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Early vote count not encouraging

If a comparison between Saturday's election and last November's general election is valid, a proposal to lease Cogdell Memorial Hospital isn't drawing all that much interest.

A preliminary count by the county clerk's office this morning indicated 1,820 ballots were cast in the early period of Saturday's election. But 2,537 ballots were cast in the period leading up to the Nov. 5, 1996 election.

Last November, Scurry County citizens also had key decisions to make — local offices, including sheriff, district attorney, a commissioner, and, of course, a president.

Early voters comprised 24 percent of the 10,612 folks registered back then. There are 10,182 registered for Saturday's election, and almost 18 percent of them voted in the early period.

Just over 55 percent of the registered voters cast a ballot last November, and if Saturday's election follows the early voting trend — more than half of the people signed up to vote will stay home.

Two issues are on the ballot: a proposal to lease Cogdell Memorial Hospital and a proposed amendment to the state constitution.

Community Health Systems has proposed to pay the county $8 million to lease the Cogdell Hospital for a 30-year period. The for-profit firm would also spend $3 million in capital improvements over the first four years of operations, and has pledged to recruit more physicians to Snyder.

Those in favor of the lease contend it will lower taxes, make funds available for capital improvement and provide security for the hospital in times when the future of health care is uncertain. Opponents say Cogdell's stability has been proven over the past eight to nine years, capital needs are currently being met and contend leasing would give up local control of the facility.

The proposed constitutional amendment, called Proposition 1, would increase the homestead exemption from $5,000 to $15,000. That would reduce the taxable value of residential property for calculating school taxes.

Proponents say it is a much-needed tax break for homeowners. Opponents say renters would not benefit and note there is no guarantee funds will be available from the state two years from now to keep the tax break in place.

On Saturday, polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at various locations in the county.

SDN will hold for election results

The weekend edition of the Snyder Daily News will be published late Saturday, so that hospital election results can be included.

"The widespread interest in the outcome of this special election prompted the decision to delay the weekend press time until after votes are counted," said publisher Roy McQueen.

SEAL COATING PROJECT — Scurry County employees Duffy Galloway, Vollie Shipp and Manuel Garcia, from left, man the county's chip-spreader as they assist in the city's annual seal coating project. Some 108 blocks will receive new seal coating as county equipment will be used as part of the intra-governmental agreement between the two entities. (SDN Staff Photo)

Economic impact of strike causes ripples across nation

ATLANTA (AP) — Fallout from the United Parcel Service strike touched millions from coast to coast: Small businesses and the health care industry were inconvenienced as were surfers in Florida and ranchers in the West.

Dozens have been arrested for picket line confrontations, including 11 this morning in Somerville, Mass. One UPS truck was shot up in Ohio.

No talks were scheduled as the walkout entered its third day today with the company delivering less than 10 percent of the packages it would handle on a normal business day.

"The company is shut down. Doesn't it make sense for everybody to get back to the bargaining table before real damage is done?" Teamsters president Ron Carey said Tuesday. "We've proved our point."

In response, the giant delivery service repeated that its last contract offer was final and should be submitted to the union's membership for a vote.

"We'd like the strike to end now," UPS chairman James Kelly said in an interview published today in The Wall Street Journal. "These things sometimes take on a life of their own, unfortunately."

Carey asked Labor Secretary Alexis Herman to get involved and encourage the company to resume bargaining but said he opposed presidential intervention. UPS wants customers to join its call to President Clinton to intervene under the rarely used Taft-Hartley Act.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Clinton was encouraging both sides to resume talks but didn't plan to personally intervene because the major impact of the strike was economic.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A born loser is a guy whose water bed caught fire."

Some will accuse us of having water on the brain, but some stories are truly amazing.

We read on the wire where treasure hunters have begun reclaiming a fortune in a long lost booty.

The operation is taking place on Lake Superior, and the treasure can be seen resting on the bottom under several feet of ice-cold water.

The loot has been on the bottom of the lake for more than 100 years. And the items in question are said to be as much as 600 years old.

The treasure in this case is a pile of logs. They are huge timber logs which had sunk after being rafted onto the lake more than 100 years ago.

This wood pile has been protected from the elements, and most importantly, from the corrosive air around us for all these years. And according to one source, the barrier of cold water has preserved the wood and it is said to be in great shape for use today.

The same expert said the wood comes from virgin timber sources and is fine-grained and far superior to timber harvested today.

Apparently enough of the logs sank a century ago to make the belated harvest worth the effort. The wood consists of quality pine logs and several species of hard wood as well.

Several of the logs being dredged from the lake bottom were originally chopped down with axes, a conclusion based on the pointed ends.

It's noteworthy to think that the hard work of persons who lived a century ago will finally come to good use, even if it is 100 years later.

Your government at work...

The agency in charge of passports to American citizens has begun to use a private contractor to man their phones and provide answers to confused citizens.

The firm reportedly uses a 900 number, meaning the caller pays by the minute while a non-government worker puts them on hold to ask a government employee for the correct answer.

The patron, in effect, is paying twice. Once for the phone call and once as a taxpayer.

One of those retrieved logs should be put to good use — some bureaucrat should have to walk the plank.

Rescue effort difficult...

28 survive Korean Air jet crash

AGANA, Guam (AP) — Rescuers pulled charred bodies today from the wreckage of a Korean Air jet that crashed in the dense jungle of Guam and plowed through rocky hills in a ball of fire. The airline said 28 of the 254 people on board survived, some of them able to walk away.

The Boeing 747 from Seoul, South Korea, came to rest in a deep ravine three miles from its airport destination on this U.S. island possession in the South Pacific. Seventeen hours later, rescuers said they had found all the survivors.

"We scoured the whole area all day today," Air Force Col. Al Riggle said. "We know there are some bodies still down there, but it's smoldering too hot."

Flight 801 was carrying mostly Korean tourists, including many families heading to Guam's tropical beaches for vacation, when it crashed in a driving rain just before noon Tuesday EDT (2 a.m. Wednesday local time), killing more than 220 people. On board were 23 crewmembers and at least 13 Americans.

Sixty-nine bodies had been recovered from the smoldering wreckage by the time the rescue effort was called off for the night, said Ginger Cruz, a spokeswoman for Guam Gov. Carl Gutierrez. She said officials confirmed 30 survivors instead of 35 reported earlier.

The exact number of survivors was unclear. Korean Air said there were 28 survivors; other unconfirmed reports said between 27 and 30 people survived.

At least three people pulled alive from the crash died later in the hospital.

Korean Air said the survivors included three Americans, identified as Grace Chung, Hyun Seong Hong and Angela Shim. Their hometowns were not immediately available.

The survivors had been seated in the front of the plane, which was largely intact. But the plane's pilot and co-pilot were missing and presumed dead, the airline said.

The governor, one of the first people on the scene, said rain-soaked sawgrass covering the rocks made it difficult to carry survivors. Hundreds of rescuers had to make their way through mud and the towering, razor-sharp sawgrass.

"It was eerie. As I got close to the scene I could hear the screams," he said. "We only had a single flashlight. We had to follow the sounds to find them."

Among the survivors he pulled from the plane was an 11-year-old Japanese girl, slightly hurt, trying to tend to a critically injured flight attendant.

Thirteen survivors were taken to Guam Memorial, where three of them were are in intensive care.

Snyder man pleads guilty to 2nd rape

LUBBOCK — As expected, a 32-year-old Snyder parolee Tuesday pleaded guilty to the second of five rapes in which he is charged.

Ricky Dewayne Howell, a construction worker, first entered a guilty plea on Monday in Judge Mackey Hancock's district court.

Sentencing will be held at a later date, but Howell faces two life sentences and prosecutors said they will ask that the terms be stacked.

The only evidence offered Tuesday was a letter Howell wrote the district attorney asking for help in dealing with his compulsive sexual behavior.

Howell remains charged with a third rape in Lubbock and also faces sexual assault charges in Big Spring and Sweetwater.

In 1983, Howell was sentenced in Snyder to a 15-year prison term following his conviction on charges of burglary with the intent to commit sexual assault.

He was released in 1992, but sent to prison again on burglary charges. He was freed last August under the state's mandatory release program.

If Howell is assessed consecutive life sentences, he would have to serve at least 30 years for one conviction before beginning the second.

Cindy Nix to perform in Revue

Cindy Nix, who will perform for the Texas Music Revue slated Friday through Sunday at the Ritz Production, is no stranger to Scurry County.

She grew up in Fluvanna and has lived in Snyder for the past 28 years. She is employed with the Scurry County Health Unit as county food service inspector. She has two sons, Royce Hataway of Houston and Ross Hataway of Midland.

Nix performs dinner music weekly at Pablos in Sweetwater, and she also performs at banquets, conventions and special bookings. Her interest in music began as a child and has grown stronger through the years.

She likes to try all types of music, but her favorite in the hits of Patsy Cline.

Songs Nix will sing include "Crazy," "When I Get Through With You," "Walking After Midnight," and "Blue."

Shows are set for 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

There will be a $1 discount to seniors 55 and above for the Sunday matinee and group discounts of a $1 per ticket for 10 or more in a group.

Ticket prices are $6 for adults and $4 for children under 12. Call 573-4035 between 2 and 5 p.m. for reservations.

Cindy Nix

ASK US

Q—How many gallons of water a month does the Price Daniel Unit use?

A—It fluctuates depending on the weather, of course, but the average is around seven million gallons per month.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 93 degrees; low, 72; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 72; no precipitation; total for 1997, 19.75 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, storms likely. Locally heavy rain possible. Low 65-70. E wind 10-15 mph. Rain chance: 70%. Thursday, mostly cloudy, cooler; 50% chance of storms. High 75-80. E-SE wind 10-20 mph.

Adrian Sosa

Chance of storms

Sunset: 8:35 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:04 a.m.

Of 217 days in 1997, the sun has shone 205 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

There is only one corner of the universe you can be certain of improving, and that's your own self.

Aldous Huxley

Tax bill sharp departure from previous bills

WASHINGTON (AP) — The $152 billion tax-cut bill President Clinton signed into law couldn't be more different than the other major tax bills dating back to the Reagan administration.

The new tax bill offers highly selective tax breaks to favored constituencies — middle class families and college students — in contrast to the broad across-the-board tax cuts in the mammoth 1981 tax cut.

And the new bill is highly complex, adding yet greater heft to the already voluminous tax code, which many experts say represents a reversal of the historic changes in the 1986 tax bill.

"This is a mind-boggling, complex bill," said Gillian M. Spooner, a partner at the accounting firm KPMG Peat Marwick LLP in Washington.

The new tax bill calls for a $500 per child tax credit, tax breaks for college tuition and other expenses, a cut in the capital gains tax, expanded Individual Retirement Accounts and higher taxes on cigarettes.

One distinguishing feature in the new tax bill, dubbed the "Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997," is the highly focused nature of the tax relief. Instead of a broad cut in income tax rates, the bill's biggest feature is the $500 per child tax credit, for children ages 16 and under, which goes to couples earning between $18,000 and $110,000.

"That is a social statement and not an economic statement. And that is a major difference from 1981," said Stephen Entin, a former Treasury official during the Reagan administration who is now resident scholar at the Institute for Research on the Economics of Taxation in Washington, a conservative think tank.

The 1981 bill — which Congressional Quarterly called the "largest tax reduction bill in history" — cut everyone's income taxes by about 23 percent over three years, and dropped the top personal tax rate from 70 percent to 50 percent.

It also expanded incentives for IRAs and made depreciation for business plants and equipment more generous. In addition, it adjusted the tax brackets for inflation to prevent "bracket creep" so taxpayers weren't pushed into a higher tax bracket simply because their wages rose due to inflation.

The 1981 tax cut totaled $912 billion over five years, in 1996 dollars, far overshadowing any tax reduction since that time, according to the Tax Foundation, a research group supported by businesses.

Congress moved to scale back part of the tax cut the next year by closing loopholes and clamping down on tax shelters in a package that resulted in a $269 billion tax increase over five years, according to the Tax Foundation.

In 1986, the Reagan administration and congressional Democrats, led by former Sen. Bill Bradley, D-N.J., and Rep. Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., passed a sweeping tax overhaul bill that broadened the tax base by reducing corporate tax deductions, such as depreciation for equipment, eliminating the investment tax credit and boosting the "alternative minimum tax," according to the book "Taxing Ourselves," by University of Michigan professor Joel Slemrod.

By closing these corporate loopholes and tax breaks, authors of the 1986 bill could afford to reduce further income tax rates for corporations and individuals. It held out a small tax cut overall — $58 billion over five years in 1996 dollars — and it further cut the top personal income tax rate from 50 percent to 28 percent.

The spirit of simplifying the tax code and broadening the tax base in 1986 was abandoned in the new tax bill, experts say, because the new package of targeted tax cuts by themselves are highly specific and require detailed regulations to implement.

Thomas Ochsenschlager, tax partner at Grant Thornton in Washington, observed that House Ways and Means Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, has said he wanted to "tear the Internal Revenue Service out by its roots.

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Fryar halfway through six months deployment

FHTNC — Navy Seaman Robert O. Fryar, a 1989 graduate of Snyder High School, is halfway through a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific Ocean and Persian Gulf aboard the destroyer USS David R. Ray.

Fryar is one of more than 300 Sailors who departed their homeport of Everett, Wash., in May along with the guided missile destroyer USS Strethem and the guided missile frigate USS Rentz as part of a three-ship Surface Action Group (SAG).

Since departing, Fryar had the opportunity to visit and enjoy the diverse culture of Singapore.

Destroyers, like Fryar's ship, have traditionally been the workhorses of the U.S. Navy, defending battle groups against threats from land, above and below the sea and air. Equipped with Tomahawk cruise missiles, Harpoon anti-ship missiles and Sea Sparrow missiles, USS David R. Ray is capable of hitting enemy targets hundreds of miles away.

In addition, Fryar's ship also carries two helicopters with sonar and torpedo capabilities to expand the ship's reach.

He joined the Navy in March 1996.

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Date Book

Aug. 6, 1997

Today is the 218th day of 1997 and the 47th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1890, the electric chair was used for the first time in Auburn, N.Y.

On this day in 1926, 20-year-old Gertrude Ederle of New York City became the first woman to swim the English Channel.

On this day in 1945, American armed forces dropped the first atomic bomb ever used in warfare on Hiroshima, Japan.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Alfred, Lord Tennyson (1809-1892), poet; Alexander Fleming (1881-1955), discoverer of penicillin; Louella Parsons (1893-1972), journalist; Clara Bow (1905-1965), actress; Lucille Ball (1911-1989), actress-comedian; Robert Mitchum (1917-1997), actor; Andy Warhol (1928-1987), artist; David Robinson (1965-), basketball star, is 32.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1978, John Mahaffey won the PGA tournament in a sudden-death playoff.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers." — Alfred, Lord Tennyson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1992, lightning started a fire in Sarasota, Fla., and later struck one of the firefighters.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Aug. 3) and first quarter (Aug. 11).

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Ozone pollution continues, despite new auto-emission tests

HOUSTON (AP) — A lack of any noticeable improvement in air quality in the Dallas-Fort Worth area has raised questions among environmental watchdogs about the effectiveness of the state's year-old vehicle-emissions testing program, The Wall Street Journal reported today.

Ozone levels in the Dallas-Fort Worth area have reached unhealthy levels as many times so far this year as in all of 1996, despite a vehicle-emission testing program intended to control air pollution.

The state program has been operating in Dallas and Tarrant counties for one year now — a test thousands of automotive polluters have failed.

Nevertheless, ozone levels have reached unhealthy levels on four days this year, matching the 1996 total, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency reports.

In its Texas Journal, the newspaper reported that it was unclear what effect, if any, the testing program has had on pollution. However, critics of the testing program are unappeased, since EPA surveys show that more than half of the region's smog is caused by motor vehicles.

"They settled for a subpar inspection and maintenance program, and now air quality isn't having the projected improvements," says Ramon Alvarez, a staff scientist at the Environmental Defense Fund in Austin. "They need to revise their program."

Since July 1996, nearly 2.2 million Texas cars have been tested for excessive emissions levels. Of those, 7.3 percent failed, while for some late-model cars the rate has reached 25 percent. In Houston, the failure rate is 8.9 percent.

Maj. Ricky Smith, who oversees implementation of the program by the Texas Department of Public Safety, said Houston's higher failure rate is a sign of progress. In Tarrant, Dallas and El Paso counties, motorists have had to participate in various emissions-control plans for years. But the tests in Harris County are the first ever there.

Some motorists who drive late-model vehicles still get waivers from requirements to repair their auto emissions systems, even if they are poorly tuned and pollute heavily, Smith said.

The current testing program rose from the ashes of the state's original proposal, which the Legislature killed amid widespread public criticism in 1995.

With non-centralized testing already in place in Dallas-Fort Worth, the state began testing in Harris and El Paso counties in January. Tests are performed as part of motorists' annual vehicle inspections.

The tests, which scans for excessive levels of carbon monoxide and hydrocarbons, consists of a gas-cap and a tailpipe check on all cars two to 24 years old.

Outdoor smoking ban may make fed workers take hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — "Butt Out Here," demand the signs on ashtrays near the doors of some government buildings. But even that will be forbidden under a crackdown on smoking near federal entrances.

"It's getting to be insulting," Lillian Logan, a clerical staffer puffing by the doors of the Education Department, said of the inexorable march of anti-smoking rules.

"It's a form of harassment, really."

Nonsmokers say it's the present situation that stinks — having to run a gamut of smokers whenever they enter or leave.

"It bugs me that I can't sit outside for lunch," Annie McGarrah, a health policy intern, said Tuesday of all the smoking. "Plus, I have asthma and I think it's gross."

President Clinton is expected to sign an order this week banning smoking in and outside most federal buildings around the country. Most agencies already limit indoor smoking, but few have tried to do the same outdoors.

Just how far smokers will need to go for a puff remains uncertain. An early draft of the rules would have banned smoking within 50 feet of buildings, putting some smokers literally on the street.

Now each agency is expected to be ordered to set up its own no-smoking policy for its entrances.

The rules apply only to the executive branch. In Congress, smoking is restricted in the House but widely allowed in Senate hallways and offices — "a smoker's paradise," anti-tobacco Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., calls them.

Outside the Health and Human Services Department, where the many gathered smokers stand in contrast to the agency's health mission, management analyst LeVern Dickson took a drag and asked, "What happened to my freedom?"

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Is there help for insomniacs?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 72-year-old man who has suffered from insomnia for years. Over-the-counter remedies are ineffective. Melatonin doesn't work, and the Restoril my doctor prescribed has lost its punch. Another doctor told me that I cannot sleep because a past infection "ruined" my immune system. Could this be the problem?

DEAR READER: I doubt it. The immune system has little or nothing to do with the sleep center in the brain.

Insomnia is a common complaint and has many causes, ranging from stress and worry to problems with the "biological clock" (which tells us when to sleep and when to awaken).

Ask your doctor to refer you to a sleep laboratory. Such facilities are generally available in most large teaching hospitals. In such a setting, specialists will examine you and your sleeping pattern using sophisticated testing methods such as brain wave tests. Once the cause of your insomnia has been identified, the specialists will suggest treatment, ranging from drugs to behavioral modification. You do not have to suffer indefinitely from insomnia; help is available.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Sleep Wake Disorders." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a self addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My wife and I are in our 70s and enjoy intercourse about once a week. She says that having sex so often will lead to prostate problems. Is her theory correct?

DEAR READER: Fortunately, no.

No one knows the cause of prostate cancer or the natural tendency of the gland to enlarge with age. However, experts are unanimous that too much (or too little) sex is not a factor.

Remember the old medical saw: A healthy organ is an active one. Both you and your wife ought to be grateful that in spite of being in your 70s you can still enjoy intercourse. As you know, this is far from usual. Most men your age have sexual difficulties of one type or another; women in their 70s likewise experience problems such as lack of interest, poor lubrication or painful intercourse. My advice? Forget your prostate (let your doctor worry about it during your annual exams) and continue to enjoy the intimacy that you and your wife have developed over the years.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Some friends told me that eating carrots is not healthful. Is this true? I love the vegetable.

DEAR READER: Carrots, when eaten in moderation as part of a well-balanced diet, are healthful. They provide minerals, roughage and vitamin A.

Notice that I qualified my answer by using the word "moderation." There have been several studies showing that people who consume huge quantities of carrots or carrot juice (a pound a day or more) may develop carotenemia (an excess of the yellow pigment carotene, which can lead to vitamin-A poisoning and liver damage).

However, carrots are certainly healthful when consumed in normal quantities.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 08-06-97
♠ J 9 5 3 2
♥ 2
♦ 8 5 3 2
♣ 4 3 2

West
♠ 10
♥ A K Q 10 9 4
♦ A Q 9
♣ 10 9 6

East
♠ Q 7
♥ 8 7 5
♦ J 10 7 6
♣ A Q J 8

South
♠ A K 8 6 4
♥ J 6 3
♦ K 4
♣ K 7 5

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	2 ♥	??	

Opening lead: ♥ A

Stage three: the simple approach

By Phillip Alder

Unless you have just flown in from Mars, you will have heard of the Law of Total Tricks — perhaps in these columns. It was uncovered some 40 years ago by Frenchman Jean-Rene Vernes. But it rested almost unknown until Larry Cohen wrote and published "To Bid or Not to Bid" in 1992. That book and its sequel, "Following the Law," are overkill for most players. However, for the rest of us, Cohen has now put out "Introduction to the Law" (Baron Barclay, $8.95 postpaid; 800-274-2221).

This 60-page book provides an excellent prologue to the leading guide for competitive bidding. If you and your partner read this book, discuss its implications, and apply it at the table, you will become much tougher opponents.

This deal exhibits the Law in action. You hold the North hand. Your partner opens one spade and West overcalls two hearts. With neither side vulnerable, what would you bid?

Only one high-card point: How can you possibly act? Yet you have five-card support for partner's spade suit. The right bid is *four* spades.

The primary conclusion of the Law, *assuming you cannot make game on high-card power*, is that you should bid to the level of your combined trump holding.

Here, partner has shown at least five spades. You have five spades for a total of 10. So, bid four spades, the 10-trick contract.

Probably East will double and South will go two down, losing one heart, two diamonds and two clubs. However, minus 300 is a beneficial sacrifice against a making five-heart contract worth 450.

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

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

"A Company of Women International" Prophetic Voice to the Nations, for mature Christian women, Union Community Center; pot luck supper; 6 p.m.

Deep Creek Chapter of ABWA; The Shack; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

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Rolling Plains Ratite Association; The Shack; 7 p.m.

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SUNDAY

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

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

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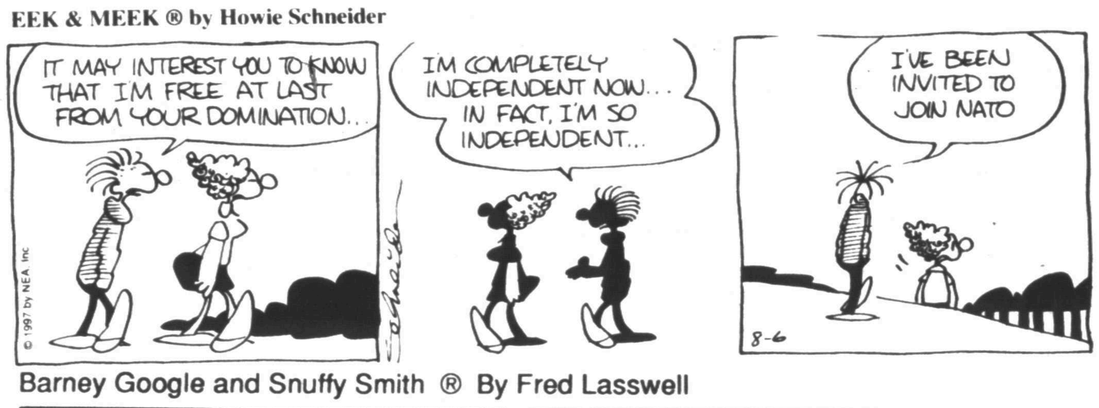

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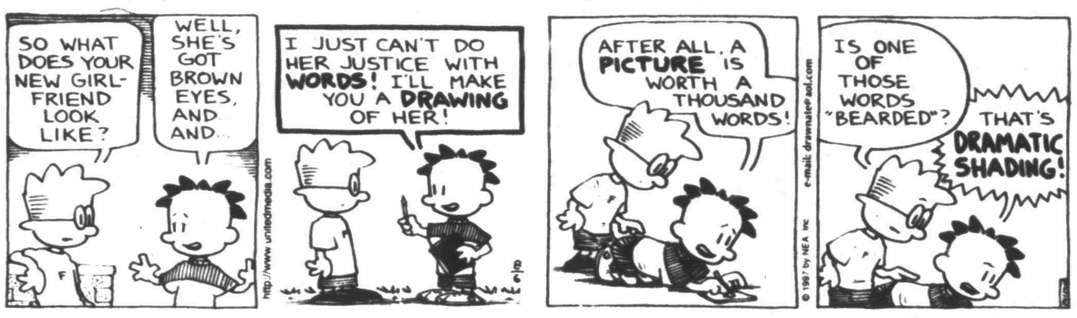

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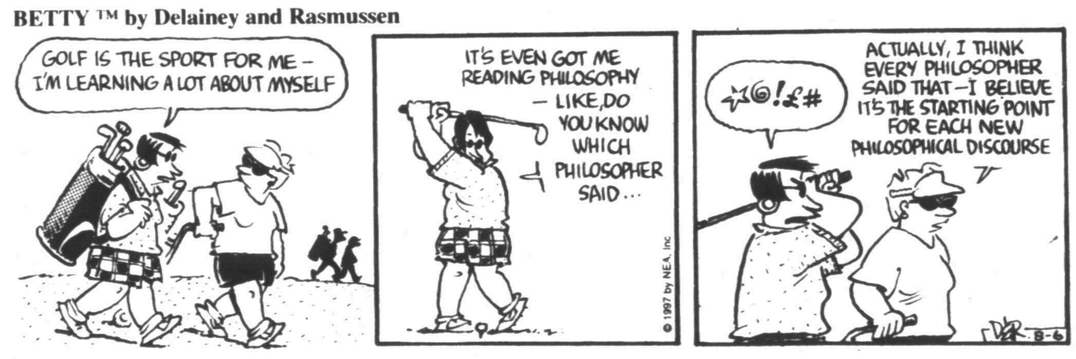

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4 Greek marketplace
9 — and caboodle
12 North of Ill.
13 More exposed
14 Ibsen character
15 White gypsum
17 Owns
18 The race — — to the swift
19 Pig sounds
21 Weeping trees
25 Baby goat
28 Part of speech
29 Type of skirt
33 Garden tool
34 Auctioneer's word
35 Totals
36 Absent
38 Carpenters' tools
40 Chess master Mikhail —
41 Zola heroine
42 And others (2 wds.)
43 Gravel ridge
44 Wealthy
47 Newsstand
50 Legislate
54 — — Clear Day
55 One who gets things going
59 Illuminated
60 Model's asset
61 Roman 52
62 Joyful sound
63 South American Indians
64 Pt. of ESL

DOWN

1 Bridge on the River —
2 Greases
3 Straight — — arrow
4 Lessening
5 Fuel
6 Table scrap
7 Dakota Indian
8 Directional sign
9 Actress Madeline —
10 Author
11 Hardy heroine
16 Show respect
20 Beliefs
22 Slacken
23 Shaped like a crescent
24 Type of street (2 wds.)
25 Asian chief
26 Hawkeye State
27 Singer Martin
30 Car
31 Dec. holiday
32 Emerald —
37 Sweet potatoes
39 Shirt parts
45 Giraffelike animal
46 Genetic material
47 Tropical nut
48 Freshwater porpoise
49 Solemn pledge
51 Tamarisk salt tree
52 Mint
53 Math subject
56 Against
57 Spasm
58 Rose — — rose

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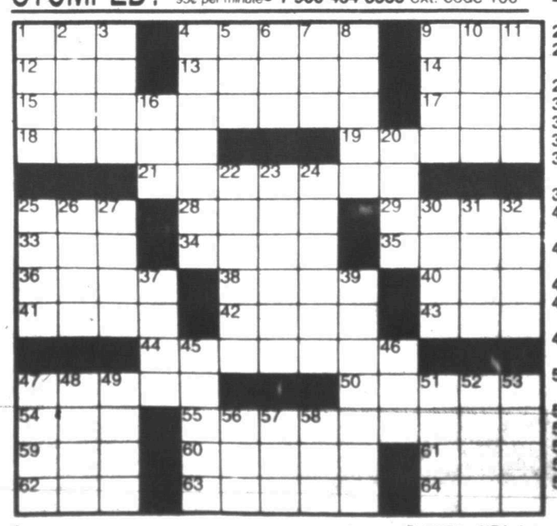

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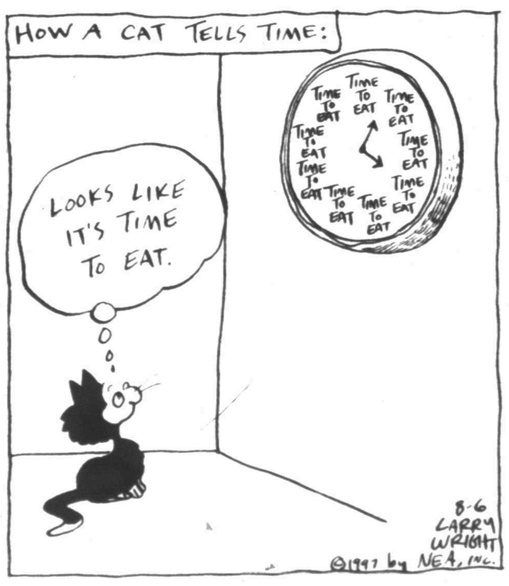

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SPORTS

Jones consulting NFL regarding punishment

AUSTIN (AP) — Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has consulted with the NFL about how to punish coach Barry Switzer for carrying a loaded, unlicensed gun through an airport.

"We are certainly interested in looking at how and what the issue of arms are involved with the league," Jones said Tuesday night. "That's part of it. Part of it is just counsel within our own organization."

The most likely option appears to be a fine, a source told The Associated Press on Tuesday.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram said it learned there was a heated conversation between Jones and Switzer in the hours after the coach's arrest on Monday. The discussion centered around whether Switzer should remain as coach, the newspaper said, quoting a source.

At one point, the source told the newspaper, Switzer remarked, "I just might resign."

Speaking on Dallas radio station KTCK today, Jones discounted the report saying: "No, again sheer speculation. And that was wrong."

The source said Jones and Switzer talked later Monday and again on Tuesday and that their current relationship is "fine."

Jones, who has refused to answer questions about whether Switzer's job is in jeopardy, said he expected to make an announcement on the matter "sooner rather than later."

The team owner said he was gathering "information regarding the entire matter and making an assessment of what's in the best interest of everything we are doing, what we are doing off the field and how we move on throughout the year."

"All of that is evolving into the comments I will make regarding the action with Barry," he said.

Jones has said he wouldn't stand for the kind of behavior that led to the suspensions of five players, including Michael Irvin and Leon Lett, for violating the NFL's substance abuse policy in the past three years.

Jones said that a mistake by someone in an influential position is "an even more serious matter than it would be if it were a player."

According to NFL policy, all league employees are prohibited from carrying firearms while on NFL premises or while conducting NFL business. A violation is subject to discipline by the commissioner.

NFL officials have said they are in contact with the Cowboys, but declined to comment on any specific discussions.

Switzer was one of the first to arrive at practice Tuesday. Jones showed up later, but did not talk to his coach, choosing instead to climb a tower between two practice fields to watch the team from above.

After the Cowboys conducted special teams drills, Switzer huddled with his players to explain Monday's arrest at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. Afterward, running back Herschel Walker put his arm around the coach.

"He said he was sorry and explained what happened," tight end Eric Bjornson said. "He apologized and said, 'You guys are doing great, keep up the good work.'"

Fullback Daryl Johnston said, "I don't think it's anything at all. I think it's a very innocent act. He's already come out and apologized and said he's embarrassed for what he did."

Quarterback Troy Aikman, a critic of Switzer in the past, said: "In light of what the organization has tried to do and having gone through a good camp up to this point, it gives us a little bit of a black eye. But we'll put it behind us and move forward. It was an honest mistake."

Switzer was arrested at the airport for for carrying a loaded .38-caliber pistol in his baggage.

GET THOSE KNEES UP — Snyder head football coach David Baugh watches some of his players during the first two-a-day workout this morning. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lowrance advances to match play

Snyder's Brooke Lowrance, daughter of Jeff and Jacalyn Lowrance, qualified for the match play portion of the 97th U.S. Women's Amateur Championship.

The tournament, which is being played this year at Brae Burn Country Club in West Newton, Mass., held two stroke play rounds with the low 64 players advancing to match play.

Lowrance, a junior marketing major at Texas Tech, was to have played her first match this morning.

The 36-hole championship will be played on Saturday.

Sports Transactions

American League

TEXAS RANGERS—Claimed RHP Terry Clark off waivers from Cleveland.

National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed C Adam Schreiber to a two-year contract.

CHICAGO BEARS—Signed S Vince Buck. Waived P Eddie Howard.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Released DL Artie Smith and FB Jeff Cothran.

GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed TE Reggie Johnson. Waived S Sean Boyd, DE Elliott Fortune and LB Kevin Jefferson.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

BUFFALO SABRES—Signed RW Dixon Ward to a multiyear contract.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	71	43	.623	-
Florida	65	46	.586	4½
NewYork	63	48	.568	6½
Montreal	57	53	.518	12
Philadelphia	36	74	.327	33

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	61	52	.540	-
Pittsburgh	56	57	.496	5
St.Louis	52	60	.464	8½
Cincinnati	47	63	.427	12½
Chicago	45	68	.398	16

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanFrancisco	63	50	.558	-
LosAngeles	61	51	.545	1½
SanDiego	53	59	.473	9½
Colorado	53	61	.465	10½

Monday's Games

Florida 4, Houston 1
Atlanta 6, Pittsburgh 0
San Francisco 9, Cincinnati 1
Philadelphia 7, Colorado 3
N.Y. Mets 4, St. Louis 2

Tuesday's Games

Florida 6, Houston 5
Pittsburgh 5, Atlanta 4
Cincinnati 7, San Diego 3
Los Angeles 5, Montreal 4, 10 innings
Colorado 4, Philadelphia 2
N.Y. Mets 5, St. Louis 4, 10 innings
San Francisco 8, Chicago Cubs 2

Wednesday's Games

San Francisco (Rapp 4-6) at Chicago Cubs (Mullholland 6-11), 2:20 p.m.
Florida (Brown 9-8) at Pittsburgh (Loaiza 8-7), 7:35 p.m.
San Diego (Hamilton 9-3) at Cincinnati (Mercker 7-8), 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Park 10-5) at Montreal (Hermanson 5-5), 7:35 p.m.
Houston (Garcia 4-7) at Philadelphia (Stephenson 5-5), 7:35 p.m.
Colorado (Thomson 3-6) at N.Y. Mets (Mlicki 5-7), 7:40 p.m.
St. Louis (An.Benes 7-6) at Atlanta (Maddux 15-3), 7:40 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Colorado (Swift 4-5) at N.Y. Mets (Clark 7-7), 12:10 p.m.
Houston (Hampton 9-7) at Philadelphia (Beech 0-7), 1:05 p.m.
Florida (Leiter 8-7) at Pittsburgh (Cordova 8-6), 1:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Alvarez 1-0) at Chicago Cubs (Gonzalez 7-5), 2:20 p.m.
Los Angeles (Nomo 10-8) at Montreal (Bullinger 6-11), 7:35 p.m.
San Diego (Jackson 2-8) at Cincinnati (Tomko 6-3), 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Stottlemyre 11-7) at Atlanta (Neagle 15-2), 7:40 p.m.

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	69	40	.633	-
NewYork	65	45	.591	4½
Boston	54	59	.478	17
Detroit	52	58	.473	17½
Toronto	52	58	.473	17½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	57	50	.533	-
Milwaukee	55	55	.500	3½
Chicago	54	56	.491	4½
Minnesota	50	61	.450	9
KansasCity	46	63	.422	12

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	63	48	.568	-
Anaheim	64	49	.566	-
Texas	51	60	.459	12
Oakland	43	71	.377	21½

Monday's Games

Cleveland 7, Detroit 2
N.Y. Yankees 5, Kansas City 4
Minnesota 9, Toronto 3
Boston 11, Texas 5
Milwaukee 5, Anaheim 2

Tuesday's Games

Detroit 6, Cleveland 4
Toronto 8, Minnesota 3
Chicago White Sox 3, Oakland 0
N.Y. Yankees 4, Kansas City 1
Boston 17, Texas 1
Anaheim 6, Milwaukee 5
Seattle 4, Baltimore 3

Wednesday's Games

Milwaukee (Eldred 11-10) at Anaheim (Watson 9-6), 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Wright 3-1) at Toronto (Hentgen 11-7), 7:35 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 13-6) at Texas (Oliver 7-10), 7:35 p.m.
Boston (Avery 5-2) at Minnesota (Robertson 7-9), 8:05 p.m.
Detroit (Moehler 7-9) at Kansas City (Rosado 7-8), 8:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Navarro 8-9) at Oakland (Haynes 0-1), 10:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Erickson 13-5) at Seattle (Moyer 11-4), 10:35 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Detroit (Dishman 0-0) at Kansas City (Belcher 11-9), 2:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Woodard 1-1) at Oakland (Rigby 0-4), 4:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Smiley 1-0) at Toronto (Clemens 16-4), 7:35 p.m.
Boston (Sele 10-8) at Minnesota (Bowers 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Cone 11-5) at Texas (Witt 10-7), 8:35 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Eyre 0-1) at Seattle (Johnson 15-3), 10:05 p.m.

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Norman and Faxon win charity tourney

WEST LINN, Ore. (AP) — With a rush of six birdies and an eagle in an eight-hole span, Greg Norman and Brad Faxon left no doubt that they are the unchallenged masters of the Fred Meyer Challenge.

Norman and Faxon, already the first team to win the Challenge two years in a row, made it three straight Tuesday, shooting an 8-under-par 63 in the second round for a course record 19-under 123 total, three shots better than Phil Mickelson and Jay Haas.

Dating to 1995, over 108 holes of golf on the steep hills of the 6,914-yard Oregon Golf Club course, Norman and Faxon are a combined 50-under-par in the best-ball team event.

"You still go out there to win, no matter if you're playing in a PGA event, playing in a major or playing here," said Norman, who had six birdies and an eagle Tuesday. "I laugh when I read in the newspaper that there's more pressure in winning a major. There's just as much pressure to win the PGA Championship or playing here. You're still trying to make the shot."

Mickelson, fresh from his PGA Tour victory at last weekend's International, teamed with Haas to finish second at 16-under 126. They shot a 10-under 61 Tuesday.

Haas chipped in for an eagle on the par-4 10th for the second day in a row.

"We made the turn at 1-under yesterday and that killed us," Haas said. "We were just too far behind."

Steve Elkington and Craig Stadler were third at 127, one shot ahead of Arnold Palmer and tournament host Peter Jacobsen.

After their tournament record 11-under 60 in Monday's first round, Norman and Faxon started out slowly Tuesday. They birdied the first hole, then ran off a string of six consecutive pars.

That left it open for someone to make a run at the leaders, but no one did.

Norman and Faxon broke the old course record of 18-under 124 they set last year. The tournament record of 19-under 122 was set by Bobby and Lanny Wadkins in 1990 at the Portland Golf Club, two years before the event moved to the Oregon Golf Club.

SHS begins two-a-days

Snyder High School officially began its football season today, when two-a-day workouts started at 9 this morning.

Approximately 100 players reported to the field house for the 7 a.m. equipment check and 8 o'clock team meeting.

The Tigers will continue workouts through Saturday, before taking their first day off on Sunday.

Next week, practices will resume on Monday, culminating with the Watermelon Bowl on Saturday.

The annual intrasquad scrimmage will take place at Travis Field, with the freshman and partial JV squads starting at 8:45 a.m. The varsity and other JV group will begin at 9:45.

There is a $1 admission fee, benefiting the SHS Football Booster Club, with watermelon served afterward.

Snyder has its first scrimmage against another opponent Aug. 22, when the team faces Brownwood at Merkel.

The Tigers' other scrimmage will be held in Slaton on Aug. 28.

Non-district play begins with the JV going against Andrews here, Sept. 4. Both freshman teams will play at Andrews the same day.

Varsity kicks off its season Sept. 5 at 7:30 in Andrews.

SDN Sports Briefs

SHS volleyball information

Volleyball tryouts will begin Monday. Grades 10-12 will workout from 4 until 6:30 p.m. and freshman from 6:30 until 9 p.m.

Tryouts will continue through Thursday, Aug. 14. The time schedule will be posted in the SHS gym. Students who are new to the district and all incoming freshman need to be sure they have received a physical.

For more information call the SHS gym at 574-6039.

Junior high football

All Snyder 8th graders wanting to play football need to be at the junior high field house Thursday from 2:30-5 to get their equipment.

All Snyder 7th graders wanting to play football should report to the field house Friday from 2:30-5 to get their equipment.

Benefit golf tournament

Kiwanis Club of Snyder will host the Cargile Scholarship Foundation Benefit Golf Tournament Aug. 16 at Western Texas College.

The format is a 4-person scramble and entry fee is $30 per player. Tee times are 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The top four teams will be awarded cash prizes.

For more information call Russell Fisk at 573-3438 or the WTC pro shop at 573-9291.

Men's softball tournament

A men's softball tournament, benefiting the Baile Folklorico de Guadalupe, will be held Saturday and Sunday at Winston Park. All USSSA rules will apply, with team trophies awarded to the top three teams and T-shirts to the top two.

Entry fee is $100 per team and the deadline for registration is Thursday. For more information call Luis at 573-6703 or Ricky at 573-0435.

Golf tournament

The Men's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold the Ninth Annual Blowout Partnership Tournament Aug. 22-24.

The format will be low-ball on Saturday and scramble on Sunday. The field of 60 teams will be preflighted by certified handicaps with a maximum differential of eight strokes allowed.

Entry fee is $300 per team plus cart and only the first 60 paid entries will be accepted. All players must be 21 years of age and submit a copy of their current handicap card with their registration. For more information call 573-4903.

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Women's Golf Association

Snyder Country Club
Women's Golf Association

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July 8, vs. '96 club champion Penny Perry: Penny Perry, 67; Anita Talbott, low putter, 24; Penny Perry, chip-in.

July 15, queen of the hill: Cynthia Jackson, low gross, 90; Finnie Seale, low net, 71; Finnie Seale, low putter, 29; Cynthia Jackson, chip-in.

July 22, best poker hand: Anita Talbott, 5 fives; Vivian Norwood, 4 fives and 1 six; Suzy Reed, low putter, 28; Vivian Norwood, two chip-ins.

July 29, Nassau tournament: Peggy Hardin, front nine, 35; Norma Thompson, back nine, 32; Peggy Hardin and Norma Thompson, total, 73; Donna Stehley, Esther Guelker and Norma Thompson, low putters, 29; Donna Stehley, chip-in.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Eastern Conference

	W	L	Pct	GB
NewYork	15	5	.750	-
Houston	12	7	.632	2½
Charlotte	10	8	.556	4
Cleveland	11	9	.550	4

Western Conference

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	9	9	.500	-
LosAngeles	9	12	.429	1½
Utah	6	13	.316	3½
Sacramento	5	14	.263	4½

Tuesday's Games

Los Angeles 67, New York 50
Houston 76, Cleveland 66

Wednesday's Games

Utah at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Charlotte at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Los Angeles at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

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Microsoft buying stake in Apple

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The two companies agreed to put aside a long-running dispute over whether Microsoft infringed on Apple's patents when it created its top-selling Windows operating system.

Microsoft agreed to release versions of its popular Office software for businesses in Macintosh formats. Also, Apple said it would make Microsoft's Internet Explorer browser the easiest choice for accessing the Internet from a Macintosh computer.

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	108 15-16	108¾	108 15-16	+ 5-16
AT&T Corps	38½	38	38 7-16	+ 7-16
AirTouch	36	34¾	35¾	+ ¼
Albertsons	36 7-16	36¼	36¾	+ ¼
AlldSignal	92⅝	91¾	92⅝	+ ¼
Alltel	32 11-16	32¼	32¼	— ¼
AmerOnline	75½	72 15-16	74¾	+ 1¼
AmStoress	24¾	24 3-16	24¼	— 1-16
Ameritech	67¼	66¾	67¼	+ ¼
Amoco	94¾	93¼	94 11-16	+ 1-16
AndarkPtr	71 15-16	71 5-16	71 7-16	— 5-16
Armcolnc			6¼	6 6
AtlRichfld s	74¾	73¾	74 9-16	— 7-16
ATMOS Egy	24¼	24 3-16	24 3-16	— 3-16
Aviall	15 5-16		15¼	15 5-16
BakerHughes	45½	45	45⅝	+ ½
BellAtl	73 15-16	72¼	73 13-16	+ ¼
BellSouth	47¾	47 3-16	47¾	+ 5-16
BethSteel	11 15-16	11¼	11 13-16	+ 7-16
BritPet s	85¼	85	85⅛	+ 1¼
BurlNoSFe	96¼	96¼	96¼	+ ¼
Caterpillar s	59¼	55 11-16	59 3-16	+11-16
CenSoWst	19 15-16		19½	19 15-16
Chevron	79¾	79	79¾	— ¼
Chrysler	36 11-16	36¼	36⅜	+ ¼
Coastal	54 13-16	54¼	54 13-16	+ 7-16
CocaCola	67 13-16	67 7-16	67½	— ¼
ColgatePalm s	73 5-16	72½	73 3-16	— 3-16
ComclMetals		31 9-16	31 7-16	31½
CooperIn	55 15-16	55¼	55¼	+ 7-16
CyprusAmax	26 3-16	26	26⅛	+ 3-16
DallSemicn	41 13-16	40½	41⅛	+ ¼
DeltaAirl	89¾	88 7-16	89¾	+11-16
DigitalEq	44 9-16	43 15-16	44 7-16	+ 9-16
Dillards Inc	40 3-16	39¾	39¾	+ ¼
DowChem	94¼	94¼	94¼	+ 7-16
DresserInd	42	41¼	41¼	+ 1-16
DuPont s	69¾	67¼	69 5-16	+1 1-16
EastmanChem	61	60¾	60 9-16	— ¼
EstKodak	68	67½	67 9-16	— ¼
EDS Corp	46¼	45¾	46	+ 1¼
Entergy	26 7-16	26¼	26⅜	+ ¼
Exxon s	64¼	63¾	64⅛	+ 9-16
FstBksAm	16	15¼	16	+ 3-16
Flowers s	17¾	17¼	17 11-16	+ ¼
FordMotor	41 5-16	40 13-16	41⅛	+ ¼
GTE Cp	46½	45 11-16	46 7-16	+ ¼
GenDynam	84 5-16	84	84 5-16	+ 1-16
GenElecs	68⅛	67¼	68⅛	+ ¼
GenMills	70¼	70 9-16	70¼	— ¼
GenMotors	63¼	62¾	63 3-16	+ 3-16
GaPacif	94¼	94½	94 13-16	+ 9-16
GlobalMar	29¾	28 15-16	29¾	+ 7-16
Goodrich	45¾	44¾	45⅞	+15-16
Goodyear s	64¾	64 1-16	64 3-16	+ 1-16
GtAtlPac	27¼	26¾	27 1-16	+ 3-16
Halliburtn s	48 3-16	47 7-16	48 1-16	+ 5-16
Hanson ADS n	25	24 15-16	24 15-16	— 1
HarteHanks	31¼	31¼	31 11-16	— 1-16
HomeDepot s		50 3-16	49¾	50¼
HoustonInds	21¼	21¼	21 5-16	— 1-16
IBM s	109 7-16	105 13-16	109	+ 2½
IntlPaper	57 7-16	56¾	57⅛	+11-16
JohnsonJn	61¼	61¼	61⅜	+ 3-16
K mart	11 11-16	11½	11 11-16	+ ¼
Kroger s	29¾	29 9-16	29¾	+ ¼
Litton	50¾	50 9-16	50¾	— ¼
LockhdMart	105 13-16	105¼	105 9-16	+ 1-16
Lowes Cos	37 9-16	37¼	37½	— 1-16
Lubys	19 9-16	19½	19 9-16	+ 1-16
LucentTech	86¼	84½	86 3-16	+ 3-16
MayDeptStrs	56	55 11-16	56	+ 1-16
Medtronic	94 5-16	93¾	93⅞	+ ¼
Mobils	75 11-16	75 3-16	75 7-16	+ ¼
Monsanto	49¾	48¾	49	— 7-16
MorganJP	114 15-16	113½	114 13-16	+13-16
Motorola	83¾	82¼	83 1-16	— 9-16
NCR Corp n	33 7-16	32¼	33⅜	+ 9-16
NationsBk s	70 3-16	69¾	70 1-16	+ ¼
Navistar	20¼	20¼	20¼	— ¼
NoramEngy	16¼	16	16 1-16	— 1-16
Norwest	62¼	61¼	62 9-16	+13-16
Nynex	56¼	55¼	56 9-16	+15-16
OryxEngy	25¼	25¼	25½	+ ¼
Penney JC	59¼	58 13-16	59 3-16	+ 9-16
Pennzoil	77¼	77 1-16	77 3-16	+ 1-16
PepBoys	34 13-16	34 3-16	34¼	+ 9-16
PepsiCo		38¼	38 3-16	38 13-16
PhelpDodge	84¼	83 15-16	84¼	+ 7-16
PhilipPet	46 13-16	46 7-16	46¼	+ 7-16
PilgrmPrd	11½	11¼	11¼	+ 1-16
Polaroid	59½	58 15-16	59	—13-16
Praxair	56 3-16	55¼	56 3-16	+11-16
ProctGamble	149½	144 11-16	148⅞	+ ¼
PubSNwMx	18 9-16	18 7-16	18 9-16	+ ¼
RoyalDut s	57	56¼	56 15-16	+ ¼
SBC Comm	58¼	58 1-16	58 9-16	+ 9-16
SaraLee	43¼	43¼	43¼	+ 3-16
SearsRoeb	65	63 15-16	64 13-16	+ 7-16
SherwinW s	32½	31¼	31 15-16	— 3-16
SmthBc ADS	96	95½	95 13-16	— 3-16
SouthernCo	21¼	21 9-16	21 11-16	+ ¼
SwstAirlines	29 3-16	28¼	29 1-16	— 3-16
Sprint	48½	48 1-16	48 7-16	+ 3-16
SunCo	36¼	35 11-16	36¼	+ ½
TNP Ent	24 13-16	24¼	24 13-16	
Tandy	61¼	59 13-16	61 3-16	+ 1¼
TempleInland	67½	67¼	67½	+ 9-16
Tenneco	47¼	46¼	47¼	+ ¼
Texaco	115 5-16	114½	115 1-16	+ 9-16
TexasInds	33 5-16	33	33 5-16	+ 3-16
TexasInst	130¼	127¾	129¾	+ ¼
TexUtil	34¼	34¼	34 13-16	+ ¼
Textron s	69¾	68 9-16	68 11-16	+ 3-16
Travelers s		70¾	69¾	70 + ¼
TrinityInds	39 7-16	39 5-16	39 7-16	— 1-16
TritonEngy	41 7-16	40 11-16	40 13-16	—1 1-16
Tyler	2 5-16	2 5-16	2 5-16	— 1-16
US WestCm	37 3-16	36 9-16	37⅛	+ ¼
USWstMda	23¼	22	22½	—1 9-16
USX Delhi	12¾	12 11-16	12 11-16	— 1-16
USX-Marathn	32 15-16	31 15-16	32 3-16	+ 3-16
USX-USS	36¼	35 15-16	36 5-16	+11-16
UnCarbde	56¼	55¼	56 3-16	+ 5-16
UnPac s	71 15-16	71¼	71¾	— ¼
UnitedTech s	84 11-16	83 13-16	84 7-16	+11-16
Unocal	41 3-16	40 11-16	40¾	— ½
WalMart	37 13-16	37¼	37⅜	+ ¼
WstnGasRs	18¼	18 7-16	18 9-16	— ¼
WestghEl	25½	24¾	25 5-16	+ 9-16
WinnDixie	35 13-16	35 11-16	35 13-16	— ¼
Woolworth	28¼	28	28	— ¼
Xerox Corp	83 15-16	82¾	83¾	— ¼

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Clara Rhodes, 3707 Muriel Dr.

DISMISSALS: None.

CENSUS: 40 (Med., Surg.-9, Long-term Care-31).

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Scurry County Country

Crop Report

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Dry conditions have paved the way for increased insect pressure on some late-planted sorghum crops, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reported Thursday.

District Extension Director Lin Wilson of Corpus Christi said record-breaking high temperatures in the Coastal Bend have made dry areas breeding grounds for insects.

Wilson said that farmers have noticed increased pest problems on sorghum stands due to the late maturation of the crop.

"The late-planted sorghum missed some of the timely rains earlier this year to keep insects off of the crop," he said. "Some areas have not had rain since mid-June, and producers are seeing higher insect pressure."

According to extension entomologist Roy Parker of Corpus Christi, sorghum in the soft dough stage has shown the most instances of insect activity.

"The late-season sorghum in the upper Gulf Coast area is really suffering from stinkbug activity and the lack of moisture," Parker said.

Parker also said producers are seeing evidence of edge disease on late sorghum. He said some crops suffered from charcoal rot lodging, found earlier in the season.

According to Wilson, farmers have reported higher levels of stinkbug activity on other crops.

"Stinkbug controls have been applied to rice in the heading stage to prevent numbers from increasing further," Wilson said.

Despite reports of increased insect numbers, extension agronomist Charles Stichler of Uvalde says that farmers in his area are still very optimistic about the crop in general.

"The sorghum harvest continues with excellent yields and quality being reported," Stichler said. "Farmers are harvesting 5,000- to 7,500-pound yields."

District Extension Director Doyle Warren of Weslaco says the sorghum harvest should be coming to a close soon.

"About 70 percent of the sorghum crop is already mature," he said.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district extension directors:

PANHANDLE: soil moisture very short to short. Pastures, ranges fair to good. Cattle good. Wheat planting under way. Cotton slowing due to short moisture. Corn and sorghum good but insect pressure increasing. Sugarbeets, soybeans and peanuts rated good.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture short to adequate. Pastures fair with irrigation, weed control under way in most fields. Dryland crops in need of rainfall. Boll setting nearing completion on cotton crop.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture short. Pastures, ranges poor; grasses becoming unpalatable, low in nutrition. Cattle good but stocks dwindling. Cotton fair with most insect numbers increasing. Peanut crop good.

NORTH TEXAS: soil moisture very short to short. Pastures poor to fair. Livestock fair to good. Hay baling under way. Sweet potatoes in need of rain. Pecan crop in need of rain. Peach harvest under way.

EAST TEXAS: soil moisture short to adequate. Pastures in need of rain. Hay baling under way with excellent yields being reported. Peaches, pecans good. Vegetable harvests delayed by hot weather.

FAR WEST TEXAS: soil moisture very short to adequate. Pastures, ranges fair to good. Livestock excellent. Cotton fair to good with some bollworm damage. Sorghum stressed from lack of rain. Peaches good but light crop reported. Pecan crop good.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture very short to short. Pastures, ranges being dried out by hot, dry winds. Livestock good but tick problem persists. Oat harvest complete. Sorghum good. Pecan crop good but mildew, scab, spittlebug infestations persist. Peanuts good.

CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture short. Pastures, ranges in need of rainfall. Corn, sorghum, silage harvest under way with excellent yields reported. Cotton insect problems persist in cotton fields. High temperatures decreasing milk production.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: soil moisture short. Pastures in need of moisture. Cattle good. Peaches poor with persistent fruit rot. Watermelon crop good but in need of rainfall. Good hay yields being reported in moist areas.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: soil moisture short. Hot, dry weather causing pastures, ranges to go into summer dormancy. Livestock good. Sorghum, corn harvest under way with excellent yields. Cotton, peanuts good with heavy irrigation under way.

COASTAL BEND: soil moisture short. Pastures, ranges fair. Sorghum harvest under way. Irrigation of rice under way. Soybean harvest under way, but poor yield potential expected. Fungicides applied to pecans for stem blight removal.

SOUTH TEXAS: soil moisture short. Pastures, ranges good, but weed problems persist. Livestock fair. Cotton good to fair; bollweevils being reported in some fields. Sorghum fair to good with harvest under way. Corn fair.

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TITULO VI Y TITULO IX Y LA SECCION 504
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1997-98
SNYDER INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
TITLE VI & TITLE IX SECTION 504
COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES

Snyder Independent School District offers both educational and vocational programs. Admission to the programs is based on classification.

Vocational programs offered are vocational home economics, industrial technology, agricultural science and technology, and marketing education.

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Town & Country Topics

By Katherine Roberts
County Extension Agent

When grapefruit juice and drugs mix

Scientists have discovered that grapefruit increases the absorption of certain medications, including some blood pressure lowering drugs and sedatives (see chart).

The finding has raised concern that people who take these drugs with grapefruit juice might be getting too much of the medications in their systems. But in the vast majority of cases, mixing drugs with grapefruit juice is nothing to worry about.

"The only thing people need to do is be consistent," says Paul Watkins, M.D., the director of the University of Michigan General Clinical Research Center in Ann Arbor. "If you're on one of the drugs and you've always taken it with grapefruit juice, don't stop. And if you haven't, don't start." Sticking to your established routine ensures that you will consistently get the same dose of medication in your bloodstream.

Drug companies are suddenly very interested in grapefruit juice. "There is a worldwide race to find the ingredient in grapefruit juice that enhances absorption," Dr. Watkins says. Not only does the substance, whatever it is, improve the absorption of various drugs; it also makes absorption rates more constant from person to person. As Dr. Watkins explains, some people might absorb only 30 percent of the drug in a pill, while others absorb as much as 80 percent. That makes prescribing a particular dosage of certain drugs a bit of a crap shoot. But identifying the elusive grapefruit juice ingredient should solve the problem.

Grapefruit juice's effect on drug absorption, incidentally, was found completely by chance. A Toronto researcher, David Bailey, Ph.D., was asked to conduct a study to determine whether it was safe to take the blood pressure drug Plendil with alcohol. To make his study results more legitimate, he wanted to mask the taste of alcohol so his subjects' reactions would be purely physiologic, rather than influenced by any preconceived expectations of how they would respond if they knew they were imbibing. Many beverages were tried to disguise alcohol's taste, but grapefruit juice was the only one that did the trick.

It turned out the alcohol had no effect. But the subjects' blood levels of Plendil were higher than anybody had ever seen.

Apparently, something in grapefruit juice changes the rate at which an enzyme in the intestine breaks down Plendil, allowing for more complete absorption by the body. That same enzyme also is responsible for controlling the absorption rate of several other drugs. That is how the connection between juice and a variety of medications was made.

Drugs Affected by Grapefruit Juice

Type	Generic Name	Trade Name
Sedatives	Triazolam	Halcion
	Midazolam	Versed
Anihypertensives	Felodipine	Plendil
	Nifedipine	Procardia
Antihistamine	Terenadine	Seldane
Immunosuppressant	Cyclosporine	Sandimmune

Source: Tufts University Health & Nutritional Letter. March 1997, Vol. 15 No.

Strike against United Parcel hits some farmers, producers

Farmers and ranchers who rely on United Parcel Service to haul spare parts and veterinary medicine to their rural spreads across the West fear that the nationwide strike against UPS could cut them off from essential supplies — right at harvest time.

Without the rural delivery that is almost exclusive to UPS, many face trips up to hundreds of miles long to fetch needed equipment.

Jim Smid, foreman of the Jaymar Ranch in Moriarty, N.M., said he gets most of his supplies from towns that are nowhere nearby.

"Without UPS, we could get ourselves into a lot of trouble if the cattle get sick and we need vet supplies," he said. "I would have to travel a hundred miles to get these supplies.

"This is a great inconvenience to everyone."

Farm supply businesses have been forced to ask farmers and ranchers to pick up their own equipment, including veterinary vaccines.

John Kelley, manager of Western Ranch Supply in Great Falls, Mont., a veterinary supply firm, said he is uncomfortable with alternative shipping methods that lack the tracking technology of UPS.

"If we send a package that has to be iced, we can't track it," he said. "If it's something that has to be cool like a vaccine, we don't like to send it through the post office because if it gets put in a corner for a couple of days, it will be ruined."

Kelley said his company is asking ranchers to come to town and pick up vaccines and other supplies, but many are faced with trying to find a neighbor or ranch hand to run the errand for them.

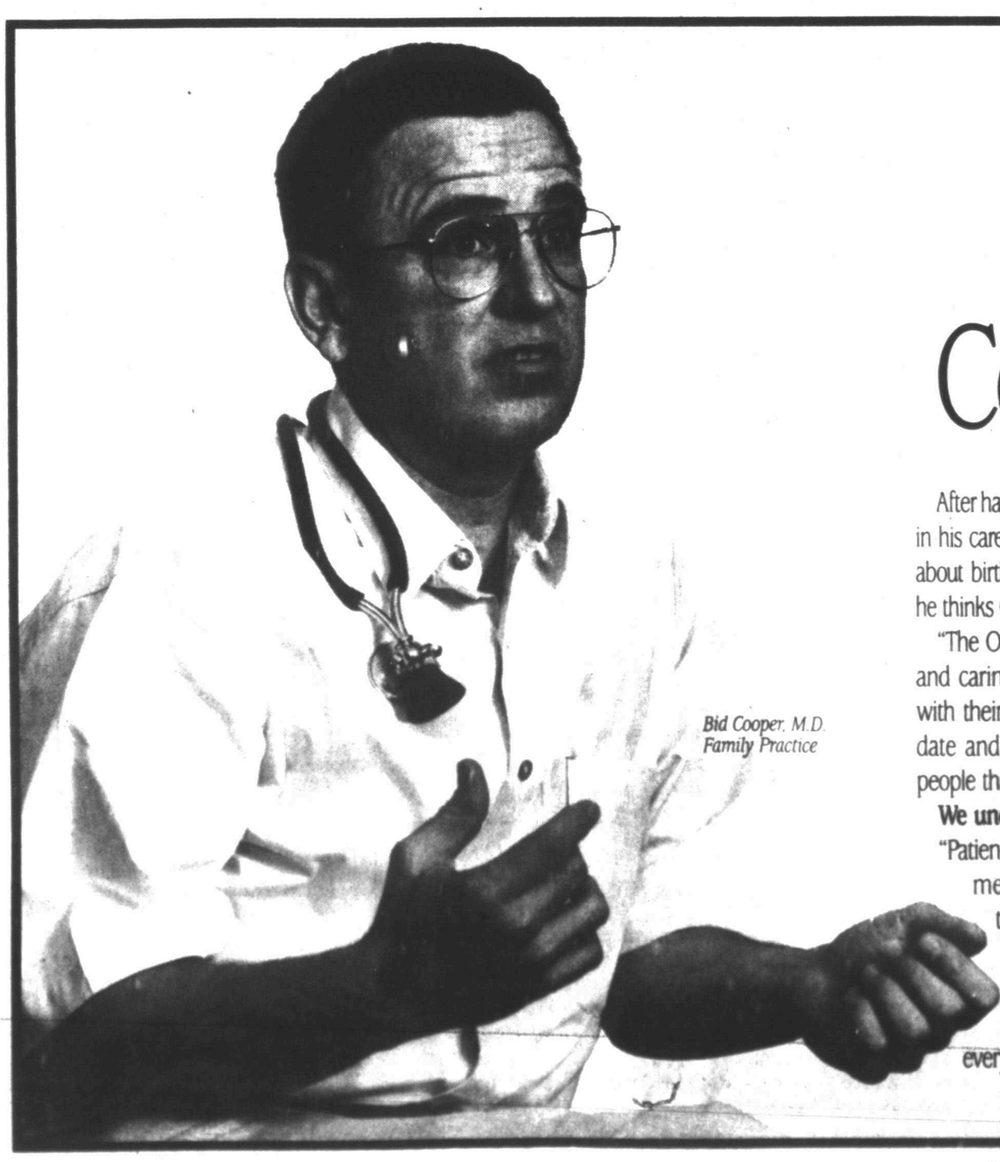
Curb enthusiasm, accountant says

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Farmers are getting the tax break they most want, but an accountant cautions not to get too ecstatic until the details are spelled out.

Agribusiness argued that the individual $600,000 federal estate tax exemption should be at least doubled so young farmers won't have to sell productive land to pay estate taxes when they inherit.

"At the end of a lifetime of work, by the time you add up equipment and values in land, the credit was not sufficient." says Arlene Ryn, who grows almonds near Manteca with her husband, Bill.

The tax bill Congress passed last week and President Clinton signed Tuesday boosts the individual estate tax exemption for family farms and family-owned businesses to $1.3 million, beginning in 1998. That's better than the break for individuals who don't own businesses. Their individual exemption will go from $600,000 to $1 million gradually over the next nine years.



What's So Great About Cogdell Hospital?

After having delivered nearly 500 children in his career, Dr. Cooper knows something about birthing babies. As a family doctor, he thinks Cogdell is a great place to be.

"The OB staff is made up of dedicated and caring people. They're one-on-one with their patients. Technology is up to date and important, but again, it's the people that ensure quality care."

We understand your need for care.

"Patients are concerned about care. This means more to them than the technicality of their specific situation. The nursing staff really cares a great deal about the patients and it shows in everything they do."

We understand your need for concern.

"In comparison to larger hospitals where the care is sometimes impersonal and mechanical, Cogdell is very personal."

We understand your need for life.

"Obstetrics is a natural process. You're concentrating on the positive aspect of the whole experience. At Cogdell, it doesn't get any better than this."

And that's something you can count on for life.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 677 head of cattle for the Thursday, July 31, sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings and calves were $2 to $3 cheaper. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows: 40 to 46; canners and low cutters: 32 to 39; slaughter bulls 48 to 56.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 85 to 110; 400 to 500; 80 to 105; 500 to 600, 80 to 90; 600 to 700, 80 to 86; 700 to 800, 75 to 80.

Feeder heifiers choice: 300 to 400, 80 to 90; 400 to 500, 75 to 83; 500 to 600, 74 to 80; 600 to 700, 73 to 77.50; 700 to 800, 70 to 76.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 75 to 85; 700 to 800, 70 to 75.

Cow and calf pairs, good: 650 to 920; grade, 450 to 625.

Springers: 350 to 625; baby calves: 75 to 200; doodlers: 150 to 240.

Colorado city cattle auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 801 head of cattle for the Saturday, Aug. 2 Sale. Feeder and stocker cattle were steady to $1 lower. Packer cows and bulls were steady to $2 higher. Young cows and young pairs were steady.

Heifiers:
200 to 400: 90 to 118
400 to 600: 74 to 82
600 to 800: 68 to 81.50
Steers:
200 to 400: 90 to 121
400 to 500: 83 to 101
500 to 600: 75 to 89
600 to 800: 75 to 87
Young bred cows: 585 to 690
Medium age to older bred cows: 485 to 720.
Young cows and calves: 650 to 890.
Packer cows: 36 to 46.50.
Packer bulls: 48 to 57.

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1964 memo surfaces in tobacco trial

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Tobacco industry lawyers recommended in 1964 that the industry not give the public any information on cigarettes and health without clearing it with their lawyers, a memorandum released today shows.

The memo discussing the Special Lawyers Committee also referred to another January 1964 meeting. It was on the 17th, six days after the historic surgeon general's report on smoking and health was issued.

"Discussion followed with respect to the likelihood of labeling being imposed on the industry," it said. "It was the consensus of all who spoke that this was probably inevitable and, after lenghty discussion, it was felt that Congressional action would be preferrable, particularly if it preempted the field and rendered unlikely the possibility of numerous state laws being enacted."

"The Special Lawyers Committee met and the following were discussed," says the confidential memorandum, referring to a Jan. 20, 1964, meeting.

"It was recommended that The Tobacco Institute not distribute any new health material without clearing first with the Special Lawyers Committee in the first instance."

Eight documents dating back to 1964, some of them handwritten, were released after cigarette makers said they had exhausted their legal appeals to keep them secret. Industry lawyers distributed the documents before the official release of the records set for later today.

An appeals court decision Tuesday cleared the way for the release. The state had argued successfully that the documents should be considered in its lawsuit seeking to recover the costs of treating sick smokers on Medicaid.

One document that the industry deny any link to health problems. Another memo urged the industry to be prepared to respond to government testing for carbon monoxide in cigarettes.

A Brown & Williamson Tobacco Co. internal memo dated March 14, 1978, discussed concerns that the Federal Trade Commission may begin testing cigarette smoke for carbon monoxide, and warning that the industry should begin testing for the substance to be prepared, in order to respond to any FTC action.

"No action should be taken which would in any way expedite the commission's consideration of (carbon monoxide)," said the memo, signed by B&W vice president and general counsel Ernest Pepples.

The R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. document referring to health problems was not dated.

"In responding to plaintiffs' claims regarding ingredients, the industry's substantive positions should be ... there has been no scientific proof that any ingredient as used in cigarettes poses a health hazard to humans or increases the risk if any of cigarette smoking," it said.

Jurors shown morgue photos despite objections by defense

NEW YORK (AP) — Jurors in the trial of the alleged mastermind of the World Trade Center bombing began viewing morgue photos today of the six people killed in the terrorist attack.

The jury in the trial of Ramzi Yousef and co-defendant Eyad Ismoil was allowed to see the photos over the objections of Ismoil's lawyer, who called them irrelevant and potentially prejudicial.

Attorney Louis Aidala said the prosecution was only "trying to elicit certain emotions."

But U.S. District Court Judge Kevin Duffy said prosecutors had to prove six people died. "They're entitled to prove it," Duffy said.

In opening statements Tuesday, attorney Yousef's attorney, Roy Kulcsar, said prosecutors can't prove allegations his client designed a urea nitrate bomb for the 1993 attack. The lawyer told the jury it must decide "exactly what caused the explosion of the World Trade Center — not what might have been the components of a bomb, but precisely what this alleged bomb was made of."

A lab examiner is expected to testify about the FBI's conclusion that a 1,200-pound nitrate bomb was detonated at the twin towers. Chemists found no residue from the explosive in the sewage-contaminated bomb crater.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Lev Dassin said the government would bolster its case against Yousef with his own words. After his 1995 arrest, Yousef "bragged about the bombing," Dassin said in his opening statement.

"He said he wanted to topple one twin tower into the other and kill thousands of civilians," he continued. "He hoped that this death would send a message to Americans that they were at war and that continued support of Israel would result in more war that would result in more casualties."

Dassin named each of the dead in the trade center blast, and described their last moments. He then turned and pointed at Yousef at the defense table, saying: "This man ordered and mixed the chemicals to make the bomb."

As the bomb went off, Yousef "sat comfortably aboard a plane to Pakistan," Dassin said. Yousef was arrested there two years later and brought to the United States.

In his opening, Ismoil's lawyer said his client should not be considered guilty by association. After leaving the United States in 1993, Ismoil lived openly with his family in Jordan because he "had nothing to hide. He had done nothing wrong," Aidala said.

This is the second trial involving the 1993 blast. In 1994, Duffy sentenced four other men convicted in the first trial to 240 years each in prison.

Last year, Yousef and two other men were convicted of an unrelated plot — a foiled plan to blow up a dozen U.S. jetliners in two days.

Missing girl's body found; suspect eyed

OZONA (AP) — A neighbor who helped search for a missing 9-year-old girl was being held without bond today on a capital murder charge in connection with the child's slaying.

Melvin Wayne White, 47, of Ozona was among the dozens of area residents who helped in the 12-hour search for Jennifer Lynn Gravell, whose family reported her missing late Monday.

The driver for Dorado Oil Co. was arrested after neighbors said they had seen the girl, nine days shy of the fourth grade, near his home, which is two doors down from the Gravell residence.

"When the witness statements started coming in, shortly he was pulled in and gave a voluntary statement," said Crockett County Justice of the Peace Jim Hearne said. "In the voluntary statement, he just confessed."

White told authorities they could find Jennifer's body hidden behind an oil collection tank on Highway 138, just north of this unincorporated town 70 miles southwest of San Angelo, Hearne said.

Troopers, deputies from five counties and volunteers have combed the brushy terrain looking for evidence. The tire iron White said he used to beat the girl had yet to be discovered this morning, he said.

Obituaries

Rex Collum

1955-1997

LUBBOCK — Rex Collum, the brother of Alan Collum of Snyder, died Monday, Aug. 4, in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.

Service for Mr. Collum, 42, is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the Sanders Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Marvin James, pastor of the Calvary Full Gospel Church, will officiate. Burial will follow in the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

Born Jan. 2, 1955 in Sacramento, Calif., Mr. Collum had lived in Lubbock since 1958. He had worked for Eagle Picher Industries for 20 years.

A graduate of Lubbock High School, Mr. Collum married Debby Bailey on July 23, 1987 in Lubbock.

Survivors also include his wife, Debby Collum of Lubbock; and a son, Zachary Lee Collum of Lubbock.

The family suggests memorials to the American Kidney Foundation.

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Florida reportedly launches probe of medical billings by Columbia/HCA company

NEW YORK (AP) — Florida law-enforcement officials have begun an investigation to determine whether health-care giant Columbia/HCA defrauded its residents, the Wall Street Journal reported today.

Columbia, the nation's largest for-profit hospital chain, is in the midst of a federal probe which has already resulted in the indictments of three middle managers. The officials were charged last week with fraud, conspiracy and making false statements in connection with Medicare billings.

Texas and Alabama have since launched investigations into possible fraud within their borders. The Florida probe is intended to determine whether Nashville, Tenn.-based Columbia defrauded taxpayers by exaggerating the amount of money it was to receive from the state for providing health-care services to the poor, the Journal reported.

Vic Campbell, head of Columbia's investor relations, said today he believes the company has received only one request for information from Florida investigators. He wasn't aware of the details of inquiries in Texas and Alabama.

"It's my understanding that it's standard operating procedure in situations like this for U.S. attorneys to invite state attorneys general to participate when there is an investigation in their jurisdiction," Campbell said. "We continue to maintain our cooperative spirit with all parties."

The investigations follow an extraordinary raid that federal agents conducted on June 16, when they searched Columbia facilities and affiliated sites in seven states.

Former company President David Vandewater and company founder and Chairman Richard Scott have been forced out of the company. Thomas Frist, who replaced Scott as chief executive officer, has promised to cooperate with authorities.

Another Columbia executive, senior vice president Lindy Richardson, is leaving the company as well, The Tennessean newspaper reported roday.

Campbell declined to confirm that, saying "she is still an employee at this point and time." He declined to speculate about how long she would remain employed and said no senior officials have left the company since Scott and Vandewater.

Richardson was a close associate of Scott's and had joined the company in 1993 when Columbia acquired Galen Health Care Corp.

Richardson oversaw marketing and public affairs for the company and directed the "branding" campaign meant to make the name Columbia as familiar as Coca-Cola. Frist has stopped the campaign.

Three arrests are made here

Two people were arrested Tuesday, including one on several charges. A third arrest was made early today.

Deputies arrested a 45-year-old male at 4:31 p.m. in the 8300 block of Blockline Road for Class C assault, family violence and possession of less than two ounces of marijuana

At 1:12 p.m., deputies arrested a 28-year-old male in the 2700 block of Avenue W on an outstanding warrant from Taylor County for misdemeanor theft by check.

City officers arrested a 21-year-old male at 6:32 this morning in the 2600 block of Avenue W on outstanding city warrants for no driver's license, no liability insurance and failure to appear on both charges.

In other activity Tuesday, officers were called to the 1000 block of West 57th Street at 3:56 p.m. in reference to vandalism to a vehicle. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted.

A deputy was requested at Allsup's in Hermleigh at 10:38 p.m.. in reference to harassment.

FD makes several calls

Snyder Fire Department was kept busy with four calls Tuesday.

At 4:02 p.m., the department responded to a possible fire at a residence on FM 1609. Firemen responding found a problem with the home's air conditioning system and there was no fire.

The department responded to a grass fire at 5:55 p.m. some 10 miles west of Snyder on land belonging to Wade Davis of Highway 180.

At 6:09 p.m., the department went to the area of 36th Street and Avenue E in reference to persons smelling smoke in the area. No fires were found.

At 7:51 p.m., the department responded to a possible grass fire in the 1700 block of 20th street. A person was burning trash off a vacant lot in the area.

What's Up?

Ave. D Baptist revival

The revival at Avenue D Baptist Church, 324 30th, concludes with tonight's 7 o'clock service. Everyone is invited.

Snyder high orientation

Orientation for freshmen and other students new to Snyder High School will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

Model plane club

Snyder Area Model Airplane Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the club flying field, three miles south of the college on Round Top Road. Visitors are welcome.

Tiger football boosters

The Tiger Football Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the high school student center. Officers will be elected and events and fundraisers will be set for the year. Parents of high school players are urged to attend.

School supplies

There are a limited number of school supplies left for Stanfield kindergarten through second graders and Central third graders. To purchase the Stanfield supplies, call 573-4261; to purchase the Central supplies, call 573-2159.

Junior High registration

Registration for new 7th and 8th graders continues daily at the junior high school. Students and their parents need to bring a birth certificate, Social Security card and report card from their former school. Students enrolled in SISD last spring are already registered and do not need to re-register.

Church building fund

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

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval by the American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ACS Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message.

Canyon Community reunion

The Canyon Community reunion will be held Sept. 20 at the Ira Community Center. For more information, call 573-3825 or 573-3093.

DL office to be closed

The Department of Public Safety driver's license office at the Law Enforcement Center will be closed Aug. 21-27.

Storytime for kids

Scurry County Library wants to remind parents it has Storytime for 4 and 5 year olds throughout the year on Mondays at 10 a.m. The program lasts from 30 to 40 minutes. The library also reminds parents to pick up certificates and prizes their children earned during the summer reading program.

Blood pressure clinic

Interim Healthcare is sponsoring a free blood pressure clinic from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at Eckerd Drug.

Bible study videos

Another series of Bible study video tapes is airing on Channel 2. The second tape, "A Mother's Gift to Her Children," will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Pick 3

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

4-1-7

(four, one, seven)

Cash Five

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

10-16-20-23-37

(ten, sixteen, twenty, twenty-three, thirty-seven)

Apple, Microsoft reveal 'stunning' alliance today

BOSTON (AP) — Apple Computer Inc. and Microsoft Corp., two of the computer industry's fiercest rivals, unveiled a stunning alliance this morning that includes a $150 million Microsoft investment in Apple.

The move angered those who considered Apple a crucial buffer against Microsoft's domination of computer technology. But the agreement reflects the depth of Apple's desperation to reverse years of sliding market share, mounting losses and management defections.

Apple and Microsoft agreed to put aside a long-running dispute over whether Microsoft infringed on Apple's patents when it created its top-selling Windows operating system. Microsoft will make a one-time payment to Apple to settle the dispute; the amount wasn't disclosed.

Microsoft agreed to release versions of its popular Office software for businesses in Macintosh formats. Also, Apple said it would make Microsoft's Internet Explorer browser the easiest choice for accessing the Internet from a Macintosh-based computer.

The unexpected revelation by Apple cofounder Steve Jobs in a keynote speech at the Macworld Expo this morning prompted gasps of disbelief and loud boos from the audience of thousands of Mac users and software developers.

Jobs, who recently returned to Apple as an adviser, tried to soothe the audience, saying: "We have to let go of a few notions here. We have to let go of the notion that for Apple to win, Microsoft needs to lose."

News of the alliance sent Apple's stock up $6.50 per share on the Nasdaq Stock Market to $26.25 at midday. Microsoft, meanwhile, was up 31.25 cents at $143.62½ on the Nasdaq.

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Berry's World

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"You might say my life of late is kind of like MIR."

Teen drug use drops first time since '92

WASHINGTON (AP) — Use of illegal drugs by teen-agers is down slightly but still much higher than it was in 1992, the government says. Teen alcohol use has also decreased.

The annual National Household Survey on Drug Abuse being released today said 9 percent of U.S. teens used drugs in 1996, compared with 10.9 percent in 1995.

It was the first decline in teen drug use since 1992, when the survey showed that 5.3 percent of 12- to 17-year-olds used illicit drugs. That had included sharp increases in teen use of LSD, cocaine and marijuana, with usage about the same across ethnic and economic groups.

Another positive finding this time: Alcohol use among teens dropped from 21.1 percent in 1995 to 18.8 percent last year, the survey said.

"It may just be that more teen-agers are getting the message," said an administration official who discussed the report's findings Tuesday on condition of anonymity.

The official credited public and private sector efforts, including an intense focus on the hazards of marijuana, and suggested publicity during last year's presidential campaign on the high drug rate among teens helped focus attention on the problem.

"The rates got so bad, it got back on the screen of the media, which helped galvanize parents and others," the official said.

But she added that while the report gave reason to be "cautiously optimistic," the problem of teen drug use was far from being solved.

Last year's report, which showed drug use doubling during President Clinton's first term, immediately became fodder for the presidential campaign of Republican Bob Dole, who called teen drug use a "national tragedy."

A researcher in teen drug use cautioned not to read too much into the new data.

"It's a little early to say this is anything we can count on, but at least it is the first evidence that this increase we've seen for the last few years is beginning to diminish," said Richard I. Evans, director of the Social Psychology/Behavioral Medicine Research Group at the University of Houston.

Drug use among adults, which has been stable for years, also did not change in 1996, according to the survey, being released by Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala and Clinton's drug policy adviser, retired Army Gen. Barry McCaffrey.

Nationwide, 13 million adults used drugs last year, about half as many as in 1979, the peak year.

According to the official, the new report showed:

—Marijuana use, which accounts for three-fourths of teen drug use, dropped from 8.2 percent of teens to 7.1 percent, but officials said the change was statistically insignificant.

—Tobacco use remained flat at 18 percent, although use of smokeless tobacco dipped from 2.8 percent to 1.9 percent.

—More teens tried heroin for the first time last year, and the number of teens who viewed cocaine as risky dropped. Also, use of hallucinogens edged up.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Aug. 7, 1997

In the year ahead there could be some unexpected, but constructive changes in your chosen field of endeavor. Each of these shifting conditions might produce benefits.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even though you might have your mind set on doing something a specific way, don't discount bright alternatives that come to you from out of the blue today. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You are still in a favorable trend where your material interests are concerned. Think positive and see yourself as a recipient of good things.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Social involvements that contain elements of friendly competition could be a pleasant experience for you today. Your skills are at a peak.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Hunches you get today pertaining to the outcome of events should be rather accurate. Operate where these perceptions are most prevalent.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If your thoughts tend to focus on a specific friend today, it could be because you're on his or her mind as well. Check it out for yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A condition that could benefit you either financially or career-wise might have an excellent chance of manifesting itself today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Seek creative outlets today, because you're likely to be reckless and irritable if you aren't involved with things that challenge your imagination.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you're embroiled in an important bargaining session today, don't expose all of your cards at once. Hang onto your aces until you're ready.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you have a problem resolving an important decision today, sound it out on a trusted ally whose suggestions were of enormous help previously.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Do not be afraid of trying new methods today to solve an antiquated problem. It can be resolved if you are resourceful and innovative.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Something you've learned recently can be used to your benefit today to improve an alliance that has been faltering. Search your memory for the answer.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You might have some unexpected interruptions in your routines today, but you won't dislike them. In fact, they may turn out to be fun.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Open Wallet at Cash Register May Give Too Much Away

DEAR ABBY: I own a very busy neighborhood retail newsstand/convenience store. We serve a few hundred customers a day — more men than women, for some reason. While our male customers generally dig into their pockets for bills or coins when paying, women usually bring out their wallets and open them to get cash. This is a dangerous practice.

When women open their wallets and reveal credit cards and the driver's license in the window pocket, I get a good look at personal information — as do customers standing beside or behind them. It may take only a few seconds to get money out of the wallet, but it takes me less time to read their names and addresses.

It may seem like a reasonable place to keep your license in order to find it quickly should an officer ask for it, but most officers ask that the license be removed from the wallet anyway. I have made my family and friends aware of the danger, and have moved my wife's license to a safer location in her wallet.

I am reluctant to point out this danger to my customers because they may feel "funny" about my noticing. However, I worry that someone who is unstable or dangerous may obtain names and addresses — and then who knows what will happen?

I propose that women put a favorite photo in the display window of their wallets — or better yet, a photo of a very large male. That sends a safer message.

RICH FROM LUCKY STOP,
NORTH BABYLON, N.Y.

DEAR RICH: Great idea. And if the woman has no husband, boyfriend, son, uncle or male friend, a picture of a German shepherd with teeth exposed should suffice. Or perhaps women should carry a small coin purse with a few dollars in it and leave the wallets safely out of sight in their purses.

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DEAR ABBY: I am writing about the letter from Marva Boehm Mason concerning adopted children. I agree with her 100 percent. When you're adopted, you know you were wanted. I often hear people refer to children as "adopted." It's an unnecessary label.

Some birth children wish they had the love and attention that some adopted children get. Mrs. Mason's parents were kind and loving, and let her know that she was special.

Some natural-born children find out that they were "accidents" — that their parents weren't ready for them. They are constantly reminded that they are an intrusion into their parents' lives.

Television and print media are guilty of using the term "adopted," referring to a certain actor's children as "so-and-so's *adopted* children." They are his or her children, period! It is cruel for society to create distinctions between children. It is because of labels like these that adoptees go in search of their "real" parents, instead of realizing that the people who loved them, fed them, nurtured them and made them productive members of society are their "real" parents.

The individuals who gave them up are the ones who lose. For whatever reason, they were denied the pleasure of seeing a delightful child grow into a fine adult.

May God bless all those who open their hearts to adopt babies and give them a loving home.

MARILYN BOZEMAN, CHICAGO

DEAR MARILYN: And God bless those mothers who placed their babies for adoption in order to give them a better home than they (the birth mothers) could provide.

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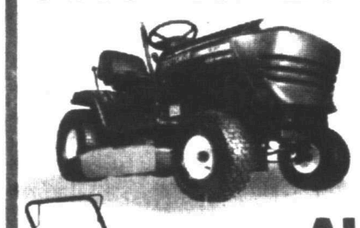

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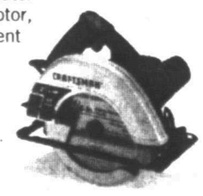

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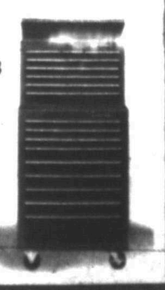

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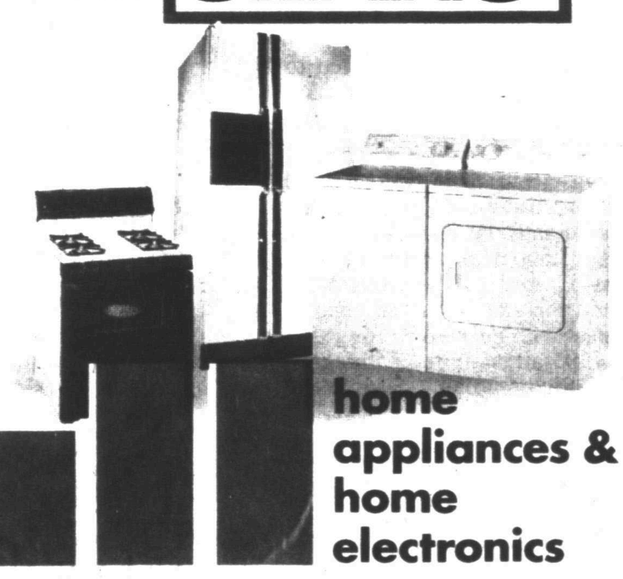

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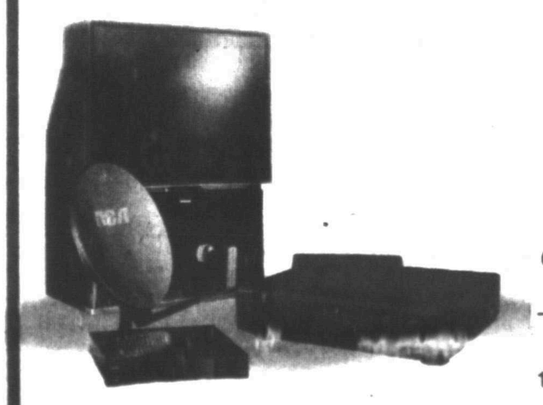

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