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Ask Us

Q—Does the city have plans to spray for mosquitoes this summer?

A—Spraying is conducted by the county. Officials said spraying has begun and will continue. However, there is only one person to cover the county and it may be awhile before all areas are sprayed.

In Brief

Water tower

HOLLIDAY, Texas (AP) — A 300,000 gallon steel water tower collapsed today, flooding some homes.

There are no immediate reports of injuries.

A Texas Department of Public Safety dispatcher said the accident was reported around 6 a.m. Officials are not sure what caused the water tower to fall.

Missy Hogue said she heard a loud crash and then there was flooding.

Local

AARP

Scurry County AARP Chapter 2063 will meet at 5:30 today in the Senior Citizens Center.

Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish. There will be no noon meeting.

Appraisal

Scurry County Appraisal District directors will hold a public hearing for comments on the proposed 1993 appraisal and collection budgets at 8 a.m. Tuesday.

The hearing, to be held at appraisal district offices, will be followed by a regular meeting at 8:30 a.m.

SISD board

Snyder ISD board of trustees will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the administration board room to accept bids for a two-classroom portable building.

Also on the agenda will be a public hearing for the Academic Excellence Indicator Report and consideration of desks for the high school.

Class of '82

Snyder High School Class of 1982 will have its 10-year reunion June 19 and 20.

Events for class members will include a barbecue, golf tournament, pool party, dinner and dance at various locations. Non-class members and former teachers will be welcome at the dance. For more information, call 573-7205 or 573-1408.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 89 degrees; low, 68 degrees; high Sunday, 93 degrees; low, 71 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 72 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 16.31 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, a less than 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms. Otherwise fair. Low in the lower 70s. South wind 10-15 mph. Tuesday, mostly sunny. High in the mid to upper 90s. Southwest wind 15-25 mph and gusty. A lake wind advisory will be in effect.

Almanac: Sunset Monday, 8:50. Sunrise Tuesday, 6:38. Of 166 days in 1992, the sun has shone 146 days in Snyder.

Mineral rights bids are nixed

Bids received for the lease of mineral rights on property owned by Cogdell Memorial Hospital were rejected by Scurry County commissioners this morning.

"We were not totally pleased with either bid," said Commissioner C.D. Gray, as commissioners explained their reasoning for rejecting the bids.

County Judge Bob Doolittle said the court advertised for bids without drawing up detailed specifications.

"This was something we were totally unfamiliar with, and we should have checked it out," said the judge. "We did not even have anything that would allow for any negotiation. Our only option is to reject all the bids and start over."

Commissioners said that one bid received has a non-developmental clause and the other did not. There was also a question concerning the amount of acreage that would be pooled with the 14 acres owned by the hospital.

According to Commissioner Roy Idom, the court received legal counsel concerning the bids and felt the best thing to do would be to reject both bids and start over.

The court will discuss plans to re-advertise for bids at next Monday's meeting.

In other business, Joe Cheyne of the Scurry County Blood Drive Advisory Council requested that the court consider either waiving or donating the fee currently charged for blood drives held at Towle Park Barn.

According to Cheyne, United Blood Services covers a 35,000-square mile area, operating as a non-profit organization. The service operates strictly on a donation basis.

Cheyne told commissioners that, according to a recent check

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SO notes 2 felony arrests

Scurry County sheriff's deputies arrested a 29-year-old Snyder man early Sunday morning on charges of criminal trespass, resisting arrest and felony possession of a firearm.

David Lujan of 1301 24th St. was arrested shortly after 3 a.m. Sunday after deputies received a report that he was causing a disturbance in 900 block of North Avenue M.

According to reports, a woman said Lujan was trying to steal dogs from her residence.

When officers arrived, Lujan had left the scene. Upon patrolling the area, officers found that a trailer house at 908 N. Ave. M had apparently been broken into.

Lujan was found hiding inside the trailer and was taken into custody for criminal trespass, resisting arrest, and possession of a 22-caliber pistol.

Deputies said the weapons charge is a third degree felony because Lujan is a felon.

He is being held at the county jail on $5,000 bond on the felony charge and two $500 bonds on the misdemeanor charges.

At approximately 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Price Daniel Unit Assistant Warden Bob Parker contacted the sheriff's office to report he had received information that someone was going to deliver drugs to an inmate during visitation.

Deputies arrested 24-year-old Betty Ann Reyes of Odessa Sunday afternoon at the unit for delivery of marijuana into a penal institution.

Reyes was released from Scurry County Jail after posting $5,000 bond.

Jury selection begins today in murder trial

One male juror was seated this morning in 132nd District Court as jury selection began in the capital murder trial of 33-year-old Bruce Wayne Nelson.

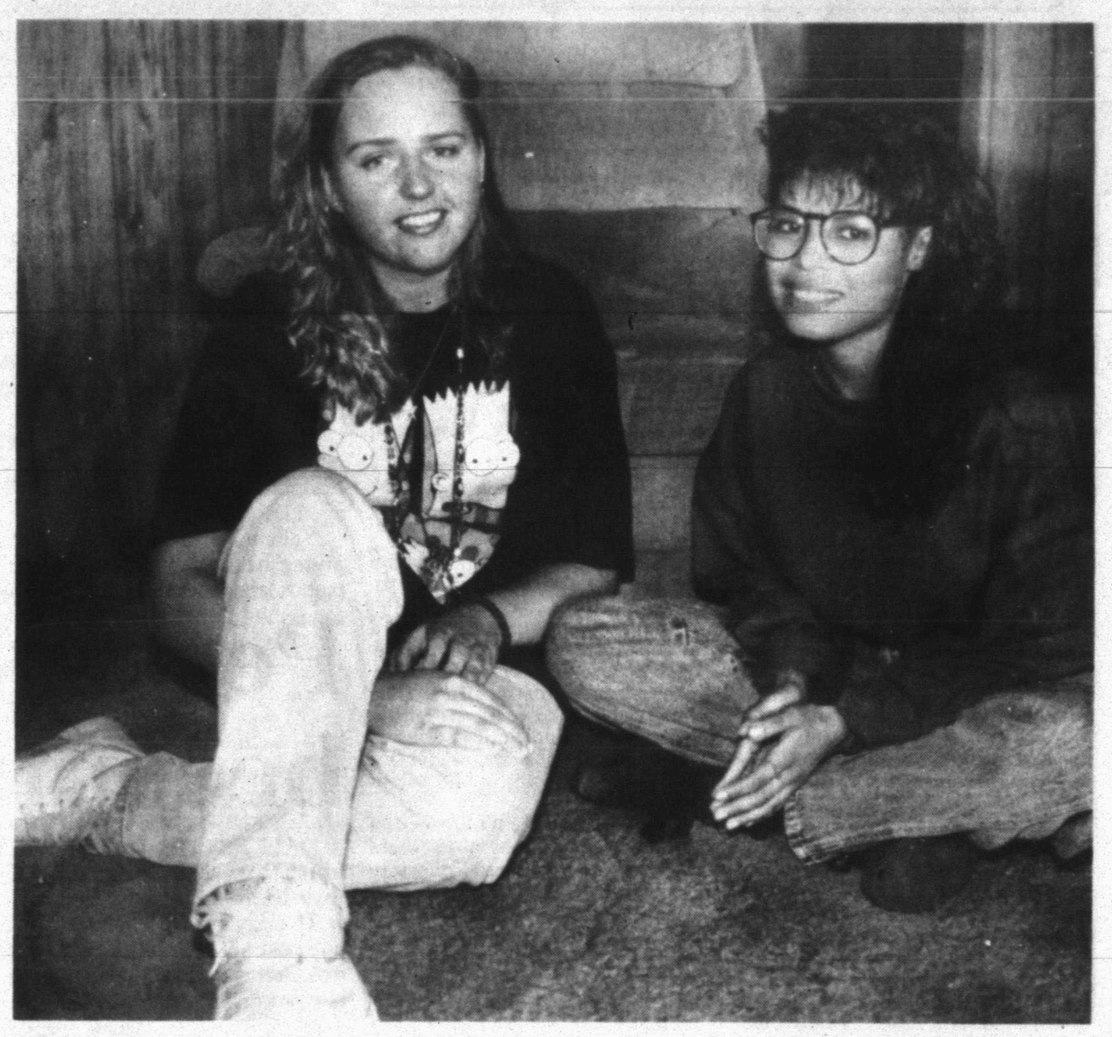
Only two potential jurors were questioned before a noon break.

Individual questioning of some 150 potential jurors is expected to take a week to 10 days. Ten to 12 people will be called in for questioning each day until the selection process is complete.

Nelson is charged with Jan. 1, 1991 death of Arnulfo Ronnie Hernandez, who was discovered lying by the road at 35th Street and Avenue J at 10:04 p.m. on New Year's Day, 1991.

Hernandez died of head injuries the following day at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock.

Prosecuting the case is District Attorney Ernie Armstrong. Nelson is being represented by Sweetwater attorney Zollie Steakley. Gene Dulaney, 132nd District Court Judge, will preside in the case.



PEN PALS — Pen pals, Fiona Tims of England, left, and Josphine Aguilar, met for the first time a few weeks ago when Tims spent a few days in Snyder. Besides visiting other pen pals too, Tims also spent two weeks in Los Angeles, Calif., arriving three days following the riots. (SDN Staff Photo)

Local girl meets foreign pen pal

By Shirley A. Gorman
SDN News Editor

It was two years ago when Josphine Aguilar picked Fiona Tims of Maidenhead, England from a rock group's fan club newsletter and began writing to her.

Aguilar had other pen pals, but Tims was the first person she had written outside the United States. And though Tims always answered letters, she was particularly anxious to correspond with Aguilar because she was an American.

For the next 24 months they corresponded frequently, exchanging personal information and photos. The girls found they had a lot in common in addition to the same taste in music.

Just recently, the girls met when Tims stopped in Snyder for a few days on a trip to the United States.

Aguilar especially enjoyed spending time with her pen pal. "She makes me laugh," she said. Tims liked meeting her friend and her family because, as she said, "I hadn't met many Hispanics in England."

Tims said she liked Snyder and found the atmosphere here to be very relaxed. This city is quite small in comparison to Maidenhead, she said, which is located in the southeastern part of England, near Windsor and London.

Those first days, Aguilar showed Tims various points in Snyder including the high school where Aguilar will be a junior next fall. Tims got to meet many of her pen pal's friends.

Tims said she usually found most Americans to be "very friendly," especially after they learned she was from England.

While in Snyder, Tims got to sample a few dishes for the first time, including tortillas with cheese, Oreos, and pizza chips.

The pen pals have enjoyed sharing their differences and similarities. For one, Tims said, they eat pancakes with lemon juice and sugar in England rather than syrup.

In England, a boot is the trunk of a car and a bonnet is the car's hood. They have to pay for all of their phone calls.

Their secondary school is organized according to first through fifth levels.

Tims had traveled outside of England before. She spent a week in Cypress and visited in Lanzarote in the Canary Islands. The trip to America was her first time to travel by herself though.

She had several options but chose to come to the U.S. instead of traveling in Europe or visiting Thailand with a friend.

She talked a friend into accompanying her for a two-week stay in Los Angeles. After her friend returned to England, Tims traveled to Snyder. She also planned to visit a pen pal in Alabama before returning to her homeland. She has other pen pals in Illinois, New York State and New England.

Since Tims arrived in Los Angeles three days after the riots; she said she only saw a few Army trucks and a police car during her visit. She and her friend took in the sights, spent a lot of time at the beach and avoided the troubled areas.

Tims chose Los Angeles because it is the home of several rock and roll groups which she likes.

Tims said her parents "were pretty cool about the riots." They didn't worry about her because they thought the riots would be over by the time she got to Los Angeles.

Tims, 19, has already graduated from high school in England. She also attended a tourism and travel school for two years. She planned to get a job when she returned to her homeland, but has not yet decided on a career.

Tims has two older brothers.

Aguilar is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Aguilar.

GETTING READY — Second grade teacher Staci Bollinger paints her classroom at Stanfield Elementary in preparation for the 1992-93 school year. (SDN Staff Photo)

For prosecution...

U.S. can kidnap criminals abroad, high court states

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court ruled today the U.S. government may kidnap people from a foreign country and prosecute them over that nation's objection.

By a 6-3 vote, the justices said an extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico does not prohibit U.S. officials from prosecuting a Mexican doctor in the highly publicized torture killings of a U.S. drug agent and the agent's pilot.

The court refused to order Dr. Humberto Alvarez-Machain returned to Mexico.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, writing for the court, said, the kidnapping may have been "shocking ... and in violation of general international law principles."

The "abduction was not in violation of the extradition treaty between the United States and Mexico," Rehnquist said.

He was joined by Justices Byron R. White, Antonin Scalia, Anthony M. Kennedy, David H. Souter and Clarence Thomas.

In a dissenting opinion, Justice John Paul Stevens, said, "I suspect most courts throughout the civilized world will be deeply disturbed by the monstrous decision the court announces today."

Joining him were Justices Harry A. Blackmun and Sandra Day O'Connor.

Alvarez-Machain was abducted from his office in Guadalajara, Mexico, in 1990 and forced aboard a plane bound for El Paso, Texas, where he was arrested by U.S. officials and taken to California.

He was charged with using his medical skills to keep Enrique Camarena alive while the Drug Enforcement Administration agent was tortured and interrogated in Mexico in 1985. Also killed was DEA pilot Alfredo Zavala Avelar.

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Dear Abby

Collection of Pet Peeves Forms Vexing Menagerie

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR READERS: A while back, I had a column on the misuse of words and other irritants, and named a few. I then asked readers to send in their pet peeves concerning common mistakes in grammar and pronunciation. How's this for a collection?

The "lie" and "lay" confusion: To "lay" means to set or put — to "lie" means to recline. Remember, chickens lay eggs. People lie down.

The use of "all are not" when the person means "not all are." Example: Saying, "All women are not beautiful," when one means, "Not all women are beautiful."

We frequently hear "between you and I." Wrong! It's "between you and me." Another irritant is "try and" instead of "try to." For example, one may try to win — then lose. But how can one try and win — and then lose?

One hears supposedly educated people say "between she and I" instead of the correct "between her and me."

And how about the word "irregardless"? Just plain "regardless" will do, but regardless of how "irregardless" grates on one's nerves, it has nosed its way into the dictionary. (It means "regardless.")

Talk about overusing a word, I nominate "basically." People who start every other sentence with the word "basically" usually have limited vocabularies.

My pet peeve — double negatives: "I don't know nothing" and "We don't go nowhere" are the worst offenders.

Some people think the plural of "you" is "youse." It's not. "You" is both singular and plural.

The word "forte" (meaning strong point) is pronounced "fort" — not "for-tay"!

Also, people use the word "snuck" instead of "sneaked." Although "snuck" somehow sneaked into the dictionary, it's not used by people who use proper English.

Ask someone to define "hoi polloi," and it's a good bet that he will say "high-tone or upper class." Actually, it means "the masses" — or the general population.

"Nuclear" is pronounced "nuke-lee-er" — not "nuke-you-ler"!

And how about "he's got," "she's got" and "they've got"? The correct word is "has." ("He has," "she has" ... "got" has got to go!)

The month of February has two "R's" in it — but we keep hearing "Feb-yoo-ary."

We frequently hear that a man has "prostrate" trouble, when actually he has "pros-*tate*" trouble.

Another error — using the word "myself" instead of "me." Example: "If you have any questions, see Bobby or myself after the meeting." "See Bobby or me" is correct.

The "infer" and "imply" mix-up: The writer "implies"; the reader "infers." (It's like pitching and catching.)

Please do not say "o" instead of "zero." Or use the word "that" when "who" is correct. ("That" refers to inanimate objects — "who" to people.)

Now, lend me your ear: Don't use "loan" as a verb, as in, "Loan me a twenty." It should be, "Lend me a twenty." "Loan" is a noun; "lend" is a verb.

Finally, the misuse of the word "ask": Some say "ax" instead of "ask." I would much rather be "asked" than "axed." Wouldn't you?

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This one's for everybody, from teens to seniors! To purchase Abby's new booklet, "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It," send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Summit offers Bush, Yeltsin respite from domestic woes

By Donald M. Rothberg
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — For George Bush and Boris Yeltsin, a chance to spend two days talking about nuclear weapons and Western aid to Russia will offer a welcome break from the tougher problems they face at home.

The American and Russian presidents approach this week's summit on a sea of domestic troubles.

Both are dealing with shaky economies, unbalanced budgets, and unruly political opponents. Pollsters regularly deliver bad news. Life is grim for the Russian people. It's a lot better for Americans, but they still tell pollsters they think the country has gone to pot.

The bad news on the home front is sure to weigh on how the two leaders view issues on the summit agenda.

Yeltsin hears complaints he's giving in too readily to U.S. demands and he has toughened his rhetoric on arms control, saying the United States is seeking an unfair advantage. Yeltsin said the American proposal would require Russia to give up its most powerful missiles while allowing the United States to retain two-thirds of its own.

AP analysis

"If such a decision is made, the United States would find itself in a more advantageous position," said the Russian president.

Bush would love to enter the final months of the U.S. presidential campaign able to claim he'd persuaded the Russians to scrap the heart of the strategic missile force. On the other hand, Bush is unwilling to take the political risk of committing the United States to large-scale financial aid to Moscow.

Bush, who meets with Yeltsin on Tuesday and Wednesday, is in an unexpectedly tough re-election race. Less than a year ago, he looked like a shoo-in for a second term.

Yeltsin says he won't run when his term expires in 1996. But can the Russian president survive to complete his term? Triple-digit inflation, rising unemployment and continuing shortages of basic goods make it impossible to answer that question.

The memory of the August 1991 coup attempt against Mikhail Gorbachev remains fresh. No one can say for certain the tanks won't roll through the streets once again.

Gorbachev, the last Soviet president, still bedevils Yeltsin and speaks out with increasing frequency to criticize government policies. Yeltsin's office called recent criticism from Gorbachev "an attempt to raise political tensions."

But if Yeltsin complains about Gorbachev, Bush might well reply, "Yeah, but he's no Ross Perot."

Yeltsin may have his troubles in opinion polls, but he remains more popular than Gorbachev. The latest U.S. polls show Perot running ahead of Bush and Democrat Bill Clinton.

If the Russian and U.S. presidents are looking for common ground they'll certainly find it in their dislike of the legislative bodies they must deal with.

Bush supports a 12-year limit on congressional terms and has urged the American people to "turn up the heat" on Congress to enact reforms. The president regularly blames Congress for "gridlock" in Washington.

Yeltsin is promoting a referendum in which Russian voters would decide on a proposal to strengthen the presidency and dissolve the hard-line Congress of People's Deputies.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Donald M. Rothberg has covered both domestic and international affairs during more than 25 years in the Washington bureau of The Associated Press.

Perot's search for platform becomes political spectacle

DALLAS (AP) — Ross Perot is trying to make up his mind, but he says he needs help.

The strong-willed and often outspoken Texas billionaire, now a blooming presidential candidate, has promised to lay out his positions on important issues. But deciding on those positions has turned into a political spectacle.

A daily parade of environmentalists and economists, health care experts and homeless advocates, stream through Perot's Dallas offices for meetings with his aides.

Perot has hired his own issues experts from all over the ideological spectrum. He has high-level teams of conservatives, liberals, lawyers and analysts set up to study issues, and low-level teams of phone-bank volunteers to draft their own suggested platforms.

"Like other things in the Perot campaign, if it is all for show, it is a good show," said Ann Lewis, former political director of the Democratic National Committee.

"It is a strange way to do business, isn't it?" added Brookings Institution analyst Stephen Hess. "I guess it will tell us as much about the candidate as any other way. What comes out will be the distillate of what he accepts and what he rejected."

Never before, analysts say, has a candidate made a serious run for president with such a clean slate — no voting record, no track record in public office or as a military leader.

Even with a long history of public pronouncements — he opposed the Gulf War, tackled education reform in Texas and as a prospective juror told lawyers he supports capital punishment — Perot now has the luxury of basically starting from scratch.

"We've invited everybody and people invite themselves," said Perot spokesman Jim Squires. "Dozens of people come in here within a week to present their ideas or answer our questions. ... Some are names you'd recognize, some are not."

Among the more recognizable names is Richard Nixon, whom Perot visited at the ex-president's New Jersey home last week for advice on foreign policy.

Perot's staff has called more than 1,000 groups — insurance brokers, astronomers, religious groups, gun control advocates and the National Rifle Association — seeking information on their issues. Someone even called a doctor to find out which drug addiction treatments work best.

Callers to his 800-number also register their opinions, which are fed into a computer database.

Having met personally with mayors, minorities, Republicans, Democrats, experts and educators, Perot seems to please them all. He tells some groups he favors expanding inner-city programs for children and prenatal care, for example, and others he'll fight for a cut in the capital gains tax rate.

"Ross is very capable of separating the wheat from the chaff, making up his own mind," said Tom Luce, his longtime lawyer and campaign chairman. "My job, the campaign's job, is to get the best advice and counsel across the board available to him for him to make up his own mind."

"What is different about this is clearly with Ross Perot you have someone with virtually no political record now trying to figure out what kind of president he will be," said Lewis.

Clinton and President Bush will run, to an extent, on party platforms that result from compromises. Previous outsiders running for president — businessman Wendell Willkie or Gen. Dwight Eisenhower — have run through normal party channels and adopted party lines.

"There's much to be said for a platform that truly represents the view of the presidential candidate," Hess said.

Still, he added, "you would expect a person who had reached that rung in the political ladder to have very strong views. So one almost wonders about a person who has reached a point in life whether they can look in the mirror and say I should be president of the United States, and then also say I don't know where I stand on X, Y, or Z."

At campaign headquarters, phone bank volunteers break into groups and kick around callers' ideas.

"We know what we're getting. We're getting input that is not necessarily representative, but is valuable," said Luce. "Ross is a guy who doesn't like to receive information through a funnel, through a filter. ... He reaches out through all sorts of lines."

Squires said the issues process would continue throughout the campaign. Perot may not agree with every idea that walks through his door, Squires said, "but he needs to know what they are, doesn't he?"

More women seeking office

AUSTIN (AP) — Political observers say one thing is certain: Women no longer are considered longshot candidates with no hope of winning office in Texas.

"I think the difference is women candidates are being taken seriously. We've always had some who were willing to run," said Melissa Millecam, president of the Texas Women's Political Caucus.

Take the state's highest office holder for example, Gov. Ann Richards.

Female mayors in major Texas cities and countless female officeholders are credited with helping Richards become governor and bolster the chances of other female candidates, political observers say.

"It started when everyone woke up to the fact that women were mayors of seven major cities," said Florence Shapiro, a former Plano mayor and Republican who is challenging state Sen. Ted Lyon, D-Rockwall.

Richards said the help runs even deeper.

"I wouldn't be governor today," Richards said, "if it were not for all the elected officials who have been doing such an incredible job on the school boards and on the commissioner courts and city councils.

"Everybody looks at them and says, 'Well, hey, they've done a pretty good job there. Maybe we ought to promote this one on up,'" said Richards, a former Travis County commissioner.

Now four women are trying to break into the male-dominated Texas Congressional delegation. And three women are vying for statewide office.

Railroad Commissioner Lena Guerrero of Austin is seeking election to that office, to which Richards appointed her two years ago.

If she wins, Ms. Guerrero, who is Hispanic, would become the first woman and first member of an ethnic minority elected to that position since the agency was created more than a century ago.

Six women are competing for the Texas Senate, which has three women among its 31 members.

Thirty-four women are running for the Texas House of Representatives, which has only 18 women among its 150 members. Twenty of those candidates survived contested primaries this spring.

State District Judge Rose Spector of San Antonio, a Democratic candidate for the Texas Supreme Court, and 5th Court of Appeals Justice Sue Lagarde of Dallas, a Republican candidate for the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, are hoping to break the all-male grip on those two courts.

There's even a mother-daughter team on the ballot in Angelina County. State Board of Education member Mary Perkins of Lufkin is seeking re-election. Her daughter Holly Perkins-Meyers won a three-person race in the Democratic primary for a county court-at-law judgeship and faces no opposition in November.

People visit 'miracle' statue at church

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A priest at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church says he won't rush to alert the archdiocese about the moisture that appears to be coming from the eyes of a Virgin Mary statue.

Hundreds of believers flocked to the church after a cleaning woman noticed the statue "weeping" Saturday morning.

The woman wiped away the moisture from the 5-foot stone replica, but it continued to reappear, said the Rev. Tony Ozzimo, assistant pastor.

"At first we thought it was a leak in the roof," Ozzimo said. "But I checked and couldn't find any."

Many people were bringing flowers and candles to the statue before kneeling to pray.

"I'm amazed and surprised at what is happening," Ozzimo said. "I don't know what is happening, and I don't know if it is a miracle, but a lot of people believe it is."

This is not the first time San Antonians have witnessed what they called a religious apparition.

In 1990, residents flocked to a South Side home to view what they believed was the image of a crucified Christ on the trunk of a tree.

And in 1983, thousands were drawn to the purported reflection of the Virgin Mary cast on another South Side home by a parked car.

Ag department changes export policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — A recent case of "re-tried" beans has led to a change in export policy at the Agriculture Department.

Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., says he sought the change after learning that the government planned to allow an exporter to use two federal programs to get rid of one shipment of dry edible beans.

The exporter first used the USDA's export credit guarantee program to sell and deliver the beans to Mexico.

When Mexico canceled the sale, the exporter sought to sell the beans to the federal government's "Food for Peace" program, which buys surplus commodities to donate to needy countries.

Kerrey's office says the senator learned of the situation through a constituent and notified top USDA officials.

In a letter responding to the senator, USDA Undersecretary Richard Crowder said policy was changed so U.S. agricultural exports that later re-enter the United States will be ineligible for other USDA programs operated by the Commodity Credit Corp.

Additionally, the exporter agreed to supply a different crop of U.S. beans to the Food for Peace program, "thereby eliminating the possibility of utilizing re-exported beans from Mexico," said Crowder.

Kerrey said he was pleased.

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June 15, 1992

Today is the 167th day of 1992 and the 88th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1775, the Continental Congress appointed George Washington commander-in-chief of the Continental Army.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Edvard Grieg (1843-1907), composer; Mario Cuomo (1932-), politician, is 60; Waylon Jennings (1937-), singer, is 55; Jim Belushi (1954-), actor, is 38; Brett Butler (1957-), baseball player, is 35; Wade Boggs (1958-), baseball player, is 34.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1984, Thomas "Hit Man" Hearns sent Roberto Duran to the canvas three times before knocking him out in the second round.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "For me to make lasagna would be a desecration of a great Italian dish.... I don't mess with sacred things." — Mario Cuomo

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1990, a 1.5-mile-wide tornado in Nebraska tracked from near Stratton to near McCook, sweeping away homes. Miraculously, there was only one injury.

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TODAY'S MOON: Full moon.

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET
The sure way to make a politician cry is to see to it that his pet project receives an always-painful budget cut.

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A 1978 earthquke in northeastern Iran killed more than 25,000 people.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

American Cancer Society Board meeting; Cogdell Memorial Hospital Board Room; all members urged to attend; 5 p.m.

AARP; Senior Center; 5:30 p.m.; Everyone invited to bring a covered dish.

Stargazers Home Extension Club; 3117 Ave. T; 7 p.m.

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

VFW Post 8231 and Ladies Auxiliary; VFW Hall; 7:30 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; Morning Side Baptist Church fellowship hall; 7:30 p.m. For information call: JoAnn at 573-9839; Dorothy at 573-6712; Anne at 573-8322; or Shirley at 573-8881.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8626, 573-9924 or 863-2349.

TUESDAY

Ladies Golf Association; Snyder Country Club; tee time 9 a.m.

Weight Watchers; First Assembly of God; 5:30 p.m.

Parenting Support Group; 2513 College Ave.; for more information, call Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse at 573-1141.

Sport Card Swap Club; Willow Park Inn, for information call 573-1961; 7 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-9924, 573-5867.

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; 8 p.m.; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information, call 573-3956, 573-2101, or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; 12 o'clock.

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

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

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 7 p.m.

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

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th St.; 8 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-9924 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:45-11:45 a.m.; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.

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

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

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

Al-Anon; 8 p.m.; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information call 573-2101, 573-8626, or 573-3956.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9924. (Last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information call 573-2349, 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

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

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

Advocates question youth group's misleading claims

AUSTIN (AP) — A youth program for troubled teen-agers has misled the public with false endorsements and unsubstantiated success claims, a newspaper has reported.

The Austin American-Statesman said in Sunday editions that claims made by Youth At Risk Austin are distorted or can't be independently verified.

San Francisco-based Breakthrough FoundationYouth At Risk promises "dramatic results" with teen-agers who have histories of drug dependency, criminal histories and poor school performance. The group has 34 chapters across the nation.

In Texas, chapters have been organized in Dallas, Houston, San Antonio, Beaumont, Corpus Christi, Abilene and Lubbock.

"Trust me. Trust me," says Sarah Ready Bush, executive director of Youth At Risk Austin. "Washington checked us out," she says, pointing out that the Breakthrough Youth At Risk program was chosen as one of President Bush's Points of Light in 1989.

But research by the Austin American-Statesman raised several questions:

—Brochures claim dramatic results such as "Felony Crime: reduced by 50 percent" among participants. These are not substantiated.

—Working relationships with agencies and non-profit groups in Austin, as claimed, are exaggerated.

—Claims of corporate support from such entities as IBM-Austin, Lexus of Austin and the H.E.B. Foundation are false.

Some experts criticize the program's techniques as dangerous, the newspaper reported.

Suspicion has grown so much that state Rep. Glen Maxey, D-Austin, and Austin Mayor Bruce Todd have withdrawn or declined their support in recent weeks. The Austin Independent School District also has distanced itself.

"They have things to hide, definitely," says Betty Phillips, a leading child and mental health advocate and chairwoman-elect of the Travis County Child Welfare Board.

Ms. Phillips analyzed four independent evaluations of Youth At Risk programs in other cities.

"Not one of the 'dramatic results' listed in the group's literature was validated according to accepted standards for research," she said.

Child advocates and national cult experts are particularly concerned about the program's alleged ties to controversial "est" guru Werner Erhard, who drew a large following in the 1970s and 1980s with his charismatic messianic notions about transforming the world.

Erhard left the country two years ago amid allegations of molesting family members and questions about unpaid tax bills.

Youth At Risk Austin is planning an intensive five-day course for about 35 "at-risk" youth, ages 16 to 20, next month at Texas A&M University.

The program claims the youths — all of them volunteers — will "see opportunities to break through self-imposed limitations, perceptions and assumptions formed about themselves and others."

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Union in doubt...

European community in turmoil

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Like a family with a dark secret, European Community officials at first chose to ignore Denmark's rejection of their European Union accord and press ahead with the plans anyway.

That strategy has not worked.

The Danish vote against European unity has clouded the outlook for the 12-nation trading bloc, raising fears of more rejections and questions about its future.

"The European Community is certainly in turmoil," said Jan Rood, EC specialist at the Clingendael Institute for International Affairs in the Hague, Netherlands.

Ireland is the next testing ground for the historic agreement to create a political, economic and monetary union, with a common foreign policy and a single currency, by 1999.

Irish voters will cast their ballots Thursday on the treaty negotiated last December in the Dutch town of Maastricht.

Since June 2, when Denmark became the first nation to reject the pact, surveys in Ireland have found support for the treaty to be slipping, making the outcome uncertain.

Some actions by the EC bureaucrats have not helped. Standardization and health regulations affecting unpasteurized cheese and sausage, for instance, have caused resentment in France and Britain.

All 12 nations must ratify the Maastricht treaty for it to go into effect in 1993.

"If Ireland votes 'no,' then we'll have a real crisis on our hands," said Stanley Crossick, a veteran consultant in Brussels.

EC officials and analysts tend to attribute the Danish loss to voter reluctance to give up some national sovereignty to a fledgling EC federal government.

They also note recent electoral setbacks for governments in France, Germany and Italy uncovered voter unhappiness with parties in power.

As a result, there is unease about a French referendum expected next fall on the treaty. Some fear voters could use it to express displeasure with President Francois Mitterrand.

Germany's 16 states, worried about losing power to the community, have renewed threats to block ratification unless they are given more influence over European affairs.

More than 60 prominent German economists have criticized plans for a monetary union, declaring that it could lead to rising unemployment in poorer community nations.

Rejection of Maastricht by France or Germany, the cheerleaders for European Union, would be fatal.

"The treaty would be dead," Rood said.

To help ease worries, Britain proposed adding a declaration to the accord placing limits on the powers of the EC executive agency and spelling out that the community could act only on matters national governments cannot handle. Germany and the Netherlands ruled that out.

Jacques Delors, EC chief executive, tried to mend fences on Wednesday by accepting part of the blame for the Danish debacle.

"We need to redouble our efforts in explaining ourselves," he told the European Parliament, the community's 518-seat legislature. "The debate on national sovereignty has to be cleared up."

Even so, he refused to back down from a request for a 31 percent increase in the EC's budget over the next five years to pay the costs of union. Without more money, he said, there could be "stagnation or even crisis."

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 6-15-92
♠ A Q
♥ A J 3
♦ A J 9
♣ Q 9 8 6 5

WEST
♠ K 8 4 3
♥ 10 9 8 2
♦ 7 6 4
♣ 3 2

EAST
♠ J 10 9 5 2
♥ 7 5
♦ K Q 10 5
♣ 10 4

SOUTH
♠ 7 6
♥ K Q 6 4
♦ 8 3 2
♣ A K J 7

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♦	Pass	6 ♣	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 10

Switch the road sign

By Phillip Alder

A favorite plot twist, especially in cartoons, involves the villain being chased by the hero and approaching a "Road Closed" sign, or something similar. He hops out of his car and moves the sign in front of the open road. He then drives off, confident that the good guy has taken the wrong turn.

Sometimes a bridge player can try to produce the same sort of effect. A well-timed false-card may deflect an opponent from the winning line.

An example occurred in today's deal. After North barreled into six clubs, West led the heart 10. Declarer saw that he had two potential losers in diamonds and one in spades. But he had some finesses he could take, and a discard was available on the fourth heart.

After winning the first trick in the dummy, declarer drew two rounds of trumps ending in hand. Then he led a diamond, finessing dummy's nine.

If East had won with the 10, South would have been forced to make his slam. He would have discarded dummy's diamond jack on his fourth heart and fallen back on the spade finesse, which, as you can see, was working.

However, East did well, winning with the diamond king, not the 10. He could see that the false-card couldn't cost and might gain. Now declarer misguessed. He tried a second diamond finesse and finished one down.

Have you noticed that South could have done better? If he had cashed two more rounds of hearts before finessing the diamond nine, East would have been unable to mask the position.

Readers are invited to send card-play questions to Phillip Alder, in care of this newspaper. They can be answered only through the column.

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Bail bond system criticized

HOUSTON (AP) — Pressure to be tough on criminals has prompted Harris County judges to create a bail bond system that benefits the wealthy and unnecessarily crowds the county jail, a newspaper has reported.

"Most judges don't want to be too generous with bonds because of not wanting to be painted as soft," 339th State District Judge Norman Lanford told The Houston Post in Sunday's editions. "Forget presumption of innocence. It is the appearance that matters."

In a copyright story, The Post reported that the judges rely too heavily on secured bail bonds.

Unlike unsecured bonds, where defendants pay 3 percent of their bail amount to a county agency that monitors the defendant, secured bonds require property to be placed as collateral to guarantee court appearances.

As a result, those who have little or no property are forced to spend lengthier periods of time in jail.

If Harris County relied on unsecured personal bonds, officials could ease overcrowding and provide a more equitable system with the same or less risk of defendants skipping bond, the newspaper found.

The Post's three-month review also found:

—According to a U.S. Department of Justice-sponsored study released last year, only 36 percent of felony defendants in Harris County were able to gain their release from jail before their trials, compared with 66 percent nationally.

—If the county met the national average, the population at the 11,538-prisoner Harris County Jail would be reduced by nearly 2,000. The jail's population is the subject of a long-running lawsuit over crowded conditions.

—The bail practices have a greater impact on minorities, who are least able to bail out.

Mary Conn, president of the Harris County Criminal Lawyers Association, said judges are so concerned with re-election that their judgment is clouded. Their primary motive she said, is making sure that no defendants who bail out commit another crime.

"They have forgotten the purpose of bail is to ensure a person's presence in court," she said.

J. Michael Keating, the special master overseeing the lawsuit on jail conditions, said in a December report that the Houston judiciary is too concerned with public opinion and reacts by exercising greater caution in releasing defendants.

Keating, who has at times ordered the release of prisoners from the jail, said the use of more personal or unsecured bonds would improve jail conditions.

Those that would benefit most are minorities, who are on the lowest end of the economic scale in Houston. At least 9,000 of the jail's prisoners are minorities, jail officials said.

Sam Houston's life comes under fire by Californians

HOUSTON (AP) — Several historians say they know of no factual basis for allegations by California firefighters that Texas hero Sam Houston engaged in slave trading and was responsible for atrocities against Mexican women and children.

Some Palo Alto firefighters are protesting the use of a fire helmet named for Houston. Assistant Fire Chief Ruben Grijalva says the protesters think the helmets "would create a hostile work environment for some minorities."

"I think these people should pick somebody else to body slam," Historian Walter Buenger of Texas A&M University said. "For his time and even for ours Houston was a fairly authentic hero."

Grijalva said the issue surfaced when the fire department recently decided to buy a plastic helmet known as "The American." However, some preferred leather helmets and sought permission to buy The Sam Houston, designed to Houston Fire Department specifications.

Thousands of Sam Houston helmets have been sold since the model's introduction in 1987.

The department has referred the matter to the firefighters union, which will investigate the allegations about Houston.

"There is some controversy within the ranks, and I'm trying to prevent it from becoming a big issue," Grijalva said.

Tony Spitaleri, president of the Palo Alto firefighters union, said the union is obligated to look into grievances raised by its members, but no "findings, results or conclusions" have yet been reached.

Houston's life, which ended in 1863, was marked by controversy. He abruptly gave up the governorship of Tennessee after his first marriage fell apart, then went to live with the Cherokees.

Many suspect that Houston, acting as Andrew Jackson's agent, helped foment the revolution that freed Texas from Mexico.

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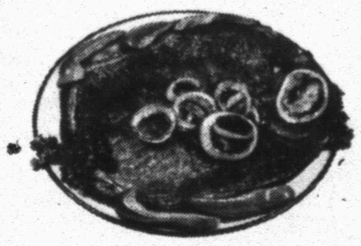
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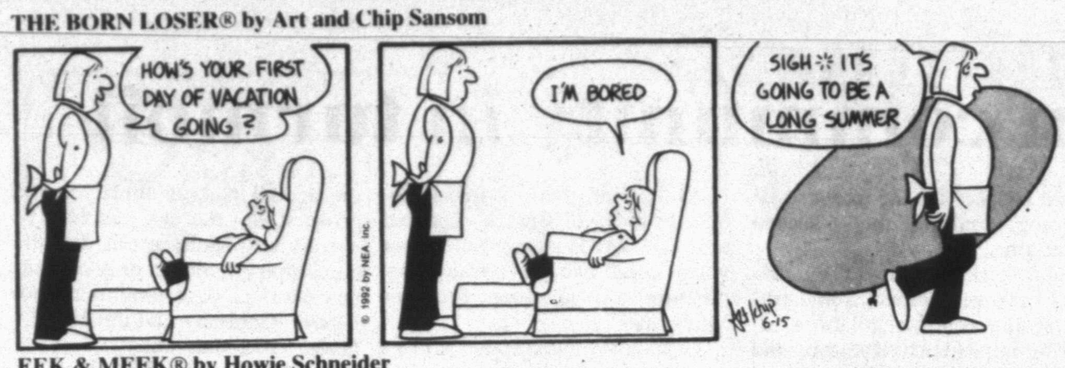

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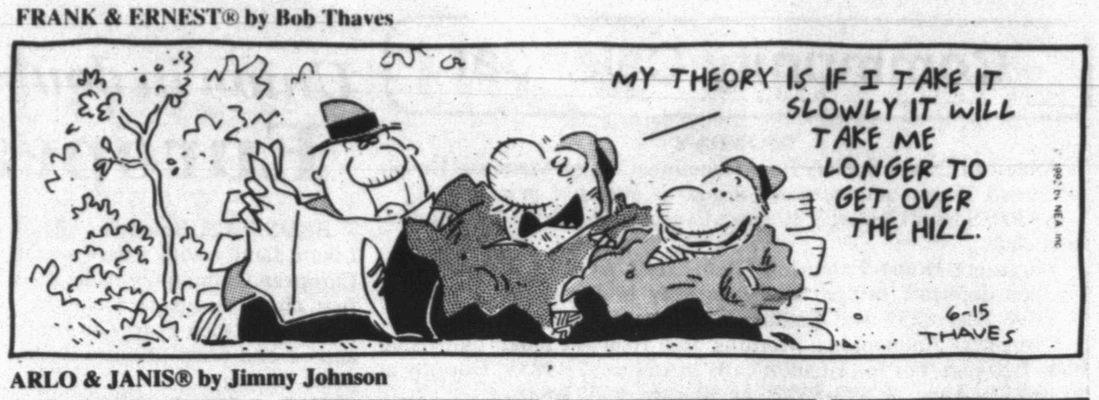

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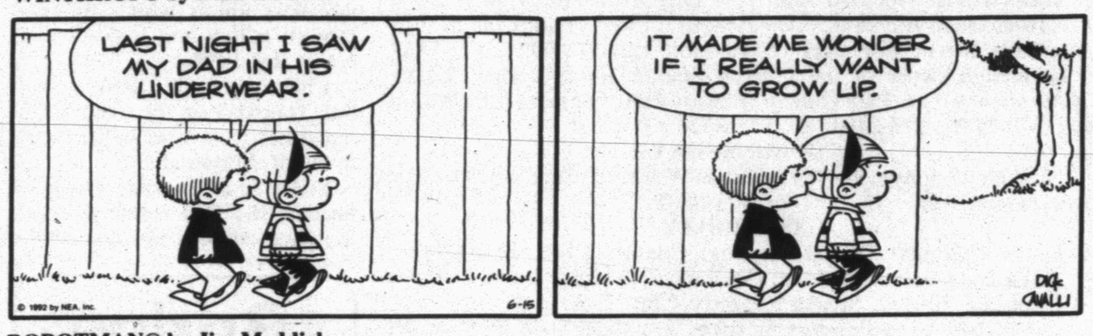

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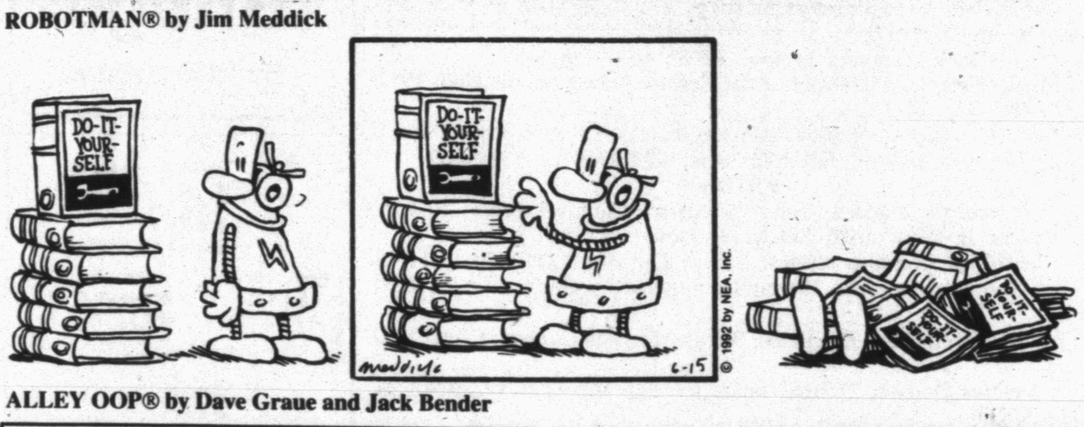

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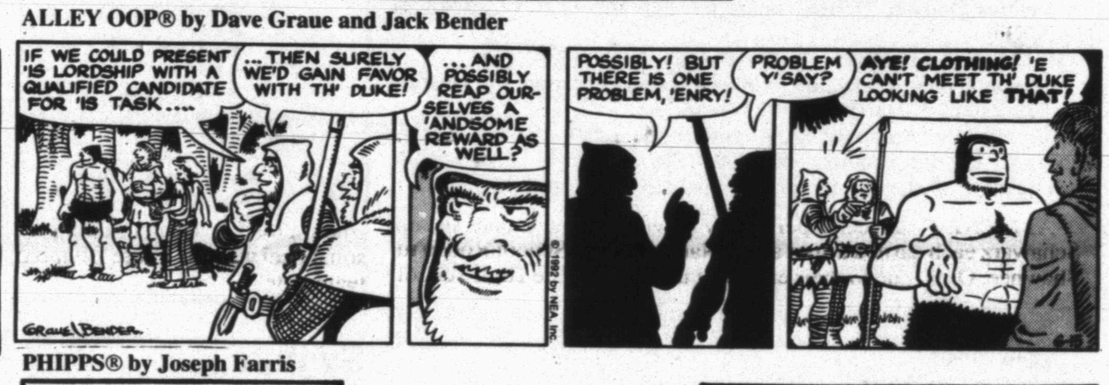

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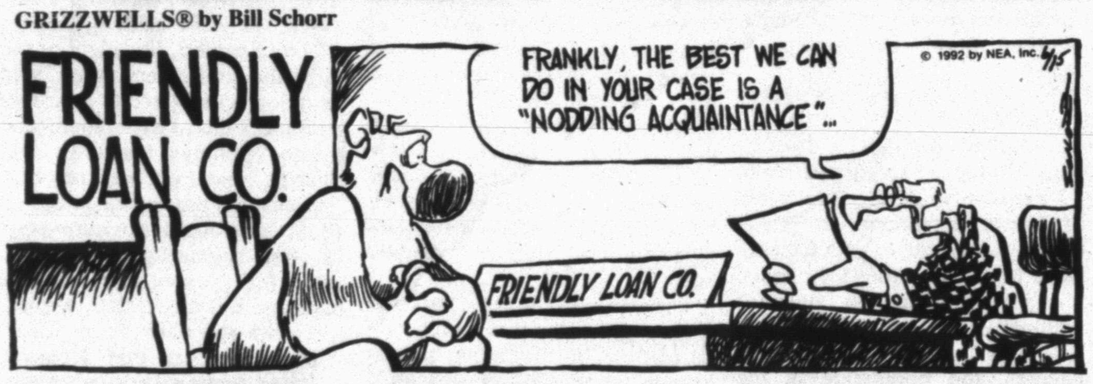

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13 Take off
14 Tidier
15 Irish language
16 Ended
17 Short for Susan
18 Dish of greens
20 Harem apartment
21 Unsealed
23 Water-softener substance
27 Start from —
31 Excited
32 Consume
33 Amateur
34 Slipped
35 Comedian Sparks
36 Long heroic poem
37 Aerial navigation system
39 Take as one's own
40 Most modern
42 Japanese sash
45 Military student
46 Pen point
49 Meditate
51 Woolly
53 3-element tube
54 Beam above door
55 Conditions
56 Shows scorn

DOWN

1 Hauls
2 Two-toed sloth
3 High spirits
4 Guy's counterpart
5 Phonograph inventor
6 Review
7 Made better
8 Schoolbook
9 — de mer
10 Leave — —
Beaver
11 Necessity
12 Goddess of earth
19 Abated
22 Unfashionable
23 Fiber
24 Amorous look
25 Make muddy
26 City in Utah
28 Steno's blunder
29 Riding whip
30 Party giver
32 By surprise
38 Go back
39 Reach
41 Peddles
42 Chooses
43 Cutting diamond
44 Freshwater porpoise
46 Short for Nathan
47 Roman highway
48 Units of sound
50 Polka —
52 Compass pt.

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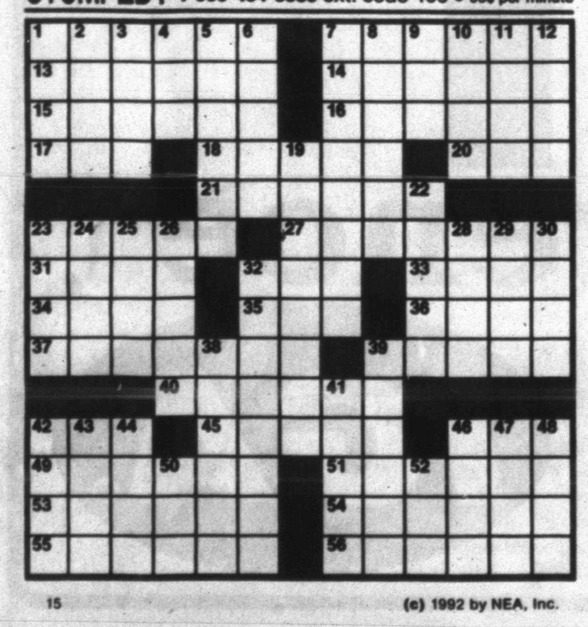

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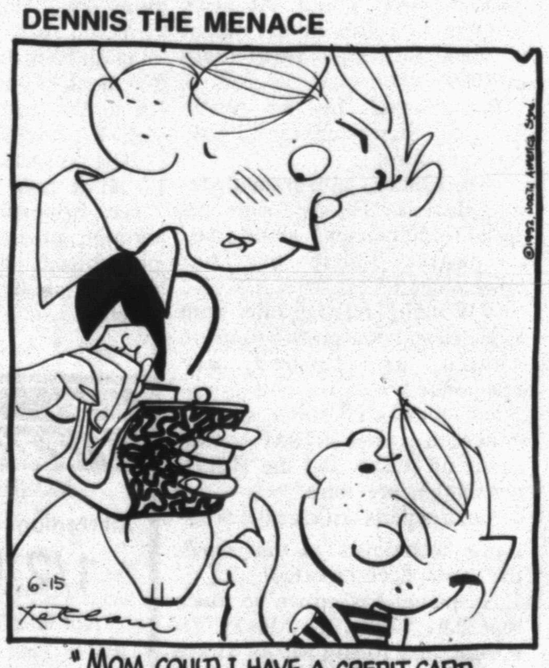


"MOM, COULD I HAVE A CREDIT CARD INSTEAD OF MY ALLOWANCE?"

Jordan, Bulls repeat

Beat Blazers in Game 6 to clinch NBA title

CHICAGO (AP) — It was better.

Somehow, even though they didn't crush their opponents, even though they won ugly more often than not, even though they bickered with each other along the way, NBA Title No. 2 was better for Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls.

Maybe, just maybe, it was better because they had all that adversity to overcome.

With almost every player contributing, the Bulls staged the greatest fourth-quarter rally in Finals history Sunday, beating the Portland Trail Blazers 97-93 and winning the series four games to two.

"I feel very joyous," said Jordan, who smiled broadly as he glistened with sweat and champagne but didn't caress the trophy as he did in 1991.

"It was an unbelievable season. We went through a long test of adversity and trials, me as an individual and us as a team. It might not have all been pretty, but today we stand tall.

"Last year, it was more for the city and the organization and the fans. This year, it's a little more selfish. This one is for my teammates and me."

Jordan scored 33 points, giving him 215 in the series, and earned his second successive playoff MVP award. But he wasn't even in the game when the Bulls started to rally from the 79-64 deficit they faced after three quarters.

Once dubbed "Michael and the Jordanaries," the Bulls showed their leader isn't the only Chicago player with extraordinary talent and tenacity — one of the many reasons this title was sweeter to most of them.

"It's a lot more gratifying," said Scottie Pippen, the much-maligned second-best player on the Bulls and the only starter on the floor when they began the fourth period with a 14-2 run. "I know I personally got a lot of criticism, but we were able to stay together. Tonight was very sweet. We battled from behind against a very good club."

Pippen finished with 26 points and little-used center Stacey King led the key surge with five points.

Jordan re-entered with 8:36 to play and the Bulls down 81-78. He scored 12 points in the last 6:01 to reaffirm his status as "the best player on the planet," according to Portland's Danny Ainge.

Clyde Drexler and Jerome Kersey led Portland with 24 points each. Drexler, second to Jordan in regular-season MVP voting, finished a distant second in his personal duel with his future Olympic teammate.

Regularly matched man-to-man with Jordan, Drexler averaged 24.8 points on 41 percent shooting. Jordan shot 53 percent and scored 35.8 points, the best average ever for a winning player in the Finals; he became the first to receive regular-season and post-season MVP honors in consecutive years.

WTC golfers earn All-America status

Western Texas College golfers Ryan Teague and Mark Wood earned third-team All-America honors at last week's National Junior College Athletic Association championship tournament in Scottsdale, Az.

"It's really something," said WTC coach Milton Ham. "They're both sophomores, they're both from Pampa. They've played golf together in junior high, all through high school and now at WTC.

"And," added Ham, "they both shot a 300 at the tournament to make the All-America team."

In addition to his All-America honor, Wood, who has signed to compete for Texas A&M, won the Long Drive Contest in Arizona.

Wood nailed a 376-yard drive to top the 50-man field for distance.

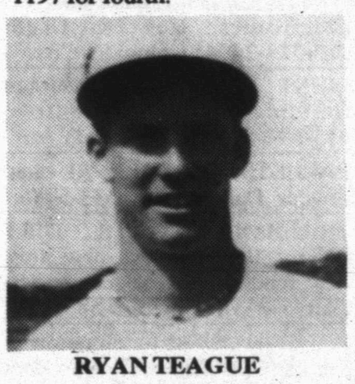
The Westerners came in 11th at the national tournament, shooting a team-total 1227.

"We had a good team this year," said Ham. "They represented Snyder and WTC very, very well.

"We learned a lot at the tournament that will help us in the future."

Ham guided the Westerners to their first appearance at the national tournament since 1978.

Western Junior College Athletic Conference champion Midland College captured the national crown with its 72-hole 1186. Odessa College, WJCAC runner-up in the regular season, fired a combined 1197 for fourth.



RYAN TEAGUE

MARK WOOD

Locals qualify for nationals

ABILENE — Snyder roper Leddy Lewis and pole bender Deana Schwarz each earned a spot at the National High School Rodeo in Shawnee, Okla. due to their efforts at the Texas State High School Rodeo here last week.

Lewis captured first place overall in the tie-down roping, taking a trophy buckle and saddle for his trouble.

Schwarz, who will be an alternate at Shawnee, took fourth place in the short go-round and wound up fifth overall in the pole bending event.

Other locals placing at the Abilene rodeo included Lance Wilson, who came in first in the go-round in bareback riding, and Ross Hataway, who placed in bull riding.

The high school nationals will be held the week of July 19.

Yankees advance with forfeit win

ABILENE — Snyder's Farm League Yankees captured a forfiet win and the Cubs, also from Snyder, were eliminated in first-round action at the District V Minor League Tournament here Saturday.

The Yankees were to have faced Coleman in Saturday's 6 p.m. battle, but the Coleman squad didn't show up.

The Yanks will tangle with the winner of Saturday's Colorado City-Abilene Dixie matchup at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

The Snyder Cubs fell to Sweetwater No. 2, 12-4, in a 2 p.m. Saturday contest, eliminating the locals from the tourney field.

A win by the Yankees on Tuesday would put them in the Thursday quarterfinals.

The tournament championship is scheduled for June 22 at 7 p.m.

Ladies' Pumpjack tournament set

Snyder Country Club Ladies Golf Association's Pumpjack Tournament is set to tee off at 9 a.m. Tuesday.

The low-gross, low-net tournament will begin following an 8 a.m. breakfast at the clubhouse.

For more information contact Cynthia Jackson at 573-7549 or the club pro shop at 573-7101.

NBA Finals

By The Associated Press
FINALS
Chicago vs. Portland
Wednesday, June 3
Chicago 122, Portland 89
Friday, June 5
Portland 115, Chicago 104, OT
Sunday, June 7
Chicago 94, Portland 84
Wednesday, June 10
Portland 93, Chicago 88
Friday, June 12
Chicago 119, Portland 106
Sunday, June 14
Chicago 97, Portland 93, Chicago wins championship 4-2

Friday Night Swingers

Friday Night Swingers
Friday, June 12
Snyder Country Club
First Flight
1. G. Patterson and A. Talbott 28; 2. J. Miller, S. Miller 31; 3. Joe Jackson, Cynthia Jackson 33.

Second Flight
1. J. Cypert, K. Cypert 29; 2. M. Greene and J. Moss 29; 3. Johnny Reed and Stacy Reed 32.

GOLD ALL-STARS — 8-9 Year-Old All-Stars on the Gold squad include, front row from left, Tate Thompson, R.J. Hernandez, Diego Hernandez, Nicholas Landes, Riki Dorsett and Jon Medrano. Middle row from left, Paddy Vantine, David Digby, Landon Day, Arthur Garza, Stephen Ortegon and Nathan Smith. Back row from left, coach Gary Landes, coach Joe Medrano, coach Darrell Reston, coach June Wall, coach Les Vantine and coach Mike Barnes. The Gold team beat the Black All-Stars Saturday, 14-13. (SDN Staff Photo)

Former Ranger powers Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — Pete Incaviglia had been in a slump because he had been overswinging. So he decided to let the bat do the work.

And, boy, did it work. The Houston outfielder had two homers and drove in seven runs Sunday to lead the Astros to a 15-7 victory over San Francisco Giants.

Incaviglia credited Astros hitting coach Rudy Jaramillo for helping him break out of a slump.

"Rudy and I have been looking for film for three days," Incaviglia said. "He noticed that I've been overswinging. When I do that I get in trouble because it causes you to pull off the ball."

"Today I didn't overswing, I let the bat do the work," he said.

Besides Incaviglia's third and fourth homers, Eric Anthony had two doubles and a triple and the Astros' 15 runs were a season-high and surpassed the total of 13 runs they had scored in six previous games.

"Incaviglia's a great fastball hitter and he's strong," Giants manager Roger Craig said. "You saw what happens when you get a fastball up in his zone."

Craig had a bad day that wasn't even over when the game was over. Their plane was late and their scheduled departure had to be set back.

"We can't buy a break," lamented Craig.

Other problems for the Giants manager during the game involved starting pitcher Dave Righetti, who allowed nine earned runs and reliever Dave Burba who allowed five.

The Giants have now lost eight of their last 12 and are 5-11 since they were 26-18 on May 27. At the time they were in first place by a game and a half. They travel to Cincinnati in third place, four games behind the division-leading Reds.

"The only good thing about today is Righetti got some extra work so his arm strength should be stronger for his next start," Craig said.

The Astros blew the game open with a six-run third against Righetti (1-4).

Rafael Ramirez started things off with a double, and later scored along with Craig Biggio on Ken Caminiti's two-base hit to left. Righetti walked Jeff Bagwell intentionally before surrendering another double, this time to Eric Anthony, to score Caminiti.

LL tourney set in Rotan

The 1992 Little League County Tournament will begin today at 6 p.m. in Rotan with Sweetwater taking on Coleman in the first game.

Snyder Little League champions, the Indians, will be in action at 6 p.m. Tuesday agaist Hamlin.

Other first-round tilts include Colorado City versus Stonewall-Kent at 8 p.m. today and Rotan against Merkel at 8 p.m. tomorrow.

Tournament semifinals will be held Thursday with the championship set for Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The winner of the county tourney will battle the winner in the Eastland County tournament, being played this week in Cisco.

County Tournament
Rotan
First round, Monday, June 15
Game 1 — Sweetwater vs. Coleman at 6 p.m.
Game 2 — Colorado City vs. Stonewall-Kent at 8 p.m.
Tuesday, June 16
Game 3 — Snyder vs. Hamlin at 6 p.m.
Game 4 — Rotan vs. Merkel at 8 p.m.
Semifinals, Thursday, June 18
Game 5 — Winner Game 1 vs. Winner Game 2 at 6 p.m.
Game 6 — Winner Game 3 vs. Winner Game 4 at 8 p.m.
Championship, Friday, June 19
Game 7 — Semifinal winners at 7:30 p.m.

Baseball glance

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AMERICAN LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	39	24	.619	—
Baltimore	37	24	.607	1
Milwaukee	31	28	.525	6
New York	30	30	.500	7½
Boston	29	29	.500	7½
Detroit	27	35	.435	11½
Cleveland	25	37	.403	13½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Oakland	37	24	.607	—
Minnesota	33	27	.550	3½
Texas	35	30	.538	4
Chicago	29	30	.492	7
California	26	35	.426	11
Kansas City	24	36	.400	12½
Seattle	24	37	.393	13

Saturday's Games
Boston 5, Toronto 3
Chicago 4, Minnesota 2
New York 4, Cleveland 1
Oakland 7, Texas 1
Detroit 15, Baltimore 1
California 5, Kansas City 4
Milwaukee 8, Seattle 7
Sunday's Games
Toronto 6, Boston 2
New York 4, Cleveland 3, 10 innings
Detroit 7, Baltimore 4
Minnesota 8, Chicago 7
Oakland 6, Texas 1
California 5, Kansas City 1
Milwaukee 14, Seattle 4
Monday's Games
New York (Sanderson 4-4) at Boston (Dopson 2-2), 7:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Sutcliffe 9-4) at Cleveland (Boucher 2-1), 7:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Magnante 2-5) at Minnesota (Krueger 6-0), 8:05 p.m.
Chicago (McCaskill 3-5) at Seattle (DeLucia 1-3), 10:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Bosio 4-4) at Oakland (Campbell 2-0), 10:05 p.m.
Texas (Burns 0-0) at California (Abbott 2-8), 10:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	36	25	.590	—
St. Louis	31	30	.508	5
Chicago	29	32	.475	7
New York	29	32	.475	7
Philadelphia	27	32	.458	8
Montreal	26	32	.448	8½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	35	24	.593	—
Atlanta	33	29	.532	3½
San Francisco	31	29	.517	4½
San Diego	32	30	.516	4½
Los Angeles	26	32	.448	8½
Houston	27	35	.435	9½

Saturday's Games
Cincinnati 11, Los Angeles 1
Atlanta 4, San Diego 2
Pittsburgh 3, New York 2
Chicago 4, Montreal 3
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 1
Houston 4, San Francisco 1
Sunday's Games
Pittsburgh 5, New York 4
Atlanta 4, San Diego 2
Chicago 5, Montreal 1
Houston 15, San Francisco 7
St. Louis 5, Philadelphia 2
Cincinnati 5, Los Angeles 1
Monday's Games
San Francisco (Black 3-1) at Cincinnati (Browning 4-4), 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia (Mulholland 5-4) at Pittsburgh (Smith 5-4), 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Hershiser 6-3) at Atlanta (Avery 4-5), 7:40 p.m.
Montreal (Gardner 4-5) at New York (Young 2-4), 7:40 p.m.
St. Louis (Tewksbury 6-1) at Chicago (Maddux 6-6), 8:05 p.m.
San Diego (Lefferts 7-4) at Houston (Henry 1-5), 8:35 p.m.

Farm League tourney starts

Snyder Farm League baseball teams will begin a seven-team tournament today in the Little League Complex in Towle Park.

In today's games, The Giants take on the Athletics at 6 p.m. and the White Sox battle the Indians in the 7:45 p.m. contest at Farm League Field.

The Cardinals and the Braves will square off at 6 p.m. at Logan Field.

The Rangers drew a first-round bye, and will take on the Giants-Athletics winner in Thursday's second round.

The Yankees, second-half champions, and the Cubs, first-half champs, are competing in the Abilene District V Minor League Tournament.

Snyder Farm League Tournament
First round, Monday, June 15
Game 1 — Giants vs. Athletics at 6 p.m. at Farm League Field.
Game 2 — Cardinals vs. Braves at 6 p.m. at Logan Field.
Game 3 — White Sox vs. Indians at 7:45 p.m. at Farm League Field.
Rangers — bye
Second round, Thursday, June 18
Game 4 — Game 2 winner vs. Game 3 winner at 6 p.m. at Logan Field.
Game 5 — Rangers vs. Game 1 winner at 7:45 p.m. at Logan Field.
Championship, Monday, June 22
Game 6 — Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner at 7 p.m. at Logan Field.

Youth baseball results

LITTLE LEAGUE
Championship Playoff
Indians 7, Braves 6

The Braves took a 6-0 lead into the bottom of the second inning, but the Indians rallied behind winning pitcher Paul O'Connor to take the league title in Saturday's playoff game.

Toby Delce had two doubles and three RBI to lead the Tribe. Sonny Cumbie added a single.

Dustin Fish was the losing pitcher, relieving Kyle Beck, who posted a 16-strikeout performance.

Beck slammed a double and finished with three RBI for the Braves. Jeff Knowles, Ian Hobbs and Duane Sutherland each singled.

Rangers 11, Giants 10

Toby Zalman slapped three singles and a double and Jeremy Fudge pasted three hits, including a two-bagger, to help the Rangers edge the Giants in Saturday's season finale for both teams.

Ben Boyd ripped three singles, Jared Wilson, Isaac Aguilar, Adrian Vanderpool, Brian Hall and Ray Jasso each popped two singles and Jared Hester got a hit for the Rangers.

Top hitters for the Giants included Cory Trujillo, who hammered a triple and a single, Jason Bates, who lifted a three-sacker and two base hits, Scott Coward, who drilled twin doubles and a single, and Matt Rodgers, who thumped a base rap and a double.

Marco Hinojos singled three times, Tyler Warren nailed two hits and Randall Price and Steven Cockerell knocked a single apiece.

FARM LEAGUE
Giants 15, Rangers 12

Manuel Gonzales doubled and singled, winning pitcher Justin Rosson and Thomas Rinehart each rapped twin singles and Adrian Gonzales got a hit for the Giants in their 15-12 Farm League win Saturday.

Timothy Ervin tripled and added a single and Sean Duncan had a single and double for the Rangers.

Cory Knipe and Nicolas Garcia each laced a single.

Seth Rosson was the losing pitcher.

8-9 YEAR-OLD LEAGUE
Gold All-Stars 14, Black All-Stars 13

The Black All-Stars took a 7-0 lead in their first at-bat, but couldn't hold off the Gold squad in Saturday's final 8-9 Year-Old contest.

The two teams combined for 50 hits including a homer and twin singles for R.J. Hernandez, a Nicholas Landes triple, and a double and three singles from Tate Thompson on the Gold squad.

Other Gold players with hits included Landon Day, who managed a two-bagger and two singles, a single and a double by Jon Medrano, David Digby's three hits, a pair of singles each by Nathan Smith, Paddy Vantine, Riki Dorsett and Arthur Garza and a hit from Diego Hernandez.

The Black team was led by Martin Villareal, who powered a home run and a double, Ryan Gibson's single, double and triple, Wes Martin, with a triple and a single, and Marcus Diaz, who slammed three hits, including one for an extra base.

Brandon Gentry added a single and a double, J.J. Vasquez and Dustin Wood each contributed three singles, Josh Newberry, Brandon Casey and Matthew Grimmett with two hits apiece and a single each by Christopher McLeod and Ryan Braziel.

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Miami's homeless sues city

MIAMI (AP) — Miami's homeless are fighting City Hall in court for the right to sleep and bathe in parks.

The American Civil Liberties Union, representing the homeless in a class-action lawsuit, contends that forcing people from parks amounts to making it illegal to be homeless. The trial was scheduled for today in federal court.

The lawsuit, initially brought in 1988, followed years of police sweeps of parks and roadside "box cities."

U.S. District Judge C. Clyde Atkins could bar the city from arresting the homeless for violating ordinances against sleeping in public places and using parks at night.

The ACLU is also asking that the city be ordered to provide shelter and other services to the homeless and pay unspecified damages. Metropolitan Miami has an estimated 5,000 to 7,000 homeless, far more than the city's shelters can accommodate.

The ACLU claims homeless people can't avoid the circumstances they are in and are entitled to a place to perform necessary bodily functions.

"We're talking about sleeping, eating, standing, congregating, bathing — and doing all of the kinds of things that you and I do in our homes and never think twice about," ACLU attorney Benjamin Waxman said.

Advocates for the homeless also contend that the sweeps are used to intimidate the homeless and move them out when public events are planned.

Rash of fires strike hotels

NEW YORK (AP) — With tourists thronging the city and the Democratic National Convention a month away, investigators are trying to solve an outbreak of suspicious fires in nine midtown Manhattan hotels over the last nine days.

No major damage or injuries have resulted.

The latest two fires occurred Sunday, hours after officials announced their strategy for dealing with the outbreak. One was in a hotel where Bill Clinton was holding a fund-raiser.

"This is getting crazy," said Fire Department spokesman Jerry Sanford.

Chief Fire Marshal John Stickevers said that while the 10 fires since June 6 were similar in some respects — most occurred in vacant rooms in late afternoon — investigators did not know whether they were the work of one person.

Assistant Chief Edward C. Butler said the strategy for dealing with the outbreak includes reinstating a requirement that five units respond automatically to any hotel alarm. He said the department had been sending only one unit because most hotel alarms prove to be routine smoke problems.

Fire officials planned to meet with officials of the Hotel Association today to discuss the situation and review safety procedures.

Some 35,000 people are expected for the convention July 13-16, and most will stay in midtown hotels. The participants are in addition to the regular influx of summer tourists.

Noriega's wife oks plea bargain

MIAMI (AP) — Attorneys for the wife of imprisoned Panamanian leader Manuel Noriega agreed today to a plea bargain that drops grand theft charges of stealing buttons from dresses at a Miami department store.

Felicidad Noriega, accused of stealing 27 buttons from 10 high-fashion outfits at a Burdines department store, did not appear at the hearing and was out of the country with prosecutors' permission, said Assistant State Attorney Anne Lyons.

Under the agreement, the state will drop all charges and wipe her record clean, the usual procedure for non-violent, first crimes, Ms. Lyons said.

If convicted of the theft charges, she could have received a five-year prison term. Instead, Mrs. Noriega will have to perform 100 hours of community service to be determined later by the county's Pretrial Intervention Program.

She also must pay Burdines $1,320.94 in restitution for damage to the dresses and must sign an agreement releasing the store from liability for false arrest.

Ms. Lyons said such releases are common when the state drops charges as part of a plea bargain. The same plea was accepted by Mrs. Noriega's friend, Rosa Busto.

The two women were arrested March 20 by Metro-Dade police after two store detectives stopped the women and accused them of taking the buttons from the Dadeland Mall store in suburban Miami.

Ms. Busto shown on surveillance tapes plucking buttons from expensive dresses in the designer shop at Burdines. The tapes showed Mrs. Noriega holding up clothes in what appeared to be an effort to hide Ms. Busto.

Officers work several mishaps

Snyder police investigated several traffic accidents over the weekend, including a hit-and-run.

Police were notified at 2:07 p.m. Saturday that an unknown vehicle had struck a parked, unoccupied 1980 Datsun owned by Bobby Nolan of Rt. 2, and left the scene at 2400 Ave. N.

At 9:29 a.m. Saturday, officers worked a one-vehicle mishap in the 2700 block of 42nd St. According to the report, a 1985 Ford driven by David Minton of 3606 40th Street struck a construction sign.

At 10:39 p.m. Saturday, police investigated an accident in the 3200 block of Galveston. Involved were a 1985 GMC Suburban driven by Shirley Marie Tovar of 3803 Galveston and a parked, unoccupied 1989 Buick owned by Shirley Hessler Dickey of 3726 Ave. U.

Police also worked a two-vehicle accident at 5:08 p.m. Sunday in the 1900 block of 37th Street. Involved were a 1984 Ford driven by Dildy Smith of Dunn and a 1985 Nissan pickup driven by Kathy Underwood of Rt. 1.

Boston Pops conductor Arthur Fiedler died in 1979 at the age of 84.

Police note three arrests

Snyder police were kept busy with three arrests and investigations of assault and theft over the weekend and early today.

Police arrested a 21-year-old man from the 500 block of 29th Street at 4:10 p.m. Saturday for Class A assault.

At 1:08 a.m. Sunday, officers arrested a 37-year-old man in the 3700 block of Avenue M for driving while intoxicated. A second man, age 28, was also arrested for DWI at 3:06 a.m. Sunday in the 800 block of 13th Street.

At 12:27 a.m. today, police were informed that a man had assaulted his step-daughter and her mother. An offense report for Class C assault was filed in the case.

Police notified Midland PD that the man and the step-daughter's mother were enroute to that area. At 4:52 a.m. Midland police notifed Snyder PD that they had made contact with the man and woman. The woman had been injured, according to the report, but refused to press charges.

Saturday morning, police were notified of two thefts. At 9:30 a.m., a woman reported the theft of a lawn mower from 2703 Ave. J. And at 11:29 a.m., another woman reported the theft of a bumper from Dupree Motors. Offense reports for Class A theft were filed in both cases.

At 10:35 p.m. Saturday, a man told police that his wife said someone had attempted to abduct their small child from their residence. He said his wife told him that she was awakened by a Hispanic man and a struggle ensued. The man fled the area in an unknown type of vehicle. The couple requested no report be filed.

At 11:38 a.m. Saturday, officers were dispatched to the 1800 block of Scott Street where a man said his wife had left their 6-year-old daughter at home alone. The man was advised of the proper steps to take. Police were to notify Children's Protective Services sometime today.

In one other entry, police submitted an offense report of family violence in reference to a domestic dispute at 7:39 a.m. Sunday in the 2000 block of 26th St.

Details emerge, but Perot still mostly slogans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ask Ross Perot about health care or the environment, and you'll hear more slogans than specifics. But on the economy, entitlement programs and a few other issues, Perot is beginning to add details to his promise of action.

A series of recent television interviews portray a candidate evolving both stylistically and substantively and suggest Perot has detailed knowledge of some issues, seems almost naive about others and prefers the middle ground on thorny topics such as abortion and affirmative action.

Not surprisingly, the billionaire Texas businessman offers the most details when questioned about the economy and government's role in the world marketplace.

And throughout, Perot has demonstrated a Ronald Reagan knack for storytelling and speaking in the soundbites that Perot says he deplores.

The other presidential candidates began laying out their positions before the primary season began in February; Perot's late and still-undeclared entry into the race leaves him catching up.

Perot presents himself as a hands-on manager with an economic platform that supports a significant relaxation of antitrust laws and what amounts to an industrial policy that "targets industries of the future."

"We need to take the shackles off American business," Perot said Thursday.

He said bank deregulation was to blame for much of the economic anemia in American cities and that either banks should be required to set aside capital and credit for new small businesses or the government should create a "small business investment banking network" to do the lending.

If elected, Perot said, his first priority would be to "stop the declining job base because that gives us a declining tax base."

On several occasions in recent weeks, Perot has said he opposes any tax increase, unless the country were at war, but has stopped short of an absolute promise not to raise taxes.

"Raising taxes is like taking dope for politicians," Perot said. "You've got to stop raising taxes and bring discipline" to government.

On that front, Perot says he opposes a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution on grounds it is a toothless gimmick. But he does call for a tough law limiting federal spending.

Perot also suggested the United States develop a mentor program, modeled after the Japanese, in which retired corporate officials teach would-be entrepreneurs.

Another area where Perot of late has fleshed out his views somewhat, at the persistence of questioners, is entitlements.

Perot said he would ask well-off elderly people to voluntarily give up Social Security and Medicare benefits. But he said he was not able to give an income level at which he would make the request.

"Let's go make the computer runs and define it," said Perot.

Perot also has said he opposes the Brady Bill, which requires a waiting period before handgun purchases; he would significantly trim presidential and congressional perks; and would propose tight restrictions on lobbying after working in government.

Burglars remember & differ on Watergate 20 years later

MIAMI (AP) — Twenty years after their botched break-in brought down a president, some of the Watergate burglars sell cars, write books or just enjoy the Miami sunshine with their families.

But each nurses old wounds from the events of June 17, 1972. And, like many Americans, the men who made Watergate a household word are divided over what it means — and who's to blame.

Their attitudes range from the cool defiance of CIA agent-turned-author E. Howard Hunt, to the pride of Frank Sturgis and Bernard Barker, to Eugenio Martinez's sense of shame.

"We were responsible for one big hell of a thing, and it really screwed up the country," said Sturgis, now 67, a Philadelphia-born former cop.

"But it made our government a little bit stronger. I feel the laws that came about after Watergate didn't give the president — whether it was Nixon or anybody else — the free rein to do what a dictator would do."

Hunt, as a CIA agent, helped organize the Bay of Pigs invasion in 1961. He used his Cuban contacts 10 years later to recruit the others.

Now 70, he writes spy thrillers, lives comfortably in a canalside home with his schoolteacher wife and younger children, and believes the United States learned "very little" from Watergate.

"I was astonished a few years ago when the Iran-Contra hearings took place," he said. "Again, we have a situation in which men of assumed probity and character were acting on what they believed to be the desires of the commander in chief.

"And then the roof falls in, and they look around, and there's nobody there to back them up," said Hunt, who spent nearly three years in prison.

Barker, 75, a retired city code inspector who recently brought his childhood sweetheart from Cuba and married her, recalls his days as a World War II bomber crewman over Germany — and says Watergate was the same.

"I see no difference between this and being a bombardier in World War II — I was doing my duty," he said.

The day of the Watergate burglary was bad in more ways than one for Martinez, 69, who now sells cars in Miami's Little Havana neighborhood. He received a pardon from President Reagan in 1983 and is the only one of the burglars to be pardoned.

The morning of the break-in, Martinez received his final decree after a bitterly contested divorce, then raced to Washington. After his arrest that night, he learned that the judge in his divorce case died without signing the decree, and his wife was contesting its validity.

"You don't know how bad it was," he sighed.

The conspirators don't agree on why they went into the Democratic National Committee offices at the Watergate hotel and office complex.

Hunt said they needed to replace a malfunctioning electronic bug. Barker is certain it was to photograph the contents of 40 mysterious file cabinets. Sturgis thinks the White House wanted sexual blackmail material against Democratic politicians. Martinez said he was told to photograph financial records.

Barker insists he has no regrets about what he did and says Watergate is a badge of honor in Miami's conservative Cuban-American community. But he hates being called a burglar.

"To me, a burglar is a guy who goes into your bedroom at night and steals your family jewels," he said. "I could never do that."

Martinez is the most contrite.

"I was ashamed to be part of the whole thing," he said.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	635/8	631/8	631/2	-1/4
Albtsn	397/8	393/8	397/8	+1/2
AlliedSignal	577/8	571/2	577/8	+1/4
ALLTEL Cp	381/4	381/8	381/8	-1/4
AmStor s	351/4	343/4	351/8	+1/8
Amer T&T	433/4	431/4	435/8	+1/4
Ameritech	631/4	623/4	631/4	+1/2
Amoco	487/8	481/2	487/8	
AndarkPtr	263/4	261/2	261/2	-1/2
Arkla	91/4	91/8	91/4	+1/8
ArmcoInc	71/8	63/4	67/8	-1/8
AtlRichfld	1153/4	1141/4	1155/8	+3/4
BakerHugh	221/2	221/8	221/2	+1/4
BancTexas	2	17/8	17/8	-1/8
BellAtl	441/8	437/8	44	-1/8
BellSouth	485/8	481/8	481/2	+1/8
Beth Steel	16	153/4	16	
Borden	30	295/8	30	+1/8
Caterpllr	565/8	561/8	561/2	-1/8
Centel	301/8	293/4	297/8	-1/4
CenSoWst s	271/8	267/8	271/8	
Chevron	713/4	715/8	713/4	-1/4
Chrysler	203/4	201/8	205/8	+1/4
Coastal	281/4	271/4	281/8	+3/4
CocaCola s	421/4	415/8	421/8	-1/8
ColgP	511/8	501/8	51	+3/4
CooperIn	491/8	487/8	491/8	+1/8
CyprusMn	283/8	275/8	281/8	+1/2
DallSemicn	85/8	85/8	85/8	-1/8
DeltaAirl	583/4	581/4	583/4	
DigitalEq	39	383/8	39	-3/8
Dillard s	39	383/8	39	+3/8
DowChem	613/8	603/4	61	-1/2
DresserInd	223/8	221/8	223/8	+1/4
DuPont	521/8	511/2	52	+1/4
EstKodak	401/4	393/4	401/4	+3/8
EljerInd	81/4	81/8	81/4	-1/8
Enserch	161/8	16	161/8	+1/8
Exxon	621/4	613/4	621/4	+3/8
FtCtyBcp	13/8	11/4	11/4	-1/8
FlowerInd	165/8	161/2	161/2	
FordMotor	47	461/2	463/4	-1/4
GTE Cp	311/4	307/8	311/4	+1/4
GnDynam	711/8	707/8	71	+1/4
GenElct	763/8	753/4	761/4	
GnMill	631/8	625/8	63	+1/8
GenMotors	437/8	431/8	433/4	+5/8
GenMotrE s	281/8	28	28	
GaPacif	617/8	61	613/8	-5/8
GlobMar	21/8	2	2	-1/8
Goodrich	515/8	511/4	513/8	-1/4
Goodyear	665/8	663/8	661/2	-1/8
GtAtlPac	303/8	30	303/8	-3/8
Gulf StaUt	151/4	15	151/4	+1/4
Haliburtn	291/8	285/8	291/8	
Hanson	201/8	197/8	201/8	
HoustInd	431/2	431/4	431/2	+1/4
IBM	931/4	921/2	931/4	+1/4
IntlPaper	673/4	673/8	671/2	-1/4
JohnsnJns s	447/8	441/2	443/4	-1/4
K mart s	23	223/8	223/4	+3/8
Kroger	16	153/4	157/8	
vjLTV Cp	5/8	9-16	9-16	
Litton s	471/8	465/8	47	+1/4
vjLoneStar	31/4	31/4	31/4	-1/8
Lowes	413/4	413/8	411/2	-1/4
Lowes wi	21	21	21	
Lubys	161/8	157/8	161/8	+1/4
Maxus	61/4	61/8	61/4	+1/8
MayDSt	551/4	541/8	551/8	+7/8
Medtrn s	78	77	777/8	+7/8
Mobil	661/2	651/2	663/8	+3/8
Monsan	533/8	53	531/4	—53/4
Motorola	80	791/4	80	
Nationsbk	465/8	46	465/8	+1/4
Navistar	23/4	25/8	23/4	+1/8
Nynex	787/8	783/8	781/2	-1/2
OryxEngy	203/4	201/2	205/8	-1/4
PacTelesis	413/8	407/8	413/8	+1/4
PanhECp	163/8	16	163/8	+1/8
PenneyJC	69	681/8	683/4	+1/4
PepBoys	231/2	23	231/2	+1/2
PhelpD s	483/4	48	481/2	-1/4
PhilipPet	261/2	261/8	263/8	-1/8
PilgrmPrd	61/2	61/2	61/2	-1/8
Polaroid s	271/2	27	273/8	+1/2
Primerica	383/4	38	383/4	+3/4
ProctG s	50	491/8	493/4	
PubS NwMx	121/4	12	12	
SFePacCp	123/8	121/8	123/8	+1/8
SaraLee	471/2	471/8	471/4	-1/8
SearsRoeb	411/4	403/8	411/8	+5/8
SherwinW	275/8	271/8	271/2	+1/4
SmthBchm	811/4	801/2	811/4	+1
SmthBch eq n	721/2	715/8	721/2	+7/8
Southern Co	347/8	345/8	347/8	+1/8
SwstAirl	443/8	435/8	435/8	—1
SwstBell	615/8	607/8	613/8	-1/8
Sprint	225/8	221/2	225/8	
SterlingChm	41/4	41/8	41/8	-1/8
SunCo	281/4	273/4	277/8	+1
TNP Ent	193/8	19	191/8	
Tandy	271/4	261/2	263/4	-1/2
TemplInl	483/8	473/4	48	-3/8
Tenneco	39	383/8	385/8	-5/8
Texaco	643/4	643/8	643/4	-3/8
TexasInd	237/8	237/8	237/8	-1/8
TexasInst	367/8	361/2	361/2	-1/2
Tex Util	395/8	391/2	395/8	
Textron	373/8	37	371/4	+1/8
Tyler	45/8	45/8	45/8	
USWst	353/8	351/8	353/8	
USX-Marathn	231/4	23	231/8	+1/8
USX-USS	273/8	271/8	271/4	
UnCarbde	27	261/2	267/8	-1/2
UnPac s	531/2	527/8	527/8	-1/2
UnitTech	507/8	501/2	505/8	-3/8
Unocal	253/4	251/2	253/4	-1/8
WalMart	543/4	54	543/4	+5/8
WestghEl	181/4	181/8	181/8	-1/8
Woolwth	263/4	261/2	263/4	+1/2
Xerox Cp	703/4	701/2	701/2	-5/8
ZenithE	71/2	71/4	73/8	-

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Clinton sticks by criticism

NEW YORK (AP) — Bill Clinton stuck by his criticism of a black rap singer today, saying her comments were an example of "how profoundly alienated some of us are."

"I wouldn't call it an attack. I just disagreed with her remarks," the Democratic candidate said on "CBS This Morning." He was defending his weekend criticism of singer Sister Souljah, who was quoted after the Los Angeles riots as saying blacks should consider killing whites for a week rather than each other.

Clinton said his remark, which drew fire from Jesse Jackson and raised eyebrows among some of his own rank-and-file supporters, was not an appeal to white, suburban voters.

"I fail to see how that's pandering. That's bringing the people together," Clinton said.

"I have constantly in this campaign spoken out against divisiveness. I did not go to some group of white conservatives" and criticize the singer, Clinton said.

His weekend remarks were made to the Rainbow Coalition — which is why they raised the ire of Jackson, since the group had embraced Sister Souljah the day before when she participated in a youth forum.

Clinton said that celebrities with influence should be preaching "harmony, not discourse."

"We don't have a lot of time to pull this country back together ... I thought that was a good example of how profoundly alienated some of us are," Clinton said.

Today's two-hour appearance on CBS was the latest in a series of talk-show appearances that Clinton is using to take his message straight to voters. He has two other shows this week — an MTV appearance and another go-round with CNN's Larry King.

Unlike the usual call-in format, today's show was a discussion with viewers in studio audiences in New York and by satellite from five other cities — Tulsa, Okla.; West Palm Beach, Fla.; Detroit; San Diego and New London, Conn.

Clinton was asked about his Sister Souljah remark right at the start by anchor Harry Smith before he started fielding questions on child care and other issues from voters.

On Sunday, Jackson challenged Clinton to focus on plans for rebuilding America rather than engaging in "diversions" such as his criticism of the rap singer.

At a Manhattan fund-raiser Sunday evening, at least some of Clinton's supporters said they didn't think Clinton should have made the remarks.

Deputies check 2 theft reports

Sheriff's deputies were notified of two thefts over the weekend.

At 4:50 p.m. Sunday, Rickey Elliott reported that someone had broken into his residence while he was out of town and had stolen several items.

Reported stolen were two guns and approximately 120 compact discs. Value of the items was placed at $2,140.

A.T. Smith, of Rt. 3, Box 311A, contacted deputies at 1 p.m. Sunday to report that a metal toolbox full of assorted tools had been stolen from the back of his pickup while it was parked at his residence.

Births

Ty and Debbie Brunson of Snyder announce the birth of a baby girl, Amy Katherine, born at 8:19 a.m. on June 12 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed seven pounds and 13 ounces and was welcomed by a brother, Austin Ted.

Maternal grandparents are Mabel and Austin Morgan of Crowley, La., and the late Harold McDonald. Paternal grandparents are Ted and Bettie Brunson of Many, La.

FD responds to grass fire

Snyder Fire Department extinguished a grass fire Saturday evening near Inadale.

Firefighters were dispatched at 7:55 p.m. to the fire, located 17 miles southeast of Snyder on Highway 84.

Fire officials also responded to a report of a house fire about 8:10 a.m. today on Round Top Road. Officials said there was no fire, only smoke from a dryer vent which became clogged.

Police await autopsy results

CONROE, Texas (AP) — A justice of the peace says officials are waiting for autopsy results on a former Conroe city councilman and his wife, a bank executive, who were found shot to death in their home.

The bodies of Raymond Walston, 46, and his wife, Faith, 50, were found in their home by one of their daughters about 11:15 a.m. Saturday. Police said they found no sign of forced entry or missing property, and they did not believe an outside intruder was involved.

Justice of the Peace Grady Spikes said Sunday that the couple's bodies were found in their bedroom. Walston was shot in the head, while his wife had a gunshot wound in the head near the neck, both from a .38-caliber weapon, he said.

Spikes said he was awaiting autopsy results before determining whose fingerprints were on the gun. Investigators did not find a suicide note, he said.

"My first apparent thought is that it's a homicide-suicide," he said. "The gun was lying between these two people, so either one of them could have had it."

But tests results are expected before Tuesday, Spikes said. And until then, he said, it cannot be accurately determined who pulled the trigger.

"It's a tragedy for the community," Spikes said Sunday.

Walston, a real estate developer, had been a city councilman for 13 years, until his defeat in May. Mrs. Walston was a vice president at NationsBank. Both were active in the Conroe community.

"It's still up in the air, to tell you the truth," Lt. Wayne McCarty said Sunday. "We've got two dead people. I can't comment on anything other than that."

Barbara Martin, board controller for the Harris County Medical Examiner's office, referred questions to Conroe officials, saying she could release no information on the Walstons because they were from Montgomery County.

Conroe, population 27,000, is about 35 miles north of Houston.

Man faces third trial in 1975 murder

DALLAS (AP) — A jury has been selected for the third murder trial of a Dallas man accused in the 1975 abduction, robbery and beating death of a Texas Tech University student.

Ronald Curtis "Buffalo" Chambers, 37, in the death of Michael McMahan in Dallas. He has been sentenced to death twice, but the U.S. Supreme Court overturned both earlier convictions.

Testimony was scheduled to begin today. It took more than a month to select a jury for the capital murder trial.

Chambers could be paroled this summer if he is convicted and sentenced to life in prison because of the time he has already served.

A state law that requires people convicted of capital offenses to serve at least 35 years does not apply because the slaying occurred so long ago.

McMahan, a 22-year-old senior engineering student was in Dallas on April 11, 1975, for a conference. He and a friend, Deia Sutton, a student at the University of Texas at Arlington, were at a north Dallas nightclub when three men abducted them. A fourth man followed in another car as they drove to the Trinity River.

The men drove to a levee and marched the couple to a place along the river, where the men robbed, shot and beat them, she testified.

When the still-conscious McMahan asked Ms. Sutton whether she was OK, one of the men returned and struck him on the head with a shotgun so hard that it bent.

Chambers was arrested the next day when police found him hiding in the closet of an apartment in west Dallas. A shotgun believed to have been used in the slaying also was found in the apartment.

County rejects mineral bids

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by UBS, Snyder is the only city within the UBS service area charging a fee for use of a facility for a blood drive.

UBS holds six drives per year at the barn, receiving help from the senior center, Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary, local scout organizations and local businesses. UBS provides blood to Cogdell Hospital to benefit Scurry County residents.

"I don't think any of us have a problem with donating the fees," said Gray. "We just need to check and make sure that it is done right."

Doolittle agreed to check and see how the request could best be handled before any action is taken by the court.

Commissioners agreed to draft a letter of support for a program in which jurors have an option to donate their jury fees to the child welfare board.

According to welfare board member Nelda Huddleston, the board is responsible for raising funds to cover child welfare expenses. Funds raised could be used for such expenses as Christmas and birthday gifts, car seats, school supplies, books and clothing.

Huddleston said that the board is also responsible for educating the public about the services provided by child welfare.

"Approximately $7,000 to $9,000 are paid out in jury fees annually," said Huddleston. "According to other counties, approximately 25 percent of jury fees are donated back to child welfare. This is a very little amount of money, so we feel justified asking for the court's full support."

The court approved a budget amendment of $2,665 to cover child care expenses previously paid out by the county, and also approved five line-item budget transfers.

A $12,960 transfer from the recreation department to the coliseum budget was approved by commissioners. The purpose of the transfer was to separate the two budget items.

Also approved was a $4,000 transfer from contract mowing to repairs in Precinct 4, and a $2,400 transfer from park contract labor to part-time salaries for the park maintenance department.

A transfer of $1,175.81 from child welfare medical expense to child-care expense was approved. The money will go to cover the cost of clothing and other expenses.

The court also approved a $500 transfer from transportation to travel expense for the county welfare board. The transfer was needed to cover costs for an Indigent Care Health Workshop in Austin.

Approval of bills and minutes from the June 8 meeting were the only other items on the agenda.

Present at the meeting were Doolittle, Gray, Idom and Commissioners Jerry Morgan and Jerry Gannaway.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Debbie Brunson, 2600 35th; Betty Cantrell, 2503 37th; Bertha Terry, 3604 Ave. V.

DISMISSALS: Vera Brown, Blanche Butler, Belinda Galey, Mary House.

Census: 47 (Med.-6, Long-Term Care-34, CCU-1, OB-3, Nursery-3).

Ex-veteran killed

HOUSTON (AP) — A security guard and veteran of two wars has been shot to death while on duty in northeast Houston.

An office cleanup crew found the body of Frank Calitine, 66, on a driveway outside Modern Welding Co. early Sunday morning. He had been shot in the head.

Calitine's .357 Magnum was missing and no wallet was found. His pickup truck was recovered abandoned in a ditch nearby. There was no indication of a break-in.

Dr., Gott
by Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: For the past three years I've been taking Synthroid for hypothyroidism. I'm right on schedule with the drug, my cholesterol levels are low, my blood pressure is under control yet I have gained weight. Since the added weight is a problem, I wonder if I might eventually shed a few pounds and get back to normal.

DEAR READER: Synthroid is an implausible cause of your weight gain. This medicine is prescribed to patients with hypothyroidism (underactive thyroid glands). I'm certain your doctor would allow you to follow a modest weight-reduction diet, because your added weight is probably the consequence of too many calories; you may be eating too much of the wrong thing.

Cut out sugar and sugar products (including pies, cakes, cookies, soda and candy), don't consume alcohol and reduce fats. Not only is this program more healthful, it should permit you to lose about a pound a week, which is an optimal rate of loss for most dieters.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 6-year-old daughter masturbates and has been doing so for the past three years. Is this normal? Is it harmful? How do we handle the situation?

DEAR READER: Childhood masturbation can be distressing for parents, but it is not dangerous and will not harm your daughter. Many normal children — even infants — engage in self-pleasuring activity.

I think it's appropriate for you to help your daughter understand that some behavior is not suitable at certain times. Not that masturbation is "dirty" and she is "bad" — but she may need some parental guidance about when self-pleasuring is appropriate. If she masturbates in public or during Thanksgiving dinner, for example, I'd find ways gently to distract her attention. Discuss this with your pediatrician.

Above all, you don't want to have the family focusing on your daughter's activity. It's really no big deal; she'll outgrow it — or, more likely, learn under what circumstances it's appropriate.

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Efforts underway to halt execution

HOUSTON (AP) — Supporters trying to save Karla Faye Tucker from an execution date only days away say they feel her death row conversion is authentic, and she does not deserve to die for her 1983 role in two grisly pickax murders.

The 32-year-old Houston woman is scheduled to die by lethal injection on June 30. She would be the second woman executed in the United States since capital punishment was restored in 1976. Her attorney, George Secrest, is seeking a stay and a new trial.

"Everybody sees Jesus at the jail house," Sgt. M.B. Rankin told the Houston Chronicle in Sunday's editions. "But this woman isn't just talking. She is genuine. She shouldn't die."

Rankin is a relief officer who was stationed on the Harris County Jail's 12th floor during Ms. Tucker's recent stay. Before she was transported back to death row on June 4, Ms. Tucker regularly led a Bible study group of female inmates at the jail.

The woman who dropped out of junior high school because she failed seventh grade three years in a row got her GED in prison, then 30 hours of college credit through correspondence courses.

She taught herself sign language, "So I could take these two hands that used to hurt and let them help," she says.

"I would expect that many people on death row are doing the same things that Ms. Tucker has done, but for some reason which I don't quite understand, Karla Faye Tucker is getting all this support, and it just doesn't seem fair," Joe Magliolo, a former Harris County district attorney who won Ms. Tucker's conviction in 1984 and now is an assistant U.S. attorney, said Sunday.

"Is it because she's a woman? Is it because she's young?" he asked. "I don't know."

"She took and pickaxed two people to death," Magliolo said. "I think since the jury said — 12 individual citizens said — she deserved to die for what she did, then that's the verdict."

Ms. Tucker says she will be disappointed if she has to die: She's been told she won't be able to donate her organs for transplants because the serum used to kill her will damage or destroy them.

"I had really hoped to be able to give my body to help others," she said. "That way, I could give life back for the life I took."

Her supporters also will be disappointed, but for different reasons. Despite her crime, they say she shouldn't die.

Those advocates include former prosecutors, police officers, and two relatives of the victims.

Many say they plan to write letters to beg for her life, claiming that the Karla Faye Tucker on death row isn't the same person as the prostitute and drug abuser who once bragged to friends that she became sexually aroused each time she plunged the pickax into her victim.

Ms. Tucker was convicted in 1984 of the June 13, 1983 murder of Jerry Lynn Dean, 26, of Houston. She also had been charged with capital murder in the slaying of Dean's girlfriend, Deborah Ruth David Thornton, 32. That charge was dismissed after Ms. Tucker testified against her codefendant and former boyfriend, Daniel Garrett.

Garrett also got the death penalty and remains on death row.

The attorneys who prosecuted Garrett in 1984, Rusty Hardin and Charley Davidson, say Ms. Tucker's testimony is crucial to convicting Garrett if he receives the new trial he's appealing for.

But they also say Ms. Tucker should live because she has changed.

"This is a caring, alive person who never forgets to ask about my new daughter when we talk," Davidson said. "When I was sitting up at (Harris County) jail the other night visiting her, I think I was closer to crying than she was."

Franchise holders battle companies

HOUSTON (AP) — Dropping profits and industry maturation have prompted franchise holders to sue some of the biggest franchise companies in the nation, and Texas has seen some of the worst fights.

After a franchise boom through much of the 1970s and 1980s, many of the big companies — Dairy Queen, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Popeye's, Taco Bell and Jiffy Lube — have faced litigation and other insurgence.

As many franchise companies reach the 20-year mark, when contracts with individual franchisees come up for renewal, bickering over new terms can push the process into the courtroom.

"Franchising has become a mature industry, and these lawsuits are part of the gradual maturation process," said Joyce Mazero, a franchise expert in Dallas.

"The people who own franchise stores are not just mom and pop operators. They are sophisticated business people. Many dropped out of successful corporate careers to start their own businesses, and they are going to take action when their businesses are threatened," she said.

The recession and an overabundance of franchises have caused dropping profits, leading to other litigation.

"When sales and profits go down, the franchisees tend to get together," said Richard Solomon, a Houston attorney specializing in franchise law. "They say, 'The people who sold us this franchise said we have a unique system, but we are losing our behinds. We are paying too much for this franchise.' So they file a lawsuit."

A recent fight on the Texas front involves Austin-based Schlotzsky's, which is battling three Houston investors who claim Schlotzsky's has failed to hit promised financial targets, a common refrain in many franchise fights. Managing partners deny the allegations.

The lawsuit seeks to place Schlotzsky's, a chain with more than 200 stores and more than $60 million in annual sales, in the hands of an independent receiver. The investors also want $25 million in damages.

Houston-based Jiffy Lube was besieged by 700 angry franchisees who charged the company with violating royalty and rental agreements. The lawsuit was filed after the parent company began to post large financial losses.

The division became so bitter, the franchisees accused Jiffy Lube of trying to drive them out of business as part of a scheme to resell the franchises. Jiffy Lube made peace last year by agreeing to drop its royalty charge from 6 percent of sales to 5 percent. A clause in the contract gave franchisees the ability to lower that to 4 percent, if they paid royalties promptly.

And late last year, the Texas Dairy Queen restaurants waged war to assert their independence from the company's Minneapolis headquarters. As the franchisees' contracts expired, the company was negotiating new ones forcing the 200 Texas stores to relinquish control of their advertising budgets and the right to determine their menu.

Lottery tickets which can't be re-cycled litter streets

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas gamblers are some of the state's best litterbugs.

Suddenly, lottery litter is all over Texas parking lots, sidewalks and yards near the 14,700 stores, gas stations, and other Texas Lottery outlets that sell the scratch-off tickets.

"I'm picking them up out of the parking lot and the grass and the grounds," said Deedra Havens, assistant manager at an Austin 7-Eleven store. "I got out of my car (at home), and noticed them in my yard."

There are 300 million lottery tickets, but only 40 million are worth instant prizes or a chance at a drawing for mega-bucks.

Which means there are 260 million worthless cardboard tickets. And because the tickets are laminated with foil to prevent tampering, they can't be recycled, the Austin American-Statesman reported in Monday editions.

Each package of 500 tickets weighs 1.36 pounds, so "there's a potential of 707,624 pounds worth of discarded lottery litter," said Andy Welch, spokesman for Texas Comptroller John Sharp, who oversees the lottery.

Alicia Smith Kriese, vice president-account director at GSD&M ad agency of Austin, said the firm is preparing ads to discourage trashing Texas with tickets.

"We're definitely very sensitive to the issue, and don't want people throwing their tickets on the ground," she said. "In the next couple of months, Texans will be seeing some of the advertising encouraging our players to not mess with Texas."

Ironically, the same firm that handles the Texas Lottery's advertising account is also the firm responsible for the state's "Don't Mess With Texas" anti-litter campaign.

Turkey turned over Cyprus to the British in 1898.

Henry Ford made a successful test run in 1896 with his car in a nighttime drive through the streets of Detroit.

State registry planning continues

AUSTIN (AP) — State lawmakers who have been slow to fund a birth defects registry could move more quickly now that an alarming number of spinal and brain deformities have surfaced in South Texas, an aide said.

The Texas Department of Health said high rates of spinal deformities and anencephaly, in which the brain fails to develop, might have been detected earlier under a system for collecting and analyzing statistical information.

"It's something people can easily understand," said Vick Hines, legislative aide to Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi. "It's very clear something is wrong when you have such an unusual number of neural-tube disorders."

The neural tube tissue in an embryo later develops into the brain and spinal cord. If the tube does not close during fetal development, anencephaly or spina bifida occurs.

A federal surveillance system for birth defects is also under consideration. Since 1986, doctors have identified dozens of such cases in Cameron County along the Texas-Mexico border.

Still uncertain of the cause, state health officials had been unaware of the problem until a group of hospital nurses reported about a year ago that six babies were born with anencephaly in a six-week period — several times the normal rate.

"The whole idea behind a centralized listing is to provide the information necessary to characterize the distribution of these birth defects," said Dennis Perrota, director of the Health Department's epidemiology division.

He said more than 30 states already have such registries, with California spending about $7 million a year tracking birth defects. He proposed a pilot program in South Texas as a first step in developing a statewide program.

Hines said Truan supports giving the Health Department authority and funding to monitor birth defects in the state and plans legislation for a registry during the upcoming legislative session in January.

U.S. Rep. Solomon Ortiz, D-Corpus Christi, announced last week he would propose federal legislation soon to fund a birth defects surveillance system.

Wounded man wants city to pay

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — A man gored by his pet boar wants the city to foot the medical bills because the animal's head decomposed before city officials sent it to be tested for rabies.

The 8-month-old boar gored 38-year-old Keith Giles in the back of one leg and inflicted wounds that took 60 stitches to close.

"It just went crazy," Giles said. "It never did that before. It used to play with the dog and the kids."

Giles and a 15-year-old friend have to take rabies treatments until next month from the attack by the hog named Bo Bo seven weeks ago.

After talking to city animal control officials, Giles said, he and Danny Putegnat killed the animal and took the head to animal control offices. Putegnat was exposed to the animal's blood when he cut himself helping Giles decapitate the animal.

The head was to be shipped from the animal control offices to Texas Department of Health laboratories in Austin.

But the specimen was decomposed when it arrived in Austin seven days later, and biologists were unable to test for the rabies virus, said Bruce Elliott, division director of microbiology.

Jeff Beynon, the city's animal control officer, and Dr. Nina Sisley, director of the city-county health department, declined to comment because of potential litigation.

Giles said he and Putegnat last week began rabies injections at a cost he estimated at $475 per person. The city health department provided the shots free after he refused to pay, Giles said.

Giles said he doesn't want to sue the city. He said he just wants the city to pay the doctor's bills for himself and Putegnat, which city officials have not agreed to do.

"I told them I didn't want to hire a lawyer," Giles said. "I told them I just wanted somebody to help me out with this."

Astrograph
By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

June 16, 1992

Your financial trends look reasonably good for the year ahead, provided you don't invest in situations you know very little about. Gambles could prove costly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Disengage yourself from an arrangement today where the financial requirements burden you rather than the other party. If there isn't parity, it's a bum deal. 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 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) There's a possibility you could be unreasonably suspicious of the motives of others today. You may read things into their actions which are entirely unfounded.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If the tasks you face today don't require too much mental effort, you'll perform them effectively. However, where real brain power is necessary, you're apt to be impatient and careless.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A friend of yours, who has a tendency to talk about other pals when they aren't present, might try to bend your ear today. Keep in mind that this is an individual who may talk about you when you're not around.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's best to keep outsiders out of private family matters today, especially those which have to do with your children or your in-laws.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Be careful what you say today to a close friend who asked you to be honest. In reality, the last thing this individual may want to hear is the truth.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be cognizant of details in your commercial dealings today; there's a chance some small glitch might turn a profitable proposition into a losing one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you're negotiating an important matter today, be sure everything that is agreed upon is put in writing. A verbal agreement could lead to a future misunderstanding.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you've failed to take care of something you said you would, be forthright today. Trying to cover up could cause you serious complications, not to mention a great deal of embarrassment.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you play favorites where friendships are concerned today, someone might get hurt in the process. Bend over backward to treat all your pals equally.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Do not underestimate your competition today in developments where your status or career is concerned. An egotistical evaluation could work to your detriment.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Forego the inclination today to pretend to be more knowledgeable about something than you actually are. There's a very good chance you'll be challenged by someone who is well-informed.

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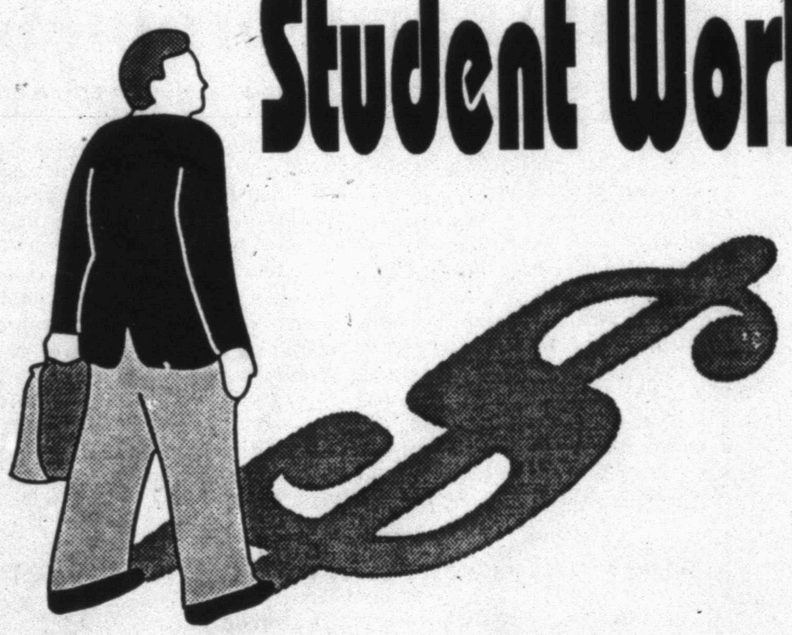

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Disclosure forms more opposition for critics

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's a bad year to be a member of Congress, and lawmakers got another reminder last week of why: the headache of their annual financial confessional to the public.

Is it fun for Rep. Jim Traficant, D-Ohio, to say he still owes the Internal Revenue Service more than $100,000? Or does Sen. Mark Hatfield, R-Ore., enjoy laying out his extensive and growing personal debt for all to see?

And Rep. Claude Harris, D-Ala., must know there will be questions about why he and his wife spent 10 days in China and Hong Kong and six days in Sweden last year, with private groups in those countries footing the bill.

It's all grist, as well, this election year, for political opponents — who don't have to make any such disclosures themselves. And because Congress is in even more disrepute than usual, the financial ammunition could be more deadly.

There's little of the traditional talk this year of the advantages of incumbency — the name recognition, the ability to send free mail to constituents, the privilege of immersing oneself in major issues in Washington.

In an upside-down political world, those have all become disadvantages. Better to be an unknown, an outsider who pays for his own mail, unburdened by Congress' messy and minimalist record of the last two years.

Add to those burdens the financial disrobing incumbents had to do last week, and it makes one wonder why the job is still worth it.

While far from detailed, the disclosure forms all 535 senators and House members must file do offer insights into their investment acumen, their assets and debts, their friendships and associations, and their travel.

It's clear that the disclosure process and the news it generates are sources of intense worry for lawmakers. Nervous press secretaries call reporters to complain, argue and plead for gentle treatment, fearful of how the news will look back home.

With good reason. The base salary for lawmakers, about $120,000, still looks like a lot of money in Paw Paw, Mich., or Pecos, Texas.

And most Americans find it difficult to identify with getting half a dozen or more free trips a year, many of them to prime vacation spots, paid for by special interests looking for legislative favors.

For Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, D-Ill., being chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee is also the ticket to a lot of free golf in luxurious settings, for example.

His disclosure form shows he went to at least nine golf events last year, including the Hawaiian Open, the Frank Sinatra Celebrity Invitational in Palm Springs, Calif., the Kemper Open in Hawaii, the Dinah Shore in Rancho Mirage, Calif., and the Doral Ryder in Miami. Most expenses were picked up by tournament sponsors or groups that scheduled speeches by the chairman at tournament time.

Still other details remind voters that their Washington representatives' lifestyles are foreign to them.

Senate colleague Don Nickles gave Minority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., a silk tie worth $100. Rep. William Lehman, D-Fla., sold a Picasso plate for between $1,000 and $15,000.

Child protection system not strong enough

DALLAS (AP) — Changes in the state's child protection system may not be tough enough to prevent the crimes that led to the deaths of 97 Texas children last year, advocates say.

An overhaul of all social service and health agencies effective Sept. 1 will turn child abuse investigations over to a new Department of Protective and Regulatory Services. The agency will have authority to remove from their homes children identified as being at risk.

But some worry the new law isn't sufficient.

"Will it make a difference? I am afraid it is window dressing, that it just transfers responsibilities and nothing will change," said Randy Burton, a Houston lawyer who has warred with Children's Protective Services since the mid-1980s.

CPS currently has to prove that the child is in imminent danger, or involved in an immediate crisis, to justify removal.

Ann Heiligenstein, state director of CPS, said the agency investigated 90,601 reports of abused or neglected children in 1991 and confirmed 34,759 cases.

Unconfirmed doesn't necessarily mean the reports weren't true. But they could not be proved, or the people named could not be found.

This year's tally includes 2-year-old Donny Martin of Garland, who died May 16 from "blunt force trauma" to his stomach, an autopsy showed.

For months, the child's father and day-care workers had reported to CPS that Donny might be a victim of child abuse. Donald Martin says he was told his son was not at risk.

The child's common-law father, Robert Morris Rose Jr., remains jailed on a first-degree felony charge of injury to a child.

"They're the only state agency I know of that is allowed to — literally — bury its mistakes," Burton said.

Fred Seale, director of the state agency's Region 5, which includes Dallas and Tarrant counties, said caseworkers live daily with the possibility that a mistake in judgment could be fatal.

He said he shares some frustrations voiced by critics.

Burton, for instance, says child abuse is treated as a social ill, not as a crime. Burton contends that trained criminal investigators, not state social workers, should investigate complaints of abuse.

He also pointed to what he sees as a conflict between the agency's central mission — "to preserve the family unit" — and its responsibility to remove endangered children from harm.

The apparent conflict in goals is supposed to be eliminated when the September changes kick in, state Children's Protective Services officials said.

"We have to find a better way to provide treatment of the kids in our care. What we have now isn't working," Seale said. "If we don't, tomorrow's kids are going to be more disturbed than what we have today."

AIDS activists to target GOP delegates

HOUSTON (AP) — A national AIDS activist group has instructed members in a 7-page letter to "punish the Republican Party," during the GOP national convention in August, a newspaper has reported.

The instructions to "target state delegates at their hotels, parties, official functions, etc." has been distributed by the Kansas City, Mo. chapter of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power, or ACT UP.

The protests are planned for the week of the convention, Aug. 17-20.

The letter, sent to 80 ACT UP chapters nationwide, also includes a list of hotel accommodations for Republican National Convention delegations, the Houston Chronicle reported today.

ACT UP member Jim Hull of Kansas City says his colleagues are non-violent and have no intention of harming anyone at the convention. However, he contends delegates are legitimate targets for harassment.

"These people in their home states represent the inaction (for AIDS funding) by the Republican Party," said Hull, one of several ACT UP convention organizers. "Maybe they'll take back a message to their home states — that this is an issue the Republican Party needs to be dealing with."

The letter encourages activists to call hotels or the headquarters of the Harris County Republican Party to confirm accommodations by state delegations. A phone number for the Harris County Republicans is provided.

The letter also tells ACT UP members to "pay a visit ... to whomever you find particularly AIDS-phobic."

The group predicts up to 600 ACT UP members will join forces with activists from the gay-rights group Queer Nation for demonstrations at the convention.

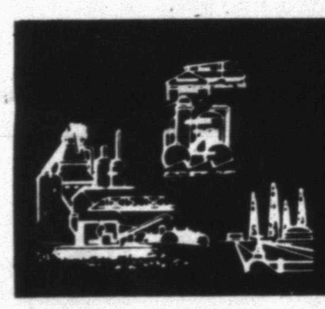
Sharon Adams, a spokeswoman for the convention's Houston Host committee, declined to comment on the letter or convention security.

Rick Hartley, a Houston Police Department spokesman, said police have "contingency plans" for civil disobedience from ACT UP and expected anti-abortion groups.

ACT UP organizers are calling on members to prepare for arrest and possible mistreatment by police. They have also announced the retention of five criminal lawyers to represent jailed activists and have ignored the requirement for a parade permit.

"Confrontation, disruption and spreading the message of anger at this convention is something they will listen to and understand," the letter continues. "Come to Houston prepared to take risks. Don't come to Houston to talk — they are not listening."

England's King George V signed the Irish Home Rule Act Sept. 18, 1914. However, its implementation was suspended during World War I. By the end of the war, the Easter Rising of 1916 had hardened opinion on both sides and made orderly progression to dominion status for Ireland impossible.



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Stars entertain Bush at fund-raiser

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rita Moreno, Vikki Carr, comedian Paul Rodriguez and Mambo king Tito Puente were among those entertaining President Bush at a fund-raiser for the National Hispanic Scholarship Fund and Ford's Theatre.

The hosts for the show were Jimmy Smits of "L.A. Law" and "Fantasy Island" star Ricardo Montalban.

ABC will air the show July 11.

Bush seemed to have Congress in mind when he addressed the audience.

"Actually, Ricardo ... we have our own fantasy island right here in Washington," he said to Montalban.

He turned to magician David Copperfield and described him as "a man who can make just about anything disappear."

"I wonder, David ... do you free-lance?" he asked.

Ford's Theatre was dark for more than a century after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln there in 1865. It was restored and reopened in 1968 and is now a thriving theater and museum.

Seinfeld 'frustrated'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Comedian Jerry Seinfeld says he was outraged by the Rodney King verdict, and he plans a benefit to help victims of the riots.

"I felt like doing a little rioting myself when that happened," he said. "I was extremely frustrated with the racist, social ignorance that caused that to happen."

Falkland Islanders honor Thatcher

STANLEY, Falkland Islands (AP) — Hundreds of Falkland Islanders crammed the town hall to honor Margaret Thatcher for sending troops to retake the British colony from Argentina 10 years ago.

The former prime minister spoke Sunday at a thanksgiving church service, then laid a wreath at a memorial.

Argentine troops surrendered on June 14, 1982, after 10 weeks of fighting. Argentina had claimed sovereignty over the islands, which are off its coast, and invaded in April 1982.

More than 600 people attended a reception for Mrs. Thatcher. She was presented with a painting of Port Stanley's harbor.

Mrs. Thatcher became prime minister in 1979 and was ousted in a Conservative Party leadership contest in 1990.

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