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# LABOR DAY
# Snyder Daily News

## Ask Us

Q—Why has the homecoming dance been scheduled for Thursday, a school night, instead of Friday this year?

A—It hasn't. A parade down College Avenue and a pep rally on the courthouse square are scheduled Thursday evening. The dance will be held Friday, however, following the 8 p.m. football game with Monahans.

## In Brief

### Dead heat

DALLAS (AP) — Texas voters are split nearly equally between George Bush and Bill Clinton, according to a published poll.

The Dallas Morning News Poll, published Sunday in a copyright story, showed a statistical dead heat between President Bush and his Democratic challenger.

Clinton would be the choice of 42 percent of the 1,027 registered voters surveyed statewide by telephone. Forty percent would favor Republican nominee Bush.

In the poll, 17 percent said they were undecided or supported neither major contender.

"Texas is really up for grabs, and the economy is the issue," said Micheline Blum of the New York polling firm that conducted the survey Aug. 30-Sept. 3.

Asked how they would vote if Perot were an active candidate, 30 percent of the respondents picked the Dallas businessman. Bush had 30 percent, Clinton had 29 percent and the rest were undecided.

## Local

### Hermleigh

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the high school library.

### Lions Club

Lions Club members are reminded of the annual light bulb sale, 6 p.m. Tuesday.

### Booster club

Snyder All-Sports Booster Club will meet at 6 this evening in the high school student center.

Everyone is invited.

### Grand jury

Seventeen cases are expected to be heard by a Scurry County grand jury, which convenes Tuesday morning in 132nd District Court.

## Weather

**Snyder Temperatures:** High Saturday, 95 degrees; low, 70 degrees; high Sunday, 91 degrees; low, 70 degrees; no precipitation; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 70 degrees; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 23.82 inches.

**Snyder Area Forecast:** Tonight, fair with increasing cloudiness after midnight with a 20 percent chance of showers. Low in the mid 60s. Tuesday, partly cloudy and cooler with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. High in the mid 80s and east wind 10-20 mph.

**Almanac:** Sunset Monday, 7:59; Sunrise Tuesday, 7:24. Of 250 days in 1992, the sun has shone 230 days in Snyder.



TELETHON VOLUNTEER — Gay 20s member Holly Sanders takes a pledge for the Labor Day Telethon this morning at the chamber of commerce. Volunteers will man the telephones until 6 p.m. today. (SDN Staff Photo)

## *Rakhmon Nabiyev...*
# Tajik president resigns

MOSCOW (AP) — President Rakhmon Nabiyev of Tajikistan resigned today after being blocked at the Dushanbe airport by armed anti-government militants, the Interfax and ITAR-Tass news agencies reported.

Tajik authorities in Moscow said shooting was reported near the airport, but it could not confirm Nabiyev's resignation.

Interfax said Nabiyev left the airport accompanied by armed guards after signing his letter of resignation.

When he was stopped at the airport, Nabiyev was attempting to get to the northern Khuzhand region for talks with lawmakers who are boycotting a special session of the Supreme Soviet legislature, said Serafjedin Nasreddinov, deputy chief of the Tajik mission in Moscow.

Local journalists said up to 300 people demonstrated at the airport, and some held negotiations with Nabiyev in the VIP lounge. The special session was called after the Cabinet of Ministers and senior lawmakers passed a resolution saying the president had been "displaced from power."

The talks are aimed at ending the political crisis in the poorest former Soviet republic. The instability threatens to spread elsewhere in central Asia.

Nabiyev has not been seen in public for more than a week, since anti-government militants seized the presidential palace on Aug. 31. The palace was evacuated and turned over to police on Saturday.

Nabiyev was Tajikistan's hardline, Communist Party chief before being elected president with 60 percent of the vote in November 1991.

Opposition groups, including nationalists, the liberal Democratic Party and the Islamic Revival Party, say he has not moved fast enough to introduce political and religious freedoms, and to end fighting between Tajiks from the north and south.

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# Nickell a first-year teacher but is veteran of journalism

Snyder High School's new journalism teacher can best be described as inexperienced and experienced.

In just his second year as an educator, Tom Nickell is, however, a veteran of more than 20 years as a working journalist, including seven years as editor of his hometown newspaper, the Odessa American.

Nickell, 51, is a first-year teacher in Snyder, coming from Raymondville where he taught both English and journalism after receiving his teaching certification requirements in 1990 at the University of Texas Permian Basin. Nickell did his student teaching at Odessa High School where he had graduated in 1958.

Nickell, who will supervise both the student newspaper and yearbook at SHS, earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from Texas A&M University in 1962.

He spent four years in the U.S. Army, leaving in 1967 with the rank of captain. His first newspaper job began in 1967 as a copy editor and reporter for the San Antonio Express-News.

He joined the Midland Reporter-Telegram in 1977 where he served as city editor. He then was editor of weekly newspapers in southwestern Utah and northern Nevada.

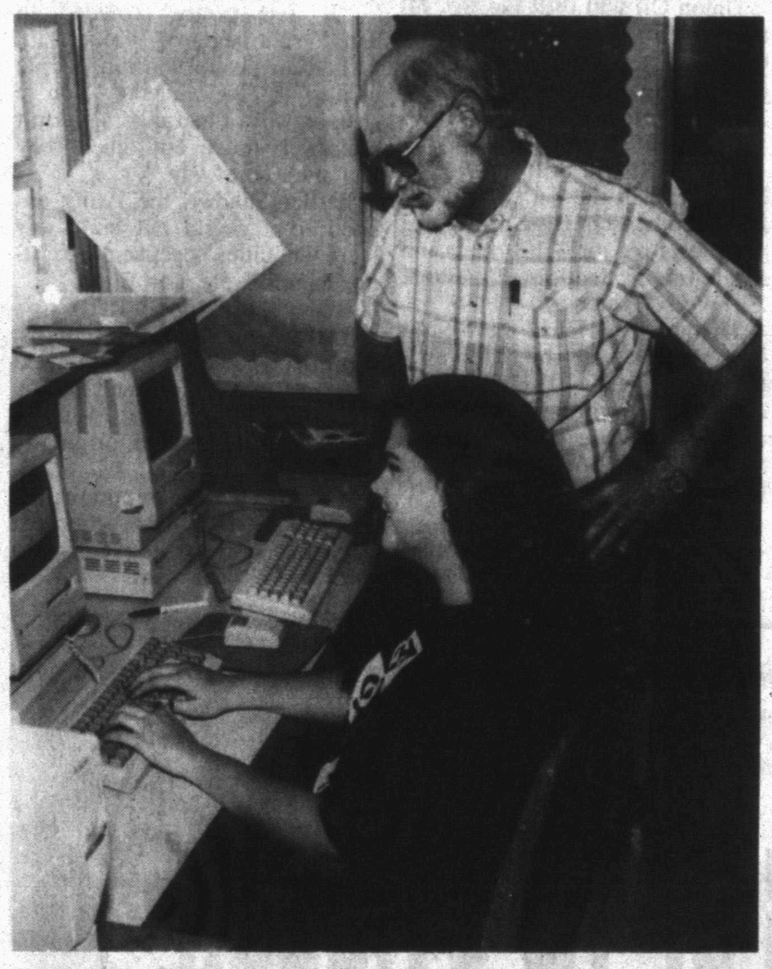
In 1982, he became editor of the Odesss American, a daily newspaper serving 17 counties in West Texas.

Nickell said he is pleased with the student interest in journalism at SHS. There are 42 students enrolled in various publication courses. Lisa Nix, a senior, will serve as editor of both the Tiger's Tale and Tiger's Lair.

"We have some real go-getters, but I told them we would go for quality, not quantity." The Tiger's Tale will likely maintain the pony-tab format of years past, but the number of pages will be subject to the amount of advertisting revenue generated, Nickell said. "Just like the real world."

Nickell said his first day lecture to students included the importance of getting all sides of the story, checking out facts and the responsibilities that accompany news gathering and editing.

Nickell said the first publication of the Tiger's Tale is expected near the end of October.



NEW TEACHER — Snyder High School journalism teacher Tom Nickell and newspaper and yearbook editor Lisa Nix work on one of the school's computers in the high school journalism room. (SDN Staff Photo)

# *Molina selected queen for annual celebration*



MISTY MOLINA



MELISSA MARTINEZ

Misty Molina has been selected as queen for the annual Diez y Seis celebration, to be held Saturday at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

Melissa Martinez will serve as princess.

Molina, 15, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Garcia. Martinez, 14, is the daughter of Johnny Martinez of Snyder and Anita Martinez of Corpus Christi. She is the granddaughter of Juan and Irene Martinez of Snyder.

The annual event is held in honor of two Catholic priests who fought for Mexico to win its independence from Spain in the early 19th century. Diez y Seis means "the 16th" which is the day in September of 1810 that Mexico issued a proclamation declaring it a sovereign nation.

Locally, the event will be celebrated on Saturday, the 12th.

There will be scheduled activites throughout the weekend. The event will host a dance, food booths and games.

Queen coronation will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday.

# DPS, ambulance crews kept busy

Department of Public Safety officers and Snyder EMS were kept busy over the weekend, working two major accidents and a snake bite call.

A 10-year-old Odessa boy was treated and released at Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room Saturday night after he was bitten on the finger by a rattlesnake at Lake Thomas.

According to hospital reports, Bobby Boiles was bitten while using a stick to put a snake in a bag. The boy did not report that he had been bitten until almost an hour later, after the snake had been killed.

A Hobbs, N.M. couple was taken to Cogdell Saturday morning following a motorcycle-car accident at the intersection of Highway 180 and Farm-to-Market 669 in Gail.

The driver of the motorcycle, 50-year-old James L. Russell, was taken to Cogdell by Snyder EMS, where he was treated for a fractured knee and wrist. His wife, Nell, a passenger on the motorcycle, reported no serious injuries, but was taken to Cogdell for observation. The couple was later transported to Humana Hospital in Abilene.

According to reports, a 1982 Suburban, driven by 59-year-old Charles Richard Aaron of Wink, was north bound on FM 669 when it ran a red light and pulled in front of the motorcycle. The motorcycle, a 1980 Honda Goldwing, hit the front left fender of the Suburban, causing heavy damage to the front end of the bike.

Aaron and three passengers in the Suburban, Timothy F. Armenta, 59, Thomas E. Dossett, 42, and Benjamin Casias, 34, were not

(see BUSY, page 8)

# *Study compares Texas schools*

According to an annual research publication, Snyder ISD's average dollar spent per student last year was well in line with the state average.

The figures come from the latest issue of Bench Marks 1991-92 School Districts Budgets in Texas, an annual publication of the Texas Research League, an Austin-based, educational corporation engaged in governmental research.

Texas public schools provided an average of $3,979 per student for current operations last year plus $377 for repayment of debt and $617 per student for capital outlay.

Snyder ISD's budget provided $3,907.67 per student for current operations, $2.53 for debt service, and $93.62 per student for capital outlay based on the 3,616 students enrolled in October 1991.

The average base salary for classroom teachers paid by Snyder ISD in October 1991 was $26,448 plus supplements for the career ladder. The average for administrators was $44,693 and $28,770 for other professional support employees.

The state average base salary for teachers was $27,553, compared to $25,522 in Region 14, which includes Snyder ISD. Administrative salaries averaged $45,958 in the state and $41,899 in Region 14 while support staff averaged $33,406 statewide and $28,981 in the region.

Four dollars in each five were spent on salaries, according to the report. Statewide payroll expense averaged $3,236 per student, as compared to $3,053.56 in Snyder ISD. Payroll expense is determined by salary levels and staffing patterns.

Snyder ISD provided one teacher for 15.3 students while the statewide pupil-teacher ratio was 16.3 to one.

School districts and county education districts imposed a property tax at the rate of $1.274 per $100 of appraised value, which averaged 98.8 percent of market value. The "true tax rate" was $1.259 ($1.274 times 98.9%) statewide.

Locally, the tax rate was $1.187, including 75.4 cents by County Education District 11. Property was appraised at 104.6 percent per $100 of market value.

The report points out that the calculation of a true tax rate based on market value rather than on appraised value is necessary to make a valid comparison of tax levels with other schools.

The tax on a house that would sell for $80,000 in Snyder ISD would have been $994. If the homeowner were eligible for homestead exemptions, the tax would have been $809. That compares with statewide average tax

(see SCHOOLS, page 8)

# Court to mull oil lease bids

Scurry County commissioners will consider bids for oil and gas leases when they convene at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

The court did not meet today, due to the Labor Day holiday.

Approval of bills and minutes from the Aug. 31 meeting are the only other items of business on the agenda.

# Economy still dominates; campaign in final stretch

By The Associated Press

President Bush and Bill Clinton targeted the Midwest today as the already turbulent 1992 campaign reached the ceremonial Labor Day starting line with the Democratic challenger ahead and the anemic economy dominating the debate.

On the eve of their holiday appeals, Bush and Clinton appeared for back-to-back interviews on national television and competed for voters' trust to revive the sluggish job market.

Clinton blamed slow growth on Reagan-Bush economics, while the president said Congress was the true villain.

"Adopt the end of trickle-down, don't go back to tax-and-spend economics but instead go into investment, education and training," Clinton said in describing his approach.

"I don't pretend that it is going to be easy or quick," the Arkansas governor said. Still, he said of the deficit: "We can cut it in half in the next four years if we have real discipline."

Bush said the economy was ready for "dramatic growth," a prediction that seemed a bit rosy given the bad economic news that dominated government reports last week.

In one, the Labor Department unemployment report showed there were fewer private-sector jobs in August than when Bush took office. But the president said he was "not prepared to buy into those statistics. I'm not sure there are fewer people at work."

Bush said the economy would be growing faster had Congress passed an administration package that included a modest tax credit for first-time homebuyers, investment incentives to encourage businesses to buy new equipment and a reduction in the capital gains tax, which Bush argues will spark job-creating investment.

Bush and Clinton were interviewed by NBC anchor Tom Brokaw as part of a hour-long election program on the network Sunday night. Its title — "58 Days" — was a reminder of the countdown to Election Day. A new NBC poll showed Clinton with a 9-point lead over incumbent Bush.



JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS — Borden County Junior High's 1992-93 yell squad features, clockwise from bottom, Victoria Santos, Carey Cox, Reagan Smith and Shalina Rayes. The junior high cheerleader sponsor is Peggy Westbrook. SDN Staff Photo)

# Oil Patch News

**Scurry County**

Pitts Energy Co. will drill the No. 3 Conrad, a 6,832-foot reentry in the Diamond M field, two miles south of Knapp. Location is in Section 98, Block 25, H&TC survey.

**Borden County**

Texaco Exploration and Production has completed the No. 6,231 Jo Mill unit in the Jo-Mill field, 17 miles southwest of Gail. The well produced 85 barrels of 39.6 gravity oil and 100 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 588-1 with perforations from 7,507-554 feet. Location is in Section 33, Block 33, T4S, T&P survey.

Paladin Exploration Co. will drill the No. 1-529 Miller, a 9,000-foot wildcat located 13 miles northeast of Gail. Drill site is in Section 529, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Paladin Exploration Co. wll drill the No. 2,529 Miller, a 9,000-foot wildcat located 13 miles northeast of Gail. Location is in Section 529, Block 97, H&TC survey.

**Mitchell County**

Bedford Oil and Gas will drill the No. 1-X Del Real in the Westbrook east field, in the Cuthbert townsite. Planned for a depth of 3,250 feet, location is in Section 2, Cuthbert Vacancy survey.

Grand Banks Energy will drill the No. 803 Mills-Strain unit in the Sharon Ridge field, four miles east of Cuthbert. Planned for a depth of 1,750 feet, location is in Section 18, C.H. McGinnis survey.

Grand Banks Energy will drill the No. 804 Mills-Strain unit in the Sharon Ridge field, four miles east of Cuthbert. Also contracted for 1,750 feet, location is in Section 18, C.H. McGinnis survey.

Grand Banks Energy will drill the No. 1,305 Mills-Strain unit in the Sharon Ridge field, four miles east of Cuthbert. Scheduled for 1,700 feet, drill site is in Section 1, G.Y. McWilliams survey.

Meridian Oil Inc. will drill the No. 207 Westbook southwest unit in the Westbrook field, six miles west of Westbrook. Planned for a depth of 3,350 feet, location is in Section 43, Block 28, T1N, T&P survey.

**Garza County**

Texland-Rector and Schumacher will drill the No. 2 Rains in the Sims field, 12 miles north of Post. Planned for a depth of 3,800 feet, location is in Section 24, Block D-19, D&SE survey.

**Nolan County**

Payne-Johnston and Byars has completed the No. 2 Little Jessie in the White Flat field, 14 miles east of Sweetwater. The well produced 120 barrels of 39.2 gravity oil. Gas-oil ratio was 209-1 with perforations from 2,788-796 feet. Location is in Section 25, Block 20, T&P survey.

Kris Oil will drill the No. 4 Petty in the EA field, four miles southwest of Nolan. Planned for a depth of 6,500 feet, location is in Section 12, Block Z, T&P survey.

Patton Exploration will drill the No. 1 Bush, a 5,500-foot wildcat two miles northeast of Hylton. Location is in the S.M. Gardner survey.

**Howard County**

Union Oil of Caifornia will drill the No. 2-R Otis Chalk in the Howard-Glasscock field, 10 miles southeast of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 3,200 feet, location is in Section 125, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Union Oil will drill the No. 3-R Otis Chalk in the Howard-Glasscock field, 10 miles southeast of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 3,200 feet, location is in Section 125, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Union Oil will drill the No. 6-R Otis Chalk in the same field, 10 miles southeast of Big Spring. Contracted for 3,200 feet, drill site is in Section 125, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Union Oil will drill the No. 41 Otis Chalk in the Howard-Glasscock field, 10 miles southeast of Big Spring. Planned for 2,375 feet, location is in Section 125, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Union Oil will drill the No. 43 Otis Chalk in the same field, 10 miles southeast of Big Spring. The venture is set for 3,200 feet, and location is in Section 125, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Union Oil will drill the No. 44 Otis Chalk in the Howard-Glasscock field, 10 miles southeast of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 3,200 feet, location is in Section 125, Block 29, W&NW survey.

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# Schools used as shelters emptied to begin classes

MIAMI (AP) — A decision to close schools used as shelters for victims of Hurricane Andrew pumped new life into military tent cities that had gone wanting for tenants.

To help south Florida inch closer to normality, Red Cross officials decided the 11 schools should be closed Sunday so they can be readied for the start of classes.

That prompted hundreds of people to move into tent cities set up last week by the Army, raising the population of the five camps from 1,000 to more than 2,000 people, said Army Lt. John Buckley. The camps have a capacity of about 3,800.

At the Harris Field camp in Homestead, the new arrivals eroded the already scant privacy campers had in the 16-by-32 foot tents, which hold 14 cots each.

"It gets pretty crowded in here," said Lorenzo Walker, 30. "There are people snoring, people talking in their sleep. You're sleeping with 14 strangers. I don't like it very much, but I guess they feel the same way."

Earlier Sunday, the Army announced it would not build any more tent cities because the existing camps were not filled.

Nancy Retherford, a Red Cross spokeswoman, said the schools, some damaged by the storm, need to be repaired and cleaned in time for classes to start next Monday, two weeks later than originally scheduled.

"We feel it's real important that the kids get back into school. It will put a normal pattern back into their lives," she said.

The storm left an estimated 250,000 people homeless. Many are staying with friends or relatives or living in the ruins of their houses rather than move into the tents.

Two weeks after Hurricane Andrew smashed through southern Florida, the 27,000 soldiers tending to devastated communities have been joined by an army of private contractors and volunteer construction workers.

County officials estimated that more than 4,000 civilians had come to south Dade County either as volunteers or seeking paid work on the recovery.

# Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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**DEAR READERS: In my Aug. 9 column, I quoted from the speech Gov. Zell Miller of Georgia gave at the Democratic National Convention. In the interest of equal time, here's one from the Republican National Convention. Credit senatorial candidate Alan Keyes of Maryland with one of the best speeches given in Houston. He said, in part:**

**"When the Republican Party was founded in 1854, this country faced a moral test. This party took a stand against slavery, which eventually crystallized into the words and deeds of our first Republican president, Abraham Lincoln.**

**"While politicians like Stephen Douglas declared that justice is a matter of choice, Lincoln announced resoundingly that where justice and human rights are concerned, 'You cannot have the right to do what is wrong!'**

**"That was the spirit of Lincoln's Republicanism. It is the spirit that makes me proud to be a Republican, one who supports the courage of George Bush. Like him, we must take a stand on tyranny, especially when it crushes the hopes of people abroad. As we did in Desert Storm, we must protect small states from belligerent bullies. You cannot have the right to do what is wrong!**

**"In the name of this party, we must oppose racism, anti-Semitism and group hatred whether it parades openly in the garb of the Klan, or masquerades beneath the soft accents of sophisticated power. You cannot have the right to do what is wrong!"**

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DEAR ABBY: Your response to "Non-Smoker" sounded as if you are employed by the tobacco industry. Abby, aren't you aware of the dangers of side-stream smoke to non-smoking individuals?

Suggesting that five non-smokers give up their right to a smoke-free environment just because three chain smokers wanted to sit in the smoking section of a restaurant appears very unjust to me. Even if the guest of honor was one of the smokers, the basic health of all should be the primary consideration.

Please, Abby, reconsider your advice on this one.

MARY ANN BLOCK, D.O., TEXAS COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHIC MEDICINE, FORT WORTH, TEXAS

**DEAR DR. BLOCK: Consider my advice reconsidered. That wasn't one of my better answers. Mea culpa.**

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**DEAR READERS: I'm still hooked on limericks. My readers have been sending me some "dillies." Here's one from Hueytown, Ala., compliments of Ann Ricci:**

**A decrepit old gas man named Peter**
**While fooling around a gas heater**
**Touched a leak in his light**
**And he rose out of sight**
**And as anyone who knows anything about poetry can tell you, he also ruined the meter.**

* * *

DEAR ABBY: Before our baby was born, we knew it was a boy, so we decided to name him "Robert II" after my husband. Many people have now told us that the baby should be "Robert Junior" — that my son's son will be the "II."

Abby, that doesn't sound right to me. What is the correct way?

SHARON H.

**DEAR SHARON: The "many people" are correct. The use of "II" indicates that the bearer of that name is a cousin, grandson or nephew of the original holder of that name.**

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SCURRY COUNTY FAIR — Plans for the Scurry County Fair are underway and sewing division superintendents are pictured with the Adams Extract Awards. Pictured from left are Kathryn Roberts, home economists division; Dorothy Tate, senior sewing superintendent; and Kathryn Tate, junior sewing superintendent. Entries will be received at the Scurry County Coliseum from 1-8 p.m. on Sept. 16. (SDN Staff Photo)

*After 27 years...*

# Killer to be released

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A former University of Texas student who became one of Texas' most notorious killers will be released from prison this month after serving 27 years of an 80-year murder sentence.

James C. Cross, who will be 50 next week, was only 22 years old when he allowed Shirley Stark, whom he once dated, and her friend, Susan Rigsby, to stop at his apartment to shower and change clothes while on their way back to school in July 1965.

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of the rape and strangulation of Miss Rigsby. He also led police to the body of Miss Stark and was charged with her murder but was never tried on that charge.

Now the state's "good time" policies have reduced Cross' time behind bars by more than 50 years, allowing him to join a small group of Texas inmates who actually serve their sentences before being discharged from prison.

"It's none of our business," said Raven Kazen, spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's parole division. "In a sense he has paid his debt, he's done his time, whether we like it or not."

Cross was denied parole 14 times since 1975. Ironically, if he had been granted parole, "we would have had the authority to help him get settled," Ms. Kazen told the Houston Chronicle.

"But the parole board is in a damned-if-you-do, damned-if-you-don't situation in a case like this, where there's not a life sentence and, at some point, the prisoner is going to get out."

Cross was convicted of killing Miss Rigsby while Miss Stark showered and was accused of strangling the second woman. The two stopped at his apartment because their own place was not yet ready for their return to school.

Minutes after the killings, Cross picked up his current girlfriend, took her on a date and then back to his apartment where they had sex a few feet from where the women's bodies lay heaped in a bedroom closet.

Two days later, he consoled the two women's anguished families, assuring them that no harm possibly could have befallen the pair. And he offered to help police find the women, giving them false clues.

Two weeks later, his conscience gnawing at him, Cross went to authorities, confessed to both slayings and led police to their bodies.

During the second trial for Miss Rigsby's death, police admitted they would never have had a case against Cross had he not come forward.

Jurors found Cross guilty of Miss Rigsby's capital murder in 1966, but rejected pleas from Travis County Assistant District Attorney Phil Nelson to sentence him to death. Instead, he was sentenced to life.

## Business meetings in topless clubs could bring on lawsuits

DALLAS (AP) — Men that hold business meetings in topless clubs may find themselves at the business end of a lawsuit, legal experts predict.

Holding a meeting in a club that features topless women, some say, is designed to keep women off of the career ladder.

"If a company, by reimbursing expenses, supports its people doing business in topless clubs under the guise of that's where their clients like to go, in essence they're saying that a man must be the one who handles the business,' said Norman Werback, a principal in the Dallas workplace-consulting firm WerbackRose.

"And the law says business can't be directed in other directions based on sex," Werback said.

The issue hasn't been tested in court.

"Whether just going to a topless bar is enough for a sexual harassment suit is debatable," said Southern Methodist University law professor Jane Dolkart. "More likely it would be part of an allegation of a hostile environment rather than the sole factor in bringing such a lawsuit."

After a Conoco Inc. employee charged $22,600 to the company at a Houston topless club two years ago, the oil company started paying more attention to such expenses.

Jim Felder, Conoco's manager of public relations, said he turned down some expense accounts charged in topless clubs.

"It's not the type of expense that I felt would reflect well on Conoco," Felder said.

But club patrons and owners say the clubs offer a sophisticated, relaxed environment conducive to business. Female executives should feel comfortable there, they say.

And some do.

Sarah Powers, a Houston real estate lawyer, ended up at Cabaret Royale in Dallas one night with an out-of-state client.

*For school choice...*

# Parents favor vouchers

NEW YORK (AP) — Americans broadly favor President Bush's proposal to give $1,000 "scholarships" for poor and middle-income parents to send their children to any public or private school, an Associated Press poll found.

The poll also found strong support for parental choice among public schools.

Sixty-three percent favored President Bush's proposal of a $500 million experimental program to give scholarships that could be used at any school, including religious institutions. The poll found 32 percent opposed and 5 percent unsure.

Supporters of Bush's "G.I. Bill for Children" say public schools will be forced to improve if they have to compete with private schools for government money.

Opponents, including teachers' unions and Democratic presidential nominee Bill Clinton, say the plan is an election-year gimmick and that tax money should not subsidize parochial schools. However, many Democrats including Clinton support increased parental choice among public schools.

In the poll, 68 percent said parents should be able to choose which public school their child attends. Just 28 percent agreed with the opposing argument that such choice would take resources away from schools that need the most improvement.

The telephone poll was taken Aug. 28-Sept. 1 by ICR Survey Research Group, part of AUS Consultant Cos. The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Previous polls have found consistent support for parents choosing their children's public school. But support for using public money to pay for private-school education seems to depend on how the question is worded.

Last year the professional education fraternity Phi Delta Kappa released a Gallup poll that found more than two-thirds of Americans oppose "allowing students and parents to choose a private school to attend at public expense."

In eight polls since 1970, the Kappan magazine reported, Gallup has never found more than 51 percent support for a "voucher system" to allot tax money to any public, parochial or private school parents choose.

Bush's use of the word "scholarship" seems to have drawn out more backers because "they tend to see scholarships as not being public funds," Kappan editor Pauline Gough said. "What we're doing is playing semantic games," said Gough, who personally opposes the Bush plan.

Clint Bolick, a Washington lawyer who is a leading advocate of educational vouchers for low-income parents, disagrees. He attributes the support in the AP poll to the mention of the "modest" figure of $1,000. In previous polls, the public may have mistakenly thought the government was going to shoulder the cost of elite prep schools, he said.

"As the concept of school choice has become better known, support particularly among low-income people has grown significantly," said Bolick, of the nonprofit Institute for Justice.

In the poll, 73 percent of those with family incomes under $25,000 support the scholarship plan, compared with 55 percent of those with higher incomes. Young people, those with children and those with the least education themselves are also disproportionally in favor of the plan.

## Camera safari is popular near Kerrville

KERRVILLE (AP) — Canyons and draws that once concealed whiskey stills just east of here have become home to exotic animals from throughout the world in a drive-through wildlife ranch called Kerrville Camera Safari.

The 222-acre ranch, which opened Friday, offers window-seat views of more than 20 species of native and exotic animals.

"The Hill Country is the center of the exotic animal industry in the country, and Kerrville is right in the heart of it," said Ken Wilson, ranch manager and co-owner of the facility.

"There are other drive-through parks in Texas, but this is will be a showplace unlike anything else," he said Thursday during a tour of the ranch just off Interstate 10 and Texas 16.

Wilson said about 40 people had been working at the ranch since July to complete 44 miles of roadways, two miles of interior fences and other structures.

The ranch is part of the original 4,400-acre property called Whiskey Creek Ranch — named for the illegal whiskey stills operated there.

"I came hunting in this area in 1984 and really liked the country," said, Wilson, formerly of Los Angeles.

Wilson, a real estate broker, said he found the property was for sale and convinced Roger Haley of Ventura, Calif., to help buy the land for a drive-through park.

"I've always enjoyed hunting and observing animals. This idea is something we thought would be good for this area, particularly because of the existing interest in exotics," he said.

About $250,000 in improvements were necessary, Wilson said.

## Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♣ J 10 8

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♣ K 9 6 4 3

SOUTH
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♥ A Q 6 2
♦ A J 5 2
♣ A Q 2

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: North

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### The Pan American Championships

By Phillip Alder

The inaugural Pan American Championships were held June 5-14 in Corpus Christi, Texas. Players from 26 nations competed over the 10 days, with the United States making a clean sweep of the gold medals. The winners of the Championship Pairs were Eric Rodwell and Doug Simson. They played today's deal against the runners-up, Gabriel Chagas and Marcelo Branco from Brazil.

The auction is characteristic of Rodwell's approach to pairs events: very aggressive bidding in competition. Sitting West, he overcalled one spade with only a four-card suit when his primary suit had been opened on his right — hardly a textbook bid. Then, after his partner showed a maximum pass with three-card spade support, via the two-diamond cue-bid, Rodwell went for the jugular, doubling three diamonds for penalties.

Rodwell led his singleton heart. The declarer, Branco, won with dummy's king, finessed his club queen successfully, cashed the club ace and ruffed his club loser in the dummy. Next came a low spade to the queen and king. Rodwell returned a spade to his partner's ace and received a heart ruff.

West exited with the spade jack, forcing South to ruff. However, now Branco knew the lie of the cards and was able to restrict West to only two more trump tricks. However, one down, plus 100 to East-West, gave the champions almost all the matchpoints — far more than their final winning margin of three points.

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## Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

### Steroids may relieve lung disease

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is there any new information you can pass on regarding COPD? I'm being treated with prednisone for sarcoidosis of the lungs and wonder how long I can stay on the steroids.

DEAR READER: There's not much new information about chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, which is marked by increased production of bronchial mucus and trapping of stale air within the lungs. COPD is a common, late consequence of cigarette smoking and air pollution. Also, it's often the end result of occupational exposure, such as black lung (in miners) and farmer's lung.

In my experience, sarcoidosis doesn't ordinarily cause COPD. Sarcoidosis is a disease of unknown cause that produces areas of low-grade inflammation in various body organs, notably the lymph nodes. A pulmonary type, causing diffuse lung irritation, can hinder breathing. The treatment for this is prednisone or other steroids.

In patients with severe and incapacitating COPD (from any cause), the use of steroids may improve breathing. As you know, these drugs have serious side effects (such as bone brittleness, cataracts and reduced immunity to infections); therefore, doctors usually prescribe prednisone cautiously and only after explaining the risk/benefit ratio to patients.

In your case, this would be especially appropriate because I don't know the extent of your disease(s) and which one necessitates the use of prednisone. Ask your doctor about this. Also inquire about the duration of therapy.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Consumer Tips On Medicines." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'd like information on hepatitis C. How is it contracted, is it contagious and can a child get it? Sign me worried.

DEAR READER: Hepatitis C is one of five types of viral liver infection. It is spread by blood transfusions or needle sticks; therefore, people of any age can be exposed. It is not, however, contagious from casual contact, as is the common cold, for instance.

There is no preventive vaccine (as there is for hepatitis B) or treatment for hepatitis C, which is serious because it can lead to chronic liver disease.

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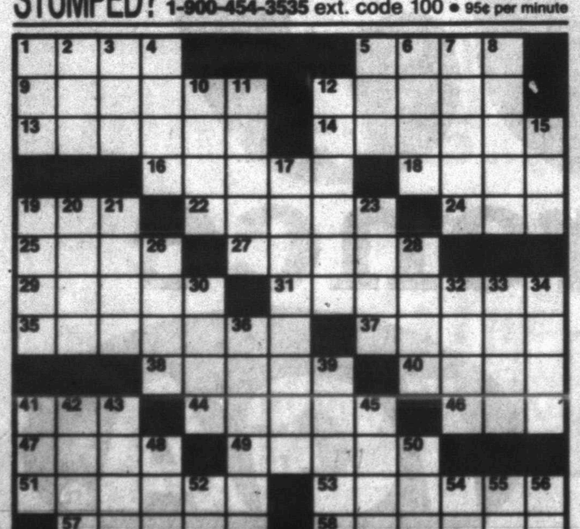
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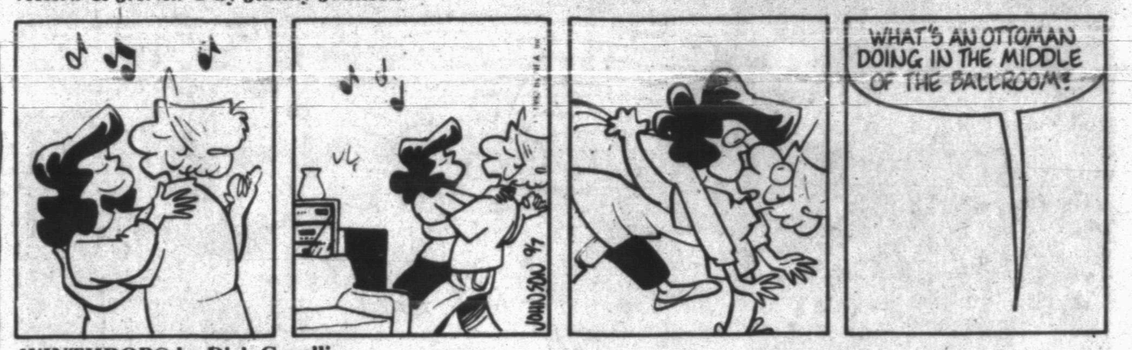


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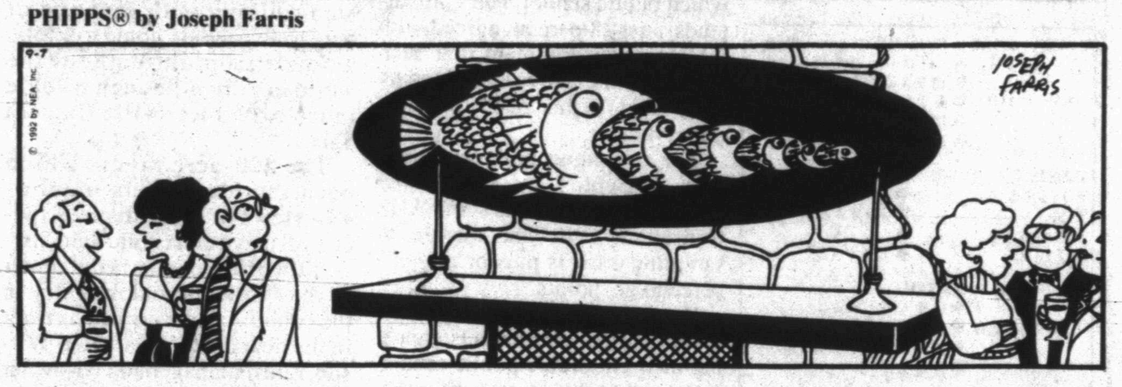

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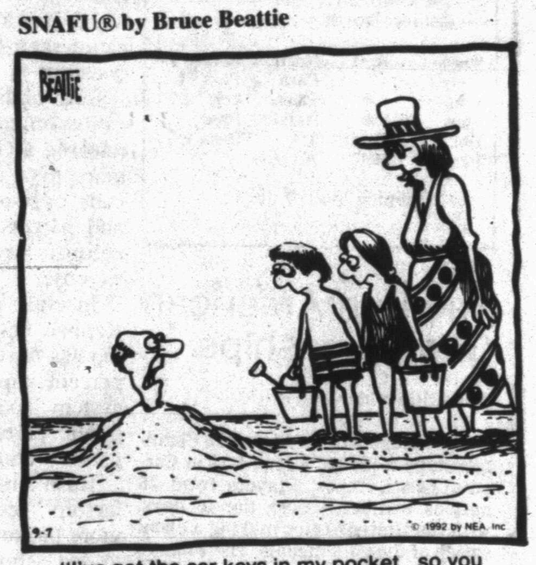



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# LVHS, S'water fall to Snyder net team

Snyder hosted and won two non-district team tennis matches Saturday, posting a 17-4 victory over San Angelo Lake View in the morning and coming back with a 15-6 win over Sweetwater in the afternoon.

The SHS boys' singles entrants, Jason Warren, Sam Cain, Chris Gayle and Jerinimo Ruiz, swept the Chiefs Saturday morning.

Warren knocked off top LVHS seed David Smith, 7-5, 6-7, 6-4, and the rest of the Snyder crew won in straight sets.

Cain and Gayle teamed up for a 6-4, 5-7, 6-2 doubles win over Kasey Wheless and Steve Grubbs, while Tiger teammates Ruiz and Cody Shields, who won his singles match by default, topped Smith and Sammy Northington in three sets, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

Snyder's girls were led by singles winners Christina Gonzales, Jaycie Wright and Mendy Winter.

Gonzales won in straight sets over Lake View's Eva Garcia, 6-2, 6-3; Wright hammered out a 7-5, 6-3 decision over Hopie Trejo; and Winter ripped Felicita Gomez, 6-2, 6-3.

Leslie Sandoval combined with Gonzales to topple Martha Carrillo and Garcia in the first girls' doubles match. Wright and Winter and Kelly Farmer and Katie Thornton were also SHS winners in girls' doubles play.

The Snyder girls continued their domination of the courts Saturday afternoon, winning six of seven singles matches and splitting four doubles tilts against Sweetwater.

Singles winners included top Snyder seed Sandoval, a 6-2, 6-1 victor over Tara Wilkerson, Gonzales, who dropped Pam Ramos by the same score, and Wright, who handed Jenny Bates a 6-4, 6-3 loss.

Sandoval and Gonzales won their second doubles match of the day, taking a 6-3, 6-0 win from Casey Staggs and Wilkerson, while Farmer and Thornton drilled the team of Scott and Morales, 6-0, 6-4.

Gayle led a 5-2 charge by Snyder's boys' singles players, notching a 6-4, 6-4 win over Ephraim Lara.

Ruiz and Shields edged Sweetwater's Adam Geron and Tom Kennedy in twin 7-5 sets and Warren and Kevin Jones knocked off Cody Hilliard and Lara 7-6 (7-1), 6-2.

The Tigers will take a week off before beginning defense of their District 2-4A championship against Frenship here Sept. 14.

**Saturday team tennis**
**Snyder players listed first**
**Snyder 17, Lake View 4**

**Boys' singles:** Jason Warren def. David Smith 7-5, 6-7, 6-4; Sam Cain def. Kasey Wheeless 6-3, 7-5; Chris Gayle def. Sammy Northington 6-3, 7-5; Jeronimo Ruiz def. Steve Grubbs 6-2, 6-4.

**Girls' singles:** Leslie Sandoval lost to Martha Carrillo 6-2, 6-4; Christina Gonzales def. Eva Garcia 6-2, 6-3; Jaycie Wright def. Hopie Trejo 7-5, 6-3; Mendy Winter def. Felicita Gomez 6-2, 6-3; Michelle Spencer lost to Stephanie Sentena 7-6, 6-3; Jeri Lynn Tucker lost to Mereida Valdez 7-6, 6-3; Kelly Farmer def. Amanda Guerrero 6-3, 6-2; Katie Thornton def. Tonya Trevino 7-6, 7-6.

**Boys' doubles:** Cain and Gayle def. Wheeless and Grubbs 6-4, 5-7, 6-2; Ruiz and Shields def. Smith and Northington 6-5, 5-6, 6-3.

**Girls' doubles:** Sandoval and Gonzales def. Carillo ad Garcia 6-2, 6-2; Wright and Winter def. Trejo and Gomez 6-4, 6-0; Spencer and Tucker lost to Sentena and Valdez 7-6, 4-6, 6-3; Farmer and Thornton def. Guerrero and Trevino 7-5, 6-3.

**Snyder 15, Sweetwater 6**

**Boys' singles:** Jason Warren lost to Chris Boyd 6-1, 6-2; Sam Cain lost to Alton Howard 6-4, 4-6, 7-5; Chris Gayle def. Ephraim Lara 6-4, 7-5; Jeronimo Ruiz def. Cody Hilliard 6-1, 6-2; Cody Shields def. Tom Kennedy 6-0, 6-4; Kevin Jones def. Adam Geron 6-2, 7-6; Salvador Aguirre def. Nathan Castro 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

**Girls' singles:** Leslie Sandoval def. Tara Wilkerson 6-2, 6-1; Christina Gonzales def. Pam Ramos 6-2, 6-1; Jaycie Wright def. Jenny Bates 6-4, 6-3; Mendy Winter def. Kelly Hilliard 6-3, 6-1; Michelle Spencer lost to Liz Moses 6-2, 6-2; Jeri Lynn Tucker 6-4, 3-6 7-5; Katie Thornton def. Jill Bates 6-4, 6-3.

**Boys' doubles:** Cain and Gayle lost to Boyd and Howard 6-3, 6-2; Ruiz and Shields def. Geron and Kennedy 7-5, 7-5; Warren and K. Jones def. Hillard and Lara 7-6 (7-1), 6-2.

**Girls' doubles:** Sandoval and Gonzales def. Staggs an Wilkerson 6-3, 6-0; Wright and Winter lost to Bates and Ramos 6-2, 6-4; Spencer and Tucker lost to Moses and Dudensing 6-1, 7-5; Farmer and Thornton def. Scott and Morales 6-0, 6-4.

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# "Stealers" upset Moon, Oilers

HOUSTON (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers have a tendency to intercept Warren Moon passes.

The Steelers read "tendency sheets" from new defensive coordinator Dom Capers like road maps of Houston's run and shoot Sunday, intercepting Moon five times en route to a 29-24 victory in Bill Cowher's first game as head coach.

Rod Woodson and Larry Griffin each had two interceptions and they attributed their success to an intense study of the Oilers' run-and-shoot offense.

"I think we really understand their offense," Woodson said. "It has tendencies and we key on those tendencies. In preseason, a lot of those tendencies were 100 percent of the time and a lot were 75 percent."

Woodson, questionable earlier in the week with a gimpy knee, started the game and intercepted Moon's fourth pass. His second theft, a 57-yard return from his own end zone, set up the winning touchdown.

Griffin's second interception came late in the game, ending Houston's final offensive.

"I could almost hear them saying they couldn't believe what was happening to them," Steeler tackle Tunch Ilkin said.

The Oilers certainly weren't supposed to lose to the Steelers, trying to learn a new offense under a new coach and coaching staff.

But they learned enough about Moon to help begin the Cowher era with gusto.

"Dom Capers brought in the tendency sheets to us on Monday, and we couldn't believe it once we started," Woodson said. "Once one receiver did one thing, then we knew what the other receivers would do."

The Steelers have intercepted Moon even without Capers' tendency sheets. The Steelers beat the Oilers in Pittsburgh 26-14 last November, intercepting Moon five times.

"They didn't do anything different," Moon said. "I completed a lot of passes. The problem is the ones I didn't complete to our guys, I completed to theirs.

"I threw them every way you can throw them. I had them batted up, I threw while getting hit. I threw them across the field, everything.

"I just stunk. When I needed to be at my best, especially inside the 20, when we needed to score points, I didn't get the job done. That's my fault."

The Oilers took a 14-0 first quarter lead on a 15-yard fumble return by Johnny Meads and Moon's 11-yard pass to Ernest Givins. Tony Del Greco kicked a 36-yard field goal and Moon completed an 8-yard touchdown pass to Givins in the second quarter, ending Houston's scoring.

Cowher called a fake field goal in the second quarter that resulted in a 44-yard pass completion from punter Mark Royals to Warren Williams and set up a one-yard touchdown run by Barry Foster.

Neil O'Donnell threw the first of two touchdown passes, a 20-yarder to Jeff Graham and the Steelers trailed 24-16 at the half.

Field goals of 25 and 37 yards by Gary Anderson made it a two-point game in the third quarter and Woodson's 57-yard interception from his own end zone in the fourth quarter set up the winning score.

## NFL glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

**AMERICAN CONFERENCE**

| East | W | L | T | Pct. | PF | PA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Buffalo | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 40 | 7 |
| Indianapolis | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 14 | 3 |
| Miami | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 00 | 00 |
| New England | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 00 | 00 |
| N.Y. Jets | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 17 | 20 |
| **Central** | | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 29 | 24 |
| Cincinnati | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 21 | 3 |
| Cleveland | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 3 | 14 |
| Houston | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 24 | 29 |
| **West** | | | | | | |
| Denver | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 17 | 13 |
| Kansas City | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 24 | 10 |
| LA Raiders | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 13 | 17 |
| San Diego | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 10 | 24 |
| Seattle | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 3 | 21 |

**NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

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| Philadelphia | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 15 | 13 |
| Dallas | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 00 | 00 |
| Washington | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 00 | 00 |
| N.Y. Giants | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 14 | 31 |
| Phoenix | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 7 | 23 |
| **Central** | | | | | | |
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| Minnesota | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 23 | 20 |
| Tampa Bay | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 23 | 7 |
| Detroit | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 24 | 27 |
| Green Bay | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 20 | 23 |
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| Atlanta | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 20 | 17 |
| San Francisco | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 31 | 14 |
| LA Rams | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 7 | 40 |
| New Orleans | 0 | 1 | 0 | .000 | 13 | 15 |

**Sunday's Games**

Indianapolis 14, Cleveland 3
Chicago 27, Detroit 24
Buffalo 40, Los Angeles Rams 7
Minnesota 23, Green Bay 20, OT
Philadelphia 15, New Orleans 13
Atlanta 20, New York Jets 17
Pittsburgh 29, Houston 24
Cincinnati 21, Seattle 3
Kansas City 24, San Diego 10
Tampa Bay 23, Phoenix 7
San Francisco 31, New York Giants 14
Denver 17, Los Angeles Raiders 13
New England at Miami, ppd., hurricane, rescheduled Oct. 18

**Monday's game**

Washington at Dallas, 9 p.m.

## Baseball glance

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**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

| East Division | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Toronto | 78 | 58 | .574 | — |
| Baltimore | 77 | 58 | .570 | ½ |
| Milwaukee | 73 | 62 | .541 | 4½ |
| Boston | 63 | 72 | .467 | 14½ |
| Detroit | 63 | 73 | .463 | 15 |
| New York | 63 | 73 | .463 | 15 |
| Cleveland | 62 | 73 | .459 | 15½ |
| **West Division** | | | | |
| Oakland | 79 | 56 | .585 | — |
| Minnesota | 75 | 61 | .551 | 4½ |
| Chicago | 72 | 62 | .537 | 6½ |
| Texas | 67 | 71 | .486 | 13½ |
| California | 61 | 75 | .449 | 18½ |
| Kansas City | 60 | 75 | .444 | 19 |
| Seattle | 56 | 80 | .412 | 23½ |

**Saturday's Games**

Toronto 7, Minnesota 3
Cleveland 5, Seattle 4
Texas 7, New York 3
Boston 7, Oakland 3
Milwaukee 10, Detroit 3
Chicago 12, Kansas City 6, 8 innings, rain
Baltimore 4, California 1

**Sunday's Games**

New York 7, Texas 0
Toronto 4, Minnesota 2
Detroit 6, Milwaukee 2
Seattle (Fisher 2-1) at Cleveland (Nichols 3-3), 1:35 p.m.
Chicago (McCaskill 9-11) at Kansas City (Pierce 0-0), 2:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Lefferts 0-0) at California (Blyleven 7-7), 4:05 p.m.
Boston (Viola 11-11) at Oakland (Witt 9-13), 8:05 p.m.

**Monday's Games**

Seattle (Leary 6-7) at Minnesota (Erickson 10-10), 2:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Cook 5-6) at Milwaukee (Eldred 6-1), 2:35 p.m.
California (Valera 6-9) at Oakland (Moore 13-10), 4:05 p.m.
New York (Perez 12-13) at Baltimore (McDonald 12-10), 6:05 p.m.
Toronto (Morris 18-5) at Kansas City (Reed 2-6), 8:05 p.m.
Boston (Clemens 17-8) at Texas (Ryan 5-8), 8:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

| East Division | W | L | Pct. | GB |
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| Pittsburgh | 79 | 56 | .585 | — |
| Montreal | 75 | 60 | .556 | 4 |
| Chicago | 68 | 66 | .507 | 10½ |
| St. Louis | 66 | 67 | .496 | 12 |
| New York | 62 | 72 | .463 | 16½ |
| Philadelphia | 54 | 79 | .406 | 24 |
| **West Division** | | | | |
| Atlanta | 79 | 55 | .590 | — |
| Cincinnati | 73 | 62 | .541 | 6½ |
| San Diego | 72 | 62 | .537 | 7 |
| Houston | 64 | 71 | .474 | 15½ |
| San Francisco | 60 | 75 | .444 | 19½ |
| Los Angeles | 54 | 81 | .400 | 25½ |

**Saturday's Games**

San Diego 5, Chicago 3
Pittsburgh 6, Los Angeles 1
Cincinnati 6, New York 5
Houston 5, Montreal 2
St. Louis 4, San Francisco 0
Atlanta 6, Philadelphia 5

**Sunday's Games**

Houston 3, Montreal 1
Los Angeles 7, Pittsburgh 5
Philadelphia (Brantley 2-6) at Atlanta (Smith 4-0), 2:10 p.m.
New York (Whitehurst 2-8) at Cincinnati (Ptgh 0-1), 2:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Carter 0-0) at St. Louis (Tewksbury 14-5), 2:15 p.m.
San Diego (Benes 10-12) at Chicago (Bullinger 2-3), 2:20 p.m.

**Monday's Games**

St. Louis (Osborne 10-7) at Montreal (Gardner 11-9), 1:35 p.m.
Chicago (Morgan 14-6) at Pittsburgh (Wakefield 5-1), 1:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Astacio 2-2) at Atlanta (Smoltz 14-10), 2:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Rijo 10-9) at Houston (Williams 7-4), 2:35 p.m.
New York (Schourek 4-6) at Philadelphia (Mulholland 12-9), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Hurst 14-7) at San Francisco (Black 10-7), 9:35 p.m.

*Against Redskins...*

# Rookie opens season at MLB

IRVING, Texas (AP) — What a place for a rookie to be starting at middle linebacker. Monday Night Football. Redskins. The counter trey.

A year ago Robert Jones was playing at East Carolina.

On Monday Night in Texas Stadium, he'll be the heart of the Dallas Cowboys defense against the running attack of the world champion Washington Redskins.

Washington coach Joe Gibbs will be hurling Earnest Byner, Terry Orr, Ricky Ervins and Brian Mitchell at Jones' position. Gibbs will use the Redskins famed "counter trey" play and it will be up to Jones to shed the blocker and make a tackle.

In front of Jones will be backup tackles Jimmie Jones and Danny Noonan. Russell Maryland and Tony Casillas have injuries which limit their mobility.

Gibbs must be pumped knowing he can take advantage of Robert Jones, the greenhorn. Not!

"Not after watching him play," Gibbs said. "Dallas has got somebody there who is pretty dadgummed good. He'll be around a long time. I think he's a heckuva player. He's bright and I don't see him making mistakes. He's just playing super football."

Jones drew enough attention to make The Associated Press third team All-America even though the Pirates publicity machine is not to be confused with Notre Dame's. In one game for the Pirates he was credited with 23 tackles and had 561 career stops.

He can run the 40 in 4.6, and has a 37-inch vertical leap. In his very first training camp scrimmage with the Cowboys, he stepped in front of a Troy Aikman pass and returned it for a touchdown, outrunning defensive backs when he did it.

# Local quartet fires 52 to win Baugh tourney

The team of Bill Wayne Harris, Alton Patterson, Jim Blume and Randy Weaver combined for an 18-hole score of 52 to claim first place in Saturday's Slingin' Sammy Baugh Snyder High School Golf Tournament at Western Texas College.

The four-man scramble was played to benefit the SHS golf program.

A Washington Redskins jersey bearing Baugh's retired No. 33 and an autograph of the NFL legend was also auctioned in conjunction with the weekend tournament.

Hat Oil Co. of Snyder submitted the winning bid, buying the jersey for $3,000.

Baugh also competed in the tournament, teaming up with son Steve and Snyder High golf coaches Bob O'Day and Matt Glenn for a 62.

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*SWC roundup...*

# Sherrill's 'Dogs dump Texas

by The Associated Press

No one seemed to think that Mississippi State should beat the Texas Longhorns.

But they did.

The Texas Longhorns started their second century of college football much like they spend the latter part of the first 100 years — losing to Jackie Sherrill.

Sherrill's Bulldogs strode into Memorial Stadium Saturday and initiated new coach John Mackovic with a 28-10 victory, the seventh straight triumph over the Horns by a Sherrill-coached team.

"Mississippi State is not supposed to beat Texas," Sherrill said. "I'm very proud of out players but there's no way we should have beaten Texas."

Texas had plenty of company. Seventh-ranked Texas A&M was the only SWC team to get a victory in Saturday's openers.

The Aggies (2-0) beat Louisiana State 31-22 while Tulsa upended Houston 28-25; Louisiana Tech beat Baylor 10-9; Air Force beat Rice 30-21; Tulane defeated Southern Methodist 13-12 and New Mexico defeated Texas Christian 24-7.

Texas Tech started the dark weekend with a 34-9 loss to Oklahoma on Thursday night.

Mississippi State's Kenny Roberts gained 126 yards on 16 carries as the Bulldogs ground out 242 rushing yards. Gardere completed 21 of 35 passes for 223 yards but had two interceptions.

"This is a brand-new offense we are trying to get everyone to master," Mackovic said. "That's not easy to do. I saw some good things out there, but I'm disappointed in that we didn't do some things as well as I thought we would."

After squeaking past Stanford in their season opener, the Aggies benefited from Jeff Granger's 13 for 26 passes performance and the Aggie "Wrecking Crew" defense held LSU to 230 total yards.

Granger finally shook off the effects of a summer spent playing baseball.

"I felt like I was throwing a football, not a baseball," Granger said. "I couldn't throw the ball (in the season opener). I couldn't hit the open receiver. I was throwing it the dirt. It was pretty ugly."

But the Aggies are sitting pretty with a 2-0 record for Saturday's home opener against the Tulsa Hurricane.

In other games this week Baylor hosts Colorado; SMU hosts North Texas; Texas plays at Syracuse; TCU hosts Western Michigan and Texas Tech hosts Wyoming.

Rice's Trevor Cobb started his final season with a 106-yard performance against Air Force, but the Owls were caught short.

"I feel good that our offense was able to execute against a defense that had eight guys back and was the best defense in the WAC at the end of the season," Rice coach Fred Goldsmith said. "But we didn't have the poise to win."

## College scores

by The Associated Press

**EAST**
Boston College 37, Rutgers 20
Miami, Ohio 29, West Virginia 29, tie
Pittsburgh 51, Kent 10
Temple 35, Boston U. 0

**SOUTH**
Alabama 25, Vanderbilt 8
Clemson 24, Ball St. 10
Florida St. 48, Duke 21
Georgia 28, South Carolina 6
Kentucky 21, Cent. Michigan 14
Mississippi 45, Auburn 21
N. Carolina St. 35, Appalachian St. 10
North Carolina 35, Wake Forest 17
Southern Miss. 23, Memphis St. 21
Syracuse 42, East Carolina 21
Tennessee 38, SW Louisiana 3
Texas A&M 31, LSU 22
Virginia 28, Maryland 15
Virginia Tech 49, James Madison 20

**MIDWEST**
Akron 27, E. Michigan 9
Illinois 30, N. Illinois 14
Iowa St. 35, Ohio U. 9
Miami 24, Iowa 7
Nebraska 49, Utah 22
Notre Dame 42, Northwestern 7
Ohio St. 20, Louisville 19
Penn St. 24, Cincinnati 20
Toledo 49, Arkansas St. 0

**SOUTHWEST**
Brigham Young 38, Texas-El Paso 28
Citadel 10, Arkansas 3
Louisiana Tech 10, Baylor 9
Mississippi St. 28, Texas 10
Oklahoma St. 35, Indiana St. 3
Tulane 13, Southern Meth. 12
Tulsa 28, Houston 25

**FAR WEST**
Air Force 30, Rice 21
Arizona 49, Utah St. 3
California 46, San Jose St. 16
Colorado 37, Colorado St. 17
Fresno St. 42, Pacific U. 21
Hawaii 24, Oregon 21
Kansas 49, Oregon St. 20
New Mexico 24, Texas Christian 7
New Mexico St. 37, Weber St. 21
Southern Cal 31, San Diego St. 31, tie
Washington 31, Arizona St. 7
Washington St. 25, Montana 13
Wyoming 25, Nevada 6

## Arkansas coach quits after loss

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Jack Crowe quit Sunday as head football coach at the University of Arkansas, one day after the Division I Razorbacks suffered an embarrassing 10-3 loss to The Citadel, a Division I-AA school.

Defensive coordinator Joe Kines, an assistant coach for 28 years, was named Crowe's successor.

Crowe, 44, was starting his third year as head coach. He was hired Jan. 22, 1990, after Ken Hatfield left Arkansas for Clemson.

"It is obvious the program is not where we want it to be and not where it should be," Crowe said. "Razorback fans deserve better than that. I believe it is in the best interests of all concerned that the head coaching responsibility be turned over to someone else."


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# Ivan Lendl advances with win over Adams

NEW YORK (AP) — Tennis is not all that complicated in Ivan Lendl's world.

"What happens in the first set means nothing," the three-time U.S. Open champion said. "What happens on the last point means everything."

Lendl reached the fourth round of the U.S. Open for the 13th consecutive year Sunday by stopping Chuck Adams 2-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4.

Yet, for the second straight match, his vanquished opponent had negative thoughts about Lendl's game, Adams echoing Jimmy Connors.

"I think Connors made a good point," Adams said. "He (Lendl) doesn't play like he used to. He is not hitting the ball."

Lendl, however, thinks otherwise.

"Why would I play hard against Connors and let him eat me up with pace?" Lendl asked a questioner. "He loves pace. He hates it when you hit it short and slow to his forehand. He just can't stand it.

"You shouldn't go out there and hit your head against the wall. I have been around long enough to know better than that. I have been hitting slice backhands to Connors' forehand for eight years; he hasn't beaten me once. Why should I change that?"

Lendl's fourth-round opponent will be another former U.S. Open winner, seventh-seeded Boris Becker, who advanced with a 6-1, 4-6, 7-6 (7-1), 6-3 victory over fellow German Carl-Uwe Steeb.

Other winners Sunday were defending champion and second seed Stefan Edberg, No. 4 Michael Chang, No. 12 Wayne Ferreira of South Africa, No. 15 Richard Krajicek of the Netherlands and Spain's Emilio Sanchez.


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# GM strike is settled

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Nine assembly plants that depend on the Lordstown factory for parts were forced to stop production or shut down after the strike began Aug. 27. The assembly plants don't stockpile parts.

The 2,400 members of United Auto Workers Local 1714 in this northeastern Ohio town returned to work late Saturday after ratifying an agreement to end their nine-day walkout.

GM said it would focus on resupplying parts to resume production of its popular Saturn, built in Spring Hill, Tenn. Saturn spokesman Bill Betts said full production of 1993 models would resume Tuesday.

About 700 workers at a plant in Kingston-Warren, Tenn., which makes rubber moldings that go around car windows, could return Thursday or Friday, said plant manager Doug Losey.

GM plants in Baltimore and Wilmington, Del., also won't reopen until at least midweek, union officials said.



**SELF-PORTRAITS — Hermleigh fifth grade students in Cathy Beckman's class drew self-portraits and wrote a brief description of themselves on the back of mirrors they made as part of a class project. From left, back row: Pablo Alfaro, Julie Torres, Leslie Hernandez, April Whittenburg, Rocky Gill and April Digby. Middle row: Monique Beauchamp, Trey Roemisch, Crystal Jackson, Brandy Wood and Tiffanie Moore. Front row: Tony Molina, Jared Higgins, Amy Arrendale and Ashlie Dotson. Not pictured are Charley Garcia, Andy Luna, Tracy Luna, Kendra Dacus and Joey Garza. (SDN Staff Photo)**

# Police fire on ANC marchers

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Security forces in the black homeland of Ciskei opened fire today on thousands of ANC supporters marching to protest the military government and at least 14 people died, officials said.

The violence was sure to increase tensions between the African National Congress and the South African government and diminish chances of reviving political negotiations on ending white-minority rule.

Ciskei Defense Chief Brig. Marius Oelschig told the South African Press Association security forces began shooting after being attacked by a group of marchers armed with handguns and grenades.

After two bursts of gunfire, Ciskei forces hurled tear gas at the demonstrators, who began fleeing. Politicians on hand to monitor the march, including top ANC officials, dived for cover.

Deon van Loggenburg, media liaison officer for the South African embassy in Ciskei, said 13 men and one woman were killed by gunfire. A total of 140 people suffered gunshot wounds, and 47 people were injured by razor wire or other objects, van Loggenburg said.

"It is a horrific tragedy," said Antonie Gildenhuys, an observer from a the National Peace Secretariat, a panel set up to monitor political violence in the country.

Some 20,000 ANC supporters, led by ANC secretary-general Cyril Ramaphosa, had vowed to march through Bisho to protest the Ciskei government, which is unsympathetic to the black opposition movement.

Ramaphosa was among those who threw themselves to the ground as the shooting broke out just outside Bisho on the Ciskei side of the border.

The ANC considers Ciskei and the three other "independent" homelands vestiges of apartheid run by puppets of South Africa's white-minority government, and it has demanded their reincorporation into South Africa.

SAPA said the first of two bursts of gunfire erupted when the marchers stormed through a back entrance of a stadium on Bisho's outskirts. More shooting broke out a few minutes later, after protesters began ripping down razor wire erected to contain the march.

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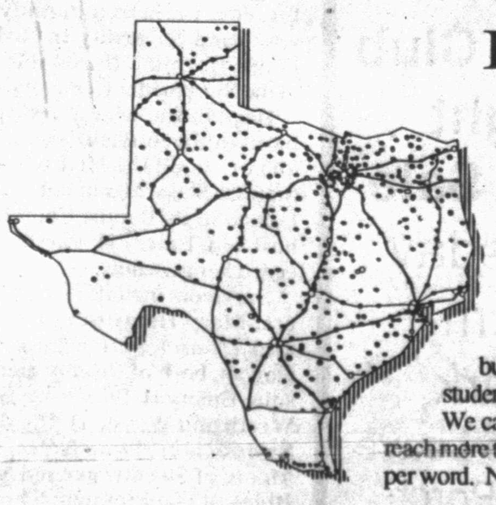
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# News briefs

## Fewer young choose farming

LUBBOCK (AP) — Fewer people are choosing farming as a career, instead leaving the fields to corporations, experts say.

The expensive set-up costs, hard work and high risks associated with farming are the main deterrents.

"A lot of young people who grew up on farms, their parents are telling them, 'We can't help you get started, and we don't think there's a great future in it anyway,' " said Don Ethridge, a professor of agricultural economics at Texas Tech University.

"It has just not been looked at as a very promising profession for the past decade," Ethridge said.

In 1987, 21 percent of American farmers were older than 65, compared with 3 percent of the total labor force nationwide, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Farming now seems better suited to large corporations because they are able to cover tremendous risk by harvesting huge acreage, said Fred Gale, an agricultural economist for the USDA.

Younger recruits, now face a hefty capital investment.

"There's a definite advantage to the economy of size" in modern farming, said Jackie Smith, a farm economist with Texas A&M University Extension Service. "You have to get in large, and a new guy starting out can't afford to get in large."

## Poison Center hang up

DALLAS (AP) — The North Texas Poison Center has threatened to stop taking calls from people in counties and cities that do not finance the toll-free line by Oct. 1.

It is not known yet how many counties could be affected.

The cash-strapped center is also considering shutting down the hotline from 11 p.m. to 7 p.m. and eliminating its poison education programs.

Manager Lena Day said the cuts are necessary because Parkland Memorial Hospital, the center's chief sponsor, is reducing its contribution by about $200,000.

The poison center was established at Parkland in 1984 to serve Dallas and 57 counties in North Texas.

"It's not right that Dallas County taxpayers should pay for a service that the rest of the state of Texas uses," Ms. Day said.

Most callers who are refused hotline service will be referred to their local emergency room or told to dial 911. However, all life-threatening calls will be answered, even if the caller is from a restricted area.

So far, most county governments have agreed verbally to commit some money, said Mary Churchill, the center's project coordinator. Dallas and Fort Worth have not committed any funds for the upcoming budget.

## TB on rise in state

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Increasing numbers of tuberculosis cases are filling the San Antonio State Chest Hospital.

Patients come from all over the state and some are quarantined — locked in their rooms for as long as a year because they failed to follow the lengthy treatment programs needed to cure the highly contagious disease.

At the end of 1991, the chest hospital had only two quarantine cases. Now, there are 14. Administrators expect to have about 20 by December.

Most are substance abusers; at least two are mentally ill.

Voluntary patients, too, are showing up at the chest hospital in increasing numbers.

The current TB population of about 60 is putting stress on resources and reducing the hospital's ability to see patients with other problems.

"My fear is that the Legislature and the people that make public policy don't take this seriously," said Dr. Robert Neimes, the director. "For the next couple of years at least, we're going to continue to see an increase."

The 1,000-bed hospital, built in 1953, is staffed to handle about 100 patients, Neimes said. Its primary mission is to treat patients with TB, leprosy and chronic respiratory disorders.

## Kids need mental health care

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The private psychiatric industry is still closed to thousands of Bexar County children in need of mental health care, because little public aid exists to pay for the services.

Ruben R. Cardenas, executive director of the Center for Health Care Services in San Antonio, has called for a 24-hour mental emergency center designed for children and teen-agers.

His tax-funded mental health agency was built to serve adults only, he said.

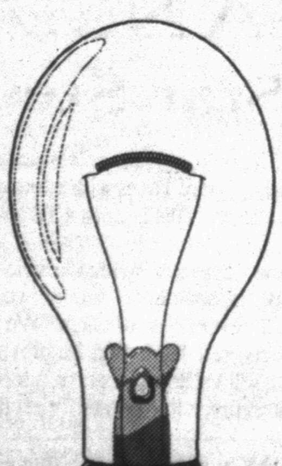
"The center has estimated that 7,181 youth in Bexar County are in need of public mental health services," Cardenas said in a report to the state House Human Services Committee.

That number included 1,152 children and teen-agers who sought help at the center's adult crisis center; 664 patients put on a waiting list at the children services division; 778 families who sought in-home support; and an estimated 2,000 pregnant teen-agers needing substance-abuse counseling or other emotional support.

Cardenas' agency has had to turn away hundreds of children and teen-agers who sought help for mental and emotional problems, he said. Many had been treated at private hospitals until their insurance benefits ran out and then were "dumped," Cardenas said.

But, said Cardenas, no public emergency psychiatric services exist in Bexar County for children and teen-agers.

County Commissioner Paul Elizondo, who heads the center's board of directors, urged the Legislature to tax private hospitals to help fund public treatment for the poor.

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# Texas minister charged with criminal trespass

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — For the second time in two Sundays, police arrested demonstrators outside the church regularly attended by Gov. Bill Clinton.

Police spokesman Lt. Charles Holladay said Sunday that police arrested 27 demonstrators, including Rev. W.N. Otwell of the God Said Ministries in Nacogdoches, Texas. Holladay said all where charged with criminal trespassing and given citations to appear in court Sept. 14.

Otwell had led a group of protestors outside Immanuel Baptist Church, where Democratic presidential nominee Clinton is a member.

As he was escorted from the church grounds, Otwell told Little Rock television station KARK, "It's a sad day in this country when we've come to the place where churches have to miss their own services on Sunday morning to come to stand up against wickedness at someone else's church because they refuse to stand up."

Otwell also was arrested last Sunday after he refused to stay off of church property, police said.

The protestors have denounced Clinton's position on abortion and women's and gay rights. They also have criticized the church for allowing the governor to remain a member.

Holladay said that church members had asked the police to keep the demonstrators from disrupting church services. He said both plain clothes and uniformed officers were at the church Sunday when they arrested demonstrators. Police said the demonstrators had entered a roped-off area where they weren't allowed.

Holladay said no violence occurred during the incident.

# Schools

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bills of $998 and $793 respectively for an $80,000 house.

Last year, Snyder ISD's revenues from the property tax increased by 46.3 percent for 1991-92, as compared to a 12 percent increase statewide.

Local property taxes plus state aid totaled $3,548 per student in Snyder ISD, as compared to $3,969 statewide.

The state and county education districts will fund the total cost of the foundation program, which averaged $2,784 per student last year and was $2,582 in Snyder ISD. Local school districts can levy property taxes to enrich the foundation program. Enrichment last year averaged $831 per pupil to which the state added an average of $354 per student to guarantee the tax yield in property poor districts. Enrichment by Snyder ISD was $993; the state guarantee added $33.

# Obituaries

## Bennie Branum

**1900-1992**

BROWNWOOD — Services were set for 3 p.m. today at Davis-Morris Funeral Home Chapel for Mrs. Bennie Branum, 92, who died Sunday in a local nursing home. Burial was to follow in the May Cemetery.

She was the sister of Ruth Eaton and Mary Harper, both of Snyder.

Born in Zephyr, Mrs. Branum had lived in the Owens community for 60 years. She taught elementary school in Owens and May for 42 years. She was a member of the Early United Methodist Church. Her husband, Charlie Branum, preceded her in death.

Other survivors include one daughter, Martha Griffin of Early; one brother, Harold Gist of Zephyr; and two grandchildren.

## Marie Owens

**1917-1992**

CISCO — Graveside services are set for 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Rising Star Cemetery for Sally Marie Owens, 75, who died Friday in an Eastland Hospital.

She was the mother of Helen Marie Williams of Snyder.

Born in Brown County, she retired in 1976 from Boss Glove Factory. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors include three other daughters, Dorothy Jean Stewart of Douglasville, Willie Jo Preston of Arlington and Betty B. Harding of Midland; a half-brother, Charles L. Smith of Austin; a half-sister, Opal Bible of Cisco; 12 grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

## Veta Pursley

**1916-1992**

SWEETWATER — Services were conducted at 10 a.m. today at McCoy Funeral Home Chapel for Veta Elizabeth Pursley, 76, who died Saturday in Rolling Plains Hospital. Burial followed in the Sweetwater Cemetery.

Born in Ira, Mrs. Pursley had lived in Sweetwater since 1945 and operated the Hi-Lo Service Station. She was a member of the Lamar Street Baptist Church. Her husband, Emery H. Pursley, preceded her in death.

Survivors include three daughters, Mary Hamilton of Austin, and Donna Smith and Anna Cowan, both of Sweetwater; two sons, Emery H. Pursley Jr. of Fort Worth and Wayne H. Pursley of Sweetwater; two sisters, Effie Moore of Sweetwater and Myrtle Biggs of Georgetown; a brother, W.W. Sheppard of Tyler; 16 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

## Mishap causes water line cutoff

Local police officers worked three traffic accidents over the weekend, including a collision between an unoccupied pickup and a fire hydrant that left some residents without water for several hours Sunday.

According to reports, a 1984 Ford pickup owned by Richard Davis of 202 32nd St. rolled down Avenue B and struck a fire hydrant in the 3300 block at about 10:29 a.m. Sunday.

No one was in the pickup, which was said by officers to be totaled in the mishap. City officials said people in the area had low water pressure until the valve could be cut off. It then took four to five hours to repair. Some people were without water during that time.

Officers investigated a two-vehicle accident at 5:52 p.m. Sunday at 37th Street and Avenue V. Involved were a 1991 Chevrolet driven by Tony Lee Grimes of 206 35th St. and a 1991 Chevrolet pickup driven by Regina Faye Harlan of 4004 Austin.

At 6:50 p.m. Saturday, police investigated a two-vehicle accident in the intersection of 28th Street and Avenue Q. Involved were a 1986 Jeep driven by Danielle Vernon of 4100 Brick Plant Road and a 1981 Ford LTD driven by Gary Lee Archie of 1010 33rd St.

# Busy

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injured in the accident.

At 1:06 a.m. Sunday, Bobby Hataway Jr. reported a two-vehicle accident north of the Camp Springs road one mile past the precinct barn.

The drivers of both vehicles were taken to Cogdell by Snyder EMS. Jerry Elliot, 29, of Snyder was treated for back pain and headaches and released, while the driver of the second vehicle, 31-year-old Rosa Berkley, was treated for abdominal pain. Berkley, also of Snyder, was later released.

A passenger in the Elliot vehicle, 29-year-old Debbie Hataway, came to Cogdell later in the morning complaining of dizziness. She was treated and released.

According to hospital reports, Elliot's vehicle was rear-ended by the second vehicle. No other details of the accident were available.

## Police make nine arrests

Snyder police made nine arrests Saturday and early Sunday, including one for parole violation.

Nineteen-year-old Manuel Medrano was arrested at 10:22 a.m. Saturday in the 4400 block of Avenue U on a Texas Department of Criminal Justice pre-revocation warrant.

He is in the county jail, pending a revocation hearing.

At 7:22 a.m. Saturday, police arrested a 19-year-old man for Class C assault, resisting arrest and retaliation, and a 22-year-old man for resisting arrest, in the 2600 block of 25th Street.

Officers arrested a 38-year-old man in the 2800 block of Avenue Q for driving with a suspended license at 7:14 p.m. Saturday.

At 12:30 a.m. Sunday, officers arrested a 31-year-old woman at 28th Street and Avenue F on an Abilene DPS warrant for speeding.

Police arrested two men, ages 18 and 23, for public intoxication at 4:49 a.m. Sunday in the 800 block of 27th Street.

At 6:38 a.m., police arrested a 34-year-old man in the 2300 block of 40th Street on an outstanding DPS warrant for speeding.

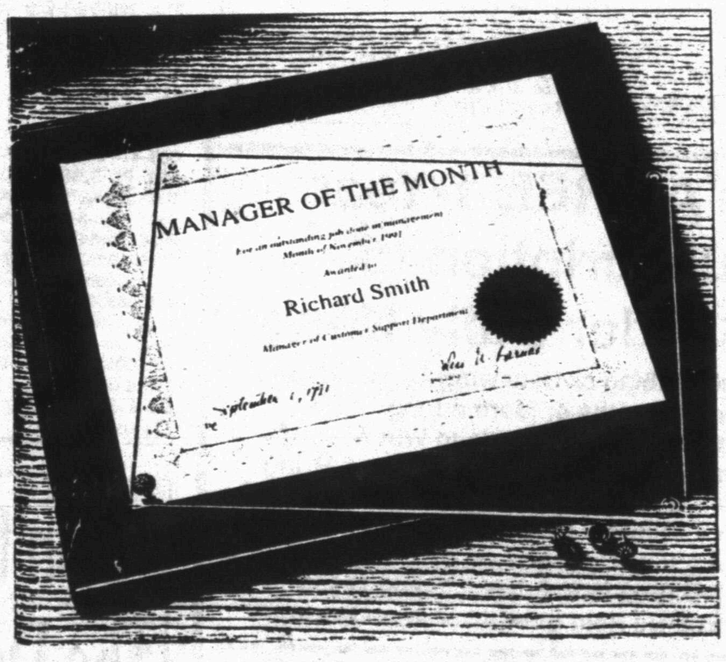
The weekend's final arrest came at 11:07 p.m. Sunday. Officers took a 33-year-old man into custody in the 2900 block of Avenue F for public intoxication.

At 3:22 a.m. Sunday, a man came to the police department to file Class C assault charges against another man.

In one other report, police logged the theft of a bicycle from 1510 Ave. E at 7:50 a.m. Sunday.


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*In Las Cruces...*

# Postal union takes aim at management

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) — Union officials say postal supervisors here illegally ship mail to El Paso, Texas, and set aside unprocessed mail, then change color codes to cover up the late deliveries.

Eugene McGuire, president of the American Postal Workers Local 402 and a 12-year-employee of the U.S. Postal Service in Las Cruces, said he tested the mail service's efficiency last week and found letters that should have reached their destinations overnight taking two days.

McGuire does origination-destination checks for the U.S. Post Office headquarters in Washington, D.C.

"My latest tests have not been that good," McGuire said.

When his sample on last Wednesday turned up delayed mail, he said a supervisor asked him "to fudge" on his report to Washington.

"I said, 'It's too late, it's already in the computer,'" McGuire said.

Postmaster Robert Bejarano was not at work Thursday or Friday and did not return calls seeking comment made to his home answering machine during the weekend.

Bill Dodds, director of field operations for the Tucson division, which oversees operations in Las Cruces, said recent complaints of late mail were investigated last week. He said Andrew Montoya, director of mail operations, found no problems in Las Cruces the day of his visit.

McGuire said the postal service's system of color coding trays or tubs of mail is being violated at the Las Cruces main office and a branch office.

Trays of mail are color-coded to show which day delivery is due.

Catalogs that were color-coded for delivery a week ago Friday still were sitting on the docks Thursday with the same Friday color code, he said.

"There is one color code for each day of the week," McGuire said. "The question is, which week?"

McGuire said a color code check last week at Las Cruces' University Park branch showed half the bulk business mail was delayed, and one-fourth had no color code tags on the trays, "so you wouldn't know how old it was."

McGuire said he found several pieces of first-class mail mixed with the bulk or "junk" mail.

In 1989, the office started sending junk mail to El Paso to be processed, and in June 1990, it started sending all of Saturday's mail to El Paso to be processed. El Paso has machines to sort mail faster than in Las Cruces.

Although first-class mail is only shipped to El Paso for processing on Saturdays, one evening shift employee who asked not to be identified said he had seen first-class mail set aside on Friday nights so it could be sent to El Paso with the Saturday mail.

McGuire said holding mail on Fridays for Saturday distribution is illegal.

The union has filed several grievances based on statements from employees who said they witnessed mail being sent to El Paso. One of the grievances was settled when the post office hired three part-time employees.

James Herrera, vice president of Local 402 and a window clerk, said postal employees are paid a "real good wage."

"But we're also very aware there is nothing more important than the sanctity of the mail and getting it through to the customers," he said. "We're trusted with your mail — not to read it, not to open it, not to steal it, but to get it where it's going as fast as we can.

## Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

### Your Birthday

**Sept. 7, 1992**

More travel than usual is probable for the year ahead. There are indications you might even be able to journey to a place you've always wanted to visit.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Don't be surprised if your social calendar gets a bit crowded today and tomorrow. There are indications your popularity with peers is ascending. Major changes are ahead for Virgo in the coming year. Send for Virgo's Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** If there is something of importance you're hoping to pull off at this time, try to do it with the assistance of proven allies, rather than with those who are untested.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Your powers of observation are exceptionally keen today. You can learn a lot by closely observing others, especially someone whose qualities you envy.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** If you apply common sense in your commercial affairs today, you should come out on the profit side of the ledger. Let your pragmatic know-how guide you.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** You'll cherish independence and mobility today, so try not to let yourself be drawn into situations that are restrictive.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Conditions are a trifle unusual today; you could be in for some pleasant surprises, especially in involvements you anticipate will end positively.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** A friend who has your best interests at heart might invite you to participate in an arrangement that has been producing unique benefits. It's something you're apt to find rather intriguing.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** You might not accomplish your objectives totally, but you can get an excellent start — if you make them priority matters. Don't be afraid to push yourself.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Try to keep your schedule flexible enough today so you'll be free to make adjustments, in case something more interesting develops. It looks like it might.

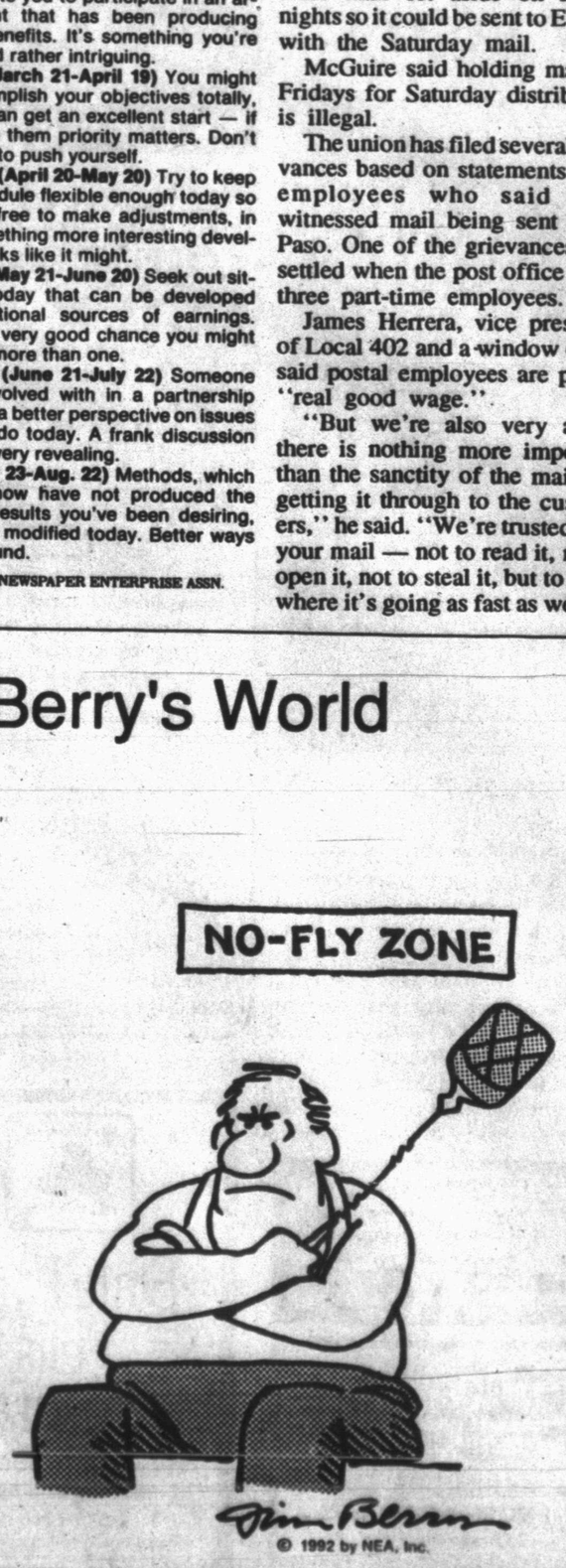
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Seek out situations today that can be developed into additional sources of earnings. There's a very good chance you might discover more than one.

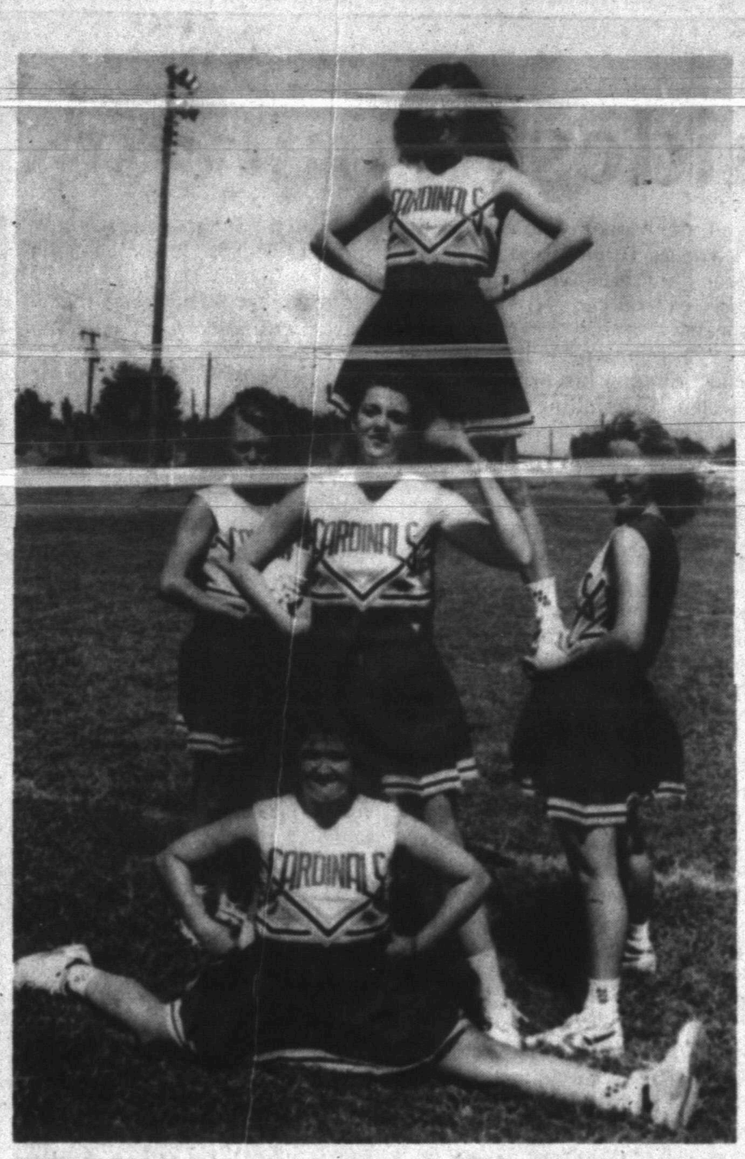
**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Someone you're involved with in a partnership may have a better perspective on issues than you do today. A frank discussion could be very revealing.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Methods, which up until now have not produced the types of results you've been desiring, should be modified today. Better ways can be found.

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## Berry's World



**HERMLEIGH CHEERLEADERS — These five girls are the Hermleigh High School cheerleaders for 1992-1993. In back are, Amy Anderson, senior; Brandy Atkinson, sophomore; Lori Anderson, sophomore. Sheri Sandefur, junior, is standing in the middle; and Stephane Gannaway, senior, is shown in the front. (SDN Staff Photo)**

# Backers of bullet train needing time

DALLAS (AP) — Backers of the Texas bullet train must secure $170 million in financing by Dec. 31, but the Texas High-Speed Rail Corp. says it needs more time to sell investors on the $6.8 billion venture.

Under its agreement with the state, Texas High-Speed Rail cannot buy land until it arranges the financing.

"I have steadfastly maintained that the schedule imposed by the state is super aggressive," said Glenn Biggs, chairman of the private French-American investment group that holds a 50-year franchise for the train. "To focus on this one event is shortsighted."

In the last month, foreign train manufacturers have agreed to put up at least $20 million cash. Initial project investors and a few other investors have put up another $10 million cash.

"We will raise $30 million cash by Dec. 31," Biggs said. "It's the other commitments to come that we still need."

Corporation officials said this summer that there is little chance the 200-mph trains would be running before the turn of the century.

Officials originally had promised 90-minute service between the Dallas-Fort Worth area and Houston by 1998, with service to Austin and San Antonio a year later.

But backers say they it will take until after the state's Dec. 31 deadline to let investors consider results of a ridership study now under way.

Nonetheless, Railroad Commission Chairwoman Lena Guerrero said she would not support an extension.

# Poison part of Grackle battle plan

HOUSTON (AP) — After spending $504,000 in research to study the best way to kill the great-tailed grackle, the U.S. government has decided that poison is the answer.

The most controversial poisoning technique suggested by the study is the use of a government-developed poison specific to blackbirds. The USDA places poisoned dog food pellets on the ground in groves around slices of watermelon.

Originally, the government said it planned to place the poisoned dog food on platforms.

Members of the National Audubon Society said they fear the bait could attract other species of birds and wildlife.

"The problem with grackle control with poison is you run the risk of non-target killing," says Dede Armentrout, regional vice-president of the National Audubon Society.

"We believe that poison should be used the very last resort, if at all, and designed to deliver not only to the species but the individual. Poison is just such a bad approach to the problem," Ms. Armentrout said.

The bird kill has been instigated at the prodding of citrus growers.

# Bosnian forces are accused of looting

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — "Heil Hitler," barks Zvonko Lukic, a heavyset 37-year-old boxer who smells of plum brandy and fish.

Behind him slouch Croatian toughs with World War II-vintage German guns, bandoliers over their shoulders, crucifixes tangling with bullets on their chests.

"The whole problem is because of the Muslims," says Lukic, a former cafe owner who now owns the title of assistant commander of Croatian special units. "We allowed them to move here and now they want to take over everything."

Strange talk from a supposed ally.

Stranger still was Sunday's announcement by Velimir Maric, president of the Croatian militia for Sarajevo.

Maric effectively broke with the mostly Muslim Bosnian army and threatened to expel Muslims forces from territory around the capital, mostly predominately Croatian suburbs.

"We don't have a problem with the Serbs," said Lukic, standing outside militia headquarters at a high school in the western Sarajevo suburb of Stup after Maric's declaration. Maric's fighters have claimed Stup for their own.

"During World War II, we cooperated with them. It's only now that the Muslims have moved here that we have all these worries," added Lukic.

Asked if his father was a member of the pro-Nazi Ustasha militia during that war, he laughed. "Of course," he said, giving a Nazi salute. Later, he claimed he was only joking.

The 40-year-old Maric, a food stall inspector before the war, said his forces would not participate in Bosnian attempts to break the Serbian siege of Sarajevo until he receives further orders from his commanders.

He accused Bosnian forces of looting Croatian homes and shelling Croatian positions and called for the partition of Bosnia-Herzegovina into three territorial units — one for Muslims, one for Serbs and one for Croats.

"That's the only thing that makes sense for Bosnia," Lukic explained. "Look at (Stup), it's almost ethnically clean. There are only two Muslims."

## THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

**Sept. 7, 1992**

*Today is LABOR DAY. It is the 251st day of 1992 and the 80th day of summer.*

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1880, the first clay pigeon target for trapshooting was patented by George Ligowsky in Cincinnati, Ohio.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Elizabeth I (1533-1603), queen of England; Grandma Moses (1860-1961), folk painter; Paul Brown (1908-1991), football coach-executive; Michael DeBakey (1908-), surgeon, is 84; Elia Kazan (1909-), director-producer, is 83; Buddy Holly (1936-1959), singer-guitarist; Corbin Bernsen (1954-), actor, is 38.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1892, John L. Sullivan defeated James J. Corbett in the first modern boxing match, held under the Marquess of Queensberry rules.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "If you can think of how much love there would be in hundreds of hearts, then that is how much love there is in a plastic heart. ..." — Michael DeBakey

**TODAY'S WEATHER:** On this day in 1930, a hailstorm cut a 60-by-5 mile swath from near Beresford, S.D., to near Oto, Iowa. Crop damage was high, and some hail remained after 4 days.

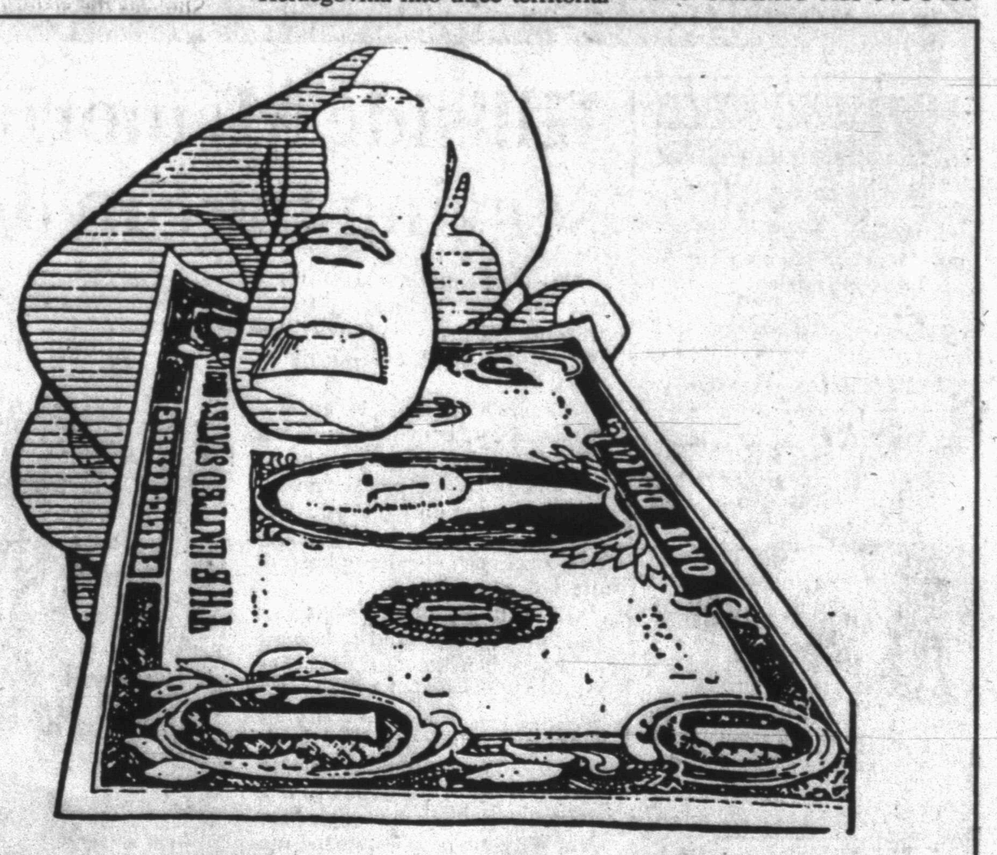
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**TODAY'S MOON:** Between first quarter (Sept. 3) and full moon (Sept. 11).

**TODAY'S BARB**
**BY PHIL PASTORET**
You can tell it's Labor Day. No one will lift a finger to do anything unless forced to do so.

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# Bush, Clinton aides debate social security

By The Associated Press

President Bush and Bill Clinton competed on national television Sunday for voters' trust to revive the anemic economy. The Democrat promised a jobs package as his first move while the president blamed sluggish growth on "the gridlock Congress" blocking his economic plan.

Both also were questioned about past actions that could prove a major force in the campaign. And both said they expected debates, although Bush again shied away from a three-debate plan Clinton said he eagerly accepted.

For Clinton, the nagging episode from his past was his avoidance of the draft during the Vietnam War; for Bush, the subject was new questions about his knowledge of the Reagan administration's arms-for-hostages dealings with Iran.

But as it does on the campaign trail, the economy dominated the debate as Clinton and Bush appeared for rare, live 10-minute interviews on an NBC election special.

"Passa jobs program," Clinton said in listing his first priority if elected. Controlling health care costs would be second, he said.

"I don't pretend that it is going to be easy or quick," the Arkansas governor said. Still, "We can cut (the deficit) in half in the next four years if we have real discipline."

Bush said he believed the majority of Americans were better off than four years ago, although he concded, "Certainly anyone who is out of work cannot say he is better off."

Still, the president blamed the Democratic-controlled Congress for refusing to pass a Bush administration package he said contained the incentives businesses need to buy new equipment and hire more workers.

"What we're trying to do is turn things around and get people back to work," Bush said from Michigan. "The gridlock Congress said, 'No.' .... I have been stymied in those incentives and more by the Congress."

The Labor Department last week said there were fewer private-sector jobs in August than when Bush took office. But the president said he was "not prepared to buy into those statistics. I'm not sure there are fewer people at work."

Bush also sought to convey the sense that the economy, despite the sour government figures, was on the upswing.

"I think things are getting better," he said. "We are poised for a strong recovery."

When anchorman Tom Brokaw said Clinton's answers about his draft status were "inconsistent," Clinton retorted that he had never changed his story — but acknowledged, "Maybe I haven't handled it as well as I should."

He said he did not know that an uncle had lobbied to get him a spot in the Naval Reserve until earlier this year. Clinton never took the slot, although he did briefly commit to an ROTC program before putting his name into the draft at the time a lottery was implemented.

Much like Clinton on the draft, Bush brushed aside the notion that his role in the Iran-Contra scandal might become a 1992 campaign issue. Recent documents submitted in court cases have suggested Bush, Reagan's vice president, knew more about the arms-for-hostage scandal than he has let on.

"If I had done anything wrong ... they would be all over me like you can possibly imagine," Bush said.

Bush called the revival of the issue "a late smokescreen out of that dead old saw. ... I have nothing to explain."

As for debates, Clinton said he accepted the plan of a bipartisan panel to open a three-debate series on Sept. 22 in East Lansing, Mich. But Bush said he was leaving the details to his aides.

Also during the program, NBC released a new poll showing Clinton leading Bush 49 percent to 40 percent. The survey was taken Sept. 3-5 and had a margin of error of plus or minue 3 percentage points.

The prime-time showdown came hours after Sunday's traditional morning-show wrestling between the campaigns, with Social Security dominating much of the debate.

Clinton economic adviser Roger Altman said on ABC-TV's "This Week with David Brinkley" that Bush would have to cut Medicare and Social Security to "adhere to his pledges not to raise taxes and not to cut defense."

White House budget director Richard Darman responded on the same program that Bush has ruled out Social Security cuts, and added, "I think it's really almost irresponsible to try to scare older Americans for partisan political advantage, and it ought not to be done."

Democratic vice presidential candidate Albert Gore also touched on the issue, saying on NBC-TV's "Meet the Press" that he and Clinton "are not in favor of cutting Social Security benefits to those who are entitled to Social Security benefits."

## 1st recipient of baboon liver dies after suffering stroke

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A man who received a baboon's liver in the first such animal-to-human transplant died late Sunday after suffering a stroke and lapsing into a coma, the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center reported.

Dr. Howard R. Doyle, a member of the Pitt transplant team, said doctors were trying to wean the 35-year-old man from a respirator Sunday afternoon when they discovered the man's brain was bleeding.

The man suffered a stroke, and nearly seven hours later he was pronounced dead of intracranial bleeding. Doctors didn't immediately know what caused the bleeding, he said.

"It all happened very quickly," Doyle said.

The man, whose name has been withheld at his request, received the historic transplant during an 11-hour operation on June 28.

He suffered from hepatitis B, which was destroying his own liver and likely would have attacked any transplanted human liver, doctors said.

Until the last week of August he appeared to be recovering well from surgery.

On July 3, doctors upgraded his condition to serious, and then to fair on July 28. He suffered a minor bout with rejection in mid-July but doctors quickly controlled it with steroids.

The man's condition started to slide on or about Aug. 25, when a fever sent him back to the hospital's intensive-care unit.

Within a week, his condition had been downgraded twice to critical, and since Tuesday he had been on a respirator because of an infection that impaired his liver's function. High doses of antibiotics kept the infection from getting worse but failed to cure it.

Doctors believe the man developed sepsis, a blood infection, after dye was injected into his bile duct Aug. 28 for an X-ray, possibly introducing a bacteria.

Physicians also speculated that he may have experienced some unknown form of organ rejection, although a biopsy taken Aug. 31 showed no sign that the liver was being rejected.

## Million kids expected to vote in mock presidential election

PHOENIX (AP) — Thirteen-year-old Emily Pullen says she plans to vote for Bill Clinton this November.

She's one of about 1 million kids in 11 states who are expected to cast ballots alongside their parents in a mock election organized by Kids Voting USA.

"I think it is a real privilege to be able to vote," says Pullen, an eighth-grader at Andersen Junior High School in Chandler, Ariz. "I think I have an impact now. I can encourage adults that I know to vote."

Kids Voting USA is a non-profit, non-partisan group that works to encourage voter participation, said the programs' president and executive director, Marilyn Evans. In addition to organizing the youth election, the group provides curriculum guides on politics for teachers in grades kindergarten through high school.

There's plenty of homework so students will get their parents involved. And when children attend the mock election, an adult must accompany them. Kid Voting organizers say they're also trying to increase adult voter turnout.

In Arizona areas that had Kids Voting, voter turnout increased 6 percent from 1986 to 1990, the group said.

Kids Voting also has affected daily student life at some schools where the program is taught.

Student elections at Andersen Junior High have gone beyond the usual popularity contest.

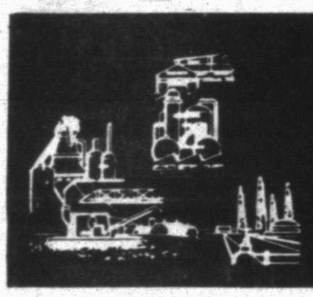
Students must register to vote, collect petition signatures to run and face recalls if they don't satisfy their constituents.

When collecting signatures, the first words out of the mouths out of candidates are "Are you a registered voter?" said Terry Williams, head of Andersen's social studies department.

"They know that the only people who really count are those who vote," he said.

Arizona, Alaska, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, North Carolina, Ohio, South Dakota and Tennessee will participate this year, Evans said.

Students in kindergarten through 12th grade at participating schools receive between six and 12 hours of Kids Voting curriculum. Then they can vote alongside adults during state and national elections in booths set up by Kids Voting staff.



# BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL NEWS



## Hillside Memorial Gardens has been serving the Snyder area for many years

Hillside Memorial Gardens, located on the Colorado City Highway, has been serving Snyder and the Scurry County area for many years.

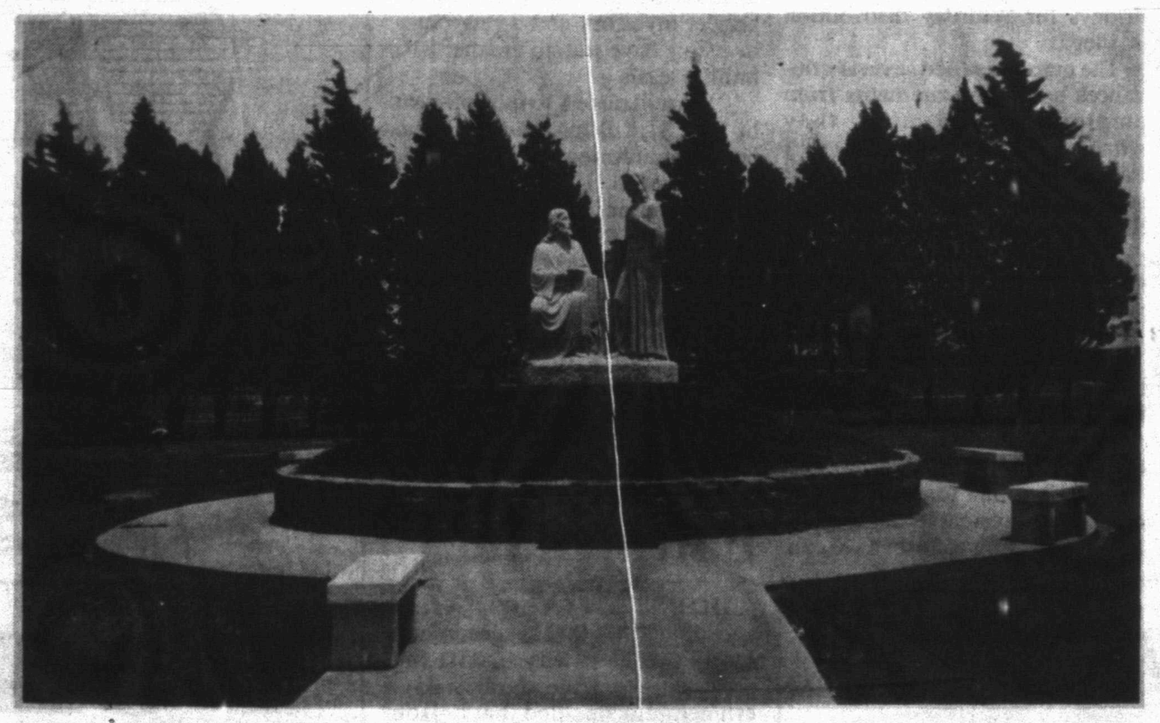
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Lots at Hillside Memorial Gardens are reasonably priced and they offer a pre-need financial plan of only 20 percent down and small monthly payments without interest or carrying charges. If the only time you have is on the weekends, Greg can be contacted at 573-5864 and will be glad to help you anytime.

Granite and bronze memorials are available at Hillside Monument Works and Greg goes to great lengths to see that the finished product is one that pleases the family members and reflects the individualism of the loved one for whom the monument has been created.

The staff at Hillside realizes that they provide an important service to the community and work hard to maintain the trust and confidence of the people. They will be happy to counsel with anyone at anytime concerning their present or future needs. Give them a call at 573-5251 or go by and visit with them at Hillside Memorial Gardens and Monument Works on the Colorado City Highway.



THE BEAUTIFUL HILLSIDE MEMORIAL GARDENS, Snyder's perpetual care cemetery, is located on the Colorado City Highway. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Mafia boss arrested in killing

ROME (AP) — A powerful Mafia boss suspected of being one of the men who ordered the killings of Italy's two top crime fighters was arrested Sunday at his villa in northern Italy.

Giuseppe Madonia, 46, considered to be one of the most powerful men in the top echelons of the Sicilian Mafia, had been one of Italy's most wanted fugitives since 1984.


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