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Iraq strikes with oil slick, scuds

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Allied military planners scrambled Saturday to counter crude but potent weapons wielded by Saddam Hussein — a giant oil slick and a deadly wave of missiles hurled by Iraq's elusive mobile launchers.

As the dawn broke Saturday, allied bombers took off from dozens of bases in Saudi Arabia, pressing the nonstop air war against Iraq for a tenth day. In eastern Saudi Arabia, site of a huge air base, the planes were taking off into clear skies — good weather for stalking their targets.

So far, the allies have flown more than 17,500 missions, officials said Friday.

In a military communique Saturday, Iraq claimed its air defenders shot down two allied warplanes. The allies have so far acknowledged the loss of 22 planes, 18 of them in combat; the Iraqis claim they have downed more than 180 allied aircraft.

Saturday's communique, broadcast on Baghdad radio, repeated the Iraqi claim that the allies are targeting civilian and residential areas. The United States has said the raids are carefully aimed at military and strategic sites, but officials have acknowledged that unintended civilian casualties are inevitable.

Allied bombardment of the strategic Iraqi city of Basra intensified dramatically Friday night, according to Iran's Islamic Republic News Agency. Basra, 10 miles from the Iranian border, is headquarters for Iraq's Kuwait theater operations.

Baghdad radio broadcast an appeal for Arab soldiers to abandon the U.S.-dominated multinational force and join up with Iraq.

"Do you not feel proud to see us stand up against all the Arabs' enemies, not scared or frightened?" said the Friday night broadcast. "Then why do you not join us?"

For the allies, the most worrisome new development was a gigantic oil slick in the Persian Gulf, which they said was created when Iraq sabotaged Kuwait's main supertanker loading pier. The spill is likely to amount to "more than a dozen times" the 11 million gallons that the Exxon Valdez tanker leaked into Alaska's Prince William Sound in 1989, Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said.

U.S. officials said they believed

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CHAMPION STEER — Walter Wright entered the Grand Champion steer in the county stock show, which was to end with an auction set for 1 p.m. Saturday in the Scurry County Coliseum ag annex. (SDN Staff Photo)

'Wright' steer wins show

Snyder FFA participant Walter Wright grabbed top honors Friday as judging in the Scurry County Stock Show wrapped up with the steer show.

Wright's entry won Grand Champion and took first place in the Cross Breed class. Elyse Merritt, representing Scurry County 4-H, had the Reserve Grand Champion steer, which was also runner-up in the Cross Breed class.

Jessica Eicke, 4-H, won Showmanship in the show. Her entry also won champion and reserve in the British Breed class.

Mark Stansel of Snyder FFA took first place in the Commercial Steer division.

The annual stock show, being held in the Scurry County Coliseum ag annex, began with judging of the pigs on Wednesday and followed with the sheep show Thursday.

The show was to wrap up Saturday with an auction at 1 p.m.

The event is sponsored by the Junior Livestock Association.

STEERS

Grand Champion: Walter Wright, Snyder FFA.

Reserve Grand Champion: Elyse Merritt, 4-H.

Showmanship: Jessica Eicke, 4-H.

BRITISH BREED

Class I: 1. Rad Eicke, 4-H; 2. Will Collier, 4-H; 3. Brad Robinson, Ira FFA; 4. Terri Robinson, Ira FFA; 5. M'Lyss Lloyd, 4-H

Class II: 1. Jessica Eicke, 4-H; 2. Rad Eicke, 4-H; 3. Lesa Ward, 4-H; 4. Angie Breuer, 4-H; 5. Lesa Ward, 4-H.

Class III: 1. Jessica Eicke, 4-H, **Breed Champion;** 2. Jessica Eicke, 4-H, **Reserve Breed Champion;** 3. Mandy Breuer, 4-H; 4. Audra Oliver, Ira FFA.

CROSS BREED

Class IV: 1. Brady Collier, 4-H; 2. Chad Beaver, 4-H; 3. A'Lise Lloyd, 4-H; 4. Angie Robinson, Ira FFA; 5. Chad Beaver, 4-H; 6. Terry Stephens, 4-H; 7. Nelson

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Peace suspended...

Hostage is killed

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — The government and traffickers have scrapped peace plans to end their 17-month-old war after the kidnapped daughter of a former president was slain by her drug captors in a police raid to free her.

Police in helicopters swooped into a drug cartel hideaway Friday to free Diana Turbay, 38, a magazine publisher and daughter of former president Julio Cesar Turbay. She had been held by traffickers for five months.

But Ms. Turbay was shot twice in the back by her captors during the battle and died a few hours later, police said. Five of the 15 kidnappers also died in the shootout, and two police officers were injured, Radio Caracol said.

The Medellin cartel, which has been negotiating the conditional surrender of its leaders, later issued a statement declaring a renewed state of war with the government of President Cesar Gaviria.

Officials said Friday's raid and the drug cartel's angry response, would mean the end of the government's peace strategy to end the drug war.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Poverty is a black and white TV set on Super Bowl Sunday."

The most recent Super Bowl victories have been so lopsided that the real competition was between the advertisers who compete for the eyes and ears of some 100 million viewers.

It's the same old hype, but we predict a close one this year. Despite the Buffalo Bills being a 5½ point favorite, we expect the battle to be won by a single foot soldier.

We base our unscientific prediction on the golden foot and toe of New York Giants field goal kicker Matt Bahr, who last Sunday booted five field goals as the Giants edged the World Champion San Francisco 49ers. The loss prevented the defending champs for going after their third straight Super Bowl.

Also knocked out of the playoffs was 49er QB Joe Montana, who at $4 million is the highest paid player in the NFL. Minnesota's Herschel Walker, who makes $2.5 million also is not in the Super Bowl. The third highest paid NFL star is Chicago's Neal Anderson who makes $2.2 million.

The Giants' all-pro linebacker, Lawrence Taylor, earns $1.55 million and is the league's fifth top paid player. Buffalo QB Jim Kelly and the Giants' Phil Sims each earn $1.4 million. The Giants advanced without the services of Sims who has been injured the past five weeks.

The average salary for the New York Giants is $394,673, or $26,311 per win. The average salary for the Buffalo Bills is $365,348, or $24,356 per victory.

Bahr, who scored all 15 points for the Giants last Sunday, is one of the lowest-paid players on the team. He makes a meager $275,000. During regular season, he kicked 21 of 28 field goal attempts, making each good kick worth about $13,000.

In his first year with the Giants, we suspect both Bahr's stock and his salary will increase next year — especially if the underdog Giants upend the Bills.

For commissioners...

Lengthy agenda planned Monday

Two budget items, the quarterly county treasurer's report, phone system replacements at a county office, items concerning the girls softball field and the opening of bids confront Scurry County commissioners as they meet at 10 a.m. Monday at the county courthouse.

Kathy Roberts, county home economics extension agent, will attend the meeting to discuss with the court the replacement of the telephone system at the county extension office.

The extension office, located at the senior center, houses the county home economics extention agent, agricultural agent and entomologist.

It was brought out at an earlier meeting of the court that the lease on the present phone system is consuming a large part of the office's budget.

Among the budget items to be discussed is a request from County Sheriff Keith Collier to amend his budget for repairs to the county jail.

Also, the court will discuss a statement from Western Texas College concerning the budget for 1990-91 community participation.

County Treasurer Rita Staton will present the court with the county's quarterly financial report and bids for county fuel and the mowing of grass at Winston Airfield will be reviewed.

Also on the agenda is approval of the minutes and bills.

KGNZ operational

Finishing touches complete

Workmen have put the finishing touches on radio tower equipment, enabling the uninterrupted airing of the listener-supported, Christian radio station KGNZ in Snyder.

The 24-hour station can be heard at 90.3 FM, and offers a broad format of different music styles, various well-known teachers, special programs and USA Radio Network News.

KGNZ's office/studio is located in Abilene with translator stations in San Angelo and Snyder. The Snyder translator is the result of months of coordinated fund raising by interested people in the community.

Operating at 75,000 watts, the King's Good NewZ (KGNZ) now has a potential listening audience of approximately 250,000 people. The Snyder translator increases the range of the station by including Snyder, Ira, Hermleigh, Loraine, Roscoe and Colorado City in its listenership. Generally, anyone within a 30-40 mile radius of Snyder should be able to receive KGNZ.

Teaching programs on the radio station include "Focus on the Family" with Dr. James Dobson, "Insight For Living" with Chuck Swindoll and "How to Manage Your Money" with Larry Burkett. Other special programs include Praise Hour (Monday-Friday, 12:05-1:00 p.m.), Praise in the Night (11 p.m.-midnight), Gospel Greats (Saturday, 8:05-10 a.m.), Christian Countdown America (Saturday, 8-10 p.m.), Youth Talk USA (Sunday, 9:05-11 p.m.), and the

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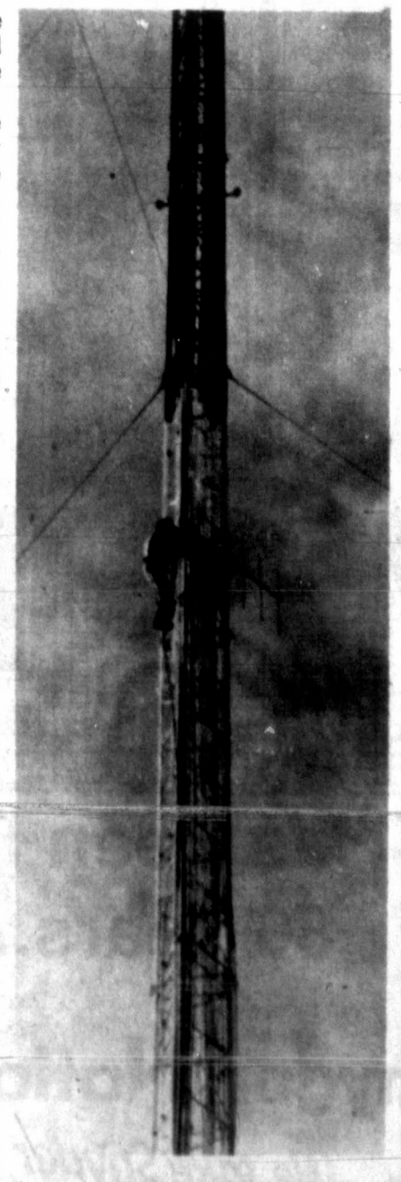


KGNZ radio tower

Speech event slated Feb. 2

Western Texas College has invited students from 150 Texas high schools to participate in the third annual Brock Memorial Speech Tournament on Feb. 2.

About 300 students attended last year's tournament.

Registration will open at 7:45 a.m. on Feb. 2 and events will get underway at 8:30 a.m. An awards assembly is scheduled to begin about 6 p.m., with trophies and ribbons going to winners.

The tournament is named for the late Dr. Ben Brock, who served as vice president of WTC and was an active supporter of literary events both at the college and during his association with public schools.

WTC is scheduled to host UIL speech and one-act play competition in March.

Ask Us

Q—Do county taxes become delinquent Feb. 1?

A—Yes. County — as well as city, school and college taxes — become delinquent if not payed before Friday Feb. 1.

In Brief

Outdoor fees

AUSTIN (AP) — State officials say fees for hunting and fishing licenses and state park use might increase more than early proposals indicated.

Andrew Sansom, Texas Parks and Wildlife director, had presented the parks commission with fee changes intended to offset declining revenue from hunting and fishing licenses and the cigarette tax used for park development.

Commissioner Lee Bass of Fort Worth said Sansom's staff proposal to raise the cost of hunting and fishing licenses from $15 to $20 might be too conservative. He suggested setting the price at $23. In the staff proposal, individual licenses would rise from $10 to $13 on hunting and $8 to $11 on fishing.

Four are killed

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Police today found four bodies in a fast food restaurant freezer after a routine traffic stop turned up evidence that the restaurant had been robbed.

It appeared the victims had been shot, police in this Dallas suburb said. The names of the victims were not immediately released, and police were unsure if the victims were employees of the restaurant.

Irving Police Capt. T.J. Hall of the criminal investigation division said the vehicle was stopped on investigation of driving while intoxicated around 5 a.m.

Local

SHS yearbooks

Snyder High School yearbooks may be purchased at the regular price until Feb. 1.

After this date, the price will go up and yearbooks will be in short supply.

Basic books are $20. Names are $3. Plastic covers are $2. Contact Traci Fry at the journalism department, 573-6301 for more information.

Parenting

Positive Parenting, an overview of the RCM class, will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at East Elementary.

Admission is free. For more information, call 573-1141 or 573-5107.

Genealogy

There will be a Genealogy meeting Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the chamber of commerce building.

Guest speaker will be Aline Parks. Visitors are welcome.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Friday, 53 degrees; low, 25 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Saturday, 25 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for January, 1.64 inches; total precipitation for 1991 to date, 1.64 inches.

West Texas — Partly cloudy. Highs in the 50s except in the 60s big bend lowlands and far West Texas. Lows in the 20s Panhandle and 30s elsewhere.

17 WTC sophomores named to Who's Who

Seventeen sophomore students at Western Texas College have been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges for 1990-91.

Local students included are Tami Castillo, Sharon Doty, Bobbie Sue Earnest, Lee Franklin Fletcher, Naomi Gutierrez, Stacey Renee Logston, Janice Northerns and Nichole Overman, all of Snyder, and Kerri Carter of Ira.

Others included are Scott Carothers of Afton; Paul Buell Davidson of Anson; Brent Atkinson of Dickens; Derrick Bruton of Frankston; Kenn Kern of Hurst; Jeff Hicks of Muleshoe; Vicki Lynn Dawson of Sweetwater and Jerry Vizena of Thorndale.

Campus nominating committee select students for Who's WHo recognition, basing their selections on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success. The 1991 edition of Who's Who will include information on students from more than 1,400 institutions in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. Outstanding students have been honored in the directory since it was first published in 1934.

Brent Atkinson is an Ag and Range and Wildlife major and a member of the WTC meats judging team. A graduate of Patton Springs High School, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Atkinson. He plans to continue his education at Texas Tech University.

Derrick Bruton serves as state vice president of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK), national honor society for students in junior colleges. He is an animal science major and member of the meats judging team. He plans to continue his studies at Tarlton State University and Texas A&M University. He is a graduate of Frankston High School and the son of Ronald and Sharon Bruton.

Scott Carothers is chaplain of the Student Senate and a member of the Baptist Student Union executive committee and of PTK. He is studying Office Careers with a word processing major and plans to transfer to Texas Tech University under an Office Systems Technology and Administration program in education. He was graduated from Patton Springs High School. his parents are Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Carothers.

Kerri Carter is an art major and plans to continue art studies at Southwest Texas State University. She enrolled at WTC after graduating from Ira High School and received scholarships including one from the Snyder Palette Club. She is a member of PTK and has been named to honors lists each semester as well as being named an Outstanding English student at the 1990 Awards Day. She was nominated for an All-American Student award. Her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carter.

Tami Castillo, a word processing major, is a former member of the PTK executive committee and has been named to honors lists each semester. She is a graduate of Snyder High School and the daughter of Mrs. P.J. Smith of Monahans. She is employed as a technician in the WTC library and plans to continue working there. She also plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in future.

Paul Davidson is a journalism major and a member of the editorial board of the campus newspaper, "The Western Texan." He is a member of the PTK executive board and has been named to the Merit List. He is currently employed at the "Thrifty Nickel" in Abilene and plans to continue his education at McMurry University.

Vicki Dawson is a PTK executive board member and was named an Outstanding Sociology Student for 1989-90. She is a premed major and plans to transfer to Hardin-Simmons University following completion of her studies at WTC. A native of Brookville, Ind., she is the daughter of Forest E. Hokey.

Sharon Doty has chosen an English major at WTC. She is a member of PTK and "The Western Texan" staff. She has been named to honors lists. She was graduated from Snyder High School and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Doty. She plans to continue her education toward a career in education or journalism.

Bobbie Sue Earnest is on the PTK executive board and a representative of the Student Senate. She was named to the fall semester merit list. An English major, she plans to transfer to Hardin-Simmons University to work toward a teaching certificate in English at a secondary level. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R.K. Earnest, she is a Snyder High School graduate.

Lee Fletcher is a golf/-landscape technology major and plans to seek employment at a country club or municipal golf course following graduation from WTC. He is a member of the West Texas Golf Association. A Snyder High School graduate, he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Fletcher.

Naomi Gutierrez, secretary of the Student Senate, is also a member of the PTK executive committee. She is majoring in education and journalism with an art minor. She plans to transfer to Angelo State University and would like to return to Snyder to teach after graduation there. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Juan P. Gutierrez and a Snyder High School graduate.

Jeff Hicks, a theatre major, will be appearing in the WTC production of "Biloxi Blues" in February. He was the recipient of an award from the Roy and Geleska Baze Drama Scholarship Fund for the 1990-91 school year. He is a member of PTK and has been named to honors lists. He plans to continue his studies in drama but has not selected the school he will attend. He is the son of Shirley Hicks and Jerry Hicks and a graduate of Muleshoe High School.

Kenny Kearn is also a theatre major who will be seen in "Biloxi Blues." He has been named to honors lists and is a member of PTK.

Stacey Logston, an elementary education major, plans to transfer to Angelo State University to begin work toward a bachelor's degree and a teaching certificate. She has twice been named to the President's List and once to the Dean's List. A Snyder High School graduate, her parents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Logston.

Janice Northerns is majoring in English and minoring in mass communications and is a member of the editorial staff of "The Western Texan." She has been named to honors lists and received a second place award in the Best News Story category of the Texas Intercollegiate Press Association competition in 1990. She received an outstanding English Student award last spring and has been named to honors lists. One of her articles was published in the 1990 spring issue "Living With Preschoolers" magazine. She is a graduate of Borden County High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melton E. Davis of Lake Thomas.

Nichole Overman is Student Senate treasurer, a member of PTK and WTC Rodeo Queen for 1990. She has been named to honors lists. A pre-pharmacy major, Overman plans to transfer to Southwestern Oklahoma State University next fall to continue her studies. She is a Snyder High School graduate and the daughter of Berle and Marcia Overman.

Jerry Vizena came to WTC after graduation from Thorndale High School and is a drama major. He is a member of PTK and has been named to honors lists.

U.S. to cut some foreign aid

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is cutting aid to Pakistan, the Philippines, Yemen and several other countries well below its original plans, according to a State Department document sent to Congress.

The cuts are revealed in a report of allocations under the $15.5 billion foreign aid law for fiscal 1991. Several countries are receiving reductions in military or economic aid because Congress did not authorize enough money to meet all of the administration's recommendations.

But the Congress also gave the White House much more leeway then ever before in deciding exactly how the aid is to be divided up among America's friends abroad.

Two programs over which the administration was given no say are the $3 billion in cash economic and military aid to Israel and $2.1 billion for Egypt, the two top U.S. aid recipients. Congress earmarked those amounts. It also allowed Bush to forgive $6.7 billion in Egyptian military debt.

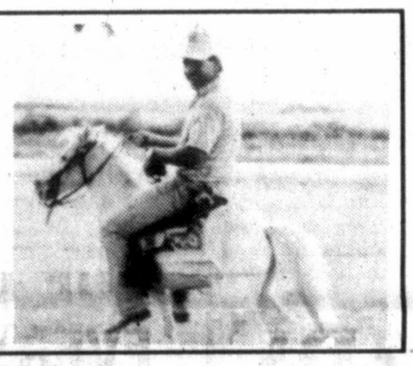
Pakistan's aid is being cut sharply, even if it gives up its nuclear weapons program, according to the documents. Bush's refusal to certify that Pakistan is free of nuclear weapons has resulted in a suspension of all aid to that country since last October.

But the administration is now reducing from $500 million to $208 million the amount of aid that would be available for Pakistan once U.S. officials are convinced the country is not developing nuclear weapons.

If Bush does not lift the suspension, aid designated for Pakistan would go to other countries.

Happy Birthday

Buckaroo Dwain Collier is 34 Today



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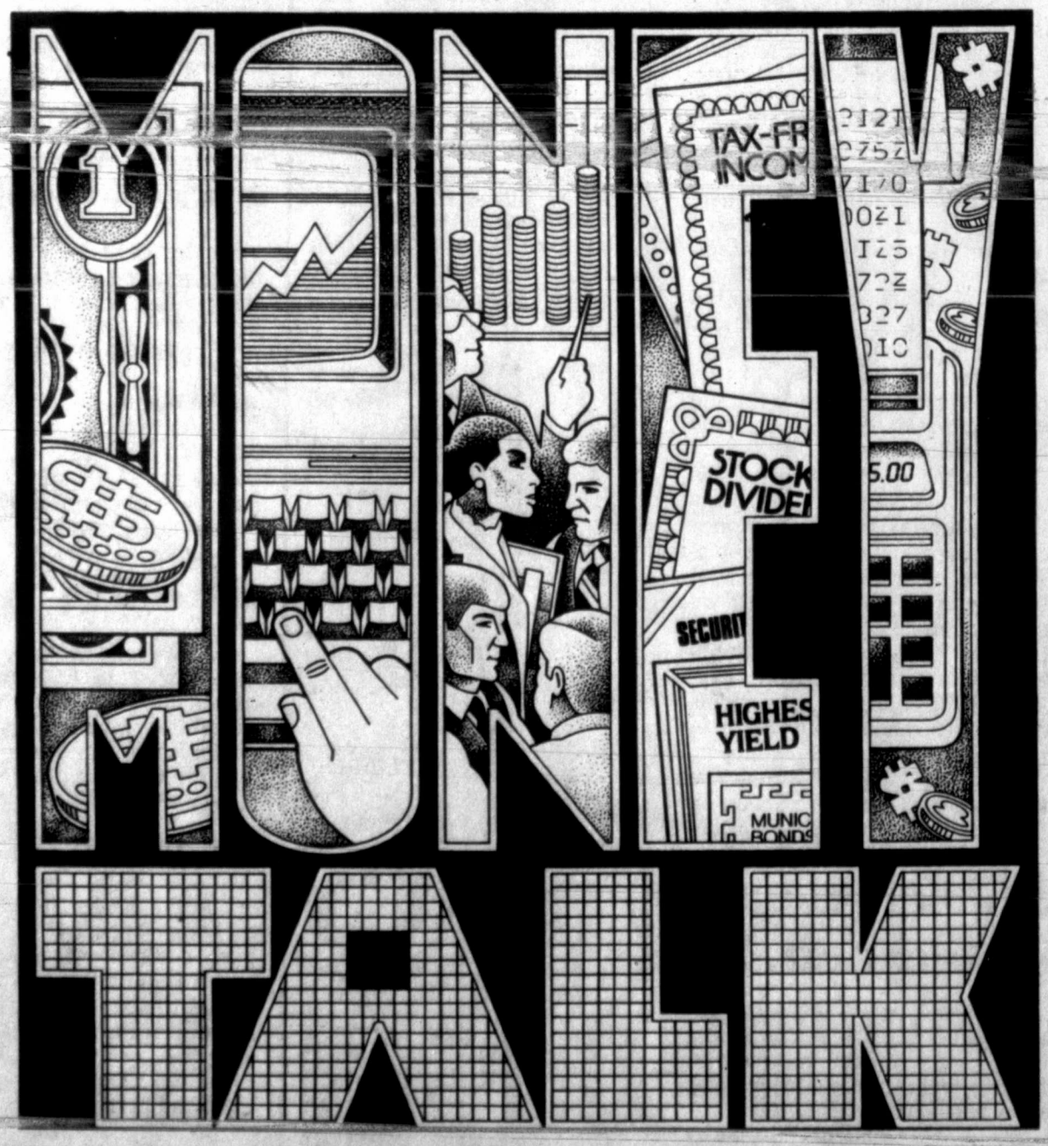

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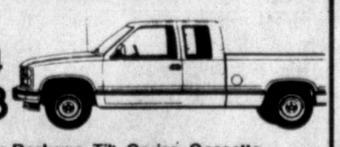

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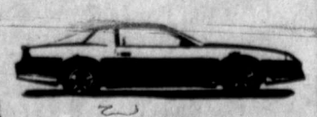

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SILVER PINS AWARDED — Silver pins were awarded recently to these chamber Goldcoaters for their service to the local organization. Pictured in front are Fran Farmer, Hugh "Blue" Lowry and Donna Gray. Pictured in back Bill Davies, Sam Robertson, Cy Miller and Harley Bynum. (SDN Staff Photo)

GOLD PIN AWARDS — These local Goldcoaters were awarded gold pins at a noon meeting last week for their service to the chamber organization. Pictured, from left, are Troy Williamson, Phil Ragland, Elizabeth Potts, Jack Denman and Bill Dryden. (SDN Staff Photo)

Democracy activists sentenced in China

BEIJING (AP) — Student protest leader Wang Dan was sentenced Saturday to four years in prison and dissident Ren Wanding was sentenced to seven years for their roles in the 1989 democracy movement crushed by the military.

Altogether, five democracy activists received prison terms, three were convicted and released, and 18 were released without trials because they showed repentance, the official Xinhua News Agency said.

After months of inaction, China has held a blitz of closed-door trials over the past month for people accused of leading the massive rallys for democratic reform. The protests ended with an army attack in which hundreds died.

China is widely believed to be trying to take advantage of the Persian Gulf war to sentence dissidents with as little international attention as possible.

Wang, 23, topped a police list of most-wanted student protesters after the movement was crushed. His short, slight figure often could be seen at the head of student marches and he was one of a small group of student leaders who planned protest strategy.

Xinhua said he was given a lenient sentence because he confessed his crimes and exposed others.

Ren's sentence was the most severe to be handed down in the current series of trials. Xinhua said Ren, unlike the others, "showed no repentance."

The 46-year-old accountant gave several speeches but played no leadership role in the movement. He had, however, distributed essays urging human rights since 1988, and was jailed in 1979-83 for taking part in an earlier democracy movement.

Chinese sources said he was in poor health in Qincheng Prison. His relatives have not been allowed to visit him since his arrest 20 months ago.

Another student leader, Guo Haifeng, 24, also was sentenced to four years in jail, historian Bao Zunxin to five years, and Yao Junling to two years.

All sentences included time already served, more than a year in all cases.

Authorities convicted but released university lecturer Liu Xiaobo, 35. Xinhua said he showed repentence and "performed major meritorious services" which it did not explain.

It may have been referring to the night of the army attack, when Liu helped persuade student protesters to leave Tiananmen Square peacefully and negotiated with the army to allow them to retreat.

The world's richest diamond mine, Jwaneng, is a dusty gray hole in the ground in Botswana where a man can unearth perhaps $1.5 million worth of diamonds in a typical day, says National Geographic.

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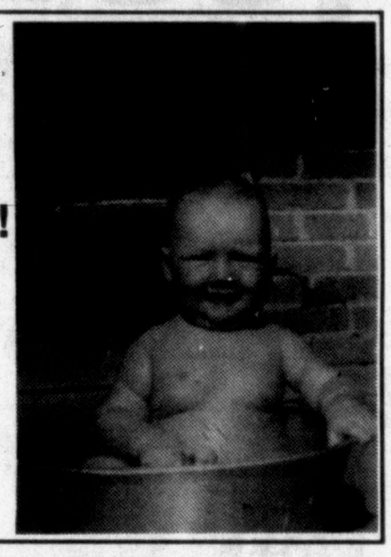

Poor school district coalition backs alternative to new tax

AUSTIN (AP) — A group of poor school districts, concerned about a proposal to replace local property taxes for schools with a statewide property levy, has a different plan to shift money from rich districts to those with less property wealth.

"We would do it without one bit of consolidation, without a constitutional amendment and without issuing a doomsday ultimatum to the people of Texas," Craig Foster, executive director of the Equity Center, said Friday.

But his plan met with criticism from the sponsor of the statewide property tax proposal, Senate Education Committee Chairman Carl Parker.

"I am about to get fed up with the Equity Center people," said Parker, D-Port Arthur. "They keep wanting everybody to believe there's some easy way to do this, and there's not."

State leaders have said the proposed statewide property tax for schools, which would require a constitutional amendment, could be presented to Texans as the only alternative to courts taking over the school finance system. It could go on the ballot in May if approved by lawmakers.

The Texas Supreme Court has declared the school funding system unconstitutional because of funding disparities among school districts. The court mentioned consolidation of school districts or tax bases as possible ways to reform the system.

Under the Equity Center proposal as currently envisioned, every school district would be required to impose local property taxes at a minimum rate of at least 80 cents per $100 property valuation, Foster said.

The state would guarantee each school district the same amount of money for its local tax effort up to $1.20.

The state would take local tax revenue above a particular level, and redistribute it in the public school system.

An estimated $300 million to $400 million could be captured by the state from wealthy school districts that currently tax at lower rates, Foster said.

The plan also includes a "real world" look at public education spending by districts, and would require the state to raise its contribution to the system to equalize that spending, he said.

Sen. Parker said the plan outlined by Foster would require a constitutional amendment.

"I assure you that if you start taking money from one district and redistributing it to another district, you run into constitutional problems," he said.

Parker's bill proposes abolishing local property taxes for schools and replacing them with a statewide levy of up to $1 per $100 of property value. The bill would allow local districts to levy an additional 25-cent tax if they choose.

Trees produce seeds

COTTAGE GROVE, Ore. (AP) — Each tree in a young forest often can produce more than 7,500 seeds annually.

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Bidders pass at IRS auction

AUSTIN (AP) — Bidders at the Internal Revenue Service auction for Willie Nelson's real estate apparently thought the agency was asking too much for the singer's property.

The IRS did not receive a single bid Friday from the 17 people who showed up at the Pedernales Country Club looking for bargains. The country club is located about 30 miles west of Austin.

Nelson's Travis County property was seized in November to help settle a disputed $16.7 million tax debt.

On the auction block were the recording studio and nine-hole golf course at a minimum bid of $575,478.16; the fishing camp at $84,442.80; 688 acres containing a movie set and Nelson's hilltop cabin for $341,640.21; and several condominiums, townhomes and lots.

"Everything was just too high," said Bill Kanetzky of Briarcliff, who was interested in some townhomes and lots.

"They should've done away with the minimum bid. The economy is still bad. And with Willie leaving, nothing's worth as much as the IRS thinks."

Spokeswoman Valerie Thornton said the IRS now has three options: It can consider lowering its minimum bid prices; purchasing the property for the government; or returning the property to Nelson.

"Maybe the minimum bids were too high — who knows," she said. "The revenue officer in this case will make a decision, although it will not rest entirely on her."

Cynthia Vyvjala, IRS revenue officer for the Nelson case, said a decision will be made sometime next week on what method of property disposal to use.

Despite the no-sale Friday, the IRS still plans to auction Nelson's 44-acre Dripping Springs Ranch Tuesday morning on the steps of the Hays County Courthouse in San Marcos, as originally scheduled.

The lack of bids made some potential buyers happy, including David Gandin, who attended the auction with his two partners from the Executive Consulting Group of Houston.

"This gives more time for Willie to work something out if he wants and for people to see what they'd like to pick up," Gandin said.

TALENT ENTRY — These Hermleigh High School Beta Club members entered the talent contest at the recent state Beta Club Convention. Alison Beeks, junior, sang "Conga." Back-up dancers were Andrea Smith, left, and Rebecca Ramey, right. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Statement of Resources and Liabilities

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Cash and balances due from depository institutions:		
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		3,648
Interest-bearing balances		0
Securities		37,143
Federal funds sold		2,750
Securities purchased under agreements to resell		0
Loans and lease financing receivables:		
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	37,744	
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	2,750	
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	0	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve		34,994
Assets held in trading accounts		0
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)		714
Other real estate owned		1,253
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies		0
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding		0
Intangible assets		0
Other assets		1,587
Total assets		82,089
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		N/A
Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)		82,089

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Deposits:		
In domestic offices		71,045
Noninterest-bearing	9,646	
Interest-bearing	61,399	
Federal funds purchased		0
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase		0
Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury		0
Other borrowed money		0
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases		0
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding		0
Subordinated notes and debentures		0
Other liabilities		861
Total liabilities		71,906
Limited-life preferred stock and related surplus		0

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Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus	0
Common stock	1,500
Surplus	1,500
Undivided profits and capital reserves	7,183
LESS: Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities	0
Total equity capital	10,183
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	N/A
Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	10,183
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j)	82,089

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Governor has signed nation's toughest anti-abortion bill

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah's passage of the nation's strictest anti-abortion law — the latest attempt to overturn the U.S. Supreme Court's Roe vs. Wade decision — worried pro-choice activists but buoyed abortion foes.

"This is a dark day for women all across America as another case is pushed into the legal pipeline to challenge Roe vs. Wade," said Kate Michelman, executive director of the National Abortion Rights Action League in Washington.

About half of the states' legislatures are considering similar bans, increasing the chance that the 1973 Roe vs. Wade ruling legalizing abortion eventually will be overturned, Michelman said.

Abortion opponents said the bill Gov. Norm Bangerter signed Friday puts Utah at the forefront of the fight to outlaw abortion on demand.

"Utah today tells the nation that we reject our nation's broken promise of a new life. Utahns are choosing that the natural choice is life, not death," said William K. Wiegland, the Roman Catholic bishop of Salt Lake City.

Utah's law is the toughest anti-abortion measure enacted since the Supreme Court's 1989 Webster decision gave states greater leeway to restrict abortion.

The Utah law bars abortion except to save a woman's life, prevent grave damage to her health or in cases of grave fetal defects. It permits abortions for rape and incest victims as long as they reported the crime to police.

Unless blocked in federal court, the law will take effect 60 days after the legislative session ends Feb. 27. Several groups, including the American Civil Liberties Union, vowed to fight it in court.

"Similar dangerous and sweeping bans are already pending in South Dakota, Missouri and Wyoming," Michelman said. "And we expect other alarming attempts to chip away at this precious right in Alabama, Michigan, Louisiana and at least 20 other states."

A Wyoming legislative committee held a public hearing Friday on a bill to outlaw abortions except when the woman's life is in danger or in cases of rape or incest.

Last year, a federal court threw out key provisions of Pennsylvania's strict law, and the governors of Idaho and Louisiana vetoed restrictive measures.

Another federal court overturned a law in the U.S. territory of Guam that banned all abortions except those performed to save the life of the mother and carried jail time for women who had illegal abortions or anyone who performed them.

Girl said wounded during robbery

HOUSTON (AP) — A 3-year-old girl suffered wounds to her right cheek when she was struck by bullet fragments fired from an Uzi-type gun during a robbery of a northwest Houston restaurant Friday night, police said.

The girl, who was not identified, was hospitalized in stable condition, said police Sgt. Paul Stavinoha.

Stavinoha said the suspect fired the gun into the floor and the bullet ricocheted into a wall and grazed the girl.

"You can't even eat in a restaurant without getting your ... head shot off," said a relative of the wounded girl.

Police said the gunman and an accomplice entered the Lotus Chinese restaurant about 8:30 p.m., demanded money and fired the weapon to show he was serious.

The gunman carried a blue bag from table to table, collecting money, wallets and purses from about 20 restaurant customers, Stavinoha said.

The gunman then emptied the cash register and the two men left, he said. They were in the restaurant less than five minutes, and police said no one saw the car they were driving or which way they went.

Stavinoha said the gunman and [illegible] description of two men who robbed a drug store about a mile from the restaurant earlier Friday.

Ynguanzo spends leave in Snyder

M.M. FA Jose (Danny) Ynguanzo, currently on leave in Snyder, will be returning to Norfolk, Va. Feb. 3. Prior to going on leave, he was stationed on board the USS Wainwright which has recently returned from Mediterrean duty. The Wainwright is now in the process of being overhauled.

Ynguanzo, a 1988 graduate of Snyder High School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ynguanzo. He enlisted two years ago and his tour of duty is slated to be up in November of this year.

His address is: M.M. FA Jose (Danny) Ynguanzo; 466-31-8233 M/D; USS Wainwright CG28; FPO Miami, Fla. 34093-1151.

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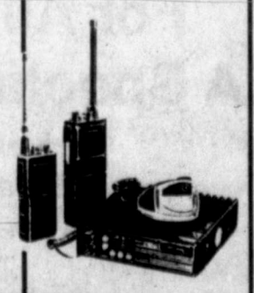

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TRIBUTE TO IRA GRADUATES — Ira High School recently put together this bulletin board as a special tribute to IHS graduates who are now serving in Saudi Arabia as part of the Desert Storm offensive against Saddam Hussein and Iraq. Students pictured are Student Council officers, Misty Mathis, left, president, and Lindsey Northcott, vice-president. Both are sophomores. (SDN Staff Photo)

Recent black bear sightings encouraging, officials say

AUSTIN (AP) — Recent sightings of black bears indicate that the endangered bears may be making a comeback in Texas, according to state Parks and Wildlife Department officials.

The most recent sighting was Dec. 17 by Dayton deer hunter Raymond Watson and his son along the Pecos River in western Val Verde County. The sighting was confirmed through tracks, said Sylvestre Sorola, wildlife biologist from Del Rio.

Val Verde County, which has had sightings of black bears the past four years, has more reported sightings than in any other area of Texas except the Big Bend and Guadalupe Mountains, the department said.

"They apparently have done so well in the Sierra del Carmens mountain range in Mexico, aided by the closure of hunting season in Mexico in 1986, that bears are naturally spilling over into adjoining areas of Texas to reestablish themselves," said Rick Taylor of Uvalde, wildlife biologist and principal black bear investigator for the department.

There have been several reported sightings recently at Big Bend National Park, and it appears the Chisos Mountains — where bear cubs have been sighted the past several years — have a breeding population again, Taylor said.

A cub was spotted in the streets of Langtry in October and two cubs were seen near Lake Amistad in November 1989, the department said.

"The future of the black bear in Texas is promising," Taylor said in a statement Friday. "However, public opposition could continue to be a major factor for a successful comeback."

The black bear is on the Texas endangered species list and is protected by law.

"Other states have proven that bear and livestock can and do live peacefully together," Taylor said. "The recovery of the black bear in Texas can be one of the most significant accomplishments in Texas wildlife."

Singer's wife gets movie role

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) — Marianne Rogers often is referred to as the wife of country singer Kenny Rogers, but she gets star billing of her own in an upcoming film.

Mrs. Rogers, an Athens native, stars in "The Giant of Thunder Mountain," scheduled for release this summer. She's appeared in television commercials and the television variety show "Hee Haw" and had small movie roles.

Police to probe complaint

DALLAS (AP) — Police plan to file misdemeanor charges against a Dallas Area Rapid Transit bus driver who allegedly sexually assaulted a 19-year-old female passenger, officials said.

The driver will continue working while an investigation continues into the alleged assault, which apparently occurred on a darkened bus parked near downtown, officials said.

DART officials said an investigation would be completed Monday.

The victim's father said the probe into the alleged Jan. 18 assault was delayed for five days because DART officials told the woman they would report the incident to Dallas police.

DART transit police, however, said they advised the woman to file a complaint with Dallas police shortly after the incident.

According to a police report filed Wednesday, the driver failed to stop at the woman's transfer stop east of downtown, promising to return her to the stop after he completed his route.

Instead, after dropping all other passengers, the driver stopped the bus, turned off the inside lights and walked to the rear of the bus where the woman was sitting, the report says.

The man grabbed her wrists and asked, "Have you ever had oral sex?" the report said. The woman then escaped through the bus' rear doors.

Her father said she immediately phoned DART and was told that agency officials would call Dallas police.

Radio broadcast nears a milestone

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas' award-winning radio broadcast "Star Date" that takes some 10 million listeners on daily journeys through the universe will air its 5,000th episode next month.

The Feb. 19 anniversary episode will be an updated version of its first show that aired on June 13, 1977, which focused on the planet Earth.

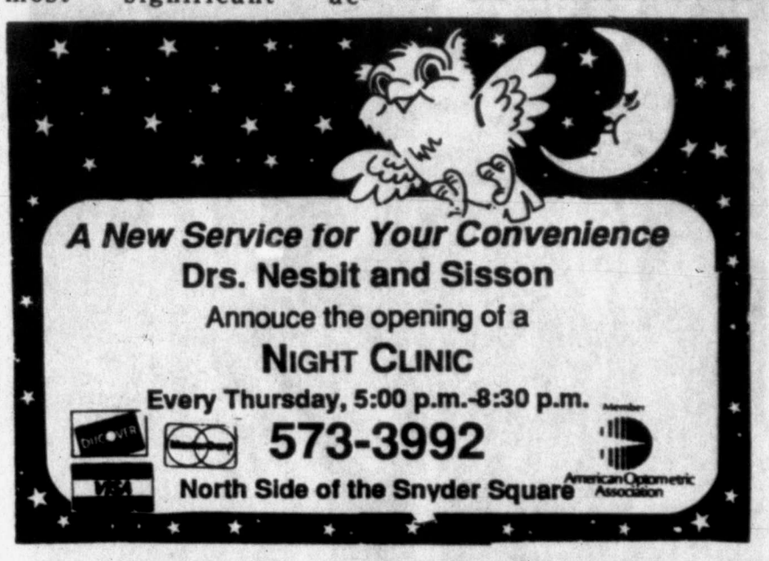
The two-minute narration began on an Austin radio station and now airs daily on about 200 radio stations in the United States and Canada.

It is produced by the UT-Austin McDonald Observatory.

Deborah Byrd, creator, writer and producer of the show, said, "It's a great testament to how interesting the universe is that we could produce 5,000 shows and still keep it fresh."

The show has won awards from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, and other groups.

Astronomers bestowed a personal honor on Ms. Byrd last summer, naming an asteroid between the orbit of Mars and Jupiter, 3505 Byrd.



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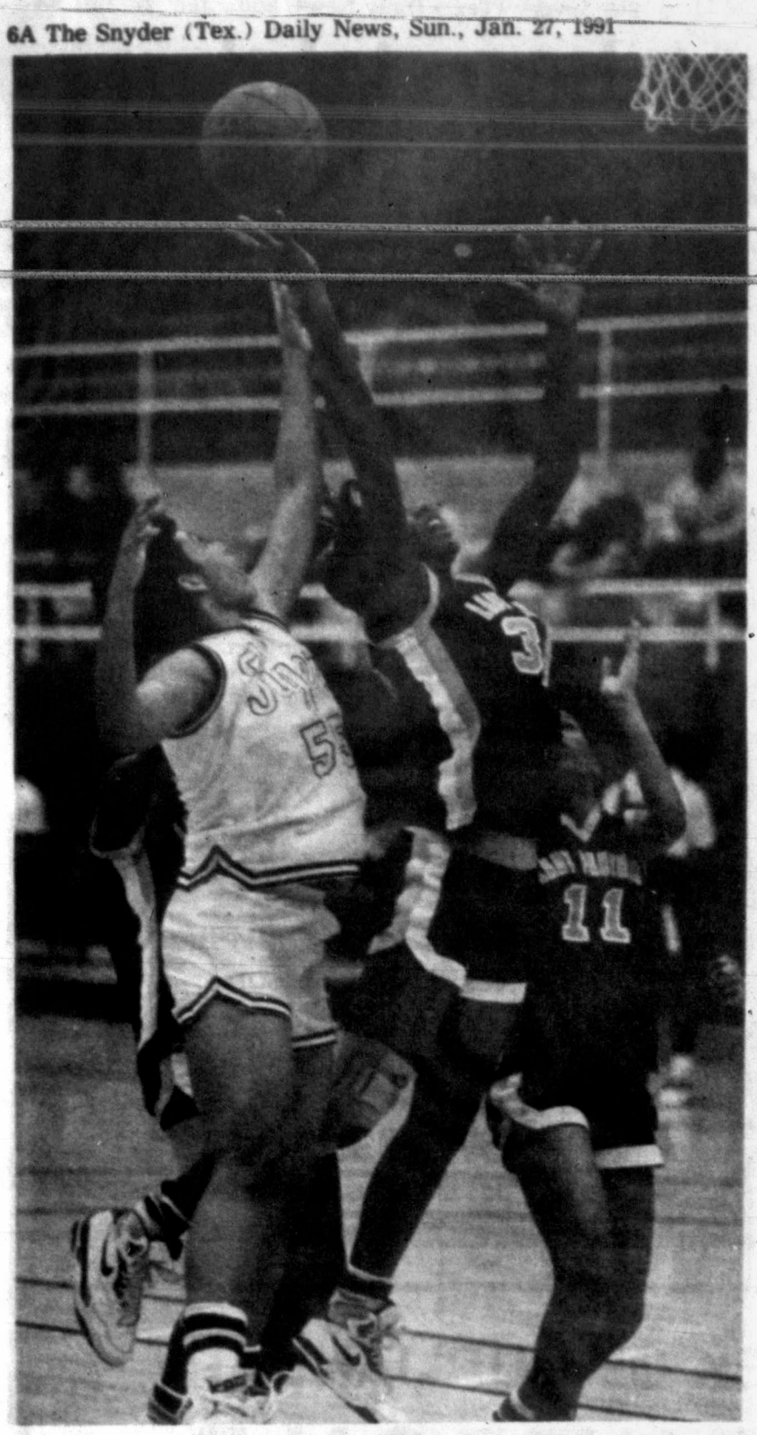

GET THAT BALL! — Snyder's Vinnie Clay, 53 in white, battles Dunbar cager Lynette Ward for a rebound during Friday's 55-49 Lady Panther win. (SDN Staff Photo)

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

Snyder's Tigers broke a two-game losing streak Friday night with a hard-earned 59-48 win over district opponent Dunbar.

"We played hard and got after them," said Tiger head coach Bud Birks.

"We think we have some big kids who can really get the job done and they came through tonight."

The "big kids" are juniors Hayward Clay and Jeff Wortham and senior Ed Rios who bang around under the basket.

Clay wound up leading all scorers with 22 points, Rios hammered for 15 and Wortham scored nine.

"A lot of credit should also go to Jerry Don Tippens and Eric West for getting the ball inside to these guys. They both also did a good job on the boards keeping some balls alive and getting us some second shots."

Birks continued, "I felt like we had to play hard as a team and we did."

The Tigers hit the ground running as they scooted out to a 17-5 lead early in the first quarter.

Rios completed a 3-point play on a successful free-throw with 2 seconds to go in the quarter to put Snyder on top, 21-11.

The Tigers suffered through a scoring drought during the first half of the second period. Clay's bucket from underneath stopped a Dunbar comeback attempt that featured Patrick Davis and Daniel Johnson leading the Panthers to within four at 21-17.

A Monte Knighten three pulled Dunbar to within 23-20 at the 3:46 mark in the quarter followed by a missed dunk from Teto Jackson that seemed to deflate the Panthers.

Clay canned a short jumper for SHS and Johnson had a deuce for the maroon-clad Dunbar squad and the score was set at 25-22 with just over two minutes to go before intermission.

Rios scored on a bank shot from six feet out and West stuffed a put-back basket for SHS to boost the lead to 29-22.

Tippens hit an arching 12-foot jump shot at the buzzer which gave the Black and Gold a 31-24 halftime lead.

Following Tippens' lead in the second, Clay sent in a two-pointer at the third-quarter horn extending Snyder's advantage to 46-33.

Wortham put in a pair of freebies after a steal in the fourth stanza that left the Panthers trailing 50-35 and with five minutes to go the game was effectively over.

A strong drive to the hoop by Clay with 3:45 left set the lead at 19 points, 56-37.

Snyder added three more on free tosses by Wortham and Dunbar scrambled for 11 in the waning minutes of the Tiger win.

Dunbar point guard Joe Mata led the Panthers with 15 points followed by nine by Patrick and eight from Knighten.

The win lifts the Tigers to 16-10 in all games and 2-3 in district competition.

Dunbar falls to 10-12 and 2-3.

In the early game Friday, Snyder's JV dropped the Panthers, 69-54, behind Brian Clinkinbeard's 17 point effort and Steven Bollinger's three 3-pointers.

Snyder will face the speedy Estacado Matadors at 8 p.m. Tuesday in Lubbock as the District 2-4A race continues.

Varsity

DUNBAR — Mata 6 1-3 15; Patrick 4 0-0 9; Knighten 3 1-4 8; Williams 1 0-0 2; Anderson 1 0-0 2; M. Jackson 0 1-2 1; Cook 0 1-3 1; T. Jackson 2 0-0 4; Johnson 3 0-0 6; TOTALS 20 4-12 48.

SNYDER — Rios 4 7-9 15; Tippens 2 0-0 4; West 3 1-2 9; Clay 11 0-1 22; Sanders 0 0-1 0; Wortham 1 7-8 9; TOTALS 21 15-21 59.

3-point goals: SHS 2 (West 2), DHS 4 (Mata 2, Knighten 1, Patrick 1). **Total fouls:** SHS 10, DHS 20. **Fouled out:** none. **Records:** SHS 16-10, 2-3; DHS 10-12, 2-3.

Dunbar	11	13	9	15	48
Snyder	21	10	15	13	59

Junior Varsity

DUNBAR — Moore 4 0-0 11; Mike 7 1-5 16; Gonzales 2 1-5 6; Stewart 2 0-2 4; Williams 1 0-0 2; Gray 1 1-5 3; Davis 5 2-5 12; TOTALS 22 5-22 54.

SNYDER — Sutherland 1 2-4 4; Cunnington 0 2-2 2; Garza 2 3-4 7; Vestal 3 3-3 10; Ware 1 1-4 3; Clinkinbeard 7 3-4 17; Stansell 0 3-5 3; Crawford 4 1-3 9; Bollinger 4 3-5 15; TOTALS 22 21-34 69.

3-point goals: SHS 3 (Bollinger 3), DHS 5 (Moore 3, Mike 1, Gonzales 1). **Total fouls:** SHS 20, DHS 26. **Fouled out:** mike.

Dunbar	4	16	14	20	54
Snyder	19	10	20	20	69

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Snyder Lanes	8	20

High series: Rick Mammolite 548. **High game:** Rick Mammolite 229. **High handicap series:** Robert Early 643. **High handicap game:** Cary Moore 264.

Splits converted: Lynn Smith 3-10, 3-10; Rick Mammolite 3-10, 2-7-8; Wayne Loper 2-7; Robert Early 2-9; Jerry Surratt 5-7; Bill Miller 3-10. Cary Moore 215 game; Lynn Smith 227 game.

JACK AND JILL
1-23-91

Team	W	L
Misfits	50½	25½
Ed's Paint and Body	50	26
Easy Four	41	35
Mathies Const.	41	35
Cherry Pickers	40	36
Backcrackers	39½	36½
C&C Services	37	39
Attitude Adjustment	34	42
M.B.'s	34	42
McBundy's	33½	43½
Ezell Key	28	48
Snyder Lumber	27½	48½

High series: Martha 566; Ronnie 657. **High game:** Sandra 235; Charlie 246. **High handicap series:** Mildred 711; Roger Batchelor 689. **High handicap game:** Linda H. 259; Jester 276.

Splits converted: Sandra 6-7-10; Billie J. 4-6-7; Debbie 8-9; Brenda 5-10; Donna 3-10; Tom 2-5-7; Linda S. 4-5-7; Matilda 3-10; Angela 3-10.

WISHBALL
1-23-91

Team	W	L
Ringers	19	9
Lang Tire	18	10
Snyder Lanes	18	10
Snyder Savings	10	4
Body Slammers	9	19
Lucky Three	6	22

High series: Rick Mammolite 653. **High game:** D.B. Lyle 203. **High handicap series:** David Lyle 656. **High handicap game:** Jason Arnette 221.

Splits converted: James Magness 6-7; Jason Arnette 3-7-10; Monte West 3-10.

KOFFEE LEAGUE
1-22-91

Team	W	L
Ace Transport	46	30
R.D.'s Welding	45	31
Amer. Leg. Post 181	44	32
Thee Honey Tree	39½	36½
Highland Park Bakery	36	40
CX	34½	41½
Gifts by Jane	34	42
49ers	25	51

High series: Vicky Renshaw 523. **High game:** Lynn Maldonado 195. **High handicap series:** Sandra Clawson 578. **High handicap game:** Dorothy Mathews 236.

Splits converted: Dorothy Mathews 2-7; Alms Posey 3-9-10; Kelly Williamson 2-7; Kay Muhle 3-10; Lynn Wormeringer 3-10; Dorothy Lavender 4-6-7-10 (Big Four).

HIS AND HERS
1-21-91

Team	W	L
BHP	10	2
Frito-Lay	8	4
Martha's Hair Connection	8	4
Production Pump	7	5
Energy Electric	6	6
Nail Automation	6	6
Willow Park Inn	6	6
Beard Van Lines	5	7
K&M Pump Service	3	9
Beginner's Luck	1	11

High series: Greg Hodge 638; Bonnie Hodge 527. **High game:** Henry Dever 247; Bonnie Hodge 201. **High handicap series:** Darrel Grant 695; Floyda Collins 652. **High handicap game:** Greg Hodge 257; Floyda Collins 261.

Splits converted: Cy Posey 3-10; Cindy Lee 3-10; Billie Jackson 5-10, 4-5; Darrel Grant 3-10.

ROLL-N-HOPE
1-21-91

Team	W	L
Rick's Mach and Wldg	43	29
IGA	42	30
E.D. Wlton	37	35
Louise's Coffee Shop	35	37
Applegate's Floral	31½	40½
State Farm	27½	44½

High series: Kalen Zartuche 453. **High game:** Sammie Lyle 177. **High handicap series:** Jill Griswold 616. **High handicap game:** Rita Hammitt 209.

Splits converted: Paula Beuerlein 5-7; Norma Seabourn 2-5-7; Bonnie McDorman 3-10; Marsha Cribbs 3-10; Cindy Loper 4-5.

Girls District 2-4A basketball glance

Team	Season W	Season L	District W	District L
Levelland	24	3	6	1
Lamesa	18	6	5	2
Estacado	18	7	5	2
Frenship	10	15	3	4
Dunbar	8	14	2	5
Snyder	5	16	0	7

Friday's games
Dunbar 55, Snyder 49
Levelland 59, Lamesa 52 OT
Frenship 59, Estacado 56

Tuesday's games
Snyder at Estacado
Lamesa at Dunbar
Frenship at Levelland

Boys District 2-4A basketball glance

Team	Season W	Season L	District W	District L
Lamesa	21	4	5	0
Levelland	7	17	3	2
Estacado	10	15	3	2
Snyder	16	10	2	3
Dunbar	10	12	2	3
Frenship	10	13	0	5

Friday's games
Snyder 59, Dunbar 48
Lamesa 76, Levelland 50
Estacado 71, Frenship 60

Tuesday's games
Snyder at Estacado
Frenship at Levelland
Lamesa at Dunbar

Snyder Lady Tigers lose loop battle to Dunbar

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

The Snyder Lady Tigers and first-year head coach Lauire Welch have had a trying basketball season.

Friday's home battle against District 2-4A foe Dunbar seemed within their grasp but trouble at the free-throw line left SHS on the short end of a 55-49 tally.

"It's a real disappointing loss for us," said Welch.

"We played hard, we were aggressive, we played good defense, we played well as a team, we just couldn't convert enough free-throws."

Snyder went to the line 19 times against Dunbar and only made eight.

The Lady Tigers were down just 15-14 after a quarter of play when junior Betsy Taylor came in to spark the offense.

Taylor scored the second quarter's first six points on a long jumper, a bank shot inside and a pair of freebies to give Snyder a 20-15 advantage.

Dunbar's Tasha Fletcher knocked down a three to narrow the gap to just two points when Snyder's Vinnie Clay nailed an 8-footer.

Paced by Fletcher and Rhonda Adams, Dunbar took off on an 11-[illegible] thers a 28-26 lead at halftime.

The third period was ushered in with Fletcher hitting a deuce from the top of the key followed by a looping 3-pointer by Lady Tiger Liz Greathouse to set the score at 30-29, DHS.

Fletcher wound up with eight points in the quarter as Dunbar's lead eased to four points, 42-38, when the horn sounded ending the third.

Taylor, who was so effective in the second quarter, sat on the sidelines in the third.

"I'm questioning my judgment a little not playing her in the whole quarter," said Welch. "I was trying to get my defensive team on the floor."

Following another trey by Fletcher, Clay cut the DHS lead in half with a 3-point play with 6:50 left in the game.

She bounced in a lay-up and was fouled underneath. Her free shot was good and the Lady Tigers trailed, 44-41.

Adams struck again for Dun- [illegible] remaining. Her tip-in the lane left Snyder behind by 10, 53-43.

Clay closed the advantage to eight with a hoop followed by a basket from Greathouse and another Clay bucket in the Lady Tigers' comeback bid.

Clay got open under the basket for a lay-in to narrow the margin to 53-49 before Dunbar called time.

Lynette Ward scored the games final points for DHS when she connected on two shots from the stripe with only four ticks left on the clock.

Clay led the Snyder girls in scoring with her 15 point effort Friday.

She canned six field goals and was a perfect 3-of-3 from the line.

Greathouse added nine points for Snyder and Taylor contributed eight.

Adams led all scorers with 19 points, followed by Fletcher's 17 for Dunbar.

The loss drops SHS to 5-16 on the season and 0-7 in loop games.

[illegible] to 2-5 with both wins being against Snyder. The Lady Panthers are 8-14 overall.

Coach Laura Welch's SHS junior varsity girls notched a 35-31 win over Dunbar in the evening's early game.

Snyder will take to the road for their next appearance, travelling to Lubbock to take on Estacado at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

DUNBAR — Fletcher 7 0-3 17; Adams 7 5-8 19; Ramos 2 0-0 5; Ward 2 4-5 8; Wiley 2 2-2 6; TOTALS 20 11-18 55.

SNYDER — Greathouse 4 0-3 9; R. Braziel 2 0-1 4; D. Braziel 1 0-6 2; Thompson 1 0-0 2; Taylor 2 4-4 8; Ware 1 1-2 3; V. Clay 6 3-3 15; F. Clay 3 0-0 6; TOTALS 20 8-19 49.

3-point goals: SHS 1 (Greathouse), DHS 4 (Fletcher 3, Ramos 1). **Total fouls:** SHS 15, DHS 15. **Fouled out:** Wiley. **Records:** SHS 5-16, 0-7; DHS 8-14, 2-5.

Dunbar	15	13	14	13	55
Snyder	14	12	12	11	49

Red Auerbach's last game as coach was in 1966 when the Celtics won the NBA championship with a 95-93 victory over the Lakers.

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Frosh claim spot in finals

ninth-grade Tigers breezed into the finals of the Sweetwater Freshman Basketball Tournament with a 59-50 win over Roby's JV Friday night.

Snyder was to have played the winner of the Sweetwater-Ballinger semifinal matchup Saturday at 7:30 for the tourney crown.

Jim Pat Griffin scored 19 for Snyder followed by Tyler Cromeens' 12 and 10 from John Patrick.

The Tigers jumped out to a 14-8 advantage after a quarter and held a 28-18 lead by halftime.

Griffin found the basket for eight points in the Tigers' 21-11 third period surge.

Roby outscored the Tigers, 21-10, in the final period, but could only get within nine.

Snyder	14	14	21	10	59
Roby JV	8	10	11	21	50

Leading scorers: Snyder — Griffin 19, Cromeens 12, Patrick 10; Roby JV — Barerra 17, Amador 14.

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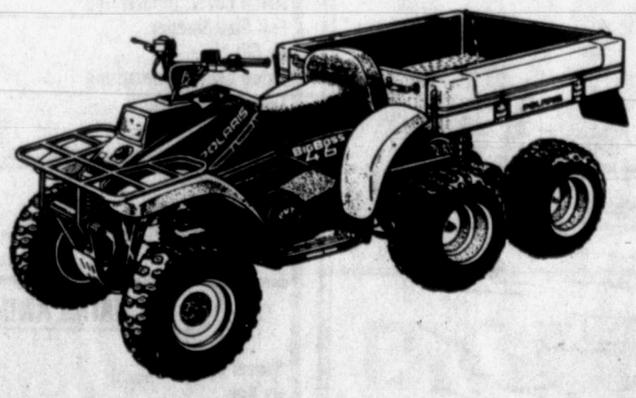

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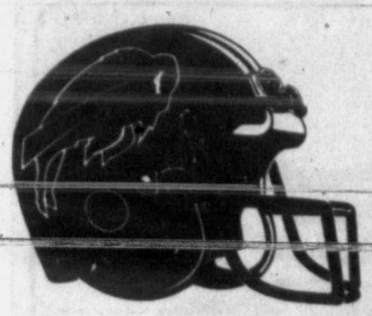
Hype is over -- Time to play



TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The Super Bowl isn't always hype and hoopla, parties and NFL propaganda.

This year, minus the one-week break and with most minds on the Middle East as much as middle screens, the mood has been subdued, more business than bashes.

It helps that two teams with workmanlike histories made it to Tampa. The Buffalo Bills, with some alterations to that image made only recently (no huddles and flashy plays), and the New York Giants are as blue-collar as their similar uniform colors.

"You don't win championships if you're not serious," Bills defensive end Bruce Smith said. "Right from the beginning of the season, this team has been serious in practice, serious in games.

"When people had something to say, they got things off their chest, being men about it. Then it was back to the job."

Smith's counterpart with the Giants, Leonard Marshall, warns not to misread his team's spark.

"We have a lot of spirit and a lot of fire," he said, "and we know how to get things done. Just look at our record (15-3, same as Buffalo's).

"We're not here to show up. We felt we could be here from Week 10 and now that we are here, we want to take full advantage of it."

For the Giants to do that, they must slow down the no-huddle attack that helped the Bills lead the league with 428 points. Buffalo has scored 95 points in two playoff games.

"The last time," safety Myron Guyton said of Buffalo's 17-13 victory on Dec. 15 at Giants Stadium, "we came out and didn't do a good job of containing them. If we can get the edge early and give our offense a chance to score first, that would be a big edge. They're used to scoring right away.

"We were more on our heels last time and didn't attack it. This time, we'll be more aggressive and won't make the same mistakes."

The Raiders said similar things before the AFC championship game, then were overwhelmed 51-3. They never displayed the slightest notion of how to deal with the no-huddle.

"It starts by getting the right personnel in the right spots," said Andre Reed, Buffalo's star receiver. "If we do that, we have such a good grasp of the offense that it puts the defense off balance.

"I think this is the perfect offense for our players."

It has been so far, with Reed and Lofton providing the outside threats for Jim Kelly, who gets solid protection from the line.

Meanwhile, Keith McKeller has provided something new, a pass-catching tight end with speed as well as size. And, of course, Thurman Thomas has led the league in total offense for two seasons.

The Giants, though, have one major edge over most of Buffalo's opponents in 1990 — their linebackers. Lawrence Taylor, Pepper Johnson and Gary Reasons, in particular, are more equipped to cover Thomas than other LBs who have tried and failed.

"Thurman Thomas can be a true pain in the neck simply because he's a very complete running back catching the ball out of the backfield and running with it," said Reasons, the Giants' best cover man among linebackers. "He's very explosive, squirts through tackles, hits the hole well — he does everything they ask of him."

The Giants don't have an all-purpose back like Thomas. They have Ottis Anderson, who pounds away inside behind the blocking of fullback Maurice Carthon. With rookie Rodney Hampton, their most versatile back, out with a broken leg, the outside threat will be Dave Meggett, who also lines up as a wide receiver.

New York has a conservative, pound-away offensive mentality. But with Jeff Hostetler in for injured quarterback Phil Simms, an element of the unknown has been added.

NFL playoffs

by The Associated Press
All Times EST

First Round

Saturday, Jan. 5

Washington 20, Philadelphia 6
Miami 17, Kansas City 16

Sunday, Jan. 6

Cincinnati 41, Houston 14
Chicago 16, New Orleans 6

Second Round

Saturday, Jan. 12

Buffalo 44, Miami 34
San Francisco 28, Washington 10

Sunday, Jan. 13

New York Giants 31, Chicago 3
Los Angeles Raiders 20, Cincinnati 10

Conference Championships

Sunday, Jan. 20

Buffalo 51, L.A. Raiders 3
New York Giants 15, San Francisco 13

Super Bowl

Sunday, Jan. 27
At Tampa, Fla.

Buffalo vs. New York Giants at 6:18 p.m.

SDN sportsweek

Monday, Jan. 28

WTC Lady Dusters host Clarendon College at 6 p.m. Snyder Junior High night. All SJHS students wearing blue or green will be admitted free.

WTC Westerners host Clarendon College at 8 p.m. Tortilla toss at halftime.

Snyder Junior High girls host Lamesa at 5 and 6:15 p.m.

Snyder freshmen girls at Abilene High at 6 p.m.

Ira Junior High at Hermleigh at 6 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 29

Basketball

Snyder at Lubbock Estacado. Boys game at 8 p.m. Girls game at 6:30 p.m.

Snyder boys JV at Estacado at 5 p.m.

Snyder girls JV at Estacado at 5 p.m.

Ira at Roby at 6:30 p.m.

Hermleigh hosts Rotan at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 31

WTC Lady Dusters host Howard College at 6 p.m. Scurry County Public Schools Personnel Night. Teachers and other school personnel of Scurry County get in for $1 and will be recognized at halftime of men's game.

WTC Westerners host Howard College at 8 p.m. Tortilla Toss at halftime.

Friday, Feb. 1

Basketball

Snyder at Frenship. Boys at 8 p.m. Girls at 6:30 p.m.

Snyder JV boys at Frenship at 5 p.m.

Hermleigh at Roby at 6:30 p.m.

Ira hosts Rotan at 6:30 p.m.

Snyder Junior High girls at Andrews Tournament.

Saturday, Feb. 2

Snyder freshmen boys host Abilene Cooper. Games at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Snyder 8th grade boys at Lamesa. Games at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Snyder 7th grade boys at Lamesa. Games at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.

Stevens reconsidering job offer from Dallas

DALLAS (AP) — Quarterbacks coach Gary Stevens of the Miami Dolphins is attempting to resurrect his candidacy for the Dallas Cowboys offensive coordinator job he turned down last week, according to newspaper reports.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Thursday that Stevens had contacted the Cowboys and asked for two weeks to make up his mind, giving him time to seek head coaching jobs in Cleveland and Tampa Bay.

The Dallas Morning News also reported today that Stevens is having second thoughts and is working behind the scenes to rekindle the interest of Cowboys head coach Jimmy Johnson.

Meanwhile, the Dallas Times Herald reported that team owner Jerry Jones is interested in giving the job to Richard Williamson, Tampa Bay interim coach.

Stevens was quarterbacks coach under Johnson at the University of Miami in 1985-88 and helped develop Vinny Testaverde and Steve Walsh into All-Americas and first-round NFL draft picks.

Johnson would not comment on the report Thursday.

"I have no comment, other than to say I hope to have someone by the end of the month," Johnson said.

After Johnson left Miami for the Cowboys job two years ago, Stevens joined the staff of Miami Dolphins head coach Don Shula when he was not hired to succeed Johnson.

At Miami, Stevens replaced David Shula, son of Don Shula, whom Johnson hired for his offensive coordinator.

If Stevens becomes the Cowboys' offensive coordinator, he would again replace David Shula.

The development of quarterback Troy Aikman was one of the stated considerations in Johnson's decision to demote David Shula from offensive coordinator to passing game coordinator and receivers coach.

Shula has been interviewed by the Cincinnati Bengals for their vacant receivers coaching position. He turned down a chance to be head coach of the Orlando entry in the new World League of American Football.

The News said Ted Tollner, assistant head coach and quarterbacks coach of the San Diego Chargers, also is interested in the Dallas job. San Diego refused Dallas' request to talk to Tollner, but Tollner was said to have asked for a meeting with San Diego head coach Dan Henning on Friday regarding his interest in the Cowboys' opening.

Baseball starts...

Lewis' Tigers set to begin 1991 season

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

Snyder High School baseball coach Albert Lewis will begin his 30th season at the helm of Texas' second winningest baseball program Monday when practice officially begins.

Lewis starts workouts with a seasoned nucleus of a dozen returning lettermen.

"We think we're going to be solid," Lewis predicted. "We'll just have to let these guys play to see how good we'll be."

All-district first baseman John Wright leads the crew which also includes shortstop Mark King, pitchers Terry Stephens, Chad Fox, Terry Snyder, Les Rinehart, Daniel Espinosa and David Patrick, third baseman Ronnie Pruitt, catcher Blair Williams and outfielders Justin House and Bobby Clinkinbeard.

Wright's numbers from his junior season in 1990 include a .386 batting average and a homerun.

COACH ALBERT LEWIS

He will most likely be backed up at first base by junior Fox, a .316 hitter in '90, who will also DH part-time.

Sophomore Raymond House comes up from the SHS junior varsity to stake a claim on the starting job at second base while returnee Mark King, a junior, looks to be the man to beat out at shortstop.

No numbers are available for House's 1990 season but King hit .339 last year while playing outfield for the Tigers.

The favorite to start at third base according to Lewis is senior Ronnie Pruitt.

Pruitt received just spot-duty last year, playing behind all-district third-sacker Randy Morris.

Wacy Parks, a junior up from the JV, is expected to play at the hot corner, as well.

Parks should make a real contribution to the Tigers in the outfield, according to the SHS coach.

The outfield should be a strength for the Tigers in '91 with five candidates to split playing time.

Last year's backup catcher, Bobby Clinkinbeard, returnee Justin House and Les Rinehart along with Parks and Shelby Bufkin make the last line of defense for Snyder a tough one.

Bufkin, playing baseball for the first time as a senior, has drawn praise for his efforts in the off-season.

"He has, of course, a lot of speed," said Lewis. "He also hits the ball real well to all fields, gets a good jump on the ball and has a good arm. He will be a key player for us, I think."

House comes back after hitting .265 last season while Clinkinbeard's only plate appearance a year ago resulted in a base hit.

Another first-year baseball player figures to add to the Tigers' depth in the coming season.

Saul Aviles, a senior lineman for the Snyder football Tigers, is penciled in as backup to Williams at catcher.

Williams, a senior, batted .238 last year with a pair of homers to his credit.

Besides the outfield, Lewis feels his entire offense and catching will be strong points for his 1991 squad.

A question mark is his pitching staff.

"I wouldn't say it would a weakness," the coach said, "But, at this point it is a question mark."

Last season's ace, Jamey Morton, has gone on to Lubbock Christian University and the search to find his successor is on.

Senior Les Rinehart and junior David Patrick appear to be the front-runners for the No. 1 spot in the SHS rotation.

Each has been clocked with a speed-gun in the mid-80's, coach Lewis said.

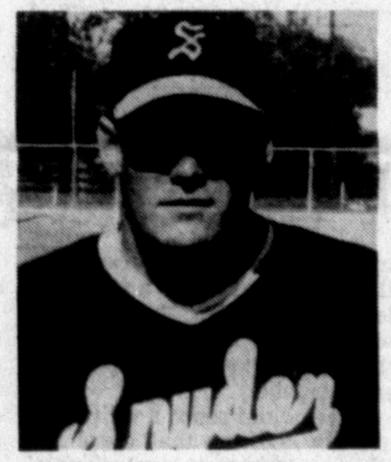
Patrick was on the mound just 5 2-3 innings last season, ringing up seven strikeouts and giving up 10 hits.

Lewis plans for seniors Terry Stephens and Terry Snyder and juniors Chad Fox and Jason Rios to round out his pitching staff.

The Tigers finished with a 16-9 mark last season, 8-6 in District 4-4A, but with the realignment last spring, will face some new opponents this season.

Teams making up District 2-4A include Snyder, Lamesa, Estacado, Dunbar, Frenship and Levelland.

The SHS pilot picks Lamesa and Estacado as the teams to beat in the inaugural baseball season of District 2-4A.



JOHN WRIGHT

"They both went two steps in the playoffs last year and they both have nearly all their position players back," Lewis reported. "They're the class of the district north."

Levelland and Dunbar, said the coach, could cause some stirrings in the district season and Frenship is a decided dark horse.

The Tigers, in their history, boast a .765 winning percentage, aided by Lewis' 29-season 276-132 record, 139-39 in district games. That is second in the state to Lubbock Monterey's all-time .806.

In its baseball history Snyder has captured 27 district titles or co-championships, 19 bi-district crowns, seven wins in regional competition, two trophies from the state quarterfinals, seven victories in the semi's and a Class 4-A championship in 1983.

The Tigers' 1991 campaign begins with a scrimmage on Feb. 12 when Sweetwater comes to Moffett Field.

Saturday, Feb. 16 is Snyder's second, and last, scrimmage. The Tigers will host Midland Lee that day.

The real season starts Feb. 19 in Big Spring against the Steers and district play is scheduled to get under way March 28 at Frenship.

The Tigers will also host the 15-team Snyder Tournament May 14-16.

'91 Tiger baseball

Date	Oppt	Site		Time
Feb. 19		Big Spring	T	4:30
Feb. 23		Andrews	H	1:00
Feb. 26		Monahans	T	6:00
Feb. 28		Big Spring Tournament		
Mar. 1		Big Spring Tournament		
Mar. 2		Big Spring Tournament		
Mar. 5		Big Spring	H	1:00
Mar. 9		Hobbs, N.M.	T	4:00
Mar. 11		San Angelo	T	3:30
Mar. 14		Snyder Tournament		
Mar. 15		Snyder Tournament		
Mar. 16		Snyder Tournament		
Mar. 19		Brownfield	H	4:30
Mar. 23		Brownwood	T	1:00
Mar. 28		Frenship	T	4:30
Apr. 2		Levelland	T	4:30
Apr. 5		Dunbar	H	7:00
Apr. 9		Estacado	T	4:30
Apr. 12		Lamesa	H	7:00
Apr. 16		Frenship	H	7:00
Apr. 19		Levelland	H	7:00
Apr. 23		Dunbar	T	4:30
Apr. 26		Estacado	H	7:00
Apr. 30		Lamesa	T	6:00

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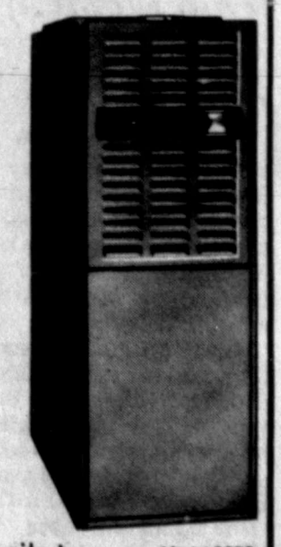

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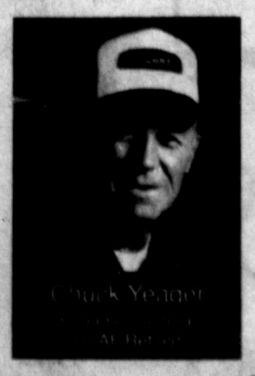

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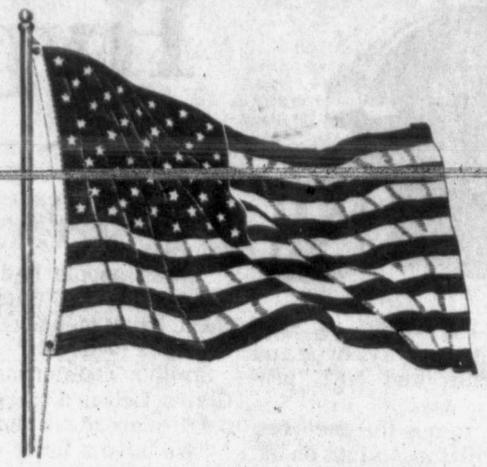

Around the Gulf

Here is a look at the latest developments in the Persian Gulf War:

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□ In a military communique read Saturday on Baghdad Radio, Iraq claimed its air defenders shot down two allied warplanes. The allies have acknowledged the loss of 22 planes, 18 of them in combat. The Iraqis claim they have downed more than 180 allied aircraft.

□ One Iraqi modified-Scud was intercepted near Riyadh, the Saudi capital, by a Patriot missile Friday evening, but another sheared off part of a six-story building housing government offices, witnesses said. One person was killed and 30 were injured, Saudi officials said.

□ In Israel, several Iraqi missiles struck the Tel Aviv and Haifa areas Friday evening, getting through the screen of U.S.-supplied Patriot defense missiles. One man was killed and 61 other people were injured, hospital authorities reported. An earlier Iraqi communique had said missiles were fired at Israel.

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□ The administration announced it had pledges for nearly half the projected cost of the gulf war over the next three months. Kuwait's exiled government pledged $13.5 billion to the war effort, a day after Japan pledged $9 billion.

□ President Bush said he planned to go about his business undeterred by the threat of Iraqi terrorism. "Life goes on ... I am not going to be held a captive in the White House by Saddam Hussein ... I am not going to screech my life to a halt."

Some families angry, others understand new ban on military honors ceremonies

The Pentagon's decision to scrub traditional public honors ceremonies for returning war dead has angered some relatives of the many thousands of U.S. troops facing a bloody desert ground campaign.

Though some families support the policy shift announced in a government directive issued Jan. 15., others on Friday accused the government of trying to obscure the high price of war.

"We're going to have death over there. That's reality," said Anna Goodwin, who has three sons with the 82nd Airborne. "But those boys and girls will be dying for their country and they deserve to be honored.".

Relatives may arrange burial privately or through the serviceman or woman's home base under the new policy, but the honor guard and military band that have in the past attended the arrival of casualties will not be present.

"There will be no flag-draped coffins," said retired Army Col. James B. Burkholder, a Vietnam veteran and peace activist. "They don't want any publicity that would be helpful to the anti-war movement."

A Defense Department spokesman who refused to give his name said the directive gave no reason for the change, adding "we are not prepared to discuss anything beyond what the announcement says."

"That just really gets me," said Mrs. Goodwin of the support group Mothers Against Saddam Hussein in New Castle, Ind.

"I'm shocked. And I'm angry," said Yvonne Minor of Savage, Minn., co-founder of Support Our Country's Military. "If someone gives their life to save this country I think each one of us as Americans should stand still for however long it takes to honor each one of them. We owe them that respect."

Betty Walters, who co-founded SOCM, said she also was momentarily taken aback by the news but soon saw a pragmatic logic in the Pentagon's decision.

"Every single one of our boys deserves a flag-waving ceremony, but how are you going to do it when ... the casualties start coming in heavy?" Mrs. Walters said from Osseo, Minn.

"You can't have public ceremonies for all of them without affecting the psyche of the people at home and the psyches of the troops over there in the desert," said Mrs. Walters, whose son and grandson are in the Persian Gulf.

"There are going to be thousands and thousands of dead Americans coming home and what the government wants to do is sneak them off the plane at night and have them quietly buried without anyone taking notice," said Alex Molnar of the nationwide Military Families Support Network.

Anti-war protests like slap in face to Gulf War soldiers

ON DEATH ROW HIGHWAY, Saudi Arabia (AP) — This stretch of two-lane blacktop is named for accidents, not combat, but convoy drivers know that could change fast.

They hate it when people safe at home protest against the war.

"You tell those people we're tired of protesters," said Sgt. Joe Silva, a military policeman from Fort Hood, Texas, parked by the side of the road. "We got a job to do, and that doesn't help any."

On the roof of his armored vehicle, Cpl. Jonathan Lueck read a copy of Star & Stripes propped against his .50 caliber machine gun.

"There's more stuff about protesters in here," he called down. "They're only a minority, but they make a lot of noise. I don't want to go home and get spit on like my relatives in Vietnam."

These soldiers' views reflect the predominant mood among nearly a half-million Americans facing a widening war with Iraq: They know most of America is behind them, but anti-war protests sting like a slap.

Up along this supply road to front-line positions, where troops shelter each night within range of chemical-agent artillery shells, feelings can run high.

"Anti-war protesters?" repeated a young Marine. "They're a bunch of ...." The rest of his sentence, largely anatomical, made his point clearly.

Allied bombing targets Saddam's elite troops

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Saddam Hussein's crack Republican Guards, the backbone of his military force in Kuwait, are believed to be taking heavy casualties in the allied air forces' day-and-night bombing campaign, allied military sources say.

But so far there are no indications that the six Republican Guard divisions are a broken force.

U.S. and British officials are reluctant to say what impact the weeklong round-the-clock bombing by American B-52s and Marine Harriers has had.

But the British force commander, Lt. Gen. Sir Peter de la Billiere, noted Friday: "These troops are in the open desert and there must have been a very high level of attrition, higher than we're able to identify and higher than we're therefore prepared to admit publicly.

"The actual reports we've had are not showing that there has been an immense level of attrition, largely because the reports are constrained by their sources. We need human intelligence to tell us this," he told a briefing in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

But he noted: "There's evidence from prisoners we've captured and ... from a certain number of defectors who've come across that there are a substantial number of Iraqis (in the Kuwait theater) who would like to see the end of this war sooner and before they're dead."

Military commanders have made clear that as the allied air campaign completes hitting strategic targets such as Saddam's command and communications network, missile launchers, nuclear and chemical facilities and airfields, the bombardment of the Republican Guards and other major ground formations will intensify.

The Republican Guard divisions, with an estimated 120,000 men, are deployed as a strategic mobile reserve across an area roughly 40 miles wide and 25 miles deep straddling the Kuwait-Iraq border.

Their mission is to launch a massive, hard-hitting counterattack against allied forces who get through the formidable Iraqi defense lines in southern Kuwait. Saddam has some 545,000 men in the Kuwait theater.

Allied commanders believe the Republican Guards, the most dangerous units in Saddam's million-man army, must be destroyed before any ground assault is mounted to retake Kuwait.

"If the Republican Guard [illegible] ground forces in Kuwait would be willing to fight to the last trench," said U.S. Rep. Stephen Solarz, a New York Democrat.

"Destroying the Republican Guard could even lead to a collapse of the regime in Baghdad," Solarz added.

De la Billiere, Britain's most decorated serving soldier, said that as the allied air campaign switches more and more to softening up Saddam's ground forces and supply lines, "we shall obviously expect our assessment of attrition to improve with time."

'Don't let it affect life in America'

Bush says oil tactic is 'last gasp, sick'

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Friday Saddam Hussein was acting in an irrational, desperate and "sick" manner by using oil as a weapon. But Bush said fear of what the Iraqi leader might do next will not alter his course.

"I am not going to screech my life to a halt out of some fear of Saddam Hussein," Bush told reporters in the White House before leaving for a weekend rest at the presidential retreat at Camp David, Md.

"I admit he does irrational things. ... It looks desperate. It looks last gasp. It doesn't measure up to any military doctrine of any kind. It's kind of sick."

Bush said he would not alter his plans to deliver the State of the Union before a joint session of Congress on Tuesday out of concern that the Capitol will become a terrorists' target while he is addressing the assembled leaders of the government.

"It doesn't concern me," he said. "I'll be standing up there giving that speech in total confidence."

The president spoke a few hours after the government accused Iraq of dumping millions of gallons of oil.

Environmentalists said the oil will kill thousands of birds and marine animals, contaminate drinking water, threaten the region's commercial shrimping industry and could force Saudi Arabia and other gulf nations to shut down desalination plants.

"Saddam Hussein is committing an unconscionable act of eco-terrorism," declared Sue Merrow, president of the Sierra Club. "This could destroy the gulf for decades."

Marlin Fitzwater, the president's spokesman, said the oil was dumped in an apparent effort to thwart an assault from the sea against Iraqi forces or to disrupt naval operations.

"We will plan our military activities around it," Fitzwater said.

"Saddam Hussein continues to amaze the world," Bush said. "First he uses the Scud missiles (to spread terror). ... Then he uses the lives of prisoners of war, parading them around and threatening to use them as shields and now he resorts to enormous environmental damage in terms of turning loose a lot of oil."

But no matter what Saddam does, Bush said, it should not disrupt everyday life in America. He said it would be foolish to cancel Sunday's Super Bowl professional football game in Tampa, Fla.

Bush said the United States was not seeking to kill Saddam. The Washington Post reported Friday that American bombers had been directed to a target where the Iraqi leader was thought to have been in an attempt to kill him but that bad weather had thwarted such an attack.

The president said, "We're not in the business of targeting Saddam Hussein," but added: "No one will weep when he's gone."

He said the alliance's war goals were unchanged, centering on the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from occupied Kuwait. He declined to specify why an allied effort to kill Saddam would not be a step toward that end.

Oil experts, hampered by war, try to limit damage from oil spill

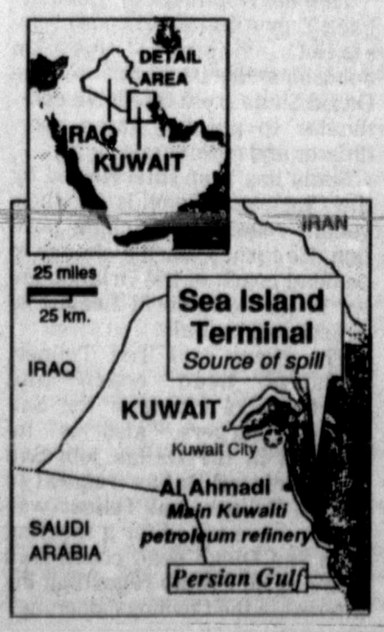
MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Oil experts Saturday set up barriers in an attept to limit the effect of a huge, fast-moving spill blamed on Iraq that threatened water supplies and the fragile ecology of the Persian Gulf.

But both the experts and military officials said they saw little way of sweeping up the slick because of the dangers of war.

"This is the disaster that everybody has feared," said Walter Vreeland, an environmental adviser to the government of Bahrain, an island kingdom off Saudi Arabia.

Oil facilities and critical desalinization and electrical plants on the coast of Saudi Arabia were getting ready to try to fend off the spill, according to Saudi government officials.

The United States has accused Iraq of "environmental terrorism" for allegedly dumping the Kuwait crude into the gulf.



Saudi military spokesman Lt. Col. Ahmed Robayan said the spill began when Iraqi forces apparently turned on pumps at the Sea Island terminal, 10 miles offshore from Kuwait's main petroleum refinery and loading complex at Al Ahmadi, just south of Kuwait City.

The pumps can move at least 100,000 barrels of oil per day, he said.

"It's not just any other oil slick. It's in the middle of a bloody war zone," said Lt. John Williston of the Canadian Navy. "It's atrocious, it's outrageous. If it's intentional, it's unforgivable."

Already, black oil-laden water had begun lapping up on Saudi Arabia's shores, witnesses reported. Experts predicted that the brisk, prevailing winds from the northwest would soon wash the crude down into the central gulf.

A Saudi official at the huge oil installation at Ras Tanura said oil booms were being readied at the port.

The devices, used to seal off spills, were also being moved into position at Jubail, the coastal site of a desalinization plant that provides Saudi's capital, Riyadh, and hundreds of thousands of allied troops with fresh water, officials said.

"But if it's as big as we think it is, the oil booms won't protect much," said a Saudi environmental official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The spill was first reported by Saudi environmental authorities on Wednesday. It could amount to a dozen times the nearly 11 million gallons that the Exxon Valdez tanker spilled into Alaska's Prince William Sound in 1989, authorities in Washington said.

TO ATTEND FHA CONVENTION — These Ira FHA members will attend the Area I FHA Convention Feb. 1-2 in Abilene. Those pictured are Arica Webster, Lindsey Northcott, Amanda Sorrells, Shawna Payne, Margot Perkins, Mauricia Rosas, Amy Holmes, Wendy Wilson and Jennifer Northcott. (SDN Staff Photo)

Foreigners with AIDS won't be barred from entering U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration served notice Friday it intends to lift rules which prohibit foreigners with AIDs, leprosy, or any of five venereal diseases from entering the United States.

The new policy, said Health Secretary Louis Sullivan, will "bring us in line with the best medical thinking, here and abroad."

After consulting with medical experts, administration officials concluded the new policy will not pose an additional AIDs risk to Americans because the human immunodeficiency virus, which causes AIDS, is not spread by casual contact. The same reasoning applied to the other diseases being removed from the disqualification list for visitors and immigrants.

"The risk of ... HIV infection comes not from the nationality of the infected person, but from the specific behaviors that are practiced," said the draft regulation of Sullivan's Department of Health and Human Services. A final version will be drawn after a 30-day period for public comment, and could be implemented in June.

"Our best defense against further spread of HIV infection, whether from a U.S. citizen or alien, is an educated population," the draft regulation said.

HIV infection and the six other diseases have been on a regulatory list used to bar foreign visitors, workers, refugees and immigrants from entering the country. Infectious tuberculosis would be the only one to remain, because it can be spread more easily.

HIV has been the only listing that has provoked much controversy.

Congress put HIV on the list of contagious diseases in 1987. But Congress and the administration came under increasing pressure from AIDS activists, medical experts and international groups last year to remove it.

Shortly before an international AIDS conference in San Francisco last summer, the administration relaxed the restriction by offering a special visa to people with AIDS, formally called the acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

But the action was not enough to quell the protests, and dozens of countries and organizations boycotted the meeting because of the U.S. immigration policy.

Last fall, Congress passed the Immigration Act of 1990, which instructed the HHS secretary to develop a new list, based on scientific and medical considerations.

"AIDS evokes an emotional response from many, but we have been virtually the only major country to try to bar HIV-infected travelers," Sullivan said.

"This policy will bring us in line with the best medical thinking, here and abroad," he added.

Immigrants would still have to show that they have sufficient financial resources or responsible sponsors so they would not become welfare-dependent, the officials said. Also a medical examination, with a chest X-ray, still would be required.

Opposition to the new policy already had been raised by some conservatives in Congress, including Rep. Marge Roukema, R-N.J., who told President Bush in a letter earlier this week the proposal was "politically inspired."

"Existing immigration regulations are designed to protect the health of U.S. citizens," she said.

U.S. economy took nosedive during final quarter of 1990

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. economy, buffeted by the Persian Gulf crisis, took a nosedive in the final three months of 1990, a government report showed Friday. Economists saw it as confirmation of at least a moderate recession, with what one termed "a list of risks ... a mile long" ahead.

The Commerce Department said that the gross national product fell at an annual rate of 2.1 percent from October through December.

It was the biggest GNP drop since the depths of the 1981-82 recession, and was primarily attributable to a huge $21 billion fall-off in consumer spending. Americans worried about the state of the economy and the situation in the Middle East cut back purchases of everything from autos to groceries.

The Bush administration blamed Saddam Hussein's Aug. 2 invasion of Iraq for the slump and maintained that the country would only suffer two quarters of negative GNP before growth resumed in the spring.

That would make the current recession shorter than the 11-month average of the eight previous downturns since the end of World War II.

"Barring a major turn for the worse in the Persian Gulf, odds are that the recession should be relatively brief in magnitude and duration," said Commerce Undersecretary Michael Darby.

Darby said the administration was pinning its hopes for a quick recovery on continued strong demand for U.S. exports remaining strong, a relatively low level of unsold business inventories and the hope that the Federal Reserve will have more room to lower interest rates because inflationary pressures are easing.

However, private analysts were not nearly as certain that the country would be out of a recession that soon by spring. They said that even if the Persian Gulf war does end quickly, there are other factors, such as the problems with the country's financial system, that are dragging down economic growth.

Analysts noted that major U.S. trading partners, including Britain and Canada, are also in a recession, thus threatening the export boom which provided what little strength the economy exhibited last year.

They also worried that consumers and businesses, already saddled with a huge debt load from the 1980s, may not be quick to resume spending, especially for big-ticket purchases such as cars and homes.

For all of 1990, the GNP grew a barely perceptible 0.9 percent, compared to a 2.5 percent increase in 1989. It was the worst showing since GNP fell 2.5 percent during the severe 1982 recession.

Many economists believe the economy was headed for a recession even before Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait sent oil prices soaring and consumer confidence plummeting.

The jump in oil prices did make inflation worse in the fourth quarter with a GNP price index that measures domestic costs shooting up at an annual rate of 6.3 percent, compared to a 5.1 percent rise in the third quarter.

While the Persian Gulf crisis sent inflation rising and unsettled consumer confidence, the conflict did have one positive benefit in terms of the GNP. It sent U.S. defense spending surging ahead at an annual rate of 15 percent, following a 2.7 percent rise in the third quarter before the huge Persian Gulf buildup got underway.

Senior Center sets patriotic event Friday

Senior citizens will be saluting the nation's armed forces at a patriotic program at 11 a.m. Friday in the Senior Center.

Presentation of the colors will be made by representatives of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars as the program begins. The Sunshine Choir will present a selection of patriotic songs and Lacy Turner will read a poem. A banner given by Mittie Tankersley will be displayed.

Senior citizens are invited to wear red, white and blue to the center as they join in the salute.

Monday is games day in the center, with dominoes featured in play beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Hoss Clayton and his band will perform at 11 a.m. Tuesday. Weigh-in for the weight control group will start at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

The Kitchen Band will meet for a rehearsal at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday and the Sunshine Choir will practice at 1:45 p.m. Thursday. Senior citizens who have signed up for a crafts class on making mop dolls are reminded that the class will meet at 9:30 a.m. Thursday.

Senior citizens are admitted to all Western Texas College home basketball games free of charge. Games are scheduled on Monday and Thursday nights this week, with the Lady Dusters playing at 6 p.m. and the Westerners at 8 p.m.

Senior Center Menu

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Sweetwater cattle auction market reported

The market was steady to higher on a good run of cattle for the sale Wednesday, Jan. 23, sale. Stocker steers fully steady with stocker heifers $2-$3 higher. Feeder cattle steady and active. Cow and calf pairs and bred cows active and in demand. Packer cows and bulls steady to $2 higher.

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—Few old hulley cows, $.40 to $.45 per pound.
—Better kind packer bulls, $.61 to $.65 per pound.
—Lower yielding packer bulls, $.58 to $.61 per pound.

Financial Focus

Have you ever watched children in an ice cream parlor? Even with dozens of flavors to choose from, they often select the old standards, such as vanilla or chocolate. Occasionally, a child may venture into the unknown, trying some exotic new flavor. More often than not, he or she regrets it.

Investors face much the same challenge when selecting from among the more than 3,000 mutual funds that are available. Now and then one with an exciting name or unique twist lures us away from those with track records of performance. And, like the curious child, we often regret it.

It was this ice-cream-parlor analogy that drew me to an October 1990 CHANGING TIMES article about the mutual fund "Hall of Shame," which is full of growth funds that didn't grow, market timers whose timing was all wrong, and gold funds that lost their luster.

Most of these disappointing records belong to small funds with limited, or no, investment records. As performance declines, or never starts, no new money comes in. The funds' assets shrink along with their chances for recovery. Here are a few examples:

There's another horror story about a small-company fund that had too much turnover and poor stock picking. The fund now bills itself as a tax shelter and boasts $1.6 million in tax losses that are carried forward. That means shareholders won't be taxed on the next $1.6 million of capital gains distributed. What gains? The fund's total five-year return was only 3.9 percent.

Then, there was a gold fund that missed every market cycle and lost 18.7 percent in five years; a special fund designed to follow corporate raiders that, in the process, turned every dollar invested into 70 cents; and a fund that was composed, almost exclusively, of South African mining shares. This occurred at such an inopportune time that it lost 43 percent of its value after December 3, 1987, the lowest point in the U.S. stock market since the October '87 market crash.

These examples are not cited to scare you from investing in mutual funds. They simply illustrate the hazards of making sizable investments into unknown mutual funds managed by untried professionals. All of these investment debacles violated one or more of the principles embraced by successful mutual fund managers.

The lessons learned here can be invaluable. Get professional guidance; study management results; understand risk; know the fund's objective; diversify; and, of course, don't invest too heavily in a fund whose track record is unproven. Remember the story about the children and the ice cream--it's wiser to sample a new flavor before you buy a whole cone.

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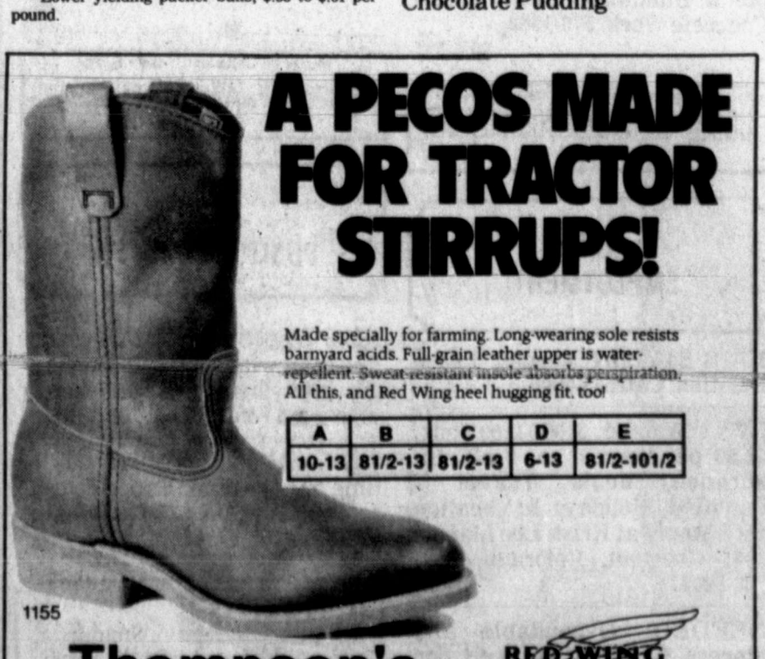

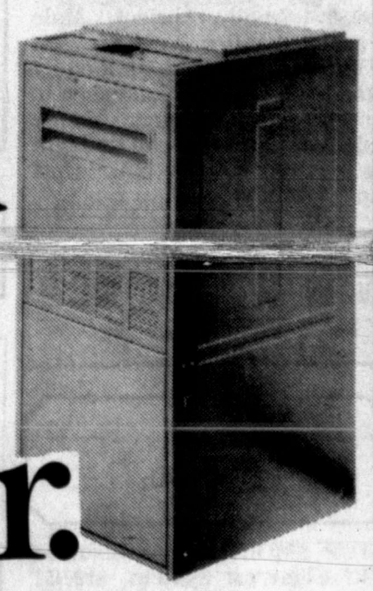

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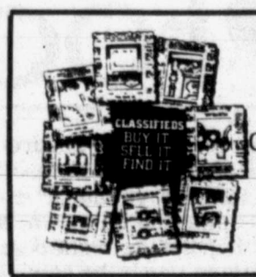

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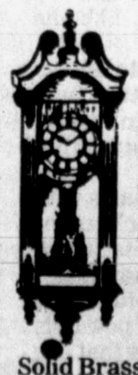

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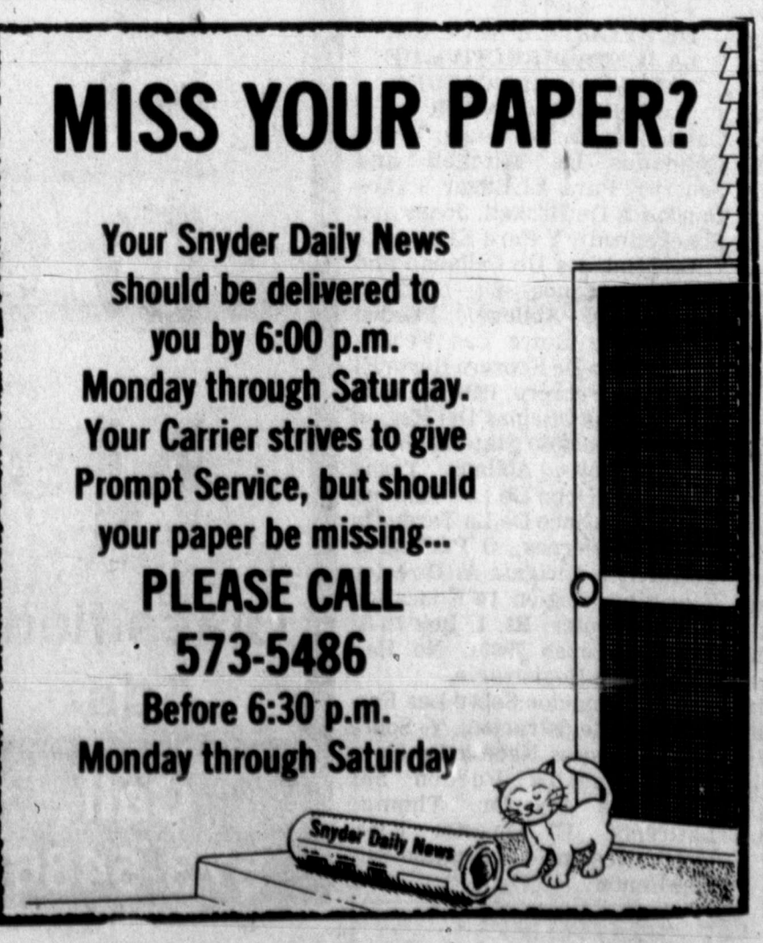

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Latvians mourn three killed by 'black berets'

RIGA, U.S.S.R. (AP) — More than 100,000 Latvians gathered in mourning Friday for the funeral of three people killed by Soviet "black berets" in an assault on the republic's Interior Ministry building.

The caskets were carried through the streets of the capital to the Freedom Monument, a slender granite pillar topped by the copper statue of Mother Latvia, her arms stretching to the sky.

"Today we have come to say farewell to our heroes," Prime Minister Ivars Godmanis told the crowd, which waved dozens of red-and-white Latvian flags.

"Latvia, which had only showed itself to be an example of the peaceful, democratic development of society ... nevertheless has been plunged into violence by the dark forces of the center," Godmanis said.

In the Soviet Union, the "center" is a common reference to Moscow and the national government.

The motives are unclear for the Jan. 20 assault by the black berets, an elite force of Soviet Interior Ministry troops. But the attack is widely viewed in Latvia as part of the crackdown on the independence movement in the Baltics.

Four people died and at least nine were seriously wounded during the nighttime attack; two others have also died in similar Latvian assaults this month.

In neighboring Lithuania, 14 people were killed Jan. 13, when Soviet paratroopers and tanks stormed the republic's independent radio and television center.

Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's personal envoy in Lithuania, Georgy Tarazevich, told a news conference he hoped talks can begin "in the nearest future" between the secessionist government and Soviet authorities.

According to the Lithuanian news agency ELTA, Tarazevich said "a lot of tragic mistakes have been made."

Meat, vodka to be rationed in Moscow

MOSCOW (AP) — Officials announced Friday the Soviet capital will ration meat, grain, vodka and wine in a stark acknowledgement that they expect the local economy of nearly worthless money and empty stores to worsen.

President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's decree taking 50- and 100-ruble notes out of circulation disrupted banks and commerce for a third day, and rumors swept the government of impending increases in state-controlled prices.

The national government said it was allowing retirees two more days, until Sunday, to exchange their large bills. But four republics said Thursday they would allow extra time past Friday's deadline for people to turn in the large denomination notes.

The dispute appeared likely to worsen already sour relations between the Kremlin and the 15 Soviet republics, led by Boris N. Yeltsin's Russian federation. Russia said Thursday it would allow its citizens until Feb. 1 to change their money.

"The shelves of Moscow stores are just as empty as in other cities of the country," said a dispatch in the Rabochaya Tribuna newspaper, announcing increased rationing in Moscow.

Rationing will begin March 1.

Spill is worrisome development

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the Iraqi move was an attempt to help repulse any allied amphibious attack. "The presumption is to inhibit naval activity," said White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

The spill, first detected three days ago, has spread almost 10 miles toward Saudi waters, a Saudi military spokesman said. The oil could threaten several desalination plants that provide drinking water.

"This is clearly an act of environmental terrorism," Pentagon spokesman Williams said.

Environmentalists said the spill was extremely serious. "It's going to play havoc with fishing, with marine life in general," said Walter Vreeland, an environmental adviser to Bahrain's government.

In a letter released Friday at the United Nations, Iraq accused the United States of causing a vast oil spill in the gulf by bombing two Iraqi tankers earlier this week. But allied officials dismissed as minor any spills stemming from air attacks.

Fitzwater said the Defense and Energy departments were monitoring the oil dumping and "examining contingencies for dealing with it." But he conceded: "We don't have any plan at this point."

Saudi officers said gulf currents appeared to be keeping the slick away from the coast as it drifted south. Chris Squires, an Independent Television News cameraman in the Saudi border town of Khafji, said the slick extended "as far as the eye can see."

"The oil is so thick the water can hardly build up a wave," he said. "It's like mud."

Whatever Iraq hoped to gain from the oil spill, one other strategy was clear — to step up the pace of modified-Scud missile attacks. On Friday and Saturday, Iraq launched its most concentrated shower of missiles to date.

The rockets are highly inaccurate and carry a relatively small explosive payload in exchange for greater range, but in Israel and Saudi Arabia, they have been fraying nerves and causing damage and death.

Israel came under fire Friday for the fifth time in eight days. Several Iraqi missiles struck the Tel Aviv and Haifa areas Friday evening, eluding the net of U.S.-supplied Patriot defense missiles. One man was killed and 61 other people were injured, hospital authorities reported.

Obituaries

Raymond I. Irons

1925-1991

LAMESA — Sevices will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at Second Baptist Church for Raymond I. Irons, 65, of Lamesa, with the Rev. Clifton Igo, pastor emeritus, to officiate. Burial will follow in the Lamesa Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

Mr. Irons was the father of Johnny Irons of Snyder.

He died at 3:55 p.m. Thursday at Medical Arts Hospital after a sudden illness.

Born Feb. 11, 1925, in Clayton, N.M., he had lived in Lamesa for 32 years where he was an auto mechanic. He was married to Rachel Irons on May 16, 1944, in Post. She preceded him in death on April 21, 1988.

Survivors include another son, Tom Irons of Dallas; a daughter, Kaye Anderson of Irving; four sisters, Clara Wood of Roy, N.M., Mary Shaw of Amarillo, Irene Wexler and Ivola Walters, both of Floydada; and eight grandchildren.

Henry Tarter

1917-1991

GUSTINE — Services were to have been held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Comanche Funeral Home Chapel for Henry Tarter, 74, who died Friday at a De Leon hospital. The Rev. Ronnie Calcote was to officiate. Graveside services were to follow at 3:30 p.m. at the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Sweetwater.

Mr. Tarter was the brother of Rosa Lee Saling of Snyder.

Born in Dublin, he was a farmer, a World War II army veteran and a member of the First Baptist Church in Gustine.

Other survivors are his wife, Novis Tarter of Gustine; a daughter Sue Carson of Gustine; two brothers, Sam Tarter of Irving and Clarence Garrett of Colorado City; and two grandchildren.

I. I. McArthur

1918-1991

ROTAN — Services were to have been held at 4 p.m. Saturday at the Rotan Church of Christ for I.T. McArthur, 73, with Tommy Harbin officiating, assisted by Doug Reeves. Burial was to follow in the Rotan Cemetery, directed by Weathersbee Funeral Home.

He was a sister of Vera Casey of Snyder.

Mr. McArthur died Thursday at the Fisher County Hospital.

He was born in Moran and lived in Fisher and Stonewall Counties most of his life, and was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

He was a member of the Church of Christ and was a farmer.

His wife, Edna Ross Welch McArthur, preceded him in death.

Survivors include a son, Bob McArthur of Rotan; a daughter, Hope of Indiana; another sister, Edna Earl Chester of Grandview; and five grandchildren.

Steers

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Beeks, Hermleigh FFA; 8. Tommy Henderson, Snyder FFA.

Class V: 1. Walter Wright, Snyder FFA; 2. Jeremy House, 4-H; 3. Alison Beeks, Hermleigh FFA; 4. Brandy Oliver, Ira FFA; 5. M'Lys Lloyd, 4-H; 6. A'Lise Lloyd, 4-H; 7. Greg Kitchens, Snyder FFA; 8. Jimmy Kitchens, Snyder FFA.

Class VI: 1. Elyse Merritt, 4-H; 2. Terry Leatherwood, Snyder FFA; 3. Angie Robinson, Ira FFA; 4. Nelson Beeks, Hermleigh FFA; 5. Brady Collier, 4-H; 6. Brandy Oliver, Ira FFA; 7. Will Collier, 4-H; 8. M'Lys Lloyd, 4-H.

Class VII: 1. Walter Wright, Snyder FFA, **Breed Champion**; 2. Elyse Merritt, 4-H, **Reserve Breed Champion**; 3. Elyse Merritt, 4-H; 4. Terry Stephens, 4-H; 5. Brady Collier, 4-H; 6. Allison Beeks, Hermleigh FFA; 7. Kelly Hart, 4-H; 8. Jeremy House, 4-H; 9. Craig Leatherwood, Snyder FFA.

Commercial Steers: 1. Mark Stansel, Snyder FFA; 2. Rodney White, Ira FFA; 3. Terry Leatherwood, Snyder FFA; 4. Robert Kimmel, Snyder FFA; 5. M'Lys Lloyd, 4-H.

Police investigate burglary Saturday

Snyder police are investigating the early-morning burglary of a local business.

The burglary of the Busy Bee Grocery was discovered at 4:18 a.m. Saturday. Taken from the East Hwy. business was an undetermined amount of cash. According to reports, the front glass door of the building was broken. A report for burglary of a business was filed.

Also Saturday, an 18-year-old male was arrested at 1:44 a.m. in the 3000 block of Ave. J for driving while intoxicated. He was transported to Scurry County Jail.

Police were kept busy Friday evening with juvenile shoplifters.

An officer was requested at 6:01 p.m. at Kmart where an employee had two juveniles in custody. Two 14-year-old females were arrested for theft and taken to police headquarters where they were later released into the custody of their parents.

A female juvenile shoplifter was taken into custody at Wal-Mart at 7:05 p.m. She was later released to her parents.

A 23-year-old male was arrested at 9:16 p.m. in the 2000 block of Ave. E for no driver's license and no liability insurance. He was taken to the county jail.

Radio

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award-winning children's program, "Odyssey," from Focus on the Family.

KGNZ, in its 10th year of broadcasting, also sponsors concerts in Abilene by contemporary Christian recording artists. Upcoming performances include John Michael Talbot on Feb. 17, Morgan Cryar on March 8, Ray Boltz on March 14 and Steven Curtis Chapman on April 19.

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010 LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO BANKS OF SCURRY COUNTY'S INTENTION TO SELECT AN OFFICIAL COUNTY DEPOSITORY FOR ALL COUNTY FUNDS FOR THE BIENNIUM 1991-1992 ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1991.

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners' Court will convene at the Scurry County Courthouse, in the Scurry County Commissioners' Courtroom in Snyder, Texas, at 11:00 a.m. on February 11, 1991, then and there to receive proposals from qualified banks for it to select for the biennium 1991-1992 an official county depository for the safekeeping of all County funds and usual banking facilities and transactions during the biennium, and all banks desiring to make proposals to such effect shall, prior to such convening of the Court, deliver to the undersigned County Judge of said County in his office in said courthouse in writing in sealed envelpes marked on the outside "Depository" their proposals, which proposals shall include all cost for special services to be rendered the County by the proposed depositor, and rates of interest to be paid the County on time deposits.

On January 21, 1991, ordered published by the Scurry County Commissioners' Court in accordance with Art. 116.022 V.A.C.S., State of Texas.

The Commissioners' Court
Of Scurry County, Texas
(s)Bob Doolittle, County Judge
Scurry County, Texas

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, TEX/CON Oil and Gas Company, 9401 Southwest Freeway, Houston, TX 77074, has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code Section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the distance between wells requirement to drill, Well No. 3, R.H. Odom, Jr. Lease, 215.52 Acres, J.K. Smith #29 Survey, Tonto (Canyon Sand) and Wildcat Field, Scurry County, being 6 miles in a Northeast direction from Snyder, Texas.

The location of this well is as follows: 467' from the northwest line and 1005' from the north line of lease. 2120' from the northeast line and 1500' from the south line of survey. Field Rules for the Tonto (Canyon Sand) field are 550/1200, 80 acres. Field rules for the Wildcat field are 467/1200, 40 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 7400 feet.

Pursuant to the terms of Rule 37(h)(2)(A), this applicant may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distant. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Dr. David L. Jones, Staff Area Engineer, at (713)272-5126. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6718.

Rule 37 Case No. 108,156

If you wish to request a hearing on the application, you must fill out, sign and mail or deliver to the Austin Office of the Railroad Commission of Texas the enclosed notice of intent to appear in protest. A copy of the intent to appear in protest must also be mailed or delivered on the same date to applicant at the address shown above. This intent to appear in protest must be RECEIVED in the Railroad Commission's Austin Office by March 1, 1991. If no protest is received within such time, the requested permit will be granted administratively.

Notice requires publication.

Western Texas College is seeking bid proposals for a computer consultant to assist in the development of a long range plan and for the possible replacement of both hardware and software for both student records and accounting applications. Sealed bids are not required. Bids will be reviewed as they are received. Deadline for bid proposals will be 5:00 p.m., February 21, 1991. For additional information, please contact Charles Meek, Western Texas College Business Office, (915) 573-8511, ext. 270.

**FILING NOTICE
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Candidates for Place 1 (Mitchell and Scurry Counties), Place 3 (Haskell, Jones and Shackelford Counties), and Place 5 (Callahan and Taylor Counties, except Abilene Independent School District) may file between February 1 and February 20, 1991, either in person at the Center Offices located at 1850 State Highway 351 (Albany), Abilene, Texas, between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. Monday-Friday, or by Certified Mail to the Executive Director, Region 14 Education Service Center, Rt. 1, Box 70-A, Abilene, Texas 79601. The is no filing fee.

Eligibility requirements, further information, and filing forms may be received from Dr. Thomas Lawrence, Executive Director, Region 14 Education Service Center.

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In Compliance with Section 763.93(E) (10) of the Ahera Regulations:

The Snyder Independent School District will be conducting scheduled surveillance of all Campuses containing Asbestos Material during the month of January, 1991.

NOTICE OF
PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Texas Property Code, What-Not Storage will conduct a public sale at 11 a.m. on 2-14-91 at 400 36th Pl., Snyder, Texas. The contents of 7 units, containing Furniture, Garden Tools, Pictures, Toys, Appliances and misc. household goods will be sold to satisfy landlord's liens. All items will be sold "as is" to the highest bidder. Cash only, no checks accepted. All units are subject to prior redemption. Tenants included in this sale: T. Williams, J. Clark, J. Hardin, V. Williams, J. Crisler, F. Garza, A. Spencer, T. Boles. For further information call ——.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS: D.M. Cogdell Memorial Hospital will accept bids for the removal of existing concrete slab and the construction of a new concrete slab and truck pad for mounting a liquid oxygen vessel. Specifications may be obtained from the Maintenance Department at Cogdell Hospital. Sealed bids are to be submitted to the Maintenance Department prior to 5:00 p.m., February 6, 1991.

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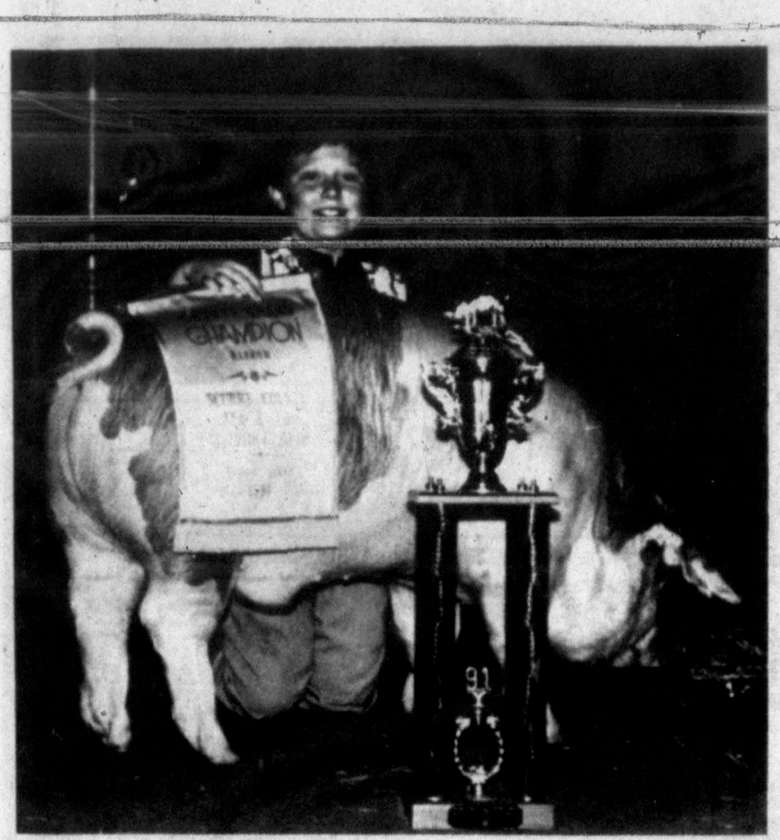

RESERVE CHAMPION HOG — Carla Smith of the Ira FFA chapter was presented the Reserve Grand Champion award during the hog competition at the Annual Scurry County Livestock Show Wednesday night. (SDN Staff Photo)

DOUBLE WINS — Andrea Smith of the Hermleigh FFA chapter was awarded the showmanship trophy (first photo) during the hog competition at the Annual Scurry County Livestock Show Wednesday night. Previously, Smith had already won Reserve Grand Champion honors (second photo) in the sheep competition. (SDN Staff Photo)

California S&L seized Friday

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal regulators on Friday seized California's Columbia Savings and Loan Association, the industry's biggest speculator in junk bonds.

Columbia, of Beverly Hills, worked closely with Michael Milken, Drexel Burnham Lambert Inc.'s junk bond chief, to accumulate a multi-billion portfolio of the risky securities far larger than that of any other thrift institution.

Analysts have estimated the taxpayer's ultimate price tag for protecting Columbia's depositors at around $1 bilion, placing it among the dozen or so costliest S&L failures.

Its former chief executive, Thomas Spiegel, was forced to resign in December 1989. Regulators later sought a record $24 million from him for squandering deposits on luxury condominiums, trips to Europe, a gun collection and other luxuries.

At the end of 1990, Columbia had junk bonds worth approximately $2.5 billion, which it had been trying to sell since new management replaced Spiegel. The bonds were originally purchased for more than $4 billion.

The takeover, ordered by the Treasury Department's Office of Thrift Supervision, brings the government's junk bond holdings to more than $5 billion. That makes the government the largest single junk owner in the $200 billion-plus market.

The Resolution Trust Corp., chartered in August 1989 to conduct the government's thrift cleanup, will manage Columbia until it can be dismantled or sold to new investors with government assistance.

Its 28 offices will remain open during their usual business hours and deposits continue to be federally insured to the $100,000-per-account limit.

Columbia's new chief executive, Edward G. Harshfield, who took over in March, had struck a deal last July that he thought had a chance of saving the thrift.

The Toronto-based Gordon Investment Corp. had agreed to pay an unexpectedly high $3 billion for the bonds. But federal regulators rejected the sale because Columbia would have lent Gordon 90 percent of the purchase price and would still be liable for losses if the bonds declined more than 10 percent in value.

The thrift office last month authorized Columbia to try again, requiring it to get a larger down payment. But, with the onset of the recession and rise in corporate defaults, junk bond prices have sunk further.

Houston to host GOP confab

HOUSTON (AP) — The Republican National Committee on Friday gave final approval for President Bush's adopted hometown of Houston to be host of the 1992 Republican National Convention.

"Our goal in 1992 will be to let all of you know why we all have so much pride in Houston," Houston Mayor Kathy Whitmire told the committee in its Washington meeting.

The site selection committee announced Jan. 8 that it had chosen Houston over other finalist cities San Diego and New Orleans.

The selection was to have been announced Jan. 11, but was moved up with the selection of the new RNC Chairman Clayton Yeutter and other pressing matters before the group.

San Diego had been considered the frontrunner for the convention, but when the city was unable to offer more money the day before the announcement, Houston moved to the forefront.

"Houston offered the best facilities, financial package and enthusiastic community support of this event," said Robert T. Sakowitz, board chairman of the Greater Houston Convention & Visitors Bureau.

"We are elated at the decision, and now the real work begins to make this the best convention held by any party in the country's history," Sakowitz said.

Houston offered $10 million in donations and in-kind services for the event. In addition, the Houston Astros agreed to spend at least a month on road games to allow the committee set up time and to conduct the convention at the Astrodome.

Efforts are underway to raise about $4.5 million in cash from industry and individuals for the event.

The deadly tsetse fly, now nearly eradicated by insecticides, has been called "the best game warden in Africa," because of its role in keeping human settlement and livestock out of wilderness areas.

Man gets 10 years probation

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The man convicted of killing a 5-year-old boy by giving him bourbon and telling him to "drink it like a man" was sentenced Friday to 10 years probation.

Anthony Darron Jimerson, 22, was found guilty by a jury late Thursday following more than seven hours of deliberation. Jurors deliberated for 3½ hours Friday before announcing the punishment.

Jimerson was also given a $10,000 probated fine.

Prosecutor Richard Alpert said the punishment was fair, given Jimerson's age and the fact that he probably did not intend to kill Thomas "Tinky" Griffin.

Jimerson has been in jail since his arrest last February.

The jury could have given Jimerson a maximum sentence of life imprisonment.

"We're satisfied with both verdicts," Alpert said. "This is a very special case. It's very different than a case when somebody walks up to someone and shoots them. We're just very glad the jury came to this verdict. It's been a long two weeks."

Jimerson showed no emotion but family members cried as Criminal District Judge Joe Drago read the verdict at about 9 p.m. Thursday.

Prosecutors, brandishing a whiskey bottle, said in final arguments that the child deserved justice. They said Jimerson gave the boy 90 proof alcohol, and that he "drank it like a man and he died like a man."

Jurors rejected defense contentions that the amount of alcohol was fatal only because the boy's mother, Patricia Griffin, had not fed the child properly.

Doctors said Tinky's low blood sugar caused the seizures that eventually killed the boy.

Ms. Griffin faces trial next month.

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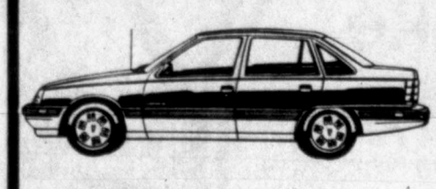

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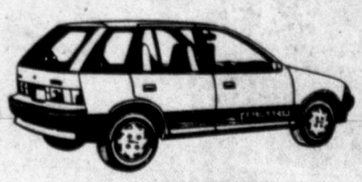

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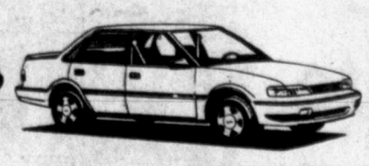

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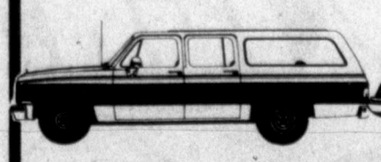

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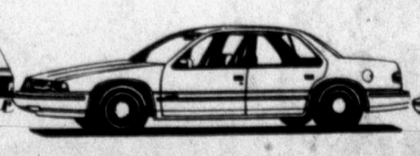

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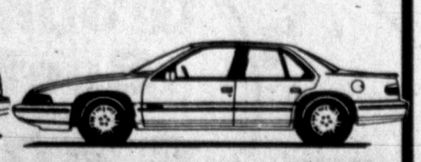

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Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

A combination of talent, hard work, perserverance and determination helped Ken Gartman, a senior at Snyder High School, to garner his fourth consecutive All-State Choir berth a few weeks ago.

But Gartman, who started taking piano lessons in the third grade, has no intention of resting on past laurels. In fact, he's only just begun to work.

Next on his musical agenda is a week in San Antonio (beginning February 6) where he and 255 other state winners will rehearse for the Feb. 9 All-State Concert.

Gartman started out as a second tenor his freshman year, but for the past three years he has been first tenor.

To qualify for the 1991 All-State Choir, Gartman had to travel up the ladder of success, one rung at a time, beginning with the District 4-A competition held Oct. 13 in Levelland.

Participants are judged according to how well they perform their material, but district winners do not perform in a concert following the competition.

Judges tested Gartman's sight singing ability by making up a melody which he then had to sing after a 30-second "study period." In addition, he also sang a prepared piece of music.

Judges grade a singer mainly on the prepared piece, but singing something new after a short study period reflects how well the contestant can read music as well.

The same judging procedure is followed for each competitive event throughout the school year.

The Top 12 in district advanced to region tryouts on Nov. 1 in Levelland. Sixteen high schoolers were named to the All-Region Choir which performed the next day at Texas Tech.

All-Region honorees attended clinics and rehearsed all day on Nov. 17, with the concert that evening.

The Top Four choices were granted All-Area status and given the right to audition for a place in the 256 member All-State Choir.

The All-State audition was held Jan. 5 in Midland. Each section of the choir had 20 entrants who auditioned for five judges, all whom were out of sight. Each student enters a private booth before singing.

This school year, Gartman sang contemporary music, but in years past, he sang a variety of songs.

Only the top seven of the All-Area contestants could be given a place in the All-State Choir. Gartman finished in first place, something he has continued to do since his sophomore year. As a freshman, he finished second in the state.

Before each contest, he said he tries to "stay calm by looking through his music." Knowing that he prepared himself as well as he could, Gartman prays before each audition and "tries to do his best." Whatever nervousness remains, disappears when it's his turn to sing, he explained.

All-State judges usually throw out each singer's highest and lowest score in order to give each person a "fairer grade," Gartman explained.

Throughout the years, each victory, starting with his first All-State Choir selection, "boosted" Gartman's confidence and encouraged him to work even harder. And with each successive All-State win, the pressure also increased.

All the contests have been important, of course, but he said he really "wanted to make it this year."

He practices at school and at home when he can. While Gartman's talent, enthusiasm and willingness to practice have helped him advance as far as he has, he also acknowledges several people whose help has been and still is invaluable to him.

Bill Lyon, choir director, is one person whom Gartman credits with "helping him a lot." This school year he has two classes with him — choir and music theory.

Gartman also began taking voice lessons from Melanie Smith, junior high choir director, while a sophomore.

His interest in singing actually began years ago when he was a third grader and took piano lessons under Lynn Bethel. He credits this with helping him to become interested in singing.

Gartman sang in the junior high choir a few years ago. Also, by the time he was an eighth grader, Gartman had joined the ensemble at First Baptist Church. It did not take him long to realize he enjoyed singing and wanted to continue.

As a sixth grader in West Elementary, he played the piano during his class's performance of "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

Gartman also sings with the SHS choir and Swingers. In addition, he is secretary of the Student Council and in past years was a member of CIA — Classmates In Action — for a drug free high school.

He also serves as choir president this school year and is a member of the National Honor Society.

As a junior, he also participated in a campus improvement study in which a committee surveyed the high school and formulated possible ways to improve it.

He said they looked at all aspects of the campus including maintenance, curriculum and personnel.

On Sundays, in addition to his own church activities, Gartman also plays the organ for St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. On Sunday afternoons he rehearses with the Ensemble.

Gartman participates in UIL solo/ensemble contests. As a sophomore, he was third in the state in UIL typing.

As a junior, he also played JV tennis in the fall and spring.

Last school year, when the districts changed and Snyder was placed in District 4-A, Gartman said they discovered that their new district did some things a little bit different.

Since 4-A is such a large area, SHS sometimes competes against 5-A schools.

Long range goals include becoming an opera singer and/or music teacher after college graduation. He hopes to be able to major in music at Baylor University in Waco.

Whenever Gartman has free time he likes to plan activities with his friends because as he put it, "I enjoy being with people." A favorite passtime is renting videos.

He is the son of Dennis and Linda Gartman. His father works for Oryx Energy Plant and his mother teaches fifth grade at East Elementary. He also has an older brother, Brad. The Gartmans moved to Snyder from Rockport-Fulton several years ago.

FOUR IN A ROW — For the past four years, Ken Gartman, Snyder High School senior, has won a berth on the All-State Choir which will perform its annual concert next month. (SDN Staff Photo)

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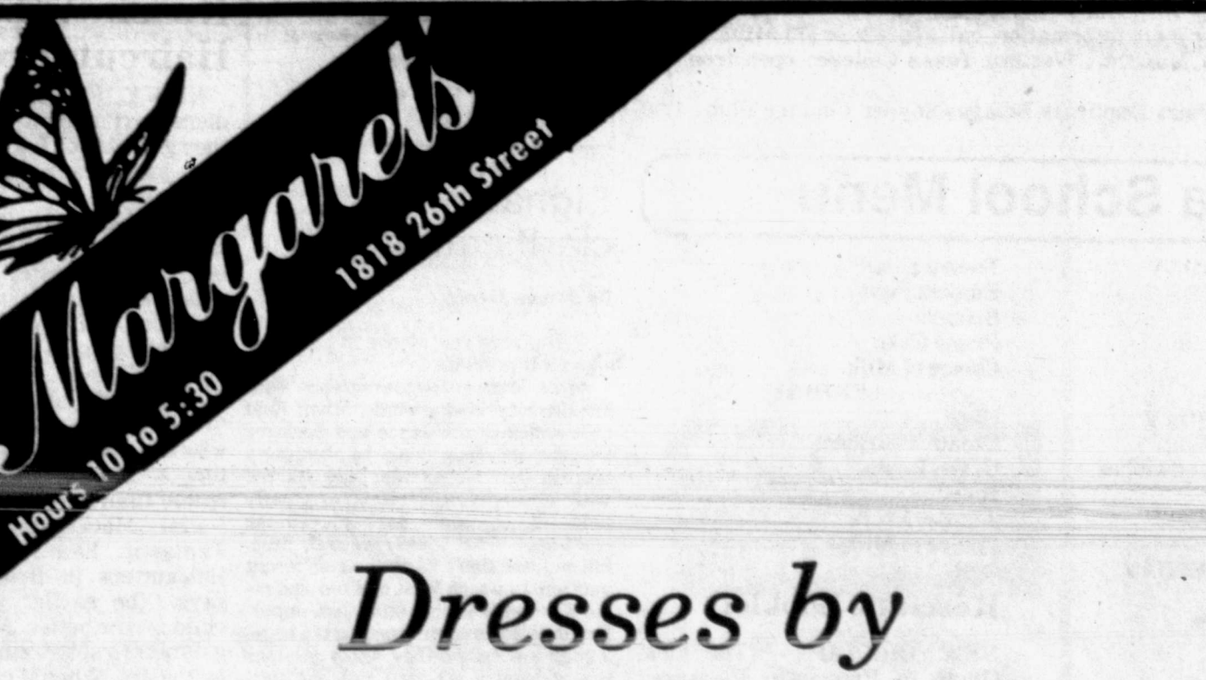

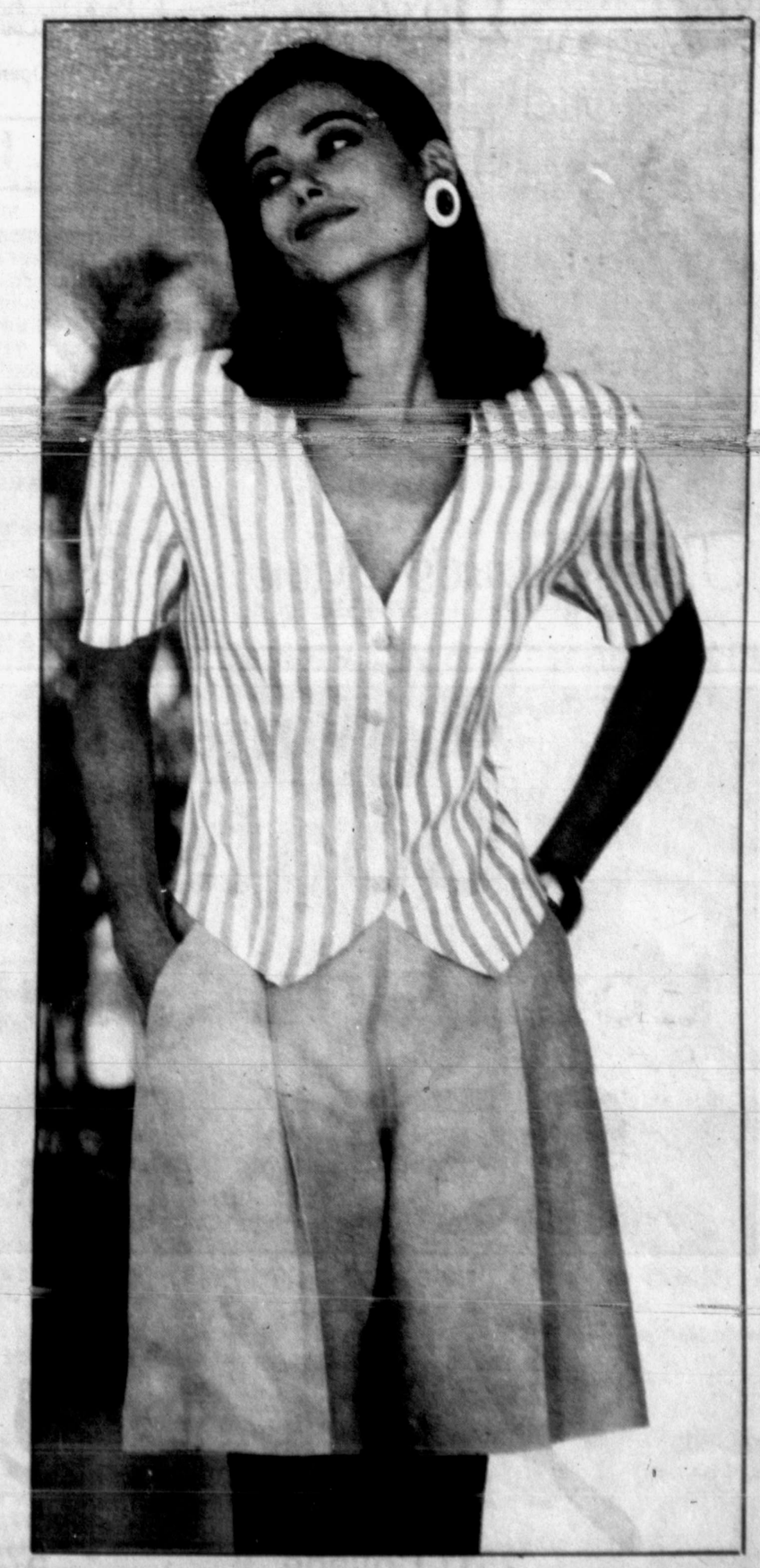

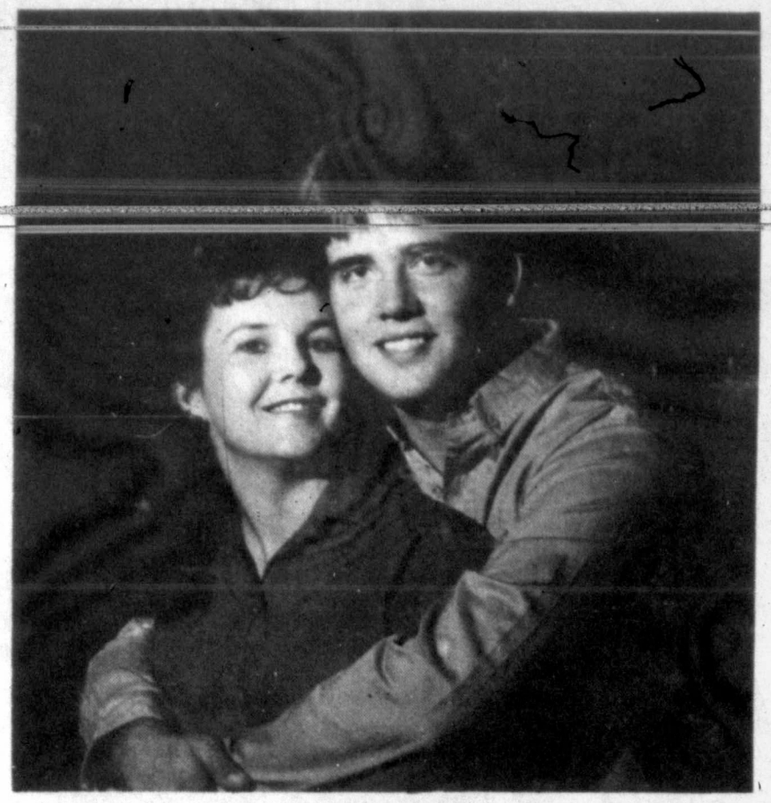

MARCH NUPTIALS — Ronnie and Diana Williamson announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Tammy Lynn, to Benny Nolan Miller, son of Vick and Connie Miller, all of Snyder. A wedding ceremony has been set for 7 p.m. March 16 at the First Baptist Church Chapel. (Family Photo)

Scurry County Library News & Views

Did you know that the Scurry County Library has tax forms? Many of the most used forms, instructions and publications are available at no charge. There is a set of frequently used tax forms, which can be copied at 15 cents per page. Other materials are only for use in the library. We also have toll free numbers for information and for ordering forms.

BOOK FEATURE

"In a Child's Name: The Legacy of a Mother's Murder," by Peter Mass

In 1984, the hideously beaten body of a young wife and mother was found in a roadside ditch. Suspicion immediatlely focused on her husband, Dr. Kenneth Z. Taylor, and he was charged with her murder. As the police uncovered his dark past of violence and deception, a wrenching struggle ensued for custody of the couple's infant son. No one involved in the case dreamed of the passions which it would unleash.

NON-FICTION

"The Chronic Bronchitis and Emphysema Handbook," by Francois Haas

"Better Homes and Gardens Low-Fat Meals"

"Gratitude: Reflections on What We Owe to Our Country," by William F. Buckley Jr.

FICTION

"Sweet, Sweet Poison," by Kate Wilhelm

"Hocus Pocus," by Kurt Vonegut

"The Last Raven," by Craig Thomas

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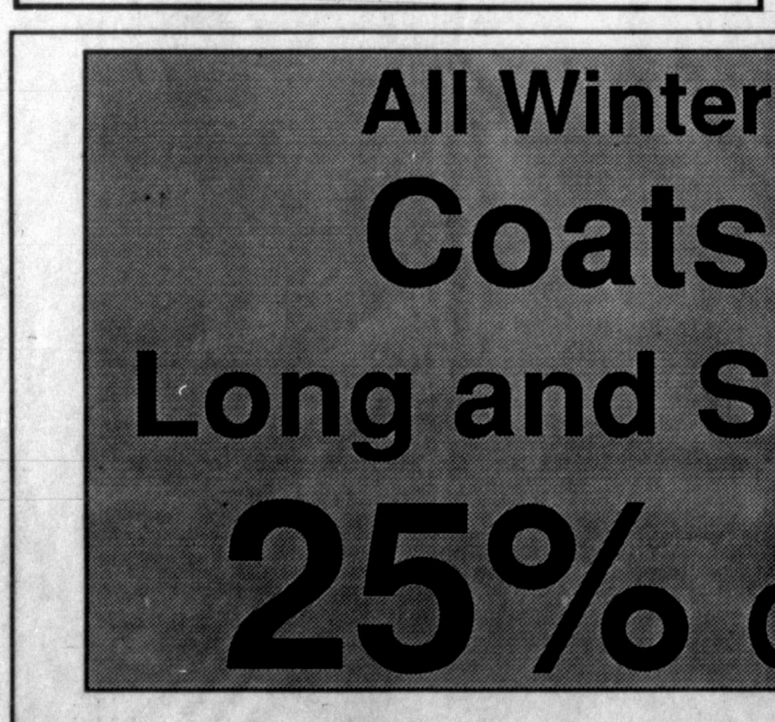

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Fluvanna Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.

Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; Morning Side Baptist Church fellowship hall; 7:30 p.m. Call JoAnn at 573-9839 or Kelly at 573-7705 for information.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (open); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8626 or 573-9410.

TUESDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Ira Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.

Adult Children of Alcoholics; Park Club in Winston Park; 6:30 p.m.; For more information call 573-8885 or 573-9410.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

TOPS TX56; weigh-in and meeting 7-8 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444 or Mae Cole at 573-8628.

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.

Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8110, 573-3308 or 573-5867.

Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Hermleigh Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961 or 573-8885.

THURSDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.

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

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.

Deep Creek Cloggers, lesson; VFW; 6:30-8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-8110 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

Storytime; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.; 4 and 5-year olds.

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

Overeaters Anonymous; 1:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park; For more information, call 573-8322, 573-7705 or 573-9839.

Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.

Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101, 573-3657 or 573-3956.

Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9410. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting).

SATURDAY

Alateen Step Study Group; 2:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park. For more information, call 573-8929 or 573-5164.

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-8626 or 573-9410.

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

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

Ira School Menu

MONDAY

Chimichangas
Refried Beans
Combination Salad
Bread Pudding
Choice of Milk

TUESDAY

Chicken Noodle Soup
Peanut Butter Sandwiches
Cheese Wedge
Apple Crisp
Choice of Milk

WEDNESDAY

Stromboli
Mixed Vegetables
Peaches
Cowboy Cookies
Choice of Milk

THURSDAY

Spaghetti & Meat Sauce
Tossed Salad
English Peas
Biscuits
Prune Cake
Choice of Milk

FRIDAY

Hash
Cream Potatoes
Green Beans
Rolls
Jello w/Fruit
Choice of Milk

Rosciutto booklet

NEW YORK (AP) — "The Ducal Guide to Prosciutto Pleasure" features serving suggestions and historical background on the ancient tradition of making Prosciutto di Parma (Parma ham). For a copy, send your name, address and zip code to: Ducal Guide, Prosciutto di Parma, Box 3376, Grand Central Station, New York, NY 10163-3376.

MARCH WEDDING PLANNED — Carrie Fortune and Brad Roark announce their engagement and wedding set for 1 p.m. March 16 in the home of the future groom's parents in Lubbock. Parents of the bride-elect are Larry and Carolyn House of Snyder and Phil and Betty Fortune of Graham. Parents of the future groom are Tommy and Maxine Swann of Lubbock and Lonnie and Marka Roark of Amarillo. (Private Photo)

Bridge By James Jacoby

NORTH 1-26-91
♠ K 7 6
♥ A K J
♦ J 10 7 4
♣ J 10 9

WEST
♠ A
♥ 9 6 3
♦ K Q 9 6 5 3
♣ A Q 5

EAST
♠ 8 5 2
♥ 8 7 4 2
♦ 2
♣ 8 7 6 3 2

SOUTH
♠ Q J 10 9 4 3
♥ Q 10 5
♦ A 8
♣ K 4

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♦	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
4 ♠	All pass		

Opening lead: ♦ K

Signal clarification

By James Jacoby

Well-placed confidence in partner's signals is crucial.

After South got to four spades, West led the king of diamonds. When East followed with the deuce and declarer won the ace, West could be absolutely [illegible] with a singleton. If East originally held 8-2, he would have played the eight-spot. That's easy enough here, but suppose there had been a different auction, in which West had bid and rebid diamonds. In that situation, imperfect defenders sometimes fail to begin a high-low, since they know partner has at least a six-card suit and they know a second diamond trick will not cash. That's wrong. It is important to be consistent in your discarding, so that partner can depend on getting the correct count.

After winning the trump ace, West led a low diamond and East ruffed. A club return now gave the defenders two club tricks to set four spades. Note that it would be a mistake for West to cash the queen of diamonds, even though he knew it would live. Declarer would then have at least one club discard on a good diamond in dummy, enough to make the contract.

When South responded one spade to North's opening one-diamond bid, West wanted very much to overcall two diamonds, but he was afraid that East would misinterpret it as a take-out cue-bid. Not so. It is best to agree that on the first round of bidding, when you are between two bidding opponents, your bid of either of the opponents' suits is a natural overcall.

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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Rosciutto booklet Haircuts ordeal

NEW YORK (AP) — When toddlers start screaming the minute they get into the barber's chair, it isn't just because they don't like sitting still.

"Children aren't clear on where their bodies begin and end," says Lesley Koplow, a child social worker in New York.

Cutting hair thus implies that part of them is being removed and lost forever.

"In addition," she says, "children cannot understand why their parents — their protec- [illegible] rather than preventing it."

Phil MacDonald, who runs Fantastic Sam's International Haircutters in Brooklyn, N.Y., says "the earlier you bring a child in, the better. Most children get their first haircut between 1½ to 2 years. When a child gets her first salon haircut at around 3 years old, she is usually harder to handle."

Kaplow suggests helping the child anticipate what will happen, which gives him a feeling of control. Either let the child watch parents get haircuts or let her rehearse on a doll's hair.

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TO CELEBRATE 50th — Mr. and Mrs. Clyde W. Brown of Ira will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Jan. 30. Plans for an out-of-town occasion are pending. (Family Photo)

Hermleigh ISD Menu

BREAKFAST

Juice
Buttered Oatmeal
Toast
Milk

TUESDAY

Fruit
Cinnamon Coffee Cake
Milk

WEDNESDAY

Juice
Sausage & Biscuits
Milk

THURSDAY

Fruit
Waffles/Syrup
Milk

FRIDAY

Juice
Dry Cereal
Toast
Milk

LUNCH
MONDAY

Pepper Steak
Steamed Rice
Cream Style Corn
Hot Rolls
Chocolate Pudding
Milk

TUESDAY

Spaghetti/Meat Sauce
Bean & Pea Salad
Cheese Rolls
Chilled Pears
Milk

WEDNESDAY

Pinto Beans
Hash Brown Potatoes
Carrots & Pineapple Salad
Corn Bread
White Cake/Chocolate Frosting
Milk

THURSDAY

Oven Fried Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
[illegible]
Hot Rolls
Banana Pudding
Milk

FRIDAY

Hamburgers
Burger Salad
French Fries
Sugar Cookies
Milk

Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

1. Sadie Longbotham, Thaba McMillan
2. Wortham, Joy Loyd
3. Shirley Drum, Lou Meadows
4. (Tie) Donna Early, Jay Guthrie and Buford, Dorothy Browning

Gentle Dove Menu

MONDAY

Goulash

TUESDAY

Vegetable Soup

WEDNESDAY

Beef Stew

THURSDAY

Chili d' Mac

FRIDAY

Beans

Umbrella birds

SEBACO, Nicaragua (AP) — Umbrella birds are native to the tropical forests of Central and South America.

Their name refers to a head crest of feathers which expand into an umbrella-like covering [illegible] umbrella birds are about 16 inches long and blue-black in coloring. They feed mainly on fruits.

Eicke scholarship established at WTC

An Iota Psi Wanda Eicke Scholarship Fund has been established at Western Texas College for nursing students.

According to Iota Psi members Katherine Ervin and Betty House, the monies will be used for any student as needed, to be decided upon by Diane Beard, associate professor, and other instructors along with Dennis Carlton, director of student financial aid.

Snyder ISD Menu

BREAKFAST
MONDAY

Waffles w/Buttered Honey
Grape Juice
Milk

TUESDAY

Iced Cinnamon Raisin Biscuit
Pineapple Juice
Milk

WEDNESDAY

Buttered Toast w/Jelly
Orange Juice
Milk

THURSDAY

Blueberry Bar
Apple Juice
Milk

FRIDAY

Hot Oatmeal
Toast
Grape Juice
Milk

LUNCH
MONDAY

Chicken Patty Sandwich
American Cheese Slice
Sandwich Fixins'
French Fries
Pear Halves
Milk

TUESDAY

Spaghetti w/Meat Sauce
Green Beans
Fruit Mix
French Bread
Milk

WEDNESDAY

Frito Pit
Sliced Peaches
Buttered Corn
Cornbread
Milk

THURSDAY

Hungarian Goulash
Pinto Beans
Tossed Salad w/French Dressing
Hot Roll
Milk

FRIDAY

Steak Fingers
Southern Gravy
Golden Potatoes
Orange Wedges
Hot Roll
Milk

SPECIAL EVENT

Wed., Jan. 30 at the Junior and Senior High Schools—Deli Bar featuring items to build your own sandwich with all the trimmings (no salad bar this day only).

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Men's fashions say comfort

AP Newsfeatures

If it's not comfortable, forget it. Men's fashion is taking a holiday this spring and summer from anything confining.

And not only will clothes be as easy as an old slipper, "you're going to see every color you ever thought of," says Chip Tolbert, fashion director of the Men's Fashion Association, a trade group.

Comfort will come in the form of fit as well as fabric.

Jackets, certainly, are softer, which means suits are, too. What used to be layer upon layer of canvas inner lining has given way to a fusing process that makes for a more relaxed, more comfortable look.

Tailored pants are pleated, and weekend pants, no matter the length, are pajama style, complete with elastic and drawstring at the waist.

That brings us to what Tolbert calls the "sleepwear and loungewear influence" that will be seen on the street. Paired with easy pants will be the pajama-top shirts. You know, the '40s-inspired shirt, often in rayon, that has an open neck with the collar ironed flat.

"The true pajama collar doesn't have a tab and button, but there are still men who like to wear the neck buttoned," Tolbert says, justifying a slight straying from authenticity.

Loungewear is making a big comeback, too, particularly drawstring shorts and pants with kimono-style robes.

"Pajama sales are up, robe sales are up," Tolbert says. "I don't know why. Men are buying them — and they are wearing them. It's not just gentlemen, either, but young men, too.

"And I'm sure some women are buying them."

Indeed, the whole loungewear-underwear fashion scene will be stolen at least in part by women raiding men's underwear racks for some of their activewear gear. Look for styles from Nautica, Jockey, Night Moves and Joe Boxer.

Microfibers are an important factor in comfort also, particularly in outerwear. Look for them in lightweight foul-weather gear, especially classic trench coats. They're water resistant, they breathe and they feel good to the touch.

And remember those old, blanket-soft cotton chambray shirts you couldn't spend a weekend without? Well, chambray's back.

"There's tons of it around," Tolbert says. "I think it's going to be real popular because it's something every man loves, and the more you wash it the better it looks."

But it isn't limited to shirts. Botany does a blue chambray suit.

Now, just because comfort is the keyword for spring doesn't mean you can't be colorful.

"You're going to see every color you ever thought of," Tolbert says. "Color-blocking, or piece-paneling, is going to be extremely important."

Look for it in shirts, beachwear and windbreakers. M. Julian has red and white leather with purple suede in a bomber jacket. Charles Goodnight, who used to work for Joe Boxer, has color-block pajamas in black, orange and purple rayon. And Boston Prep does a color-block shirt in floral prints.

Stripes are a must for spring, too.

"They're in every category of accessories and tailored clothing," Tolbert says.

Joseph Aboud shows a cotton-linen-silk sweater with striped linen shirt and solid shorts, and Ruff Hewn does a cotton shaker-knit cardigan in jewel stripes. Stripes have always been a staple of business dress, but Pierre Cardin strays from tradition with a horizontal stripe dress shirt with white collar and cuffs.

Colorful, ethnic-inspired prints are strong for young men, especially Aztec prints in Southwestern hues.

Henry Grethel does an Aztec cotton sweater in clay and rose, Ron Chereskin has a black and white Aztec print in a rayon button-front polo.

Town and Country Topics

by Kathryn Roberts
Extension Agent

Start the Day with a Heart-Healthy Breakfast

Are you too busy to eat in the morning? How about some fresh new ideas for breakfast? With a little imagination, breakfast can be easy and delicious. If you are in a rush in the morning, these choices can all be packed the night before and eaten after you get to work.

French toast made with egg whites.

Homemade low-fat muffins spread with farmer cheese or jelly.

Low-fat or nonfat yogurt. Add a handful of ready-to-eat low-fat (not a granola type) cereal for some crunch.

A fruit milk shake made with skim milk, low-fat yogurt and your favorite fruit.

Rice pudding. Make it heart healthy with skim milk.

A sliced turkey or lean meat sandwich with reduced-fat mayonnaise (For breakfast? Why not?)

Quit Smoking Without Weight Gain

It is true that many ex-smokers gain weight when they quit. But it doesn't have to be true for you.

Here are some hints to help you avoid post-smoking spread:

Lower the fat in your diet. Fat provides twice as many calories as either protein or carbohydrate. Cut down on added fats (oils, margarine, sauces and dressings), fatty cuts of meat, cheese and whole-milk dairy products.

Replace the high-fat foods in your diet with whole grains, bread, pasta, fruits, vegetables and non-fat dairy products. These foods are filling and are naturally low in fat.

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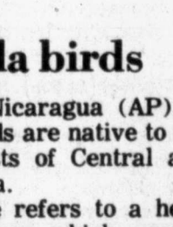
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New Vehicle Registrations

Sharidge Inc., 1991 GMC pickup from Berg Motor Co., Midland.

Alvin and Janelle Orr, 1991 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Odelia H. Thomason, 1991 Chevrolet from Big Country Chevrolet Inc.

Tennessee Pipeline Co., three 1991 Chevrolet pickups and two 1991 Chevrolet Blazers from Big Country Chevrolet Inc.

Jerry McWilliams Pharmacy Inc, 1991 GMC pickup from Howard Gray Motors.

Tommy Pate, 1991 GMC pickup from Howard Gray Motors.

Filed in District Court

Jane Carter Robertson Holder and NCNB and as the trustee under the will of John Malcolm Robertson, deceased, vs. Pride SPG Inc., dispute of royalties.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Lois B. Leech Black and Jimmie Newton Black, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Leah Ann Daves and Tommy E. Daves, divorce granted.

Warranty Deeds

Jean Greene to Larry P. Greene, et ux, Tract One: the north 90 feet of the west one-half of Lot 3, Block 24 of Blakenship addition; Tract Two: tract of land out of Section 14, Block 1 of J.P. Smith Survey.

Larry P. Greene, et ux, to Linda J. Banks, the north 90 feet of the West one-half of Lot 3, Block 24 of Blakenship addition.

West Texas State Bank to Pat Smith, et ux, a 10 acre tract of land out of the northeast one-quarter of Section 187, Block 3 of H&GN Survey.

Darlene Tate Beard, et ux, to O.P. Tate, the north one-quarter of Section 211, Block 97 of H&TC Survey.

Elwanda Stewart Nachlinger, to Delbert Jenkins, et ux, a 15 acre tract out of the southeast one-quarter of Section 134, Block 3 of H&GN Survey.

Richard Dupree to Sandra N. Cargile, Lot 2, of Walter Hales Re-Subdivision of Lundy Park addition.

Doris Jean Lail, et ux, to Ona Mae Burton, all Lots 9-16, Block 19 of Andress Heights addition.

Jack Kemp to Harold Yearwood, et ux, Lot 12, Block 2 of Scott and Browning addition.

Robert B. Felton, et ux, to Dwaine Johnson Merritt, et ux, Lot 13 and the north 37.5 feet of Lot 14, Block 1 of Grayum and Nelson addition.

S. Texas man pleads guilty

HOUSTON (AP) — A South Texas man who headed a marijuana smuggling operation pleaded guilty to drug-related charges and also will cooperate with authorities in related investigations.

Under his plea agreement, Manuel Jaramillo pleaded guilty Thursday in federal court to conducting a continuing criminal enterprise and laundering drug proceeds.

Additionally, Jaramillo and two co-defendants who also pleaded guilty are required not to contest government forfeiture proceedings on more than $2.5 million in real estate, cars, airplanes, businesses and other properties.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael Shelby told U.S. District Judge Sim Lake that Jaramillo earned "in excess of $5 million" through smuggling in the late 1980s.

The smuggling pipeline stretched from Mexican marijuana fields to distribution centers in Texas and Illinois.

Jaramillo, 60, also admitted drug transactions with the Matamoros-based organization responsible for 15 cult slayings in 1988, including that of University of Texas student Mark Kilroy of Santa Fe.

Prosecutors will recommend a 15-year prison term when Jaramillo is sentenced April 19. The sentence will be served concurrent to a 25-year term he received last month in a drug trial in McAllen.

Of the other 12 defendants, these three also pleaded guilty Thursday:

Frank Larence Pulcini, 41, of Chicago Heights, Ill., described by Shelby as a distributor. His recommended sentence is 12 years.

Javier Rodriguez, 41, of Houston, arrested in August 1988 while driving a boat up the Intracoastal Waterway that contained almost 600 pounds of marijuana in hidden compartments. His recommended sentence is five years.

Jaramillo's wife, Ramona Angelica Herrera Jaramillo, 54, who pleaded to misprision of a felony.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter in your column about older persons who live alone "falling," I had to write. Since approximately one-third of the elderly fall annually, it is a common problem.

The risk of falling can be reduced substantially by identifying those medical conditions that increase the risk of falls and by altering the environment.

For instance: area rugs, extension cords, high-heeled shoes, slippery floors and poor lighting (especially on stairways) are all correctable hazards. Medical conditions such as swollen legs, low blood pressure, impaired vision, confusion, leg weakness and arthritis can also contribute to falls — but are potentially treatable. In addition, some medications — including those which can be obtained without a prescription — can also increase the risk of falling. Thus, one's drugs should be reviewed regularly by a physician. Alcohol intake, even in small amounts, can impair balance and predispose one to falling.

I hope these comments are useful to your readers. In addition, a pamphlet titled "Safety for Older Consumers — Home Safety Checklist" may be obtained without charge from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

NEIL M. RESNICK, M.D.,
CHIEF, GERIATRICS, BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL,
HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL

DEAR DR. RESNICK: Thank you for a valuable letter. Anyone interested in obtaining a booklet should write to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 5401 Westbard Ave., Bethesda, Md. 20207.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband of three years refuses to sleep on his left side. He believes that if he sleeps on his left side over a long period of time, it will damage his heart. So every night he hugs me for a few minutes (I sleep on my left side), then he turns his back on me in order not to damage his heart.

Abby, he is making me paranoid about this because I always sleep on my left side, which my husband insists is bad for my heart.

Is there any medical evidence to support his claim?

LEFT-SIDE SLEEPER IN TEXAS

DEAR LEFT-SIDE SLEEPER: A call to the American Heart Association confirms the following: Sleeping on one's left side does no damage to the heart.

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DEAR ABBY: At least 40 years ago, our son who was in junior high needed a motto to use in an art project, so I gave him a Chinese proverb I found in Reader's Digest. I cut it out and put it into an antique frame, and it's been hanging on our wall ever since:

"If there is righteousness in the heart, there will be beauty in the character.

"If there be beauty in the character, there will be harmony in the home.

"If there is harmony in the home, there will be order in the nation.

"When there is order in the nation, there will be peace in the world."

E. COLBY

DEAR E. COLBY: Beautiful!

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DEAR ABBY: The letter signed "One Plus Seven" caught my eye. It was from a woman with seven children whose philandering husband kept telling her, "You can't leave me — who'd want a woman with seven kids?" It certainly hit home with me.

In 1963, my father died, leaving my mother with seven children under 15. (I'm the eldest.) Mom then adopted two war-wounded paraplegic Vietnamese boys. Then there were nine. In 1970, Mom married the handsome Bob DeBolt, who had a daughter from a previous marriage. Then there were 10.

Mom and Bob then adopted 10 more children — most were multihandicapped. Then there were 20. All have been raised to be totally self-sufficient. (A 16th grandchild is on the way!)

But that's not the end of the story. Mom and Dad also founded and still head a national non-profit adoption program called AASK America (Aid to Adoption of Special Kids), which places so-called "unadoptable" children with loving permanent families and charges the parents *no fees!* Thus, many drug-addicted children, fetal alcohol syndrome infants, children with AIDS, and scores of older abused, abandoned children throughout this country were able to celebrate the Christmas holidays with their forever families.

The "one plus seven" beginnings of our family have currently resulted in approximately "one plus 7,000" adoptions of children with special needs.

Our family received national publicity in 1978 through the Oscar-winning documentary, "Who Are the DeBolts?" We have been honored in countless ways, but nothing would honor us more than to hear from people who want to adopt "special kids" and, I hope, from those whose generosity can continue to make this happen.

Thank you, Abby, and God bless you.

MICHELE ATWOOD,
AASK-AMERICA,
657 MISSION ST., SUITE 601,
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. 94105.

DEAR MICHELE: The beautiful DeBolts who founded Aid to Adoption of Special Kids deserve more credit and kudos than I have space to give them. Those who are interested in further information may address their letters to AASK-AMERICA at the above address, or call 1-800-232-2751.

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DEAR ABBY: The college girl who usually sits with my 11-month-old baby was unavailable on New Year's Eve, so she sent her friend, "Marge," another college student, to substitute. Marge made an excellent impression — clean, well-mannered and self-assured. Just as my husband and I were about to leave, I was floored when Marge said, "I want you to know up front that if your baby soils her diaper, I will not change it."

I thought I must have misheard her. Abby, who ever heard of a sitter refusing to change a baby's diaper? I asked her why, and she said, "With all the talk of child abuse — you know, child molestation — I can't take a chance of being wrongfully accused."

What is this world coming to, Abby? Have you ever heard of anything so ridiculous? Please print my letter and ask your readers if they have.

SHOCKED IN
MONTGOMERY, ALA.

DEAR SHOCKED: This is a "first" for me, too, but I can understand Marge's dilemma and apprehensiveness. However, allowing a baby to lie in its own waste for an entire evening can also be considered "child abuse" — so perhaps Marge should find another line of work.

To order "How to Write Letters for All Occasions," send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

An AP analysis...

Maybe the 'Front-Page Test' can avoid Keating Five cases in the future

WASHINGTON (AP) — To avoid sequels to the Keating Five case, Sen. Robert J. Dole proposes the front-page test: Don't do it if you wouldn't want to read about it in the newspapers.

Dole, the Senate Republican leader, thinks that ought to be a guideline for senators intervening with federal regulators in behalf of their constituents. So he has introduced legislation to require public disclosure of congressional contacts with federal agencies on regulatory matters or on government contracts.

In a system in which political campaigns demand huge sums of money and constituents demand services — which sometimes means intervention with government agencies — conflicts seem just about inevitable.

Campaign money, and intervention for a man who provided a lot of it, are the ingredients of the Keating Five case now before the ethics committee. After two months of hearings, the panel is to begin deliberating later this week on the conduct of five colleagues, deciding if their help to a savings and loan boss fighting federal regulators went beyond ethical bounds.

The five are: Republican John McCain of Arizona and Democrats Alan Cranston of California, Donald W. Riegle Jr.of Michigan, Dennis DeConcini of Arizona and John Glenn of Ohio.

Their defense argued that if they are guilty of misconduct, so are most other senators, because everybody needs campaign contributions and everybody intervenes for constituents.

"A couple of senators, to avoid personal accountability, have raised the 'everybody does it' defense," Robert S. Bennett, the special counsel, said. "... Everybody doesn't do what was done here."

He argued that the link between Keating donations and efforts on his behalf by three of the senators went beyond the bounds of any routine constituent service.

"If everybody does what was done here, then that means this place doesn't have an infection that can be cured — it means that you're terminal," Bennett said.

Still, many if not most of the individuals and interests who seek intervention with regulators and other federal officials are campaign contributors. They're not as blatant about the connection as was Charles J. Keating Jr., who once said publicly that he certainly hoped he'd gained influence with the $1.3 million he and his associates donated to the campaigns and causes of five senators.

The connection is the issue. The senators say they acted to help Keating because he was a constituent or had business interests important to their constituents, and claimed he was being treated unfairly by overly zealous federal regulators.

Bennett says interceding wasn't necessarily wrong, but the apparent tie to contributions made it so.

A Senate re-election campaign costs an average of about $4 million, or $13,000 for every week of a six-year term. At those prices, campaign fund raisers aren't likely to be turning away donors because they have axes to be ground with the federal bureaucracy.

Constituent service is part of the job of a senator or representative, and that means going to bat for people who think a government agency is doing them wrong.

The premise is that they'll do so in order to keep regulatory agencies acting properly, not punitively or overzealously.

Firms thrive on war, peace

AUSTIN (AP) — Fallout from the war in the Persian Gulf has affected almost everything from sales of peace paraphernalia and bomb shelters to cable television and cookies.

Not since the Cuban Missile Crisis has Eddie Humphrey seen such a demand for his underground bomb shelters.

Humphrey, 40, who owns a tornado shelter business in Oklahoma City, said he sold and installed four of the $6,000 concrete-and-steel structures last week. "Now, I'm getting more calls," he told the Austin American-Statesman.

Tattoo artists say more customers, especially military personnel headed to the Persian Gulf, are asking for patriotic body engravings such as American flags, anchors, eagles and "U.S.A."

"I guess they figure that if they are going to put their life on the line, why not put on their body what they're feeling on the inside," said Dave Lum, who runs a shop in Austin.

J.F. Tramp of Tattooing by State of the Art said he has received more requests for markings with religious symbols.

"Some of them say they're getting the patriotic and religious stuff put on them because they're not allowed to display any flags or religious things over there" in Saudi Arabia, Tramp said.

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GOP chairman gets quick political lesson

WASHINGTON (AP) — Clayton Yeutter is short on political experience, but he's getting a lifetime of partisan controversy as he prepares to take over as Republican Party chairman.

Democrats lined up Thursday to pummel Yeutter for suggesting that those who voted against congressional resolutions authorizing President Bush to go to war in the Persian Gulf would pay a political price.

Democratic Party Chairman Ronald H. Brown called Yeutter's remarks a "disgrace" and an attempt to "divide our country."

House Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., said he thought Yeutter's "judgment has deserted him." He said "To try to raise a political scare tactic out of that is, I think, unwise."

"They picked the wrong side," said Yeutter of the Democrats who opposed an early start to the war against Iraq. The incoming GOP chairman predicted the vote would be "a very significant factor" in the 1992 elections.

The ensuing controversy was Yeutter's political debut after two years as secretary of agriculture, a job he appears reluctant to give up. Before that Yeutter was U.S. Trade Representative for three years.

Regardless of the furor swirling around him, Yeutter was assured of election to the party chairmanship, replacing the ailing Lee Atwater, when the Republican Committee was to meet Friday. He entered the meeting with the one vote that gives him a majority — that of Bush.

Also on the meeting agenda was final approval of Houston as the site for the party's 1992 national convention.

As Yeutter takes over, a vacancy in GOP leadership ranks is occurring as Edward J. Rollins prepares to leave the co-chairmanship of the National Republican Congressional Committee, which provides campaign support to the party's House candidates.

Rollins reportedly incurred the wrath of President Bush and White House political operatives last fall when he advised Republican lawmakers to put some distance between themselves and Bush's acceptance of new taxes.

But a well-connected Republican who demanded anonymity said Thursday night that Rollins was not forced out. "Ed had enough support in the committee to stay," the source said.

The Washington Post, which first reported the resignation, quoted Rollins as saying: "I am tired of the day-to-day aspects of the job. I don't want to be a spokesman."

Rollins, who has an unlisted telephone number, could not be reached for further comment.

A majority of congressional Democrats voted against prewar resolutions supporting the use of military force to drive Iraq out of Kuwait. The Democratic leadership had offered a competing resolution urging Bush to give diplomacy and the economic embargo against Iraq more time to work.

But Democrats united behind Bush and the war effort once hostilities began Jan. 16.

Bush stayed out of the public fray Thursday.

But his spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater, said that while "there was a certain partisanship" to voting on the resolutions, "we think it was a vote of conscience. We're not trying to make it a partisan issue."

Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Jan. 27, 1991

Your intuition in commercial and career matters could be rather remarkable from time to time in the year ahead. When you get a strong hunch about something, don't dismiss it lightly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Proper procedures are extremely important today, especially if you are working on a complex assignment. Try not to put the cart before the horse. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Social plans which you find acceptable might be changed at the last minute today. Even though you may be disappointed, bite the bullet and go along with the will of the majority.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An objective that you've established for yourself could become a prolonged ordeal rather than an instantaneous achievement. Don't be discouraged if your initial efforts are not successful.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Usually, you're the type of person who takes ample time to think things through, but today you may become intrigued by a hair-brained idea long before you learn what it's about.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Think twice before volunteering to manage something for another today; it could turn out to be costly if it isn't handled properly. You may not be the right person for the job.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Where an important decision is concerned, your mate might be a faster thinker than you are today. But, this does not necessarily mean your partner's judgment is superior to yours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This may not be a good day to work on tasks which require concentration and patience. If this is true for you today, postpone what needs to be done until you're in a better frame of mind.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be careful you don't inadvertently hurt a friend's feelings today by making it obvious that you would rather be in the company of someone else. Poor behavior could jeopardize the relationship.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In order to be effective today, you must have continuity of purpose. If you do things with reservation, you are not likely to fulfill your expectations.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You possess some confidential information that an acquaintance is anxious to obtain. This person is a skilled inquisitor and there is a good chance you make be coerced into spilling the beans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A joint venture in which you're presently involved might not be a bed of roses today; the greater burdens are likely to fall on you. It could fall apart unless there is parity.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you have to make decisions under pressure today, your judgment might not be up to par. Don't let anyone put you in a position where you have to respond before thinking things through.

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Your Birthday

Jan. 28, 1991

You could have more opportunities in the year ahead than you've had in the past few years where your career is concerned. Treat each one with the respect it deserves.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your judgment in critical matters may leave something to be desired today. Don't impulsively make decisions that affect someone else's interests, as well as your own. Major changes are ahead for Aquarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Guard against inclinations to discuss your intentions with associates before you have a chance to implement your plans today. You might inadvertently tip off an adversary.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Social involvements may not be all fun and games today, so be extremely careful how you conduct yourself. Disagreements in this area could serve as a springboard for other misunderstandings.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't blame your family for the way the outside world may treat you today. It's not your loved ones' fault if your hopes and expectations are obstructed by influences they do not control.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be optimistic today, within realistic parameters, and don't bank upon Lady Luck to do things for you that you should be handling yourself. Be self-sufficient, not self-deluding.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you let your emotions take charge of your pocketbook today, it could knock your budget out of kilter. Extravagant urges are the enemies of your bank account.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A reckless associate might inspire you to behave in a similar manner today and, collectively, you may do something foolish and unproductive. Think for yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Strive to be methodical and orderly in your work habits today, so that you do not create complications which could take the rest of the week to unravel.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your judgment regarding others might not be up to par today; there is a possibility you may unknowingly place your trust in someone who won't live up to your expectations. Be careful.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Things which are of importance to you today might not be of equal significance to those with whom you'll be involved. There is a good chance a traffic jam may ensue.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If you are a poor listener today, there is a likelihood you will hear only what you want to hear. This could cause problems when you try to put this information into play.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do not take anything for granted in your commercial dealings today. If you get too complacent, you might find yourself on the bottom end of a deal you thought you had sewed up.

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Cancer Society says...

Risk of breast cancer up to one in nine

NEW YORK (AP) — Rising breast-cancer rates and longer lifespans mean that one in nine American women will develop the disease — 175,000 new cases and 44,500 deaths this year, the American Cancer Society says.

"Every American woman should consider herself at risk," Dr. Clark Heath, the society's vice president for epidemiology and statistics, said in a statement.

The society had projected a 1-in-10 risk since 1987, based on data from the early 1980s. The new estimate released Thursday is based on federal figures for 1987, the latest available, said cancer society statistician Catherine Boring.

The society also released its annual projections, saying about 175,000 American women will get breast cancer this year and 44,500 will die from it.

Edward Sondik, the National Cancer Institute's deputy director of the division of cancer prevention and control, said the new projection changes the average woman's individual risk from 10 percent to 11 percent.

The difference is "not that great," he said, but "the bottom line is that there's no question that it's going up."

Boring said one reason for the increase is a rise in reported breast cancer rates, which has not been well explained.

A partial explanation, she said, is that more women are getting mammograms so more cancers are being caught at early stages, which pushes up the reported rates of the disease.

Boring also cited changes in diet, which are being investigated as a possible contributor to breast cancer, and increases in women who delay childbearing, she said. Women who have not produced a live birth before age 30 face an increased breast cancer risk, she said.

Increased mammography appears to account for a large percentage of the change, Sondik said.

But apart from that, reported breast cancer has increased about half a percent per year over the last 30 to 40 years, and "We really don't know what that's due to," he said.

Boring said the fact that women are living longer also is a factor. The risk of breast cancer rises with age.

For example, about 127 per 100,000 women ages 40 to 44 are diagnosed annually with breast cancer. The number per 100,000 rises to 183 for ages 45 to 49, 212 for ages 50 to 54, 262 for ages 55 to 59, 322 for ages 60 to 64, 375 for ages 65 to 69, 404 for ages 70 to 74, 432 for ages 75 to 79, 435 for ages 80 to 84, and finally dips to 402 for ages 85 and above.

The new projection assumes that a woman will live to age 85.

To detect breast cancer in its early, more curable stages, the cancer society recommends breast self-examinations every month for women ages 20 and older, and a breast examination by a doctor or other health professional every three years for women ages 20 to 40. Women over 40 should have a clinical exam every year, the society says.

The society also recommends a baseline mammogram for women 35 to 39, with mammograms every one to two years for women 40 to 49 and annually for women over 50.

Controversial bishop removes popular priest

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Controversial Bishop Rene Gracida has drawn the ire of members of Holy Family Catholic Church by dismissing a popular priest.

Gracida, who has attracted a great deal of attention in the anti-abortion movement, dismissed the Rev. Bill Elliott from his post Wednesday and gave him until Feb. 6 to leave the diocese.

Church member Ruben Bonilla, a well-known statewide Hispanic leader, spoke to about 60 people on a playground near the church Thursday night. About 450 people had attended a church meeting earlier in the evening.

"Father Bill has brought us hope when there was despair," Bonilla said. "He has brought us love when there was discord, unity where there was disharmony."

Bonilla had been persuaded by Elliott nearly two years ago to guide the foundering Boys and Girls Club of Corpus Christi back to financial health.

"He rebuilt this church and inspired the community," Bonilla said. "He taught us how to love, and he taught us how to enjoy life."

There was no comment from local church officials on the dismissal.

"The Diocese will not comment any further on Father Elliott's dismissal, other than to say it is a purely Diocesan matter," a statement released Thursday by the diocese said. "It is the policy of the Diocese not to comment publicly on personnel changes."

Elliott said Bishop Gracida cited three reason in dismissing him.

He said the bishop accused of insubordination, overraising funds for the Boys and Girls Club and an adult education center and of teaching heresy.

Elliott dismissed the heresy charge, and said his disagreements with Gracida over fund-raising efforts amounted to differences over strategy, not whether money would be well spent.

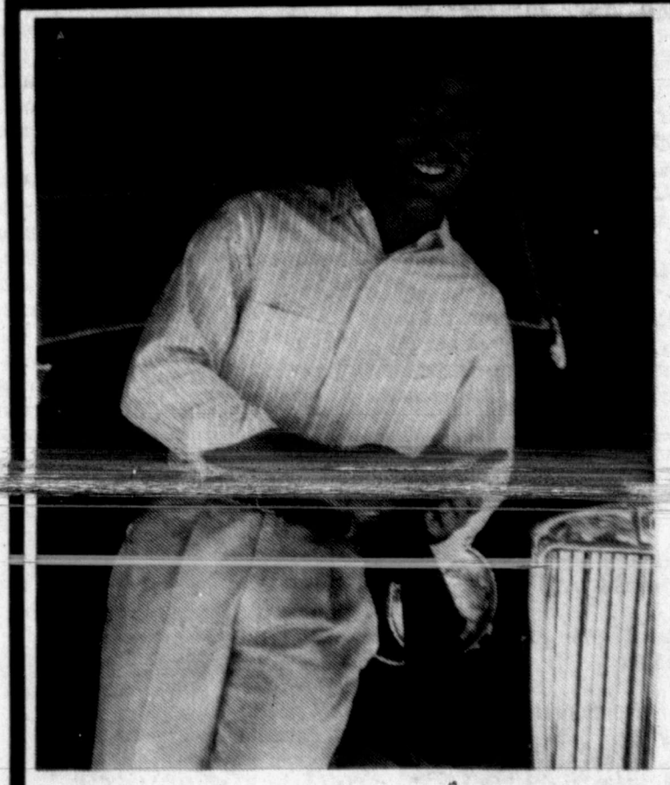
Members of the church planned a protest march outside the bishop's home today.

The priest said he asked the bishop to allow him to stay until June, but the bishop gave him two weeks to leave.

"I would wonder if I was a pedophile or a homosexual or a womanizer or a drunkard," Elliott said. "But I'm not. I'm a good man and a good priest."

"I was called into (Gracida's) office, told to leave without warning, without reprimand, without a suggestion for change, without ordinary human contact," Elliott said. "If he doesn't like me, that's his problem. That's no reason to punish the people of this parish. I bear him no ill will."

England's King Charles II granted a charter to Rhode Island in 1663.



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Buffalo Reef

By Bill McClellan

I just want to crawl up into a ball and die.

I've got this stuffy, sneezy, congested feeling.

Two or three tabs of "Koldkill" or some such over-the-counter medication has left me still stuffy, sneezy and congested, but also somewhere adrift between reality and fantasy.

I've got a cold and frankly, I'll take all the sympathy I can get.

Women have men pegged right on at least one subject. Colds. We — or, at least I — revert back to the age of about four. I want to be pampered. Or left alone to die.

When I was in college, an aquaintance announced that he had found the perfect cure for a cold.

"Just spread mentholatum all over your body, turn the electric blanket up to high and stay in bed for three days," he said. "It'll sweat the cold right out of you."

Sounds to me like a sure way to get a rash and run up the cleaning bill in the process.

Are we making any progress on curing the common cold?

I mean, it's been around for years and years and years and years. We hear all about research on cancer, AIDS, heart disease and so forth, but you never hear anything about cold research.

Somewhere, there ought to be a little bald-headed man in a white suit looking into a microscope studying cold germs.

Colds don't get the respect they deserve because they aren't considered life-threatening. I think if everyone felt like I do when they got a cold, there would be more pressure on the scientific world to find a cure.

Or maybe there is a conspiracy. Physicians get a quick $30-$40 for saying, "What you've got is a common cold. I'll write you out a prescription. Now go to bed, drink plenty of liquids, and get plenty of rest."

Then you go to the drug store and plunk down $40 to $50 more for something that only slightly alleviates the symptoms, but does nothing to cure the damn cold.

I know people who have colds once or twice a year, and each time they go to the doctor. I can't figure out why. "Koldkill" costs a lot less and is just as effective. And your momma can tell you to go to bed and get a lot of rest — as if your job would let you.

So now, here I am in my little office, legally turned into a zombie by "Koldkill" and reading the fine print which says I'm not supposed to operate machinery (a wordprocessor?) or drive a car. So fine, on top of it all, I can't drive home.

But I don't care, I just want to crawl up into a ball and die.

EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW BUT WERE AFRAID TO ASK ABOUT MILITARY TERMINOLOGY

1. **ANTI-MISSILE MISSILE:** a defense weapon weapon
2. **TOMAHAWK MISSILE:** light ax used as a weapon propelled (Websters)
3. **SMART BOMB:** as opposed to a dum-dum (look it up!)
4. **SCUD:** stuff you find in the trap of a sink.
5. **SORTIE:** opposite of entrée
6. **LASER:** insures a close shave
7. **F-15:** grade you get when you don't study
8. **B-52:** how old you will be 12 years after you turn 40.

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Look Back

By JoAnn Nunley

FIVE YEARS AGO

The 1986 Scurry County 4-H Stock Show was held and grand champion awards went to Rana Eicke, crossbred steer; Wesley Evans, crossbred hog; David Cozart, lamb, medium wool specimen.

Jean McLaughlin Kahle of Fort Worth, daughter of the former Snyder oilman C.T. McLaughlin, and sister of local Evelyn Davies, was named to the nine-member Texas Tech Board of Regents.

TEN YEARS AGO

Martin Brooks, president of West Texas State Bank, announced the promotion of John Greene to executive vice president and Evelyn McCommon to assistant cashier.

Truett Bryan was elected president of the Scurry County Industrial Foundation. New directors included Mike Reed, Mike Line, Larry Anderson and Ray Max Grimmitt.

FIFTEEN YEARS

Mrs. Eula Farr was honored at Hermleigh Community Center with a 50-year pin and certificate from Hermleigh Chapter No. 974 Order of the Eastern Star.

Dane Witherspoon and Junanne Brock had principal roles in "No No Nannette" the musical production by Snyder High Drama Dept.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

A delegation from Scurry County Farm Bureau attended the Texas Farm Bureau Legislative Conference in Austin. Touring the State Capitol with Rep. Renal B. Rosson of Snyder were Leon Sterling of Ira, president of Scurry County Farm Bureau; Don Vineyard, secretary-treasurer; Walter Stirl of Hermleigh, chairman of the county policy execution committee; and Wilson Bright of Snyder.

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO

Pearl Sellars of Snyder, who was president of Dist. 8 Department of Texas, Veterans of Foreign Wars, attended a coffee honoring Mrs. Lyndon Baines Johnson, Mrs. John Connally and other official's wives in Austin.

Week In Review

MONDAY
January 21

Scurry County commissioners postponed filling the vacancy on the Board of County Development but approved expanding the county welfare board.

Shayne Hess took home the top prizes as her steer was grand champion in the Borden County Stock Show. She also took grand champion honors in the sheep show.

TUESDAY
January 22

A standing-room-only crowd filled the board room at chamber offices as the economic development committee voted to formulate a county-wide economic development plan.

Angelia College announced the selection of Dr. Larry Phillips as the Lufkin-based institution's new president. Western Texas College President Dr. Harry Krenek had been one of four candidates in the running for the post along with Phillips.

WEDNESDAY
January 23

Water rates to member cities of the Colorado River Municipal Water District — including Snyder — will increase in 1991 on the strength of cranking in the third five-cent per 1,000 gallons previously approved by the cities for Lake O.H. Ivie construction.

THURSDAY
January 24

A heavyweight Cross entered by Snyder FFA member Reagan Key took home Grand Champion of Show honors as the Scurry County Stock Show opened with the judging of pigs.

FRIDAY
January 25

Scurry County commissioners named Pete Hester to the Board of County Development following an executive meeting at the county courthouse.

Swearing in of board members, the election of officers and physician recruitment efforts were key business and discussion items during a meeting of the Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers.

County 4-H participant Jamie Beck took top honors with her entry in the sheep competition at the Scurry County Livestock Show.

Country Life

By Deanie Francis Mills

It was one of those nights, years hence, you can tell someone in an instant where you were and what you were doing. An epic night. An historical night. The night we launched into a war in the Persian Gulf; the first war for this country in nearly two decades. The night we knew our lives, and more particularly, the lives of families of men and women serving on the front, would be forever altered. And the night Radar disappeared.

Our little house kitty, born blind and forever doomed to be a runt, loves nothing better than to go exploring outdoors. He goose-steps like a little Nazi, using his feet as the proverbial white cane, examining every inch of the yards and outbuildings and even-on a couple of frightening episodes when he got away from us--surrounding pastures. He's learned which barnyard critters are friendly and which hostile, and where the dog food pan can be found. He's completely guileless and absolutely without fear. After all, if you can't see a horse coming--why worry? Consequently, he's never allowed out without a babysitter (or I should say, a kittysitter).

On the night the U.S. attacked Iraq, our little family of news junkies was huddled around the TV, where we would stay for the entire evening, like most everyone else in the country. I paced the floor, bit my nails (again), cried a little when the kids weren't around, and prayed a lot. My daughter called her teacher to make sure she knew. My son asked lots of questions. We anxiously waited a call from their daddy, who was out of town. For supper, we heated leftovers in the microwave--but huge hulking outdoor animals are not so easily appeased. Reluctantly, the kids tumbled out of doors, tending to them and helping me fix the antenna so we'd get a better picture.

All night we were restive, hanging on the news correspondents' every word. My son took a break to study for a final. My daughter complained of a headache and upset stomach. We finally fell into bed, exhausted, about ten-thirty. I could hear my son coughing in spite of the syrup I'd given him, as we all tossed and turned. Around eleven, I heard the creep-creep noises of someone coming into the bedroom.

"Mamma?" came Dustin's voice. "When's the last time you say Radar?"

Not in hours. We searched the house, to no avail. Outside, it was pitch dark and cold. I tried to make my son go back to bed but it was useless. We both had vivid images of Radar, happily wandering into the path of delightful coyote.

Have you ever tried to search for a little black cat, in the dark, in the country, in the cold, with a flashlight? With growing despair, we searched the barns

(see Country Life, page 9B)

Service mailbox

Snyder Daily News lists the following names and addresses of Scurry County servicemen and women currently overseas for area residents interested in corresponding with them. Additions, corrections and/or deletions to the list should be mailed to Snyder Daily News, P.O. Box 949, Snyder, Texas, 79549.

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SDN letters to the editor

To the Editor:

I am writing this to express my feeling about the antiwar protesters in America. I respect their right to free speech, but do they realize what they are doing to the men and women involved in the Middle East War?

Those men and women are not cut off from the world. They can see and hear what their fellow Americans are doing. As a Vietnam Veteran, I can assure you that they feel nothing but shame. Not about what they are doing but for all Americans.

To those men and women, the protesters are doing no more than giving aid and comfort to the enemy. Saddam Hussein sees all of these protests because CNN and most of the news media broadcast it on TV everyday and it just helps his cause that much more.

You that are inclined to protest like to do so by burning the American flag. Well, if you were to go to Iraq and burn one of their flags, I don't think you would last long. This war is not just about oil, it is for many reasons, one of which is freedom but I don't believe you are capable of understanding that. I don't know, maybe we really shouldn't fight this war because I don't think that people like you protesters are worth fighting and dying for. But if you that protest want to help a "Mad Man" like Hussein that uses Adolf Hitler as a role model, help yourself. Personally, I would rather fight against such a person.

John M. Pilgrim
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Dear Editor:

It seems incredulous to me how we have demonstrations against our war efforts at the present time. Regardless of the decision made by President Bush and the Congress of the United States, whether right or wrong, we are in war. We do not need internal turmoil to add to our troubles.

Let's fight this war and get it over with. Mr. Bush has at least promised us a war to win. The last war was terrible. We were in a contained war.

Yours truely,
Surry Gillum
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Hermleigh, Texas

To the Editor:

My late husband, Warren Boyd, loved the United States of America very much and he put these thoughts on paper in 1983. I would like to share them with you.

Thoughts By Warren

I thank God for the country that he has so graciously given us and that we are not afraid to pray at any time or any place, to praise His name without being afraid of man. My heart is sad for so many that do not have that freedom. I thank God that I live in the United States of America. May God bless the leaders that they will always strive to give us sound leadership that will result in freedom for a land that believes "In God We Trust."

My husband passed away in October of 1989 but his words are very fitting for these troubled times.

Betty Boyd
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Snyder, Texas

Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

Until recently, there'd been only one way to make a baby, and most people were familiar with the method — at least in theory — by their teens. There were problems, of course, with mistakes and carelessness; however, traditional pregnancy was pretty well understood by most folks. Moreover, the issues — such as unwanted pregnancy — were, by today's scientific standards, relatively simple.

This has changed. New reproductive technology, which often involves more than two people, is providing a cornucopia of ethical, moral and legal challenges, sometimes resulting in Solomonic decisions by the courts.

The first technique was artificial insemination. A husband's sperm was used to fertilize a paid female volunteer, who carried the baby to term and relinquished it to the man and his infertile wife. This method was used by couples, when the wife was unable or unwilling to become pregnant. In such cases, the child contained the father's and birth-mother's genes but was raised by the married couple. By and large, this worked well — until the wrenching example of Mary Beth Whitehead, a birth mother who refused to honor her agreement to give her baby to the father. Sometimes, unmarried women who wanted children underwent artificial inseminiation.

Later, scientists developed in vitro fertilization, to aid women with blocked Fallopian tubes. With this method, a wife's ovum is fertilized by her husband's sperm outside the body and is then implanted into her uterus, where it grows normally until birth. This procedure has been used successfully for years, following the birth of Louise Brown, the world's first "test tube baby" in 1978.

However, ethical problems with artificial and in vitro fertilization have been dwarfed by the considerations arising from cryopreservation of in vitro embryos. With this technique, a wife's ovum is fertilized by her husband's sperm in vitro, then the embryo is frozen. Months or years later, it is thawed, placed in a uterus and develops normally. The situation is complicated because the wife's uterus may not be used for this purpose. Often, another woman is used; once the baby is born, the surrogate mother is supposed to give up the child.

Such a sacrifice may be extremely difficult, as shown by a recent case (Johnson v. Calvert and Calvert). Mrs. Calvert was infertile because of a hysterectomy, although her ovaries were functioning. Using an in vitro technique, she conceived an embryo with her husband and hired another woman (Johnson) to carry the baby to term. After the birth, Johnson was unwilling to relinquish the child. The California Superior Court threatened to place the newborn in a foster home if the three parents couldn't agree. Eventually, Johnson acquiesced and gave temporary custody to the genetic parents.

In another case, (Davis v. Davis), a couple divorced after having conceived seven frozen embryos. Following a legal battle, the Tennessee Court of Appeals granted joint custody. Since the parents cannot agree on the disposition of the "children in vitro," the embryos "are destined to enjoy their legal protection in the freezer indefinitely," according to Marcia Angell, M.D., writing in the Oct. 25 New England Journal of Medicine.

To complicate matters further, fertile women may donate ova for in vitro fertilization by infertile couples. In some cases, the embryos have been placed back in the older infertile wives, who — because of early menopause — require hormone treatment to carry the pregnancies to term. Angell concludes: "The limits on the child-bearing years are now anyone's guess; perhaps they will have more to do with the stamina required for labor and 2 a.m. feedings than with reproductive function."

Scientists presently have extraordinary control over a process that once seemed simple and straightforward. Although the new reproductive techniques have enormous potential for helping many childless couples, the ethical and legal questions are disquieting, to say the least. For example, how are we to deal with women who may wish to rent their wombs, or with genetically "superior" men who may auction their sperm, or with affluent married females who could hire surrogates because pregnancy is too taxing and inconvenient? Will this new technology permit exploitation of an entire, poorer class of women?

Current reproductive techniques seem to have outstripped social conventions, in a world where abuse and neglect of normally conceived children is a problem of major concern. Now our overburdened legal system is being forced to address additional issues that would have been unimaginable a mere decade or two ago. Truly, scientific advancement has its price.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: Can you provide information on myelodysplastic syndrome?

DEAR READER: The myelodysplastic syndrome (also called subacute myeloid leukemia and chronic myelomonocytic leukemia) is a form of early leukemia (blood cell cancer) that usually affects men in their 60s and 70s. It is marked by anemia or low white blood cell counts (leukopenia) or low platelet counts (thrombocytopenia) — or any combination of the three. The syndrome is considered to be a precursor of more serious leukemia, which may take years to appear, however.

The myelodysplastic syndrome is associated with infection and hemorrhage, which — for obvious reasons — must be treated promptly. Therapy for the syndrome itself involves drugs, such as prednisone, danazol and medicine to promote the growth of white blood corpuscles. Patients with this condition should be under the care of hematologists (blood specialists) or oncologists (cancer specialists).

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've been told I have an elevated blood pressure and am overweight. Can you tell me what can be done to lower the pressure and control my weight?

DEAR READER: On first reading, your question seemed so rhetorical that I debated answering it. However, on reconsideration, I concluded that you need further information — even though my answer will seem too simple: Hypertension and overweight go hand in hand.

Your first goal is to achieve an ideal weight. Cut out sweets, alcohol and fattening foods; avoid salt and engage in regular exercise. If necessary, join a weight-control support group, such as Overeaters Anonymous or Weight Watchers. Follow your doctor's instructions about diet and activity.

As you shed pounds, your blood pressure will probably improve. However, during your period of dieting, you may require medicine to reduce your hypertension. Commonly prescribed drugs include diuretics, beta blockers and calcium-channel blockers. Your doctor can advise you and, if necessary, recommend the necessary medication.

Remember that your two diseases — obesity and hypertension — are related; you need medical guidance in avoiding their consequences, such as stroke and heart disease. As a major component of your care, you need to take responsibility for your health — in particular, your weight. The doctor can help you but can't do it all.

To give you more information, I am sending you free copies of my Health Reports "Calorie-Wise Cooking," "Winning The Battle of the Bulge," "Weight Control Through Calorie Control" and "Hypertension." Other readers who would like copies should send $1.25 for each report to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title(s).

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An AP analysis...

Can the summit be saved?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Soviet support for the United States and its allies in trying to force Saddam Hussein from Kuwait may not be enough to save the Moscow summit and prevent a further slide in superpower relations.

The crackdown in the Baltic republics has evoked outrage in the White House and Congress. Even if President Bush were inclined to stick to the schedule arranged in happier times and see Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev next month, domestic politics may make it impossible.

A presidential decision on whether to postpone the meeting, which would accelerate the slide, is expected in the next few days. Much probably depends on the talks Soviet Foreign Minister Alexander Bessmertnykh will hold here beginning Saturday with Secretary of State James A. Baker III.

Anti-Soviet sentiment, at a high pitch during the Cold War, subsided during Gorbachev's era of good feelings and unilateral troop and weapons reductions, but never vanished completely. The current crackdown in the Baltics has brought that sentiment to a boil, especially on Capitol Hill.

This week, the Senate and House passed resolutions criticizing the Soviets for their actions. The mood is getting nasty, and the $1 billion in credits Bush pledged only last month to help the Soviets purchase food could be imperiled — at least the part not used already.

Similarly, Congress could reject Bush's recommendation that tariffs be reduced to permit Soviet imports to compete on an equal footing with other countries' goods.

It's hard to see what Bessmertnykh could bring from Moscow to cool this sentiment.

Gorbachev seems determined to keep the Soviet Union from flying apart, piece by piece. He does not want to lose Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia, followed by the secession of Georgia, Moldavia and the Ukraine.

Perhaps the foreign minister can offer guarantees the Kremlin will order the troops to abandon the tactics that led to 19 deaths in Lithuania and Latvia, but that is unlikely.

Still, as Robert Cullen, a former Moscow reporter who writes on Soviet affairs points out, there is a strong reluctance in the administration to let the ball keep rolling downhill.

And yet, he says, "there is also a certain fatalism that things are deteriorating so rapidly in the Soviet Union a downward slide in relations is probably inevitable."

Whatever happens, Baker, for one, would like to rescue the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty, which Bush and Gorbachev had hoped to sign at the Feb. 11-13 summit.

American and Soviet negotiators have been meeting at the State Department since Monday to try to iron out the remaining differences. Most deal with procedures for ensuring compliance with the cutbacks in long-range nuclear missiles, bombers and submarines.

"Work remains," State Department spokeswoman Margaret D. Tutwiler on Thursday quoted another U.S. negotiator Reginald Bartholomew as saying.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Barry Schweid, head of The Associated Press' State Department staff, has covered diplomacy since 1973.

Rosa Parks: racism still alive in U.S.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Civil rights matriarch Rosa Parks says racism is still alive in this nation. She blames skinheads and Ku Klux Klan members for keeping the flames of prejudice flickering.

"They spread that hatred and it is easily picked up by those weak enough to succumb to it," Mrs. Parks told students at Windsor Hills Magnet School on Thursday.

Mrs. Parks, 77, sparked the civil rights movement by refusing to give up her seat at the front of a bus to a white man in Montgomery, Ala., in 1955. She was arrested under Alabama law that required blacks to sit at the back of buses.

"I was determined to let them know, at all cost, that I was not pleased with the way I was treated," Mrs. Parks said.

Officials puzzled by death of Texas man who left mishap scene

GEORGETOWN, Colo. (AP) — Authorities say they are puzzled by the death of a Texas man who apparently wandered away from his wrecked car, waded through a river, removed most of his clothing and fell to his death from a tree in a cemetery.

The body of Ralph Paul Mireiter, 25, of Austin was found Wednesday night, crumpled beneath a 50-foot pine tree in the Georgetown Cemetery, said Clear Creek County Undersheriff Dave Graham.

Mireiter's car, wrecked in an apparent one-car accident, was found more than a mile away, Graham said.

A bag of cocaine was found on the front seat, Graham said, but authorities do not know if drugs were a factor in the death.

The body was located by officers who followed wandering tracks for more than a mile through shallow snow.

"The tracks went all over, wherever," Graham said. "They progressively indicate he's getting fatigued or there's something wrong... He wandered around in circles sometimes."

At one point, the man crossed frigid Clear Creek, probably soaking his clothing. He took off most of his clothes, possibly to get out of the wet clothing. Windchill factors in the area plunged to 30 below zero Wednesday night, officials said.

"When the officers found him, he had socks on his feet that were worn through. He had on a pair of briefs and a sweater on his upper torso," Graham said.

Mireiter's body was found about 16 feet from the pine tree, which is dead but still standing. Broken branches indicated he had scaled the tree, Graham said.

"Those limbs are more brittle and break off easier.... Somehow or other he fell out, whether he lost his grip or a limb broke and gave way."

An autopsy showed Mireiter died of head injuries sustained in the fall, said Vince Hennigan, Clear Creek County deputy coroner.

Until toxicology test results are available, Hennigan couldn't say whether hypothermia or drugs figured in the man's death. He may also have been confused or delirious because of the traffic accident.

"That type of behavior is so bizarre," said Graham. "We think it was purely an accident. We'll never know."

Graham said Mireiter apparently did not leave the car to seek help.

"If he had sought help, help would have been available," Graham said. "He walked by a number of homes."

Austin fireman first to qualify for heroism honor

AUSTIN (AP) — Ten years after the Austin Fire Department created its medal of honor, the first one has been awarded to a firefighter who entered a burning apartment complex to save a man's life.

Lt. Doug Kusey was the first to meet stringent guidelines for the medal.

On Oct. 11, he climbed through a small window in the second story of an apartment complex after hearing that a man still was inside. Kusey, 36, began searching a smoke-filled bedroom until he found the man, who had passed out in a closet.

Kusey helped the groggy man outside. Other firefighters had to spray away heavy flames so he could bring the man safely down a ladder.

The man, who was about 20, suffered only minor cuts and was never identified. Officials said he would have died without Kusey.

"At great peril to his own life, he risked (his safety) to save the individual," Fire Chief Bill Roberts said.

Kusey has been with the department six years. He said his actions were part of a team effort.

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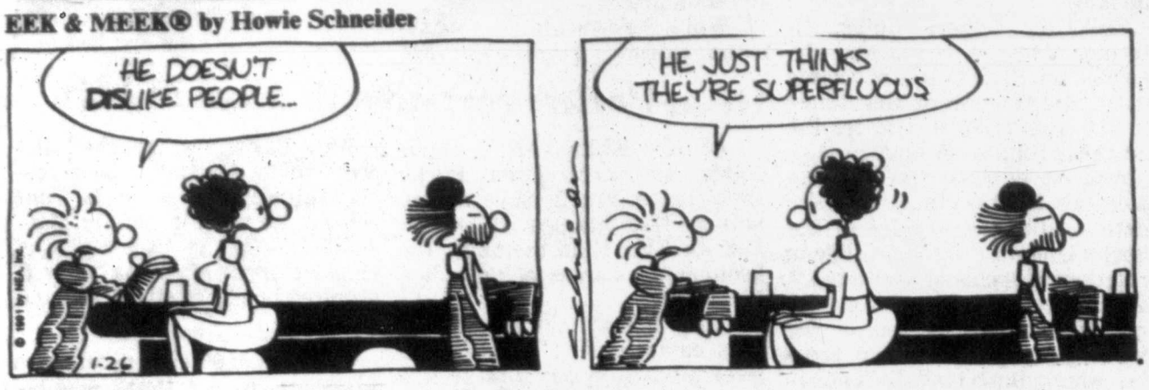

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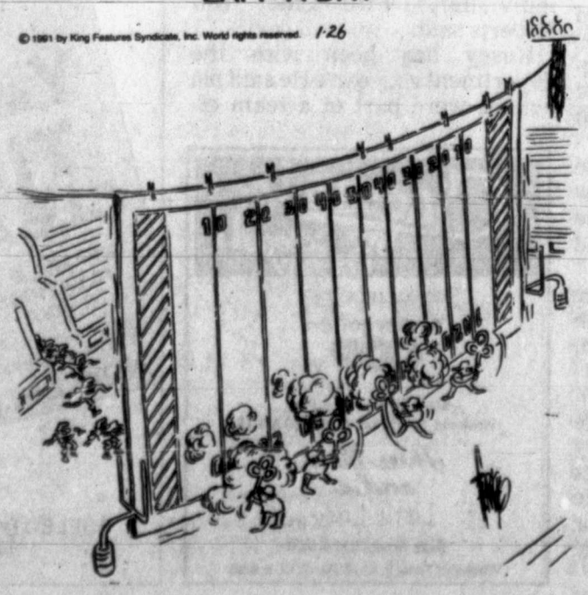

NEA PUZZLES

ACROSS

1 Sandwich type (abbr.)
4 Side issue
7 It's cold!
10 Actress Sue —
12 Whip
14 Bridge of San Luis —
15 Take apart
16 Capable of (2 wds.)
17 Refreshing beverage
18 Paul Newman movie
20 Oration
22 Came in
24 Mother bird
26 Sleep lightly
30 Prickly seed
31 Yes — —
33 Relative of un
34 Explosive (abbr.)
35 Wishes (sl.)
37 Unclose (poet.)
38 Plaintiff
40 Cattle
42 Grows molars
45 Wares
47 Counterfeit
51 Sibling of sis
52 Virginia willow
54 Currency exchange premium
55 Sweet roll
56 Actress — Garr
57 — Ono
58 Grassland
59 Part of corn plant
60 Farm device

DOWN

1 Azure
2 Wildcat
3 Commotion
4 Windy and cold
5 Canine cry
6 Chemical compound
7 Boast
8 Advise
9 Grain for whiskey
11 Hinge points
13 Cavity
19 Do — others ...
21 Quaint
23 — Hemingway
24 Religious women
25 Art deco illustrator
27 Smell
28 Zooms
29 Language suffix
30 Heat unit (abbr.)
32 Being broadcast (3 wds.)
36 Clairvoyant
39 WWII area
41 Literary composition
43 Improve language of
44 Businesswoman — Lauder
45 Shudder of fear
46 Mrs. Charles Chaplin
48 Eager
49 Small sculptured figure
50 Organism
51 Barrel (abbr.)
53 Age

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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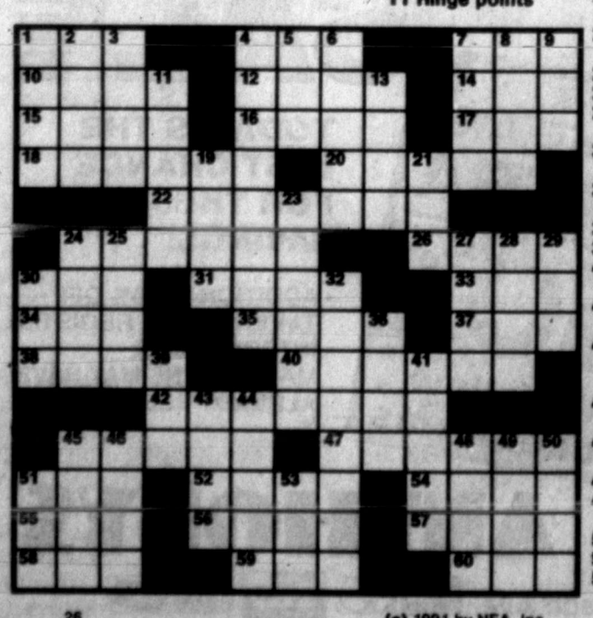

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Campaigns against bad eggs showing gains

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal, state and industry efforts to curb the contamination of eggs by dangerous food-poisoning bacteria are beginning to pay off, Agriculture Department officials say.

A preliminary review shows that eggs were implicated last year in 18 of 66 reported human outbreaks of Salmonella enteritidis, or SE, a potentially lethal form of food poisoning.

James W. Glosser, head of the department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, said Thursday that U.S. Public Health investigations in 1990 led to 12 flocks in Maryland, Pennsylvania, Alabama, Indiana and Delaware.

Investigations have not been completed on six of the 66 outbreaks of SE. Two-thirds of the cases occurred in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic areas.

Studies in recent years showed that certain strains of SE can infect the internal organs of egg-laying hens, passing the bacteria into the interior of the eggs before they are laid.

"It may be that only a limited number of egg-laying poultry flocks are affected with these new invasive strains of SE," Glosser said. "By systematically locating these flocks and then ensuring that replacement birds are free of SE, we may control and eventually eliminate these strains."

Agency field veterinarians in October began testing samples of laying hens sent to processing plants at the end of their egg-laying cycle. Findings from this survey will help determine how widespread the disease is.

The USDA task force overseeing the program said some 5 million chickens were tested last year for the disease. About 2 million of those birds were voluntarily destroyed.

More than 300 million table eggs from farms that tested positive for SE were diverted from consumers and sent to processing plants for pasteurization, a process that kills salmonella organisms.

The task force also reported that further testing under a national poultry improvement plan turned up SE in the internal organs of birds from three breeding flocks.

In a footnote, the health inspection service said: "The human illness caused by SE can be serious or fatal. Salmonellosis can be avoided, however, by properly handling and cooking eggs and other salmonella-bearing foods.

"Heat kills the bacteria. Refrigeration retards the growth of bacteria in foods. This is especially important in institutional settings like hospitals, nursing homes and banquets.

"When using eggs in recipes, the core of the food should reach 165 degrees, the temperature at which eggs are thoroughly cooked.

"To remove the risk of SE food poisoning, recipes calling for raw eggs — mayonnaise, eggnog, ice cream and hollandaise sauce, for example — should be made using pasteurized eggs."

Symptoms of salmonellosis include fever, vomiting, abdominal cramps and diarrhea.

Officials said public health agencies can act only on reported cases and that many go unreported.

The task force and USDA's Food Safety Inspection Service are available to answer questions about SE and food safety. A toll-free hotline can be reached at 1-800-535-4555. In the Washington, D.C., area the number is 202-447-3333.

Also, people can contact: Salmonella Enteritidis Task Force, USDA, APHIS, Veterinary Services, Presidential Building, Room 203, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Md. 20782.

Sales of existing homes fell 4.3 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sales of existing homes fell 4.3 percent in 1990 as the faltering U.S. economy and uncertainty over the Mideast took their toll on the housing industry, figures compiled by a real estate trade group showed Friday.

The National Association of Realtors said sales of previously owned single-family homes totaled just 3.29 million in 1990, compared to 3.44 million a year earlier. It was the lowest number of sales since 3.21 million homes were bought in 1985.

NAR economist John A. Tuccillo said January sales probably were skewed by the outbreak of the Middle East war and that February's activity would be a more accurate indicator of housing activity.

Many analysts expect sales of both new and existing homes to pick up by midyear.

Although existing home sales rose 2.2 percent in December, to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 3.22 million units, the improvement was based solely in the Midwest. Elsewhere, sales continued to slide.

The December increase followed a 3.0 percent advance a month earlier, the first gain since August.

Urban decline stark reality in '90 census

WASHINGTON (AP) — People fled big Northeastern and Midwestern cities at a breakneck pace during the 1980s. Even the city named America's most livable at mid-decade was significantly smaller by decade's end.

In the final 1990 census figures, released for 16 states on Thursday, the population of Newark, N.J., dropped more than 16 percent. Detroit was down 15 percent, Cleveland down 12 percent and Philadelphia down 6 percent.

Only New York City grew, by a scant 4 percent.

Pittsburgh, in 1985 named the most livable city in America by "Places Rated Almanac," lost 13 percent of its people in the past decade, to 369,879.

Pittsburghers say hard times in the steel industry forced people to leave.

But Cleveland Mayor Michael White blamed the Reagan administration for drying up aid to cities.

"I almost got the attitude that the federal government doesn't want cities to survive," he told reporters at the U.S. Conference of Mayors meeting in Washington.

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and outbuildings, down the road about a quarter of a mile and out for a bit in the pastures, calling his name across the country quiet.

With lead in my chest, I kept thinking, this isn't important, I mean, it's not like having a loved one in the Persian Gulf right now. It's not like some great event which alters the course of world history. It's just a stupid little cat who follows me around from room to room, attacks my ankles when I round a corner, curls up in the small of my back at night and makes happy claws on the blankets, and keeps me company while I work. That's all. Nothing important.

My son's cough was worsening and six a.m. comes quick on a school night. I sent him in, shoulders stooped, assuring him I'd search all the next day. "But it'll be too late," he protested, and I knew he was right. After he dragged indoors, and with my breath clouding in front of me, I said, "Lord, I know this little prayer doesn't measure up in the greater scheme of things, and I know You're awfully busy right now giving our young pilots the lionheart and comforting of their families, but if You could find it in Your heart to return a stupid little blind kitty to us, I'd sure appreciate it."

And I made one more round in the hay barn, and there he was, crouched dazed and shivering in the 'way back, unresponsive to my calls. He wasn't hurt though, just amazed to find out that the world could be a hard place sometimes.

I carried him in to my son, and we hugged, and finally went to bed. In the dark and quiet, I heard a familiar questioning trilling call in the other room (it's disturbing to him when the house grows quiet), and said, "I'm in here, Radar. Come on in here." And the sound of little, hurrying feet, and a thump on the bed, and a warm, comforting little furry body curled up next to me in my empty, husbandless space. And I stroked his worthless, useless fur-- not like he could go out and save the world for democracy or anything...But all the same, I remembered to say "Thanks."

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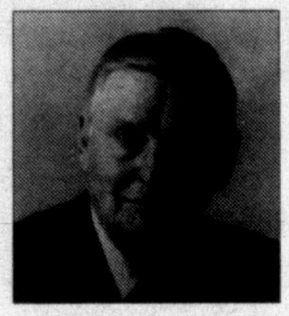

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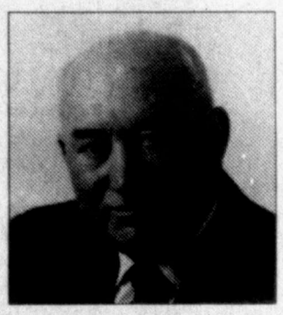

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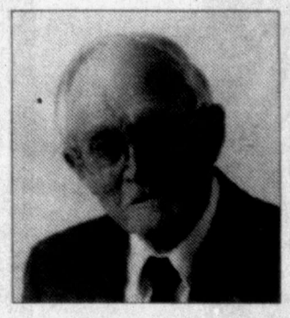

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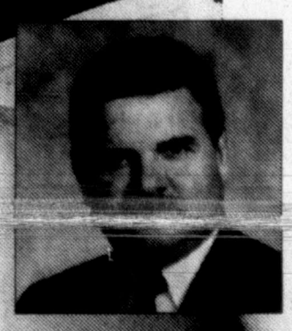

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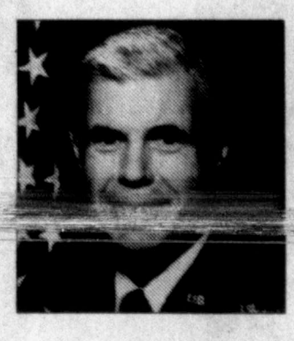

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