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## Ask Us

Q—I worked most of last year but I did receive unemployment compensation for about three months total. Do I have to report those payments as income on my tax return?

A—Yes. Unemployment compensation is considered as income by the IRS and it must be reported.

## Local

## Lodge

Snyder Masonic Lodge No. 706 will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday to work on the E.A. Degree.

## County

Scurry County commissioners will open and consider bids for a vehicle for the juvenile probation office at 11 a.m. Thursday.

## Book fair

SHS Drama Patrons will hold a used book fair from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday in the foyer of Worsham Auditorium.

## Class of '60

Snyder High School Class of 1960 will meet at this evening at the Alex and LaNell Cross home on the Lamesa Highway. Call 573-3186, 573-8060 or 573-3548.

## Tax help

Dot Stokes, an AARP Tax-Aide volunteer, is offering free tax help to low or moderate-income taxpayers age 60 and older each Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon and 1-2:30 p.m. at the Senior Center, 2603 Ave. M., through April 15.

## Beta Delta Phi

Beta Delta Phi's annual Valentine dance and "Sweetheart Get Away" raffle will be Saturday from 8:30 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. at Snyder Country Club. Cow Jazz will perform. Admission is $10 for singles or $15 per couple.

## Free tickets

Snyder Daily News is giving 50 people a chance to win two free tickets to next Monday's Circus Gatti.

Ten names drawn at random from the local telephone book will be placed in the SDN classified pages each day through the weekend edition. Citizens who find their name and bring the paper to the SDN office will receive two free adult tickets.

Circus Gatti showtimes are 4:30 and 8 p.m. Monday at Scurry County Coliseum.

## Weather

**Snyder Temperatures:** High Tuesday, 49 degrees; low, 23 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 23 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1995 to date, .81 of an inch.

**Snyder Area Forecast:** Tonight, mostly clear. Low in the upper 30s. South wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, mostly sunny. High in the mid 60s. Southwest west wind 10-20 mph.

**Almanac:** Sunset today, 6:25. Sunrise Thursday, 7:31. Of 38 days in 1995, the sun has shone 36 days in Snyder.



WORK PROGRAM — Ray Cearley, left, who is the supervisor of the city's community service work program, oversees two workers who are currently in the program. Cary Thurmond, center, and Tommy Lawhon clean out a storm drain on 30th Street as one of their projects. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Community service manager learning 'ins and outs' of job

By Wade Warren
SDN Staff Writer

After being on the job as coordinator/supervisor of the city's community service program only a little over a month, Ray Cearley says he is still learning the "ins and outs" of the job.

"But we all are," said the burly Hermleigh resident. "It is a new program and all new to everyone."

Following the recommendation of the Juvenile/Adult Probationers Steering Committee, the city council voted in November to fund this position to supervise teen-agers and adults who have been sentenced to do community service work.

Council members agreed that the city had public service work to do, but in order to get it done, the program needed someone to oversee it.

Councilman I. E. Martin said at the time, "We need a person who doesn't want a job, but wants to take on a project."

Apparently, the city picked the right one.

Cearley was hired on a contract basis which calls for a 40-hour work week but he has been putting in about 10 hours of his own time each week in order to get the program off to a good start.

"Personally, I feel like it is a good opportunity for me and a good program for the city too," said Cearley.

There are numerous projects for the participants to work in. One of the most demanding is at the city's recycling center.

"We try to spend at least three days a week with recycling and work in other projects as we can."

He and his workers normally spend Saturday at the city's landfill keeping the debris fence free of blowing paper.

One of their present projects is cleaning out the storm drains on the east side of the city.

"It's been a long time since these were functional," said Cearley as he watched two of his charges work to clean a drain on 30th Street. "They are supposed to be four feet deep but they were so full of mud and silt that the drain covers left an imprint on the dirt when we opened them up."

Cearley said while a lot of the jobs "are not fun" — it was obvious that cleaning the drains were not — he has been impressed with the attitude of most of his workers.

"I was a little surprised that they work as hard as they do since they are not getting paid," he said, "but most all of them have worked before and realize that time goes a lot faster when they stay busy."

He added that those assigned to the program who decide not to do any work are referred back to the probation offices.

"What happens then, I don't know," said Cearley.

Cearley has some 18 years of experience operating heavy duty equipment, and hopes his strong work ethic will aid the probationers in the long run.

A total of 509 manhours were spent by probationers in January working on various city projects.

The program could be described as a continuous "clean up, fix up, paint up" project for the city as the program has ambitious plans for numerous projects around the community.

# Clinton's choice for CIA director is retired AF Gen. Michael Carns

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's choice for CIA director is described by colleagues as a defense intellectual with a flair for innovative thinking.

The House and Senate committees that oversee the CIA's activities said Tuesday the White House had indicated that President Clinton intends to nominate retired Air Force Gen. Michael P.C. Carns, 57, as director of central intelligence.

An announcement was planned for this afternoon.

Carns, 57, would replace R. James Woolsey, who abruptly announced his resignation last December and left the post in early January with the CIA in turmoil over the size and shape of its budget, its future mission and internal strains.

Carns, if confirmed by the Senate, would be the first military officer to head the CIA since Adm. Stansfield Turner in the Carter administration.

Adm. William Studeman, who was deputy CIA director under Woolsey and has been the acting director since Woolsey left, would have to leave the deputy's post if Carns takes over, because the National Security Act of 1947 that created the Central Intelligence Agency says military officers may not hold the top two spots simultaneously.

People who worked with Carns during his 35-year Air Force career said Tuesday they believed he would do well, even though he had never worked for an intelligence agency.

"I think he's a terrific appointment," said Robert Gates, who was CIA director during the Bush administration and has known Carns since Carns was at U.S. Pacific Command in Hawaii in the mid-1980s.

Retired Gen. Michael Dugan, a former chief of staff of the Air Force, said he has known Carns for about 35 years and considers him an excellent choice for CIA chief.

"He's an intellectual," Dugan said. "In the Air Force he was known as a thinker and a planner."

Rep. Larry Combest, R-Texas, chairman of the House Intelligence Committee, said, "I certainly will not quibble" with the choice of Carns.

# Ira ISD board facing vacancy

When Ira public school trustees convene for their February meeting Thursday they'll have to decide how to fill a vacancy on the board.

Darryl Calley, who has served three years on the board, moved out of the Ira school district and must step down.

"The options are that the board could appoint someone to fill the unexpired term, or they could call a special election, or thirdly, leave the seat vacant until the next regular election, which is May 6," said Ira ISD Superintendent Rick Howard.

Calley, vice president of Snyder National Bank, was first elected in May of 1992 to fill an unexpired term. He was re-elected to the board for a three-year term in 1993.

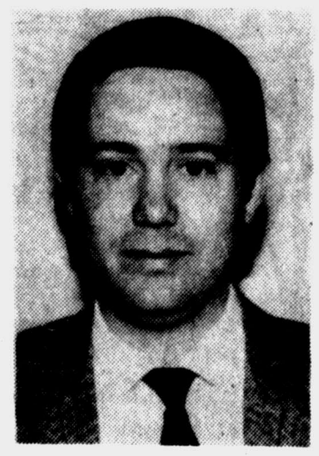
Traditionally — especially this close to an election — trustees will leave a vacated post open and let the voters make the choice. Should that happen, whomever is elected would serve out the remainder of Calley's Place 1 term, which ends in 1996.

Also on Thursday's 7:30 p.m. agenda is the call of the May 6 school board election. Trustees whose terms expire are Keith Clements, Place 6; and Doug White, Place 7.

In a related matter, the board will also appoint an election judge, voting clerks and early voting clerks.

Other open-session items for Thursday's meeting include acceptance of Calley's resignation, selection of an outside auditor, approval of participation in the USDA commodity program and a purchase option for the district's energy management system. Trustees will tour the high school technology lab and consider a district technology plan.

In closed session, the board will hear from a parent who feels that disciplinary action restricting a student's participation in extracurricular activities is too strict, and consider the annual evaluation of the principal.



DARRYL CALLEY

# CPS seeking area families

Children's Protective Services is seeking individuals to provide quality foster and adoptive homes for school age children, ethnic minorities and sibling groups.

A community information meeting will be held in Snyder on Saturday at 10 a.m.

A panel from the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services and current foster and adoptive parents will provide information and answer questions about what it takes to become foster and adoptive parents.

For information on the meeting location, contact the Children's Protective Services offices in Snyder at 573-1161 or in Abilene at (915) 672-6814, ext. 383.

# Abortion rate 8% for Scurry County

Eight percent of the pregnancies in Scurry County ended in abortion in 1993, according to Texas Health Department's Bureau of Vital Statistics.

That's far below the statewide abortion rate of 20.8 percent for 1993 — the most recent statistics available. Figures for 1994 won't be compiled for several months, a bureau spokesperson said.

According to information from the agency, there were 23 abortions performed to Scurry County residents in 1993. The statistics do not reveal whether a woman may have had more than one abortion, or where the induced termination of pregnancy occurred.

There were 217 live births to Scurry County women in 1993, and no fetal deaths, other than abortions.

The 23 reported abortions were up from 1992, but far below totals in 1991 and 1990, according to the bureau. There were 18 abortions performed to Scurry County women in 1992, and 44 in 1991 and 36 in 1990.

Of the women having abortions in 1993, 18 were white, two Hispanic and one Black. Two were listed as unknown race.

Six of the females were between the ages of 15 and 19; five were between the ages of 20 and 24. There were four each in the age groups of 25-29, 30-34 and 35 and older.

The year 1993 marked the first time that the majority of Scurry County women having an abortion did not come from the 15-19 and 20-24 age groups. In 1993, 11 came from those two groups while 12 were age 24 and above.

In 1990, 23 of the 36 women having abortions were age 15 to 24. There were 34 of 44 in that age group in 1991 and 11 of 18 in 1992.

## The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Some folks have only a tiny birthmark on their head, and it's called a brain."

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We've been told that for 50 years, and recently it's been frequently suggested that there is no birthmark at all.

We thought it would be chalked up as determination. Ole what's-her-name and others call it bullheaded. Our newspaper friend in Vernon, who turned 50 last November, said it was dumb and dumber.

Larry Crabtree has been a friend since elementray school in Andrews, and we challenged him that we would each walk 50 miles on our 50th birthdays.

Crabtree countered that we might consider 25 miles each for a combined symbolic 50. November passed and Crabtree never got off the couch. He claims he didn't have enough trust to accept the challenge. He figured he would walk in November, and we would refuse in February.

Crabtree was right, but for the wrong reason. We found something more difficult than trudging 50 miles — it's called moving, and now we can hardly move.

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Einstein's theory of relativity was E = mc squared. E was energy and m stood for mass. We were never quiet sure what the c meant, but it had something to do with time and motion squared.

The new Birthday Theory of Relativity (BTR) is: "The older you get, the faster times flies — squared."

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Our favorite birthday story concerned the senior citizen who was complaining at the coffee shop about the loss of his physical desire.

The senior citizen was told not to worry, that it was natural at his age.

The senior citizen didn't buy that. "I've got a friend past 90 who says he makes love every night."

Advised his coffee drinking friend, "Why don't you just tell the same story?"

# British Petroleum okays settlement

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Four years after spilling 400,000 gallons of oil into Southern California coastal waters, British Petroleum has agreed to pay $3.89 million for wildlife restoration and cleanup efforts.

The settlement, announced Tuesday on the fourth anniversary of the spill, resolves all federal claims for damages to natural resources when the BP tanker American Trader ran aground attempting to dock at an offshore oil terminal on the Orange County coast.

The spill formed a gooey black tide that closed 15 miles of beach and killed about 1,000 birds.

The settlement is in addition to the nearly $12 million that British Petroleum already has paid in cleanup and compensation costs, California Attorney General Dan Lungren said.

Under the terms of the settlement, $2.48 million will go toward improving or protecting the habitat of Brown Pelicans or other sea birds, $400,000 will pay for California's white sea bass fish hatchery project and $300,000 will fund ocean pollution migration studies.

The spill is believed to have killed more than 100 brown pelicans, an endangered species.

The remaining $700,000 will be divided between state and local governments that paid for cleanup.

Both state and federal judges must approve the proposed settlement.






## Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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## Shy Man's Office Friends Should Only Push So Far

DEAR ABBY: We need some advice, but it's not for us — it's for someone we work with. He is a very shy guy, who's actually a very nice person once you get to know him.

Several of us have invited him to parties, sporting events or just to go to a movie, but his response is always the same: "Thank you. I have other plans."

At first we believed him, but after a while we came to realize that he had no plans. He stays home seven nights a week and has no social life at all.

Now we don't know if we should give up until he's ready (he may never be ready), or if we should be more persistent and insist he join us. He is such a nice guy, intelligent, with a good sense of humor.

What do you suggest, Abby? Every time we try to fix him up with a girl, he says he has a girlfriend, but nobody has ever seen her. How can we get this young man out of his shell?

STUMPED

**DEAR STUMPED: This young man is obviously a very private person. You have made it plain that he is welcome to join you for a sociable evening. Since he has consistently declined, saying that he has "other plans" when you suspect he has none, respect his privacy and quit asking.**

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DEAR ABBY: I am a hairdresser in a very busy salon. This letter is for those who bring young children to the salon to wait while they get their hair done.

A hair salon is not the place for a child who needs constant supervision. While you're getting your hair cut, perm or color, children get bored. They scream, squeal, yell, whine and cry. They pump the chair up, they pump the chair down. While the chair is up, they climb into it and spin around. Aside from its being annoying for the rest of us, these chairs can fall over and injure your child.

They run around and play with our hair dryers, combs, brushes, etc. We have to pay for all of our own equipment, and it's very expensive. Our shears alone can cost $300 or more.

Curious children put their fingers into color bowls containing chemicals that can be very harmful to them. Then they put their fingers into their mouths, up their noses and in their eyes. And no matter how much sweeping up we do, there is always hair on the floor your child is playing on.

Small children disturb the other clients and hairdressers. They are in the way. Many are well-behaved, but children are children and can't be expected to behave as adults.

Thanks for letting me get this off my chest, Abby. I can't count the times my clients' kids have left me ready to curl up and dye.

FROSTED IN FRESNO

**DEAR FROSTED: You are not the only hairdresser (or patron, for that matter) who has written to me about this problem. Of course, you are absolutely right. And I'll bet your letter will be clipped and displayed on many a beauty shop wall (or mirror).**

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DEAR ABBY: Thank you for printing the letter from "Heartbroken in Utah," who lost her 7-month-old son when he suffocated on a ribbon that was tied around a stuffed bear's neck.

I have a 6-month-old daughter, so I ran to her crib to find a small bear that also had a ribbon around its neck! Chills went up my spine to think this may have happened to her. She puts everything in her mouth, like most babies her age.

My heart goes out to this family, and I thank them for sending you this warning. It may very well have saved my daughter's life!

GRATEFUL IN MARIETTA, GA.

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# Legislation would require candidates take drug test

AUSTIN (AP) — A proposal to require candidates for elected offices to pass a drug test "violates the fundamental laws of the land," civil liberties advocates say.

"The Fourth Amendment says you can't search someone unless you have probable cause," Jay Jacobson, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Texas, said Tuesday in response to legislation proposed by Rep. Ron Wilson.

"Any taking of bodily fluid — urine, blood or saliva — is a search and can't be done unless there is probable cause that you will find evidence of a crime," Jacobson said.

Wilson's bill would require candidates for all elected offices, including statewide and local positions, to take a drug test. Persons appointed to fill a vacancy in an elected office also would have to undergo testing.

Currently, drug testing of government and private sector employees may be conducted at the will of the employer, according to the state attorney general's office.

Wilson, D-Houston, said his bill aims to show that lawmakers "aren't above the people who sent us here."

"If we want to hold minimum-wage employees to the standards that allows employers to randomly test them for drugs ... then we ought to hold our elected officials to the same standards," Wilson said.

"We're making policy. The last thing you want up here is somebody who's not asleep at the wheel but lit at the wheel," he said. "This is a deterrent."

## Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

### Your Birthday

Thursday, Feb. 9, 1995

The better informed you are in the year ahead, the better your chances for success will be in your chosen field. Keep pace with new knowledge, new technology and powerful new people in your organization.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Take promises made by a hotshot acquaintance with a grain of salt today. This person produces better verbal products than he/she can deliver in reality. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.50 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Strive to be self-sufficient today. Others cannot be relied upon for help at this time. When push comes to shove, there is only you.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Before committing to anything today, sound out your grandiose ideas on those whose judgment you trust. They may see flaws that escaped your detection.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Strive to manage your finances prudently in this cycle. There is a remote chance that funds you're counting on could be delayed.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Back off from a partnership arrangement today if you think you're getting hooked up with someone who can't contribute equally.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Act charitably to those needing your help today, but make certain you're doing it for the right people and for the right reasons.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Exceeding the feed limit might carry a heavy penalty today. Keep an eye on your waistline and practice moderation, moderation, moderation.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Usually you're not fearful of challenges or obstacles, but today if the contest isn't tilted in your favor, you might not enter the fray.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Neither you nor the person with whom you're involved will come up with good, constructive ideas today. Unfortunately, you both will be reluctant to compromise.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** You tend not to take your responsibilities too seriously, and this will work to your advantage today when managing someone's stressful situation.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** If you want others to cooperate with you today, you must first show a willingness to be cooperative. If you balk, so will they.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** "Never do today what can be put off until tomorrow" is a policy guaranteed to produce regrets. This won't be a good day to sweep responsibilities under the rug.

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## Berry's World



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# David Holt A Bright Spot On Our Hometown!

**Changes often bring problems, but changes can also present opportunities.**

**Scurry County oilfields have seen dramatic changes. A greater emphasis on the environment provided an opportunity for a veteran oilfield service company.**

**Guiding the company through the transitions has been David Holt, president of Fluid Transports, Inc. His business acumen as well as his civic involvement were primary factors in his selection for February's Hometown Spirit Award.**

**A long-time resident of Scurry County, David moved to Snyder in the late 1950s. After receiving the Carl Herod Award and gaining All-State honors in football, David graduated from Snyder High School in 1966.**

**He then attended Texas Christian University on a football scholarship, earning recognition as an outstanding defensive player. He graduated from TCU in 1970 with a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree.**

**David and his wife, Donna, moved back to Snyder in 1971 and became associated with Fluid Transports.**

**The oilfield business specialized in water hauling as well as vacuum and pump trucks. As president of the company, David had an eye on the future. In 1991 the company expanded to include enviromental non-hazardous and hazardous disposal.**

**Fluid Transports employs 14 Snyder residents. Another company operated by David Holt, Snyder Area Contractors, employs approximately 60 persons.**

**Community service remains important to David Holt. He is an avid golfer and is a past president of the Snyder Country Club. He became a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite Mason in 1974.**

**David served two terms on the Snyder City Council from 1979 to 1983. He currently serves on the board of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, having been appointed in 1984.**

**David served as president of the Snyder Little League in the late 1970s and umpired as a member of the Southwest Officials Association for six years. He was appointed as a director of the Development Corporation of Snyder in 1994.**

**He is an active member of the First United Methodist Church and the Mesquite Country Emmaus Community.**

**David and Donna have two sons. Kevin Holt is a student at San Angelo State University. Alan and his wife, Cindy, have two daughters, Haleigh and Hanna, and the family lives in Austin.**

**David's parents, Dan and Marion Holt, also reside in Snyder.**

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## Community Calendar

**WEDNESDAY**

TAP; bilingual sessions only; 9 a.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-4158 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

Snyder Palette Club; West 37th in the airport terminal building; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ministerial Alliance; Willow Park Inn; prayer meeting at 9:30, regular meeting at 10.

Noah Project Advisory Committee; MAWC; noon.

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

Snyder Christian Women's Club guest night; Snyder Country Club; feature, Drew Bullard of Computer Solutions; music, Steve Marshall; guest speakers Melvin Ziegenbein, vice president of Blue Bell Creameries, and his wife, Karla; 7 to 9 p.m.

SOS (Singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Life Center; 7 p.m.

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

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3308 or 573-2101.

Snyder FFA Alumni and Parents Assn.; ag department of Snyder High School; everyone is welcome to attend; 7:30 p.m.

Bilingual Group of Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for more information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

**FRIDAY**

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

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (Last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

**SATURDAY**

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-4158 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

**SUNDAY**

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.

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

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

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

## Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 2-8-95
♠5
♥K Q 4 2
♦Q J 6 5
♣Q 6 3 2

WEST
♠A K 10 8 7
♥10 9 8
♦10 9 8
♣10 9

EAST
♠Q J 9 6 2
♥J 7 5 3
♦4
♣K J 8

SOUTH
♠4 3
♥A 6
♦A K 7 3 2
♣A 7 5 4

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 ♦ | Pass | 1 ♥ | Pass |
| 2 ♣ | Pass | 3 ♦ | Pass |
| 5 ♦ | Pass | Pass | Pass |

Opening lead: ♠K

### It comes naturally

By Phillip Alder

Many players think that only experts can make contracts using a squeeze. Actually, many squeezes "play themselves," emerging without any clever play. In general, if you are one trick short of the number you need for your contract and have no apparent chance for the extra trick, think squeeze.

Squeezes don't make good column deals, however, because the key play comes late in the day. Yet I wanted to show you today's deal because it was played by a 14-year-old, Mark Teltscher from London.

Defending against five diamonds, West led a top spade and switched to the club 10.

West's switch at trick two told declarer that East surely held the club king. So Teltscher could see 10 tricks: three hearts, five diamonds, one club and one spade ruff in the dummy. He could establish a second club trick, but only after losing three tricks: one spade and two clubs. No good. Bring on the squeeze.

At trick two, Teltscher made an excellent play: He ducked the club in both hands. Now he had the rest of the tricks except one, ideal for a squeeze.

West continued with his second club. Declarer won with his ace, ruffed his last spade in the dummy and ran all his trumps. In the end-position, the dummy had four hearts and South held the A-6 of hearts and two low clubs. But which four cards could East keep? He couldn't retain both the club king and four hearts. He had been squeezed.

If Teltscher plays with this level of skill and imagination at the age of 14, imagine what he will be doing in another 10 or 20 years.

*Phillip Alder's new book, "Get Smarter at Bridge," is available, autographed upon request, for $14.95 from P.O. Box 169, Roslyn Hts., NY 11577-0169.*

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### Celebrity gala

LOS ANGELES (AP) — I seemed everyone except O.J showed up.

A star-studded list of guests that included Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley-Jackson attended a reception marking the expansion of Johnnie Cochran Jr.'s law firm.

About 400 people were at the event, which marked the opening of the firm's business division and the expansion of the entertainment division.

Cochran is one of the lawyers defending O.J. Simpson.

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When the going get tough the tough get going — to somewhere easier. (By Phil Pastoret, Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)

# Clinton's risk on settling strike not paying off so far

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Usually presidents intervene in labor disputes on grounds of national security or national distress. President Clinton risked his prestige on behalf of the national pastime.

As of late Tuesday night, the risk wasn't paying off, as an extraordinary White House session among Clinton and representatives of players and owners failed to make any headway toward settling the strike, which is now entering its seventh month.

If it were a steel strike or a rail strike or an airline strike, Clinton would have no trouble getting results.

But he lacks the authority to act directly in this case. And there seemed little enthusiasm in Congress for taking on the issue — even though in the end, Clinton had to choose the least preferable alternative of sending legislation to Congress to require binding arbitration.

"It's not a matter of national survival," House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., said earlier. "I'm not sure what the national interest is in having the Congress start to micro-manage baseball."

Clinton took the extraordinary step of summoning both sides to the White House on Tuesday night after a federal mediator failed to make any progress in settling the differences between owners and players.

"I had hoped that tonight I would be coming out to say that baseball was coming back in 1995," a drained and dejected Clinton said at a White House briefing. "The American people are the real losers."

Presidents have been intervening in labor disputes for years — sometimes with dramatic effect, in stark contrast to Clinton's disappointing effort.

President Truman in 1946 ended a rail strike almost overnight — by announcing he would draft into the military the striking workers and have the Army run the railroads.

Truman also seized the nation's coal mines in 1945 and the steel mills in 1952, citing national security.

President Reagan strong-armed an end to an air traffic controllers strike in 1981 by summarily firing and replacing the controllers.

President Nixon ordered dock workers back to work in 1972, and President Carter ended a soft coal strike in 1978 and a strike on the Rock Island Railroad in 1979.

President Bush acted to end a nationwide rail shutdown in 1991.

And Clinton used his executive powers last August to order striking Soo Line Railroad employees back to work while federal mediators worked at resolving the dispute.

With the baseball strike, Clinton's biggest weapon was the bully pulpit of the White House. But the dispute that has resisted settlement also seemed to be resisting Clinton's powers of persuasion.

Clinton aides were lamenting the lack of direct authority to act. But there is plenty of precedent for presidents "jawboning" both sides into an agreement without formal action.

In fact, it worked for Clinton in November 1993, when he managed to end a five-day strike against American Airlines by flight attendants by getting both sides to agree to binding arbitration.

There's even a precedent for intervention in a baseball strike.

In 1981, Reagan directed Labor Secretary Raymond Donovan and federal mediator Kenneth E. Moffett to get involved in that year's baseball strike. Donovan moved the talks to Washington briefly. The intervention helped lead to a mid-season agreement that ended the walkout after 50 days.

The big difference this time: Clinton got personally involved in the talks while Reagan kept his distance.

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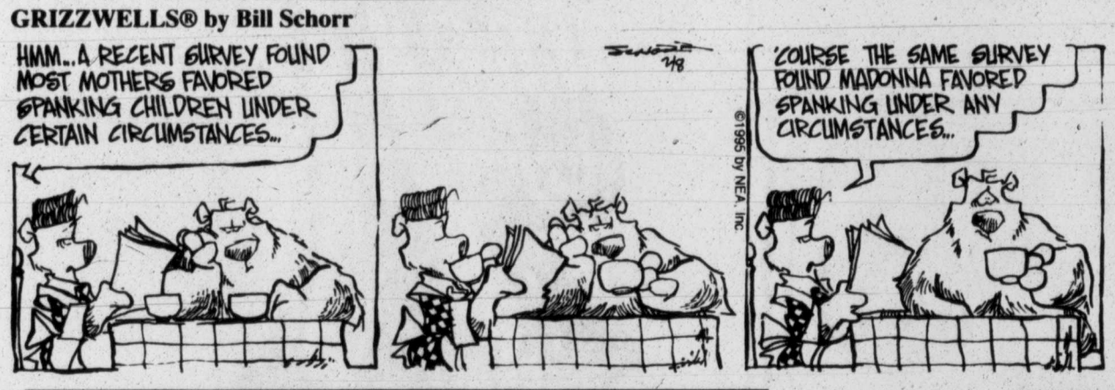

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9 Clock
10 Type of bed
13 Great Lake
14 ... my — — gave to me ...
15 Intermediate (pref.)
16 Wide shoe size
17 Employs
18 Tennis unit
20 Paving stone
23 Sounds
26 Sewing implement
30 Let — — (Beatles album)
31 Shade of blue
33 Evening (poet.)
34 Nothing
35 Horse-drawn vehicle
36 Up — — good
37 Vinegar
39 Dodges
41 Cried
43 GI's address
44 Weary
47 Superlative ending
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59 List ender (abbr.)

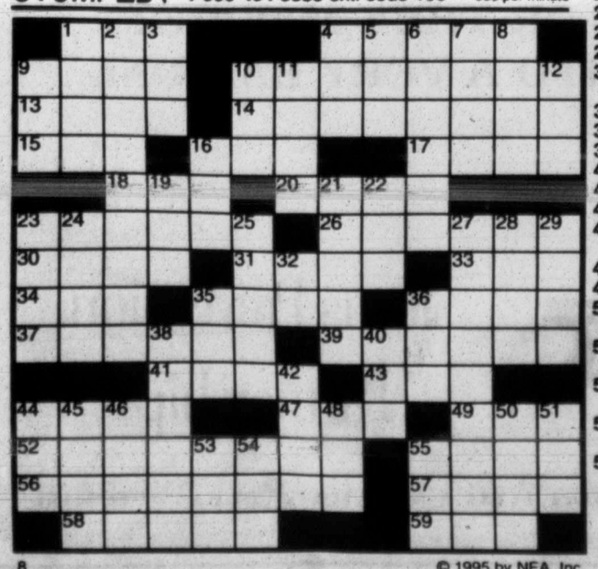
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3 Born
4 Actor — Gulager
5 Spanish cheer
6 Greet
7 Numbers
8 Rescue
9 Pro — (for the time being)
10 Map abbr.
11 Unrefined metals
12 Affirmative
16 French summer
19 Compass pt.
21 Growing out
22 — Aviv
23 1492 ship
24 Of hearing organs
25 Brand
27 Smell-killer
28 Unaspirated
29 Biblical name
32 Hesitation sound
35 Actor's signal
36 Spigot
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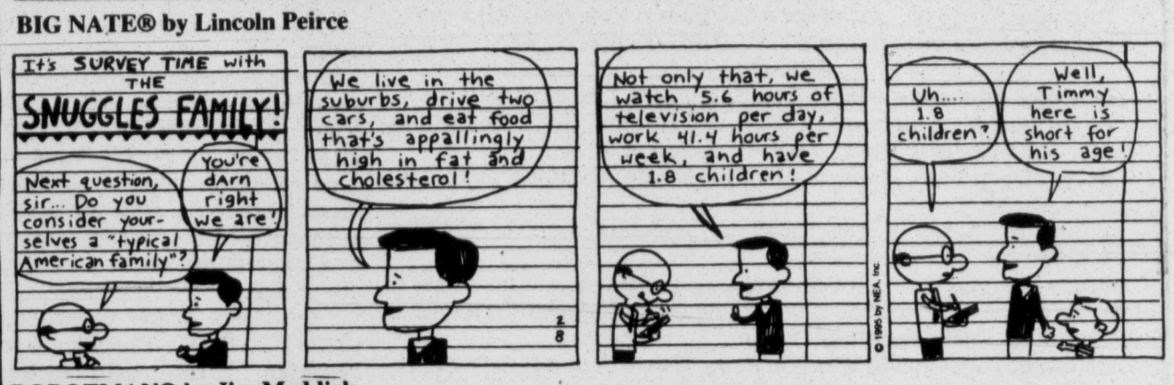
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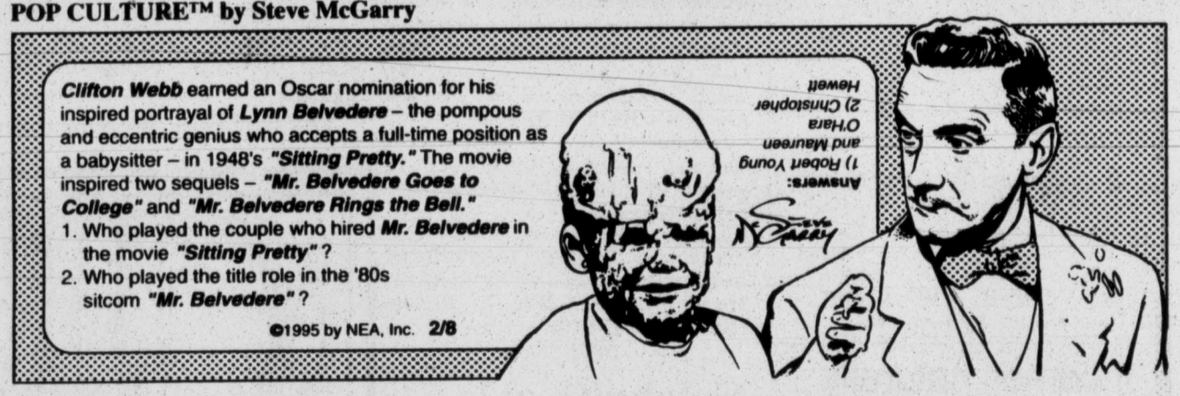

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# Golden Tornadoes blow Snyder away

## *Free throws contribute to Tigers' demise, again*

LAMESA — It was another nightmarish conclusion to a game well-played by the Snyder Tigers.

The Tigers held a 24-20 halftime lead, but found themselves on the short end of a 58-46 loss Tuesday to the Lamesa Golden Tornadoes.

Snyder (11-17, 0-8) started the game and ended the first half with important buckets. Senior Reagan Key opened the scoring with a 3-pointer which got the Tigers off to an early start.

The quick takeoff helped Snyder outscore Lamesa 12-10 in the opening quarter of action.

Additionally, with :22 left in the half Snyder led by a bucket, 21-20.

The Tigers brought the ball up court after a Lamesa miss and held the ball for a last shot.

Snyder worked the ball around and finally found an open Jeff Hobbs at the top of the key with :03 left.

Hobbs proceeded to drill the 3-pointer, giving the Tigers a 24-20 halftime lead.

However, the long, pressure-filled 3-pointers were not enough to keep Snyder in the game despite a 35-35 tie at the end of the third quarter.

The key, instead, would be the short, rhythmic shot from the foul line.

Snyder missed 11 of 21 free throws in the game, including a number of errant shots in the fourth quarter, which, in the end, cost the Tigers the ballgame, according to Coach Bud Birks.

"Free throws in the fourth quarter killed us," he said. "We were able to do a lot of things right going into the fourth, but in the end none of the things we did right were able to balance out our poor foul shooting."

The loss to the Golden Tornadoes, the second of the year, was the Tigers' seventh straight District 5-4A defeat.

"This is absolutely the longest losing streak that I have been a part of since my first year as a coach in 1975.

"I have tried everything in my power to find the answer to the problem, but I've come up empty-handed."

Snyder had a problem being patient on offense, according to Birks; however, turnovers throughout the game kept the Tigers, and their coach, searching for clues.

"We just had a hard time holding onto the ball," Birks said. "The players and I talked about it at halftime and we agreed that if we had turned the ball over less in the first half we would have been up by 10 or 12 points."

Key led the Tigers with 14 points and Rick Henderson added eight. Beau McLeod had seven points in the losing effort.

Snyder will attempt to come away with their first district win of the season Friday at 8 p.m. when they take on the No. 7-ranked Levelland Loboes.



SPLITTING THE DEFENSE — Snyder's Reagan Key cuts through Lamesa's Kevin Vaughn (20) and Kevin Mosely (10) for two of his team-high 14 points. The Tigers lost to the Golden Tors 58-46. (Photo by Todd Stanley)

## *Lady Tigers end season with disappointing loss*

LAMESA — Snyder and Lamesa had something in common Tuesday night. Each team needed to come away with a victory in their final game, in order to claim sole possession of third place in District 5-4A.

Although the Lady Tigers made a valiant effort late in the game, their lackluster first half performance cost them a third place finish, as Lamesa captured a 56-42 victory.

Snyder (10-20, 4-6) hung tough in the first quarter, 14-8, despite errant shots and numerous turnovers. Lamesa (10-18, 5-5), however pulled away by the middle of the second quarter with good shooting from both the field and the free-throw line, to take a 34-17 lead into halftime.

"The big deficit at halftime was a direct result of our missed shots and their excellent free throw shooting," Snyder head coach Steve Qualls said. "We had our chances in the first half, but we were unable to convert."

On the other hand, Lamesa was able to make the most out of its opportunities.

However, the story was a bit different in the second half, as Snyder was able to reverse its fortunes.

The Lady Tigers outscored Lamesa 25-22 in the remaining two quarters, but they could have scored even more.

Lamesa gave Snyder numerous opportunities to come back in the second half with unforced turnovers and poor shooting.

"We definitely had a chance to come back in the second half because we went on the offensive instead of the defensive," Qualls said. "We needed to come out in the first half like we did in the second half.

"We just spotted them too many points. It's like we play better when we are in a hole like that, but we just don't have the offensive firepower to come back from a 17 point deficit."

The Lady Tigers were led by sophomore Tiffany Garza, who combined a respectable 9 of 16 from the foul line and a field goal for a team-high 11 points.

Seniors Rachel Shipp, Shayna Crow and Vanessa Williams, who were playing in their final high school game, picked up the rest of the offensive load, scoring eight, seven and six points respectively. Haley Boaz, another senior, finished with one point.

"I was pleased with the team's effort," Qualls said, "But I'm still very disappointed with the outcome.

"I'm really down because we weren't able to accomplish all our goals this season. I expected us to do a lot better than we did."

# JV boys fall to Tors

LAMESA — After winning two straight district games, the Snyder junior varsity boys dropped their second game in a row Tuesday night in Lamesa.

Snyder held the Golden Tornadoes in check throughout the first half, but was outscored 16-9 in the fourth quarter en route to a 49-34 loss.

"They outscored us in the fourth quarter because they (Lamesa) made their free throws and we didn't," Snyder head coach Joe Young said. "We played excellent defense throughout the game, but you can't defend someone who is on the line."

The Tigers got out to an early 10-9 lead in the first quarter, but let Lamesa take a 25-18 lead into halftime.

"We had a lot of unforced turnovers on the offensive side of the ball," Young said. "You can't beat a good team with as many mistakes as we had."

The Tigers were led by Donnie Durst, who despite going 1 of 7 from the free throw line, finished the game with 11 points.

Matthew Fambro chipped in nine for Snyder and Jason Crunk added five.

Snyder faces the Levelland Loboes in its next game here Friday at 5 p.m.

# JV girls succumb to LHS

LAMESA — In their last game of the season, the Snyder JV Lady Tigers hoped to return home with a victory over their arch-rivals, Lamesa.

Instead of a victory, Snyder was forced to settle with a 49-42 loss.

The Lady Tigers clung to a 22-18 lead at the end of the first half, but the Lady Golden Tors inched their way back.

In the third quarter, Lamesa was able to tie the game at 32-32, but the fourth quarter would be the key, as the Golden Tors erased a four-point halftime deficit and turned it into a seven-point victory.

Snyder was led by Darla Blackwell, who had a huge game for the Lady Tigers, as she poured in 18 points. Edwina Brooks added seven points and Melissa Horn finished with five.



PASSING THE BUCK — Snyder's Jodi White, left, offers Rachel Shipp, right, condolences after she fouled out in the fourth quarter of the Lady Tigers' 56-42 loss to Lamesa. It was Shipp's last game for the Lady Tigers. (Photo by Todd Stanley)

# Lady 'Dogs stay unbeaten

IRA — The Ira Lady Bulldogs continued their run at a District 26-A title with a 66-47 pasting of the Westbrook Lady Wildcats.

Ira, now 5-0 in district, clinched a playoff spot with the victory and will have a chance to wrap up the district title Friday when they travel to Hermleigh to take on the Lady Cardinals.

The Lady Bulldogs got out to a 19-12 first quarter lead, but put the Lady Wildcats away in the second with a 23-8 scoring spree to take a 42-20 lead into halftime.

Jody Rankin led the Lady Bulldogs' attack with 20 points and Jennifer Northcott had 13. Freshman Melissa Brasuel added 12 points in the victory.

In varsity boys' action, Westbrook received 33 points from Jeff Hill and 14 from Homer Matlock as the Wildcats mauled the Ira Bulldogs 72-34.

The Wildcats' parade began early, as Westbrook outscored Ira 30-8 in the opening quarter before settling with a 46-16 halftime lead.

Ira, 0-5 in district, was led by Todd Collom, who had 12 points and Heath Mathis, who finished with 10. Adam Davis and Jeremy Howard each scored five.

The Lady Bulldogs are scheduled to begin their game against Hermleigh at 6:30 p.m., with the boys' game to follow at 8.

# WTC golfers take fifth

MELBOURNE, Fla. — The Western Texas golf team returned home late Tuesday night with a fifth place finish at the Brevard Junior College Invitational.

The Westerners finished the tournament with a three round total of 932 between four players.

Corey Stone led the Westerners with a 227 (80-75-72), Will Gray finshed the tournament with a 236 (77-76-83) and Ron Glennie ended with an identical 236 (77-80-77). Jason Ball scored a 237 (77-79-81) and Mark Smith had a 244 (83-81-80).

Central Alabama won the tournament with an overall score of 882 and Jay Van Dawalt (Central Alabama) was the tournament's medalist.

# Cards win

LORAINE — The Hermleigh Lady Cardinals kept their District 26-A title hopes alive with a 78-33 blasting of the Loraine Bulldogs.

Hermleigh, now 4-1 in district play, is slated to host Ira Friday at 6:30 p.m. for a chance at forcing a district playoff.

The Lady Cardinals received 24 points from both Michelle Roemisch and Kelly Gonzalez in the win. Lori Anderson added 10 for Hermleigh.

Hermleigh ripped the Bulldogs for 25 points in the first quarter and 20 in the second to take a 45-13 halftime lead.

In varsity boys' action, Loraine whipped Hermleigh 71-29. Michael Breitweiser had 11 points in a losing cause.

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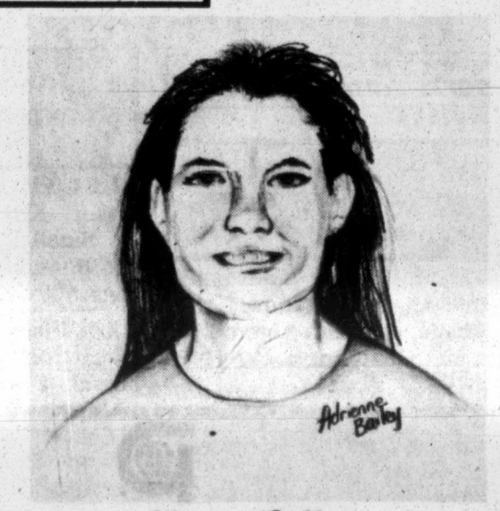
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Kasey Calley
Ira Basketball

Kasey scored 20 points against Loraine and added 12 points and 10 rebounds against Hermleigh.

Honor Roll

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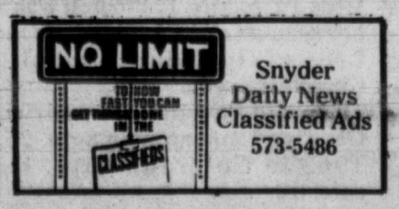
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# GOP lawmakers should have checked deficit history better

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — To hear Republicans tell it, they are shocked that a president would dare to send Congress a budget that never anticipates a year when the government will not operate in the red.

To drive home the point, they called a news conference where they posed behind a stack of budget books dating back a quarter of a century and denounced President Clinton in tones of high dudgeon.

"This is the first time in years when a president of the United States submitted a budget plan to Congress that made no attempt, made no attempt to get to a balanced budget," Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., said.

"Doesn't this just infuriate you for your own family? I mean, this is a tragedy what happened up here today with this budget," House Budget Committee Chairman John Kasich, R-Ohio, exclaimed.

Despite the political theater, Democrats must be wondering where Dole and Kasich were during the 12 years that Republicans controlled the White House.

The GOP, of course, certainly would want to forget that period when it comes to deficit control, given the performances of both Ronald Reagan and George Bush in that area.

When Reagan took office in 1981 the total national debt run up by every president from George Washington through Jimmy Carter stood just below $1 trillion.

By the time Bill Clinton was sworn in 12 years later, the national debt was $4 trillion. The annual interest payment on that ballooning debt has risen dramatically, as well, going from $68.8 billion in Reagan's first year in office to $203 billion last year.

Interest on the national debt was the government's third-largest spending category in 1994, ranking behind only defense and Social Security.

*AP analysis*

The Clinton administration likes to point out that if it wasn't for interest payments on the debt, 75 percent of which was run up during the Reagan-Bush years, the government's books would now be in balance.

While Republicans have attacked Clinton for not trying hard enough to restrain fast-growing government benefit programs, the escalating jump in interest costs is equally alarming.

Clinton's budget projects that in 1997 interest on the national debt will have surpassed defense and Social Security to become the biggest single spending category, accounting for 16 cents out of every $1 in government outlays that year.

It is this daunting surge in interest payments, along with rising costs for Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, that has made it so hard not only for Clinton, but his predecessors, to balance the government's books.

Dole actually was wrong when he accused Clinton of being the first president in years not to present a budget that didn't make it to balance, at least on paper, at the end of the five years presidents are required to show in spending projections.

That dubious distinction goes to Bush, who in January 1992, in the wake of a recession the year before, conceded that he couldn't make the books balance, even five years out. Instead, he projected that the 1997 deficit. the last year in that particular five-year plan, would be $181.8 billion.

A year later in his final budget, Bush had dramatically enlarged the projected 1997 deficit to $319.8 billion. In the budget Clinton sent Congress on Monday, the deficit for 1997 was put at $213.1 billion, thanks in part to his deficit-cutting program and better-than-expected growth.

But with Clinton projecting deficits hovering around $200 billion for each of the next five years, that means the national debt, the accumulation of all the annual deficits, will be rising just as fast as it did during the Reagan years.

While Republicans like to point the finger at that problem, Democrats, quite understandably, would rather focus the spotlight on the two Republicans who were in office when the debt got out of control in the first place.

"The train wreck that this administration inherited didn't happen by miracle. It happened because some decisions were made," Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn., said Tuesday in reference to Reagan and Bush budgets. "So we find ourselves coming into fiscal year 1994 with that mess on our hands."

The Republicans are promising to end the blame game by passing a constitutional amendment that will require the government to balance the books starting in 2002 and every year thereafter.

But given Washington's performance over the past 25 years, voters could be forgiven for thinking it sounds too good to be true.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Martin Crutsinger has covered economic issues for The Associated Press since 1984, the year that Reagan promised to balance the budget and instead had a deficit of $185.4 billion.

# High school artists in limbo as contest arts caucus axed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Stephen Dube's colored-pencil rendition of a dress dangling from a clothesline was drawn on a flattened brown grocery bag. It hangs with hundreds of other works by young artists along a well-traveled tunnel on Capitol Hill.

It is a rotating exhibit, filled each year with the winners of Artistic Discovery, a nationwide high school art competition sponsored by the Congressional Arts Caucus since 1981.

But the caucus is no more, and the fate of the contest is in doubt — even though hundreds of students already have prepared entries for this year's competition.

By eliminating the arts caucus and 27 other so-called legislative service organizations, which used federal funds to hire staff and made free use of House office space and equipment, Republicans said they could save $5 million annually.

But no one meant to pull the plug on the art competition, sponsors say, and they want assurances from House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., that the show will go on.

"The unintended victims of this whole thing are the young artists of America," said Rep. Louise M. Slaughter, D-N.Y., who co-chaired the arts caucus.

Dube, 17, was the Vermont winner of the 1994 competition. His untitled work is one piece of a colorful mosaic along the tunnel that connects the Capitol to the Cannon House Office Building.

The exhibit, featuring works like "Darkside" and "Don't Look Down," gives lawmakers and tourists a glimpse into the hearts and minds of teen-agers from all over the country, Dube said.

Slaughter and co-chairman James Jeffords, a Republican senator from Vermont, wrote to Gingrich in December, asking permission to use $28,000 in member dues already paid and $65,000 in leftover caucus funds to administer the competition. When the speaker didn't respond, Jeffords asked a member of his staff on the Education, Arts and Humanities subcommittee to take over the contest.

But Slaughter and Jeffords still need the speaker's approval to use the tunnel and other House support staff for framing, hanging and guarding the artwork.

## SDN Letter to the editor

**Editor:**

"J.B. Thomas low lake level causes concern" was the title of an article in the Snyder Daily News (front page) on Feb. 5, 1995. This article of bad news was written by the management of the CRMWD, the water district our city dads gave our good water wells to back in 1951.

This is the water district that said in this news release that it will probably need to open and use water from Snyder's own water wells.

This is the water district that has just spent, and owes, over $200 million to build a new lake and pipeline to serve Midland and Odessa. (Snyder will have to pay its proportionate amount of this indebtedness).

As a joint member of CRMWD, all Snyder people can expect is a shortage of water at higher and higher prices. (I refer you to the Jan. 13, 1995 issue of this newspaper to read how the CRMWD board set higher rates for Snyder consumers.)

As you prepare to vote in the May 6 city election, you might want to ask the candidates how they think and feel about the way CRMWD management is treating Snyder (and Scurry County) people in regard to the price and quality of water.

Stanley Noah
2507 30th St.

**EDITOR'S NOTE: The article Mr. Noah refers to was written by Wade Warren, staff writer of the SDN, and not management of the CRMWD, although CRMWD did provide statistical information and comments.**

# Peace officers work busy 24-hour period

A 19-year-old male was arrested at 10:26 p.m. yesterday, the only arrest recorded Tuesday.

The man was taken into custody at 3400 College Avenue and charged with driving while license suspended.

Two arrests were made early this morning by DPS troopers as a 61-year-old female was taken into custody at 3:04 a.m. for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and a 37-year-old male was arrested for public intoxication.

The arrests were made one mile east of Snyder on U.S. Highway 180.

Officers investigated a complaint from the 2400 block of 29th Street at 6:55 a.m. Tuesday in reference to three children being left alone in a house.

Officers notified the Texas Department of Transportation at 11:01 a.m. Wednesday of debris in the roadway in the 3100 block of the Lamesa Highway.

A major accident was investigated at 2:03 p.m. in the 1200 block of College Avenue. Involved were a 1980 Mustang driven by Francisco Ramirez of 1706 N. Ave. Q and a 1982 Suburban driven by Sheila Benitez of 1711 13th St. Benitez, 25, and a 51-year-old passenger, Rosa Luna, were taken to Cogdell Hospital's emergency room where they were both treated and released.

An assault complaint was investigated at 5:53 p.m. in the 1900 block of Coleman in reference to a woman's daughter being assaulted by a neighbor. The problem was worked out between the parties and no charges were filed.

A report of a prowler was made at 9:51 p.m. from the Noah Project. Officers advised that no prowlers were found after checking the area.

A prowler was also reported at 1:19 this morning from the alley in the 200 block of 34th Street.

Officers investigated the alarm sounding at the Noah Project at 5:11 a.m. today and discovered the alarm had been accidentally set off by an occupant at the center. Officers did find a screen pulled out and bent on the north side of the building and a speaker for the alarm system had been removed. Officers were to ascertain if these were past damages and when they were to be repaired.

# Snyder Junior High Choir

## *Students garner top solo, ensemble awards*

Thirty-five Snyder Junior High School students received a First Division rating Saturday at the solo and ensemble contest held at Estacado High School. Seventy-nine seventh and eighth graders participated. Marcia Dennis is the choir director.

Students who received a Division One solo rating were Janette Allen, Adrienne Smith, Allison Bowden, Jessica Bradshaw, Amber Burt, Nicole Canales, Karley Collins, Amanda Compton, Starla Davis, Kara Gowin, Renae Hall, Michaelin Huckabee, Laurie Kerley, Veronica Lopez, Lori Marshall, Angela Matthews, Kimberly McClain, Mary Hollis, Amber Parker, Elicha Roberts, Amanda Smith, Cathy Tatom, Vanessa Jones, Amy Warr, Jason Almquist, Zack Bilano, Josh Burney, Kris Casas, Trisha Block, Adrian Gonzales, Clay Graves, Brady Hackfeld, Reid Johnson and Jared McMillan.

In addition, seven out of nine ensembles earned a First Division rating. The mixed ensembles included Jason Almquist, Erica Arellano, Allison Bowden, Jessica Brown, Josh Burney, Starla Davis, Kara Gowin, Randy Green, Brady Hackfeld, Renae Hall, Reid Johnson, Laurie Kerley, Angela Matthews, Lori Marshall, Kimberly McClain, Jared McMillan and Elicha Roberts.

The judge wrote "excellent" on their critique sheet.

The tenor/bass ensemble also received a First Division rating. This ensemble consisted of Jason Almquist, Zack Bilano, Josh Burney, Kris Casas, Derrick Crayton, Adrian Gonzales, Clay Graves, Randy Green, Brady Hackfeld, Jared McMillan, Michael Myrick, Fernando Nolan and Josh Ward.

The judge remarked that the "blend of the ensemble was very good." He was also "surprised to see a junior high group of young men singing a song a cappella in a foreign language."

Others receiving a First Division rating were two two-part treble ensembles. They included the Adams Ensemble featuring Kimberly Adams, Jessica Bradshaw, Amber Burt, Jonna Ferris, Brandi Hancock, Irene Hernandez, Erin Kirk, Jennifer Mayer, Amber Parker and Jennifer Stephenson.

The other winning treble ensemble, the Allen Ensemble, included Janette Allen, Jessica Blevins, Trisha Block, Amy Free, Jessica Hernandez, Nicole Kerry, Wendy Loper, Brandy Orzak, Vanessa Sarabia, Veronica Sarabia, Adrianne Smith, Amanda Smith, Tonya Salazar, Cathy Tatom and Adrianne Williams.

In addition, three sextets also won First Division ratings. The Alderette Sextet included Stephanie Alderete, Kara Gowin, Veronica Lopez, Angela Matthews, Kimberly McClain and Elicha Roberts.

Another sextet, the Arellano Sextet, included Erica Arellano, Allison Bowden, Michelle Dortch, Mighaelin Huckabee, Laurie Kerley and Andrea Robinson.

The third winning sextet, the Brown Sextet, featured Jessica Brown, Starla Davis, Renae Hall, Catrina Lopez, Courtney Pechacek and Lori Marshall.

Paula Bowden and Sterling Cave played the piano. Robert Bailey served as a sponsor and bus drivers were Donna Stone and Kris Grant.

# Abortion issue jeopardizes nomination

WASHINGTON (AP) — Both Democrats and Republicans say Dr. Henry Foster Jr.'s nomination to be surgeon general is in jeopardy because of uncertainty over his record on abortions.

On Tuesday, anti-abortion groups fighting the nomination stepped up their attacks, producing information indicating that the Tennessee obstetrician-gynecologist led a study in the early 1980s to test do-it-yourself abortion drugs.

The National Right to Life Committee and the American Life League said that while chairman of the Obstetrics and Gynecology Department at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Foster headed a study involving about 60 women and financed by The Upjohn Co.

The women, who were up to eight weeks pregnant, were given prostaglandin drugs in vaginal suppositories, the groups said.

White House press secretary Mike McCurry said an article Foster wrote on the testing was available when Foster was being considered. He said Foster was poring over his medical records to be able to answer all questions thoroughly.

Asked today if the White House believes the nomination is in trouble, McCurry said only, "We're going to have to work hard to make the case ... that this nominee's impeccable record will stand up very well as the Senate begins to look carefully at the nomination."

The White House and Foster's other supporters have said it is absurd for abortion to be a test in choosing a nominee.

# Gingrich calls congressional intervention 'a very bad idea'

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Newt Gingrich said today he was willing to meet with a federal mediator to discuss ways to settle the protracted baseball strike, but said he thought congressional intervention would be "a very bad idea."

Telling reporters that he and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole were prepared to discuss the situation with W.J. Usery, Gingrich also reiterated that he thought Congress should be focusing on other issues.

"The fact is, if you start settling (labor disputes) industry by industry, how many should we solve," he said. "I just think it's a very bad idea to politicize it."

Gingrich said he did not think that Congress had "the wisdom to intervene in a single industry that has nothing to do with national safety."

"We are not in a position today to rush into any decision. I am not closing the door. ... I just do not think that Congress should rush into it," he said.

Sen. Nancy Kassebaum, who heads the Labor and Human Resources Committee, also scoffed at the idea.

"I believe it is a bad idea for Congress to step into the middle of the dispute between the baseball owners and players," the Kansas Republican said.

# Small-state lawmakers question term limits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Small-state members of Congress are lining up against a proposed constitutional amendment to limit lawmakers' terms — arguing that seniority counters the clout of their big-state colleagues.

If the terms of senators and House members were limited to 12 years, small states "would not be able to build up a power center by seniority," said Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama, who switched from Democrat to Republican after last fall's election swept the GOP into power in both houses.

Similar concerns have been raised by other influential Republican senators, all from small states.

"Simple mathematics makes term limits a big risk for small states with small delegations," Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, said at a recent hearing on the issue.

And Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole noted recently that under the current system, his "little state of Kansas" has three committee chairman and the top Senate leader among its four House members and two senators.

"Maybe I'm missing something," he said, "but it seems to me that large states are going to get together and squeeze out the small states, so if you don't have seniority you're not going to be in any position of influence."

When the issue comes to a vote, small-state senators could hold the balance of power on the issue. A constitutional amendment must be approved by two-thirds of both the House and Senate before it can be submitted to the states for ratification.

Opposition to the idea crosses both party and ideological lines.

Democratic opponents range from liberal Sen. Christopher Dodd of Connecticut to conservative Sen. Howell Heflin of Alabama, while Republican opponents include conservative Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky and moderate Sen. Mark Hatfield of Oregon.


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# Shukur gets 4½ -years for sexual assault

NEW YORK (AP) — A judge sentenced rapper Tupac Shakur to the maximum 41/2 years in prison for sex abuse, saying the attack followed crimes that have been "escalating in violence as his career has progressed."

Shakur wept and apologized to the victim before his sentencing Tuesday, but insisted that he committed no crime. He also apologized to the youth of America "for falsely representing them."

He must serve 18 months before he is eligible for parole. He was returned to jail after he was sentenced.

"This was an act of violence against a helpless woman," said State Supreme Court Justice Daniel Fitzgerald.

Shakur, 23, has been arrested six times since 1993 on charges including violating probation, weapons possession and assault.

He was convicted of groping and fondling a 20-year-old woman he met in a Manhattan nightclub in November 1993.

She testified that she had sex with Shakur in his hotel room the night she met him. When she returned to the hotel four days later, she said, Shakur told her, "What you do for me, you have to do for my boys." She said she was then forced to perform oral sex on Shakur and three friends.

In December, Shakur and his road manager, Charles Fuller, were convicted of first-degree sex abuse, which means they fondled and groped the woman without her consent. They were acquitted of sodomy and weapons charges.

Fuller, 24, was sentenced to four months in jail and five years probation. Shakur cried as he referred to Fuller, saying he never realized he would cause his friend's downfall.

A third man faces a separate trial. The fourth fled and was never found.

Shakur, who was shot and robbed in an unrelated incident during the trial, appeared to be fully recovered from his wounds.

Shakur began his rap career with the group Digital Underground, then scored a hit in 1992 with "2Pacalypse Now," the first of two solo albums. He also starred in the films "Juice," "Poetic Justice" and "Above the Rim."

## Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

| | High | Low | Last | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMR Corp | 571/8 | 561/2 | 561/2 | -1/8 |
| AT&T Corp | 513/4 | 513/8 | 513/4 | +3/8 |
| AirTouch | 281/8 | 28 | 28 | -1/8 |
| Albertsons | 31 | 301/4 | 31 | +3/4 |
| Alldsignal s | 38 | 375/8 | 377/8 | +1/4 |
| Alltel | 293/8 | 291/8 | 293/8 | +1/4 |
| AmStoress | 245/8 | 241/2 | 241/2 | |
| Ameritech | 435/8 | 431/8 | 435/8 | +3/8 |
| Amoco | 581/8 | 575/8 | 581/8 | -7-64 |
| AndarkPtr | 403/4 | 401/4 | 403/4 | +1/4 |
| ArmcoInc | 63/8 | 61/4 | 63/8 | |
| AtlRichfld | 1071/8 | 1061/2 | 107 | +1/2 |
| ATMOS Egy s | 167/8 | 167/8 | 167/8 | +1/8 |
| Aviall | 73/8 | 71/4 | 71/4 | |
| BakerHughes | 18 | 177/8 | 177/8 | -1/8 |
| BancTexas | 1 | 15-16 | 1 | |
| BellAtl | 543/4 | 541/8 | 543/4 | +1/2 |
| BellSouth | 601/4 | 593/4 | 601/4 | +5/8 |
| BethSteel | 161/8 | 157/8 | 16 | |
| Borden | 131/8 | 13 | 13 | |
| BritPet | 773/4 | 771/2 | 773/4 | -3/8 |
| Caterpillar s | 535/8 | 533/8 | 531/2 | |
| CenSoWst | 241/2 | 243/8 | 241/2 | |
| Chevron s | 47 | 463/8 | 463/4 | +3/8 |
| Chrysler | 45 | 443/4 | 447/8 | -1/4 |
| Coastal | 287/8 | 281/2 | 287/8 | +3/8 |
| CocaCola | 541/8 | 535/8 | 537/8 | +1/4 |
| ColgatePalm | 643/4 | 641/8 | 643/8 | +1/4 |
| ComclMetals | 241/2 | 243/8 | 241/2 | +1/8 |
| CooperIn | 393/8 | 391/4 | 393/8 | +1/8 |
| CyprusAmax | 267/8 | 265/8 | 263/4 | -1/8 |
| DallSemicn | 161/2 | 161/4 | 161/4 | |
| DeltaAirl | 53 | 521/2 | 527/8 | +1/2 |
| DigitalEq | 361/8 | 353/4 | 357/8 | -3/8 |
| Dillard | 271/2 | 271/4 | 273/8 | -1/8 |
| DowChem | 651/4 | 643/8 | 643/4 | -3/8 |
| DresserInd | 203/8 | 201/8 | 203/8 | +1/8 |
| DuPont | 55 | 545/8 | 547/8 | |
| EastmanChem | 51 | 503/8 | 501/2 | -1/2 |
| EstKodak | 497/8 | 493/8 | 497/8 | +1/4 |
| EljerInd | 61/4 | 6 | 61/8 | +1/8 |
| Enserch | 133/8 | 131/4 | 133/8 | +1/8 |
| Entergy | 24 | 233/4 | 233/4 | -1/4 |
| Exxon | 627/8 | 621/4 | 627/8 | +5/8 |
| FlowerInd | 181/8 | 18 | 181/8 | |
| FordMotor s | 251/2 | 251/8 | 251/4 | -1/8 |
| GTE Cp | 34 | 335/8 | 337/8 | +1/8 |
| GenDynam s | 441/4 | 44 | 44 | -1/2 |
| GenElec s | 521/8 | 513/4 | 52 | |
| GenMills | 595/8 | 591/4 | 593/8 | -3/8 |
| GenMotors | 391/4 | 39 | 39 | -3/8 |
| GenMotors E | 381/2 | 381/4 | 381/2 | +1/4 |
| GaPacif | 753/4 | 75 | 755/8 | +5/8 |
| GlobalMar | 37/8 | 33/4 | 37/8 | |
| Goodrich | 443/8 | 441/8 | 441/8 | -3/8 |
| Goodyear s | 363/8 | 357/8 | 361/4 | -5/8 |
| GtAtlPac | 195/8 | 191/4 | 191/2 | +1/4 |
| Haliburtn | 35 | 345/8 | 35 | +1/8 |
| Hanson ADS | 181/2 | 183/8 | 181/2 | |
| HoustInd | 405/8 | 401/2 | 401/2 | -1/8 |
| IBM | 745/8 | 741/8 | 745/8 | +3/8 |
| IntlPaper | 745/8 | 741/4 | 745/8 | +3/8 |
| JohnsnJns | 571/2 | 57 | 573/8 | -1/8 |
| K mart | 141/2 | 14 | 14 | -3/8 |
| Kroger | 26 | 255/8 | 26 | +3/8 |
| Litton | 361/2 | 361/8 | 361/2 | |
| Lowes s | 387/8 | 381/8 | 383/4 | +5/8 |
| Lubys | 231/8 | 227/8 | 23 | |
| Maxus | 35/8 | 31/2 | 31/2 | |
| MayDeptStrs | 365/8 | 363/8 | 361/2 | -1/4 |
| Medtronic s | 587/8 | 58 | 585/8 | -3/8 |
| Mobil | 873/8 | 863/4 | 867/8 | -1/4 |
| Monsanto | 75 | 745/8 | 745/8 | -1/4 |
| Motorola s | 611/4 | 601/2 | 607/8 | -5/8 |
| Nationsbk | 497/8 | 493/8 | 495/8 | +1/8 |
| Navistar | 165/8 | 161/4 | 163/8 | |
| NoramEngy | 57/8 | 53/4 | 57/8 | |
| Nynex | 393/8 | 387/8 | 393/8 | +3/8 |
| OryxEngy | 111/4 | 11 | 111/8 | +3/8 |
| PacTelesis | 31 | 303/4 | 31 | ++122 |
| PanhECp | 221/4 | 221/8 | 221/4 | |
| Penney JC | 431/4 | 425/8 | 431/8 | +1/8 |
| Pennzoil | 453/8 | 451/8 | 451/4 | -1/8 |
| PepBoys | 333/4 | 331/2 | 335/8 | |
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| PubSNwMx | 135/8 | 131/2 | 135/8 | +1/8 |
| RoyalDutch | 112 | 1113/8 | 1117/8 | +1/4 |
| SFePacCp s | 193/4 | 191/2 | 195/8 | +1/8 |
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| SwBell | 431/2 | 427/8 | 431/2 | +5/8 |
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| SterlingChm | 111/8 | 111/8 | 111/8 | |
| SunCo | 293/8 | 291/8 | 293/8 | +1/4 |
| TNP Ent | 155/8 | 155/8 | 155/8 | +1/8 |
| Tandy | 465/8 | 463/8 | 465/8 | |
| TemplInl | 47 | 463/4 | 467/8 | -1/8 |
| Tenneco | 443/4 | 441/8 | 441/4 | -1/4 |
| Texaco | 613/4 | 613/8 | 613/4 | +1/8 |
| TexasInd | 331/8 | 33 | 33 | |
| TexasInst | 741/2 | 737/8 | 743/8 | +11/8 |
| TexUtil | 341/4 | 341/8 | 341/8 | -1/8 |
| Textron | 521/2 | 521/4 | 523/8 | +1/8 |
| Travelers | 391/8 | 39 | 39 | -1/8 |
| TrinityInds | 323/4 | 325/8 | 325/8 | -1/8 |
| TritonEngy | 321/2 | 321/8 | 323/8 | +1/8 |
| Tyler | 27/8 | 27/8 | 27/8 | |
| US West | 395/8 | 39 | 395/8 | +1/2 |
| USX Delhi | 91/8 | 9 | 91/8 | |
| USX-Marathn | 16 | 157/8 | 16 | |
| USX-USS | 337/8 | 331/2 | 333/4 | +1/8 |
| UnCarbde | 287/8 | 283/8 | 283/4 | |
| UnPac | 501/8 | 493/4 | 493/4 | -1/2 |
| UnitedTech | 653/8 | 651/8 | 651/4 | +1/4 |
| Unocal | 263/4 | 265/8 | 265/8 | |
| WalMart | 24 | 233/4 | 237/8 | -1/8 |
| WstnGasRs | 181/2 | 183/8 | 181/2 | +1/8 |
| WestghEl | 143/8 | 141/4 | 141/4 | -1/8 |
| WinnDixie | 541/2 | 541/4 | 541/2 | |
| Woolworth | 16 | 157/8 | 157/8 | -1/4 |
| XeroxCp | 1075/8 | 1065/8 | 1071/4 | +1/4 |
| ZenithE | 105/8 | 101/2 | 101/2 | -1/8 |

# Obituaries



SAM CHORN

## Sam Chorn

**1911-1995**

Services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church for lifelong Scurry County resident Sam B. Chorn with the Rev. Marty Akins, pastor of the church, officiating. Assisting will be the Rev. T.O. Upshaw, retired Baptist minister. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Chorn, 83, died of a sudden illness at his home at approximately 8:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Born on Sept. 15, 1911, in Hermleigh, he married Donnie Dever on Jan. 7, 1936, in Sweetwater. He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army and Air Force for five years. Mr. Chorn served on the board of directors at Cogdell Memorial Hospital from 1958 to 1963 and the ASCS board. He was a member of First Baptist Church where he served as a deacon.

Survivors include his wife, Donnie Chorn of Snyder; and several nieces and nephews.

## Mrs. Lambaren

**1931-1995**

Services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Snyder for Nicolasa Lambaren, 63, who died Tuesday in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.

Officiating will be Father Patrick Maher, with burial to follow in the Mitchell County Cemetery. Rosary will be said at 7:30 p.m. today in Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel in Colorado City.

A resident of Colorado City since 1955, Mrs. Lambaren was a homemaker and a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Snyder.

Born in Beeville, she married Catarino Lambaren on Sept. 26, 1963 in Colorado City. He survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Jesus Lambaren of Loraine and Amador Hernandez of Snyder; her father, Francisco Garcia of Frost; five sisters, Anita Espinoza, Lupe Espinoza, Maria Aquirre and Rofina Aguirre, all of Frost, and Isidra Rodriquez of Banquete; and one grandchild.

## LeeRoy Elliott

**1902-1995**

BRADY — Funeral service was held Monday in the Heritage Funeral Home Chapel for LeeRoy J. Elliott, 92, who died Saturday in the Mason Care Center in Mason. Burial followed in the Voca Cemetery.

He was the father of Travis Lee Elliott of Snyder.

Born in Brown County, Mr. Elliott married Lora Tuckness on July 15, 1923 in Mason. He had lived in McCulloch or Mason County most of his life.

A resident of Katemcy, Mr. Elliott was a retired government trapper for Coke County and had been involved in farming and ranching.

A member of the Church of Christ, Mr. Elliott was preceded in death by his parents, several brothers and sisters, a grandson and two great-grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Lora Elliott of Katemcy; two other sons, Charles Elliott of Katemcy and Delmo Elliott of London; three daughters, Maeola Ramsey of Brady, Juanita Goff of Mason and Coleta Squiers of Whitesboro; a sister, Corene Ziriax of Brady; 15 grandchildren, including Kim Squiers and Ricky Elliott, both of Snyder, and Rhonda Dacus of Hermleigh; and 30 great-grandchildren;.

# Caucus fund-raising bill stalls Tuesday

AUSTIN (AP) — A bill that would require legislative caucuses to disclose financial contributors has stalled in a House committee.

Rep. Layton Black, who wrote the measure, asked Tuesday that the bill be left pending in the House Administration Committee to clear up some details.

Black, D-Goldthwaite, said the bill could be considered again as early as next week.

Under the measure, caucuses would be prohibited from accepting contributions during or 30 days before a legislative session. They also would have to file reports with the Texas Ethics Commission showing who contributes to the groups and how much as well as expenditures.

Caucuses are groups of lawmakers who spend money on staff and research to monitor bills and gather information for their legislative agenda.

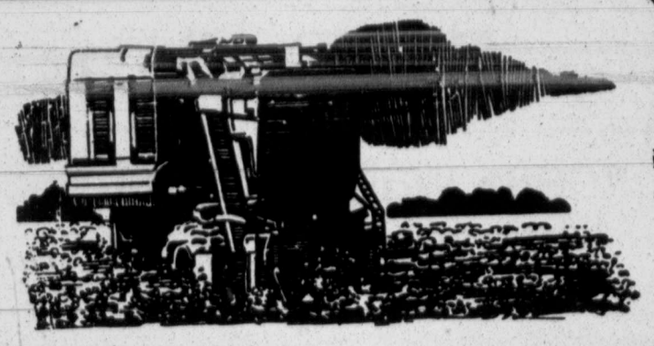
Tom Smith, of the consumer watchdog group Public Citizen, urged the committee to endorse the rules, saying caucuses should be required to abide by the same fund-raising rules governing elected officials.

"The public has the right to know about the money going to the various committees that influence the legislative process," Smith said.


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# Scurry County Country





## The Emu Report

By Shirley Pate, Pate Emu Farm

The emu industry is in a transition period at present.

Today we are seeing new slaughter and tanning facilities coming into operation everyday. The first total emu processing and marketing operation in the U.S. opened in Central Texas the first of 1995. Emu producers in Mississippi hope to have in place a network of processing facilities scattered throughout the state by next summer. There are a number of states, including Texas, who now have the facilities to process the emu.

The market for all products produced from the emu is growing at a tremendous rate. The meat is taking center stage now as emu producers are giving more people an opportunity to taste emu at meetings throughout the country and the public is loving it.

After the Abilene restaurants' annual "Taste of Abilene" where the Big Country Ratite Association served emu meat to 1,500 guests, some of the local restaurants expressed interest in putting emu on their menu. For a week, the media talked about how good the meat was. John Baker said, "By the end of the evening we didn't care if they thought it tasted like beef, chicken, or duck. We were so thrilled that they liked it."

Another such meeting was of cattle producers in DeKalb where the local emu producers served emu meat. All attending were pleasantly surprised and stayed around to ask pertinent questions concerning this new agri-business and how to get into it.

There are a number of tanneries open throughout the U.S., and Louisiana is looking forward to opening yet another one. Soon we will be able to see this beautiful leather used in many different creations.

We are entering into the production (product) market, but we will remain in the breeder market for some time in the future. Present producers are seeing their phones ringing daily wanting information on this diversified agri-business and asking about buying emu. This is a positive sign for there is a need for more production if we are going to be able to supply the demand of the produt market. For further information, contact Pate Emu Farm at 573-5340.

## Entomology Report

By Mark Logan, County Entomologist



Each year, the Scurry County Producers Association funds a cotton scouting program. Cotton fields in the program are scouted once a week for pest and beneficial insect populations.

In 1994, we included cotton plant mapping as a part of the scouting program and we plan to continue this in 1995. Producers have the opportunity to participate in the scouting program through a lottery process. This is limited to one field per producer. This allows us to include more producers in the scouting program.

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Inadequate weed control may be attributed to poor sprayer calibration more often than to bad chemicals. If you need help calibrating your spray rigs before you start to apply your preplant incorporated herbicides. If you would like some help with calibration, call 573-5423 and set up a time.

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There is a commercial, noncommercial and private pesticide applicator training and licensing scheduled for Feb. 16 and 17. If you do not have a license and need one, this will be the opportunity to do so. The commercial and non-commercial training will take place at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 16. The test for commercial and non-commercial license will begin at 9 a.m., Friday, Feb. 17 and the test will be administered that afternoon. Anyone interested in obtaining a license needs to preregister on or before noon, Friday, Feb. 10. You are required to preregister because study materials must be ordered before the training. The minimum cost for training materials will $24.

For those who are required to obtain 15 CEUs by the end of February a list of courses providing CEUs in the area are:

CEUs provided - 2 - Feb. 15, Abilene, Abilene Farm & Ranch Show 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., no fee.

CEUs provided - 5 - Feb. 16, Abilene, Abilene Farm & Ranch Show, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. no fee.

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## Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Americans are certainly getting older. In the next 10 years, the largest population growth in the United States will occur in people 85 years old and older. That is because of improved living standards, technology and education. Since good nutrition and exercise are a requirement for health maintenance, then what accounts for the 25 percent of Americans 65 years old and older who still suffer from poor eating habits and irregular activity?

Older Americans have malnutrition because of the following contributors: Poverty or reduced income; loss of appetite due to depression and social isolation; taste diminshed due to drugs, lack of taste buds and reduced ability to smell; and poorly fitting dentures.

Seniors (and their caregivers) need to ensure that they eat enough food each day by planning ahead and using food dollars wisely. Remember to include enough grain products such as breads, cereals, pasta and rice everyday. If chewing is a problem choose soft cereals and breads. Remove the bread crust, if present.

Then check to include vegetables whether fresh, canned, dried or frozen everyday. If chewing is difficult, then slice, chop or grate fresh vegetables so you can eat them raw or cooked. Try a variety of preparation methods when preparing them. Experiment with a variety of seasonings to add interest and variety to the vegetables. Don't forget to add at least 2 servings of fruit. Fruit tastes delicious and certainly contributes minerals and vitamins as well as carbohydrates and fiber in the diet.

Another food group that older adults need at least 2 or more cups of everyday is milk, yogurt or cheese. That's the best known source of calcium in the diet. That is so important for older adults to prevent osteoporosis — porous bones. So try to add extra milk or cheese in your daily food preparation.

Many elderly have loss of appetite because they are bored with eating, their sense of taste and smell have diminished or feel that food is too bland. Eating alone is also a factor in diminished appetite.

Start eating daily following the daily food guide recommendations. Call your local county agent today for a copy of the USDA Food Guide Pyramid so you can select foods wisely to prevent malnutrition.

## RPCG annual meeting set on Wednesday

The annual meeting of the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, Inc. and an informative cotton production seminar will be held Wednesday, Feb. 15, at the Taylor County Fairgrounds in Abilene.

The meeting and seminar will be held in conjunction with the Big Country Farm & Ranch Show. Both events will be held in the Round Building.

RPCG will hold its business meeting from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The cotton seminar will follow immediately, and conclude about 4 o'clock.

RPCG is a Stamford-based organization of cotton producers working together to promote their products and make cotton production more profitable.

John Maguire, president of the National Cotton Council's Washington operations, will give producers an update on the many policy issues affecting cotton farmers. Producers will also hear an update on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Programs from Woody Anderson, chairman of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

During the production seminar, Dr. Carl Anderson will discuss cotton marketing and attempt to provide information to help farmers take advantage of current strong cotton prices. Dr. Tom Fuchs and Dr. Billy Warrick, extension specialists with the Texas A&M Extension Service in San Angelo, will discuss insect control and herbicide use.

Producers can receive two continuing education credits by attending. There is no charge for the meeting or seminar.

## Sweetwater cattle auction

The market was active and higher on a run of 726 cattle for the Wed. Feb. 1 sale. All stocker and feeder cattle 2 cwt higher with packer cows and bulls 2 cwt higher. Pairs and bred cows higher.

**STEERS**
—300-400: 90-105.
—400-500: 84-95.
—500-600: 78-80.
—600-700: 75-80.

**HEIFERS**
—300-400: 85-95.
—400-500: 75-80.
—500-600: 74-78.
—600-700: 70-74.

**—BRED COWS**
—Good: 550-750.
—Older and plainer: 400-550.

**Pairs**
—Good: 700-850.
—Older and plainer: 600-700.

**PACKER COWS**
—Good: 45-50.
—Low yielding: 38-44.

**PACKER BULLS**
—Good: 55-61.
—Low yielding: 50-55.

## Lubbock cattle auction

The market was steady to higher on a run of 1,018 head of cattle for the Feb. 2 sale. Cows were $1 better other classes wwere steady. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows, (high dressing - cutters - utility) were 41-4750; canners and low cutters, 36.50 to 40.50 and slaughter bulls 50 to 58.50.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 90 to 112; 400 to 500, 82 to 105; 500 to 600, 75 to 82.50; 600 to 700, 72.50 to 76.50; 700 to 800, 68.50 to 73.50.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 77.50 to 92.50; 400 to 500, 72.50 to 82.50; 500 to 600, 71.50 to 75; 600 to 700, 70 to 75; 700 to 800, 65 to 72.50.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 72.50 to 82.50; 700 to 800, 65 to 72.

Cow and calf pairs: good and choice 600 to 820, grade 400 to 575.

Springers 350 to 650; baby calves 5 to 185; doodlers 125 to 225.

## Ratites

The Rolling Plains Ratite Association will meet at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Northeast Community Center.

A business meeting will be followed by a question and answer session about ostrich, rhea and emu. The public is invited. For information call Pat Day at 573-0971 or Jeannie Jackson at 573-4789.

## Colorado City livestock auction

COLORADO CITY — All classes of cattle were higher on 1,012 head sold at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, Feb. 4.

Heifers: 200-400, 82-100; 400-600, 75-82; 600-800, 70-80.

Steers: 200-400, 95-110; 400-600, 85-95; 600-800, 70-85.

Bred Cows Good: 600-725; Older: 500-625.

Pairs: Good: 700-800; Older: 500-625.

Packer cows: Good: 46-50; Fat: 38-42; Old Shelley: 25-35.

Good packer bulls: 50-60; Fat packer bulls: 45-48; Stocker bulls: 70-80.

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# Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

## Excess water may stress kidneys

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My bladder doesn't empty completely and I suffer from frequent infections. Blood tests indicate I have a high level of potassium in my blood. I drink 80 ounces or more of water each day. Is there a special diet I should follow for better control?

DEAR READER: The bladder normally contracts forcefully when we urinate. However, a variety of conditions — ranging from nerve damage affecting the bladder muscle to an enlarged prostate gland — may prevent the bladder from emptying completely. The remaining urine often provides a source of infection.

Therefore, before advising you about how to overcome your problem, I'd have to know the reason that your bladder fails to empty. For example, if nerve damage is present (from surgery or an accident), you might be better able to empty your bladder if you were taught special exercises by a urologist; if an enlarged prostate is the cause, you could be helped by surgery or medicine, such as Proscar, to shrink the gland.

In any case, you should be examined by a urologist, who will probably perform cystoscopy and cystometrics, techniques to examine the bladder and test its evacuating efficiency.

The high level of blood-potassium suggests that your kidneys may not be up to par. This, too, should be investigated by the urologist, with a urinalysis, blood tests and X-rays.

Eighty ounces of water a day is excessive. Unless this figure is a misprint in your question, I advise you to reduce your consumption to less than half that amount; your kidneys are probably unduly stressed by this tremendous water load and may be malfunctioning because of it.

Rather than trying dietary manipulation, you should ask your physician to refer you to a specialist.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Kidney Disorders." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

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# Young offenders testify as lawmakers ponder changes

AUSTIN (AP) — As Gov. George W. Bush was preparing to call for juvenile justice reform in his state of the state speech, a teenager found guilty of murder was testifying before a Senate committee.

"I left home when I was 12 years old," said Mark. "My father left my mom before I was even born. ... There was other things I wanted that my mom couldn't provide for me, so I turned to the streets to go get 'em by selling drugs."

Mark was picked up for aggravated assault at 13 and got into trouble with the law a dozen more times before he beat a man to death three years later in an argument over drugs.

He was committed to the Giddings State Home and School after the 1992 murder. Now under review for potential release, he says he has turned his life around with the help of a therapy group.

"I started caring about other people's feelings and wanting to help other people," Mark said in an interview Tuesday after testifying before the Senate Criminal Justice Committee, which is contemplating a juvenile justice system overhaul.

Mark said he has earned his high-school equivalency degree, learned to deal with his feelings and would like to go to college. His goal is to be a psychologist or parole or probation officer so he can reach out to youngsters who are troubled like he was.

"I want to help people the way I've been helped — children in particular," said Mark.

Sen. John Whitmire, committee chairman, said problems in the juvenile justice system are highlighted by testimony from Mark and a fellow state school resident who also was involved in a murder after numerous scrapes with the law.

"It's just nuts to me that the first, certainly the second time, somebody didn't do something with him," said Whitmire, D-Houston.

Mark, who declined to give his last name, said that after he assaulted a youngster at school, he was only held by authorities for an hour or two.

Whitmire said programs should be beefed up to intervene early and turn young offenders away from a life of crime.

But once a youth has built a violent criminal record, Whitmire said, officials also must decide whether to spend scarce state resources on that juvenile or concede defeat and put the money elsewhere.

Whitmire said he's exploring the idea of a "juvenile prison" for young offenders deemed to be beyond rehabilitation.

## DATE BOOK

Feb. 8, 1995

*Today is the 39th day of 1995 and the 50th day of winter.*

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1924, Gee Jon was executed at the Nevada State Prison for killing his wife. He was the first American to be executed by gas.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** William T. Sherman (1820-1891), Civil War general; Jules Verne (1828-1905), novelist; Martin Buber (1878-1965), philosopher; Lana Turner (1920-), actress, is 75; Audrey Meadows (1924-), actress-author, is 71; Jack Lemmon (1925-), actor, is 70; James Dean (1931-1955), actor; John Williams (1932-), composer-conductor, is 63; Ted Koppel (1940-), TV journalist, is 55.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1936, Jay Berwanger, a University of Chicago halfback, became the first player selected in the first NFL draft of college players.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "Emotions get in the way [but] they don't pay me to start crying at the loss of 269 lives. They pay me to put some perspective on the situation." — Ted Koppel

**TODAY'S WEATHER:** On this day in 1993, a weak force tornado (winds less than 73 mph) at New River, Ariz., caused suction that made it impossible for residents to open their doors for a brief period.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

**TODAY'S MOON:** Day after first quarter.

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## Bill calls for 'zero tolerance'

AUSTIN (AP) — A bill calling for zero-tolerance for school violence and requiring removal of violent and disruptive students has been introduced in the Legislature.

"It is time that we return our classrooms back to the teachers and the majority of students who come to school to learn," said Rep. Jesse Jones, D-Dallas, a cosponsor of the bill.

Jones said Tuesday that deadly weapons and illegal drugs are becoming too common in many schools. During 1993-94, he said, the Dallas public schools confiscated 79 guns being carried by students.

The proposed Safe School Act would remove students from regular school programs and place them in alternative settings if they assaulted a school employee or another student, if they possess illegal drugs on campus or if they possess a firearm or other prohibited weapon.

"The zero-tolerance policy will restore order to our public schools by setting clear codes of conduct for student behavior," Jones said.

Jones said a survey conducted by the Texas Federation of Teachers found 92 of the 150 House members supported such legislation. Rep. Christine Hernandez, D-San Antonio, also is sponsoring the measure.

# Private land owners getting some relief from spotted owl

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is moving to ease rules protecting the northern spotted owl on private lands in the Pacific Northwest, partly to demonstrate the Endangered Species Act is not an enemy of private property owners.

Assistant Interior Secretary George Frampton Jr. announced the proposed rule change Tuesday, relaxing logging restrictions on private lands where the threatened bird lives in Washington and California.

"It is not a secret that the Endangered Species Act is likely to be under great stress in Congress over the next two years," Frampton said.

"What the Clinton administration is trying to do across the country is to demonstrate we can make the Endangered Species Act work," he said from Seattle in a teleconference with reporters.

Frampton, who oversees the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and National Park Service, said dramatic cutbacks in logging on national forests and other federal lands in the region in recent years has made it possible to ease protection of the threatened bird on most private lands.

The proposed rule would "for the first time under the Endangered Species Act provide special relief for small and medium-sized land owners," he said.

Timber industry leaders and Northwest members of Congress welcomed the news, but environmentalists raised concerns about the impact on the owls.

Frampton said about 80 percent of the private forests in Washington would be relieved of existing owl protection regulations under the proposed rule change — a total of about 5 million acres.

The more stringent protections would remain in effect on six areas of special importance to the owl, including much of Washington's Olympic Peninsula, home of the only temperate rain forest in North America.

But even within those "special emphasis areas," owners of fewer than 80 acres would be exempt from restrictions.

Outside the special areas, land owners would be required to protect 70 acres of forest surrounding a known owl nest. Currently, the no-logging "circles" around owl nests run as large as 5,600 acres, Interior Department officials said.

Another part of the proposed rule change, expected to be made final in the fall, would assure land owners who have no owls that they would not be hit with new logging restrictions in the future if they manage the forest in a way that attracts owls.

The proposed rule does not apply to Oregon. Frampton said the government still is negotiating with land owners and state officials there. It would apply to about 198,000 acres of Northern California. Negotiations are continuing for other parts of California, he said.

The Fish and Wildlife Service declared the owl a threatened species in 1990, citing three decades of excessive logging as a primary threat to its survival.

## UT professor dies

AUSTIN (AP) — Robert Charles Witt, 53, a University of Texas business professor and sports enthusiast, died after collapsing while playing basketball at a campus gym.

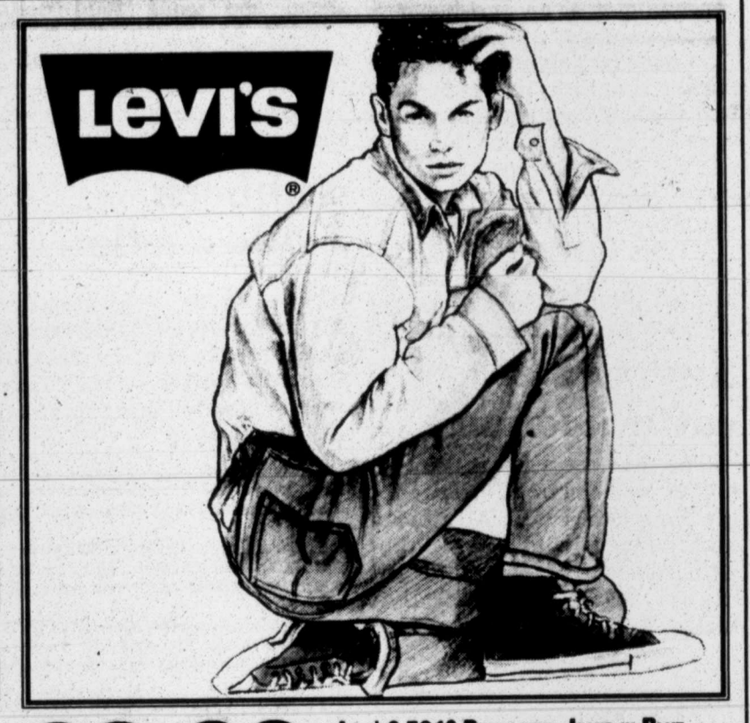



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