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100 degrees and autumn is near

If you think the weather is odd — you're right.

Yesterday's 100 degree reading set a new record in Snyder.

But strangely enough, it was only the third day in 1997 for triple-digit temperatures. Consecutive readings of 101 were recorded Aug. 15 and 16.

While temperatures were expected to be in the upper 90s today, a front expected this weekend could drop daytime temperatures to the upper 60s and nighttime readings to the mid 40s.

Monday is the first official day of autumn.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A law firm is successful it it has more clients than it has partners."

At the first of the month, 1,030 new laws went into effect in Texas. No one is quite sure just how many laws we have to obey, but when you add federal and local ordinances — we've concluded it's impossible to be legal.

Some laws are frivolous and some are outdated. Others are just plain unnecessary.

We came across a collection of useless laws that remain on the books:

--In abilene, it's still illegal to whistle at girls.

--In Topeka, Kan., you cannot own more than five cats at a time and live in the city limits.

--In Georgia, it's against the law to slap an old friend on the back.

--In Salem, W.Va. it is against the law to eat candy any time during the hour and a half before attending a church service. During the same period, it is illegal to sell candy to a minor.

--In Florida, it is unlawful to doze off under a hair dryer.

--Storing snowballs in a refrigerator is against the law in Scottsbluff, Neb.

--In Oxford, Ohio, an ordinance forbids a woman stripping off her clothing while standing in front of a man's picture.

--In Franklin, Mass, a law prohibits anyone from wearing a turkey feather in a cap or hat.

--In Boston, an ordinance states that any pickle for sale must bounce four inches when dropped from waist high.

--If an elephant is left tied to a parking meter in Orlando, Fla., the parking fee must be paid exactly as if it were a vehicle.

--Detroit permits mail carriers to wear Bermuda shorts, but they are required to wear them with black socks.

--Car wash attendants in San Francisco are barred from using cast-off underwear as wiping rags when cleaning or drying cars.

--In Logan County, Colo., a man is forbidden from kissing a woman while she is asleep without first waking her up.

--In Memphis, you cannot give any pie you order in a restaurant to a friend, nor can you wrap it up to take home. You must, by law, eat it all before leaving the restaurant.

We're gonna try and get a city ordinance passed in Snyder. In an effort to increase circulation, the sharing of a newspaper would be prohibited. It's aimed at the afternoon coffee crowd at the Dairy Queen.

And speaking of the DQ, we learned why it's called a sundae.

In the 1880s, laws were passed prohibiting the sale of ice cream sodas on Sunday. In Illinois, fountain owners skirted the Law by omitting the carbonated water, serving just the ice cream and syrup. The Sunday soda later was changed to sundae.



FAIR CANNED GOODS — Viola Stirl, canned foods superintendent, looks over one of the entries in the canned foods division of the Scurry County Fair. The 32nd edition of the fair is being held at the county coliseum through Saturday night. (SDN Staff Photo)

County fair opens today

32nd event offers something for everyone

Whether planning to just show up or to do a little showing off, visitors to the 32nd Scurry County Fair will find a lot to see and do.

There's a comfort level for all who attend the three-day fair, which opened at noon today in the county coliseum.

Take a browse through the exhibits and visit with friends. Or get a little more daring and pitch some horseshoes, toss some washers or test your skills with the area's top domino players.

For the kids, the fair is almost certain to be interactive. There's a full slate of activities Saturday, plus the ever-popular kiddie barnyard.

Top it off with entertainment on the stage, an outdoor carnival each night and 22-event horse show on Saturday, and the fair promises to have something for all.

This afternoon and Friday, fair officials were gearing for busloads of school kids who traditionally set a field trip aside for the event.

Most of the contests and stage performances take place Saturday.

The lunch and dinner hours provide some quieter times at the fair, and plenty to eat. Vendors feature fajitas, turkey legs, hamburgers, barbecue, cotton candy, soft drinks and lots more.

The Scurry County Fair will close at 10 each night, with the doors opening at 9 a.m. Friday and Saturday. Admission is $1 per person per day.

Saturday at the fair

Youth events

9:00	Yo-Yo Contest, age 10-12
9:30	Critter Parade, age 10-under
10:00	Kiddie Tractor Pull
11:00	Hula-Hoop Contest, age 10-15
11:30	Fish Pond, age 1-3
12:00	Egg & Spoon Race, age 10-under
1:00	Stick Horse Rodeo, age 3-5, 6-8
1:30	Barrel Ribbon Race, age 3-5, 6-8
2:00	Three-Legged Race, age 8-under
2:30	Limbo Contest, age 10-15
2:30	Remote Control Car Races, age 5-7, 8-10

All activities in the annex. Entry fee, $1 per child per event, except for the remote control car races, which are $2. 1st-3rd place trophies and ribbons will be awarded. Early signups daily through Friday from 1-9 p.m.

On stage

11:00	Quilt and Style Show
11:30	Senior Center Line Dancers
12:00	Senior Center Kitchen Band
1:00	Hoss Clayton Band
2:00	Marcus Rios
3:00	Deep Creek Cloggers
4:00	Gymnastics & Cheerleaders
4:30	Texas Taekwondo Academy
5:30	Ira Combo
7:00	Band, to be named later

Other happenings

9:30	Horse Show, rodeo arena
10:00	Horseshoe pitching, washer pitching, north of coliseum

Senate rejects attempts to kill arts funding

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a drama worthy of some of the programs it funds, the National Endowment for the Arts appears to have escaped, for the moment, yet another close encounter with its own demise.

The Senate, long a champion of the federal arts agency, on Wednesday rejected three attempts to kill the NEA.

Left for today was another amendment that would reduce NEA control over its budget by requiring it to give more money directly to states.

And ahead is a battle with the House, which by a one-vote margin voted to strip the NEA of its proposed $100 million budget.

That budget is part of a $13.7 billion bill to fund Interior Department and Indian programs in fiscal 1998. The administration has threatened a presidential veto of the entire bill if the NEA budget is eliminated.

Conservatives, particularly in the House, have for years tried to kill the NEA, citing objectionable art it funded and complaining of bureaucratic waste and political correctness in choosing programs.

"They have made very, very poor funding decisions, they have funded programs that are arcane, bureaucratic, bizarre and often just plain silly," said Sen. Jeff Sessions, R-Ala., who joined Sen. Tim Hutchinson, R-Ark., in pushing for an amendment that would have killed the NEA and turned the $100 million over to states in the form of block grants.

The NEA's defenders, including moderate Republicans, said tighter controls have weeded out problematic funding and that the NEA is crucial to attracting the corporate sponsorship needed to bringing music, theater and exhibits to millions of Americans not ordinarily exposed to art.

"There are large numbers of people in the United States who believe passionately in the mission of the NEA. There are millions more who benefit from it directly or indirectly," said Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash.

Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, said that since the NEA was founded in 1965 there have been only about 40 grants, out of 112,000, that have caused people problems.

In the main vote of the day, the Senate by 77-23 defeated a proposal by Sens. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and John Ashcroft, R-Mo., to kill the NEA.

That was followed by a 73-26 vote to defeat a proposal by Sen. Spencer Abraham, R-Mich., to privatize the NEA over three years and a 62-37 vote to defeat the Sessions-Hutchinson block grant idea.

The House and Senate also moved on other spending fronts as the Oct. 1 deadline approached for the beginning of the new fiscal year:

—The House quickly passed a $12.5 billion bill to fund the Treasury Department and other government agencies. Left largely undebated was language providing a 2.3 percent cost-of-living allowance for members of Congress, their first since 1992 and raising their pay to nearly $137,000 a year.

Aggravated assault trial...

Jury to deliberate punishment

Testimony in the punishment phase of a Snyder man convicted of aggravated assault wrapped up shortly before noon today.

132nd District Judge Ernie Armstrong dismissed jurors until 1:30, when they were to receive the charge and begin punishment deliberations in the case of Richie Stuart Thomas.

The six-man, six-woman jury found Thomas guilty of aggravated assault Wednesday morning, following two days of testimony. Thomas could receive from two to 10 years for the offense of attempting to stab Darrell Holmes with a knife on March 20.

Thomas took the stand this morning and asked for probation, testifying that he had never before been convicted of a felony.

The 34-year-old defendant told the jury Tuesday that he pulled the knife in self defense. He also testified that he thought the charges were a conspiracy between the Snyder Police Department, his ex-wife and his children.

Testifying Wednesday was his former wife, Cathy Utley.

Utley told the court she had suffered numerous years of abuse from Thomas, beginning shortly after they were married.

Under examination by defense attorney Isaac Castro, Utley said she never reported the abuse because she feared retaliation by Thomas. She said when she was treated at hospital emergency rooms, she would make up stories of how she received her injuries.

Thomas was the only defense witness called and both the state and the defense rested their cases shortly after 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Following Thomas' testimony Tuesday, Scurry County Sheriff Darren Jackson was presented as a rebuttal witness by the state.

Jackson told the court he was transporting Thomas to the courthouse for an earlier hearing and Thomas told him, "To be quite honest with you, I was so messed up.... I'm not sure what happened (on March 20)."

Testifying earlier for the state were two of Thomas' minor children.

'Celebration of Hope' tickets on sale

A "Celebration of Hope" marks the construction of Noah Project-West's new family violence center here with Denise Brown, sister of the late Nicole Brown Simpson, as guest speaker.

The dinner will take place at 7:30 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center.

Ms. Brown was thrust into the national spotlight by domestic violence, and made a commitment to do all she can to stop the violence that killed her sister. Four women are killed daily in the United State because of domestic violence.

Ms. Brown always considered herself "just a mom from Laguna Beach" until the murder of her sister.

Since then, she has traveled tens of thousands of miles visiting more than 28 states to speak on domestic violence. She has addressed university student bodies, men in prison on domestic violence charges, men in batterer programs and assisted in the success of an automated victim notification service project in Louisville, Ky.

Noah Project-West serves Scurry, Nolan, Fisher, Mitchell and Kent Counties.

For tickets to a "Celebration of Hope," or for more information, call 573-1822.

ASK US

Q—When are the dates for the next Ritz Theatre production?

A—"Ragweed Cowboy Joe" will be on stage Oct. 3-5.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 100 degrees; low, 71; 7 a.m. Thursday, 74; no precipitation; total for 1997, 21.90 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low, 70s. S wind 5-15 mph. Friday, mostly cloudy to partly cloudy. High, mid 90s. S wind 10-20 mph.



Donald Jeffrey
Partly cloudy

Sunset: 7:45 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:30 a.m.
Of 260 days in 1997, the sun has shone 248 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

...the most untutored person with passion is more persuasive than the most eloquent without.

La Rochefoucauld

Mexican hitman executed

JARRATT, Va. (AP) — Virginia executed a Mexican hitman after Gov. George Allen rejected a clemency plea from the government of Mexico.

"Today is a good day to die," Mario Benjamin Murphy said Wednesday night and then laughed as lethal fluids began flowing into his body.

The Mexican government, the U.S. State Department and even Southern Baptist missionaries had pressured Allen to spare Murphy. But late Wednesday, the governor refused to intervene.

Murphy "committed a coldly premeditated, brutal murder" when he clubbed to death a sleeping Virginia Beach man on July 29, 1991, Allen said. "It was not an act of momentary passion or the result of the influence of alcohol or drugs. It was done for money."

Murphy, 25, rapidly moved his head from side to side, grinning and chortling as he told Greensville Correctional Center officials and guards: "I forgive all of you. I hope God does, too." Moments later he closed his eyes and stopped breathing.

Craig Johnson, a friend of Murphy's, said he wasn't surprised at Murphy's behavior. "He always found humor in everything," Johnson said.

Mexican Foreign Secretary Jose Angel Gurria deplored the execution and noted that there are about 35 more Mexicans on death row in the United States. "Above all, we must take steps so that cases of this type do not continue to occur," he said.

About 30 death penalty protesters and relatives of Murphy wept and embraced outside the prison's main gate. Murphy's mother, grandmother and other relatives consoled each other inside a vehicle which bore a red and white sign saying, "Thou Shalt Not Kill."

Murphy's lawyers said Virginia officials denied Murphy the right to contact the Mexican consulate, as required by a 1963 treaty, after his arrest.

Virginia Beach authorities said they did not tell Murphy about his rights under the treaty because they did not know he was a Mexican citizen. Murphy was born in Tijuana, spent time both there and in San Diego between the ages of 3 and 11, then moved to Virginia Beach.

Allen said neither Murphy nor his lawyers sought contact with Mexican officials until years after his conviction.

"There is absolutely no evidence that Murphy or his attorneys were ever prevented from contacting the Mexican authorities when he expressed a desire to do so," the governor said.

Date Book

Sept. 18, 1997

Today is the 261st day of 1997 and the 90th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1793, the cornerstone of the north wing of the Capitol building was laid by George Washington.

On this day in 1927, CBS began with 16 stations.

On this day in 1970, Jimi Hendrix was found dead in a London apartment.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Samuel Johnson (1709-1784), writer; Greta Garbo (1905-1990), actress; Claudette Colbert (1903-1996), actress; Jack Warden (1920-), actor, is 77; Robert Blake (1933-), actor, is 64; Frankie Avalon (1940-), singer-actor, is 57; Anna Deavere Smith (1950-), playwright-actress, is 47; Ryne Sandberg (1959-), baseball great, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1897, Cy Young pitched a no-hitter and Cleveland beat Cincinnati, 6-0.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Curiosity is one of the permanent and certain characteristics of a vigorous mind." — Samuel Johnson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1926, the "Great Miami Hurricane" killed 372 people.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Sept. 16) and last quarter (Sept. 23).

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ENTERING ART — Paintings were first in line to be entered in the county fair Tuesday. The Palette Club is sponsoring the fine arts division located in the coliseum foyer. Registering their works are Paul Hudgins and Virginia Lowrance. Filling out necessary forms are Nena Mitchell, Joy McGlaun and Nettie Faye Gardner. The fair opens at noon Thursday. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Increased scrutiny planned

HOUSTON (AP) — A special unit of the Harris County adult probation department assigned to secretly monitor felony sex offenders will be expanded, officials say.

The purpose of the surveillance team is to ensure that the sex offenders comply with the terms of their court-ordered probation, said Kim Valentine, a branch director in the department.

Harris County commissioners have approved a measure allowing the Community Supervision and Corrections Department the use of four used county cars for the surveillance officers.

Ms. Valentine said Wednesday that her department assigned one officer in May to spend all his time "in the field" as a surveillance officer. Ms. Valentine said she expects another officer to be assigned to the program in a week or so, and two more officers within a couple months.

Ms. Valentine said the special officers and the usual probation officers will monitor the probationers' compliance with an increasing number of statutory and court-ordered requirements.

For example, she said, felons convicted of a sexual offense against a child under 17 are required to maintain a "child safety zone" around them. Those offenders are ordered not to live, work or loiter near schools, nurseries and playgrounds, for example.

The monitoring will be kept secret so that officers can make certain of their compliance.

"I don't want to sound like they (the surveillance officers) are hiding in bushes," Valentine said. "But the offender's never going to know when the surveillance officer is observing them."

Prom mother gets indicted

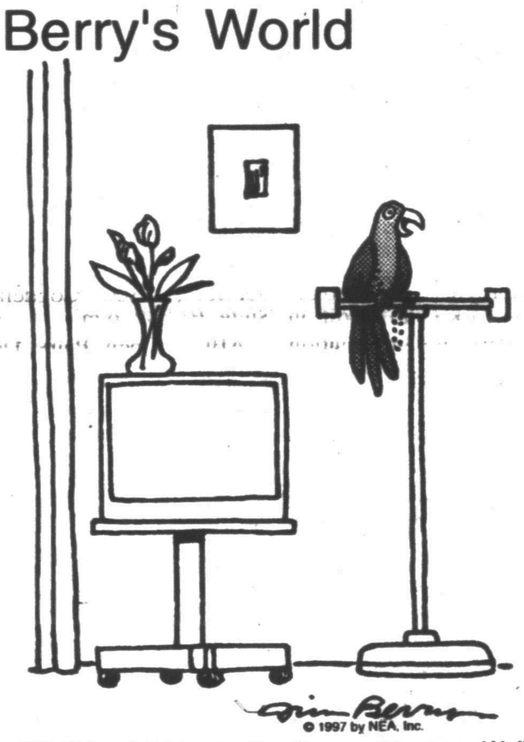
FREEHOLD, N.J. (AP) — A 19-year-old woman who hid her pregnancy, then secretly gave birth in a bathroom during her senior prom was charged with murder and released on bond.

Melissa Drexler was to be arraigned Oct. 27 on the indictment handed up Wednesday.

Monmouth County Prosecutor John Kaye reiterated at a hearing that he will not seek the death penalty, in consideration of Drexler's age, emotional distress and lack of a prior criminal record.

She was freed on $50,000 bond. If convicted of murder, she would be sentenced to a mandatory minimum of 30 years in prison without parole.

Berry's World



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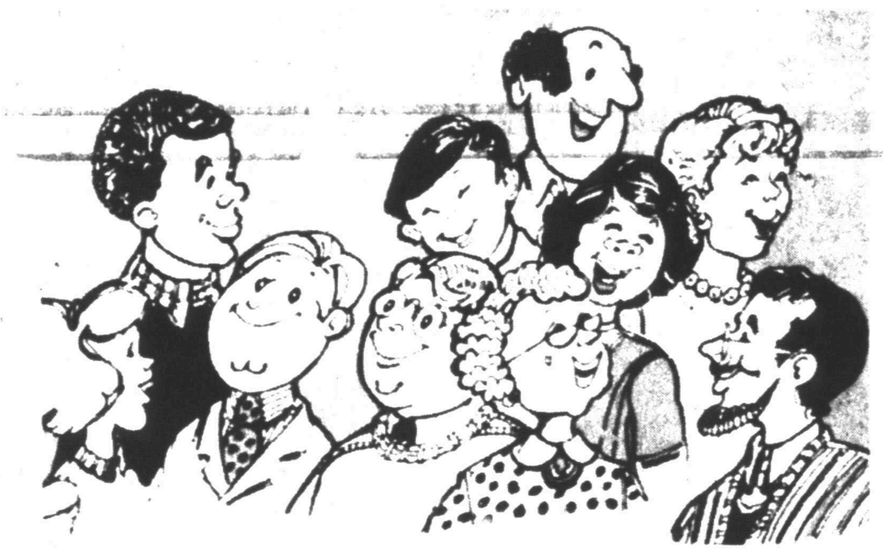
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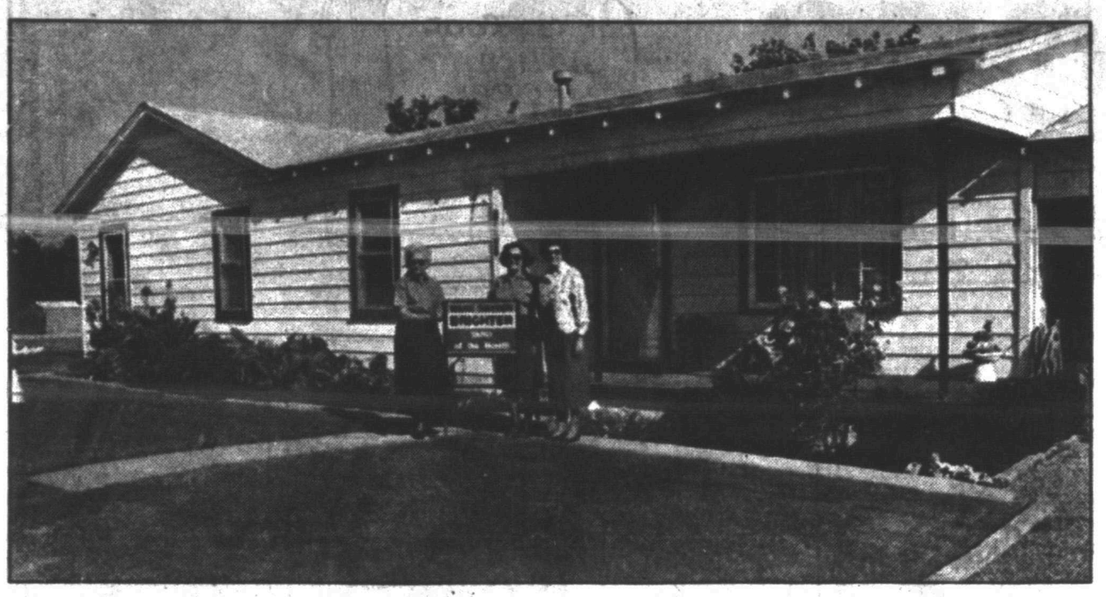
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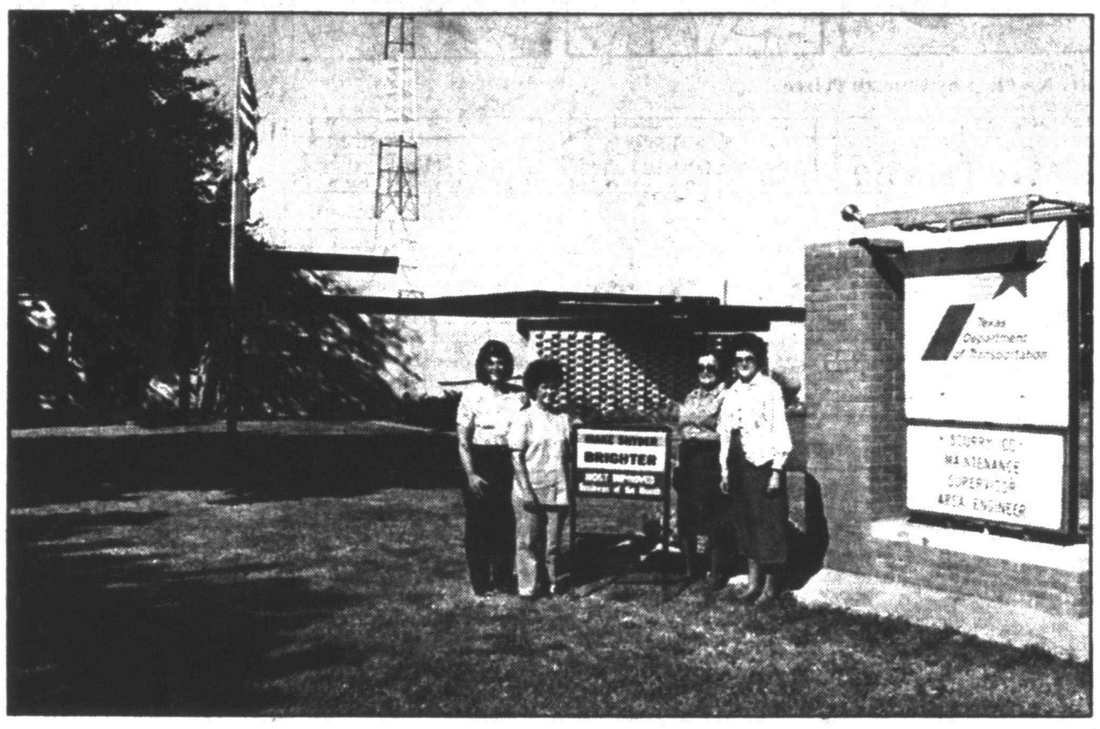
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YARDS OF THE MONTH — Mrs. Duaine Davis, 1711 O'Neal, received the Yard of the Month honor, shown in top photo. Snyder Garden Club and Snyder Beautification Committee co-sponsor the Yard of the Month project, and the garden club provides judges. Mrs. Davis, left, received her "Make Snyder Brighter" sign from this month's judges, Yvonne Davis and Mary Ann Key. In the bottom photo, Davis and Key award Texas Department of Transportation at 111 N. Ave. V the Business Yard of the Month award. TxDOT employees at left are Theresa Conner and Emily Guynes. (Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag, Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 6:30 p.m.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; American Legion; 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

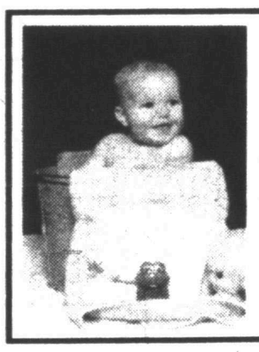
Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd. Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

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

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

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder



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♣ K Q 7 5		♣ J 10 9 8 3
	South	
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	♣ A 2	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

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2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 7

Any agreement is best

In the last two days, I have described the limit major-suit raise and a substitute forcing raise. However, despite feeling these are a tremendous improvement on the old-fashioned forcing raise with no limit raise, I must admit that the most important thing is for you and your partner to be on the same page. Any agreement is better than none.

Usually, having no agreement leads to misunderstanding and disaster. Yet sometimes one can get lucky, as in this deal:

In an impromptu partnership, North didn't know what their forcing raise was, so he improvised with a two-club response. This had two effects. First, it persuaded South to overvalue his hand (though his use of Blackwood with no heart control isn't recommended). Secondly, it stopped the lethal club lead.

Still, even after a cautious trump lead, six spades was no bargain. Yet the declarer, Zhou Qi, took advantage of the favorable distribution. He won with the spade king, finessed dummy's heart jack, and cashed the heart ace-king, carefully discarding a diamond from hand. Declarer continued with the ace and another diamond.

A moment later, declarer ruffed a diamond high in hand, drew trumps ending in the dummy, and discarded his club two on the established diamond nine.

Zhou Qi used to be China's top tournament director before he moved from Shanghai to Flushing, N.Y. He still officiates in world championships, but if he is sacked, maybe he could become a professional player.

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Quadruplets born Wednesday in New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Maybe Jennifer Schmermund inhaled too much.

Mrs. Schmermund, a registered nurse in labor and delivery at a Mississippi hospital, gave birth to fraternal quadruplets Wednesday after 33½ weeks of waiting and 15½ weeks in bed.

Mrs. Schmermund said she was taking small amounts of fertility drugs when she became pregnant.

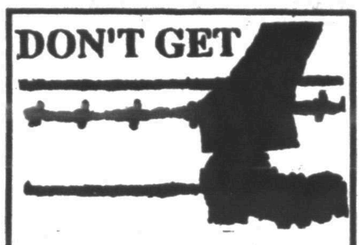
"I could have put it on the night stand and just sniffed it," she said.

The babies, Logan (3 pounds 12½ ounces), Kyle (4 pounds 9½ ounces), Cameron (3 pounds 4½ ounces), Taylor (3 pounds 10 ounces) were born within one minute of each other at Ochsner Hospital.

Mrs. Schmermund, 28, and her husband, Russell, 32, who are from Long Beach, Miss., discovered they were expecting quadruplets six weeks into the pregnancy.

"I panicked. I couldn't laugh or talk. I was overwhelmed," she said.

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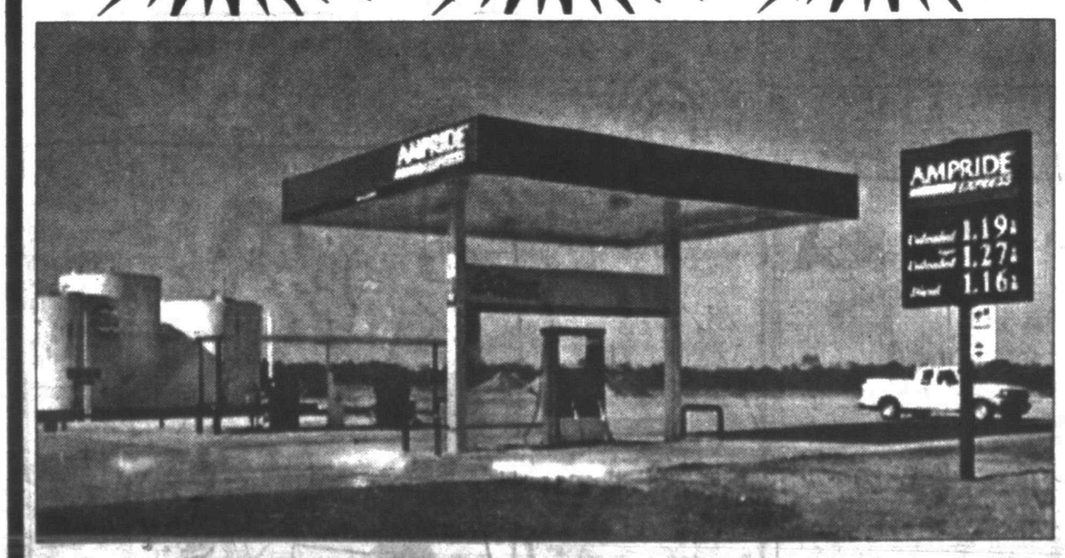
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Snyder Healthcare Center Rehabilitation Team: front row, left to right, Amy Brown-Registered Occupational Therapist; Ms. Ruth Jones-Resident of Snyder Healthcare Center; Rob Marr-Registered Respiratory Therapist; back row: Willa Marr-Certified Respiratory Therapist; Jodeanna Turner-LPTA; and Casey Mitchell-Speech/Language Pathologist.

Not available for photo: Dr. Carl Dillaha-Medical Director; Benny Gibbs-Administrator; Toni Chapman-Registered Respiratory Therapist; Susan McCoy-Certified Respiratory Therapist; Heidi Metzler- PT; Kim James-Restorative Aide.

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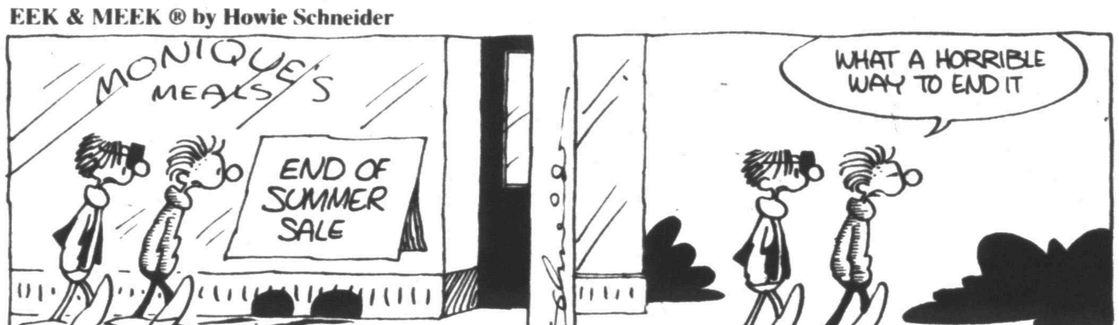
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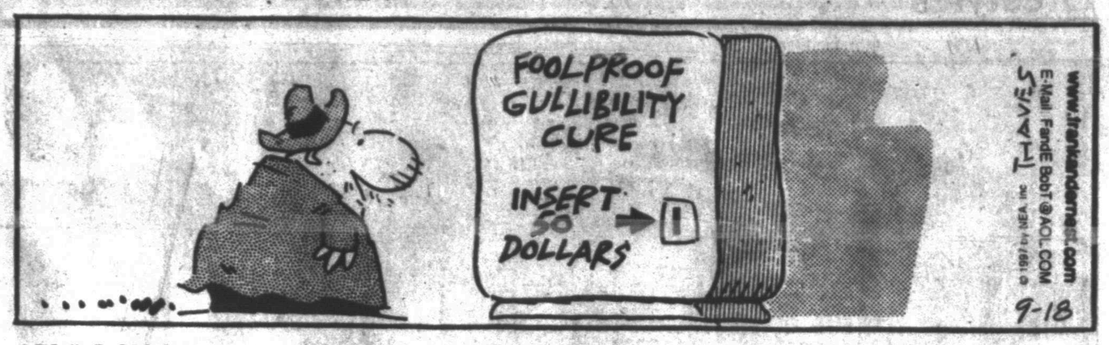
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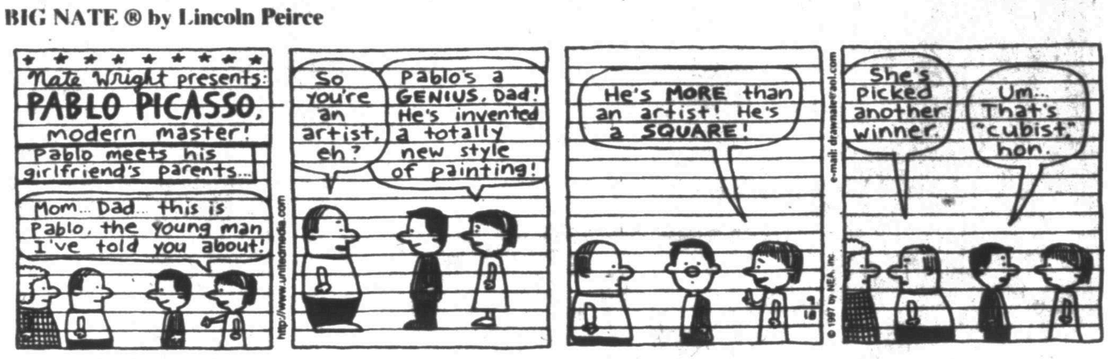
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14 Concert goer's cry
15 Room part
16 Emulate Katarina Witt
17 Hawaiian instruments
18 Use a keyboard
19 Those holding office
20 Gossip
24 Invitation inits.
26 Actor Ed —
27 Third degree? (abbr.)
30 Rings of light
32 Mai — (cocktail)
33 Cry of affirmation
34 Battery part
35 Annapolis grad
36 Rise and Fall of the Third —
38 Well-being
40 Lohengrin's bride
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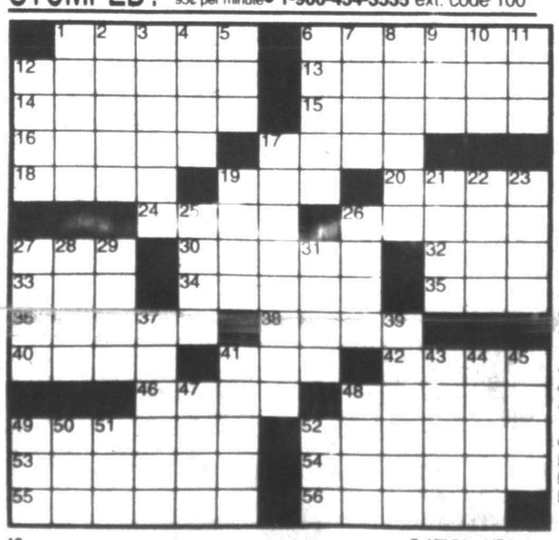
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11 Feign
12 Annoying one
17 Not tilled
19 Tennis player Lendl
21 Start a poker pot
22 Like some cuisine
23 — Kringle
25 Former head of Iran
26 On the briny
27 Funeral item
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39 Part of LBJ
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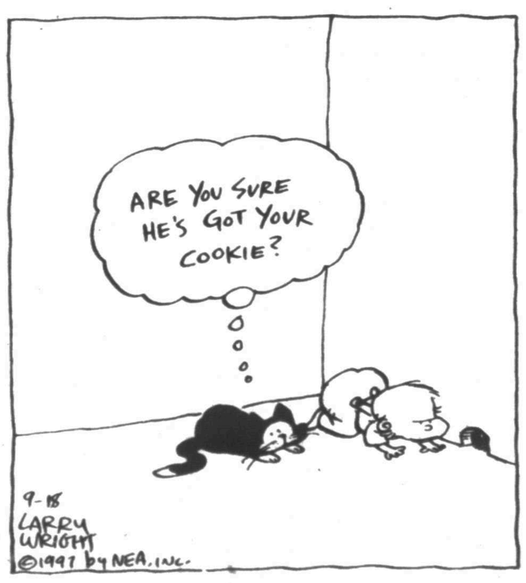
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Drennan	Last Week 11-9	Overall	.575%
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Baltimore at Tennessee	Baltimore	Baltimore	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee

Snyder at Wylie...

It will be size vs. speed

The Snyder Tigers will be looking to break into the win column Friday night against undefeated Wylie at Bulldog Stadium.

The contest might be a war of attrition more than a football game, as it puts the Bulldogs' speed against the Tigers' size.

Wylie, 2-0 on the season, has given up only nine points and 16 first downs in its first two games.

The Bulldog defense pursues heavily to the ball and offensively, Wylie will run a little bit of everything.

"They are the most versatile team we will play all year," Snyder coach David Baugh said.

"When they run the ball, we'll see power plays up the middle, as well as sweeps and the option. And when they throw it, they can play-action, drop back or roll out. They like to shift and change formations at the line of scrimmage."

What all that means defensively for Snyder, is that it must play a smart game, according to Coach Baugh.

"We have to make sure we are lined up right and we have to play the option correctly," he said.

When the Tigers have the ball, they will be facing a small but lightning-quick defense.

Wylie's best defensive player could be NG Justin Scott, so the Tigers might have to adjust along their offensive line.

"We feel the key to their defense is Scott," Baugh remarked. "So we will try to have a back or a guard help out, so that Ian (Hobbs) won't be isolated with him."

The Tigers mounted some time-consuming drives last week against Sweetwater, and they will be looking to do the same thing again, but with one exception.

"We have to keep the ball out of their hands," Baugh stated, "but this week when we put together a long drive, we have to come away with points."

As for personnel, there are few changes expected in the Snyder starting line-up for this week.

Offensive lineman Duncan Fisher has been out of practice all week due to illness and is not expected to start. Junior Toby Zalman will take his place along the line.

Chad Collum will start once again in place of the injured Sean Duncan, who is rehabilitating a torn rotator-cuff.

The other line-up change for Friday night will be on the punting unit. Junior Cory Mandrell will be booting the ball this week for the Tigers.

After Wylie, the Tigers will play again Sept. 26 in their home-coming game against Big Spring.

Snyder will complete its non-district schedule the following week at home against San Angelo Lake View, before beginning 2-4A competition Oct. 10 at Lamesa.

Tiger tennis is primed for district start

Most tennis teams use the final match before district to tune up their skills, but not the Snyder Tigers.

They used it to polish theirs.

Snyder breezed to a 16-8 victory over Abilene Wylie on Tuesday, putting the final notch in its 8-3 non-district record heading into 2-4A competition on Saturday.

The Tiger boys went 10-2 against Wylie, while the girls finished their portion of the match tied 6-6.

Snyder opens district play at home Saturday against Frenship.

Snyder 16, Abilene Wylie 8

Boys' singles: Adrian Gonzalez def. Tim Kyte 6-4, 6-1; Jaime Juarez def. Michael Breed 6-2, 6-3; Brett Gibson def. Adam Webber 6-1, 6-4; Alan Smith def. Forrest McMillan 6-2, 6-3; Todd Hall def. Jacob Brindle 6-3, 6-3; Ryan Gibson def. Kyle Johnson 7-5, 6-2; Zach Briseno lost to Hunter Hanner 8-9; Spanky Levens def. Daniel Allen 8-3.

Boys' doubles: Juarez/Gonzalez def. Breed/Webber 6-0, 7-6(7-5); B. Gibson/Hall lost to Kyte/McMillan 2-6, 5-7; R. Gibson/Smith def. Brindle/Hanner 6-2, 6-2; Jon Hensley/Kris Casas def. Johnson/Allen 6-2, 6-4.

Girls' singles: Laura Gonzalez def. Kendel Osborne 6-4, 6-1; Vicki Vargas lost to Sunny Wu 4-6, 2-6; Whitney Graham lost to Erin Moore 4-6, 4-6; Natalie Alexander def. Stephanie Haynes 2-6, 6-4, 7-6(10-8); Cynthia Fennell def. Shivawn Billberry 6-1, 6-1; Angela Sanchez lost to Lindsey English 7-6, 4-6, 6-7; Anjela Quiros def. Emily Howell 6-4; Claire Cotton lost to Christina Sneed 1-8.

Girls' doubles: Gonzalez/Graham def. Moore/Osborne 6-2, 6-1; Alexander/Vargas lost to Wu/Billberry 2-6, 1-6; Fennell/Sanchez def. Haynes/English 4-6, 6-1, 10-8; Jordan Hardin/Lindsey Ornales lost to Sneed/Howell 6-4, 1-6, 2-6.

LOCAL SPORTS SCHEDULE

Today

Football

Snyder 7th B at Wylie, 4:15.
Snyder 8th B at Wylie, 5:15.
Snyder 7th A at Wylie, 6:15.
Snyder 8th A at Wylie, 7:30.
Wylie at Snyder 9th and JV, 5:30 and 7:30, Tiger Stadium.

Rodeo

WTC at Eastern New Mexico, Portales, N.M. (Thursday, Friday and Saturday)

Friday

Football

Snyder at Wylie, 7:30.
Klondike at Hermleigh, 7:30.
Rule at Ira, 7:30.
Borden County at Southland, 7:30.

Saturday

Golf

Snyder Lady Tigers vs. Highland Park, Bridlewood Country Club in Flower Mound.

Tennis

Frenship at Snyder (district opener).

Volleyball

Snyder varsity at Plains, 11 a.m.
Snyder JV and freshmen at Denver City tourney.
Snyder 7th and 8th at Seminole tourney.

Sunday

Golf

WTC at High Country Shoot-Out, Ruidoso, N.M. (Sunday, Monday and Tuesday)

LOCAL GOLF RESULTS

Men's Golf Association of Western Texas College

Sept. 15, low-ball: Eddie Peterson/Daman Reynolds def. Ernie Armstrong/Jim Mcintire; Harley Bynum/Kenneth Parker def. Tommy Baker/Ricky Hunter; Sam Robertson/Johnny Barrow def. Jeral Beard/Don Head; Juan Hernandez/Rick Hilburn def. Jim Caldwell/Riley Sterling; Ricky Beard/Mark Harless def. Curtis Fletcher/Tom McGuire; Nolan von Roeder/Alan Fine def. Pete Rios/Don Campbell; David Lee/O.K. Fletcher def. Maurice Herridge/Jayson Presley.

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District 2-4A Statistical Leaders

TEAM OFFENSE

Team	Gm	Rush	Pass	Avg.
Frenship	2	396	358	377.0
Estacado	2	593	134	363.5
Levelland	2	395	120	257.0
Lamesa	2	297	138	217.7
Plainview	2	336	35	185.5
Snyder	2	98	147	122.5

TEAM DEFENSE

Team	Gm	Rush	Pass	Avg.
Levelland	2	151	186	168.0
Estacado	2	410	10	210.0
Snyder	2	492	36	264.0
Plainview	2	463	142	302.5
Frenship	2	485	211	348.0
Lamesa	2	458	369	413.5

RUSHING

Player, Team	Gm	Car	Yds
Boyd, Estacado	2	34	276
Cooper, Levelland	2	41	204
Shelby, Frenship	2	41	186
Sigala, Plainview	2	35	165
Ansley, Plainview	2	9	146

RECEIVING

Player, Team	Gm	Yds	Rec
Denson, Frenship	2	181	10
Hodges, Snyder	2	56	7
Peters, Frenship	2	69	6
Kapler, Lamesa	2	73	5
Shepherd, Est.	2	112	3

PASSING

Player, Team	Comp	Att	Int	TD	Yds
Hayaie, Frenship	24	39	2	3	348
Carter, Snyder	14	34	2	0	142
Trevino, Lamesa	11	24	0	0	138
Patterson, Est.	6	16	1	1	134
Taylor, Levelland	7	28	6	1	120

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
y-Atlanta	94	57	.623	-
Florida	88	63	.583	6
NewYork	82	70	.539	12½
Montreal	75	76	.497	19
Philadelphia	62	90	.408	32½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	77	74	.510	-
Pittsburgh	73	79	.480	4½
St.Louis	70	81	.463	7
Cincinnati	69	82	.457	8
Chicago	64	88	.421	13½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
LosAngeles	84	68	.553	-
SanFrancisco	83	69	.546	1
Colorado	78	74	.513	6
SanDiego	72	80	.474	12

Wednesday's Games

St. Louis 12, Chicago Cubs 9
Philadelphia 5, Florida 2, 1st game
Florida 5, Philadelphia 2, 2nd game
Houston 8, Pittsburgh 4
Montreal 4, Cincinnati 1
Atlanta 10, N.Y. Mets 2
San Diego 5, Colorado 4
San Francisco 2, Los Angeles 1

Thursday's Games

St. Louis (Lowe 0-1) at Chicago Cubs (Trachsel 7-11), 2:20 p.m.
Los Angeles (Candiotti 10-6) at San Francisco (Mulholland 6-13), 3:35 p.m.
Philadelphia (Grace 3-1) at Florida (Brown 14-8), 4:35 p.m.
Colorado (Bailey 9-9) at San Diego (Menhart 1-2), 5:05 p.m.
Houston (Kile 18-6) at Pittsburgh (Cordova 10-8), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Hermanson 8-5) at Cincinnati (Schourek 5-8), 7:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Isringhausen 2-1) at Atlanta (Byrd 3-3), 7:40 p.m.

Friday's Games

Philadelphia (Green 5-4) at Chicago Cubs (Clark 13-7), 3:20 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Mlicki 8-11) at Florida (Leiter 9-9), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Aybar 2-4) at Pittsburgh (Cooke 9-14), 7:05 p.m.
Houston (Holt 8-10) at Cincinnati (Burba 9-10), 7:35 p.m.
Montreal (C.Perez 12-11) at Atlanta (Smoltz 14-12), 7:40 p.m.
Colorado (Astacio 11-9) at Los Angeles (Nomo 13-11), 10:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Darwin 0-2) at San Diego (Hamilton 10-6), 10:05 p.m.

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
y-Baltimore	92	59	.609	-
NewYork	88	63	.583	4
Detroit	74	77	.490	18
Boston	74	78	.487	18½
Toronto	71	80	.470	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	81	68	.544	-
Milwaukee	74	75	.497	7
Chicago	74	77	.490	8
KansasCity	61	88	.409	20
Minnesota	61	89	.407	20½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	84	68	.553	-
Anaheim	79	73	.520	5
Texas	72	80	.474	12
Oakland	61	91	.401	23

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Wednesday's Games

Boston 4, Toronto 3
N.Y. Yankees 6, Detroit 2
Milwaukee 8, Baltimore 3
Cleveland 7, Minnesota 6
Chicago White Sox 8, Kansas City 4
Texas 5, Seattle 4
Anaheim 8, Oakland 4

Thursday's Games

Oakland (Telgheder 3-5) at Anaheim (Dickson 13-7), 6:05 p.m.
Toronto (Clemens 21-6) at Boston (Wakefield 11-15), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Keagle 2-4) at N.Y. Yankees (Rogers 6-7), 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Karl 10-12) at Baltimore (Mussina 14-7), 7:35 p.m.
Cleveland (Hershiser 13-6) at Minnesota (Tewksbury 6-12), 8:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Drabek 10-11) at Kansas City (Pittsley 4-7), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Johnson 17-4) at Texas (Oliver 12-11), 8:35 p.m.

Friday's Games

Cleveland (Colon 3-6 and Anderson 3-1) at Kansas City (Belcher 12-12 and Rusch 5-9), 2, 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Sirotka 2-0) at Boston (Henry 7-2), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Daal 1-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Gooden 8-4), 7:35 p.m.
Detroit (Blair 16-7) at Baltimore (Kamieniecki 9-6), 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Mercedes 6-10) at Minnesota (Serafini 2-0), 8:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Hill 7-12) at Texas (Witt 11-11), 8:35 p.m.

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Astros closing on division title

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Houston Astros took a big step toward winning their first division title since 1986, backing Shane Reynolds' eight-hit pitching with three homers to beat Pittsburgh 8-4 Wednesday night.

The Astros have won their last two games by a combined score of 23-7 to open a 4½-game lead in the NL Central over the upstart Pirates, who had edged back into the race by winning two in a row. Houston's magic number is seven.

Luis Gonzalez, rookie Richard Hidalgo and Jeff Bagwell led off innings with homers for Houston, which was working on its third shutout in five games in Pittsburgh this season until Al Martin hit a two-run homer in the eighth.

The Astros won the first two games of a four-game series July 10-13 by a combined 17-0, including wins of 7-0 and 10-0, before the Pirates' Francisco Cordova and Ricardo Rincon no-hit Houston the following night.

The two teams have split their eight games, with four left to play — Thursday in Pittsburgh and three in Houston on Sept. 26-28.

By losing Wednesday, the Pirates — who had an opportunity to cut the deficit to 2½ games — could win their final 10 games and still not win the division as long as Houston finished 6-5.

Reynolds had lost four of five decisions since Aug. 3, but remained dominant against the Pirates, improving to 6-1 lifetime against them.

Junior high football games changed

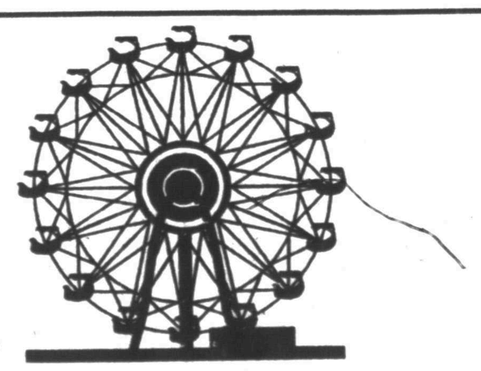
Snyder Junior High's football schedule for this evening has been revised.

The 7th and 8th grade "B" teams will now play, in addition to the "A" teams.

All games will be played at Wylie High School Stadium on Antilley Road in Abilene.

The first team to take the field will be 8th grade "B" at 4:15, followed by 7th grade "B" at 5:15.

The 7th grade "A" team will then play at 6:15, with 8th "A" playing the final game of the night at 7:30.


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By RICHARD ROSENBLATT
AP Football Writer

Leave it to Florida to strike a nerve before a big game.

Earlier this week, Gators offensive tackle Mo Collins called Peyton Manning "highly overrated" and running back Fred Taylor said the Vols "know they can't beat us."

Must be time for No. 4 Tennessee at No. 3 Florida.

Florida, it seems, has a way of getting under the skin of its opponents.

In the weeks leading to the Sugar Bowl, chief Gator baiter Steve Spurrier complained about Florida State's late hits on Danny Wuerffel after a regular-season loss at Tallahassee.

Before the '96 game against Tennessee, defensive end Tim Beauchamp said Manning gets easily rattled in the pocket.

Both times, Florida won, beating Florida State 52-20 to win its first national title after taking out Tennessee 35-29 last September.

Manning's reply?

"For one thing, Florida has the platform to talk. They're defending champions," he said. "We don't have the right or the room to talk. We're in second place."

Florida (2-0) has beaten Tennessee (2-0) the past four years, and even though the Gators have a new quarterback in Doug Johnson, their defense may give them an edge.

Both teams had last week off. Two weeks ago, Florida set a modern-day school scoring mark in an 82-6 win over Central Michigan, while Tennessee hung on for a 30-24 win at UCLA.

So far, Manning has thrown for 651 yards and seven touchdowns, while Johnson has thrown for 541 yards and nine touchdowns.

In Seattle, the No. 7 Huskers play No. 2 Washington a year after being shellshocked at Arizona State, 19-0.

Ahman Green, the Huskers' I-back, said his team was bothered by the crowd noise at Sun Devil Stadium in '96, and wants to avoid a similar problem at Husky Stadium.

Nebraska, which had a tough time against Central Florida last week, will have other problems, such as trying to stop quarterback Brock Huard and running back Rashaan Shehee.

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Area peace officers kept busy Wednesday

Wednesday was a busy day for local law enforcement personnel as more than 50 entries were made on the blotter.

James Floyd requested to speak to an officer at 10:26 a.m. in reference to an undetermined amount of currency being stolen from his residence in the 1300 block of 34th Street.

Joliett Vincent notified a deputy at 3:15 p.m. of the theft of some jewelry from the 1200 block of North Avenue P. An offense report for felony theft was submitted.

A deputy was requested on CR 1163 at 8:29 a.m. in reference to a person dumping trash. Contact was made with the person who advised he would clean up the area.

An offense report for assault/family violence was submitted at 9:37 a.m.

A person notified officers at 3:40 p.m. that her 31-year-old brother was missing from her residence. A report for a missing person was filed at 9 p.m.

An offense report for Class C assault was submitted at 4:30 p.m. in reference to an assault that occurred on Tuesday afternoon.

A person requested to speak to an officer at 8:50 p.m. in reference to receiving harassing telephone calls.

Reports of possible prowlers were made Wednesday at 10:08 p.m. from the 500 block of 29th Street and at 11:44 p.m. in the 1300 block of 23rd Street and this morning at 5:25 from the 2700 block of Avenue F and at 6:21 from the 1000 block of 27th Street.

An offense report for juvenile runaways was submitted at 12:18 this morning in reference to a 11-year-old female and a 14-year-old male leaving their residence without permission.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



DEAR DR. GOTT: Is homeopathy a valid medical discipline?

DEAR READER: This form of alternative medicine dates back to the late 18th century. Subscribing to the theory that "like cures like" (the "law of similars"), homeopaths continue to treat patients' symptoms with substances that cause similar symptoms in a healthy person. For example, chopped red onion causes watery eyes and a runny nose; it is one of the homeopathic "medicines" used to treat allergies.

Most medical authorities believe that homeopathy loses credibility because it goes one step further. During a process called "potentization," these practitioners serially dilute an active agent hundreds of times until the final product has no measurable amount of the original substance. It's hard to accept the homeopathic conviction that such substances have any effect whatsoever in the body. On the other hand, these compounds produce no side effects, for obvious reasons. In many cases, homeopathic "cures" for ailments such as depression, anxiety and allergies may be due more to a placebo effect than to any bona-fide biochemical benefit.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Following a double mastectomy a year ago, I was prescribed tamoxifen to prevent a recurrence of the cancer. Soon thereafter, I lost my taste for food and have dropped from 130 pounds to 110. Although I am no longer on the drug, I am still bothered by this symptom. I have read about tamoxifen and the reaction is not mentioned. While I'm truly glad to be alive, I wish I could once again enjoy eating.

DEAR READER: According to the manufacturer, tamoxifen is sometimes associated with a distaste for food (Physicians' Desk Reference, 1997, page 2958), as well as a host of other, more serious side effects. In unusual instances, the symptoms continue for months after the drug is stopped.

If your problem were caused by the drug, your taste should eventually return. Be patient. If you're still troubled after a month or two, check with your oncologist to make sure that some other factor isn't to blame.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I take Norvasc and Altace to control my high blood pressure. However, I suffer from marked swelling of my ankles from Norvasc. Should I change drugs?

DEAR READER: You are in a difficult situation.

Norvasc can cause ankle edema (swelling) but this is usually a trivial side effect and can be ignored. More important, ACE inhibitors (Altace and others) often cause a life-threatening form of swelling, called angioedema, which can spread to involve the face and neck, leading to asphyxiation.

Because of this dangerous complication, I urge you to stop the Altace IMMEDIATELY and see your doctor. I am sure that he will agree with this advice and prescribe a substitute medicine, such as a beta-blocker or a diuretic, that is not associated with edema. Although this complication of Altace is not common, it can occur and should be addressed at once.

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IBM s	100 3-16	99	99⅛— ⅛
IntlPaper	58 15-16	58⅛	58¼+ 2⅜
JohnsonJn	58¾	58 3-16	58⅛+ 9-16
K mart	14 11-16	14 9-16	14⅜
Kroger s	30⅜	30⅛	30⅝+ ⅛
Litton	55⅛	55 3-16	55⅜+ ⅛
LockhdMart	109 1-16	107¼	108 15-16+1 7-16
Lowes Cos	39 15-16		39 7-16 39⅛+ 7-16
Lubys	20 5-16		20 1-16 20⅛+ ⅛
LucentTech	80 15-16	79 5-16	80 5-16+1 7-16
MayDeptStrs	56 15-16		56 9-16 56¼+ 3-16
Medtronic s	48 11-16		48 1-16 48 7-16+11-16
Mobils	76¼		76 76 7-16+ 7-16
Monsanto	40¾		40 7-16 40 11-16+ ⅛
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Motorola	68 9-16		66¼ 67 7-16+1 7-16
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NationsBk s			59¾ 58¼ 59¼+ 3-16
Navistar			28 27¼ 27½— ¼
Norwest			63¾ 63¼ 63 7-16+ ⅛
OryxEngy			26¼ 26 1-16 26¼+11-16
Penney JC			64¼ 63½ 63½— ¼
Pennzoil			78¾ 77¼ 78½+ ¼
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PepsiCo	38 15-16		38 9-16 38 15-16+ 3-16
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PhelpDodge			77¼ 76¼ 77¼+ ¼
PhilipPet			50¼ 49¼ 50¼+13-16
PilgrmPrd			13¼ 13¼ 13 13-16+ 1-16
Polaroid			52 51¼ 51 13-16— ⅛
Praxair			53 52 9-16 52¾+ 3-16
ProctGamble	144 13-16		142¼ 144 11-16+1 11-16
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SBC Comm			59¾ 59 3-16 59⅜+ ⅛
SaraLee			49 5-16 49 49 1-16— ⅛
SearsRoeb			56¾ 55¾ 56¼+ 9-16
SherwinW s			29¾ 29½ 29½+ ⅛
SmthBc ADS s			44¼ 44¼ 44½+ 9-16
SouthernCo			22 13-16 22¾ 22¼+ ⅛
SwstAirlines			32 9-16 31¾ 32⅛— ⅜
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TexUtil			35¼ 35 9-16 35⅞+ ¼
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UnPac s			66 65⅜ 66 + ⅛
UnitedTech s			82¼ 81¼ 82 3-16+1 1-16
Unocal			44 43¾ 43 15-16+ 3-16
WalMart			38 9-16 38¼ 38 7-16+ 7-16
WstnGasRs			19⅜ 19 9-16 19 9-16— 5-16
Woolworth			22 5-16 22¼ 22 3-16— ⅜
Xerox Corp			79¼ 78½ 78 11-16+ 5-16
ZenithE			10 7-16 10 5-16 10 5-16— 1-16

Global Surveyor finds weak magnetic field around Mars

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mars is in its death throes or already dead, according to a NASA scientist who interpreted data from the Mars Global Surveyor that shows a weak magnetic field from the red planet's interior.

Magnetic fields, which occur in rotating planets with liquid cores, deflect cosmic radiation considered harmful to life.

Without a strong magnetic field, it would be "very difficult" for life to exist on Mars today, said Mario Acuna, the principal investigator for the magnetometer instrument aboard Surveyor, which is managed by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

"We found evidence that a magnetic field existed in the past that was probably strong. We found a smoking gun," Acuna said Wednesday from NASA's Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md. "We found a little weak field remaining in there that is a remnant of a previous strong field."

The weak magnetic field was still stronger than scientists expected. At its maximum, the observed field is one eight-hundredth as strong as the magnetic field on Earth's surface.

Whether the field was ever strong enough to support life is not known, but it is suspected because of the volcanic activity that occurred on Mars.

Other planets beside Earth that have strong magnetic fields include Jupiter and Saturn.

Although Mars and Earth are thought to have been formed about the same time 4.6 billion years ago, Surveyor's data indicates Mars "aged much faster than the Earth," Acuna said.

Or it could be dead.

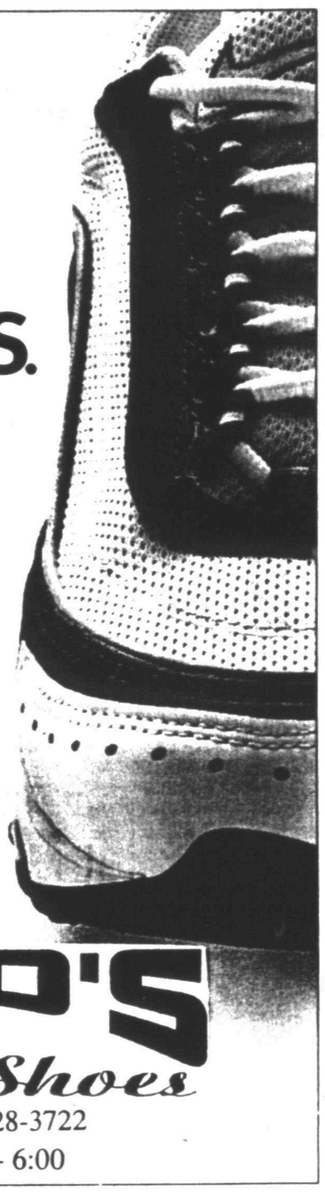
Arden Albee, the Surveyor project scientist at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena, said he believes Mars once had an active liquid metal interior that "is in the last stages of dying down."

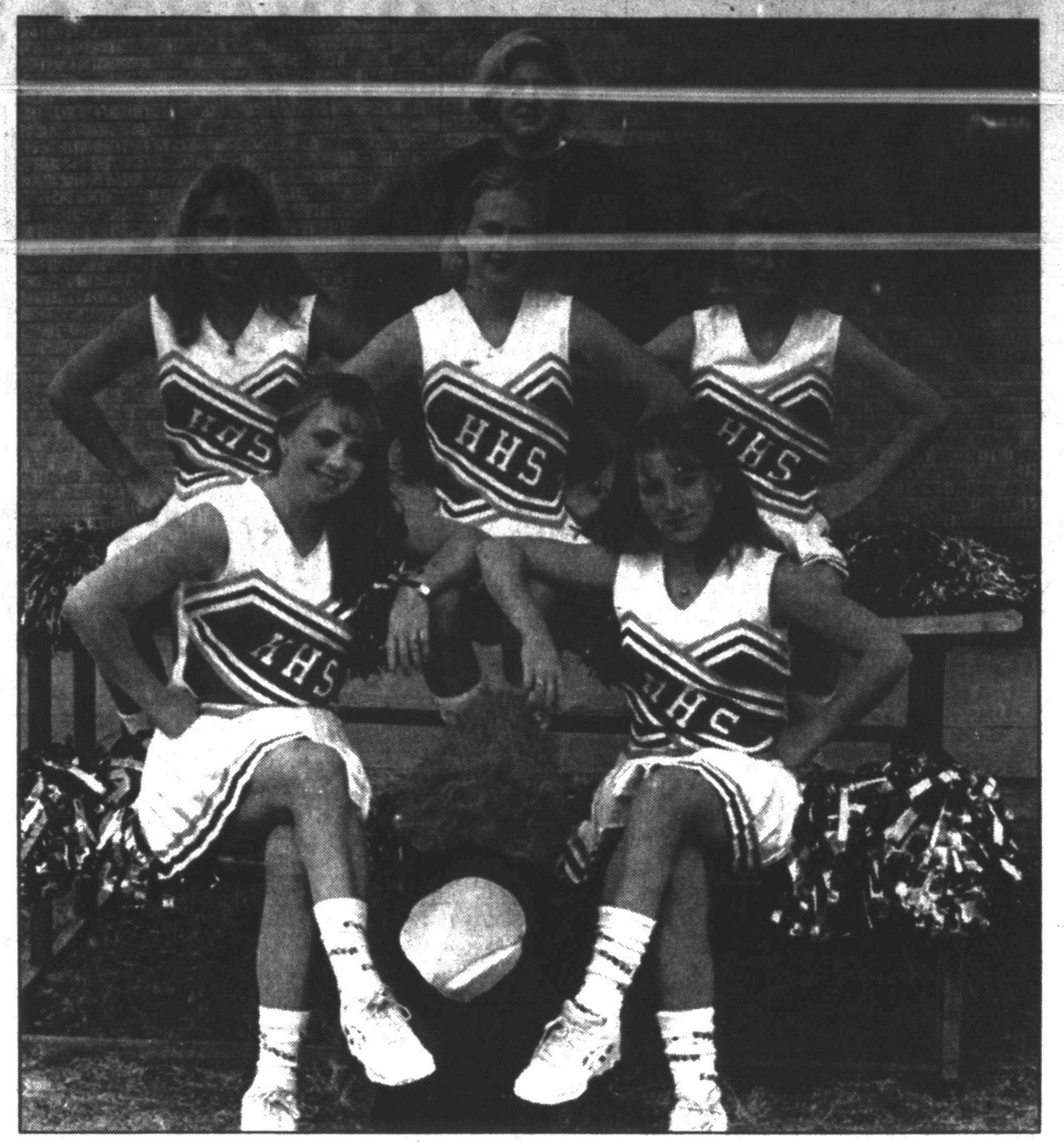
Ban sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democrats pressed ahead Wednesday with an effort to bar some former members from the House floor — specifically Robert Dornan.

Rep. Robert Menendez of New Jersey renewed the effort after having a heated exchange on the House floor with the California Republican.

Dornan, who is challenging his loss to Rep. Loretta Sanchez, D-Calif., has visited the House on several occasions this month to lobby his former colleagues about the House investigation of the election.





HERMLEIGH HIGH CHEERLEADERS — Hermleigh High School cheerleaders for 1997-1998 are front row, from left, Jennifer Roemisch, Randi Kay Herrington, middle row, Miranda Terry, Melissa Brasuel, Lori Eckert; back row, mascot Casey Frizzell. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Car slams into day care; seven injured

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — An 11-month-old boy was in serious condition today after a driverless sports car being worked on in front of a day-care center jumped the curb and plowed into the building.

Six other small children and two adults were treated at the scene or at local hospitals and released after the accident at the Kids World day-care center in northwest San Antonio on Wednesday.

Officials said all the children were under 18 months old. The 11-month-old boy was airlifted to Brooke Army Medical Center with burns after he was pinned briefly beneath the car's hot engine.

Investigators said the accident happened when an unidentified man, who had dropped off his child at a karate school next door, tried to adjust the carburetor of his red Pontiac Trans Am while parked in front of the day-care center.

Fire department spokesman Carl Wedige told the San Antonio Express-News that the car's emergency brake was on but its transmission was in drive when it lurched forward, jumped the curb, struck a concrete pillar and crashed through the window and a partition inside the center.

Day care worker Candace Perez said she was in the "baby room" when the car burst through the wall and appeared to "come right at me."

"We didn't know the little boy was stuck underneath the car," Ms. Perez said, wiping tears from her cheeks and shaking as she left the center. "All the kids were crying, and they didn't know what to do."

PUBLIC NOTICE

BRIEF EXPLANATORY STATEMENTS OF PROPOSED

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

SPECIAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 1997

PROPOSITION NO. 1 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 36 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow a person to hold the position of municipal judge in more than one municipality.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow a person who holds the office of municipal court judge to hold at the same time more than one civil office for which the person receives compensation."

PROPOSITION NO. 2 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 43 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to limit the maximum annual increase in homestead appraisals for each year since the most recent tax appraisal. The amendment would also permit the legislature to allow the governing body of a school district to elect to apply the law providing for the transfer of the age-65-and-older school property tax freeze to the person's new homestead, if the move to the new residence homestead occurred before the law took effect.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the Legislature to limit increases in the appraised value of residence homesteads for ad valorem taxation and to permit a school district to calculate the school property tax freeze applicable to the residence homestead of an elderly person or the surviving spouse of an elderly person in accordance with the law authorizing the transfer of the school property tax freeze to a different homestead regardless of whether that law was in effect at the time the person established the person's homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 3 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 45 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to authorize counties, cities, towns, and other local taxing entities to grant exemptions or other forms of ad valorem tax relief on property on which approved water conservation initiatives have been implemented.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to permit a taxing unit to grant an exemption or other relief from ad valorem taxes on property on which a water conservation initiative has been implemented."

PROPOSITION NO. 4 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 104 proposes an amendment to update the Texas Constitution by deleting duplicate numbering in its provisions and removing certain of its obsolete portions.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment eliminating duplicate numbering in and certain obsolete provisions of the Texas Constitution."

PROPOSITION NO. 5 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 19 proposes an amendment to allow the Supreme Court of Texas to hold sessions at any location in this state. Currently, the court is limited to holding sessions only at Austin, the seat of state government.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the supreme court to sit to transact business at any location in this state."

PROPOSITION NO. 6 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 39 proposes a constitutional amendment to repeal the current provision which provides that the board of the Texas Growth Fund may not invest money in a business unless the business has disclosed to the board whether it has any direct financial investment in or with South Africa or Namibia.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment allowing the Texas growth fund to continue to invest in businesses without requiring those businesses to disclose investments in South Africa or Namibia."

PROPOSITION NO. 7 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 17 proposes a constitutional amendment to create the Texas Water Development Fund II as a fund separate and distinct from the Texas Water Development Fund. The amendment would authorize the Texas Water Development Board to administer the fund and issue general obligation bonds for purposes of the fund under guidelines set forth in the amendment.

The amendment would also allow the Board to use loan repayments coming into the fund after the end of the fiscal year to make bond debt service payments, and would provide certain conditions for the flow of funds for repayment of Texas agricultural water conservation bonds.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment relating to the authorization to the Texas Water Development Board to transfer existing bond authorizations for water supply, water quality, flood control, or state participation from one category of use to another category to maximize the use of existing funds and relating to more efficient operation of the bond programs."

PROPOSITION NO. 8 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 31 proposes a constitutional amendment which would authorize home equity lending, in which a loan could be secured by a lien against the borrower's homestead. The amendment would also establish several provisions providing for consumer protection in the home equity lending process.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The amendment to the Texas Constitution expanding the types of liens for home equity loans that a lender, with the homeowner's consent, may place against a homestead."

PROPOSITION NO. 9 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 96 proposes a constitutional amendment that would authorize the legislature to authorize a property tax of five cents for each $100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts which are located in Harris County. The constitution currently authorizes a property tax of three cents for each $100 valuation in rural fire prevention districts regardless of what county they are in.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to authorize the legislature to authorize an ad valorem tax rate in rural fire prevention districts located in Harris County of five cents on each $100 of taxable value of property."

PROPOSITION NO. 10 ON THE BALLOT

Senate Joint Resolution 33 proposes a constitutional amendment to permanently dedicate monies from the Texas Crime Victims' Compensation Fund (and its auxiliary fund) so that they are used only for assisting victims of crime and not for any other purpose. If an episode of mass violence occurred, however, money from the funds could be used to assist victims of the mass violence if all other sources of authorized emergency assistance were depleted first.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment designating the purposes for which money in the compensation to victims of crime fund and the compensation to victims of crime auxiliary fund may be used."

PROPOSITION NO. 11 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 59 proposes a constitutional amendment to prohibit the Legislature from authorizing additional state debt payable from the general revenue fund if the resulting annual debt service (the amount needed each year to make payments) would exceed five percent of the annual general revenue available over the last three fiscal years, excluding revenues constitutionally dedicated for purposes other than payment of state debt.

The term "additional state debt" does not include bonds that, although backed by the full faith and credit of the state, are reasonably expected to be paid from revenue sources other than the general revenue fund.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment limiting the amount of state debt payable from the general revenue fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 12 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 55 proposes a constitutional amendment to provide that if the Texas Supreme Court does not act on a motion for a rehearing within 180 days of the motion's filing, the motion is denied.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to establish a deadline for supreme court action on a motion for rehearing."

PROPOSITION NO. 13 ON THE BALLOT

House Joint Resolution 8 proposes a constitutional amendment to establish the Texas Tomorrow trust fund dedicated exclusively to the prepayment of tuition and fees for higher education. The amendment would guarantee that if there is not enough money during any fiscal year to pay the appropriate tuition and required fees, the needed money will be appropriated out of the first available money coming into the state treasury each fiscal year.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to encourage persons to plan and save for young Texans' college education, to extend the full faith and credit of the state to protect the Texas tomorrow fund of the prepaid higher education tuition program, and to establish the Texas tomorrow fund as a constitutionally protected trust fund."

PROPOSITION NO. 14 ON THE BALLOT

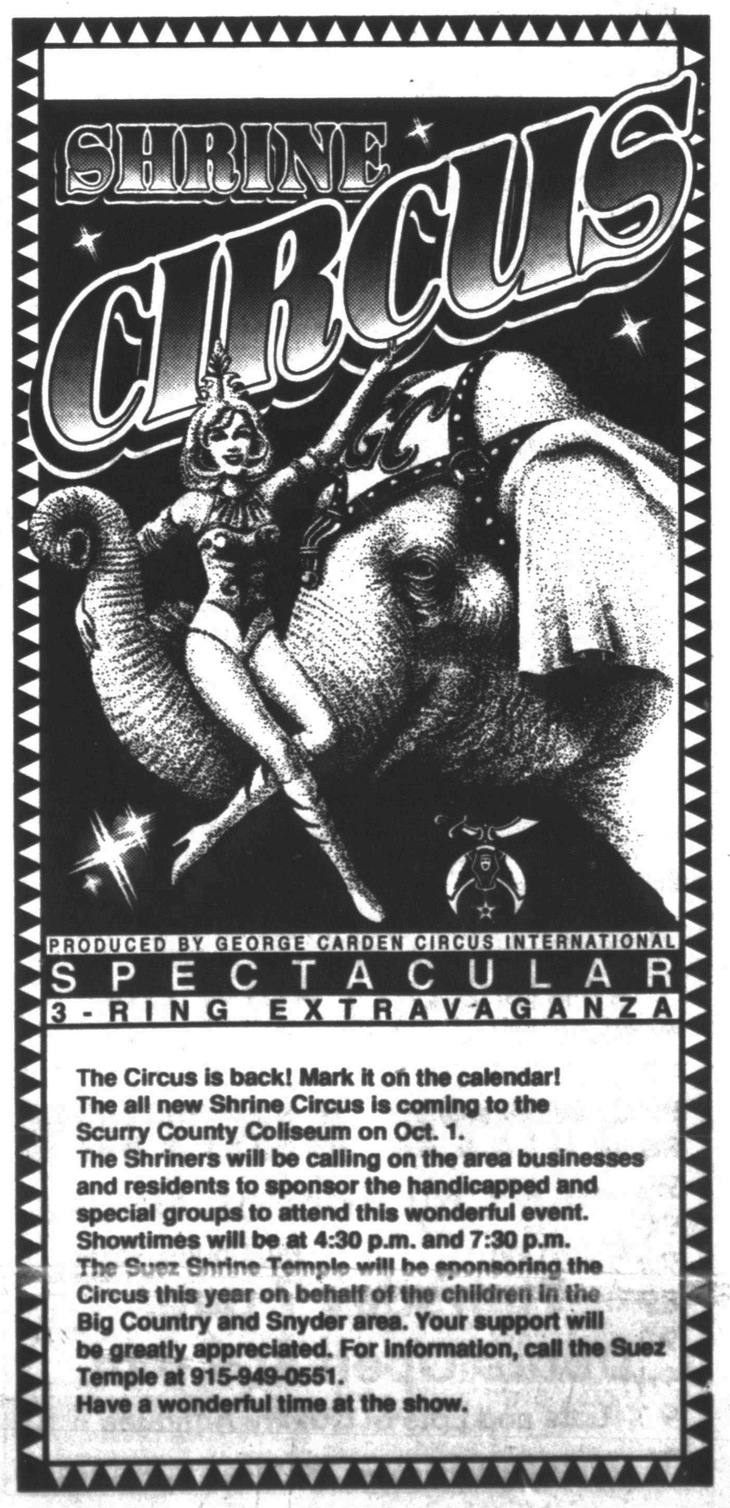
House Joint Resolution 83 proposes a constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to set the official qualifications for constables.

The proposed amendment will appear on the ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of constables."

Estos son los informes explanatorios sobre las enmiendas propuestas a la constitución que aparecerán en la boleta el 4 de noviembre de 1997. Si usted no ha recibido una copia de los informes en español, podrá obtener una gratis por llama al 1/800/252/8683 o por escribir al Secretario de Estado, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711.

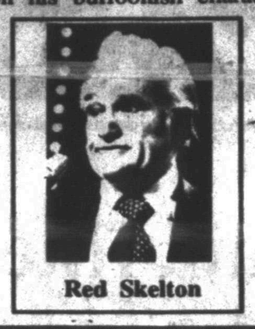
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Red Skelton, popular comedian, dead at 84

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Red Skelton was just 7 years old when he met his destiny as a bumbling, affable comic. For six decades, he delighted millions with a repertoire of helter-skelter pantomime and skits about simple ordinary lives seen through a clown's extraordinary prism.

Already a leading film comic when his buffoonish characters began entrancing TV audiences in 1951, Skelton made household names of Clem Kadiddlehopper, Freddie the Freeloader and the Mean Widdle Kid, whose favorite expression was "I dood it!"



Red Skelton

The auburn-haired comedian died Wednesday at Eisenhower Medical Center in Rancho Mirage, 90 miles east of Los Angeles, after a long, undisclosed illness. He was 84.

The son of a grocer who had worked as a circus clown, Skelton always signed off from his TV shows with his standard line: "Good night, and may God bless."

"Red ended his shows with a sincere 'God bless,' but, in truth, we were the ones blessed by this extraordinary talented man. He created an unforgettable cast of characters, particularly during the quarter-century when he was a genuine TV superstar," said actress Carol Channing.

Unlike some of today's comics, Skelton was never vulgar.

"Today's comics use four-letter words as a shortcut to thinking," Skelton told The Associated Press in 1987. "They're shooting for that big laugh and it becomes a panic thing, using four-letter words to shock people."

A soggy doughnut left his audiences falling apart in laughter when Skelton got hold of it.

He once ducked into a Montreal coffee shop and watched as a tipsy patron tried to dunk his doughnut into a cup of coffee. Skelton parodied the scene in the 1938 film "Having a Wonderful Time" and the routine became one of his trademark bits.

"He gave comedy a good name," said Bob Hope. "Dolores and I have lost a dear friend and our favorite clown."

"The world has lost a gem, an icon, an original," fellow TV comic Milton Berle said.

Who could forget the lovable characters Clem Kadiddlehopper, a slow-witted hayseed; Freddie the Freeloader, a silent tramp; punch-drunk boxer Cauliflower McPugg; the inebriated Willie Lump-Lump; henpecked husband George Appleby; and the cross-eyed seagulls Gertrude and Heathcliffe?

Skelton was inspired by an early friendship with silent film star Buster Keaton but his physical comedy style — with every pratfall he flashed a cock-eyed grin — was honed more from the big top than Hollywood.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Friday, Sept. 19, 1997

In the year ahead, you could be reunited with a number of people who went off in their own directions. All parties involved will be happy to revive relationships.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Guard against inclinations to postpone or ignore tasks that require your immediate attention today. These are not things you can merely wish away. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Joint endeavors could fail today if associates behave in a greedy manner. You will end up feeling bitter and shortchanged if this occurs.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In order to be productive today, you must be methodical and keep your priorities in order. Use rotation, handling the toughest ones first.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You might do things to extremes today. You will either push yourself beyond your endurance or completely ignore your responsibilities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Usually you're a shrewd bargain hunter, but today your sense of values might be distorted and you may pay more for merchandise than necessary.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Personal interests can be gratified today, but this should not be at the expense of anyone else, especially people you love and trust.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Use your common sense today and your assessments of situations will be on target. Do not automatically endorse your accuracy to intuition.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try not to be self-serving when dealing with associates today. If you reach out to grab too much, you might draw back a handful of air.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Take nothing for granted today in matters pertaining to your career. Objectives are achievable, but a concerted effort is required.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Go out of your way today to assist a friend who is trying his or her best to succeed; shun those who expect you to do all of their work.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Others might say unkind things in your presence today about someone you like and respect. Do what you can immediately to set the record straight.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may be too dubious about your abilities in competitive developments today. Perform boldly in front of your opponents, and your insecurity will lessen.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Husband Who Quit Drinking Has Stopped Loving as Well

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: My husband quit drinking five years ago, and he hasn't made love to me since. The only time he put his arms around me after he quit was when his father died.

I don't think he is having an affair; I think he can't show his feelings unless he's had a drink. I sleep in another bedroom because he snores and reads the paper in bed, but he could come to my bed for sex if he wanted to.

I suggested counseling once, but he said I was the one who needed help. Now it seems I'm only attractive to him when he's had a drink or two.

Abby, I need to be held, and made to feel like a woman once in a while. Life is too short to live like this, but I still love him. What can I do to get him to be affectionate again?

FEELING UNLOVED
IN ST. CLOUD, MINN.

DEAR FEELING UNLOVED: There is little you can do, unless your husband admits there's a problem that needs to be resolved.

If he is content with the marriage and is unwilling to seek counseling with you, go without him. The kind of rejection you describe can be devastating to one's self-esteem. With professional help you will be able to rebuild it — and also decide what you want to do about this marriage.

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DEAR ABBY: I must respond to your answer to "Catfused in Canada." Unless you have cats, you have no right to tell the reader to "keep the cats in a separate room with food and water." As every cat lover knows, people don't own cats — cats own people!

Since visitors know that their friend has cats, if they are allergic to them, or dislike them, they should not come to visit.

I have two wonderfully spoiled "children" of my own, and I choose not to have some people over — and some choose not to come on their own — because they know how freely my cats are allowed to roam the house. They are exclusively indoor cats, so to confine them to one room, even if only temporarily, is not right.

Cats are family members, just as people are. Abby, what would you have told "Catfused" if he or she had a child that the neighbors didn't like? Keep the child in a separate room with food and water?

Be careful how you respond to cat lovers.

CAT LOVER IN GEORGIA

DEAR GEORGIA CAT LOVER: Since that letter appeared in my column, the fur has been flying from cat lovers nationwide. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I would like to respond to the advice you gave "Catfused in Canada." The reader asked what to do with her three declawed cats when her neighbor visited and asked her to remove the cats from the room. You told the hostess she should put her cats in another room with food and water.

In my opinion, "Catfused" should leave the cats where they are. The neighbor should respect the fact that the cats live there, and the hostess should tell her the cats are free to roam as they please because it's their home. If the neighbor doesn't agree, she can call instead of dropping over.

A CAT LOVER IN
NEW ORLEANS

DEAR CAT LOVER: I doubt that a few minutes in another room would traumatize "Catfused's" pets. It's common courtesy to make a guest comfortable in your home. Denying pets free run of the house occasionally for a short time is not, in my opinion, too great a sacrifice to make in the interest of hospitality.

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For Abby's favorite family recipes, send a long, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet No. 1, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF RATE CHANGE REQUEST

Texas Utilities Electric Company ("TU Electric"), in accordance with the Texas Utilities Code, hereby publishes NOTICE of its Statement of Intent filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission") to implement the following optional time-of-use rates that would be applicable on a voluntary basis at the individual customer's option as follows: (1) Rate GTU - General Service Time-of-Use, which would be available to any retail customer and typically useful to commercial and industrial customers receiving firm electric service; (2) Rate RTU1 - Residential Time-of-Use Service, which would be available to residential customers; and (3) Rate GTUC - General Service Time-of-Use Voluntary Curtailable, which would be available to any retail customer and typically useful to commercial and industrial customers receiving interruptible electric service. TU Electric proposes to implement said optional rates on October 10, 1997, or as soon thereafter as permitted by law. The purpose of these optional time-of-use rates is to allow customers to manage their electric usage in a way to shift their loads from on-peak periods to off-peak periods and thereby save on their electric bills and allow TU Electric and all of its customers to benefit through a reduced need for additional resources to meet the peak load requirements of TU Electric's customers.

While these rates would be entirely voluntary at the individual customer's choice, all of TU Electric's customers and classes of customers in all territories over which the Commission exercises original jurisdiction would be affected by the proposed rates.

Since these proposed rate options are entirely voluntary, TU Electric is unable to estimate their effect on its revenues, although these optional time-of-use rates are designed to be revenue neutral to TU Electric.

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission's Office of Consumer Affairs at (512) 936-7120. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is 45 days after the date the application was filed with the Commission. Since the Application was filed on September 5, 1997, the deadline for intervention is October 20, 1997.

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Sen. Drew Nixon...

Jury recommends six months jail, fine

AUSTIN (AP) — A jury has recommended jail for state Sen. Drew Nixon for illegally carrying a gun and soliciting an undercover police officer who posed as a prostitute.

The five-woman, one-man Travis County jury deliberated about 2½ hours Wednesday before recommending that Nixon serve six months in jail and an undetermined term of probation.

County Court at Law Judge David Puryear will formally sentence the second-term lawmaker on Oct. 1.

"We were as fair as possible and treated him like any other citizen," juror Paige Nadel said.

Nixon pleaded guilty to the two misdemeanor charges Monday, asking for the jury to recommend his sentence. He had faced up to one year in jail on the gun charge and six months on the prostitution charge.

The jury recommended jail time for the gun conviction and probation for the prostitution charge. The panel also recommended a total of $6,000 in fines, the maximum possible.

Nixon, 37, showed little reaction to the sentence.

"His mom is a wreck and his wife is a wreck. His focus is on getting them back to where they are staying," said Bill Miller, Nixon's spokesman.

The senator did not comment. He spent several minutes calming his sobbing wife before leaving the courtroom.

No decision has been made regarding Nixon's political future, Miller said.

The legislative library could find no reference to another lawmaker being sentenced to jail while actively serving in the Legislature. Others have gotten probation while in office, and several were sentenced to various terms after leaving office, librarian Nancy Hayes said.

Nixon's current term ends in January 2000. The convictions don't automatically make him ineligible to continue serving, but Texas Democratic Chairman Bill White said Nixon should resign.

Dallas School Board...

Resignation of superintendent tabled

DALLAS (AP) — Trustees voted to place Yvonne Gonzalez on a 30-day administrative leave early this morning, rejecting her resignation as superintendent of the Dallas public schools.

Trustees met behind closed doors for nine hours beginning Wednesday afternoon before voting to table her resignation.

Ms. Gonzalez offered her resignation Tuesday night after the school district's chief financial officer filed a lawsuit accusing her of sexual harassment.

For most of Wednesday night's executive session, the school board discussed results of a corruption investigation that Ms. Gonzalez had ordered. Finally came the 6-3 vote to delay a decision on the resignation for 30 days.

The board's three black members dissented, saying they wanted to accept the resignation.

"It's unfortunate because it continues all the innuendo between blacks and Hispanics," said Yvonne Ewell, one of the board members who voted against tabling the resignation. "We just need to get on with education, and we don't need all this ambivalence."

Lee Alcorn, a local official of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, also was upset about the vote. A day earlier, he cheered news that she was stepping down.

"This makes no sense whatsoever. I'm not happy at all. This is a further travesty of justice," Alcorn said.

"It's a further indication of the deep corruption and deep wrongness of the school district and the way they do business. Not only should we accept her resignation, we should fire her," he said.

Black leaders opposed Ms. Gonzalez's selection last January, saying she was unqualified and that they wanted a black superintendent.

Robert Payton, an associate superintendent who is black, will be acting superintendent while Ms. Gonzalez is on leave.

The vote on Ms. Gonzalez's resignation came eight months after she began her tenure as superintendent. She has been embroiled in allegations that she sexually harassed a colleague, lavished money on office renovations and deliberately demoted or reassigned blacks.

As the executive session got under way Wednesday afternoon, hundreds of supporters thronged to the administration building. Most were vocal in their support of Ms. Gonzalez.

The throng, numbering as high as about 1,000 at one point, cheered as people posted notes on windows to the board room with such messages as: "Don't go," and "Don't leave our children."

The last straw for Ms. Gonzalez, 44, came Friday when district chief financial officer Matthew Harden, who is black, filed the lawsuit alleging Ms. Gonzalez sent him notes filled with suggestive comments including, "How about a little one-on-one?"

Ms. Gonzalez also was accused of attaching a sophisticated tracking device to Harden's car because "she was jealous of other women around him."

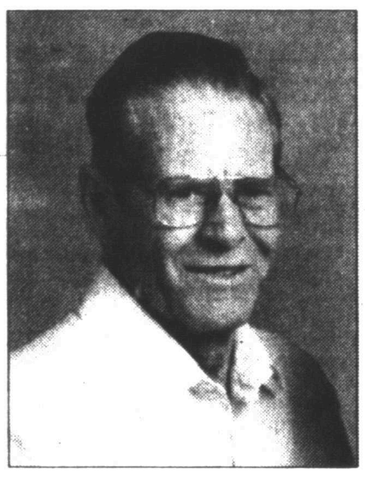
Ms. Gonzalez agreed to resign to settle Harden's lawsuit and obtain his evidence of her alleged misconduct, court records filed Wednesday showed.

But the deal faltered when Ms. Gonzalez purportedly failed to read a prearranged resignation statement. Consequently, Harden refused Wednesday to drop his lawsuit.

Ms. Gonzalez publicly denied the harassment allegations and said Harden's lawsuit was an attempt to discredit her because of the ongoing probe into district mismanagement.

Several of Harden's top staffers have been placed on administrative leave or fired. Thirteen employees indicted on federal charges of overtime fraud were in Harden's division.

Obituaries



Carl Stokes

Carl E. Stokes

1928-1997

Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Northside Baptist Church for Carl E. Stokes, longtime Scurry County resident and retired postal service employee.

The Rev. Bob Rhodes, pastor, will officiate, and burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens. Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Stokes, 69, died Monday, Sept. 15, in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born Jan. 23, 1928 in Lamesa, he married Doris "Dot" Camp on Dec. 27, 1947 in Snyder.

A lifelong resident of Snyder, he served in the U.S. Navy from 1946-47.

Mr. Stokes worked as a letter carrier for the U.S. Postal service for 33 years, retiring in 1982 due to his health. He served as treasurer for Northside Baptist Church for many years.

Mr. Stokes was active in the Senior Center Band and other bands in the area. He was also active in the Bowling Association and was an avid fisherman.

Survivors include his wife, Doris Stokes of Snyder; a daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Bob Fowler of Snyder; three sons and daughters-in-law, David and Darlene Stokes of Snyder, Larry and Judy Stokes of Shreveport, La., and Daryl and Susan Stokes of Estes Park, Colo.; 11 grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.

Friends are contributing to the Scurry County Senior Center, 2603 Ave. M; or the American Heart Association, 875 CR 1101, Hermleigh 79526.

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Parents, teachers urged to watch for abuse signs

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's anti-drug agency is urging parents and teachers to watch for signs of inhalant abuse among Texas children.

A recent survey of Texas public school students found that 20 percent in grades seven through 12 admitted using inhalants at least once; 8.1 percent of seventh-graders said they'd tried inhalants at least once in the past month.

"Students in elementary and middle school say they are attracted to inhalants because they are cheap, legal, easy to obtain, conveniently packaged and easy to hide from parents," the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse said Wednesday.

The agency released a report on inhalant abuse that said inhaling correction fluid, solvents, paint, glue and other products often leads children, many not yet in their teens, on "a destructive journey to addiction."

"Early inhalant abuse is clearly an indicator of high risk for multiple problems with school and other drugs," the report said.

TCADA said that inhalants, which depress the central nervous system, can cause brain damage, visual and hearing impairments, addiction or sudden death, even with first-time users.

Inhalants also can cause emotional instability, bizarre behavior, intense fear and anxiety, violence or withdrawal, depression and suicidal thoughts.

According to TCADA officials, inhalant use appears to peak with students aged 13 and 14, then declines as chronic users drop out of school and older students move on to marijuana and alcohol.

"The good news is that children can be taught to resist social pressures to try drugs, like inhalants," the agency says in an informational brochure designed to help Texans learn more about the problem.

"Parents can help by becoming informed about inhalants, by talking to their children about inhalant use, and by keeping household chemicals out of the reach of young children."

The agency says parents should be on the lookout for these and other warning signs of inhalant use: paint or stains on the body or clothing; chemical odor on the breath, clothing or in the room; drunk, dazed or dizzy appearance; slurred speech and staggering walk; nausea and lack of appetite, spots, rash or sores around the mouth and nose; red, glassy or watery eyes, dilated pupils and runny nose; anxiety, excitability and irritability; seizures.

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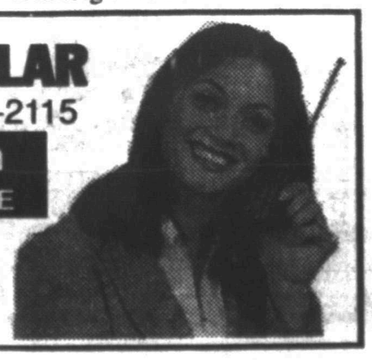
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Births

Billy and Melissa Doucette of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter, Alyssa Brooke Doucette. She was born weighing eight pounds, 13 ounces at 5:21 p.m. on Sept. 12 in Scenic Mountain Medical Center in Big Spring.

She has a sister, Briana Elyse Doucette. Grandparents are Billy and Jackie Doucette and Donna Parrish, all of Snyder.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Eldridge Bailey, LaTrice Hammit.

DISMISSALS: Blossom Dering, Elnora Hamilton, Ora Heath, Bernice Henderson, Jesusa Herrera, Angelica Lopez.

CENSUS: 48 (Med., Surg-18, Long-term Care-30.)

What's Up?

Fair animals needed

Animals are needed for the Scurry County Fair, today through Saturday. No dogs or cats or any animal considered dangerous will be exhibited. All entries will receive a ribbon. Call 573-3026 for information.

Fair volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for the Scurry County Fair through Saturday. To volunteer, or for more information, call the chamber at 573-3558.

Football fellowship

A fellowship will be held in the Hermleigh cafeteria following Friday night's 7:30 ballgame. Everyone is invited and asked to bring sandwiches, cokkies, chips or drinks.

Horseshoes and washers

Horseshoe and washer pitching tournaments will be held Saturday at the courts on the coliseum grounds beginning at 10 a.m. Prizes will be awarded.

County fair booklets

Scurry County Fair booklets are at the chamber of commerce for people who wish to have one.

Canyon Community reunion

The Canyon Community reunion will be held Saturday at the Ira Community Center. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Lunch will be "on your own." Bring any momentoes, pictures and tales with you. For more information, call 573-3825 or 573-3093.

Tiger Moms to meet

Tiger Moms will meet at 2 p.m. Sunday at the high school student center.

Bible study video tapes

Bible study video tapes are airing on Channel 2. The tapes last about 30 minutes. "Be Not Troubled" will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Hermleigh Booster Club

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Monday in the school cafeteria. Everyone is invited.

Ira school pictures

School photos wil be taken at Ira for grades K-11 on Thursday, Sept. 25. Also to be taken wil be high school and junior high football players, cheerleaders, mascosts and twirler photos. Students must have their money if they are buying a package. All students will be photographed. Class officers for grades 6-12 will also be photographed.

Stanfield fund-raiser

Stanfield Elementary students are be selling Christmas cards to help raise money for new playground equipment. Students must have their orders in by Friday, Sept. 26.

Fajitas and football

First Christian Church is sponsoring a fajitas and football night for Friday, Sept. 26, at the church. Those attending are invited to eat from 5-7:30 p.m. and walk to Tiger Stadium, just a half-block away, for the Snyder-Big Spring game. Advance tickets are $4.50 for adults and $2 for children under 12. Tickets at the door will be $5 and $2.50.

St. Jude's Bike-a-Thon

The St. Jude's Bike-a-Thon will be held at 10 a.m. Sept. 27 at Scurry County Coliseum. Kids of all ages can walk, run, roller blade or ride. No motorized bikes, please. The event will feature prizes and refreshments. For pledge cards and more information, call 573-8533 or 573-4749.

Church building fund

Garage sale items are being accepted by the Lighthouse Assembly of God for their church building fund. Call 573-5124 for more information.

MAWC garage sale

Martha Ann Woman's Club is accepting donated items for its Oct. 11 garage sale. Call 573-3427 or 573-6717 for items to be picked up.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

6-7-4

(six, seven, four)

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn in the the drawing Wednesday night for the $8 million Lotto Texas grand prize, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 1-3-20-22-39-45.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $13 million.

Gunmen attack tour bus

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Gunmen dressed in business suits opened fire on a tour bus today and set it ablaze with firebombs outside Cairo's popular Egyptian Museum, killing at least six German tourists and three others.

No one immediately claimed responsibility for the attack, which came three days after Egypt sentenced four Muslim extremists to death for subversion.

Frightened tourists and bystanders streamed away from the museum, home to one of the greatest collections of Pharaonic antiquities, including the golden treasures found in the tomb of Tutankhamen.

"I saw one man hurl a Molotov cocktail at the left side of the bus, while another opened fire," said Mohammed Fadl, an office worker. "There was a lot of commotion, and people began running everywhere."

"There was black smoke coming out of the bus, and then it burst into flames," he said.

Four foreign tourists and 15 Egyptians also were wounded, police said. There were no immediate reports of any American injuries.

At least 31 tourists were already inside the white bus when the first bomb exploded about 12:15 p.m., a usually busy time for the museum.