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Sheriff Collier to be honored Thursday

Some 500 people are expected at noon Thursday in the Scurry County Coliseum as citizens turn out for Sheriff Keith Collier Appreciation Day.

Local citizens as well as peace officers from throughout Texas will attend. Serving begins at 11:30 a.m.

Col. Dudley Thomas, newly-appointed director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, will be the featured speaker, and 132nd District Court Judge Ernie Armstrong will be the master of ceremonies.

Mayor David Holt will give the welcome and invocation. County Judge Ricky Fritz will acknowledge various proclamations and close the program by 1 p.m. with the benediction.

Sheriff Collier, who retires at the end of 1996, will have served 32 years as the county's top law enforcement officer.

Jack Denman, chairman of the Keith Collier Day steering committee, said "Sheriff Collier has an impeccable and distinguished record of service to this community and to the state." Collier is a past president of the Texas Sheriff's Association.

Following the luncheon, friends and family of Keith and Janice Collier can visit at a reception to be held at the Scurry County Museum on the campus of Western Texas College.

Col. Thomas joined the DPS in 1960, just five years before Collier was elected to his first term.

Col. Thomas served in all uniformed field positions through the rank of major, and he was promoted to chief of traffic law enforcement in 1987. He was appointed assistant director in 1991 and assumed his current position last month.

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A native of Mt. Pleasant, Col. Thomas attended East Texas State University, St. Edward's University and Austin Community College. He obtained his bachelor's degree from Southwest Texas State University. Col. Thomas is also a graduate of the Traffic Institute at Northwestern University.

Collier is completing his eighth consecutive four-year term as sheriff of Scurry County. He is the second current longest tenured sheriff in Texas. Booger Pruitt of Glasscock County has served since 1962.

Collier was first elected sheriff in 1965 after having served four years as a deputy. A 1950 graduate of Fluvanna High School, Sheriff Collier is a graduate of Western Texas College with an associate in applied science degree in law enforcement. He is certified with the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Standards and Education.

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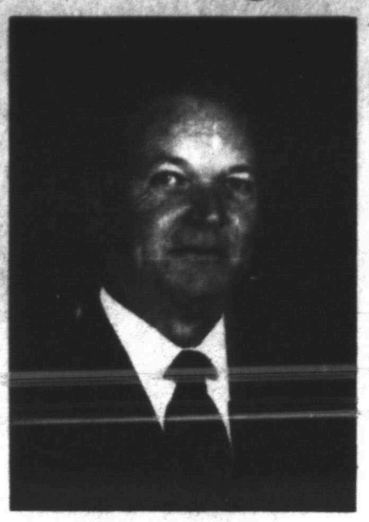
Keith Collier



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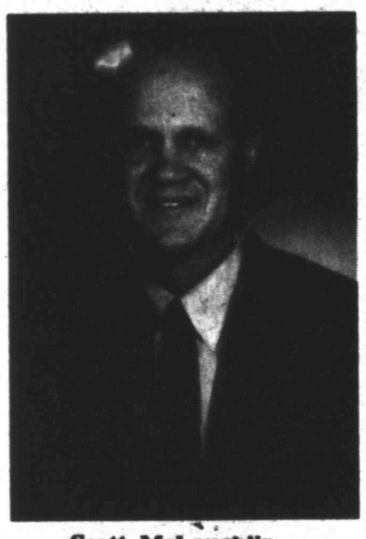
As college graduate, McLaughlin says he'll work harder for WTC

By Wade Warren
Staff Writer

Republican candidate for District 70 State Representative Scott McLaughlin told a small number of Western Texas College students, faculty members and citizens that the Texas Legislature has forgotten about community colleges such as WTC.

"The legislature has appropriated six times as much for a four-year college as they have community colleges such as WTC," said McLaughlin.



Scott McLaughlin

"This is not right," said the Big Spring businessman, who is challenging incumbent David Counts (D-Knox City). Counts is scheduled to speak at WTC on Thursday at 10:45 a.m. in the Science Lecture Building.

"I know the value of going to a community college," McLaughlin said. "I attended Howard College (in Big Spring) and it is a top-notch institution such as WTC. I will work hard for all West Texas colleges because I know their value."

McLaughlin noted that Counts might not work as hard for a two-year college as he would because Counts had not ever attended a community college.

"My opponent is not a product of any college," said McLaughlin.

McLaughlin was quick to point out that a person should be downgraded because of not having graduated from college. "I just think the experience will better help me represent you," he said.

McLaughlin said he pledges to listen to all his constituents, be a leader in the Texas House of Representatives and work with Gov. George Bush and Speaker Pete Laney.

"We need leadership with vision, and longevity does not mean leadership," said

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ONE PERSON KILLED — A one-vehicle accident on Highway 84 west at the FM 1611 overpass resulted in the death this morning of a male believed to be from Irving. He was pronounced dead at the scene at 7:30 by Justice of the Peace Charles Reynolds. His name is being withheld pending notification of relatives. A 1995 Mitsubushi Gallant was east-bound when it apparently struck a guard rail and came to rest directly underneath the overpass. The victim was thrown some 40 feet from the vehicle. DPS trooper Pat Alexander said the accident was discovered by motorists around 7 o'clock, but had apparently occurred earlier. Shown at the scene are Alexander, Reynolds and city patrolman Brian Haggard. (SDN Photo by Wade Warren)

City, county to battle for UW

The United Way of Scurry County will be the real winner when the city and county tangle in a basketball game set for 7 p.m. Tuesday in the high school gym.

Admission to the event is by donation.

County Judge Ricky Fritz has promised to dye his hair in the fashion of professional basketball player Dennis Rodman if the city has more fans than the county.

In the meantime, the United Way reported that 17 percent of its goal of $73,000 has been reached so far.

Monies pledges to date amount to $5,525.

Division leaders are continuing to work and all businesses should be contacted in the near future. However, anyone wishing to help out can donate in person at Anderson & West, 4208 College Ave., or by mail to P.O. Box 1411 in Snyder.

United Way agencies are Scurry County Boys and Girls Club, Snyder Child Day Care, Noah Project-West, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Scurry County Food Cupboard, the Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and the American Red Cross.

Divisions	Pledged
Advance	$3,200.00
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Commercial	$3,500.00
Education	
Hospital	
Oil/Technical	
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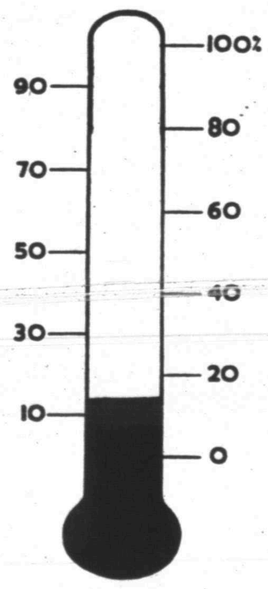

30th Street project starting date noted

Construction to convert 30th Street into a four-lane road from College Avenue west to El Paso Street will begin Monday, Oct. 28, parties involved in the project have determined.

The project was to have begun sooner, but it will take the city about a week and a half to reroute a sewer line which is running under a 27th Street bridge. Replacement of the bridge is part of the overall $1.227 million project, even though it is not located on 30th Street.

Representatives from utility companies, the city, the contractor, subcontractors and Texas Department of Transportation met Monday to discuss the project.

The plan calls for traffic to flow along the south side of 30th Street while the north side is rebuilt. Once the north side is completed — including the street, curbing, retaining walls and sidewalks — traffic will move there and work will begin on the south side.

The entire project is expected to take about eight months, said TxDOT engineer Mike Taylor.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "An old-timer is one who remembers when people who wore blue jeans worked."

Keith Collier Day!

Tomorrow is Keith Collier Appreciation Day. Local citizens will gather at noon to pay a proper tribute to Sheriff Keith Collier and his family.

Collier retires at the end of the year after 32 years. He has served with distinction, and local citizens will miss his steady ways.

Our first introduction to a sheriff was growing up. He was a typical good-ole-boy. He was honest, but just couldn't get around to being firm enough to enforce many laws.

That sheriff was replaced by one who started out like a house fire, then was overwhelmed by his own authority and importance. He left office in disgrace.

Our next sheriff observation was in a second town were ethics in office were of no consequence. He was replaced by a sheriff of the old school — honest and intimidating.

Then we moved to Snyder. Almost immediately we saw a difference in the county's chief law enforcement officer. He was low-key, but extremely effective.

We noticed that he rarely wore a side-arm. He was calm, soft-spoken and hired good people. Unlike some previous sheriffs we had known, publicity was not his goal.

In 32 years, Keith Collier has seen many changes. There were more rules and regulations. Defendants got more rights and law enforcement personnel got more paperwork. Keith Collier and his staff adapted.

At the newspaper, we learned if you asked the sheriff a question, he gave you a straight answer.

We got to know the sheriff even better, starting in 1986. As Gold Coaters, we were taking tickets at a basketball playoff game at the coliseum.

Collier said he had just returned from a conference, and that the state would be building more prisons. "I think we can get one."

The next day, I ran the idea in front of banker Roger Mize. He pounded the desk and said, "Let's do it!"

Collier, who faced re-election every four years, took some heat from some who suggested that a prison would "ruin" our community.

Collier never waivered. He patiently listened to arguments and then respectfully told critics why he viewed the prison as positive for Snyder. Seven years later, the sheriff proved to be right.

Sheriff Collier has demonstrated in 36 years - four as a deputy and 32 as sheriff — that he knows how to be a friend of the community.

Come 1997, Collier won't be our sheriff any longer — but citizens will still have a loyal friend.

ASK US

Q—Will Snyder ISD students have a holiday on Columbus Day, Oct. 14?

A—No. The district's next scheduled holiday is Oct. 28 for staff development. City and county offices will be closed Columbus Day.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 75 degrees; low, 52; 7 a.m. reading Wednesday, 53; no precipitation; total for 1996, 12.54 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear. Low 45-50. NE-E wind 5-10 mph. Thursday, sunny. High, mid 70s. SE wind 5-15 mph.

Kimberly Rodriquez

Clear

Sunset:
7:18 p.m.,
Sunrise:
7:43 a.m.
Of 282 days in 1996, the sun has shone 278 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

For surely there is a hereafter, And your hope will not be cut off.

Proverbs 23:18

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DEMOCRATIC OFFICE OPENED — A grand opening was held Monday afternoon at the Democratic headquarters located at the corner of College and 26th Street. Officially cutting the ribbon were Paul and Lesli Jackson. Retiring Sheriff Keith Collier was presented a bronze statuette. Jorge A. Ramirez, Austin, Texas Democratic Party executive director, spoke to 61 Democrats. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Smoking, adult blindness are linked, according to research

CHICAGO (AP) — New research gives smokers one more reason to quit: Pack-a-day-or-more puffers double their likelihood of developing the most common cause of blindness among the elderly.

Age-related macular degeneration, a usually untreatable affliction, impairs the vision of an estimated 1.7 million Americans and causes more new cases of blindness than any other ailment among people age 65 or older, according to the government.

Smoking already is blamed for promoting cataracts, another major cause of vision loss. Cataracts threaten the vision of far more people than macular degeneration but cause much less blindness because most cataract sufferers keep their sight with treatment.

The more people smoke and the longer they smoke, the higher their risk of developing macular degeneration, according to two new studies in Wednesday's issue of The Journal of the American Medical Association.

"It is another reason to either not smoke, quit smoking or reduce your amount of smoking," said Dr. Johanna M. Seddon of the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and Harvard Medical School.

Years after quitting, former smokers still faced up to double the risk of getting the condition, the new research found.

"Since the risks decrease very slowly — if at all — over time, it's even perhaps of greater importance not to start in the first place," said Dr. William G. Christen of Harvard-affiliated Brigham and Women's Hospital.

In advanced macular degeneration, which affects one of every 14 people age 75 or older, the center of the visual field deteriorates, causing a roughly circular area of blindness that grows larger gradually.

The deterioration is caused by damage to the macula, the center of the retina, a light-sensitive membrane on the inside back of the eyeball. The damage occurs when an insulating layer between the retina and blood vessels that nourish it breaks down, resulting in fluid leaks and scarring.

Smoking may speed the process by increasing the number of damaging chemical compounds or reducing the number of protective nutrients delivered by the bloodstream to the eye, researchers speculate. Another theory is that smoking reduces blood and oxygen to the eye.

Seddon led researchers who looked for macular degeneration among 31,843 initially healthy women during a 12-year period beginning in 1980 in the ongoing Nurses' Health Study.

In 215 cases that developed, the disease caused vision loss; almost one-third of those cases were attributable to smoking, researchers said.

Smokers of a pack of cigarettes or more a day were 2.4 times as likely to develop macular degeneration as women who had never smoked. Risk was calculated after controlling for differences in other traits that can be important, such as age, diet and estrogen use.

Christen led a team that looked for macular degeneration among 21,157 initially healthy men during an average 12-year period beginning in 1982 in the ongoing Physicians' Health Study.

Among the men, macular degeneration developed in 268 cases causing vision loss. Christen's team didn't calculate how many cases were attributable to smoking.

Political cartoon causes furor

HOUSTON (AP) — A political cartoon in the University of Houston student newspaper that depicts members of the College Republicans group in front of a swastika has outraged some members of the group.

Leaders of the student group have threatened to file a lawsuit and say they will flood the Daily Cougar with calls and letters of protest.

In the cartoon, one College Republican holds a sign saying "Burn the Homeless" while another invites students to join the College Republicans so "you won't have to worry about your future, we'll do your thinking for you!."

The cartoon was strong, but not out of line with provocative and satirical opinion it regularly prints, Daily Cougar editors told the Houston Chronicle.

Cougar editors said in a statement that the cartoon was inspired by recent activities of the College Republicans — bringing Republican speakers on campus and carrying anti-Clinton signs at a rally for President Clinton.

Cartoonist Brian Minton based the cartoon on recent Cougar letters to the editor and called it "fair comment," according to the statement.

The editors also said that like all opinion page views except the staff editorial, represented the opinion of that individual, not the Cougar editorial board.

Minton could not be reached for comment, the Chronicle reported.

Cougar editors said they will not apologize for the cartoon.

Cheryl Luedke, the student newspaper's editor-in-chief, said that in retrospect she might have had second thoughts because it has already caused such grief.

No one was libeled because the cartoon did not identify a specific member of the organization, the editors said.

David Baker, executive director of UH's College Republicans, said the cartoon "depicts us as Jew-killing, homeless-burning Nazis. It is anti-Semitic."

The Turley family would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude to our friends including everyone at Cogdell Memorial Hospital and in the community. Words cannot begin to express how your prayers and compassion have touched our family. We want to thank everyone for their involvement in our family's time of need. Our prayers have been answered. Rebekah's condition has been determined to be noncancerous. Again we thank you all from the bottom of our hearts. God bless.

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Some 30 women to start at VMI

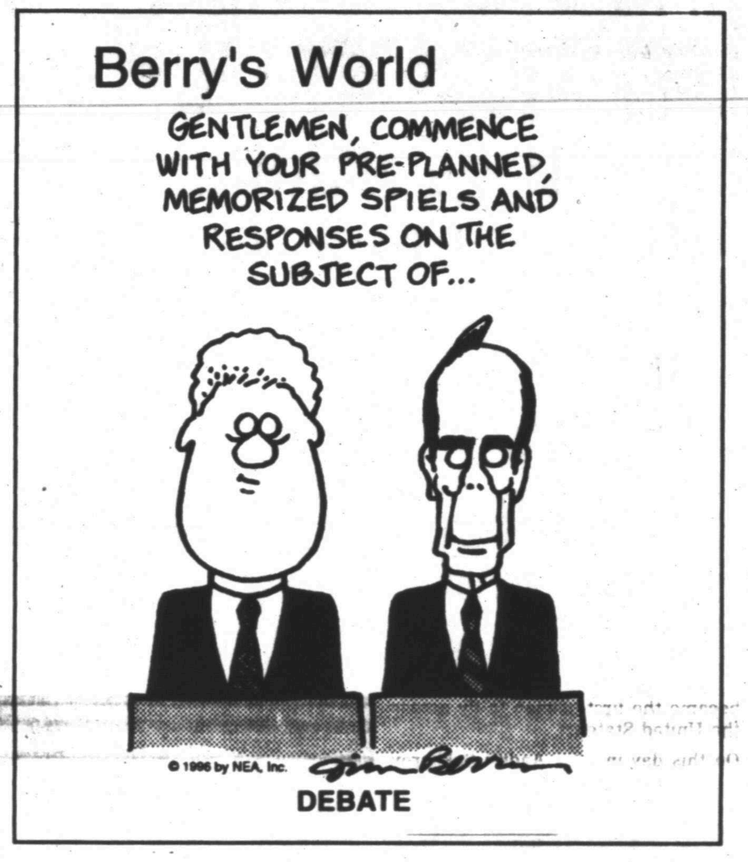
NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — At least 30 female cadets will enter Virginia Military Institute next year when it admits women for the first time, the school's superintendent said.

Maj. Gen. Josiah Bunting III also said Tuesday that alumni are setting aside their opposition to coeducation to ensure it proceeds "nobly and honorably."

"There is already a real willingness to attempt to salve and bind up the wounds that may have resulted from the debate" over scrapping the men-only admission policy, Bunting said.

In June, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that VMI could not bar women and remain tax-supported. The VMI Board of Visitors voted last month to admit women.

VMI has begun to recruit women about to graduate from high school and has received at least 116 inquiries from female seniors.



Month of October set aside to focus on domestic violence

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

As part of its observance, Noah Project, in cooperation with the Abilene Police Department, will conduct a seminar, "Dealing with Domestic Violence," on Thursday, in the Johnson Multi-purpose Building on the Hardin-Simmons University campus from 8 to 4 p.m.

The seminar will feature speakers from the Dallas district attorney's office family violence unit as well as local experts. Kimberley Smotts, training coordinator and Steve Storie, long-time police investigator, both from the Dallas D.A.'s specialized Family Violence Unit, will detail the anatomy of domestic violence, its causes and effects.

Eulala Chapman, trauma case manager at Parkland Memorial Hospital and well-known advocate for victims of family violence, will address medical concerns and remedies.

Local speakers, Sandy Self, first assistant district Attorney of Taylor County; Rex Andrew, justice of the peace; and Dr. Mike Stedham of the Ministry of Counseling and Enrichment, will deal with specific aspects of the domestic violence problem.

The Noah Project/Abilene Police Department seminar is designed for anyone who deals with the issue of domestic violence and its results — law enforcement and criminal justice personnel, social services and health providers, emergency care givers, educators, and the general public.

Reservations are necessary; contact Noah Project at 676-7107.

Anadarko adopts a highway

Anadarko Petroleum Corporation recently joined 13 other organizations in Scurry County as a member of the state's Adopt-a-Highway program.

Sponsored by the Texas Department of Transportation, the program is vitally important to the State of Texas, the Abilene district's AAH coordinator said. The 4,300 plus AAH groups across Texas save taxpayers several million dollars a year in litter expenditures. Money that can then be spent for highway maintenance and construction.

Robert Lollar heads up the Anadarko Petroleum Corporation AAH group. Their two-mile area of responsibility is on State Highway 350 from one mile north of Ira to three miles north.

If an organization is interested in becoming a member of the AAH program, call TxDOT's Scurry County maintenance section at 915-573-0142 or the district coordinator in Abilene at 915-676-6806. Contracts are for a two-year period with four pick ups per year required. Length of highway adopted is a minimum of two miles. Signs displaying the name of the group adopting the roadway are placed at the beginning and ending of the two-mile stretch.

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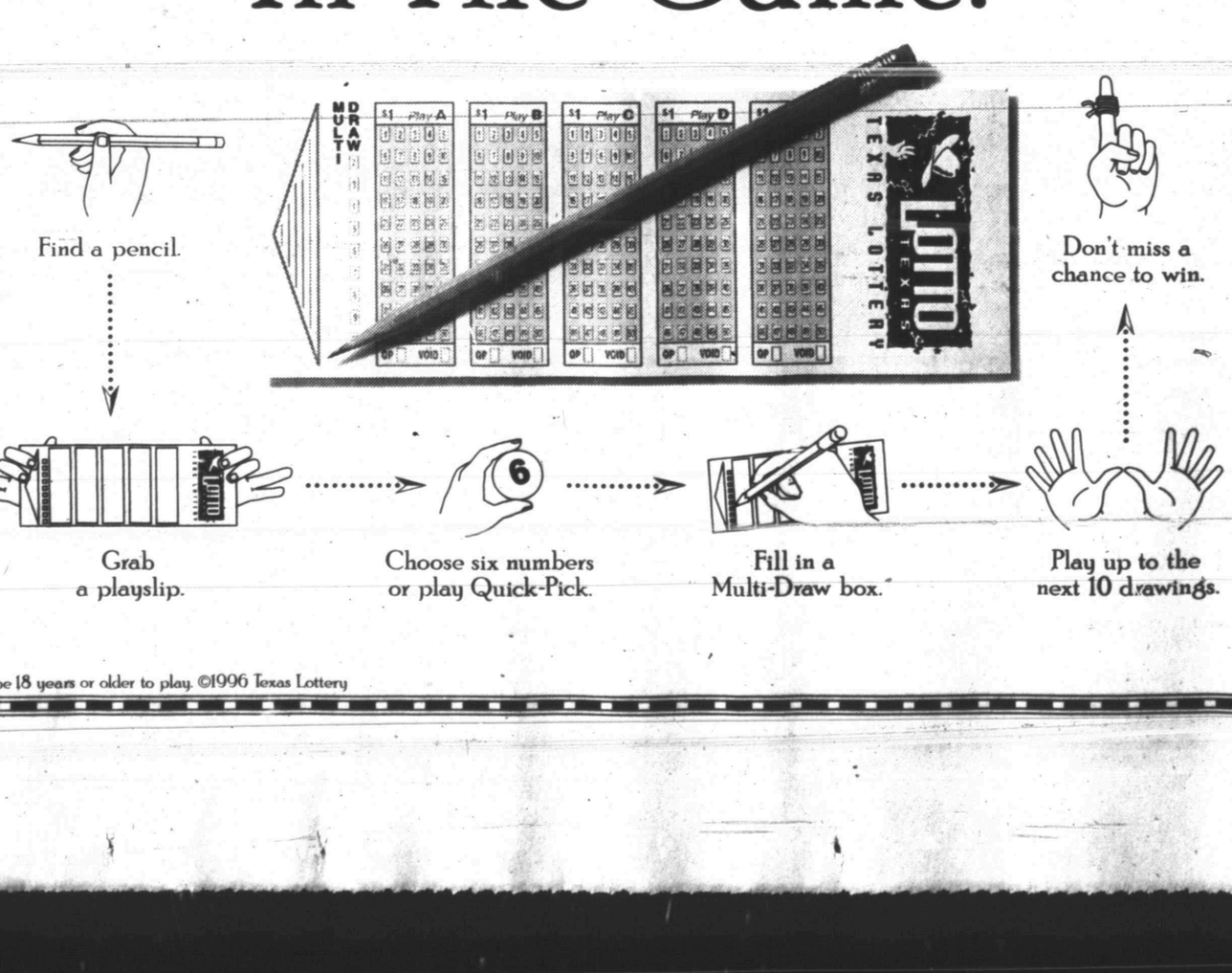

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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Doctor needs prescription for silence

DEAR ABBY: Several years ago, my husband and I chose our daughter's friend to be our personal physician. Now a problem has arisen.

Whenever we visit our doctor, within a few days we receive a call from our daughter inquiring about our "condition." My husband and I are very private people. If we wanted our children to know the details of our health, we would tell them.

Should either of us learn that we have a fatal illness, we would want it kept between ourselves and our doctor. When the time comes to share the information with family and friends, we prefer it to be at our discretion.

Now we are concerned about the confidentiality that should exist between patient and doctor. He is such a personable young man that we hate to hurt his feelings. What do you think?

APPREHENSIVE IN AURORA, COLO.

DEAR APPREHENSIVE: If you value your privacy, find another doctor. And do this personable young man a favor by dropping him a note to explain why. The truth may sting, but he needs to know.

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DEAR ABBY: Parents these days have an aggravating habit of telling their children what to do and then saying, "OK?" It goes like this: "Johnny, it's time to go to bed. OK?"

I don't remember getting a choice when I was a kid. When our parents told us to do something, we knew they weren't asking for our approval. By asking "OK?" they open up the subject for discussion when there should be none.

Today's parents seem more concerned with being their children's pals and not upsetting their kids than in saying what's what and then following through.

When I hear parents count to three while their kids decide whether or not they're going to do what they've been asked, I roll my eyes because usually the parents don't follow through and make their kids behave anyway. They just threaten them.

I'm sure glad I had parents who knew how to say the way it was going to be and then stuck to it. It sure made my life a lot easier.

MARY LOU CHILDS, EUGENE, ORE.

DEAR MARY LOU: Many parents seem reluctant to enforce their own rules for fear of traumatizing their little ones. An excellent way to ensure obedience is to state your wishes in a tone that lets the child know this is not something open for discussion. Effective parents are not only loving, but also firm enough to provide limits.

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DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter signed "Perplexed in Garland, Texas" about the noisy next-door neighbors, I was reminded of our situation as newlyweds back in Buffalo, N.Y., almost 60 years ago.

We would be awakened early each morning by the newlyweds directly above us. Their bed shook so hard, we feared that the ceiling would one day come down on us.

We placed a note in their mailbox, suggesting they subdue their enthusiasm. They responded with a note suggesting that *we* move to Forest Lawn Cemetery, where we would find everlasting peace and quiet.

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Nasal flu vaccine now being tested; could replace shots

WASHINGTON (AP) — Doctors are preparing to give hundreds of young children an experimental new flu vaccine — one that is simply squirted up the nose instead of requiring a shot.

It will take two years of study before manufacturer Aviron Inc. knows how well the nasal vaccine works. But if it does, Americans would get an alternative to that yearly flu shot.

"This vaccine does have advantages," Dr. Dominick Iacuzio of the National Institutes of Health said in an interview Tuesday during a meeting of international flu experts. "It could widen the numbers who get vaccinated, especially kids."

For most people, the flu causes fever, aches, chills and assorted miseries that put them into bed for a few days. But influenza can be deadly, causing pneumonia and other complications that kill some 20,000 Americans a year.

While some doctors recommend that everyone get a flu shot, the government targets people at highest risk, including the elderly and children and adults with asthma, heart disease and other problems.

Yet many of those patients do not get the shots. Vaccination does not guarantee a flu-free winter, although it is about 70 percent effective at either preventing the virus or ensuring a milder bout.

Now scientists are searching for better protection. They outlined research Tuesday into everything from genetically engineered vaccines that could be brewed faster than today's laborious shots, to nasal vaccines using influenza antigens never before tried.

Aviron's nasal vaccine, which began Phase III testing this fall, promises to penetrate the immune system through nasal passages. Unlike today's shots that use a cocktail of killed flu viruses, the nasal vaccine uses live viruses weakened enough so they will not sicken while they trigger the immune system to fight influenza.

Some of the world's most effective vaccines are made of live viruses, including measles and polio vaccines, noted the NIH's Iacuzio.

Early testing in adults showed the nasal vaccine appeared 85 percent effective at preventing flu, said Aviron researcher Dr. Paul Mendelman. Side effects were minor, including headache, runny nose and cough.

Now Aviron is enrolling 1,000 children ages 1 to 6 — an age group where flu runs rampant — at 10 medical centers nationwide, Mendelman said. Half will get Aviron's vaccine squirted up their noses, while the rest get a squirt of placebo.

If the flu spray proves effective, the Mountain View, Calif.-based company hopes to have Food and Drug Administration approval to sell it for the 1999 flu season, Mendelman said.

BUTTERFLIES — These Hermleigh kindergarten students made shapely butterflies recently. From left are, April Dennis, Jade Hughey, Shaye Williams, Jeremy Eaton, Casey Williamson, Rustin Webb and Ashley Luna. Karen Whittenburg is their teacher. (SDN Staff Photo)

British woman leaves hospital

LONDON (AP) — The British woman who conceived octuplets after taking fertility drugs has left the hospital where she lost them all.

Mandy Allwood's publicist Max Clifford said the 32-year-old divorcee and her boyfriend Paul Hudson left London's King's College Hospital on Monday night for a secret destination somewhere in England.

"She wants to relax for a few days," said Clifford, who saw Miss Allwood on Monday.

Date Book

Oct. 9, 1996

Today is the 283rd day of 1996 and the 18th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1002, Norse explorer Leif Erikson landed in North America.

On this day in 1930, Laura Ingalls became the first woman to fly across the United States.

On this day in 1975, Andrei Sakharov became the first Soviet citizen to win the Nobel Peace Prize.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Charles Camille Saint-Saens (1835-1921), composer; John Lennon (1940-1980), singer-songwriter; Jackson Browne (1948-), singer-songwriter, is 48; Mike Singletary (1958-), former football player, is 38; Matt Biondi (1965-), swimmer, is 31; P.J. Harvey (1969-), singer, is 27.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1928, Babe Ruth hit three home runs in the fourth game of the World Series, as his Yankees completed a four-game sweep of the St. Louis Cardinals.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "We're more popular than Jesus now. I don't know which will go first — rock 'n' roll or Christianity." — John Lennon

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1949, a low-pressure cell generating 100-mph winds swept northeastward from Colorado to Ontario.

SOURCE: 1996 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Oct. 4) and new moon (Oct. 12).

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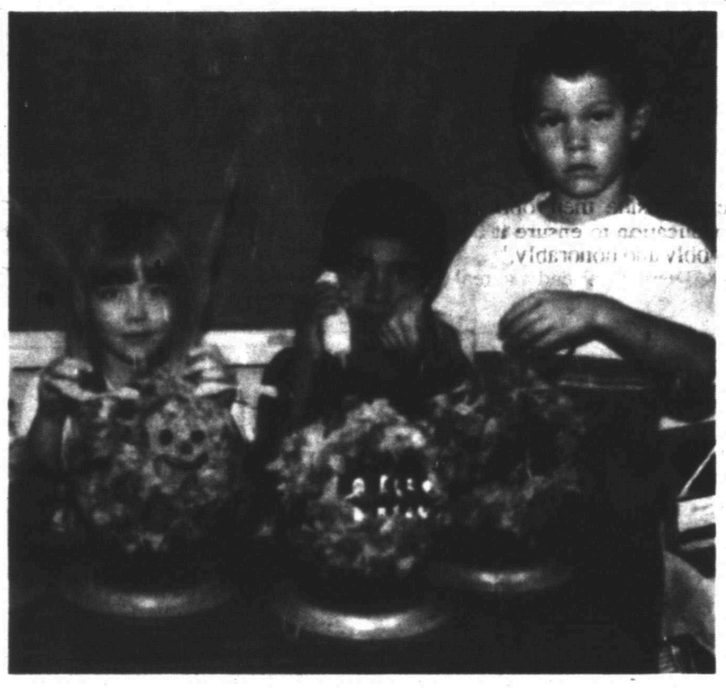

WILD THINGS — These Hermleigh first grade students made wild things after reading "Where The Wild Things Are." From left are, Aimee Rabon, Jonathan Hernandez and Corey Bayer. Lori Williamson is their teacher. (SDN Staff Photo)

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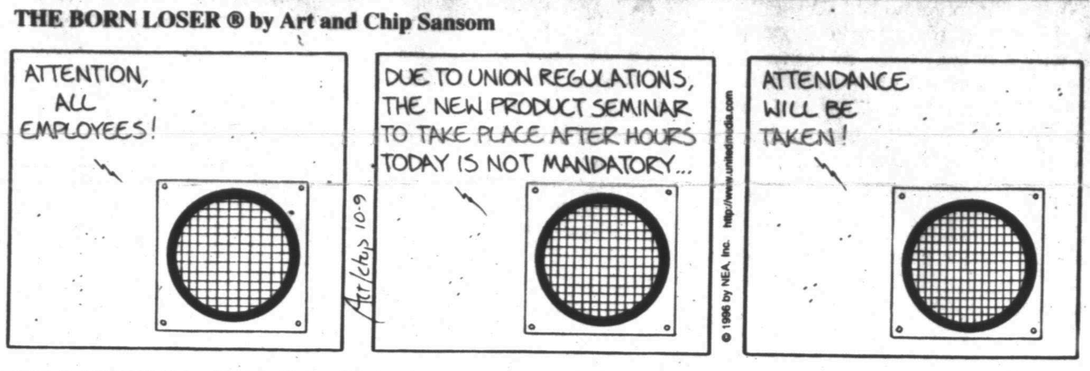

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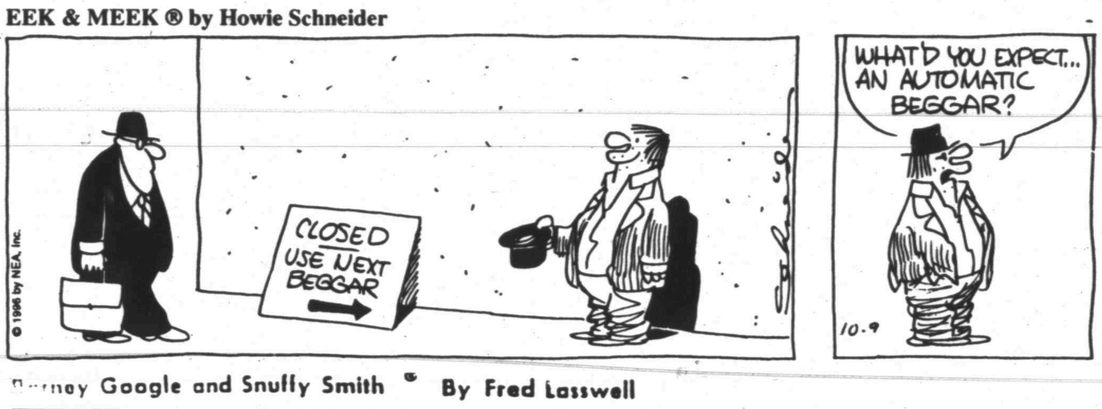

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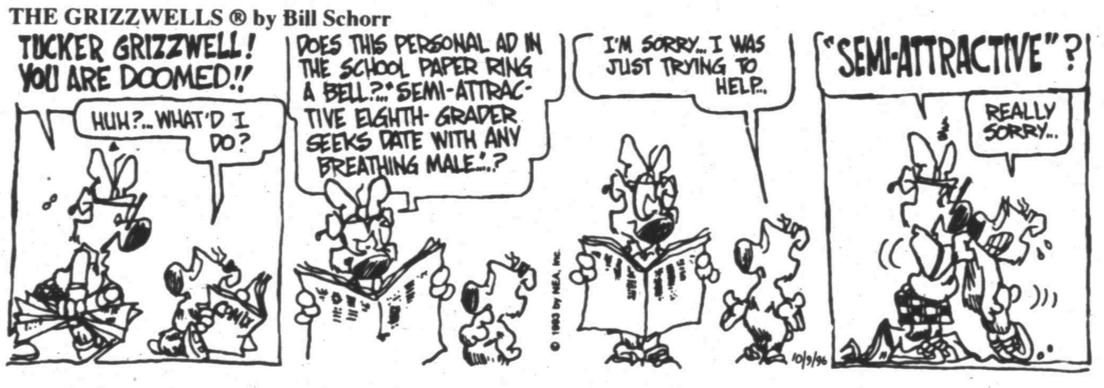

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ACROSS

1 Prison
5 Comedian Benny
9 — -jongg
12 Concerning (2 wds.)
13 Straight — — arrow
14 Workers' assn.
15 Ostrich's relative
16 City in Texas
17 Spoil
18 Does an usher's job
20 Model
22 Witch
24 Ear (comb. form)
25 Certain fictional work
29 Desert plant
33 — de France
34 Emerald Isle
36 Baba au —
37 Do farm work
39 Plant features
41 Judge
42 Lance — —
42 Eyed amorously
44 Kitchen appliance
46 New Zealand parrot
48 Roman 1,006
49 Newness
53 Renown
57 Actress Lupino
58 Fills with reverence
60 Actor MacLachlan
61 Roman 102
62 Zola heroine
63 God of love
64 Writer Kesey
65 Approximately (2 wds.)
66 Wholly engrossed

DOWN

1 Glass containers
2 Tennis pro Arthur —
3 Virginia willow
4 Despise
5 Word used before bone or breaker
6 Pronto (abbr.)
7 Chocolate tree
8 Intricate
9 Marcel Marceau, e.g.
10 Winglike
11 Antler
19 Bargain event
21 Sightseeing trip
23 Smooth-spoken
25 Actor Robert De —
26 Designer Cassini
27 Calf meat
28 In — — (routinized)
30 Voucher
31 Adorable
32 Cupid
35 Esau's country
38 Small dog
40 Rescue
43 Part of FDR
45 More ill
47 In conflict (2 wds.)
49 Notch
50 Dog in Garfield
51 Fruitless
52 Urges
54 Northern constellation
55 Tilting over
56 Experiment
59 — Paulo

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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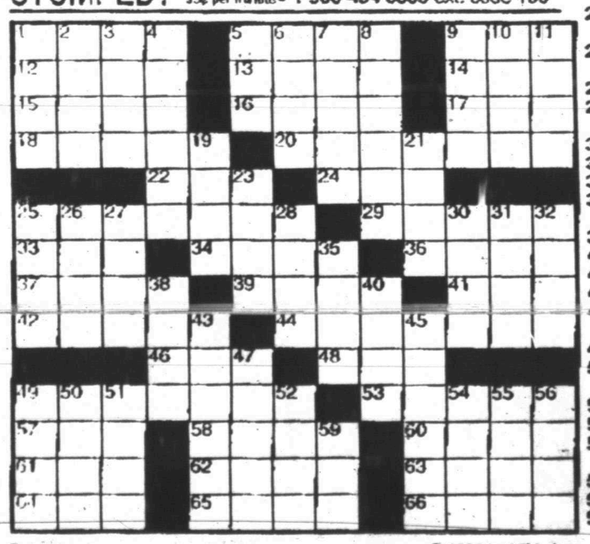

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SPORTS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

By The Associated Press
Postseason Baseball
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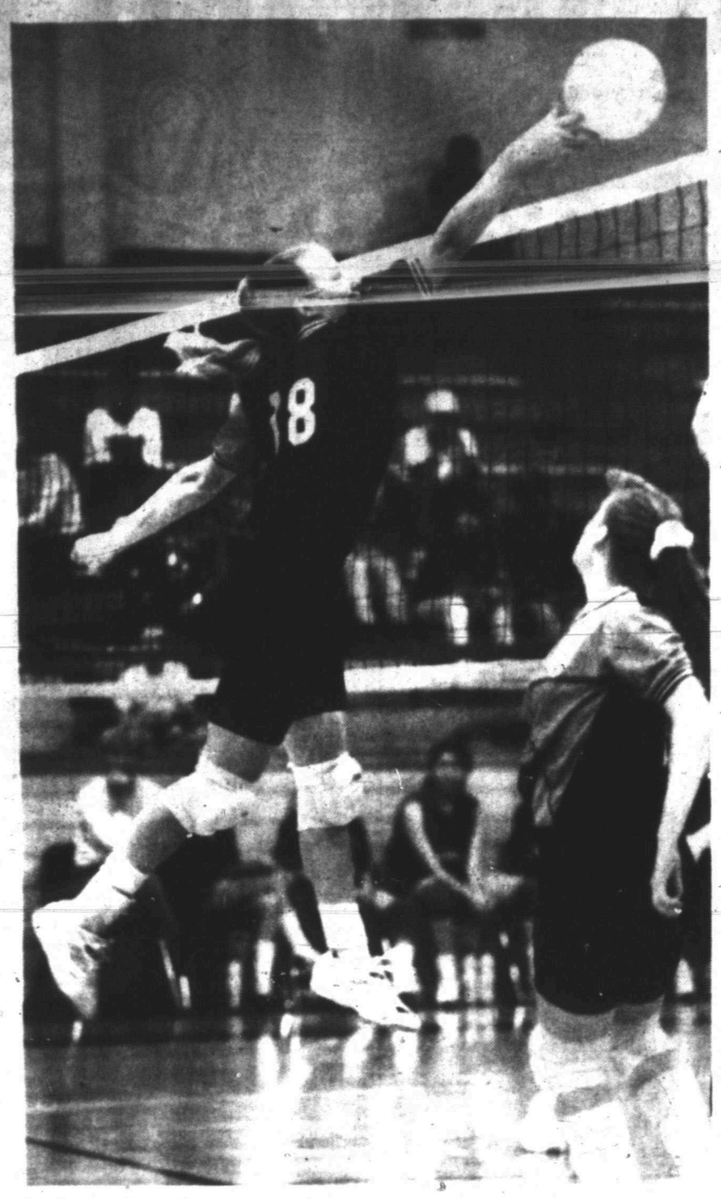
LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
American League
(NBC)
Tuesday, Oct. 8
Baltimore at New York, ppd., rain
Wednesday, Oct. 9
Baltimore (Erickson 13-12) at New York (Pettitte 21-8), 4:07 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 10
Baltimore (Wells 11-14) at New York (Cone 7-2), 3:07 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 11
New York (Key 12-11) at Baltimore (Mussina 19-11), 8:07 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 12
New York (Rogers 12-8) at Baltimore (Coppinger 10-6), 7:37 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 13
New York at Baltimore, 4:07 p.m., if necessary
Tuesday, Oct. 15
Baltimore at New York, 8:07 p.m., if necessary
Wednesday, Oct. 16
Baltimore at New York, 8:07 p.m., if necessary

National League
(Fox)
Wednesday, Oct. 9
St. Louis (An.Benes 18-10) at Atlanta (Smoltz 24-8), 8:07 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 10
St. Louis (Stottlemyre 14-11) at Atlanta (Maddux 15-11), 8:11 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 12
Atlanta (Glavine 15-10) at St. Louis (Osborne 13-9), 4:15 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 13
Atlanta at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 14
Atlanta at St. Louis, 7:09 p.m., if necessary
Wednesday, Oct. 16
St. Louis at Atlanta, 4:15 p.m., if necessary
Thursday, Oct. 17
St. Louis at Atlanta, 8:11 p.m., if necessary

WORLD SERIES
(Fox)
Saturday, Oct. 19
NL champion at AL champion, 8:01 p.m.
Sunday, Oct. 20
NL at AL, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Oct. 22
AL at NL, 8:15 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 23
AL at NL, 8:18 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 24
AL at NL, 8:15 p.m., if necessary
Saturday, Oct. 26
NL at AL, 8:01 p.m., if necessary
Sunday, Oct. 27
NL at AL, 7:35 p.m. EST, if necessary



BACK OVER — Snyder's Raechele Wemken hits the volleyball back over the net in action Tuesday. Snyder ended the first half of district with a 15-2, 15-4 triumph over Plainview. The Lady Tigers are in third place with the second half of league play beginning Saturday in Lamesa. (SDN Staff Photo By Brent Taylor)

Lady Tigers end 1st half with win over Plainview

By Brent Taylor
Sports Editor

The first half of district play ended on a good note for the Snyder High School Lady Tiger volleyball team as it did away with Plainview in two games, 15-2, 15-4.

With the victory, the Lady Tigers are in third place with a 3-2 record. Lamesa, Snyder's opponent Saturday, remains on top with a perfect 5-0 record. Levelland is second at 4-1, Estacado fourth at 2-3, followed by Frenship at 1-4 and Plainview at 0-5.

Joanie Wemken was the leading server for Snyder with 12, including points 5-14 in the first game. Keila Helms had seven in a row in the second game, Tiffany Garza added four, Raechele Wemken three and Lila King two.

Garza had a dozen kills, Darla Blackwell two and Raechele Wemken one.

"We took care of business and that is what we need to do," said SHS coach Patty Grimmett. "We just need to stay focused going into the second half."

The junior varsity also took care of business with a 15-6, 15-8 conquest of Plainview.

Felsha Biggers led the way with eight points. Starla Davis was close behind with six, Bradi Johnson and Amy Ricks five, Traci Eicke four and Shannon Hall two.

Biggers and Davis had four aces, Ricks two and Johnson and Eicke one. Alicia Peoples had three kills and four blocks and Darcee Purcell had a kill.

The freshmen got a balanced scoring attack in a 15-2, 15-0 victory over Big Spring. Every girl on the team scored for the frosh.

Courtney Rinehart had four service points to lead the way. Cara Best, Carie Hernandez, Tessa Hildeb[illegible], Kaycee Marricle and Crys[illegible] Porter all added three, Lexie Beard, Miranda Hackford, Leslie Rollins and Christy Tomlinson all with two, D'Ann Hager and Christina Holder one each.

Next action for the three teams will be Saturday in Lamesa at the middle school. The freshmen will begin at 1 p.m. followed by the JV and varsity.

Volleyball 2-4A Glance

	District		Season	
Team	W	L	W	L
Lamesa	5	0	18	6
Levelland	4	1	11	9
Snyder	3	2	19	6
Estacado	2	3	3	11
Frenship	1	4	8	12
Plainview	0	5	3	17

Tuesday's Results: Snyder def. Plainview 15-2, 15-4; Lamesa def. Frenship 15-3, 15-5; Levelland def. Estacado 15-7, 15-2.

Saturday's Matches: Snyder at Lamesa; Estacado at Frenship; Plainview at Levelland.

Irvin the first of many Cowboys soon to return

IRVING (AP) — Michael Irvin will make his 1996 debut with the Dallas Cowboys this weekend. Shante Carver makes his next week, and Charles Haley could also be playing by then. Soon after, Jay Novacek could return.

And to top it off, Emmitt Smith is finally feeling healthy.

No wonder coach Barry Switzer isn't too worried about his team's 2-3 start.

"We can look to the future and see we have help coming," Switzer said Tuesday.

Irvin will be in uniform in Sunday's home game against Arizona. It probably won't take long for quarterback Troy Aikman to find his favorite target, likely triggering the cheers Irvin yearns to hear once again.

Things have gone smoothly in practice for Irvin and Aikman. They say their timing hasn't missed a beat.

"I've got to honestly say it's like he was there all year long," Switzer said.

Irvin returned from his five-game suspension in great shape. He put himself through rugged conditioning drills during the free time he was stuck with following a soap opera-like offseason.

"I saw him yesterday go up about three feet off the ground, spread out with that big wing span, and with three defensive backs around him he just sucked in the ball," Switzer said. "Kelvin Martin can't do that."

Despite the positive jolt Irvin will provide, Switzer warned that it's not fair not to expect too much from one person.

"I think we all have to realize that Michael back is a tremendous lift to us, emotionally and talent-wise," Switzer said. "But if we continue to play the way we've been playing, making dumb mistakes, then Michael's presence doesn't help us."

Penalties and poor execution — not Irvin's absence — are the main reasons Dallas is last in the NFC East.

Much of the sloppy play can be traced to backups filling in for injured or suspended starters, or to people playing out of position to cover those same vacancies.

Leg injuries hobble five of Mavericks' top eight

DALLAS (AP) — Amid all the bad medical news that has struck the Dallas Mavericks lately came a welcome development: Jason Kidd's knee is going to be fine.

The Mavericks are hobbling toward Friday's preseason opener with five of their top eight players on the bench with injuries.

The club found out late Tuesday that its starting point guard didn't damage any tendons behind his right knee during a defensive slide drill last Saturday. An MRI showed Kidd was suffering from a simple, first-degree strain to his lower hamstring.

It wasn't immediately clear when Kidd would be able to practice again.

He's just one question mark as the Mavericks prepare for their preseason opener against Philadelphia.

Rookie center Samaki Walker probably will be out until mid-November — two weeks into the regular season — after injuring the quadriceps muscle in his right leg during the first week of training camp.

"The last few days he has made good progress," coach Jim Cleamons said. "There's nothing wrong with the knee joint."

Rookie forward Chris Gatling also will be out about two weeks after suffering a pulled groin muscle, also suffered on Saturday.

Forward Jamal Mashburn is slowly rehabilitating his left knee after February surgery. He is expected back by Dallas' Nov. 1 opener at Denver.

Reserve guard Tony Dumas is day-to-day with a sprained right ankle.

"We're the walking wounded right now," Cleamons said. "But you take a negative and make a positive, and that's what we'll do. Am I concerned? Yes. We've got to weather this storm."

Amid the rash of leg injuries, Cleamons has moved the rest of training camp from Moody Coliseum at Southern Methodist University to the team's practice facility at the Tom Landry Sports Medicine and Research Center at the Baylor University Medical Center.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

By The Associated Press
Preseason National Basketball Association

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	0	0	.000	—
Boston	0	0	.000	—
Charlotte	0	0	.000	—
Chicago	0	0	.000	—
Cleveland	0	0	.000	—
Detroit	0	0	.000	—
Indiana	0	0	.000	—
Miami	0	0	.000	—
Milwaukee	0	0	.000	—
NewJersey	0	0	.000	—
NewYork	0	0	.000	—
Orlando	0	0	.000	—
Philadelphia	0	0	.000	—
Toronto	0	0	.000	—
Washington	0	0	.000	—
WESTERN CONFERENCE	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Dallas	0	0	.000	—
Denver	0	0	.000	—
GoldenState	0	0	.000	—
Houston	0	0	.000	—
L.A.Clippers	0	0	.000	—
L.A.Lakers	0	0	.000	—
Minnesota	0	0	.000	—
Phoenix	0	0	.000	—
Portland	0	0	.000	—
Sacramento	0	0	.000	—
SanAntonio	0	0	.000	—
Seattle	0	0	.000	—
Utah	0	0	.000	—
Vancouver	0	0	.000	—

Thursday's Games
Minnesota vs. Milwaukee at Mollne, Ill., 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Denver vs. LA Lakers at Honolulu, midnight
Friday's Games
Minnesota vs. Washington at Fairfax, VA, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta vs. Toronto at Halifax, Nova Scotia, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Boston vs. Charlotte at Greensboro, NC, 7:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas vs. Philadelphia at Tulsa, Okla., 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio vs. Houston at New Orleans, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle vs. Chicago at Albuquerque, N.M., 9:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Sacramento vs. Golden State at San Jose, Calif., 10:30 p.m.
Saturday's Games
Charlotte vs. New Jersey at Richmond, Va., 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Boston at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Denver vs. LA Lakers at Honolulu, 9:30 p.m.
Seattle vs. Chicago at Las Vegas, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's Games
New York vs. Toronto at Ottawa, 1:30 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Cleveland at Youngstown, Ohio, 6 p.m.
Washington vs. New Jersey at Amherst, Mass., 7 p.m.
LA Clippers vs. Atlanta at University Park, Pa., 7 p.m.
Portland at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

SCC Women's Golf Association monthly winners

September awards for the Snyder Country Club Women's Golf Association were handed out last week.

In the Sept 5 most fours for nine holes, Suzy Reed, Kaye Cypert and Peggy Hardin tied for the most fours with four. Reed was the low putter and Cypert, Joe Sterling and Finnie Seale all had chip ins.

The Sept. 17 Queen of the Hill was won by Norma Thompson with a low gross of 100. Colleen Duke had the low net at 83. Thompson was also the low putter.

The Sept. 24 low score on odd holes was won by Reed. Carolyn Greene was second. Low putter went to Thompson, who also had a chip in.

WTC golfers finish 2nd at Odessa

ODESSA — The Western Texas College green team entered play here Tuesday in a tie for fourth place. After the final round of the Odessa College Invitational at the Mission Dorado Country Club, they had moved into second place behind Midland.

The green team fired a final round 293 for a 54-hole total of 894.

Midland won the event with a 865 while Odessa took third at 899.

The WTC white team took 14th with a 948.

In the medalist race, WTC's Morten Vildhoj was third with a three-under-par 211. Vildhoj carded a 72 Sunday and came back with a 69 Monday before closing out with a 70.

The next action for the golf team will be this weekend at the Andrews Country Club.

WTC GREEN	
Morten Vildhoj	72-69-70—211
Harry Hernandez	74-75-75—224
Marcus Olvestad	82-76-74—232
Andreas Ljunggren	77-78-79—234
Bryan Hawkins	85-76-74—235
WTC WHITE	
Jake McCullough	80-76-77—233
Jason Darby	82-79-75—236
Kevin Taylor	75-84-78—237
Daniel Montes	84-83-81—248
Donald DeMasters	80-89-79—248

Sooners remain upbeat despite 0-4 record

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Forget all the young players and the numerous mistakes that have contributed to Oklahoma's 0-4 start. Coach John Blake feels certain his team will win a game one of these weeks.

"We're in every game," he said Tuesday. "If special teams don't break down, I do believe we beat Kansas Saturday. That's the nature of this game, you cannot make mistakes.

"We're not good enough to overcome mistakes. We're not capable of making mistakes and coming back right now, but believe me we're going to be good one day. I really feel that and believe that."

The Sooners have gotten better. The offense is moving the ball more effectively and the defense has improved. But mistakes continue to crop up.

Last week in their Big 12 opener against Kansas, the Sooners were doomed by poor special teams play. Oklahoma had more than 500 yards of offense and limited June Henley to just 63 yards rushing, but Kansas still won 52-24 because, among other things, the Jayhawks scored on a kickoff return, a punt return and a blocked field goal.

There were other breakdowns, like 16 penalties for 138 yards — including too many players on the field for the second straight week — and a couple of missed interceptions by the defense.

This Oklahoma team has given up more than 50 points twice, something that had only happened once in school history. A loss to Texas (3-2, 2-0) would leave Oklahoma 0-5 and match the worst start ever for the Sooners. It also would stretch their school-record losing streak to eight games, dating to last season.

Still, optimism abounds.

"As bad as it may seem, we might not have won a game right now but this team has improved unbelievably," Blake said. "I'm truly excited about what's going on on this football team."

Lowrance ties for 15th place

COLLEGE STATION — Texas Tech golfer Brook Lowrance from Snyder finished in 15th place at the Big 12 Fall Preview golf tournament held here at the Pebble Creek Country Club.

Lowrance fired a final round 75 to go with rounds of 84 and 74 for a three day total of 233.

As a team, Tech finished in eighth with a 950, 41 strokes behind first place Nebraska.

Bynum riding well in high school circuit

The last three weekends, Snyder cowgirl Terra Bynum has had quite a run in barrel racing, winning first place in four performances.

At the Fort Davis high school rodeo last Saturday, Bynum finished in the top spot in Saturday's performance, but dropped to sixth Sunday. The week before in Eldorado, Bynum finished first in the Sunday performance, Sept. 28-29 in Ozona, Bynum was the top rider in both shows.

Bynum is competing in region II of the high school rodeo circuit.

In addition to barrels, Bynum took third in poles Saturday and Sunday in Fort Davis. She had a third and fifth place performance in goat tying and fifth in breakaway.

At the Eldorado rodeo, Bynum took first in breakaway on Saturday and came back Sunday to finish first in goat tying, third in breakaway and fifth in poles. Bynum was named girls' all-around champion.

In the Saturday performance at Ozona, Bynum took third in poles and goat tying, fifth in breakaway and won the girls' all-around. Bynum came back Sunday to take second in goat tying and fifth in poles.

Bynum will be competing in Rankin this weekend.

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Flood brings ecosystem back to life

PHOENIX (AP) — Mother Nature was right after all. More than 30 years after a dam stopped the Colorado River from flowing through the Grand Canyon, a manmade flood brought the ecosystem back to life.

The spring flood restored several major waterways and old beaches in the canyon, and returned nutrient-rich sediment to fish and plants, according to government studies being released today.

The studies prove that the government-managed dams need to provide more natural water flows, scientists say.

The Interior Department report of the studies, obtained by The Associated Press, details how the weeklong flood in March replenished beaches, rapids, fish, vegetation and various endangered species along the Colorado River. It culminates six years of research on the effects of the Glen Canyon Dam on the Colorado.

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt was to release the report today, along with new guidelines that will help the government manage dams so that the water flows more naturally, said officials, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Although dams have been run to suit the needs of power cooperatives for decades, all sides agree that the Glen Canyon studies are the start of a new era.

Two arrested on indictments

Two people were arrested Tuesday following indictments handed down by the Scurry County grand jury Monday.

Larry Carrisalez, 34, 605 19th, was arrested at his residence by officers at 10:03 a.m. He was indicted for possession of a controlled substance. He was accused of possessing cocaine on Sept. 4, and his bond was set at $5,000.

Coincidentally, Carrisalez had called the police department at 9:36 a.m. and requested an officer come to his house to investigate the theft of some roosters.

Deputies arrested 43-year-old James William Patterson of 3606 Hill Ave. at 4:54 p.m. on a grand jury indictment for possession of a controlled substance. He is charged with an Aug. 28 offense of possession of heroin. His bond was also set at $5,000.

In other activity Tuesday, an officer was requested at Wilson Motors at 3:28 p.m. in reference to the business receiving several bad checks.

Woody Newton requested an officer at 7:48 p.m. in reference to a theft of some firearms from 306 34th St. An offense report for state jail theft was submitted.

A report of criminal mischief was submitted at 8:38 p.m. from the Department of Human Services in the Snyder Shopping Center. An offense report for Class C theft was submitted.

Officers were notified of a suspicious person in the 2400 block of 26th Street at 2:57 this morning.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 10-09-96
♠ Q 7 3
♥ A 8 5
♦ A J 2
♣ K 8 6 5

West
♠ K 8 5 4
♥ 9 7 4 3
♦ 9 6
♣ 10 9 4

East
♠ A 10 9 6 2
♥ J 2
♦ 10 8 3
♣ Q J 2

South
♠ J
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ K Q 7 5 4
♣ A 7 3

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♣	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♣	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ 10

Not knowing makes it harder

By Phillip Alder

In today's deal, ignore the quixotic bidding and concentrate on the clever declarer-play. I have had to give you the actual auction for a reason that will become apparent.

Some pairs use relay systems. When having at least game-forcing values, one player makes meaningless one-step bids that ask partner to describe his hand. And as long as the hand that has done the asking becomes the declarer, it is very difficult for the defenders because they know nothing about the unseen hand.

Ken Barbour, from Scottsdale, Ariz., used this advantage to full effect here.

Each of South's bids except his last was asking for more information. In order, North showed a balanced 12-15, no four-card major, exactly 3-3-3-4 shape, two aces and a king, and the club king but no spade ace or king!

After West led the club 10, six diamonds looked destined to lose a trick in each black suit. However, in tempo, Barbour ducked the first trick completely!

When West continued with a second club, Barbour won in hand with the ace, drew trumps and ran the clubs, discarding his spade jack. After the heart jack obligingly appeared on the second round, Barbour claimed 12 tricks. Nothing to it, really!

East was unhappy, but West asked why he hadn't overtaken with the club jack at trick one.

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal; 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LLL Club; First Baptist Church fellowship hall; 9:30 a.m.

Ministerial Alliance; Rudy's; 10 a.m.

Noah Project Advisory Committee; MAWC; noon.

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 p.m.).

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

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving; Snyder Savings & Loan Community Room, 27th and College; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., for more information call 573-2850.

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 5 p.m.

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

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Is alcohol-Tylenol mix dangerous?

DEAR DR. GOTT. What are the consequences of combining alcohol and Tylenol? My father has several drinks a day and takes two or three extra-strength Tylenol while he is drinking.

DEAR READER: Patients who abuse alcohol often develop serious liver disease, but are at increased risk of liver damage if they also use excessive amounts of acetaminophen (Tylenol and others). Tylenol's manufacturer points out that such instances are infrequent and are usually seen when alcoholics consume more than the recommended amount of acetaminophen.

Nonetheless, it would be imprudent for a person who drinks heavily to take this over-the-counter drug in regular, large doses.

With respect to your father, I believe that he is potentially harming himself by consuming alcohol and Tylenol simultaneously. He'd be better off cutting down on his alcohol and using acetaminophen infrequently.

To give you more information on his send $2 for each report plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title(s).

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please discuss radiculopathy and its treatment.

DEAR READER: This term refers to a disease of the nerve roots, at the place where nerves exit from the length of the spinal canal. The condition, which is most often caused by osteoarthritic bone spurs that press on the nerves, causes pain and tingling — usually in a leg — that may progress to permanent weakness and clumsiness, unless the pressure can be relieved by physical therapy, cortisone injections or — as a last resort — surgery.

Radiculopathy is not common because the nerve roots are well-protected by the spinal bones. More frequently, the nerves themselves are compressed (myelopathy), causing the same symptoms and requiring the same therapy.

The diagnosis is made by special tests, including MRI and myelography (X-rays of the spinal canal). In my opinion, patients with radiculopathy should be under the care of orthopedic- or neuro-surgeons.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm aware that some vitamins are toxic in large doses. I've been taking a high-potency multiple vitamin for two years, until recently, when I developed a severe reaction. My face flares in a burn, my arms tingle and my tongue feels funny, too. Why is this happening when I'm on just one pill a day?

DEAR READER: Perhaps you're still taking too much. In order to estimate the amount of vitamin you are taking, you must include the quantity that you ingest in food. For example, if you regularly consume carrots and yellow vegetables, excellent sources of beta carotene, additional supplements in pill form may actually lead to levels that are too high.

As you are aware, a recent study of mega-doses of beta carotene showed serious health risks (in the form of lung cancer) and the study was discontinued. Stop your vitamin supplement and check with your doctor.

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Scurry County Country

Plenty for everyone at stockman's show

By Ronda Parker
SDN Correspondant

LUBBOCK — The fourth annual Farmer-Stockman Show is underway here and continues Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The show is the largest working farm and ranch show in the Southwestern United States, containing 800 acres of show site with 54 acres of stationary exhibits, said Monica Hightower, Farmer-Stockman show manager.

The event provides a forum for farmers and ranchers to meet with a great variety of companies to compare different products and equipment, Hightower said.

Working field demonstrations allow producers to see the actual harvest of various crops with the most up-to-date equipment in the industry. Commercial exhibits, field and livestock demonstrations, educational exhibits and family living programs are a part of the show.

Hightower said this year's show features many new programs and exhibits that were not part of last year's show.

Wildlife programs and exhibits have been added to draw another audience, she said.

Four wildlife related programs are being presented by the Texas Parks and Wildlife. Topics cover information on managing CRP land and playa lakes for wildlife uses, brush management and the economic value of wildlife.

Creative Critters, a taxidermy shop in Lubbock, is conducting demonstrations on field care of hunting game. The demonstrations show hunters how to properly field dress a deer before taking it to a taxidermist.

Kim Owens, co-owner of Creative Critters, said learning how to dress a deer properly can save hunters money, in that additional cuts will not have to be made, once the deer arrives at the taxidermist.

Seminars on current issues in animal production, cutting horse demonstrations and horse training sessions are part of this year's livestock programs, Hightower said.

Craig Cameron, a horse trainer from Dennis, is showing how to start a young horse on working cattle. Daily demonstrations on cutting horses show the difference between aged working horses and the young horse beginning training.

Programs on genetic manipulation and cow/calf operations and implant effects on muscle quality in beef are part of the educational seminars concerning livestock, Hightower said.

Safety is an issue worth noting in the show. John Deere manufacturers are conducting two daily farm safety programs. and Prevent Blindness, company in Lubbock, is presenting a program on eye safety on the farm.

Hightower said continuing education courses are offered for producers with their pesticide applicators license. A Cotton Plant Mapping course takes place at 10:30 a.m., and at 2 p.m. Tex-A-Syst program on rural water wells is being held.

The Farmer-Stockman show is located off Loop 289 on East 50th Street, FM 835.

Reykjavik, the capital of Iceland, is heated entirely by underground hot springs.

High on the hog

Livestock on farms in the U.S., 1900-95 (in thousands)

Year	All cattle	Milk cows	Sheep	Hogs
1908	59,739	16,544	49,105	51,055
1910	59,993	19,450	50,239	48,072
1920	70,400	21,455	40,743	68,569
1936	61,003	23,032	51,565	55,705
1940	60,305	24,940	52,100	61,165
1950	77,963	23,853	29,826	58,937
1960	96,236	19,527	33,170	59,026
1970	112,369	12,091	20,423	57,046
1980	111,242	10,758	12,699	57,318
1990	95,816	10,015	11,358	53,788
1995	103,265	9,532	8,800	59,992

Source: National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

Hog production has stayed fairly constant during this century. Sheep production, however, has declined dramatically, while cattle production nearly doubled between 1908 and 1995.

White-tail deer regulation changes

By James E. Lionberger
Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department would like to advise landowners, land managers and hunters of white-tailed deer hunting regulation changes beginning with the 1996-97 hunting season.

The regulation changes pertain primarily to the harvest of antlerless white-tailed deer. During the 1995-96 hunting season, a bag limit of one buck and two antlerless deer, with antlerless deer harvest allowed only during the first six days of the season or by WHHAR permit was in effect for Lipscomb, Hemphill, Wheeler, Gray, **Scurry, Borden**, southern **Kent** and wsestern **Fisher** counties.

Beginning with the 1996-97 season, these regulations will expand into much of the high and rolling plains and the regulations will become county-wide in Fisher and Kent counties.

Wildlife Habitat and Harvest Annual Recommendations or WHHAR permits will be replaced by Managed Land Deer or MLD permits. MLD permits are available only under a written wildlife management plan that will include the keeping of harvest records, herd composition data, game census and habitat improvements. If MLD permits are issued, all antlerless deer must be tagged with an MLD permit even during the first six days.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department biologist are available for technical assistance in the Snyder area contact Jim Lionberger wildlife biologist at (915) 655-3782 for the wildlife biologist closest to you. Refer to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department 1996-97 Outdoor Annual for information regarding county specific regulations.

Pumpkins arriving at grocery stores

COLLEGE STATION — Pumpkins of all sizes have started rolling into grocery stores and vegetable stands from the Texas High Plains, the beginning of an avalanche of the popular orange gourds that won't stop until just before Halloween.

"What we have here is a truly charismatic vegetable," said Dr. Roland Roberts, a vegetable specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in Lubbock. Pumpkins signal fall, harvest and Halloween, he said, and many wind up gracing centerpieces on dining room tables, loafing groups on the front porch, or wearing a toothy grin in a window.

"For art objects, they don't make for bad pies, either," Roberts added, "especially the variety Small Sugar."

The month-long harvest season is just beginning on what looks like a good crop in the Texas pumpkin patch, situated mostly on just 3,000 to 4,000 acres in five South Plains counties — Lubbock, Floyd, Bailey, Hale and Lamb.

Even so, in a good year, a farmer there can produce 30,000 to 40,000 pounds of pumpkins per acre. That's pumpkins a-plenty for all of Texas, with enouth left over to truck out to surrounding states, throughout the South and to points along the East Coast.

It's a bit early to tell, but this year's crop may not be quite that abundant.

"We have a lot of late-planted, therefore later-maturing pumpkins," Roberts said. "A lot of growers didn't plant until July. That's getting on the late-risk side. The June-planted crop is coloring well."

Gary Carthel and his brother are cotton farmers who have been growing pumpkins for 15 years on a 200-acre patch in Floyd County, which usually grows more pumpkins than most other Texas counties combined.

"Our yields are going to be down a bit this year," Carthel said, but the drought had little impact because nearly all the commercial pumpkin growers irrigate their fields.

"We're looking at getting 6½ to 7 cents a pound," he said, adding that consumers should be able to find 20-pounders that make the best size for carving jack-o-lanterns. Howden is the variety that most farmers there are growing.

Town & County Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Each time we shop we make choices. In the past we made choices based on cost, our past experiences, quality, personal preferences, product convenience and advertising. But now we need to add something to our decision-making process. We need to consider the effects of our choices on the environment as well as personal needs and preferences.

An enviroshopper looks for personal products that reduce the amount of waste in the environment, save natural resources, and help reduce pollution. Buying products that contain the least packaging that has to be discarded is the first step in becoming an Enviroshopper. Buying refillable containers and reusing them reduces waste and conserves natural resources, too. Using durable products that last a long time obviously reduces waste more than using disposable products. If a manual razor is preferred, choose a durable holder and change the blades rather than discarding the entire razor. An Enviroshopper avoids disposable products whenever possible.

Buying frequently used items in large quantities reduces waste, reduces the cost and use of resources to distribute products to the retailer, and saves on the resources needed to make the package. If you want to know if a product is packaged in recycled materials, the best way to find out is to read the label. Manufacturers are beginning to put the recycling symbol or statement about recycled content on packaging.

When buying soap look at the packaging. One is wrapped in plain paper and others are wrapped in a foil-covered box. The foil box is not necessary to protect the soap and it cannot be recycled easily. Wrapping soap in both paper and a box adds to the waste stream and increases the use of natural resources. In addition, we have to pay more for the soap to cover the cost of the additional packaging.

Here are some simple rules to follow as to consumer choices.

-Buy one large package rather than several small ones.

-Avoid products that are packaged more than is necessary.

-Buy reusable products instead of disposable products.

-Look for recyclable products and packaging.

-Look for products and packaging made of recycled materials.

-Buy products in containers designed for reuse or find ways to reuse containers.

Enviroshoppers look for ways to reduce waste, conserve natural resources, and help reduce pollution.

Cotton acreage drops substantially

LUBBOCK (AP — Communities that rely on Texas' massive cotton industry will suffer if farmers continue a trend of planting corn, sorghum and soybeans instead, a leading cotton economist says.

"Cotton-dependent communities will have less business activity and fewer jobs," said Carl Anderson, an economist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in College Station.

Cotton acreage, which dropped substantially this year because of weather, price pressure and other factors, could fall an additional 20 percent next season if grain and soybean prices remain fairly strong, Anderson said.

Small farms, gins, warehouses and merchants would feel the sting immediately, Anderson predicted.

Farmers have looked for alternatives in the face of continued low cotton prices, which have ranged in the mid- to upper 60-cent range per pound recently on the High Plains. In Texas, 70-cent cotton is generally held to be the break-even level.

However, a drop in cotton production this year to an estimated 17.9 million bales — more than 1 million bales below original estimates this spring — already has caused prices to climb.

Sweetwater cattle auction

The market at Sweetwater had a run of 801 head of cattle for the Wednesday, Oct. 2, sale. All stocker and feeder cattle were steady. Pairs and bred cows were active. Packer cows and bulls were steady.

STEERS
300-400: 64-74
400-500: 62-72
500-600: 61-67
600-700: 58-64

HEIFERS
300-400: 60-66
400-500: 56-64
500-600: 55-60
600-700: 51-59

BRED COWS
Good: 450-525
Older and Plainer: 300-425

PAIRS
Good: 550-650
Older Plainer: 400-550

PACKER COWS
Good: 31-35
Low Yielding: 24-30

PACKER BULLS
Good: 41-44
Low Yielding: 36-40

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 800 head of cattle for the Thursday, Oct. 3 sale. Cows were $2 better. Calves and yearlings were $2 to $3 cheaper. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 30 to 36.50; Canner and low cutters 25 to 30; Slaughter bulls 40 to 44.50.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 62 to 70; 400 to 500, 60 to 66; 500 to 600, 60 to 64; 600 to 700, 58 to 62.50; 700 to 800, 57 to 61.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 52.50 to 58.50; 400 to 500, 52.50 to 57.50; 500 to 600, 52.50 to 57.50; 600 to 700, 52.50 to 58.25; 700 to 800, 52.50 to 58.25

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 52.50 to 60; 700 to 800, 48.50 to 55.

Cow and calf pairs: good 450 to 625 grade 350 to 450.

Springers: 250 to 500; baby calves 40 to 110; doodlers 75 to 125.

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Six scientists share Nobel Prizes

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Nobel Prizes went to six scientists today, including five Americans, for discoveries of whimsically-named molecules known as "buckyballs" and a bizarre form of helium that may shed light on the moments after the big bang.

Two Texans and a Briton won the Nobel Prize in chemistry for discovering a family of soccer ball-shaped carbon molecules that spawned a new field of study. Known unofficially as "buckyballs" and officially as fullerenes, the unusual molecules were named for R. Buckminster Fuller because their structure resembles his famed geodesic domes.

The physics prize went to three U.S. scientists for discovering that at extremely low temperatures a rare form of helium can flow without losing energy to friction. That finding has had unexpected applications to theories about the universe's earliest moments.

Each prize this year is worth $1.12 million.

The chemistry prize was shared by Harold W. Kroto, 57, who teaches at Sussex University in England, and chemists Robert F. Curl, Jr., 63, and Richard E. Smalley, 53, of Rice University in Houston. The three discovered buckyballs in 1985.

"It's what every kid who had a chemistry set dreams of. There's no doubt about it, it's marvelous," Curl said at a news conference in Houston.

"The Nobel Prize has panache to it beyond all other prizes," Smalley said in a video downlink from Connecticut, where he was giving a lecture.

"It's a fundamental discovery," said Salo Gronowitz, chairman of the Nobel committee for chemistry. "You can practice a lot of new chemistry with these balls, and we are on the way to discovering lots of different applications."

Gronowitz said chemists expected to develop whole new materials, in addition to new medicines, from the discovery within five to 10 years.

Fullerenes were thought at first to be an exclusively manmade invention, but after the chemists created them in the laboratory the molecules were found in natural settings on Earth and in space.

Rumors of Yeltsin's health denied

MOSCOW (AP) — A top Kremlin spokesman today dismissed market rumors that President Boris Yeltsin's health has taken a sharp turn for the worse.

"We don't even consider it necessary to comment on these reports," said Igor Ignatyev, chief of the presidential press service. "They are just another attempt to use the issue of Yeltsin's health for selfish interests."

Kremlin officials said Yeltsin was transferred over the weekend to the government resort of Barvikha, outside Moscow, from the Central Clinical hospital, where he had been under observation since last month.

The 65-year-old president is preparing for coronary bypass surgery later this year.

Rumors that Yeltsin's health problems are more serious than the Kremlin has disclosed have frequently surfaced in financial markets. Today's rumors followed a major rally in Russia debt and stock prices this week.

Hospital

ADDMISSIONS: Sybilla Smith, 2207 44th; Ryan Martinez, 2700 Ave. G; Marjorie Parks, 1607 52nd #65; Jimmy Velasquez, 3900 Eastridge.

DISMISSALS: Laura Holladay, Larry Falls.

CENSUS: 52 (Med., Surg.-12, Long-term Care-39, CCU-1).

Appreciation day Thursday

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A quiet, but effective peace officer, Collier was presented the Tom Tellepsen Award by the Sheriff's Association of Texas on July 21, 1987. The award is given each year in honor of the late Tom Tellepsen, a patriotic American known for his strong support of law enforcement. Collier was selected in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the advancement of the criminal justice system.

During Sheriff Collier's long tenure, Scurry County designed and constructed a modern, 50-bed county jail meeting all state jail commission standards. The office is equipped with modern communications equipment and data is computerized for efficient operations. Three years ago, the sheriff's living quarters were vacated for use by the City of Snyder Police Department, putting law enforcement operations into a combined law enforcement center with a dispatch system under the oversight of the sheriff.

Collier leads a staff of 16 that includes six deputies and five jailers.

It was Collier, after returning from a state meeting, who came up with the idea of trying to locate a state prison unit in Scurry County as a way of creating additional job opportunities in the area.

Collier, a member of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce, is also a member of the economic development committee. He is a member of the chamber's Goal Coat organization, is a long-time director of the Noah Project (for battered families), and a member of the Snyder Lions Club. He and his wife, Janice, are members of the 37th Street Church of Christ.

Sheriff Collier is a past director of the Texas Association of Counties as well as a past-president of the West Central Texas Law Enforcement Association.

Lawyers rest case for Abrego

HOUSTON (AP) — After four weeks of testimony, jurors are to begin deciding soon whether reputed drug kingpin Juan Garcia Abrego oversaw the transport of 13½ tons of cocaine into the United States and illegally laundered some $8.6 million.

Closing arguments had been expected today, but were postponed until Thursday because prosecutor Melissa Annis became ill.

Defense attorneys rested their case in U.S. District Court on Tuesday after charging that Abrego, once on the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted List," had been drugged by federal officials.

Garcia Abrego, 52, faces 22 counts of trafficking and money laundering, some of which carry a maximum life sentence. He did not testify.

The defense witnesses, including a psychiatrist, a cardiologist and a forensic toxicologist, testified about Garcia Abrego's condition after his Jan. 14 arrest in Monterrey, Mexico, and his arrival in the United States next day.

Candidate

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McLaughlin.

McLaughlin said he is in favor of home equity reform, enabling a homeowner to use the equity in a home to borrow money against for educational costs for their children.

"My opponent is opposed to this."

McLaughlin added that he is opposed to a state income tax as well.

"I believe that the present legislature is just poised to pass a state income tax," said McLaughlin.

Just prior to McLaughlin's appearance at WTC, incumbent David Counts issued a press release responding to an announcement of a proposed debate between the two candidates in Aspermont on Oct. 15.

Counts' release said he first heard of the debate as on a radio station as he travelled through the district.

He said neither he, nor his office had been contacted inviting him to participate in the event.

When questioned about the announcement of the debate Tuesday morning, McLaughlin said he had sent information on the debate to Counts' office in Knox City by registered mail on Thursday of last week.

"He probably just go the letter today," said McLaughlin and added he did not know whether Counts' office had actually turned down the invitation or not.

However, the announcement from Counts said he has a prior, long-standing commitment scheduled for that date and would not have been able to attend if he had even been notified earlier.

However, the two candidates have agreed to a debate in Sweetwater on Oct. 22 at 7 p.m.

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What's Up?

Candidate forum to air

TCA Snyder Cable and ZTV will air a video of the candidate forum held last Thursday at Western Texas College at 6 p.m. today.

Kmart exes to hold social

Kmart 9268 former employees and friends are invited to a dutch treat social at 7 p.m. Thursday at Rudy's.

Noah board reschedules meeting

The Noah Projest-West advisory board will not meet this Thursday but has rescheduled the meeting for Oct. 17 at noon in the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Auxiliary sets meeting

Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday in the hospital board room. All members are urged to attend.

Pre-game supper

Tiger Pride Club will sponsor a chicken strips and gravy supper from 5-7 p.m. before the Lamesa game Friday at the high school cafeteria. Fries, okra, Texas toast and tea will be included. Tickets are $5 and can be purchased at several local businesses, the administration building or at the door. Takeouts will be available.

Needed: new mascot costume

SHS varsity cheerleaders and mascot are selling raffle tickets to earn money for a new mascot costume. Tickets are $1 each. Prizes include a Magnavox CD stereo player for first place, a $100 Exxon Tiger Mart gas certificate for second and a Tiger jacket, T-shirt and cap for third.

The drawing will be held during the Lamesa game Friday. Call 574-6059 to purchase raffle tickets.

Skate night slated again

Snyder Noon Kiwanis will sponsor another Skate Night at Scurry County Coliseum from 6-9 p.m. Saturday. Admission is $2 for skaters and $1 for spectators. Concessions will be available.

Young Democrats to organize

A Young Democrats organizational meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Democratic headquarters, 1824 26th St. All young people between 15-25 are invited.

American Legion Post 181

American Legion Post 181 will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday. Two executive board members are to be elected.

Key to the Kingdom

The Key to the Kingdom series continues on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The next tape, "King of Kings," will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Hermleigh Booster Club

The Hermleigh Booster Club will met at 7 p.m. Monday in the Hermleigh Community Center.

Choir concert Monday

The Snyder High School choir concert will be held at 8:30 p.m. Monday at Worsham Auditorium.

Ranch Breakfast scheduled

Upper Colorado SWCD is hosting a Ranch Breakfast at 7 a.m. Tuesday in the Fluvanna Community Center. The breakfast will be sponsored by Ezell-Key Grain Co. and cooked by Benny Marricle. There will be no charge. For more information, call 573-6317.

Tiger's Lair on sale now

The 1997 Tiger's Lair yearbook is on sale through Tuesday for $30.

WTC to stage 'Playing With Fire'

Western Texas College drama department will featured Barbara Field's "Playing With Fire" on Oct. 17-20. Tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for senior citizens and students. Shows will begin at 8 o'clock nightly, plus a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee. For ticket information, call 573-8511, ext. 234.

Area-wide ladies retreat

The 2nd Area-Wide Ladies Retreat will be held Oct. 18-19 at Martha Ann Woman's Club. The theme is "Overcomers" (Revelations 12:11). There will be six seminar speakers for the retreat, which will begin at 8:30 a.m. daily.

To make reservations, call Rebecca at 573-2672 or Pat at 573-5416.

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

8-21-23-31-36

(eight, twenty-one, twenty-three, thirty-one, thirty-six)

Pick 3

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

02-07-09

(two, seven, nine)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Oct. 10, 1996

Determination and patience will be necessary in the year ahead if you want to continue to receive rewards. A second effort might be required in some of your more significant victories.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you encounter opposition today, don't meet it head-on. Confrontation might create additional problems, but a gentler strategy could resolve differences. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you give in to an impulse, you might have to do things the hard way. Strive to be more imaginative and seek the path of least resistance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do not let your desire to engage in pleasurable activities take up your time and attention today. Take care of your responsibilities first.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Evaluating a situation from a selfish viewpoint will generate resistance from associates today. Make an effort to recognize their positions as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Think before you speak today. Otherwise, you might unintentionally make impulsive comments that will offend your listeners and be difficult to retract.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Try to avoid being drawn into an unusual development today. You did not create this problem, but you will share responsibility for it if you get involved.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Usually you strive to think positively, but today your negative expectations could influence your judgment and prevent you from being productive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) An annoying responsibility might be lifted from your shoulders temporarily today. However, you will have to deal with it again in the future.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your values might not be as sound as usual today. This could be because you to have a tendency to want things that are insignificant.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you manage your personal affairs skillfully, you can gain several advantages. However, you will not handle complex relationships as well.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even though you might feel as though you have a lot of interesting things to say today, give friends a chance to express their ideas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you let your emotions govern your behavior in financial affairs today, you might botch an important deal. Try to be logical and realistic.

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Letters to the Editor

Hats off to Keith!

Editor:

I have lived in Abilene for the last 10 years, however I continue to keep up with Scurry County activities through the Snyder Daily News. I must say Snyder has made the news within the last few weeks. First the population explosion, five babies in one setting. Congratulations to the Taylor family, they'll be busy for the next few years taking care of those cute little dudes.

Last Saturday was the big day for the White Buffalo Festival. I didn't get to make that, but I feel sure it was a great success.

On Friday, Sept. 27, a proclamation was issued by Mayor David Holt and County Judge Ricky Fritz, proclaiming next Thursday, Oct. 10, as "Sheriff Keith Collier Day." Thirty-two years as Sheriff of Scurry County, Texas. "Wow!" It couldn't have happened to a nicer guy.

I shall always have a soft spot in my heart for Scurry County, having served 24 years in the county government myself. As County Auditor, I worked closely with the Sheriff, and other county officials, especially on budgetary matters. (Scurry County had a balanced budget.) Keith and I did not agree on every item, but we enjoyed working out our differences. Budget requests from the Sheriff's Department were usually approved by the Commissioners Court without change. I would often say to Keith, "You can talk the horns off a billy goat."

I have a high regard for Sheriff Collier, along with other law enforcement agencies. They are there for our protection. I served as Chief Deputy Sheriff in Scurry County for a brief period. I know it's a tough job at times, but it is also a great place to make friends, along with a few enemies.

I plan to be at the celebration Thursday, if possible. I'll try to sneak in without being noticed by the Sheriff. He'll be too busy to boot me out of the county.

Have a good Day.
Jay Massingill

Streisand talks

NEW YORK (AP) — Barbra Streisand says her inspiration for the movie "Yentl" came from her father — who spoke to her from beyond the grave.

Streisand, whose father died when she was 15 months old, says in the November issue of George that she received two messages from her father at a seance in 1979, four years before "Yentl" was released.

"The first one was 'Sorry,' which was astounding because I was angry at him for leaving me," she said. "The second message was 'Sing proud.' I know it sounds crazy, but it was my father telling me to have the courage of my convictions. I made 'Yentl.' And I did sing proud."

At the time, Streisand said she was trying to decide whether to direct and star in "Yentl," a story of a Jewish girl who disguises herself as her dead brother Anshel so she can study to become a rabbi.

Aquifer officials set conservation plans

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Edwards Aquifer Authority has taken the first step toward implementing a water conservation program while delaying a drought management plan and a permit system for irrigators.

Meeting in San Antonio Tuesday night, the panel voted to create a committee for developing a so-called "dry year option" program.

Under such a plan, irrigators would be paid not to pump from the aquifer, the sole source of water for San Antonio and much of the south central Texas region.

Committee members were expected to develop the program and applicable contracts with water purchasers and sellers.

"I think that it is generally felt by a number of people that this program is a great opportunity for next year if we expect the same kind of weather patterns that we've had this year," said Rick Illgner, the authority's general manager.

Bob Keith of Victoria, an authority board member representing downstream users, said the dry year option has promise.

"There's some concerns because permits haven't been defined yet," he said. "I think administration of it needs to be done carefully. It's one of the new ideas that we have ... that we've got to develop and test."

But the board extended the public comment period for a comprehensive drought management plan for another 30 days to Nov. 14 and delayed implementation.

Board members also indefinitely delayed passage of rules covering permits for pumpers, but such applications must be submitted by Dec. 30.

Officials said Tuesday that water levels in the Edwards Aquifer are steadily rebounding from the drought, and a few good rains should bring the levels back to normal.

"The water levels in the wells are starting to come up, and we are just hoping for rain — big, intense rains in the right places ... in the recharge and contribution zones," said Steve Schriver, environmental analyst for the Barton Springs-Edwards Aquifer Conservation District. "And we need people to conserve."

The district, which includes southern Travis and northern Hays counties, is in a Stage 2 drought alert declared last summer.

There are three stages of drought alerts. Stage 3 is the most extreme, with required reductions in consumption by up to 33 percent.

A couple of storms with up to three inches of rain each would be enough to get water into sinkholes to replenish the aquifer.

Airport expansion plan due this week

DALLAS (AP) — A long-awaited air traffic control plan is set this week to help relieve congested skies over Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport and nationwide.

Dubbed the Metroplex Air Traffic System Plan, it's designed to save airlines $10 billion in reduced delays over the next 20 years.

The $166 million project is a boon for D-FW, which now has the third-largest number of delays among U.S. airports and is projected by the Federal Aviation Administration to become the world's busiest by the turn of the century.

The FAA is scheduled Thursday to activate the most complicated airspace plan it has ever undertaken.

"This is going to be a very big deal to those who use the system," said Ronnie Uhlenhaker, program manager.

With the system, during good flight weather, D-FW will be the only airport in the world where four airplanes can land simultaneously.

The airspace remodeling program increases the number of arrival and departure routes by 75 percent. And it lets the airport make efficient use of its new seventh runway.

Federal transportation officials said the runway will help make the airport the nation's busiest — surpassing Chicago's O'Hare — by the year 2000.

The nine-year airspace plan has spanned a total of 68 separate construction projects, including two new control towers, a modern radar room at D-FW and two Texas-size versions of standard radio navigation beacons.

In May, air traffic controllers got a 40-year leap in technology with a communications system designed to reduce errors and enhance air safety.

A touch screen air traffic system, with digital communications so quiet controllers sometimes think their headsets are disconnected, was unveiled to cover the nation's second busiest airport.

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Veteran sheriff earns local, state-wide respect

By Roy McQueen
Publisher

He had intended to be a farmer. The drought of the 1950s changed that.

His father advised him to check into law enforcement. He did, in Dallas County, but the sheriff was on vacation and Keith Collier headed back to his home in Snyder.

At the Shamrock service station, Collier mentioned his trip and in turn learned that Sheriff Earl Abercrombie had three openings. It was suggested he should apply in Scurry County.

That was in 1958, and Keith Collier went to work in February as a dispatcher.

After 14 months, Collier tried his luck at trucking. Fifteen months later, he returned as a deputy.

Collier said he had never thought about running for office until the sheriff asked him about it.

"I told Sheriff Abercrombie I had no intentions of running, and I didn't." Collier said he never grew up in Dallas where his father was a division chief for the fire department. He moved to Fluvanna to live with his grandparents and to get into farming when he was a sophomore in high school. He graduated from Fluvanna High School in 1950, in a class of a dozen.

'We usually had a trusty to do the cooking. We had a lot of bootleggers in those days and they were good cooks.'

In between farming and trucking, he tried his hand in the oilfield. When the drilling rig was shut down, that's when Collier went to Dallas and got the advice from his dad about law enforcement. Keith's father is now deceased and his mother lives in Rockwall.

When Collier took office in 1965, the sheriff's office was located in the basement of the courthouse. When the courthouse was renovated, the sheriff's office moved to rented space near Cogdell Hospital before returning to the courthouse.

At the end of December, 1964, Abercrombie vacated the sheriff's quarters on the first floor of the old jail located in the 2700 Block of College Ave.

"Earl was very professional and helpful when he left office," Collier recalled. "He helped make it a smooth transition.

In those days, the Colliers' kitchen was used to prepare meals for the county jail inmates. He recalled that his wife, Janice, bought the food and prepared the menu. "We usually had a trusty to do the cooking. We had a lot of bootleggers in those days and they were good cooks."

There were no jailers. At night, the sheriff's office telephone was answered by the sheriff's wife when he was out or by a deputy who had a line in their home.

A new jail, now known as the Law Enforcement Center, was built in 1979, and the sheriff's office was moved from the courthouse basement.

The jail, built at a cost of some $925,000, also included living quarters for the sheriff. Initially, there were no around-the-clock jailers as Sheriff Collier and Janice monitored the jail with an intercom speaker located in their bedroom.

The jail, which has a legal capacity of 62 beds, still meets state jail standards. "If it were built today, that facility would cost between $2 and $3 million," Collier added.

convinced the sheriff, so he left the department to begin hauling cotton.

In late 1963, Collier was approached about running for sheriff. Collier ran first in May, 1964 in the Democratic primary.

"In those days, everybody ran as a Democrat and the election was decided in the primary." There were eight candidates in the race, including the incumbent who finished third.

Collier led the primary with a 19-vote margin in the field of eight. He faced a former deputy in the runoff, Buddy Norris with Collier winning the runoff and his first four-year term with a 485-vote margin.

At the end of 1996, when Keith Collier retires, he will have served as Scurry County sheriff for 32 years, having been elected to eight consecutive, four-year terms.

Only one current sheriff, Booger Pruitt of Glasscock County, has served longer, having been first elected in 1962. Former Martin County Sheriff Dan Saunders served 40 years.

In eight elections, Collier has been challenged four times. There has been only one close race, in 1980, when Collier defeated Bobby Goodwin by 329 votes. Goodwin later served as county judge and now works for Collier as a deputy.

Born in Hawley, Keith Collier grew up in Dallas where his father was a division chief for the fire department. He moved to Fluvanna to live with his grandparents and to get into farming when he was a sophomore in high school. He graduated from Fluvanna High School in 1950, in a class of a dozen.

When Collier first was sworn into office, Dan Cotton — now an attorney in private practice, was county clerk.

The county judge was Sterling Taylor. He has served with four other county judges, Preston Wilson (also a former deputy), Goodwin, Bob Doolittle and Ricky Fritz.

The first set of deputies were Jesse Minton, Wilson, Abb Boyd, Allen Owens and Leon Ward.

Just nine months after taking office, tragedy struck. Deputy Minton was killed in the line of duty.

Minton and Ward were assisting Mitchell County law officers in a manhunt. Officers were closing in on the suspect in a field of head-high sorghum when the suspect shot a Mitchell County deputy in the eye. Coming from the opposite direction, Minton was shot in the throat. The wounded deputy did get up and was able to kill the suspect before anyone else was wounded. Minton then died.

NEW SHERIFF — A early 1965 photo of newly-elected Sheriff Keith Collier in the booking room, then located at the west end of the courthouse.

Collier himself has had to pull his service revolver only once in 36 years. "It was just the beginning of drugs," Collier remembers. One of the deputies lost his gun, and one of the suspects picked it up. I pulled my gun and told him to put it down."

'I've had to lock up some good friends, and they've remained good friends. I try never to take it personally.'

Collier is known for hiring good people. "I insist on family-type people, and prefer they go to church somewhere. They know they can't drink because they're on call 24 hours a day."

His philosophy — "treat people like you want to be treated." This included both employees, inmates and their families. "I've had to lock up some good friends, and they've remained good friends. I try to never take it personally."

Collier believes that 90 to 95 percent of crimes would be eliminated if it were not for drugs and alcohol, noting if crimes are not committed while under the influence, then crimes are committed in order to pay for the habit.

"We wouldn't need a jail if it weren't for drugs and alcohol."

Another hallmark of Collier's tenure is cooperation with other law enforcement agencies. Collier's philosophy helped sway the Department of Public Safety in its decision to locate a Ranger station in Scurry County.

In addition to working with state officers, Collier and his staff have maintained a cooperative relationship with the City of Snyder police deparment. "There has to be give and take. Don't let small things get in the way of doing the job — making Snyder and Scurry County a safe place. There has to be cooperation."

Currently, the city and county are in the third year of an arrangement whereby the sheriff's office provides dispatching services for the county and the city. Dispatchers double as jailers, saving taxpayer money.

Collier's present staff includes six deputies, nine jailer/dispatchers and a cook. Only the cook is a civilian, the other staff are certified peace officers or jailers. One deputy, Nell Scott, has worked for Collier 25 years.

Collier believes he has made the county money and saved taxpayers over the years. When jail space was available, he generated revenue to the county by housing out-of-state prisoners.

With the help of Janice, inmates were initally fed on less than $2 a day. "We served them food they would eat, too," Collier added. Now the cost is up to about $3.50 a day.

After the Colliers' five children were grown, Janice started accompanying the sheriff to transport prisoners. "They didn't even pay for her food unless it was a female prisoner."

Collier said they never experienced a problem. He recalls one time when he and Janice were transporting a death-row inmate to Huntsville. "We broke down in Hearne and managed to get to Bryan. Janice stayed with the inmate while I saw about getting the car repaired. When we got to Huntsville, six guards came and

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got him."

When Collier moved into the basement of the old jail, their youngest daughter, Tracy, was two years old. A few years later, Tracy reported one morning at breakfast that she could hear inmates trying to saw out.

She made the same observation the next morning. After the third report, Sheriff Collier and Chief Deputy Andy Anderson finally found the area where an inmate was using a razor blade to saw.

One inmate did manage to escape from the old jail. He overpowered a deputy and took his gun. He was arrested a few hours later in an attic in the south part of Snyder. Another time, two other trustys got away, but they called in on the third day and said they were ready to come back.

Collier recalls one still unsolved murder case in which a suspect had been identified in a lineup. "We were told it was the guy, but he had shaved his mustache. We found that the suspect had never had a mustache. There was no physical evidence and the polygraph cleared him. We could never get a confession from the person we thought did it, and we had no physical evidence. We could have sent an innocent man to prison.

"Unless I'm 100 percent convinced, if there is any doubt, then I'll work just as hard to clear someone."

Collier recalls another high-profile murder case. The victim's father praised us on the way we handled the press."

Collier has seen many changes in 36 years in law enforcement. A graduate of Western Texas College, Collier says interviewing or interrogation is still a key ingredient of an investigation. "We now have schools to help with interview techniques and to learn signs that show when someone is not telling the truth. Without physical evidence, you need a statement," Collier said. Collier also notes that paperwork demands have increased substantially over the years.

One change that he deplores is the lack of respect for authority - any authority — by young people. "Not all of them," Collier says, "but too many."

Collier recalls being called to a home by parents whose kid was rebelling. "I told 'em he needed a razor strap and they said 'We thought it was against the law to whip him.'"

Concerning discipline, "I believe it's important and I don't see anything wrong with busting their bottoms as long as the parent does it in the proper manner and isn't out of control. You can't beat 'em."

Collier says he never really considered running for any other office. "I might have run for county judge had I not had to resign as sheriff." The sheriff's and judge's post come up for election at different times. "I liked being sheriff."

Collier attributes "accessibility" as the reason for his long tenure as sheriff. "When I was living in the jail, Janice and I answered the telephone day and night."

Collier added, "I like to put all the cards on the table. I take my licks when I have to. When we're wrong we admit it. We believe in dealing with people squarely."

"Law enforcement is not any better than the community it serves," Collier says modestly. "The citizens of Scurry County have always been good about passing on information.

"The courts and the jury are tough on crime. Scurry County citizens have always supported law enforcement. Scurry County is a place where you can get a good bond set, the cases get tried and you get a good conviction. That sends a message to criminals."

Collier worked with the community's economic development committee to locate the first Texas Department of Criminal Justice unit in West Texas.

The 1,300-bed Price Daniel Unit opened in Scurry County in 1989. "Some people thought the

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NEW RANGER — Keith Collier, left, greets Texas Ranger Dee Vicars.

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crime rate would go up. Inmates out there know they give very stiff sentences here. It hasn't been a problem."

At noon Thursday, Collier and his family will be honored by Scurry County citizens at a Keith Collier Appreciation Day luncheon in the Scurry County Coliseum.

In addition to local residents, law enforcement officers all over the state will be in attendance. Guest speaker will be Col. Dudley Thomas, new director of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

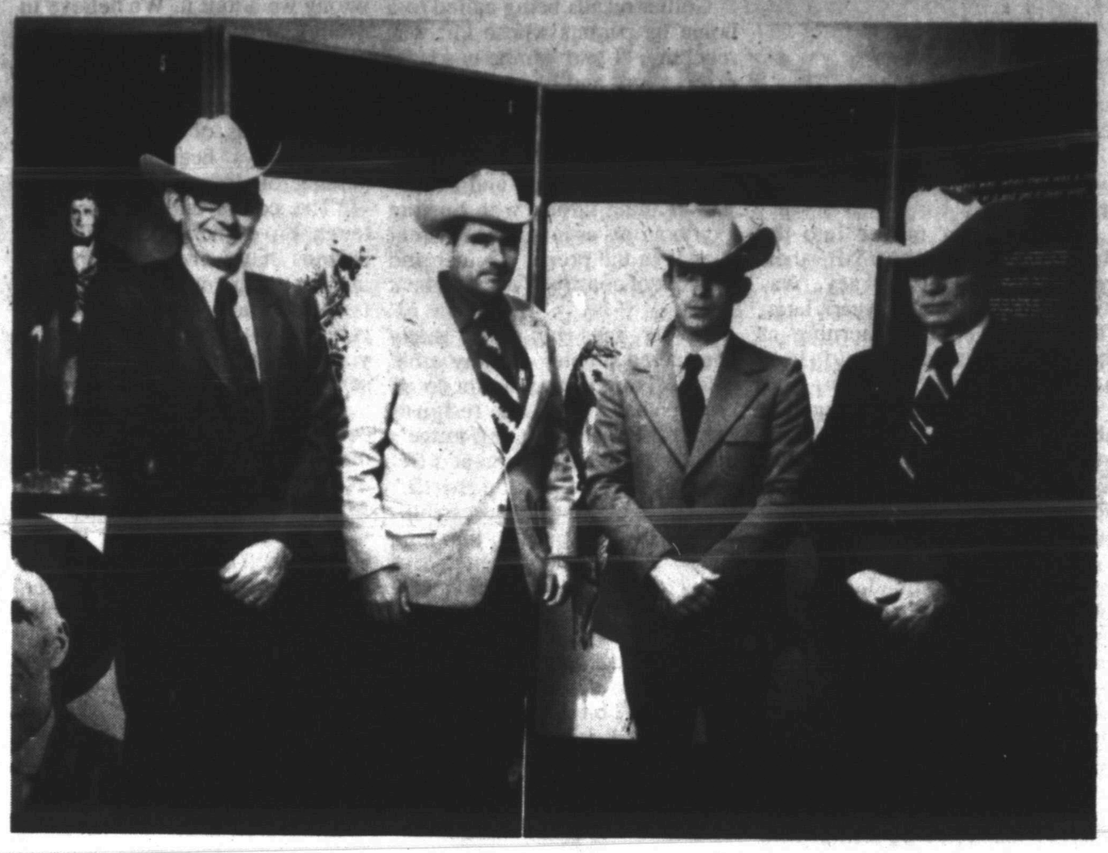
Collier served as president of the Sheriff's Association of Texas in 1978-79. In 1987, Collier was presented the Tom Tellepsen Award as the outstanding sheriff in Texas. Collier has also been a director of the Texas Association of Counties.

Collier also has paid his community dues. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and is a Goldcoater. He is is a director of the Noah Project, a shelter for victims of family violence; and is is a long-time member of the Snyder Lions Club.

Collier and his wife, Janice, are members of the 37th Street Church of Christ. Their grown children include two daughters and their husbands, Keitha and James Brown, and Tracy and Randy Lewis; two sons and their wives, Tim and Connie Collier and Dwain and Sheila Collier. Another son, Joe, is deceased. He is survived by his wife, Renetta Collier.

The Colliers have 10 grandchildren, Bronc, Tucker, Will, Brady, Kasey and Ty Collier, Jami and Haley Brown, and Jana and Baylee Lewis.

After retirement, Collier plans to help "a little" at the dairy run by his son, and travel "a lot" with Janice as members of a travel trailer club.



PROMINENT LAWMEN — Keith Collier, second from left, pictured with John Lynch, Dee Vicars, Jim Riddle (left to right).

Collier ran campaigns like he ran his office — simple, straightforward

1964 was a turbulent time.

The "conflict" in Vietnam was building and relations with Russia — and particularly Cuba — put the ever-present threat of a nuclear war on everyone's mind.

George Wallace was a prominent national figure and in the south, African Americans were fighting for the right to attend major universities. Jack Ruby was convicted of murdering Lee Harvey Oswald, who had killed President John F. Kennedy in Dallas.

While Scurry Countians had their eyes on the nation and their share of boys fighting in Vietnam, the local spotlight was on culture, of a sort. On March 14, residents voted in favor of building a county coliseum 1,823 to 976. The Diamond M Museum opened with great fanfare on April 1.

Earl Abercrombie was the sheriff, a Democrat seeking his third term.

When the May primary election rolled around, Abercrombie found himself opposed by a former deputy, Keith Collier.

Collier wasn't the only man seeking to replace Abercrombie, though. Also on the ballot were E.E. (Buddy) Norris, Bill Love, Prentice Smith, Clarence Minton, Henry Camp and C.E. (Shot) Allen.

Collier received 906 votes and Norris had 877 to force a runoff. Abercrombie wasn't far behind with 815, while Love got 769 and Minton had 697.

Collier won the runoff, 2,096 votes to 1,611 for Norris.

There was no Republican opponent. In fact, in 31 years and eight races, Collier never had an opponent in any November general election. He won in May or March — depending on the year — and went back to sheriffing.

Collier's approach to campaigning was simple.

"I never had yard signs or printed posters. I had candidate cards printed and handed them out to people personally and asked for their vote," said Collier.

Throughout the years, the only thing that changed about his political ads in the newspaper were the photos. The pose was always the same: somber expression, familiar hat. The only difference was that the man in the picture was just a little older each election.

Abercrombie tried to get his job back in 1968, but the overwhelming majority backed Collier. He won his second term by 3,031 votes to 854.

In 1972, another former sheriff, Lloyd Merritt, decided run again. Merritt was defeated, 3,283 to 1,274.

Collier ran unopposed in 1976, but drew a formidable opponent four years later, when former police chief and peace justice Bobby Goodwin sought the office. Collier prevailed, 1,912 votes to 1,583. Goodwin later served as county judge for one term, and is currently a deputy with the sheriff's department.

The sheriff didn't have another opponent until the last election, 1992, when John Leftwich decided to run for the post. Leftwich had lots of experience in law enforcement but was not as well known, and the polls indicated it — he lost 577 votes to Coller's 1,737.

In 1996, Collier has taken great care not to endorse any candidate for sheriff — neither in the primary nor in the November election. Running are two of his deputies, Democratic nominee Darren Jackson and Republican nominee Kerry Fritz.

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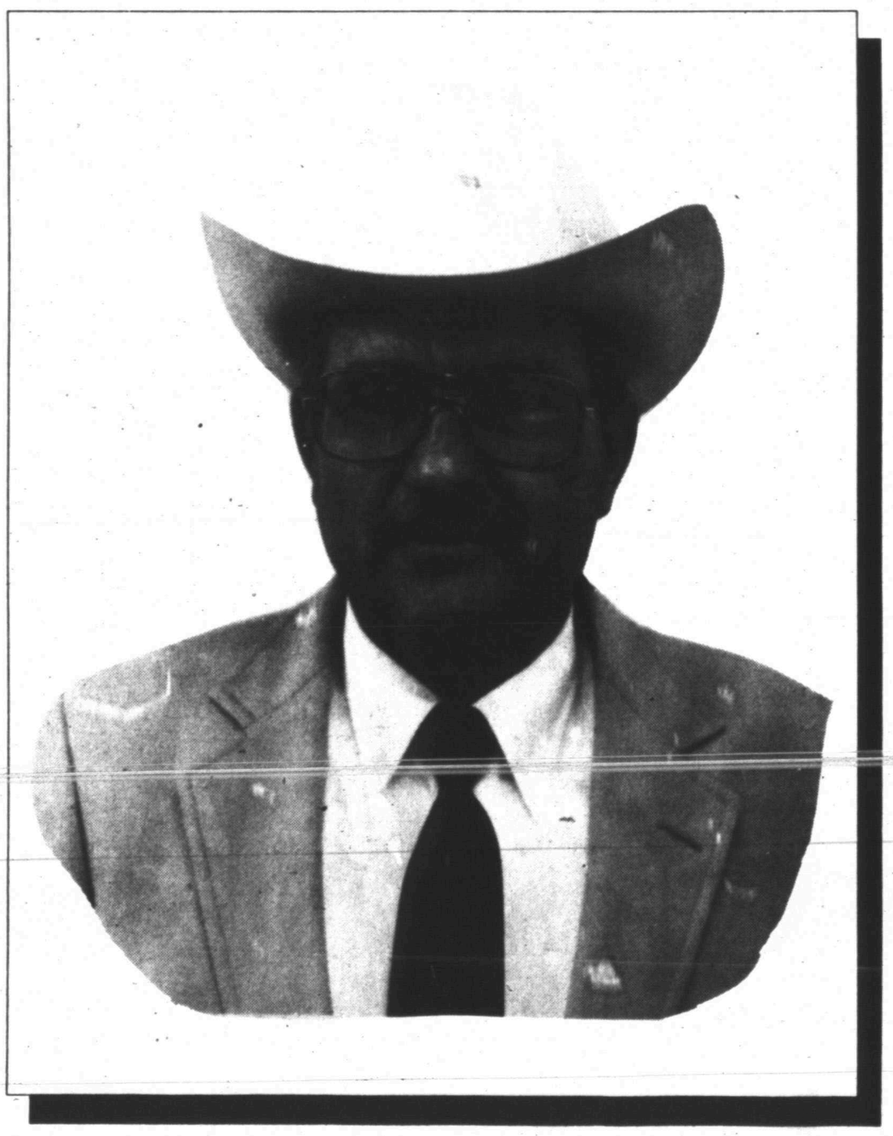

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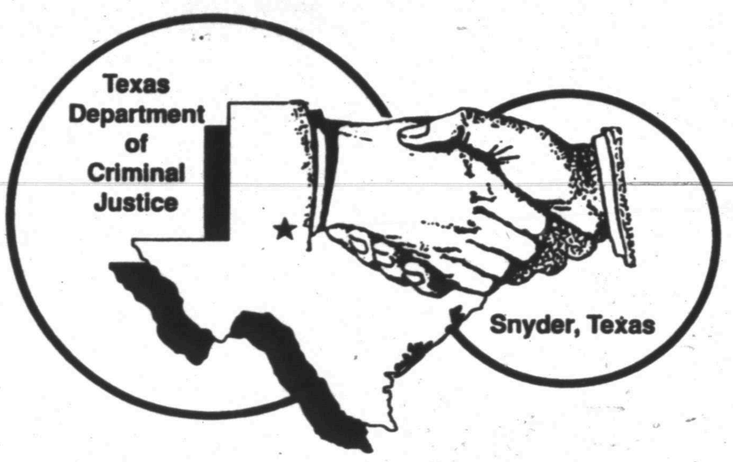

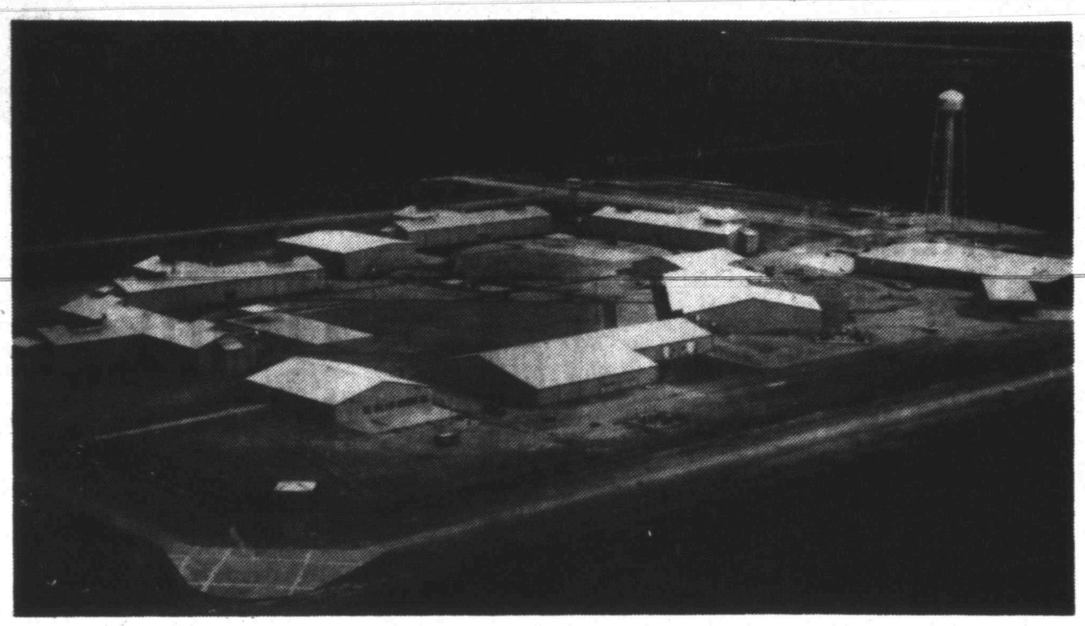

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'Sheriff' goes back to Middle Ages

Mention the word "sheriff" and many people's minds will fill immediately with images of shootouts and gunfights in the Wild West. Such is the power of old movies and television series, which have so magnified the role of the nineteenth-century American sheriff that it is now virtually impossible to think of sheriffs as existing in any other place or time. Most people would be surprised to know that the office of sheriff has a proud history that spans well over a thousand years, from the early Middle Ages to our own "high-tech" era.

With few exceptions, today's sheriffs are elected officials who serve as chief law enforcement officer for a county. Although the duties of the sheriff vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction, the sheriff's office is generally active in all three branches of the criminal justice system: law enforcement, the courts and corrections.

The importance of the modern sheriff was stressed by President Ronald Reagan in his address to the National Sheriff's Association on June 21, 1984. He said, "Thank you for standing up for this nation's dream of personal freedom under the rule of law. Thank you for standing against those who would transform that dream into a nightmare of wrongdoing and lawlessness. And thank you for your service to your communities, to your country and to the cause of law and justice."

To appreciate the vital function that sheriffs continue to serve, it is useful to become acquainted with the long and diverse history of the sheriff's office.

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CHEMICAL TEST — Police Detective Bobby Goodwin tests a piece of evidence as Sheriff Keith Collier, left, and Police Chief Steve Clark look on.

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Middle Ages

More than twelve hundred years ago, the country we now call England was inhabited by small groups of Anglo-Saxons who lived in rural communities called tuns. (Tun is the source of the modern English word town.)

These Anglo-Saxons were often at war. Sometime before the year 700, they decided to systematize their methods of fighting by forming a system of local self-government based on groups of ten.

Each tun was divided into groups of ten families, called tithings. The elected leader of each tithing was called a tithingman.

The tithings were also arranged in tens. Each group of ten tithings (or a hundred families) elected its own chief. The Anglo-Saxon word for chief was gerefa, which later became shortened to reeve.

During the next two centuries, a number of changes occurred in this system of tithings and hundreds. a new unit of government, the shire, was formed when groups of hundreds banded together. The shire was the forerunner of the modern county. Just as each hundred was led by a reeve (chief), each shire had a reeve as well. To distinguish the leader of a shire from the leader of a mere hundred, the more powerful official became known as a shire-reeve.

The word shire-reeve eventually became the modern English word sheriff. The Sheriff — in early England, and metaphorically, in present-day America — is the keeper, or chief, of the county.

Under King Alfred the Great, who assumed the throne in the year 871, the sheriff was responsible for maintaining law and order within his own county. However, it remained the duty of every citizen to assist the sheriff in keeping the peace. If a criminal or escaped suspect was at large, it was the sheriff's responsibility to give the alarm — the hue and cry, as it was called. Any member of the community who heard the hue and cry was then legally responsible for helping to bring the criminal to justice. This principle of direct citizen participation survives today in the procedure known as posse commitatus.

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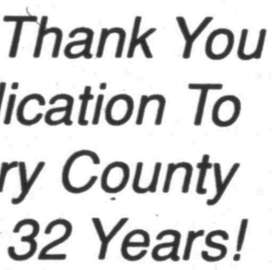
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Sheriff took on duties of tax collector

If the people didn't pay, the sheriff was required to make up the difference

Originally, tuns had ruled themselves through the election of tithingmen and reeves. Over the years, however, government became more centralized — concentrated in the power of a single ruler, the king. The king distributed huge tracts of land to various noblemen, who thereby became entitled to govern those tracts of land under the king's authority. Under this new arrangement, it was the noblemen who appointed sheriffs for the counties they controlled. In those areas not consigned to noblemen, the king appointed his own sheriffs.

At the Battle of Hastings in 1066, the Saxon King Harold was defeated by the Normans — invaders from the country we now call France. The Normans, who did not believe at all in local government, centralized their power. Rule was greatly consolidated under the king and his appointees. More than ever before, the sheriff became an agent of the king. Among the sheriff's new duties was that of tax collector.

Dictorial rule by a series of powerful kings became more and more intolerable over the years. Finally in 1215, an army of rebellious noblemen forced the despotic King John to sign the Magna Carta. This important document restored a number of rights to the noblemen and guaranteed certain basic freedoms. The text of the Magna Carta mentioned the role of the sheriff nine times, further establishing the importance of that office.

Over the next few centuries, the sheriff remained the leading law-enforcement officer of the county. To be appointed sheriff was considered a significant honor. The honor, however, was a costly one. If the people of the county did not pay the full amount of their taxes and fines, the sheriff was required to make up the difference out of his own pocket. Furthermore, the sheriff was expected to serve as host for judges and other visiting dignitaries, providing them with lavish entrtainment at his own expense.

For these reasons, the office of sheriff was not often sought after. In fact, many well-qualified men did everything they could to avoid being chosen. The law on this point was quite clear — if a man was chosen to be sheriff, he had to serve.

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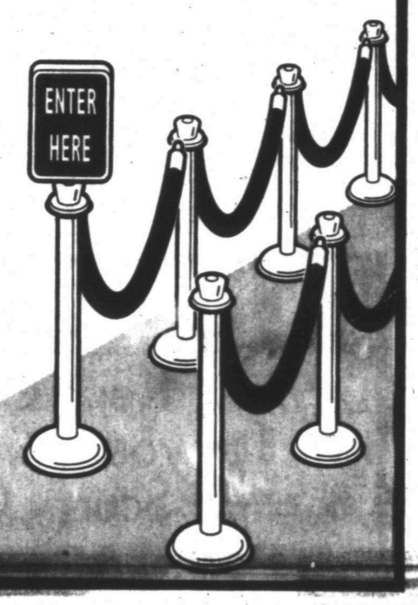

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EARLY YEARS

LOOKS FOR EVIDENCE - Sheriff Keith Collier looks for evidence in a murder case early in his career.

Anderson served with Collier 22 years, 11 as chief deputy

Keith and Janice Collier

Sheriff Keith Collier is one to attribute the success of his department to his staff.

Collier says he has been blessed over the years to have quality people work in the sheriff department, and one such standout is the late Ronald T. "Andy" Anderson.

Anderson who died of cancer on Feb. 12, 1992, served as a Scurry County deputy sheriff for 22 years, one half of those as Collier's chief deputy.

Collier once described Anderson as a "true law enforcement professional. He was loyal, he was fair, he was dedicated to enforcement and he always worked to leave a good image for the department."

In 1990, Andy Anderson was recipient of the Stan Guffey Award presented by the West Central Texas Peace Officers Association.

Anderson, a pilot, was a member of the Scurry County Pilots Association and served as a member of the county airport board. His wife, Gail, a registered nurse, served as director of nurses at Cogdell Hospital for 18 years.

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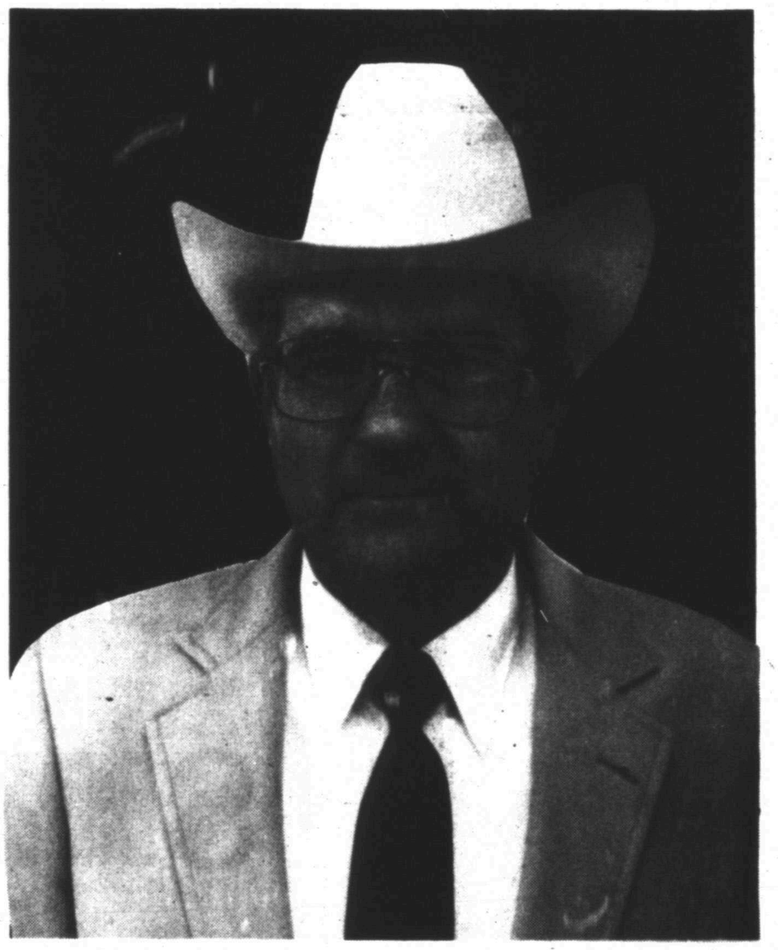

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