open from 1-4 p.m.
People Without Borders; 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.

Study says donated livers, hearts wasted

CHICAGO (AP) — Nearly half of all donated hearts and livers obtained by a New York hospital are going to waste rather than helping to save lives, a study shows, alarming experts who say the pattern could be widespread.

"We should try in every way that we can to seek a remedy" to the inefficiency and inadequate resources causing the problem, said Dr. Carl Andrus, a transplant surgeon at the University of Rochester Medical Center. The research by Andrus and others at the medical center was to be presented today at the American Society of Transplant Surgeons' annual meeting.

In their paper, the researchers said that most families, when approached properly, agree to donate a loved one's organs. So it's especially painful when organs that could be put to good use are buried instead.

About 475 people are awaiting liver transplants in the United States, while nearly 900 others await new hearts, according to the United Network for Organ Sharing.

"There is a problem from time to time with placing good hearts and livers," acknowledged Dr. John McDonald, president of the transplant surgeons' society and immediate past president of the network.

No statistics are available regarding the number of organs that are donated but go unused in this country each year. Some doctors questioned whether as many as half of all donated hearts and livers are being wasted.

"That figure seems high," said Dr. Robert J. Corry, a University of Iowa transplant surgeon.

The University of Rochester Organ Procurement Program began its study about a year ago after experiencing considerable difficulty placing donated livers and hearts elsewhere. The medical center only transplanted kidneys.

The researchers tracked all organs donated through the Rochester program from

January 1985 to October 1987, when a new scoring system for allocating transplant organs became mandatory for members of the organ network.

In nearly three years, 74 of the 203 brain-dead patients referred to the program proved medically suitable, Richard Kruk, an organ procurement coordinator at the center, said Thursday.

Relatives of the 74, were approached about the possibility of organ donation, leading to consent for the donation of 68 kidneys, 55 livers and 44 hearts.

Sixty-three kidneys were found to be suitable for a transplant, as were 40 livers and 42 hearts, Kruk said.

All 63 kidneys were transplanted, but just 20 livers and 23 hearts were used, the study found.

Kruk said he and others in the organ procurement program made 411 phone calls to try to place the 39 unused hearts and livers, which were never removed from donors' bodies.

Many calls were unsuccessful because of inaccurate listings of potential recipients in national computer systems, including the one now run by the transplant network. Some information was outdated.

"We'd be told there was a desperate need for a heart in Cleveland, so we'd call Cleveland and be told, 'Oh no, he was transplanted this morning,'" said Suanne Paprocki, an organ procurement coordinator in Rochester.

Some transplant centers said they preferred waiting for a locally obtained donor, while others said they didn't think the organs suited their needs.

Hudges picked SDN winner

Wayne Hudges of P. O. Box 143 in Ira is the May winner of a free year's subscription to the Snyder Daily News. Each month a drawing is held from the names of those who have either subscribed or renewed for six months or more.

Labor turmoil may pose threat at Eastern Airlines

WASHINGTON (AP) — Labor turmoil at Eastern Airlines must be defused before it creates risks to passengers, says a federal report that nonetheless concludes Eastern and sister carrier Continental Airlines are being run

safely. The report came after an unprecedented investigation of both Eastern and Continental as well its holding company, Texas Air Corp., by the Transportation Department and the Federal Aviation Administration.

The department's report, released Thursday, said Eastern's bitter labor problems have divided the company, posing the risk of "an adverse impact on the public safety."

The Federal Aviation Administration plans to continue its special surveillance of Eastern and a special emissary is being dispatched to try to "de-escalate the tensions within the company," said Transportation Secretary Jim Burnley.

Burnley said former Labor Secretary William Brock has been enlisted to try to open new lines of communications between Eastern's labor unions and management over safety issues.

Brock's role is limited to "the safety related aspects of this problem," and Brock would not deal with bargaining issues.

Brock said he had talked with all the parties at Eastern and has found "a willingness to listen." But Burnley seemed less optimistic.

"Frankly, given the extraordinary nature of this matter,

neither he (Brock) or I can predict a successful conclusion," Burnley told a news conference. Texas Air chairman Frank Lorenzo welcomed Brock's participation.

Henry Duffy, the president of the Air Line Pilots Association, suggested the move reflects "the unprecedented problems that exist at Eastern."

In Miami, Charles Bryan, the head of Eastern's machinists union, gave no sign of wanting to be conciliatory. He accused the Transportation Department of "supporting and cooperating" with Lorenzo and called the department's report "the best possible report that money can buy" - a reference to Texas Air's recently expanded lobbying efforts in Washington.

Inmate arranges prison visit for Mother Teresa

WALPOLE, Mass. (AP) — A former Franciscan monk serving an 18- to 20-year sentence for assault and battery will meet his pen pal, Mother Teresa, on Saturday when she begins a visit to three state prisons at his invitation.

Donald Ouimet, who has corresponded with Mother Teresa for the past two years, said he hopes her visit will spread "the healing warmth of love" among inmates at the prison 20 miles south of Boston.

"Walpole prison has been recognized as a holding pen for the lowest of the low. But every now and then a ray of hope shines," Ouimet told a news conference Thursday inside Massachusetts' only maximum-security prison. "I hope this Saturday a ray of hope will shine

when a little nun from India comes."

Mother Teresa — who won the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize for her work with the destitute, diseased and dying — established the Missionary Sisters of Charity in Calcutta, India, in 1948. Today, the Roman Catholic order operates more than 30 homes in 80 countries.

The Yugoslavian-born nun will also visit prisons at Concord and Framingham, traveling by helicopter, said state Department of Correction spokeswoman Kathleen Ayres.

At Walpole, inmates plan to present Mother Teresa with a pen drawing of the nun in front of a comment she once made: "We are like a pencil in God's hands, even though the instrument is imperfect, the writing is beautiful."

Bridge

James Jacoby

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♦ A K Q 5			
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♦ A 9 8 7 6 2	♦ 10 5 3		
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Pass	4♦	Pass	3♦
Pass	5♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	5♥
Opening lead: ♦ A			

Scientific bidding, which can show exact distribution, helps the bidders arrive at their best contract, but also guides the defense in setting a contract when declarer is too high.

After North had shown heart support and a good hand, South was happy to ask for aces. If you delete the K-Q of clubs in the North hand and change the K-J of diamonds to the ace, there would be a very good play for six hearts. Unfortunately there was no play for it today. Off two aces, South stopped at five hearts, regretting being even that high.

When the diamond ace was led, East followed with the three, showing an odd number of cards. West knew that it could not be a singleton, since declarer had shown six hearts and five spades in the bidding (by opening one heart and then bidding spades twice). So it became easy for West to lead a club at the second trick. Declarer, in dummy for the last time, led a heart to his king. But he now had to lead a heart from his hand, and East took two heart tricks to set the contract.

If West had not been able to get the count at trick one, he might have led a second diamond. That would have provided declarer with an extra entry to dummy, allowing him to lead up to the K-Q of hearts a second time and make the contract. As to the bidding, perhaps North-South would have avoided playing at the five-level if North had bid two no-trump after South had bid two spades. North would still have bid four hearts eventually, but now South might pass, thinking it unlikely that partner would hold two aces.

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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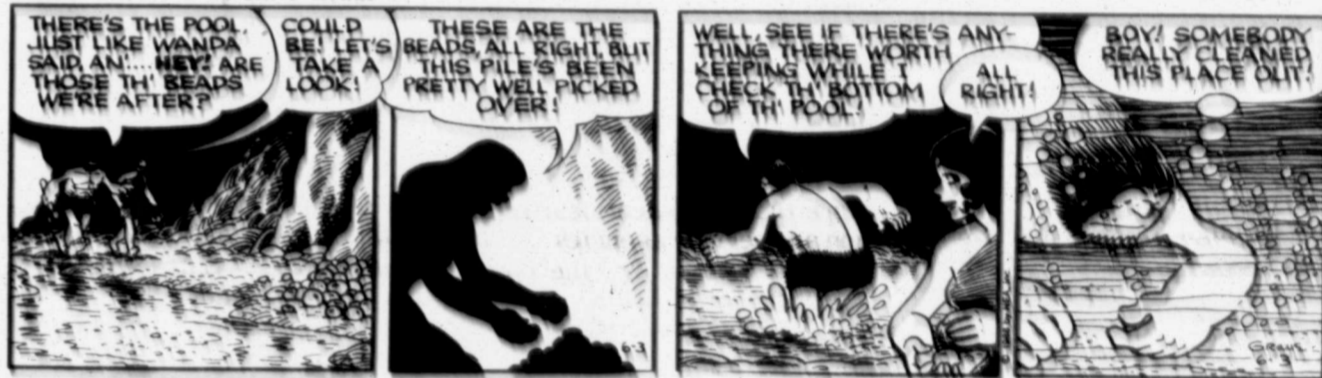
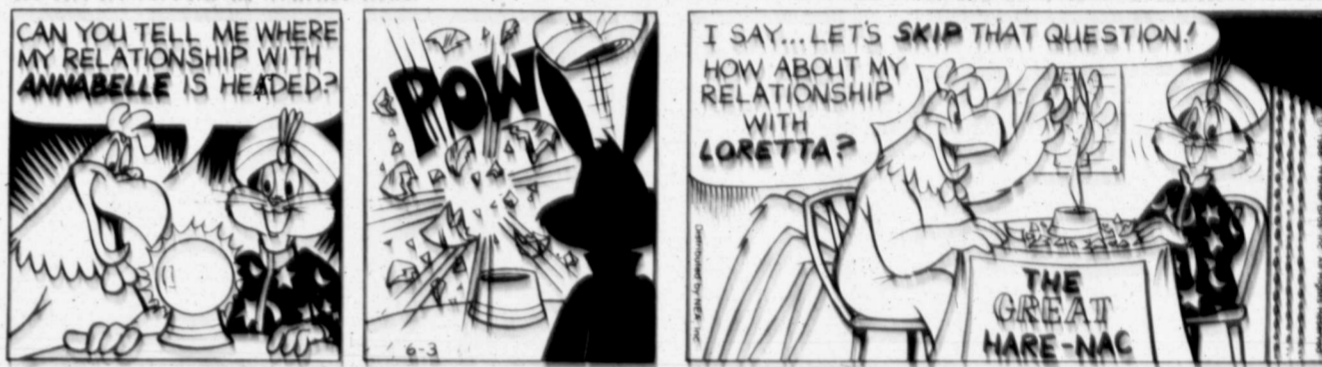
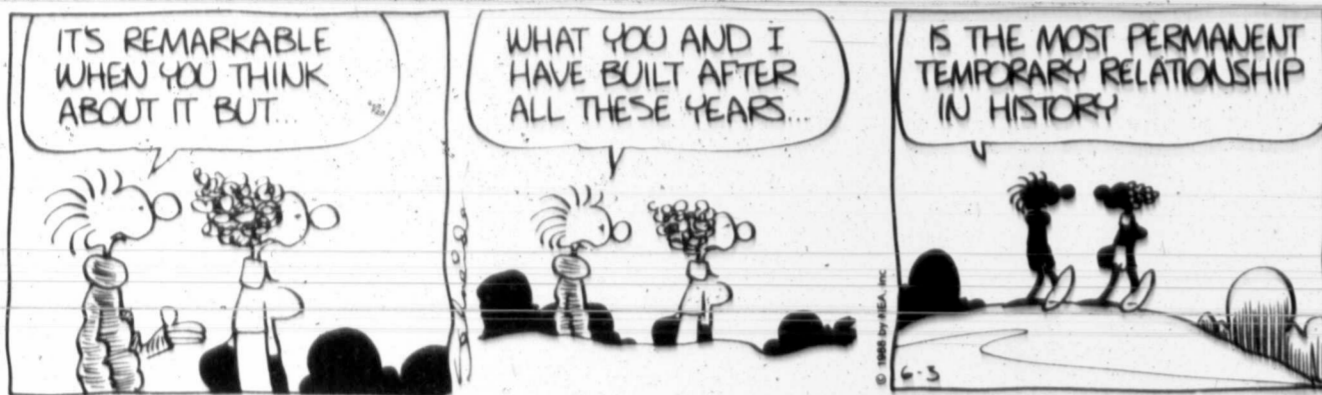
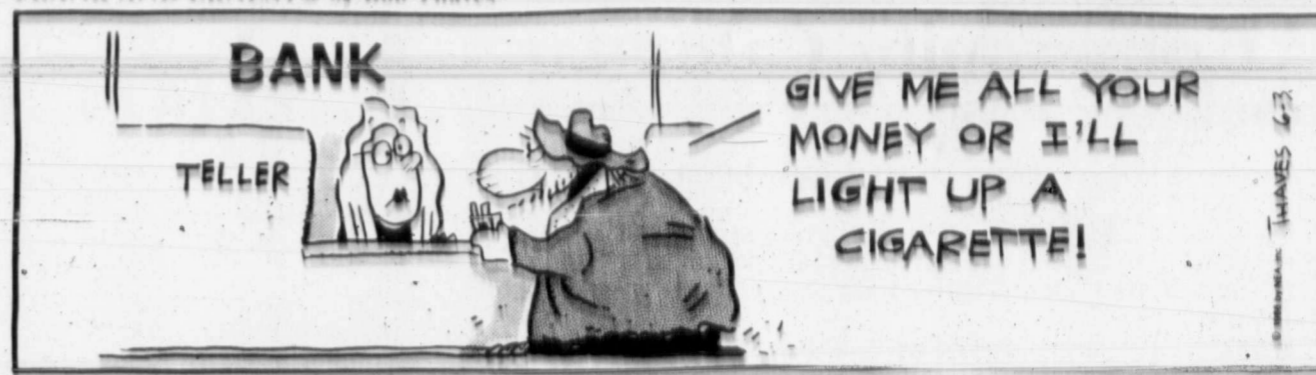
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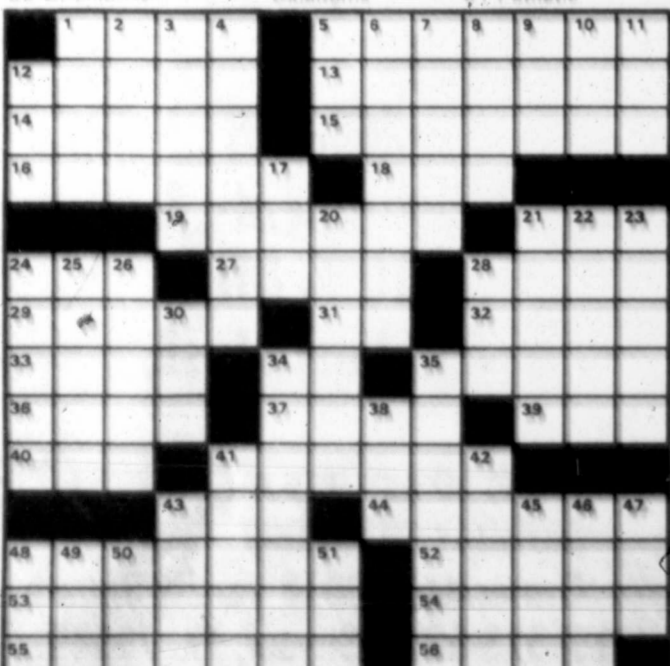
PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 Actor
- 5 German measles
- 12 Boast about
- 13 Barometer type
- 14 Follow
- 15 Hamstring
- 16 Set of four
- 18 Aviv
- 19 Bring out
- 21 TV network
- 24 New Deal program
- 27 Ireland
- 28 Actor Douglas
- 29 More scarce
- 31 is (Sp.)
- 32 Silkworm
- 33 Resin-producing tree
- 35 Proofreader's mark
- 36 Body
- 37 Mormon State
- 39 Indignation
- 40 British Navy abbreviation
- 41 Willingly
- 43 High in pitch
- 44 Waterlogged
- 48 Fatal
- 52 wine
- 53 Dancer Duncan
- 54 Poetry foot
- 55 Stuck in mud
- 56 Collage woman

DOWN

- 1 Citizen
- 2 Corrode
- 3 Harden
- 4 Robber
- 5 Radiation measure



Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 6 Wholes
- 7 Surround
- 8 Pertaining to an age
- 9 Tennis stroke
- 10 Mae West role
- 11 Cooling beverage
- 12 Experienced person
- 17 502, Roman
- 20 Originate
- 21 Fleecy white clouds
- 22 Heath plant
- 23 Fish
- 24 Collision
- 25 Billiard shot
- 26 Studies
- 28 New Zealand parrot
- 30 Fern, issue
- 34 Feed
- 38 Roman bronze
- 41 Story
- 42 Coarse person
- 43 The King of
- 45 Cows
- 46 City in
- 47 Next to Nov.
- 48 Vein of a leaf
- 49 Take advantage of
- 50 I think, therefore



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USDA slow in reacting to parched conditions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal government's recent offer of first aid was too slow in coming for South Texas, one of the two most drought-ridden regions in the nation, the chair-

man of the House Agriculture Committee says. "You can't wait until you count the dead cows and say, 'You've got a drought and we can help you,'" said U.S. Rep. Kika de la Garza, a Mission Democrat whose district includes expanses of arid border rangeland. "I still insist it's better to err on

the positive side than wait until everything goes down the drain. It's not as bad as counting cows, but it (the help) is not as much as I anticipated, as much as I would have preferred," said de la Garza, chairman of the Agriculture Committee. U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm, a Stamford farmer and member of the committee, said the U.S. Department of Agriculture is "always slow" and is "slower than they need to be."

"We knew it (the Texas drought) was there," Stenholm said Wednesday. But he and de la Garza agreed the USDA has to make certain a drought in fact exists before it musters aid. "It's a tough call," said Stenholm, chairman of the Livestock, Dairy and Poultry Subcommittee. The panel has jurisdiction over drought relief through emergency feed programs, and Stenholm said he is looking into improving aid to disaster-stricken farmers and ranchers so it arrives more quickly.

Many areas of Texas — the cotton and wheat belt of West Texas, the dairy and ranching areas of northeast Texas, and the ranchlands of South Texas and the Edwards Plateau — have been parched by dry spring rains. According to the National Weather Service, Del Rio had received only 20 percent of its normal spring rainfall. In Brownsville, the rainfall was only 48 percent of normal, in Dallas-Fort Worth, 54 percent; Waco, 55 percent; in Shreveport, La., and sections of Northeast Texas, 50

percent to 65 percent; and in San Antonio, 37 percent. This week's rains have come helped some regions in the state, but a wide swath of the state is still too dry, officials say. "We're just burning up in the fields of Corsicana," says a staff member of the poultry and livestock subcommittee. "Hay production is severely affected. The hay harvesting has been delayed." It's so dry in the Rio Grande Valley that farmers are burning spines off cactuses so their cattle have something to eat, de la Garza said. The ranchlands of South Texas, where rainfall is 4 inches below normal for this time of year, are on the "borderline of major disaster."

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Lyons said South Texas and a portion of the Dakotas and western Minnesota are the two driest regions in the nation. In response to those conditions, the USDA announced last Friday it would open its emergency feed program in selected Texas counties. As of Thursday, the requests of 38 counties had been granted and four were being considered, the committee staffer said. The program allows the USDA to bear half the cost of feed for producers who are short because of drought.

The drought situation was apparent in Texas as early as April, yet the USDA's first offer of help did not come through until the end of May, he said. "I suppose we're always subject to criticism," said Dave Lyons, assistant to Agriculture Secretary Richard Lyng. "Obviously, producers want it (help) earlier than late. But you

Open house set Saturday

An open house for the Rev. Gary West and his wife Verna will be held from 5-7 p.m. Saturday at the John Covey residence northeast of Snyder. West is a former pastor at First Presbyterian Church. Everyone is invited.


East Side C of C schedules VBS

The East Side Church of Christ will be hosting its annual Vacation Bible School next week, Monday through Friday, from 9-11:30 a.m. All children, age three through the sixth grade, are invited to attend. The church is located at 201 31st. Call 573-3583 during regular business hours for more information.

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Vacation Bible School for grades kindergarten through 12th will begin Monday at Avenue D Baptist Church and conclude Friday. Classes will be held nightly from 6:30-9 p.m. At the same time, a 1988 Adult Vacation Bible Study will also be conducted. A nursery will be provided.

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Mavs even series in Dallas

DALLAS (AP) - It's easy, Dallas Mavericks owner Donald Carter said, to figure out why his...

ended," Los Angeles Coach Pat Riley said. "We just played a team that was committed to play-

Lakers' running game in check the last half, built up a lead in the fourth quarter, and held on for

Blackman said he's not ready to concede the series to the LAKERS.

Division IV tournament opens in Snyder tonight

United Girls Softball Association Division IV Tournament action begins here tonight in Towle Park.

links and German sausage along with hot dogs and Frito pies.

the Los Angeles Lakers at home than away. "Here, we've got 17,019 players. Out there, we only have 12," Carter said.

this series obviously means a lot." The Lakers thought James Worthy was fouled when he drove for what would have been a tying basket with two seconds to play.

"We got a good effort and played hard. It was just anybody's game right down to the wire," the Lakers' Kareem Abdul-Jabbar said.

"We have to play better in the Forum. They don't have leprechauns like Boston, but they've got something that makes them play better out

Summer leagues

Seniors host Trent; top S-Water Snyder Senior Teenage League baseball team will entertain Trent at 8 p.m. here today.

Pool 1 Friday: 7 p.m., Abilene I vs. Sweetwater City Savings; 9 p.m., San Angelo vs. Snyder.

NBA playoffs By The Associated Press Conference Finals (Best-of-seven) Thursday, June 2 Dallas 105, L.A. Lakers 103, series tied 3-3

"We have to make a cohesive team effort to take away their fast break. They have so many people running at the basket, attacking it offensively, that if just one or two people are back, they will keep flying at you until so-

Wilkerson paces Rangers past Sox

CHICAGO (AP) - Curtis Wilkerson is a reserve infielder but if he keeps hitting, it may be tough to sit him on the bench.

want to be in the lineup. I'm not trying to do too much and I'm using a short swing." Rangers Manager Bobby Valentine said: "Wilkerson is playing great. He has worked very hard and (Coach) Art Howe has spent a lot of time with him keeping him in the right direction."

GIRLS SOFTBALL

Blue Babes 14, Golden Girls 12 Theresa Martin swatted four singles and Angie Crawford powered a double and two singles as the Blue Babes defeated the Golden Girls this week.

8-9 YEAR OLD LEAGUE Pirates 20, Mets 14 The Pirates just kept hitting - 26 hits in all - as they defeated the Mets this week.

tributed with a double and John Conger and Raymond Ware added one single each. Conger also scored four times in the game and took WP honors.

For the Reds, 1-3, Casey Franks, Steven Bollinger, Terry Stephens and Terry White clipped one single each. Stephens took the loss.

Wilander beats Agassi in semis

PARIS (AP) - Third-seeded Mats Wilander, mixing elegant lobs with precise passing shots, outlasted Andre Agassi of Las Vegas, Nev., 4-6, 6-2, 7-5, 5-7, 6-0 today in the French Open semifinals.

Against the White Sox, Geno Petralli had three hits including a homer, Pete Incaviglia also had three hits and knuckleballer Charlie Hough, 5-6, pitched his third complete game after going 1-3 in May.

Whatchamacallits 20, Double Trouble 9

Haley Patterson let loose for a home run and two doubles to help the Whatchamacallits past Double Trouble on Thursday.

Indians 9, Yankees 8

Cory Chesser slammed a home run, a double and two singles and David Smith added two triples and a single as the Indians edged the Yankees in 8-9 Year Old play Thursday.

FARM LEAGUE

White Sox 17, Braves 9

Theron Taylor led the Sox offensively and defensively as they defeated the Braves this week.

LITTLE LEAGUE

Cubs 7, Giants 4

The Cubs allowed only one hit - a single from Brandon LaRoux - as they dominated the Giants in Little League play this week.

TEENAGE LEAGUE

Bufs 20, Rebels 3

Gilbert Hernandez and Bobby Clinkinbeard each slammed a triple and a single and teammate Saul Aviles jumped on three singles as the Bufs polished off the Rebels on Thursday.

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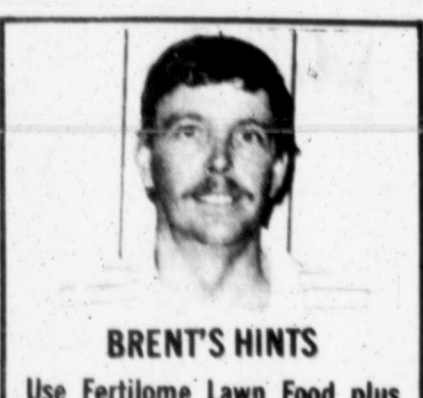
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Brenham pitcher adds another win to string

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) - Brenham High School right-hander Jon Peters' record continues after the Cubs squeezed out a 2-0 Region III championship game over Santa Fe.

He posted seven strikeouts while chasing the national record of 50 consecutive victories, and improved his season record to 13-0.



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Reece Martin powered two doubles for the Giants, who also got a double and two singles from Kurt McMillan. Hitting a single apiece for the Giants were Michael Burton, Jeremy Clifton, Donnie Durst and David Hicks.

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Michael Hess powered a double for the Sox, 0-4. Curt Rinehart and Marlowe Riggins added one single each.

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Natalia Zvereva, 17, the first Soviet female to reach a Grand Slam final since Olga Morozova lost to Chris Evert at Wimbledon and Paris in 1974, beat unseeded Nicole Provis of Australia 6-3, 6-7, 7-5 on Thursday in a match made more difficult for the 13th seed by stomach cramps that had her bent over, wincing in pain.

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Diabetes drugs are powerful

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I currently take Sinequan and Tegretol for diabetic neuropathy. Do I need a vitamin/mineral supplement? I've heard that these two drugs deplete one's body of certain vitamins.

DEAR READER: Neither Sinequan, a tricyclic anti-depressant, nor Tegretol, an anti-convulsant, has been reported to cause vitamin/mineral deficiencies. They are potent drugs, however, and can induce a number of side effects, including low blood pressure, jaundice, depression of blood-cell formation and confusion. As a diabetic, you must be especially careful to obtain a balanced diet, containing adequate vitamins and minerals, and to follow your doctor's advice about general health measures.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My son, 7, has been having a very vivid recurring nightmare and is now afraid to fall asleep. I've tried to reason with him and have tried to get him to "think happy thoughts" at bedtime, but my psychology has not worked. What can you suggest?

DEAR READER: Nightmares are common in children and may reflect tensions and stresses of which you are not aware. I suggest that you address this problem with your son's pediatrician, a doctor who is familiar with your son can offer the best advice.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 11 years old. How do you get rid of warts?

DEAR READER: Warts are caused by a particular virus infection of the skin. They often disappear on their own, without treatment. Commercially available wart-removing compounds, such as Verru, may be useful if the warts persist. Finally, you might ask your parents to take you to a dermatologist who could remove the warts or give you further information about getting rid of them.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My mother says that contact lenses will scratch my eyes and blind me. Is she right?

DEAR READER: Not exactly. When properly fitted, cleaned and maintained, contact lenses are safe and will not impair vision. However, such lenses can cause problems. If they are poorly contoured to the eye or are worn too long, they can scratch the cornea and produce severe discomfort. Furthermore, people sometimes become allergic to the lens' cleaning fluid; this can cause pronounced eye irritation.

In theory, the corneal abrasions and the allergic reaction could, if left untreated, affect vision. However, for most people under the care of an ophthalmologist, contact lenses are a safe and convenient alternative to glasses. Perhaps your mother would feel more comfortable chatting about this with your eye specialist.

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Purchases fueling growth in exports

WASHINGTON (AP) — Growth of U.S. farm exports is being fueled mainly by larger Soviet grain purchases, according to Agriculture Department economists.

Soviet purchases account for 68 percent of the total volume increase this year. At 77.3 million metric tons, total farm exports are running 21 percent ahead of the first six months of 1987, USDA economists say.

Thus far this year the Soviets have purchased 9.3 million metric tons of U.S. farm commodities with a value of more

than \$1 billion, according to a world production and trade report issued by USDA earlier this week. The exports have been mainly wheat, corn, soybeans and soybean meal.

In the first half of last year, the Soviets bought 335,700 tons of U.S. commodities with a value of \$42.7 million.

Japanese purchases of U.S. commodities were up in the first six months of the year by more than 2 million metric tons, with big gains in wheat, corn, grain sorghum, soybeans, vegetable oils and horticultural products.

Perot said postal consultant

By The Associated Press
Postmaster General Anthony Frank announced on Thursday that Perot has accepted a \$500,000 "no-profit" contract to analyze five areas of postal operations and recommend improvements.

The Dallas computer systems billionaire announced formation of a Washington-based company, Perot Systems Corp., to take on the contract.

The deal calls for Perot's company to identify potential savings

in transportation, telecommunications, delivery, revenue protection and transportation equipment.

The Postal Service is "pretty darn good ... but I want to be better than that," said Frank, who has been in office 91 days.

After the not-for-profit period expires the company will be eligible for a share of any savings that result from the studies.

"I hope it's a lot," said Frank. Perot said eight top managers at his former company, Elec-

tronic Data Systems, resigned Friday to join his new venture. That was the first date on which Perot was permitted to hire EDS workers under an agreement reached in 1986 when General Motors bought out his interest in the company.

That settlement also prohibited Perot from launching a new for-profit business that would compete with EDS prior to 1989. Hence, the no-profit postal contract.

The studies will not focus on changes in labor contracts, Frank said, although he said union leaders will be involved in discussions with Perot. Some 80 percent of postal costs are labor-related.

Frank said he wants to find 10 to 20 areas in which the agency can save \$100 million or more a piece, annually.

The Postal Service spent \$32.5 billion last year, with a loss of \$223 million. A rate increase that took effect April 3 is aimed at pulling the agency back into the black, but costs continue rising as volume grows.

Frank said he would like to

spread out the time between postage rate increases, which have been occurring about every three years.

"My goal is one more increase between now and the end of the century," he said at a news conference.

"Let the record show that knowledgeable people in the room laughed," he added quickly, "but you have to have goals."

"Right now," he later admitted, "it looks as if we're going to have to push ourselves just to keep to the three-year cycle."

Asked if the Perot deal had been opened to bids, Frank said it was not.

"It's probably safe to assume there aren't a lot of firms around the beltway lusting after no-profit contracts," he said.

Perot said his new company's sole client is the Postal Service and that while it may acquire others in the future, it is not intended to compete with EDS.

Frank said he and Perot met for the first time last February, after Perot turned down the postmaster general job and Frank accepted it.

Bill for elderly has cleared the House

WASHINGTON (AP) — A health insurance bill intended to protect more than 30 million elderly Americans from the financial ravages of serious illness is one short step away from final congressional approval.

"It's a landmark accomplishment and it's going to remove an awful lot of fear from the minds of over 30 million seniors," Rep. Pete Stark, D-Calif., said after the House voted 328-72 Thursday to approve a catastrophic health insurance bill.

The measure goes to the Senate where similarly overwhelming approval is assured, probably next week. It represents the biggest expansion of Medicare in the program's 23-year history.

Originally proposed by President Reagan more than a year ago — albeit in a less expansive version — the legislation is intended to protect the nation's 32 million Medicare beneficiaries from financial ruin stemming from illnesses that run up big hospital and doctor bills.

"The legislation will go a long way to alleviate the fears that elderly people have about being wiped out from financial costs when catastrophic illness hits," said Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Calif., who with Stark was a major mover in the project.

Waxman acknowledged that the measure does not address the problem of nursing home and other long-term costs for people not sick enough to be hospitaliz-

ed, but unable to live alone.

"That has to be No. 1 on our agenda for the next breakthrough in the health area," said Waxman.

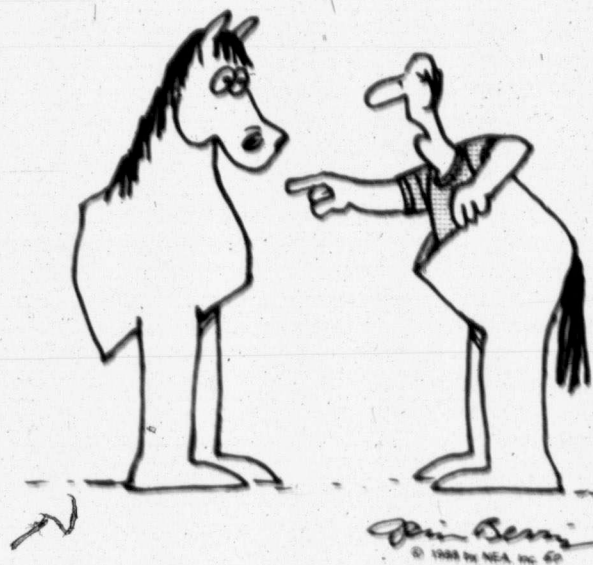
Although the final House-Senate version was considerably enriched along the way — mainly by the addition of an outpatient prescription drug benefit — Health and Human Services Secretary Otis R. Bowen has said he will ask President Reagan to sign the measure, which House Speaker Jim Wright has called "the most important health initiative in recent years."

The bill provides full hospital coverage after a once-a-year deductible estimated at \$564 in 1989 and indexed to hospital inflation. Medicare now pays full charges for no more than 59 days a year and the recipient is subject to a deductible for each hospitalization.

The cap on costs for physicians is \$1,370 a year. After a \$75 deductible, Medicare now pays 80 percent of approved doctor bills and that part of the program remains intact. Starting in 1989, however, the \$75 deductible and the 20 percent share paid by beneficiaries count toward the \$1,370 cap. After that is reached, Medicare pays 100 percent of approved doctor bills.

However, the beneficiary will remain liable for any portion of doctor bills that exceed the fees approved by Medicare.

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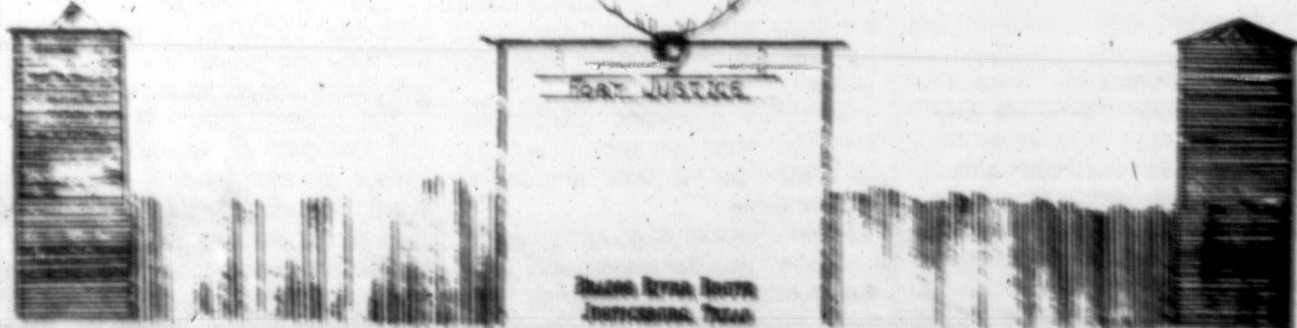
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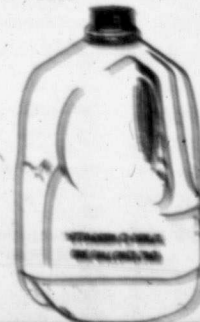


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