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MONDAY
Snyder Daily News

Ask Us

Q—Will the state high school football championship games be broadcast on television this year?

A—Home Sports Entertainment, channel 14 locally, will broadcast the 5A Division I game Dec. 12 and the 5A Division II game Dec. 19, both at noon. These are the only games we know of that will be televised live.



2 teens shot

DALLAS (AP) — Two teen-agers were recovering today from gunshot wounds they received in a drive-by shooting, authorities said.

An 18-year-old man was in stable condition today at Parkland Memorial Hospital with a gunshot wound in his back. A 15-year-old girl underwent surgery at the hospital for a hip wound and was in undetermined condition.

The two, whose names were not released by police, were passengers in a car driven by Weldon Grant, 27, of Dallas.

Police said two bullets pierced the teens' car trunk.

Local

Boosters

Snyder All-Sports Booster Club will meet Tuesday at halftime of the boy's high school basketball game at Scurry County Coliseum.

Band concert

Snyder Junior High bands will present a Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Worsham Auditorium.

Admission is free.

Library

Scurry County Library will accept canned foods as payment for library fines during the Christmas season. Anyone who has lost books, overdue video fines or damaged book fines may bring in a can for each dollar owed.

The food will go to help the needy in Scurry County.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 28 degrees; low, 20 degrees; high Sunday, 60 degrees; low, 20 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 25 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 26.92 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low in the mid to upper 30s. Southeast wind 5-15 mph. Tuesday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers. High near 60. South wind 15 to 25 mph and gusty. Lake wind advisory will likely be required.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:41. Sunrise Tuesday, 7:31. Of 341 days in 1992, the sun has shone 317 days in Snyder.

6 o'clock...

Lighted parade planned tonight

Snyder's second lighted "Celebrate Christmas Parade" will get underway at 6 this evening from Snyder Shopping Center.

Some 21 lighted floats are entered in the parade, which will also feature Santa Claus, horses and buggies, the high school band and more.

The parade was originally scheduled for last Saturday, but was postponed until this evening because bad weather was forecast over the weekend.

The parade will begin from the Snyder Shopping Center parking lot and proceed north on College Avenue to the courthouse square. The route will turn right on 25th Street, and right again on Avenue R. Because of the length of the parade, it will not circle the square, but will continue south on Avenue K past 26th Street and eventually disband at the Varsity Square parking lot.

Grand Marshal for the parade is Jack McGlaun. He will be riding the Grand Marshal's float, sponsored by the chamber of commerce.

Floats have been entered by Scurry County, Carousel Arcade, First United Methodist Church, Snyder First Church of the Nazarene, Colonial Hill Baptist Church, Royal Ambassadors, Scurry County Girl Scouts, DARE, the juvenile probation office, Cinema I & II, The Rental Store and More and the Deep Creek Cruisers.

Also entering floats are the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints, Snyder Police Department, Cogdell Memorial Hospital, Landes Home Furnishings, Billy Tim Atwood and the Ira 8th grade.

First place traveling plaques will be awarded to float entries for best theme, best use of lights and most unique.

Others entering the parade are three horse and buggy teams, a go-cart and clown, golf carts, motorcycles, a fire truck and an ambulance.

'Best Ever' reservations now accepted

Seating reservations for "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" are now available to the general public.

Reservations should be made by calling the Senior Citizens Center at 573-4035 from 1-4 p.m. Tickets for non-season ticket holders will be $5 for adults and $3 for public school students.

The production is the second for the Ritz Community Theatre, and is scheduled for evening performances Dec. 17-19 and a Sunday matinee Dec. 20. All performances will be held in the North Elementary auditorium.

Reservations for the general public will remain open as long as seating is available. Reservations for season ticket holders was held last week.



CHRISTMAS CAROLERS — Joann Snider, Teresa Phillips and Tena James were among members of the Western Texas College community choir which performed at Sunday's Scurry County Museum Christmas Happening. The group was directed by WTC music instructor John Palomaki. (SDN Staff Photo)

County accepts resignation; approves annex renovations

County commissioners this morning accepted the resignation of county treasurer Rita Staton and voted to proceed with structural changes at the coliseum annex building.

The court accepted a letter of resignation from Staton, who has served in the treasurer's office for 15 years. She was appointed treasurer in 1989 to fill out the term of Billy Wayne Thompson and elected to the post in November of 1990.

Commissioners will discuss options for filling the position at a future meeting and make a decision before the end of the year, when Staton's resignation becomes effective.

The court voted to advertise for bids for materials and labor to move support poles in the coliseum annex building.

Interim coliseum director Jay Wesson told commissioners that moving the poles would provide space for events such as rodeos and cutting horse competitions, and would result in more activities being held in the building.

"As the building is now, we are limited to holding stock shows and sales," said Wesson. He proposed that six pairs of support poles be moved out to provide over 20 feet of additional arena width.

According to Steve Babcock of Babcock Welding and Trailer Repair, the project would cost an estimated $3,250 per pair for materials, and an additional $1,260 per pair for labor, bringing the estimated cost for the project to just

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WTC trustees...

Board to consider pay hike

What could be some good news from the state concerning surplus funds will greet Western Texas College trustees when they convene for their December board meeting this evening.

Also on the agenda for 5:45 p.m. is the annual audit, employment of an instructor for the French Robertson Unit and an assistant director for the pro shop, consideration of bids for renovation of shower stalls and reappointment of members to the scholarship foundation board.

According to a notice from State Comptroller John Sharp, state employees will receive a 3 percent salary increase due to lower than expected franchise tax refunds and the success of the lottery.

The notice indicates that community colleges will receive a proportional share of the salary increase.

In the case of Western Texas College, the state would fund about two-thirds of the salary increase. The other one-third would be funded by local dollars. This evening, WTC trustees will look at figures as to how much local money it would take to fund a 1, 2 or 3 percent increase.

The increase from the state would include teachers and anyone directly related to instruction. It would not cover maintenance, dorm supervisors and other non-teaching positions.

The unexpected surplus means an increase in state funds available for certification by $244 million. According to the General Appropriations Act adopted by the Legislature last year, once sufficient funds become available, they are to be committed to a state employee pay increase of up to 3 percent.

The pay increase will amount to approximately $96 million, leaving additional funds available for certification during the 1992-93 biennium of $148 million.

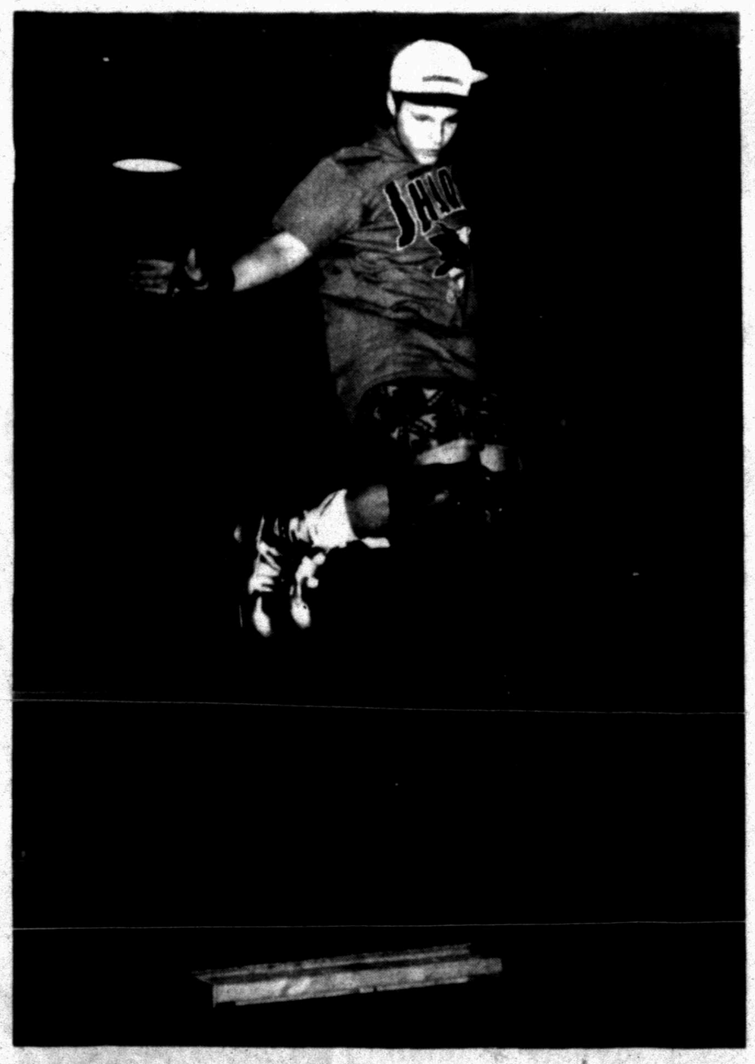
Until the Legislature begins meeting in January, it is unclear how the $148 million may benefit colleges and universities, but the news is anticipated to be positive, said Gay Hickman, WTC vice president for business and finance.

In other business, the board is expected to approve the annual audit, performed by Springer and Associates. The board is also expected to approve recommendations to hire Marvin Bentle as heating and refrigeration instructor at the French Robertson correctional facility near Abilene and Ricky Kahlick as assistant director of the college pro shop.

Trustees will be asked to approve the reappointment of Bill Jones and Joe Jackson to the scholarship foundation board.

In one other item, the board will consider investing some funds with TexPool. Last month, the board asked Hickman to complete paperwork in order for the investments to begin if trustees vote to proceed.

Approval of financial information and board minutes are also on the agenda.



FLYING HIGH — Sam Cain airs it out for the camera at Friday's in-line skating exhibition, held at Towle Park Barn. The exhibition, aimed at teaching proper technique and safety measures for in-line skating, was sponsored by the county extension service. (SDN Staff Photo)

Mission to Somalia gains new urgency

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — Two U.S. F-14s flew over the capital today, and Pentagon sources said U.S. Marine combat troops would come ashore at first light Wednesday to begin a U.N.-authorized mercy mission.

The sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said F-14s from the aircraft carrier USS Ranger flew reconnaissance missions over Somalia as part of final preparations for the military intervention.

The sources also said Ambassador-at-Large Robert Oakley would meet with clan warlords today to tell them what the Marines planned to do. He had not done so by late in the day, but did brief international aid workers about developments.

Cable News Network reported that a team of U.S. air traffic controllers landed today outside Mogadishu to help guide in planes that will bring more troops and supplies once the Marines secure airfields.

Diplomatic sources said 150 Foreign Legion paratroopers based in neighboring Djibouti likely would arrive in Somalia after the Marines and be followed by 850 French soldiers and Legionnaires a day later.

The effort gained new urgency with reports of a bloody skirmish in the interior, where food is short and hundreds of Somalis are starving to death daily.

More than 28 people were killed in Sunday's firefight in Baidoa, a town 200 miles west of Mogadishu where anarchy has imperiled the relief effort and forced out most foreign aid workers. More than 50 people are daily dying of hunger and disease in Baidoa.

There had been speculation the 1,800 Marines on three ships offshore might land as early as Tuesday. They are the first of 28,000 American soldiers and Marines being sent to stop clan fighting and safeguard food.

SNS applications still being taken

Snyder Neighbors Sharing, Inc. continues to take applications for home repair.

The non-profit organization repairs homes for those with low income who are handicapped or age 60 or over, or both. Applicants must own or be buying their home and must be living in it.

Applications must be turned in by Jan. 1, 1993. The workday is scheduled for April 30, 1993.

Routinely, 200 to 300 volunteers turn out to help with the repair of homes.

SNS was organized in fall of 1988 and held its first workday in 1989, repairing seven homes. To date, between $40,000 and $50,000 have been spent locally on repairs to more than 70 homes.

President of SNS is Sam Robertson. Other board members are Rick Hall, vice president; Julie Sentell, treasurer; Lenora Boydstun, secretary; Glen Butler; Tommy Davis; Paul Gilbert; Doc Griffin; Kim Hall and LaVerne Hood.

Others are Jerry Martin; Beverly Robertson; Enid Turner; Eddie Williams; Bob Womack; Gloria Peppers and Kathy Watts.

Anyone interested in joining the board is urged to contact a board member. For information about SNS, contact Robertson at Robertson Insurance Agency, 1926 26th St. or call 573-4053.

Judge who talks tough faces judicial conduct panel hearing

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — State District Judge Margarito Garza has called defendants fools, criticized women in court for living with men they aren't married to and said the Texas Supreme Court "can shove it."

Once, he even told a young drug dealer, "I hate your guts."

The tough talk is meant to shock criminals, he says.

But the Texas Commission on Judicial Conduct will hold an informal hearing next Friday to discuss complaints filed against Garza.

Some lawyers say the judge's attitude shows he has compromised his judicial neutrality and can't be fair to their clients.

Such proceedings are normally secret, but Garza has requested the hearing be open to the public.

"To do otherwise would violate my principles and place me on a higher level than those I try," Garza said.

Commission Executive Director Robert Flowers said he can't comment on specific cases, but described an informal hearing as a first step in investigating a judge's actions. The commission can dismiss the complaints, censure the judge or initiate more serious formal proceedings that ultimately could lead to dismissal.

One of the complaints involves a lecture Garza gave a 16-year-old black teen in which the judge lectured the youthful defendant about discrimination and his own upbringing.

"We didn't have the protection of the Constitution of the United States," the transcript quotes Garza. "There were no gays — there were only faggots, queers and whatever the hell they called them. Back then there weren't any black people and there weren't any Hispanics. ... There were niggers and mescans and greasers. How does the term 'jungle bunny' strike you?"

The judge then told the teen he would turn 17 and could be tried as an adult.

"... I'm not going to lie to you, but you will be treated like a black man and there ain't no justice. I don't give a damn what they tell you, son, there ain't no justice."

In another case, in which a woman was applying for a protective order against her live-in boyfriend, Garza told her she had other remedies under the law.

"You don't need a protective order, ma'am, and this is not a case for a protective order. You are not married," he told the woman. "You want me to treat you with respect, then you tell me you ain't shacking up with that guy."

The judge denied the protective order.

Garza chastised another woman who was living with a man to whom she wasn't married during an April hearing for her 15-year-old son, who was charged with punching the common-law husband in the nose.

"Back in the '40s, we used to call it shacking up," the judge told the woman. "I'm not going to tell you what we called the girls that shacked up."

Some lawyers allege that Garza's comments violate the state's Code of Judicial Conduct, which requires a judge to "maintain order and decorum in proceedings before him or her" and "be patient, dignified and courteous to litigants, jurors, witnesses, lawyers and others with whom he or she deals in his or her official capacity."

The judge said he believes that his actions, for the most part, don't violate the code.

"I am an activist. I think I have done a lot of good. If I have offended anyone by using 'hell' or 'damn,' I suggest they tune in to 'Murphy Brown,'" he said.

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EARTH SCIENCE TRIP — These five Ira 8th grade earth science students and their teacher, Ronda Hyatt, recently participated in a weekend field trip with the Hardin-Simmons University Geology Dept. Students pictured are from left, Stacey Taylor, Rebeccah Johnston, Cory Rosas, Nikki Hudson and Adam Davis. Activities included climbing Enchanted Rock, visiting the Devil's Water Hole at Ink's Lake, touring Long Horn Caverns, visiting the site of the Pack Saddle Mountain Battle and the cemetery at Oxford where Col. Moss is buried. (SDN Staff Photo)



FHA PROJECT — Ira Future Homemakers of America (FHA) members are busy painting T-shirts for Christmas. After they have their traditional holiday party they will give the T-shirts away. Students seated are Kristi Sorrells and Angie Robinson. Standing in back from left are, Stacey Taylor, Kasey Calley, Lindsey Northcott, Jennifer Northcott, Jennifer Rankin, Judy Sanchez, Susan Shoults, and Jessica Williams. Community volunteers who are helping with this project are Connie Williams and Debbie Cook. (SDN Staff Photo)

Dear Abby



Forty Years of Donations Add Up to Gallons of Blood

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: Hugh Friedman of Palm Springs, Calif., wrote in to say that Milton Saylan, also of Palm Springs, had donated a total of 18 gallons of blood to his local blood bank.

I don't mean to minimize Mr. Saylan's contribution, but my brother, Gordon Ludwig of Pueblo, Colo., has been donating his blood for 40 years, and so far he has given a total of 212 pints — which is 26 1/2 gallons.

My brother started donating blood as a farm boy in Wisconsin in 1952, and he has donated blood from coast to coast ever since. He served in the Navy in California and lived in St. Paul, Minn., for 17 years, and everywhere he's lived, Gordon found a blood bank and contributed to it.

Gordon is a big booster of blood donations. He says that for a while people hesitated to give blood because they were afraid of getting AIDS, but he wants to assure people that there is absolutely no risk of infection from giving blood at a qualified blood bank.

He retired on disability pension in 1985 and can't give money to charities, but he says that blood is far more important than money to a person who is bleeding to death.

I think with a total of 26 1/2 gallons, Gordon Ludwig may have set a record.

SHELBY OBERSHAW,
SAN BERNARDINO, CALIF.

DEAR SHELBY: If anyone who reads this can top Gordon's record, I'm sure we will hear from him or her.

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DEAR ABBY: With regard to the letter from the woman who was having a cocktail party and preferred that her guests not wear fur: I am very tired of these anti-fur people.

I would ask her the following: Are your guests allowed to wear belts or shoes? May they drive to your home in a car with leather interiors? Do you have leather furniture in your home? And will you be serving meat of any kind? (Do you eat meat?)

When these anti-fur activists quit eating meat and using any by-products from the killing of animals, then and only then can they protest killing animals for their fur.

MONA ARCE, COVINA, CALIF.

DEAR MONA: You are not alone. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Hundreds of thousands of animals are slaughtered daily to provide leather for shoes, boots, belts, purses, luggage, jackets, gloves, baseball gloves, basketballs, soccer balls and Lord knows what else, and not a word do you hear in protest.

But let one woman show up in a fur coat, and the voices of the outraged animal lovers are heard throughout the land!

Curious. Which animals are more likable and more serviceable to mankind: cows, sheep and pigs — or the nasty, ill-tempered mink?

DANIEL A. JENKINS,
PACIFIC PALISADES, CALIF.

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DEAR ABBY: Just thought you'd like to know that on Nov. 17, the cookie bakers at Chipper by the Dozen donated a day of baking for Operation Dear Abby.

All the cookies baked that day were packaged and sent to personnel in the armed services at the addresses you listed in your column on Nov. 2.

DIANE SEYMOUR,
MC HENRY, ILL.

DEAR DIANE: On behalf of those serving abroad, my warm thanks for your generosity.

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What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Advocates say that Border Patrol abuse is unchecked

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Immigration rights advocates say an order issued by a federal judge supports their contention that abuses by U.S. Border Patrol agents go unchecked.

U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton III agreed recently that Border Patrol agents in the El Paso area have questioned people as suspected illegal aliens from Mexico because they appear to be Hispanic.

The judge's order last week for the practice to stop, immigration rights advocates say, is one of a long line of decisions and events that are accelerating their push for greater accountability for the Immigration and Naturalization Service and its agents.

"This is probably the strongest and best decision of its kind by any judge on the border," said Mark Schneider, a Texas Rural Legal Aid attorney.

"Bunton has made this order a tutorial (for the Border Patrol) on how to follow the law. ... This is a historic decision ... that says people that are Hispanic have rights and (that) along the border, the Constitution is not suspended."

The preliminary order was issued in a lawsuit filed by students and faculty at Bowie High School, located a few yards from the U.S.-Mexican border.

The lawsuit began with five plaintiffs but now is a class-action suit. It alleges that Border Patrol agents harass, intimidate, physically and verbally abuse and even assault students and faculty at the school.

Bunton said the Border Patrol violated the plaintiffs constitutional protection from illegal search and seizure and also violated the plaintiffs' rights to equal protection.

Bunton made several conclusions based on testimony and evidence that led to his decision, including:

— El Paso Border Patrol Sector Chief Dale Musegades had not read a 1982 order Bunton issued to stop Border Patrol agents were randomly questioning patrons of El Paso bars. Bunton said Musegades has done nothing to implement or monitor compliance with an injunction issued in that case.

— The Border Patrol's statistics on the numbers of illegal immigrants arrested in the Bowie High School area are questionable.

— The agency's procedures for reporting and investigating alleged abuse "are complex, and often the victim of abuse is discouraged from filing a complaint by the governmental offices ...," Bunton said.

Non-English speakers are increasing in Austin schools

AUSTIN (AP) — The number of immigrant students in the Austin Independent School District has increased each year, and schools are hard-pressed to find enough teachers skilled in helping them learn English.

The number of Limited English Proficient students in the AISD at all grade levels grew from 4,870 in the 1988-89 school year to 6,802 last year, according to district records. In the district's high schools, there are at least 885 Limited English Proficient students.

The majority of the new LEP students come from Latin America and Asia. Most of them immigrate with their families, but many of the high school students come to the United States alone.

Educators said they are concerned that a large number of the immigrant students have limited educations. When a student with weak skills in his or her own language tries to learn English, there is an added difficulty, the educators said.

"There is a high dropout rate among these students. They are probably the students most at-risk. The dropout rate is as high as 40 to 50 percent among these students," said Maria Elena Martinez, an AISD instructional coordinator for bilingual education.

The Catch-22 these students face is that while there is a large bilingual education program required by state law for elementary school students, there is no such requirement for those in secondary schools.

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Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Anadarko Petroleum Corp. has completed the No. 32-MA L.M. Wilson in the Diamond M field, 12 miles southwest of Snyder. The venture was finaled to produce 39 barrels of 32.4 gravity oil and 31 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 103-1 with perforations from 3,202-272 feet. Location is in Section 183, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Sharp Image Energy Inc. has completed the No. 2 Ira in the Gill field, one mile northwest of Ira. The well was finaled to produce 72 barrels of 46 gravity oil.

Gas-oil ratio was 1,042-1 with perforations from 6,982-7,000 feet. Location is in Section 133, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Kimbrell Oil Co. will drill the No. 1 Mayes, a 7,090-foot wildcat re-entry located two miles south of Hermleigh. Location is in Section 162, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Lakewood Operating will drill the No. 1 Wapiti in the Diamond M field, 4.5 miles northwest of Ira. Planned for a depth of 6,780 feet, location is in Section 147, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Patrick Petroleum will drill the No. 1-98 Williams, a 6,500-foot wildcat located 2.5 miles north of Camp Springs. Drill site is in Section 98, Block 2, H&TC survey.

Texaco Exploration and Production will drill the No. 352-NCT-1 P.L. Fuller, 12 miles north of Snyder. The wildcat is planned for a depth of 6,880 feet, and drill site is in Section 554, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Mitchell County

Grand Banks Energy Co. has completed the No. 803 Mills-Strain unit in the Sharon Ridge field, four miles east of Cuthbert. The well produced 26 barrels of 33.1 gravity oil and one barrel of water. Perforations were from 1,530-628 feet, and location is in Section 18, C.H. McGinnis survey.

Grand Banks Energy has completed the No. 804 Mills-Strain unit in the Sharon Ridge field, four miles east of Cuthbert. The well produced 15 barrels of 32.8 gravity oil and 14 barrels of water. Perforations were from 1,461-498 feet, and location is in Section 18, C.H. McGinnis survey.

Garza County

B&S Salvage has completed the No. 6-A Connell in the Rocker A northwest field, four miles southeast of Post. The well produced 25 barrels of oil and 170 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,708-900 feet, and location is in Section 30, Block 5, GH&H survey.

Lea Corp. will drill the No. 1-44 Connell Estate, a 3,605-foot wildcat located seven miles east of Post. Location is in Section 44, Block 5, GH&H survey.

Holiday Sale

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Happy 22nd Shannon

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Canyon Reef 4-H Club; Senior Citizens Center; 7 p.m.

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

Ladies Auxiliary of VFW; VFW Hall; 7:30 p.m.

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

TUESDAY

Video "After Birth" is scheduled at the St. John's Episcopal Church, 2214 42nd St., if transportation is needed, phone 573-3444; in Spanish at 9 a.m.

"When Your Child is Sick," video at the St. John's Episcopal Church; 10 a.m.

Plainview Extension Homemakers; 2 p.m.

Atheneum Study Club Christmas meeting; in the home of Doris Spikes; 4:15 p.m.

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

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

Scurry Charter Chapter of ABWA meeting; MAWC; 7 p.m.

Beta Delta Phi; 7 p.m.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 7 p.m.

Hobbs Co-Dependent 12-Step group; Hobbs school gym; call Sharon or Jimmy Prayton at 735-3640 (Rotan); 7 p.m.

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

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

Canyon Gun Club; 1910 25th, Deep Creek Boot & Shoe Repair; 7:30 .

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

Christian Woman's Club's Christmas Luncheon; Snyder Country Club; lunch $8, reservations by noon Tuesday by calling 573-7125 pr 573-3996; noon until 2 p.m.

Altrurian Daughters Luncheon; MAWC; 11:15 a.m.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club's Christmas party; airport terminal building; 9:30 a.m.

Diabetes Support Group; Senior Center; preferred and interested persons are welcome; for information, call 573-7638; 12 to 1 p.m.

Noah Project Advisory Committee; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; noon.

Rotary Club; Martha Ann Woman's Club; noon.

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

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

Volleyball for singles, divorced or widowed people; multipurpose building of First Baptist Church; 7 p.m.

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

Scurry County Sheriffs Posse; posse clubhouse; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving; community room of Snyder Savings & Loan, 27th & College; 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

SUNDAY

Christmas open house tour; sponsored by Historic Scurry County, Inc., and Scurry County Historical Commission; call 573-9742 or 573-2763 for details.

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

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

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

No big winner in latest lotto

AUSTIN (AP) — Nobody picked all six winning numbers in Saturday night's Texas Lotto drawing, raising the jackpot for Wednesday's drawing to an estimated $5 million, state officials said.

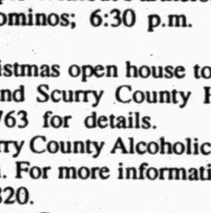
The winning numbers were, 7, 23, 24, 35, 36 and 45.

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Moon to rise shrouded in dust, shadow

WASHINGTON (AP) — The moon will rise dark and dusky — perhaps blood red — on Wednesday, an event once feared as an ill omen but today mostly welcomed by amateur and professional skywatchers.

A total eclipse of the moon will be fully under way when the orb of the night sky rises along the eastern coast of the United States, reports Alan Fiala, an astronomer at the U.S. Naval Observatory.

"Normally the Earth's atmosphere refracts enough light (during an eclipse) that you can see the moon. Usually it looks dark red or a shade of copper," explained Fiala.

But this time, thanks to the lingering dust from the eruption of Mt. Pinatubo in the Philippines, "it could be darker red or blacked out, or a gradation," he explained.

Eclipses have been the source of fear over the ages, thought to portend danger and disaster.

"Nobody ever sees anything good in them," said Fiala, who quickly added that "I don't think people take them as evil omens anymore."

But the eclipse of May 22, 1453, was surely an evil omen for besieged Constantinople, which had withstood attacking Turks secure in the tradition that the city could not fall during a waxing moon.

When the moon rose in eclipse that night — as it will Wednesday — morale of the defenders was crushed and the attackers, directed by Sultan Mohammed II, overwhelmed the ancient city, reports Bradley E. Schaefer in the December issue of Sky & Telescope magazine.

The moon in eclipse was better news for Columbus, if not for the residents of the New World.

When Arawak Indians on Jamaica refused to provide food for the navigator's sailors on Feb. 29, 1504, he warned them he was the servant of the heavens and would make the moon rise "inflamed with wrath."

Also like this Wednesday, the moon rose in eclipse — colored red by light filtering through the Earth's atmosphere — and the Indians came running with food, according to Guy Ottewell of the Astronomical Workshop at Furman University in Greenville, S.C.

This year's eclipse begins at 4:59 p.m. EST when the edge of the Earth's shadow begins to cross the moon. This is nearly the same time the moon will be rising for residents of the Eastern states.

Total coverage of the moon by the darkest shadow begins at 6:07 p.m. and continues for 1 hour and 15 minutes. The moon will be back to normal at 8:29 p.m., covering almost the entire United States before that.

This is the first total eclipse of the moon since Feb. 9, 1990, though there was a partial eclipse on June 15 of this year. The next total eclipse will be June 4, 1993.

Since it's an eclipse of the moon, spectators can simply go outdoors and watch without worrying about the glare that occurs in solar eclipses.

They can watch without fear, that is, as long as they aren't worried about evil omens.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH · 12-7-92
♠ 6 5 4
♥ 9 7 2
♦ J 10 9 3
♣ 6 5 4

WEST
♠ J 3 2
♥ J 10 8 5 3
♦ 2
♣ A Q J 3

EAST
♠ 10 9 8 7
♥ Q 4
♦ K 6 5
♣ 10 9 8 7

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

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ 5

Peeking over another shoulder

By Phillip Alder

In 1989, James Kauder wrote a book called "The Bridge Philosopher." It has just been republished under the title "Creative Card Play" ($11.95, Lawrence & Leong, 212-866-5860). It is an "over the shoulder" book. The reader listens to Kauder's thoughts during the play of 61 deals. The major difference between this book and others of the genre is that Kauder isn't always the declarer. Twice he is confronted solely with bidding problems, once he has to find the winning opening lead, and 21 times he is the key defender.

The text is chatty, mostly to the point, but occasionally with extraneous observations. The deals are challenging — except, perhaps, the first, which is entitled "A Simple Hand." See what you think.

Against your contract of three no-trump, West leads the heart five: two, queen, king. How would you continue?

A three-no-trump opening with a powerhouse is arguably the worst bid in bridge, but this was rubber bridge, where science takes a seat in the trunk.

The risk is that East has the diamond king and West the club ace, and that when East gets in, he might make a telling switch to clubs.

The technical play is to cash the diamond ace, just in case the king drops. But, as Kauder points out, if it doesn't drop, the defenders will know all about your strong suit. West might even have a chance to signal for clubs.

The practical play is to lead a low diamond toward the dummy at trick two. Kauder suggests that East, not being so sure about the diamond position, would have to be a genius to find the club switch.

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Benefit concert

ZABRZE, Poland (AP) — Placido Domingo helped raise tens of thousands of dollars for a financially strapped cardiac surgery clinic, singing opera classics in a four-hour charity concert.

"My heart is really broken," Domingo said Sunday after visiting young patients at the state-run cardiac surgery clinic, the only facility in Poland that performs heart transplants.

Like virtually every health facility in post-communist Poland, the clinic is faced with financial difficulties now that subsidies from the deficit-ridden government budget are limited.

Zbigniew Religa, the clinic's director, estimated that the sold out "Heart for Heart" concert raised $66,000 from ticket sales alone. Domingo promised to donate royalties from a videotape of the show to the clinic.

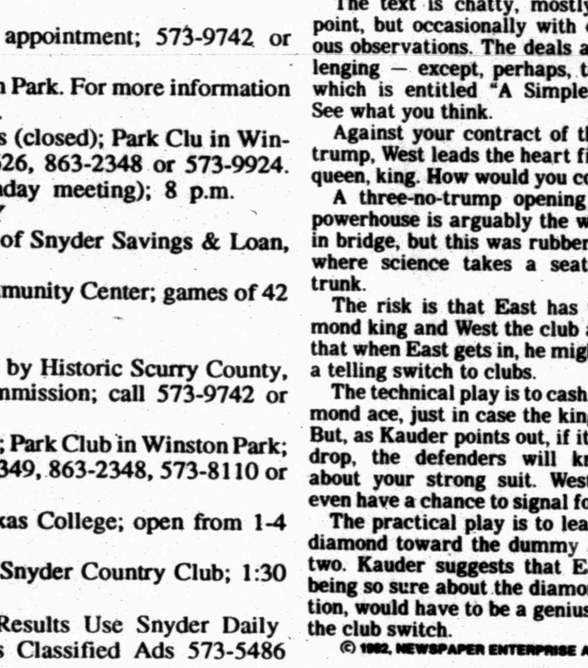
Domingo, joined at times by four young Polish singers, performed pieces from Verdi, Donizetti, Meyerbeer and Puccini and finished with five encores.

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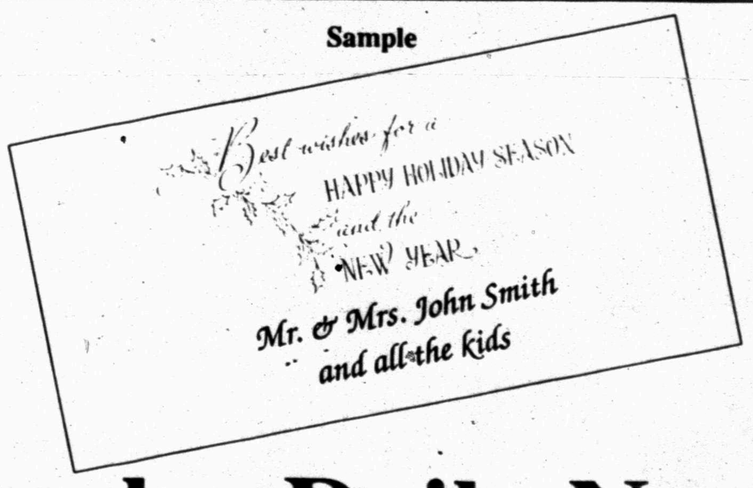
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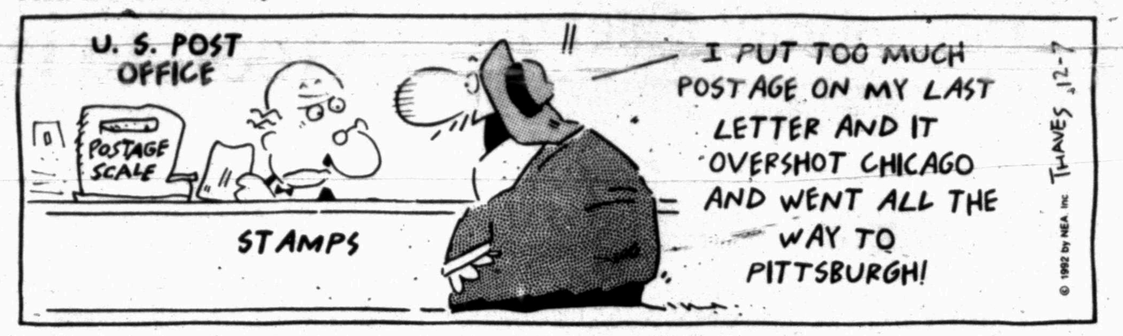
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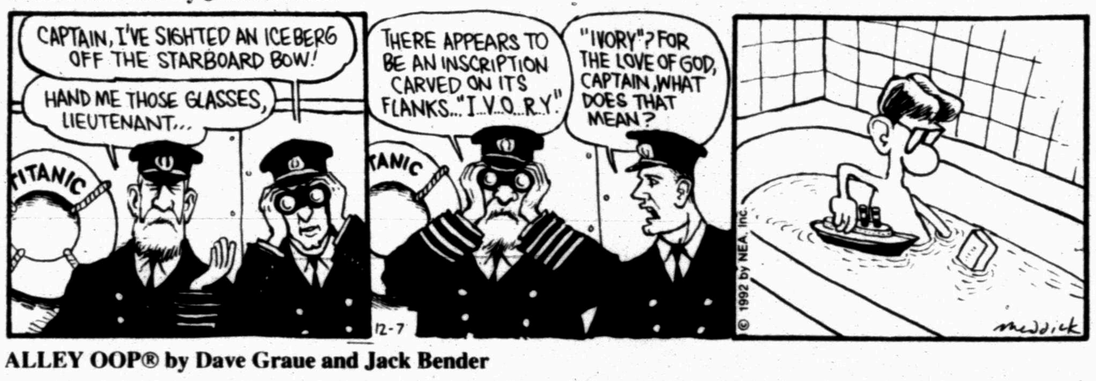
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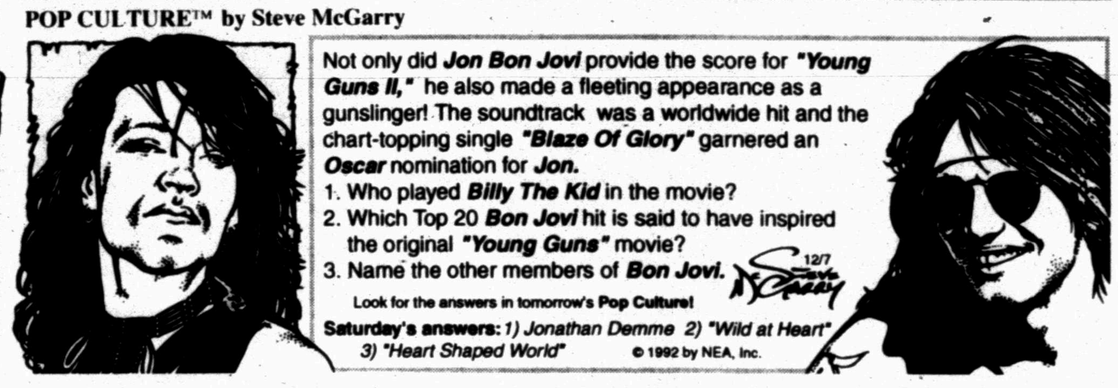
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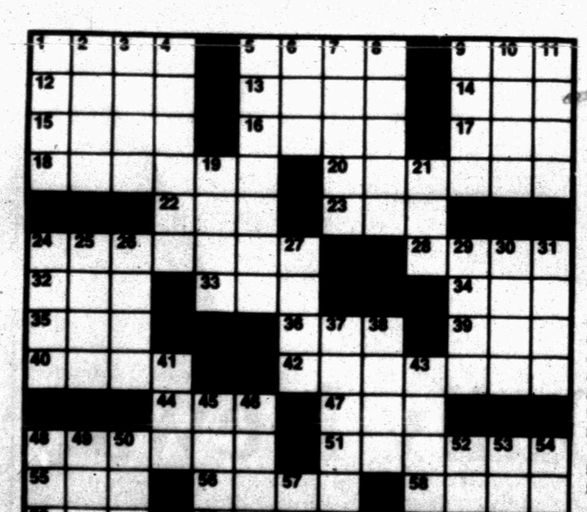
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33 Sault — Marie
34 Light — — feather
35 Actress — Zadora
36 Cherished animal
39 Footlike part
40 Director Preminger
42 Subjection
44 Garden plant
47 Hawaiian wreath
48 Paid, as a bill
51 Treat badly
55 Noun suffix
56 Play boisterously
58 Actor — Novello
59 WWII area
60 Flower
61 Terror
62 Female deer
63 Grafted, in heraldry
64 Beasts of burden

DOWN

1 Second-rate actors
2 Corn lily
3 Rhythmic movement
4 Change into bone
5 Poor person
6 — Jima
7 Eyes of — Mars
8 Boxer Mike —
9 Dec. holiday
10 Emerald —
11 How sweet — —
19 Mats
21 Type of lizard
24 Gourd
25 Step — —!
26 Future LL.Bs.' exam
27 Knots in cotton fiber
29 Yawn
30 Addict
31 Take it —
37 Oval
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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SPORTS

Dog Pound Classic...

Loraine, BC win Ira tourney

IRA — Loraine's boys and Borden County's girls came out the big winners at the weekend Ira High School Dog Pound Classic basketball tournament.

The Loraine Bulldogs clipped Borden County, 71-54 in the championship game in the boys' division Saturday, behind a 22-point effort by freshman Alvin Crawford, the tournament MVP.

All-tourney selection Joe Acosta led all scorers with 26 points for the Coyotes.

The Bulldogs went on a 17-6 second-quarter run to claim a 30-20 halftime lead, then topped Borden County 41-24 in the final two periods.

The Lady Coyotes got a measure of revenge for the BCHS boys, taking a 42-21 victory over Loraine in the girls' competition.

Borden County, led by tournament MVP Melody Harrison, didn't allow the Lady 'Dogs to get into double figures in any quarter.

Harrison and Loraine's Natasha Atkins, an all-tournament selection, tied for the game's scoring honors with 11 each.

In other boys' games in Saturday's final round of play, Ira claimed third place with a 56-49 win over Scurry County rival Hermleigh, and Borden County B was hammered by Westbrook, 88-40, in the consolation game.

Mike Hughes canned 17, all-tourney pick Justin Box put in 16 and Coy Henderson managed 12 for the tourney hosts in the third-place battle.

Bill Breitweiser put in 19 to lead Hermleigh. Teammates Daniel Hermosillo and Chris Velasco chipped in 12 and 10 points, respectively.

In Saturday's other girls' contests, Hermleigh's Lady Cardinals scored seven points in overtime to edge Ira, 46-44, for third place, and Westbrook topped Snyder's JV, 34-27, in the consolation final.

Hermleigh's Cheri Sandefur and Lori Anderson each finished with 12. All-tournament honoree Stephanie Buchanan put in eight.

Buchanan [illegible] ment with 33 points and 33 rebounds in three games.

Ira's top scorer was Emily Taylor, who canned 15. Mauricia Rosas, an all-tourney pick for the Lady Bulldogs, hit eight, as did IHS teammate Jody Rankin.

The Lady Cards and Ira wound up tied, 39-all, at the end of regulation.

Jeri Lynn Tucker's eight topped Snyder in its loss to Westbrook. The Lady 'Cats were paced by Sheila Hale's 17 points.

Ira Dog Pound Classic
Boys
Thursday, Dec. 3
Game 1 — Borden County 62, Westbrook 58
Game 2 — Hermleigh 64, Hobbs 60
Game 3 — Loraine 104, Borden County B 28
Game 4 — Ira 85, Union 32
Friday, Dec. 4
Game 5 — Borden County 42, Hermleigh 41
Game 6 — Westbrook 67, Hobbs 60
Game 7 — Loraine 70, Ira 32
Game 8 — Borden County B 54, Union 44
Saturday, Dec. 5
Game 9 — Consolation championship — Westbrook 88, Borden County B 40
Game 10 — Third place — Ira 56, Hermleigh 49
Game 11 — Championship — Loraine 71, Borden County 54
Girls
Thursday, Dec. 3
Game 1 — Borden County 38, Westbrook 37
Game 2 — Hermleigh 57, Ira B 8
Game 3 — Loraine 43, Snyder JV 42
Game 4 — Ira 57, Union 43
Friday, Dec. 4
Game 5 — Borden County 51, Hermleigh 32
Game 6 — Westbrook 76, Ira B 25
Game 7 — Loraine 35, Ira 26
Game 8 — Snyder JV 52, Union 33
Saturday, Dec. 5
Game 9 — Consolation — Westbrook 34, Snyder JV 27
Game 10 — Third place — Hermleigh 46, Ira 44 OT
Game 11 — Championship — Borden County 42, Loraine 21

All-tournament teams
Boys: Justin Box, Ira; Joe Acosta, Borden County; Chris Phillips, Loraine; Bill Breitweiser, Hermleigh; Martin, Westbrook. **MVP:** Alvin Crawford, Loraine.
Girls: Stormy Gass, Borden County; Sheila [illegible], Stephanie Buchanan, Hermleigh; Mauricia Rosas, Ira. **MVP:** Melody Harrison, Borden County.

Lady Tigers notch tournament victory

SAN ANGELO — Snyder's Lady Tigers matched their 1991-92 basketball win total Saturday with a 57-42 win over Lubbock Estacado in a third-round guarantee game at the Concho River Classic basketball tournament.

The Lady Tigers moved to 3-5 with the victory. They finished last season with a 2-21 mark.

"I thought we played well," said Snyder coach Jerry Tucker, "but we must improve to play the competition we've got in front of us.

"We shot well at the tournament, and I'm pleased that we are putting up more shots."

Estacado, a foe of the Lady Tigers in District 2-4A, fell behind early, trailing by 11, 18-7, after the first quarter, and 33-16 at halftime.

Annie Ragland's 17 points and eight rebounds were both team highs. Ragland's total included three of the Lady Tigers' four 3-pointers.

Rachel Crawford added 10 points and six steals, while Meriah Worthen sank nine points and contributed four assists in the win.

"The San Angelo tournament was excellent," Tucker said. "(Tournament director) Doug Snowden did a great job of providing good teams and hospitality."

Another 2-4A team, Plainview, was the tournament champion, posting a 74-63 win over Midland High in Saturday's final.

The Lady Tigers return to the floor Tuesday, hosting Midland Greenwood at Scurry County Coliseum.

Junior varsity action starts at 5 p.m., followed at 6:30 by the varsity tilt.

Snyder	**18**	**15**	**12**	**12**	**-57**
Estacado	**7**	**9**	**7**	**19**	**-42**

SNYDER (57) — Ragland 7 0-0 17; Crawford 4 2-2 10; Crow 3 2-2 8; Huff 2 0-0 4; Shipp 1 0-0 2; Worthen 3 2-2 9; Fambro 1 5-6 7; TOTALS 21 11-12 57.
3-point goals: Snyder 4 (Ragland 3, Worthen 1). **Record:** Snyder 3-5.

Dallas clinches playoff berth...

Pokes survive Mile-High scare

DENVER (AP) — Dan Reeves came up with a quarterback shuttle that almost succeeded in replacing the irreplaceable John Elway.

Emmitt Smith, however, had the last laugh on both the Broncos and Reeves, propelling the Dallas Cowboys into the playoffs by tying a record that Reeves himself set 26 years ago. They're now one win away from clinching their first NFC East title since 1985.

Smith didn't have his standard 100-yard game, rushing for just 62 yards in 26 carries.

He did, however, run three yards for the winning touchdown with 2:47 left Sunday to give the Cowboys a 31-27 win over the Broncos after Denver's tag-team quarterbacks, Tommy Maddox and Shawn Moore, kept the Broncos in the game and almost won it. The TD was Smith's 16th of the sesaon, tying the Cowboys' season record that Reeves set in 1966.

It was, overall, a bizarre game as the Cowboys improved to 11-2 and the Broncos lost for the third straight time without Elway, falling to 7-6 and out of the playoffs — if they started next week. It was their first loss in seven home games this season and nine in the last two years.

But they scared Dallas.

"Denver played extremely well," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson. "We played well enough to win. That's all I can say."

It started like a Dallas rout.

Maddox threw interceptions to Kevin Smith and James Washington on his first two passes, setting up TD passes of 6- and 4 yards to Michael Irvin that put the Cowboys up 14-0 with just seven minutes gone.

It wouldn't be that easy.

Maddox ended up with four interceptions and a fumble that set up a third Aikman TD pass — a 1-yarder to Jay Novacek. But he also threw for three touchdowns and was on the field for a fourth, an 81-yarder from Arthur Marshall to Cedric Tillman that gave the Broncos a 27-24 lead with 9:05 left in the game.

But Maddox was booed because of his interceptions and Moore was cheered. Overall, they each threw for 104 yards — Maddox on 10 of 16 and Moore on 7 of 13.

Moore's contributions were in the middle of the field, including a 40-yard pass to Vance Johnson that set up the second TD on a 12-yard pass from Maddox to Mark Jackson. Earlier, Maddox had found Vance Johnson for 18 yards and a score.

That cut a Dallas lead to 14-13 early in the second period — the snap from center on the extra point was fumbled by Maddox, another of his mistakes.

"Even when we were up 14-0, I didn't think it would be easy," said Dallas safety James Washington, who had the second interception on Maddox. "When you play a team that plays all four downs, you don't know what's going to happen. We were lucky to get out of here alive."

Lin Elliott's field goal made it 17-13 at halftime, then Maddox fumbled the snap on Denver's first second-half play, setting up a 1-yard TD pass from Aikman to Novacek that made it 24-13.

Again Denver didn't give up.

Moore had two big completions and then Maddox converted on a strange fourth-down play — a 9-yard pass to Johnson on a fourth-and-7 from the 32. It had been fourth-and-2, but Maddox let the time clock run out trying to draw Dallas offside.

Two plays after the first down, Maddox scrambled around a blitz and threw 23 yards to Reggie Rivers to make it 24-20.

Then, after Elliott missed a 32-yard attempt, the Broncos went to their third passer — Marshall, a quarterback in high school, who took an overhand lateral from Maddox and found Tillman behind the Dallas secondary.

Aikman, who finished 24 of 35 for 231 yards, simply drove the Cowboys 71 yards, hitting Novacek for 11, 22 and 17 yards and hitting Irvin for 14 yards on a third-and-14 from the Denver 25 to set up Smith's TD run.

"They were taking away our outside guys, forcing us to use Novacek," Aikman said.

It worked well enough.

So, in a lot of ways, did the tandem quarterbacks.

Playoff pairings

Class 5A Division I
FINAL
Euless Trinity (9-5) vs. Converse Judson (13-1), noon Saturday, Austin Memorial Stadium.
Class 5A Division II
SEMIFINALS
Amarillo (13-1) vs. Temple (13-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Wichita Falls Memorial Stadium.
Houston Yates (11-1-1) vs. San Antonio Holmes (12-2), 4 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome.
Class 4A
SEMIFINALS
Lubbock Estacado (8-4-2) vs. Waxahachie (14-0), 1 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium.
A&M Consolidated (13-1) vs. Gregory-Portland (13-0), 7 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome.
Class 3A
SEMIFINALS
Southlake Carroll (14-0) vs. Gainesville (12-2), 8 p.m. Friday, Bedford Pennington Field.
Coldspring (13-1) vs. Marble Falls (13-0-1), noon Saturday, Astrodome.
Class 2A
SEMIFINALS
Goldthwaite (13-1) vs. Pilot Point (13-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Glen Rose.
Omaha Paul Pewitt (12-1-1) vs. Schulenburg (13-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Nacogdoches.
Class A
SEMIFINALS
Sudan (12-2) vs. Riesel (11-1-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Sweetwater.
Valley View (11-2-1) vs. Bartlett (12-0-1), 8 p.m. Friday, Burleson.
Six-Man
FINAL
Fort Hancock (13-0) vs. Panther Creek (13-1), 3 p.m. Saturday, Monahans.

AP cage poll

The Top Twenty Five teams in the Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, record through Dec. 6, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Duke (36)	2-0	1,596	4
2. Kansas (29)	2-0	1,587	3
3. Kentucky	2-0	1,440	5
4. Indiana	4-1	1,405	2
5. North Carolina	3-0	1,344	7
6. Michigan	1-1	1,336	1
7. Seton Hall	4-1	1,259	6
8. Iowa	3-0	1,067	10
9. Louisville	1-0	950	12
10. Florida St.	3-2	848	11
11. Georgetown	2-0	776	14
11. Oklahoma	2-0	776	15
13. UCLA	4-1	715	16
14. Arizona	0-1	675	9
15. Syracuse	3-0	627	17
16. Arkansas	3-0	597	—
17. Georgia Tech	1-1	540	13
18. Purdue	3-0	447	24
19. Cincinnati	1-0	331	22
20. Tulane	3-1	320	20
21. Memphis St.	0-2	302	8
22. UNLV	1-0	270	23
23. Massachusetts	1-1	267	19
24. Michigan St.	1-1	240	18
25. Nebraska	2-0	229	—

Other receiving votes: Connecticut 226, New Mexico St. 162, Tennessee 111, California 107, Iowa St. 98, Brigham Young 76, Utah 58, Boston College 45, Wake Forest 41, Texas-El Paso 33, Ohio St. 32, Georgia 31, Florida 26, Illinois 23, LSU 17, Missouri 17, Evansville 15, Oregon St. 15, Marquette 10, Rice 7, S. Illinois 7, Virginia 7, West Virginia 5, Auburn 4, George Washington 3, Houston 1, SW Louisiana 1, Texas 1, Vanderbilt 1, Xavier, Ohio 1.

Sugar Bowl gets title game

Aggies to host No. 5 Notre Dame in Cotton Bowl

ATLANTA (AP) — The Sugar Bowl got the best game and the Cotton Bowl created the most controversy.

When the new bowl coalition announced its matchups Sunday, the Sugar picked the plum — top-ranked Miami (11-0) vs. No. 2 Alabama (12-0) for the national championship.

The Cotton got a good game — No. 4 Texas A&M (12-0) vs. No. 5 Notre Dame (9-1-1) — and some bad publicity.

The Cotton's decision to take Notre Dame instead of No. 3 Florida State angered the Seminoles, Texas A&M and others who felt the Dallas bowl violated the coalition's goal of getting the best possible matchups.

Florida State (10-1) now goes to the Orange Bowl against No. 11 Nebraska (9-2).

The Cotton passed up a No. 3 vs. No. 4 contest because it didn't want a rematch of last year's Florida State-Texas A&M game and because it preferred the glamour and television power of Notre Dame.

"We're happy to go to the Orange Bowl, but vibes I received from the Cotton Bowl were 'Make yourself available,'" Florida State athletic director Bob Goin said.

The Cotton controversy raised questions about the future of the coalition, which was formed a year ago to improve the bowl selection process.

"It's not a perfect system, but it's better than the way we used to do it," said Steve Hatchell, executive director of the Orange Bowl.

Happiest of all was the Sugar Bowl, which landed two of the most successful programs in college football.

Miami will be seeking its second straight national title and fifth in 10 years. Alabama has won five Associated Press national championships and is the last school to win back-to-back titles (1978-79).

The teams last met in the 1990 Sugar Bowl, where Miami's 33-25 victory gave the Hurricanes their third national championship.

The other bowl matchups are Washington-Michigan (Rose), Colorado-Syracuse (Fiesta), Florida-North Carolina State (Gator), Penn State-Stanford (Blockbuster), Arizona-Baylor (Hancock), Ohio State-Georgia (Citrus), Boston College-Tennessee (Hall of Fame), Brigham Young-Kansas (Aloha), North Carolina-Mississippi State (Peach), Southern Cal-Fresno State (Freedom), Air Force-Mississippi (Liberty), Illinois-Hawaii (Holiday), Wake Forest-Oregon (Independence), Washington State-Utah (Copper), and Bowling Green-Nevada (Las Vegas).

NFL glance

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East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	9	4	0	.692	331	223
Miami	8	5	0	.615	285	244
Indianapolis	6	7	0	.462	169	266
N.Y. Jets	4	9	0	.308	197	266
New England	2	11	0	.154	162	300
Central						
x-Pittsburgh	10	3	0	.769	267	176
Houston	7	5	0	.583	270	218
Cleveland	7	6	0	.538	231	211
Cincinnati	4	9	0	.308	227	306
West						
Kansas City	8	5	0	.615	258	207
San Diego	8	5	0	.615	241	203
Denver	7	6	0	.538	215	254
LA Raiders	6	7	0	.462	207	205
Seattle	2	11	0	.154	103	251

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Dallas	11	2	0	.846	324	192
Washington	8	5	0	.615	247	200
Philadelphia	8	5	0	.615	297	205
N.Y. Giants	5	8	0	.385	261	307
Phoenix	3	10	0	.231	208	309
Central						
Minnesota	9	4	0	.692	324	219
Green Bay	7	6	0	.538	225	242
Chicago	4	8	0	.333	241	288
Tampa Bay	4	9	0	.308	239	306
Detroit	3	10	0	.231	227	291
West						
x-San Francisco	11	2	0	.846	366	199
x-New Orleans	10	3	0	.769	257	168
Atlanta	5	8	0	.385	248	328
LA Rams	5	8	0	.385	248	291

x-clinched playoff berth
Thursday's Game
New Orleans 22, Atlanta 14
Sunday's Games
Cleveland 37, Cincinnati 21
Green Bay 38, Detroit 10
Indianapolis 6, New England 0
Philadelphia 28, Minnesota 17
New York Jets 24, Buffalo 17
Pittsburgh 20, Seattle 14
Dallas 31, Denver 27
Los Angeles Raiders 28, Kansas City 7
San Francisco 27, Miami 3
San Diego 27, Phoenix 21
Washington 28, New York Giants 10
Los Angeles Rams 31, Tampa Bay 27
Monday's Game
Chicago at Houston, 9 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	10	6	.625	—
New Jersey	10	7	.588	½
Orlando	8	6	.571	1
Boston	7	10	.412	3½
Washington	6	10	.375	4
Miami	4	11	.267	5½
Philadelphia	3	11	.214	6
Central Division				
Chicago	11	4	.733	—
Milwaukee	10	6	.625	1½
Charlotte	9	8	.529	3
Atlanta	8	8	.500	3½
Cleveland	8	8	.500	3½
Indiana	8	8	.500	3½
Detroit	5	9	.357	5½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Utah	10	5	.667	—
Houston	8	6	.571	1½
Denver	7	8	.467	3
San Antonio	6	9	.400	4
Minnesota	4	10	.286	5½
Dallas	1	12	.077	8
Pacific Division				
Portland	11	4	.733	—
Seattle	11	4	.733	—
Phoenix	10	4	.714	½
LA Clippers	9	6	.600	2
LA Lakers	9	6	.600	2
Sacramento	6	9	.400	5
Golden State	6	10	.375	5½

Saturday's Games
New York 111, Milwaukee 98
Indiana 111, Washington 109
New Jersey 111, Miami 104
Atlanta 113, San Antonio 105
Portland 96, Cleveland 94
Detroit 112, Philadelphia 88
Chicago 96, Boston 89
Houston 117, Dallas 96
Utah 119, Denver 89
Seattle 124, Minnesota 87
LA Clippers 119, Charlotte 109
Golden State 119, Orlando 104
Sunday's Games
Phoenix 122, Milwaukee 112
LA Lakers 107, Minnesota 85
Monday's Games
No games scheduled

US reclaims Davis Cup

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Jim Courier erased them all — the Davis Cup doubts, problems playing for the flag and his inability to solve the Swiss.

"I feel like I'm as much a part of this team as anyone else," Courier said Sunday after beating Jakob Hlasek 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 to clinch the United States' 30th Davis Cup.

"I really wanted to contribute," Courier said. "Everybody got their points and every point was huge. Hopefully, we'll win this thing for the next eight, nine years."

The U.S. team recaptured the cup a year after a stunning loss to the French by overwhelming first-time finalist Switzerland.

Andre Agassi started it Friday with a less than 90-minute straight-sets clinic of Hlasek. But Courier, ranked No. 1 in the world, fell to nemesis Marc Rosset in the Americans' only defeat in the best-of-5 tournament. The final singles match between Agassi and Rosset was canceled, making the final score 3-1.

Rosset, who also upset Courier at the Barcelona Olympics on his way to the gold medal this summer, had never before rallied from a two-sets-to-one deficit.

But a fresh doubles team of John McEnroe and Pete Sampras charged back after losing to first two sets to rally past a tiring Rosset and Hlasek, who teamed to win three tournaments in 1992, including the French Open.

Courier, known for his blue-collar approach, won Sunday for just the third time in eight Davis Cup matches, and he did it in spite of the flag-waving, cowbell-ringing, song-singing crowd of 11,446, which had clearly rattled him in his first match Friday.

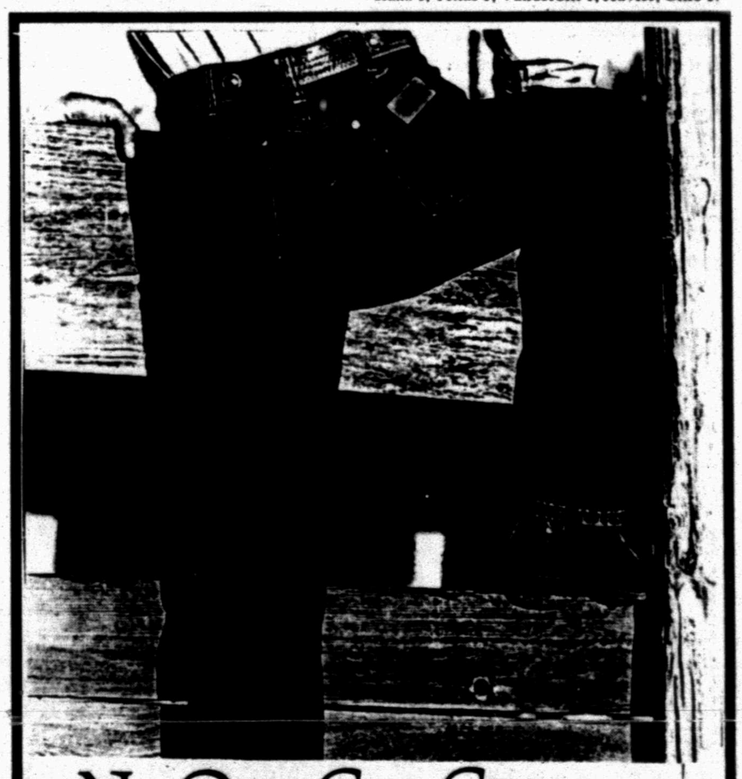
AP Top 25

by The Associated Press

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press 1992 final regular season college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 5, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote, and ranking in last week's poll:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Miami (61)	11-0-0	1,549	1
2. Alabama (1)	12-0-0	1,473	2
3. Florida St.	10-1-0	1,419	3
4. Texas A&M	12-0-0	1,387	4
5. Notre Dame	9-1-1	1,295	5
6. Syracuse	9-2-0	1,174	6
7. Michigan	8-0-3	1,141	7
8. Georgia	9-2-0	1,096	8
9. Washington	9-2-0	1,014	10
10. Colorado	9-1-1	1,000	9
11. Nebraska	9-2-0	974	11
12. N. Carolina St.	9-2-1	848	13
13. Stanford	9-3-0	840	14
14. Florida	8-4-0	745	12
15. Ohio St.	8-2-1	716	15
16. Boston College	8-2-1	585	16
17. Tennessee	8-3-0	510	17
18. Washington St.	8-3-0	434	18
19. North Carolina	8-3-0	409	20
20. Mississippi	8-3-0	400	19
21. Penn St.	7-4-0	272	21
22. Arizona	6-4-1	221	22
23. Southern Cal	6-4-1	214	23
24. Mississippi St.	7-4-0	171	24
25. Brigham Young	8-4-0	118	25

Others receiving votes: Hawaii 97, Bowling Green 32, Illinois 6, Kansas 4, Southern Mississippi 4, Virginia 2.



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Survivors recall Japanese WWII attack on Pearl Harbor

by The Associated Press

Commemorations planned for today's anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor are low-key, almost as quiet as the Sunday morning 51 years ago, before the sound of airplanes broke the tropical stillness.

Frederick Bowen was alone on duty at his Army Air Corps base in Hawaii when he heard planes roar past.

"I thought it was the Navy buzzing us," Bowen, of Parker, Colo., said. "They were always doing that. We'd buzz them and they'd buzz us back."

Then he saw a Japanese plane bearing down on Wheeler Field.

They "came down the ramp where we parked the planes. The first one strafed the cockpits with incendiaries. They burned out the middle of the planes. They had it planned pretty well."

The attack, which came without warning or a declaration of war, killed 2,403 Americans and wounded 1,178 and plunged the United States into World War II.

In Hawaii, Retired Vice Adm. Samuel Gravely, the Navy's first black admiral, is to speak at a ceremony that will focus on the role that minorities played in the segregated U.S. military at the time of the attack.

"We've never examined the Pearl Harbor attack through the eyes of ethnic minorities — and each one has a different story to tell," said Blanca Stransky, spokeswoman for the National Park Service that runs the USS Arizona Memorial.

Samuel Bishop, a mess attendant trained to set fuses on the USS Bagley, was one of the few blacks on deck during the attack, Stransky said. Bishop, whose ship was credited with shooting down one of the Japanese planes, also is to speak.

In Lexington, Ky., the Pearl Harbor Commemorative Association planned a daylong program today. Featured speakers were to include retired Army Col. Walter D. Short and retired Army Maj. Gen. George S. Patton III.

Short is the son of General Walter C. Short, commander of the U.S. Army at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Patton is the son of World War II hero Gen. George S. Patton Jr.

Bowen joined about 720 people attending the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association national convention in Little Rock.

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Patch saves shopper's life

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A diamond-shaped patch on a sweater saved a Robstown man from a bullet, police say.

A bullet from a .38-caliber revolver was stopped when it became lodged in the sturdy patch design worn by Marcos Alaniz, said San Antonio detective John Lopez.

Alaniz suffered some bruises in Friday night's incident, but he didn't require hospitalization.

Alaniz, 20, and an 18-year-old friend were in San Antonio visiting girlfriends at Our Lady of the Lake University.

While the two shopped at a local outlet mall, five youths in a black pickup yelled insults at them, Lopez said. The two men got into Alaniz's car and approached the pickup.

"They stopped, rolled the window down and asked them (the youths) what the problem was," Lopez said.

The driver of the pickup got out, reached around behind his back and withdrew a revolver, officers said.

The assailant fired through the windshield of Alaniz's car, Lopez said. The bullet struck Alaniz about a half-inch above his navel, Lopez said, but went no farther because of the patch.

No arrests have been reported.

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'Home Alone 2' is top movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York" remained the nation's most popular movie over the weekend, earning an estimated $12.3 million.

"Home Alone 2" edged out the new Eddie Murphy film "The Distinguished Gentleman," which took in $11.5 million in its debut, and "The Bodyguard," which earned $11.4 million, according to projected ticket sales.

The "Home Alone" sequel was coming off a record Thanksgiving weekend in which moviegoers doled out $134.3 million to kick off the holiday movie season.

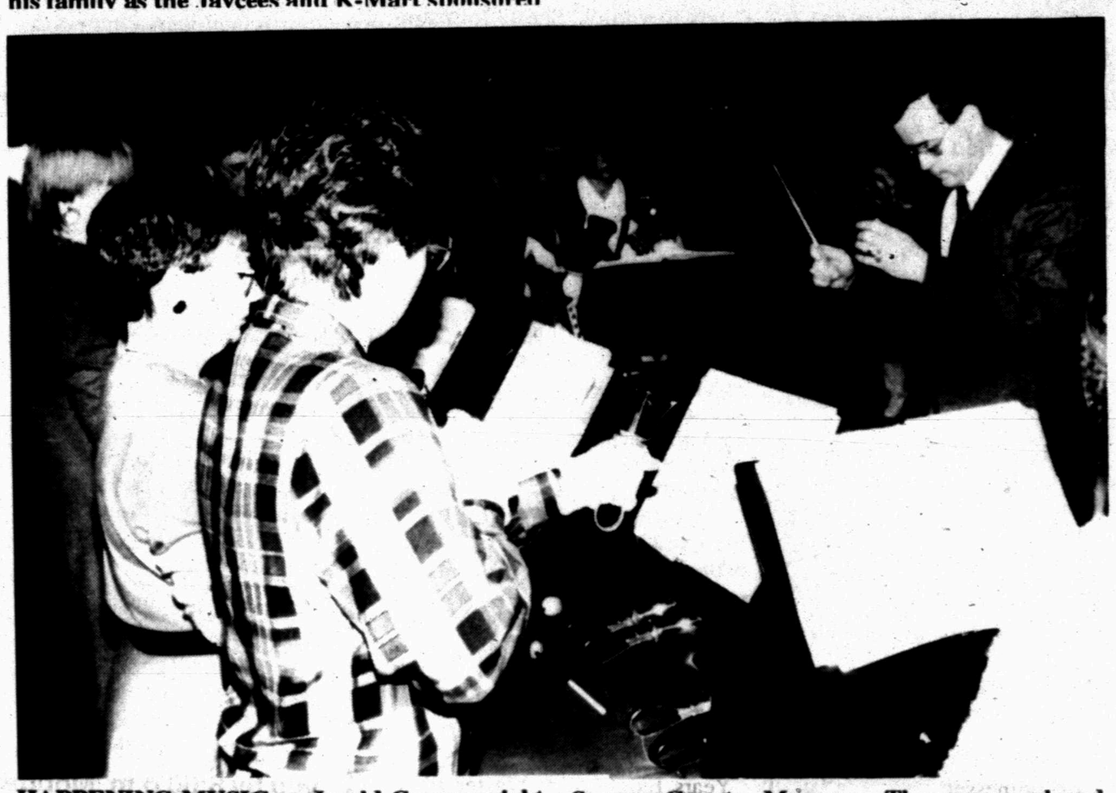
The Walt Disney animated feature "Aladdin" also continued to play strongly this weekend, finishing in fourth place with estimated sales ranging from $10.3 million to $10.9 million.

Projections for the rest of the Top 10 were: "Malcolm X," $3.7 million; "Bram Stoker's Dracula," $3.5 million; "Passenger 57," $2 million; "A River Runs Through It," $1.5 million; "Under Siege," $1.2 million; "The Last of the Mohicans," $690,000.

Ted Williams was the first manager of the Texas Rangers in 1972.



SHOPPING SPREE — Snyder Jaycees member Audie Jones helps Tommi Sims pick out gifts for his family as the Jaycees and K-Mart sponsored their annual shopping spree for underprivileged children Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)



HAPPENING MUSIC — Jerald Garner, right, directed the Western Texas College handbell choir during Sunday's Christmas Happening at Scurry County Museum. The group played Christmas carols and other well-known selections. (SDN Staff Photo)

CDC, doctors set first national fight against lead posioning

ATLANTA (AP) — Lead poisoning is called the most serious environmental threat faced by America's youngest citizens, yet many parents don't know that simple home renovations can permanently jeopardize their children's health.

Doctors and public health officials hope to change that as they begin a three-day meeting today to map out a strategy to fight lead poisoning.

"This is a real critical time," said Dr. Suzanne Binder, chief of lead poisoning prevention for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"Still we have children poisoned because their parents didn't know not to break down walls in old housing and doctors don't know to screen blood."

Lead, which can be found in paint in older houses, can stunt a child's intellectual, behavioral and physical development. Many doctors believe any exposure to lead causes permanent damage, but nobody is certain because it hasn't been adequately studied.

The doctors and advocacy groups meeting at the CDC hope to develop a strategy to eliminate, within 20 years, childhood lead poisoning, which the CDC calls the most serious environmental threat to children.

It doesn't take much exposure for a child to reach what the CDC considers a dangerous level of lead in the blood, experts say. The CDC estimates 3 million U.S. children have reached that danger zone.

The biggest culprit is paint in the 57 million houses built before 1978, when the government banned lead from household paint. Children frequently eat paint chips. They also inhale lead in dust, usually when their homes are renovated.

Lead is also present in polluted soil and air and in some drinking water.

Adults get all this exposure, too. But children's bodies process lead differently, so they absorb up to 50 percent of the lead they ingest while adults absorb only 10 percent.

"Children are being used as the barometer of lead in the environment," said Dr. Howard Mofenson of Long Island, N.Y., a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics' committee on lead poisoning.

"It's similar to when the coal miners used to put a canary down the mine to see if it could survive and there wasn't too much carbon monoxide."

The younger the child, the greater the risk, doctors say. Those under age 7 are at greatest risk because their nervous systems are still developing. They're also more likely to eat paint chips or dirt than older children.

Lead poisoning is insidious, Mofenson said. By the time a child exhibits any symptoms, such as headaches, a good amount of brain damage has been done.

The CDC is sending funds to state health departments so they can pay for lead tests in any child whose blood is tested for any reason.

Currently, only 28 states and the District of Columbia require lead testing.

The CDC will use the results to compile the nation's first official count of childhood lead poisoning, to determine what areas have the biggest problem and to devise solutions.



PINATA BREAKING — Phi Theta Kappa students Anita Brown, left, and Emily Irons, help Erin McCowen during the pinata breaking at Sunday's Christmas happening at Scurry County Museum. (SDN Staff Photo)

Former light-heavyweight champion Maxie Rosenbloom was knocked out only twice in 289 pro fights.

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Survivors recall Japanese WWII attack on Pearl Harbor

by The Associated Press

Commemorations planned for today's anniversary of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor are low-key, almost as quiet as the Sunday morning 51 years ago, before the sound of airplanes broke the tropical stillness.

Frederick Bowen was alone on duty at his Army Air Corps base in Hawaii when he heard planes roar past.

"I thought it was the Navy buzzing us," Bowen, of Parker, Colo., said. "They were always doing that. We'd buzz them and they'd buzz us back."

Then he saw a Japanese plane bearing down on Wheeler Field.

They "came down the ramp where we parked the planes. The first one strafed the cockpits with incendiaries. They burned out the middle of the planes. They had it planned pretty well."

The attack, which came without warning or a declaration of war, killed 2,403 Americans and wounded 1,178 and plunged the United States into World War II.

In Hawaii, Retired Vice Adm. Samuel Gravely, the Navy's first black admiral, is to speak at a ceremony that will focus on the role that minorities played in the segregated U.S. military at the time of the attack.

"We've never examined the Pearl Harbor attack through the eyes of ethnic minorities — and each one has a different story to tell," said Blanca Stransky, spokeswoman for the National Park Service that runs the USS Arizona Memorial.

Samuel Bishop, a mess attendant trained to set fuses on the USS Bagley, was one of the few blacks on deck during the attack, Stransky said. Bishop, whose ship was credited with shooting down one of the Japanese planes, also is to speak.

In Lexington, Ky., the Pearl Harbor Commemorative Association planned a daylong program today. Featured speakers were to include retired Army Col. Walter D. Short and retired Army Maj. Gen. George S. Patton III.

Short is the son of General Walter C. Short, commander of the U.S. Army at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Patton is the son of World War II hero Gen. George S. Patton Jr.

Bowen joined about 720 people attending the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association national convention in Little Rock.

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Patch saves shopper's life

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A diamond-shaped patch on a sweater saved a Robstown man from a bullet, police say.

A bullet from a .38-caliber revolver was stopped when it became lodged in the sturdy patch design worn by Marcos Alaniz, said San Antonio detective John Lopez.

Alaniz suffered some bruises in Friday night's incident, but he didn't require hospitalization.

Alaniz, 20, and an 18-year-old friend were in San Antonio visiting girlfriends at Our Lady of the Lake University.

While the two shopped at a local outlet mall, five youths in a black pickup yelled insults at them, Lopez said. The two men got into Alaniz's car and approached the pickup.

"They stopped, rolled the window down and asked them (the youths) what the problem was," Lopez said.

The driver of the pickup got out, reached around behind his back and withdrew a revolver, officers said.

The assailant fired through the windshield of Alaniz's car, Lopez said. The bullet struck Alaniz about a half-inch above his navel, Lopez said, but went no farther because of the patch.

No arrests have been reported.

'Home Alone 2' is top movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York" remained the nation's most popular movie over the weekend, earning an estimated $12.3 million.

"Home Alone 2" edged out the new Eddie Murphy film "The Distinguished Gentleman," which took in $11.5 million in its debut, and "The Bodyguard," which earned $11.4 million, according to projected ticket sales.

The "Home Alone" sequel was coming off a record Thanksgiving weekend in which moviegoers doled out $134.3 million to kick off the holiday movie season.

The Walt Disney animated feature "Aladdin" also continued to play strongly this weekend, finishing in fourth place with estimated sales ranging from $10.3 million to $10.9 million.

Projections for the rest of the Top 10 were: "Malcolm X," $3.7 million; "Bram Stoker's Dracula," $3.5 million; "Passenger 57," $2 million; "A River Runs Through It," $1.5 million; "Under Siege," $1.2 million; "The Last of the Mohicans," $690,000.

Ted Williams was the first manager of the Texas Rangers in 1972.



SHOPPING SPREE — Snyder Jaycees member Audie Jones helps Tommi Sims pick out gifts for his family as the Jaycees and K-Mart sponsored their annual shopping spree for underprivileged children Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)



HAPPENING MUSIC — Jerald Garner, right, directed the Western Texas College handbell choir during Sunday's Christmas Happening at Scurry County Museum. The group played Christmas carols and other well-known selections. (SDN Staff Photo)

CDC, doctors set first national fight against lead posioning

ATLANTA (AP) — Lead poisoning is called the most serious environmental threat faced by America's youngest citizens, yet many parents don't know that simple home renovations can permanently jeopardize their children's health.

Doctors and public health officials hope to change that as they begin a three-day meeting today to map out a strategy to fight lead poisoning.

"This is a real critical time," said Dr. Suzanne Binder, chief of lead poisoning prevention for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"Still we have children poisoned because their parents didn't know not to break down walls in old housing and doctors don't know to screen blood."

Lead, which can be found in paint in older houses, can stunt a child's intellectual, behavioral and physical development. Many doctors believe any exposure to lead causes permanent damage, but nobody is certain because it hasn't been adequately studied.

The doctors and advocacy groups meeting at the CDC hope to develop a strategy to eliminate, within 20 years, childhood lead poisoning, which the CDC calls the most serious environmental threat to children.

It doesn't take much exposure for a child to reach what the CDC considers a dangerous level of lead in the blood, experts say. The CDC estimates 3 million U.S. children have reached that danger zone.

The biggest culprit is paint in the 57 million houses built before 1978, when the government banned lead from household paint. Children frequently eat paint chips. They also inhale lead in dust, usually when their homes are renovated.

Lead is also present in polluted soil and air and in some drinking water.

Adults get all this exposure, too. But children's bodies process lead differently, so they absorb up to 50 percent of the lead they ingest while adults absorb only 10 percent.

"Children are being used as the barometer of lead in the environment," said Dr. Howard Mofenson of Long Island, N.Y., a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics' committee on lead poisoning.

"It's similar to when the coal miners used to put a canary down the mine to see if it could survive and there wasn't too much carbon monoxide."

The younger the child, the greater the risk, doctors say. Those under age 7 are at greatest risk because their nervous systems are still developing. They're also more likely to eat paint chips or dirt than older children.

Lead poisoning is insidious, Mofenson said. By the time a child exhibits any symptoms, such as headaches, a good amount of brain damage has been done.

The CDC is sending funds to state health departments so they can pay for lead tests in any child whose blood is tested for any reason.

Currently, only 28 states and the District of Columbia require lead testing.

The CDC will use the results to compile the nation's first official count of childhood lead poisoning, to determine what areas have the biggest problem and to devise solutions.



PINATA BREAKING — Phi Theta Kappa students Anita Brown, left, and Emily Irons, help Erin McCowen during the pinata breaking at Sunday's Christmas happening at Scurry County Museum. (SDN Staff Photo)

Former light-heavyweight champion Maxie Rosenbloom was knocked out only twice in 289 pro fights.

Mike McTigue won the light-heavyweight title from Battling Siki in 1923 on St. Patrick's Day in Dublin.

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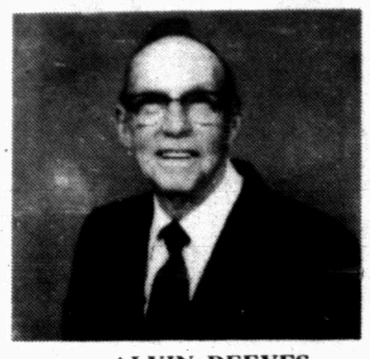
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Obituaries



ALVIN REEVES

Alvin Reeves

1914-1992

Funeral services are set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Calvary Baptist Church for Alvin D. Reeves, 77. Officiating at the service will be the Rev. Larry McAden, pastor, assisted by the Rev. Glen Border, former church pastor who is now pastor of Faith Baptist Church in Lubbock. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Mr. Reeves, a resident of Snyder since 1941, died at 7:50 a.m. Sunday at his home, 511 33rd St., following a long illness.

Born in Stacey, Tex., Mr. Reeves married Frances Carlton on Aug. 3, 1968 in Snyder. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II, having served in the European Theatre.

Mr. Reeves moved to Snyder from Brownfield and he worked for the Roscoe, Snyder and Pacific Railroad for more than 30 years. He also worked as a Snyder schools' crossing guard for about 10 years.

He was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church where he had taught Sunday school for 40 years and served as a deacon for 38 years. He also served as Sunday School superintendent, secretary and treasurer. At the time of his death, he was an honorary deacon.

Survivors include his wife, Frances, of the home; two step-daughters, Jean Hataway of Snyder and Dyan Dea Jones of Charlotte, N.C.; a brother, Noah Reeves Jr. of Snyder; and two step-grandchildren; and two step-great-grandchildren.

James Simmons

1941-1992

MIDLAND — Services were set for 1 p.m. today in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel for James Michael Simmons, 51, who died Friday in Midland Memorial Hospital. Burial was to follow in the Fairview Cemetery.

He was the step-brother of Kendra Hale of Snyder.

Born in Magnolia, Ark., Mr. Simmons attended Maryland State University. He had worked for Mobil Pipeline for 23 years, and he was a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Patsy Simmons of Midland; a daughter, Sanita Simmons of Midland; three step-daughters, Cindy Reynolds, Shelia Johnson and Debbie Matheson, all of Midland; his mother and step-father, Clydell S. and Kenneth Hale of Plains; three other step-sisters, Beth Cain and Karen Bearden, both of Plains, and Robbie Phipps of Welch; five grandchildren; and five step-grandchildren.

John D. Gibson

1907-1992

COLORADO CITY — Funeral services are set for 2 p.m. Tuesday at Kiker-Seale Funeral Home for John Carlton Gibson, 85, who died Sunday in Mitchell County Hospital.

Officiating will be the Rev. Fred Smith, with burial to follow in the Dunn Cemetery.

Born in Walker County, Mr. Gibson married Etta Lee Martin on Dec. 19, 1933 in Loraine. A resident of Mitchell County since 1934, he was a retired farmer and rancher.

Survivors include his wife, Etta Lee Gibson of Colorado City; a son, John Lyndall Gibson of Andrews; a daughter, Marvela Deatherage of Hawley; two brothers, Marlin Gibson of Ackerly and Frank Gibson of Midland; two sisters, Faye Martin of Colorado City and Beulah Wooddell of Loraine; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Odell Dupuy

1916-1992

GORMAN — Graveside services are set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Simpson Cemetery for Odell Lewis Dupuy, 76, who died Sunday in a DeLeon hospital.

He was the brother of Marvin Dupuy of Snyder.

Mr. Dupuy was an oil field worker and a Baptist. His wife, Minnie Lee Dupuy, preceded him in death.

Other survivors include a son, Jerry Wayne Dupuy of the Dominican Republic; two other brothers, Herman Dupuy of Washington and Otto Dupuy of Odessa; two sisters, Ellen Winkle of Odessa and Earnestine Scitern of Oregon; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

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DOE gets approval for spying

HOUSTON (AP) — A published report says the U.S. Department of Energy has received permission to spy on U.S. citizens, but the agency has denied that its intelligence-gathering powers have been expanded.

The Houston Post reported Sunday in a copyright story that the agency has won approval for plans that allow its intelligence agents to "collect, retain and disseminate information" on Americans.

U.S. Attorney General William Barr on Oct. 7 approved the plan, which expands a 1981 executive order.

But the agency said the new procedures don't necessarily mean the agency is spying on citizens.

"DOE may collect information only through overt means, and is severely restricted as to the use of any special techniques, such as electronic surveillance or physical surveillance, which are generally reserved to other agencies," the department said in a written response to The Post's questions.

But some activists were angered by the news.

"This is totally out of line," said Chris Brown of Nevada's Citizen Alert, an anti-nuclear group. "You've got to assume that the reason they're collecting this information is because they see people who disagree with them as a threat."

While denying that the new procedures have expanded DOE's intelligence powers, officials said the 1981 executive order that governs such activities could be interpreted too narrowly.

Under the December 1981 executive order, the Energy Department's intelligence-gathering capabilities are limited. Its primary mission is to assist the State Department in collecting information on foreign energy matters.

It also can also produce and spread foreign intelligence in connection with its own duties and help other agencies with its special expertise.

Under the definitions set out in the order, the agency could have been prohibited from collecting information on permanent resident aliens and corporations as well, the DOE said.

U.S. troops gird for horror of starvation in Somalia

by The Associated Press

As small groups of U.S. troops headed to Somalia or other posts to help famine relief efforts, some who aided the famine-wracked country earlier this year warned the emotional toll they face may be as bad as the physical danger.

"You can see photographs and videotape, but you can never imagine the heat and the smell and the death — you can smell the death out there — and the millions of flies," said Marine Staff Sgt. John Kitchen, who was assigned to a United Nations relief effort in Somalia.

Pockets of troops across the United States began shipping out over the weekend in support of Operation Restore Hope: air traffic controllers from Robins Air Force Base in Georgia, an air cargo crew from McChord Air Force Base in Washington.

About 320 members of the U.S. Naval Construction Battalion 1 from Gulfport, Miss., — Seabees who will extend airfields, build extra runways, build roads and set up camps — were heading to Somalia by way of Spain on Sunday to await orders.

And the USNS Comfort, a 1,000-bed hospital ship, was loaded with medical supplies Sunday as it sat docked in Baltimore Harbor.

The bulk of the American force will consist of 16,000 Marines from Camp Pendelton in California and 10,000 soldiers of the Army's 10th Mountain Division from Fort Drum, N.Y.

Navy Lt. Cmdr. Robert Satterfield warned Marines about the sickness, starvation and death they will see in Somalia.

"It's going to affect your emotions like no other deployment we've seen before," Satterfield, a chaplain, told members of the 1st Surveillance, Reconnaissance and Intelligence Group on Sunday.

"You want to feed a hungry child, but you can't hand them that MRE (food packet), because the child's system couldn't take the kind of food we eat," he said. "The problem is dealing with our own emotions when we can't render help that as human beings we feel we need to give."

Reformist cabinet threatens to resign if Gaidar not ok'd

MOSCOW (AP) — Russia's hard-line Congress reconvened today with a struggle looming over President Boris Yeltsin's nomination of Yegor Gaidar — the architect of his economic reforms — as prime minister.

Deputy Prime Minister Alexander Shokhin predicted a "tough struggle," the ITAR-Tass news agency reported as deputies began their second week of work in the Grand Kremlin Palace with discussion of defense-related issues.

Sergei Filatov, the deputy speaker, told reporters that Gaidar's nomination had been postponed until Tuesday. But the maneuvering over the 36-year-old acting prime minister continued behind the scenes.

Andrei Fyodorov, an aide to Vice President Alexander Rutskoi, told reporters the hard-line opposition would accept Gaidar as head of Yeltsin's economic team if other reformist Cabinet members are dropped.

He said the opposition wants the ouster of Shokhin, Deputy Prime Minister Valery Makharadze and Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev.

Yeltsin has lost support in the Congress of People's Deputies in the past year and controls only about 25 percent of the votes in the 1,041-member body.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	641/2	635/8	635/8—11/2	
Albtsn	501/2	50	501/2 +3/8	
AlliedSignal	581/8	573/4	58 +1/8	
ALLTEL Cp	485/8	481/4	483/8	
AmStores	45	447/8	45 +1/8	
Amer T&T	473/8	471/8	471/4	
Ameritech	673/4	671/2	675/8	
Amoco	481/2	48	481/2 +5/8	
AndarkPtr	275/8	273/8	271/2 +1/4	
Arkla	83/8	81/8	81/4	
ArmcoInc	61/8	6	6 -1/8	
AtlRichfld	1093/8	1083/8	1091/4 +7/8	
BakerHugh	191/8	183/4	191/8 +1/4	
BancTexas	15/8	11/2	15/8 +1/8	
BellAtl	473/4	473/8	475/8 +1/4	
BellSouth	493/8	49	49 +1/8	
Beth Steel	143/4	141/2	143/4 +1/4	
Borden	28	273/4	273/4 +1/8	
Caterpllr	533/8	53	531/8	
Centel	331/4	323/4	327/8 +1/2	
CenSoWst s	273/4	275/8	273/4	
Chevron	68	673/4	68 +1/8	
Chrysler	317/8	313/8	313/4 +1/8	
Coastal	241/4	233/4	24 +1/4	
CocaCola s	393/4	39	393/4 +1/8	
ColgP	593/8	591/4	593/8	
ComlMetl	241/2	243/8	241/2	
CooperIn	497/8	491/4	491/4 -1/2	
CyprusMn	291/4	29	29 -1/2	
DallSemicn	143/8	141/8	141/4	
DeltaAirl	521/2	515/8	52 —15/8	
DigitalEq	331/2	323/4	327/8 -3/8	
Dillard s	497/8	491/2	493/4 +3/8	
DowChem	555/8	551/4	551/4 +1/8	
DresserInd	171/2	173/8	171/2 -1/8	
DuPont	491/2	491/8	493/8 -1/8	
EstKodak	411/2	413/8	413/8	
EljerInd	97/8	97/8	97/8 +1/4	
Enserch	141/8	14	14 -1/8	
Exxon	601/8	593/4	597/8	
FlowerInd	21	207/8	21 +1/8	
FordMotor	421/2	421/8	423/8 -1/2	
GTE Cp	337/8	335/8	335/8 -1/8	
GnDynam	961/2	961/4	961/4	
GenElct	825/8	821/8	821/8 -1/2	
GnMill	681/2	68	681/8 -1/8	
GenMotors	341/4	34	341/8 +1/8	
GenMotrE s	327/8	325/8	327/8 +1/4	
GaPacif	581/8	573/8	571/2	
GlobalMar	21/4	21/8	21/8 -1/8	
Goodrich	471/4	471/8	471/8 +1/4	
Goodyear	72	71	711/8 -3/4	
GtAtlPac	271/4	271/4	271/4 -1/4	
Gulf StaUt	16	157/8	157/8	
Haliburtn	295/8	291/8	291/2 +1/8	
Hanson	183/8	181/8	181/4 +1/8	
HoustInd	445/8	443/8	441/2	
IBM	673/8	663/4	663/4 -1/4	
IntlPaper	637/8	631/8	631/4 -3/8	
JohnsnJns s	513/8	507/8	511/8	
K mart s	265/8	263/8	263/8	
Kroger	155/8	153/8	151/2	
vjLTV Cp	5/8	1/2	1/2	
Litton s	425/8	423/8	421/2 +1/4	
vjLoneStar	31/4	31/8	31/4 +1/8	
Lowes s	23	223/4	23 +1/2	
Lubys	201/4	197/8	20 -1/4	
Maxus	63/8	61/4	61/4 -1/8	
MayDSt	703/4	693/4	705/8 +1/8	
Medtronic	963/8	953/8	955/8 -5/8	
Mobil	601/2	60	601/8 -1/8	
Monsanto	55	543/8	545/8 -1/4	
Motorola	104	1023/4	104 +3/8	
Nationsbk	507/8	505/8	505/8 -1/8	
Navistar	21/8	2	21/8	
Nynex	831/8	825/8	83 -1/8	
OryxEngy	203/8	201/8	203/8 +3/8	
PacTelesis	437/8	431/2	437/8 +1/2	
PanhECp	163/4	165/8	163/4 +1/8	
PenneyJC	773/8	77	771/4 +1/8	
Pennzoil	503/8	497/8	501/8 +3/8	
PepBoys	245/8	243/8	241/2 -1/8	
PhelpD s	473/4	473/8	471/2 -1/8	
PhilipPet	24	235/8	237/8 +3/8	
PilgrmPrd	63/8	63/8	63/8	
Polaroid s	321/2	323/8	321/2 +1/8	
Praxair n	163/4	161/2	161/2 -1/4	
Primerica	481/4	477/8	477/8 -3/8	
ProctGamb s	535/8	53	533/8 +1/8	
PubS NwMx	123/4	125/8	123/4	
SFePacCp	131/2	131/4	133/8 -1/8	
SaraLee	611/4	603/4	611/4 +1/4	
SaraL wi	307/8	305/8	303/4 +1/8	
SearsRoeb	441/2	441/8	441/2 +3/8	
SherwinW	321/4	32	321/8 +1/8	
SmthBck s	401/2	403/8	401/2 +1/4	
SmthBc eqt s	353/4	355/8	353/4 +1/2	
Southern Co	361/8	357/8	361/8 +1/4	
SwAirl s	283/4	281/2	283/4 +1/2	
SwstBell	703/8	697/8	697/8 -1/8	
Sprint	251/8	245/8	251/8 +5/8	
SterlingChm	4	4	4 +1/8	
SunCo	263/8	261/8	261/8	
TNP Ent	205/8	201/2	205/8 -1/8	
Tandy	307/8	301/2	307/8 +1/8	
TemplInl	523/4	523/8	523/4 +1/2	
Tenneco	351/2	351/4	353/8 +1/8	
Texaco	593/4	591/2	595/8	
TexasInd	207/8	207/8	207/8 -1/4	
TexasInst	493/4	49	491/8 -3/8	
Tex Util	415/8	413/8	411/2 +3/8	
Textron	43	421/2	421/2 -3/8	
Tyler	41/2	43/8	41/2 +1/8	
US West	383/8	381/8	381/4 -1/8	
USX-Marathn	163/8	161/8	161/4	
USX-USS	303/4	301/8	301/8 -5/8	
UnCarbde	161/4	161/8	161/8	
UnPac	593/8	59	59 -1/4	
UnitTech	461/4	451/8	461/4+11/8	
Unocal	227/8	221/2	227/8 +1/8	
WalMart	641/8	633/4	637/8	
WstnGasRs	265/8	261/4	261/4	
WestghEl	133/8	131/8	133/8 +1/4	
WinnDixie	741/2	741/8	741/8 -5/8	
Woolwth	323/4	321/4	321/2 -1/2	
Xerox Cp	783/8	773/4	773/4 -1/4	
ZenithE	63/4	61/2	65/8	

Police note two arrests

Snyder police made two arrests over the weekend and filed reports of burglary and criminal mischief.

Police arrested a 28-year-old man at 8:01 a.m. Saturday in the 500 block of 24th Street on a warrant for Class B theft.

A 33-year-old woman was arrested at 4:04 p.m. Sunday in the 4500 block of College Avenue for Class B theft, shoplifting, and on a warrant for failure to appear.

At 5:48 p.m. Saturday, police were informed by Town & Country employees that subjects in a white Dodge pickup have driven off without paying for $5.01 worth of gasoline.

Patricia Arellano contacted officers at 6:16 p.m. Saturday in reference to someone taking a VCR and a bottle of brandy from her residence at 2703 Avenue F. An offense report for burglary of a residence was filed.

At 6:36 p.m., J.D. Ferguson contacted officers from Pizza Inn in reference to someone breaking the windshield on his 1976 El Camino. A report for criminal mischief was filed.

In one other report, police were notified at 4:38 p.m. Sunday that the woman reported missing from a local discount store since Nov. 13 had returned home.

Two grass fires noted

Snyder firemen responded to two grass fires Sunday.

Firefighters were called to 18th Street and Avenue I at 3:10 p.m. Owner of the property is unknown.

At 3:41 p.m., firemen were dispatched one mile east on Highway 180.

U.S. won't seek total disarmament

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. forces will do what they must to pacify Somalia's warring gunmen, but there will be no attempt to "round up every AK-47," Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and other administration officials say.

"We may well want to go in and round up troops or weapons. We might want to offer a bounty" to reward Somalis who hand in guns, Cheney said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

But Cheney said the objective of Operation Restore Hope was to "restore some semblance of order" to Somalia and feed its starving people, not to disarm every thug.

"There are going to be ... irresponsible people left with weapons when we depart, but we will have reduced their capabilities" so they pose no threat to the lightly armed United Nations peacekeeping forces who will replace the U.S. troops. Americans will not "round up every AK-47 in Somalia," he said.

Marine Commandant Carl Mundy said he was looking for a peaceful disarmament and cooperation from Somali warlords.

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under $30,000.

Western Texas College rodeo coach Bob Doty told the court that the project would allow enough space for rodeos to be held in the annex building. He said he would not consider moving the annual college rodeo into the building, however, because it would take receipts away from the coliseum.

Doty said that spring and fall AJRA events could possibly be held in the annex, as well as rodeo clinics.

West Texas Barrel Racing Association President Billie Franks said that the expansion would be a plus for her organization, which holds several indoor events throughout the year.

"We are currently using arenas in Sweetwater and Abilene," she said. "They are getting harder to get into because we are having to book so far in advance."

In other business, District Conservationist Terry Hefner presented the court with geological maps which show the different types of soil throughout Scurry County. The maps were made possible through the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District and the Big Country Resource Conservation and Development program.

Approval of minutes from the Nov. 30 meeting was the only other item on the agenda.

County Judge Bob Doolittle presided. Present were commissioners Jerry Morgan, Jerry Gannaway, Roy Idom and C.D. Gray Jr.

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Counterfeit vehicle stickers continue to flood the state

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A new law requiring Texas motorists to have insurance and tougher state inspections standards have combined to produce a lucrative business for people who print and sell counterfeit inspection stickers, a published report says.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Sunday that the fake stickers are so popular that 9,600 citations were issued in Houston for the month of November.

Despite a crackdown on the phony stickers, officials say the chances remain slim that the counterfeiters will be caught or deterred.

"It's just the sheer size and number of people doing it versus the number of people to combat it," Olin Sanders, a Texas Department of Public Safety spokesman in Fort Worth, said.

Worse still is the fact the illegal activity is looked upon by the public as a legitimate service. It can costs hundreds of dollars to get an older vehicle in shape to pass inspection. Fake stickers cost $20 to $75.

"It's looked at kind of like Robin Hood," Sanders said.

The increased counterfeit activity began about two years ago when new laws were passed making it tougher to get a sticker.

State law now requires drivers to show proof of liability insurance before a sticker is issued.

The federal Environmental Protection Agency has also mandated tougher vehicle emission standards for several of Texas' larger metropolitan areas including Fort Worth-Dallas, Houston and San Antonio.

Under EPA rules, Sanders said "if you can't bring your car up to standards, you can't drive your car."

Those hardest hit are low income families who cannot afford repairs needed to bring a car up to code.

The stickers are sold at flea markets, gas stations and in Tarrant County troopers arrested one woman selling them at a drive-through liquor store.

Troopers found 50 phony stickers in one of her bra cups.

"At least two major rings operate in Tarrant County," Sanders said.

Seven more rings are located in Dallas County and in Houston, state troopers busted more than 10 rings operating out of Harris County. The busts netted more than 11,000 fake inspection stickers.

The Legislature last year increased the penalties for those caught with fake stickers. A first offense is a fine of $200. A second offense, is a felony. For a third offense, the violator could get prison time.

Miami decision could cause ripple effect

DALLAS (AP) — Civil liberties experts say a recent Miami federal court decision could enable the city's homeless to fight local ordinances against street evictions.

It is a violation of their constitutional rights for authorities to arrest homeless people for harmless, involuntary, life-sustaining acts, according to a ruling last month by U.S. District Judge C. Clyde Atkins.

The Dallas City Council last summer banned aggressive panhandling and passed zoning laws to prohibit the construction of new downtown homeless shelters.

State and city workers in July tore down an encampment that a group of homeless people had set up on the edge of downtown Dallas. The workers carried off mattresses, furniture and bags belonging to the homeless people who had been living under an expressway bridge.

The American Civil Liberties Union in Dallas says it would be "very receptive" if some of the city's estimated 5,000 homeless people wanted to sue the city.

"They're (the city) just asking for a lawsuit," said Joe Cook, president of the ACLU's Dallas chapter. "Giving them tickets for sleeping in public, (and) burning their belongings and destroying their homes is mean.

"It's shameful. When I hear the way the city treats its homeless people, it makes me ashamed to live in the city of Dallas."

Dallas police issued 1,285 citations for sleeping in public in the past year, according to court records. Each ticket carries an $85 fine. Homeless people living under Central Expressway say police write citations almost every Saturday and Sunday morning.

Indigent residents say they were cleared out three times in the past year and expect another sweep in time for New Year's Day Cotton Bowl events.

"Dallas is trying to hide the homeless problem," said Nathaniel Jacobs, 38, who carried a pocketful of tickets for sleeping in public. "Every time President Bush comes to town, they move us out with a bulldozer. They cover it up so sweet it's pathetic."

Maria Foscarinis, director of the National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty, said that a criminal record is just one more obstacle for a homeless person trying to find a job.

"Criminalizing activities like begging makes it much harder for people to pull themselves out of homelessness," she said.

Similar ordinances are facing legal challenges in more than a dozen cities, including Las Vegas, San Francisco, Chicago, New York and Atlanta.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Dec. 8, 1992

This might be a more active year for you socially than you've experienced for quite some time. If you happen to be an unattached Sagittarian, this could be especially true.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Doing the best you can is a reward in itself, but any of today's jobs that you perform well could reap a bonus. Take pride in all your tasks, large or small. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your leadership qualities will be evident to others today and this will work to your advantage. They won't resent directives from someone who knows what he or she is doing.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you might be quite anxious to make things easier for people you love. This is a noble concern, but try to do so without simultaneously admonishing them for their mistakes.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You tend to reflect the personalities of people you're with today, so make it a point to be with cheery types. Their company is your assurance of a pleasant day.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Occasionally, in order to get what we want, we must first cast a little bread upon the water. A benign, thoughtful gesture to the right person could do the trick for you today.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Acknowledgment means a lot today. If someone recently provided you with helpful information, let this person know how well it all worked out for you and how much you appreciated the input.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It's been said that when one is lucky materially they're usually not lucky in love. However, what develops for you today could help dispel this theory.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Something could provide you with the opening you've wanted to draw you closer to someone you really like but have never been able to reach.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Situations that associates may find intimidating shouldn't prove arduous for you to manage. You have a gift for making the hard look easy today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You don't have to do special things today or be around certain people in order to enjoy yourself. The sunshine follows you wherever you go.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A window of opportunity leading to prosperity might open for you today, but it could be of short duration. Act promptly after you size things up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your secret to success today is to do a little bit more for the other guy and show how cooperative you really are. The right example is a magic elixir.

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Hall makes AIDS video

BOSTON (AP) — Talk show host Arsenio Hall says he didn't know enough about AIDS himself until he produced a video on the deadly disease that features basketball star Magic Johnson.

"Our biggest enemy is ignorance," Hall said Sunday during a screening of "Time Out: The Truth about HIV, AIDS and You," a video aimed at teen-agers and their parents.

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Mexican economic gains stimulate border growth

McALLEN, Texas (AP) — The sound of Spanish being spoken is just a part of the general buzz created by the shoppers crisscrossing La Plaza Mall.

"Vamos a ir para alla?" a woman asks a companion who is bending over to fuss with a baby in a stroller. "Are we going over there?" she asks.

While the language is common in an area like South Texas with such a high Hispanic population, it can nevertheless become music in the ears of retailers on the border.

Because there, the sound of Spanish is very often also the sound of money.

"About 60 percent of our sales are to Mexican nationals," said Dale Stock, manager of the Service Merchandise store at La Plaza. "Not 60 percent of our customers," he added emphatically, "but 60 percent of our sales."

Similar stories are told all along the largely retail-dependent Texas-Mexico border, in the spotlight since the United States began negotiating a free trade agreement with Mexico and Canada.

The agreement awaiting final approval isn't responsible for the sales, a good indicator of how Mexico affects the border economy.

Mexican shoppers, many of whom travel several hours from the interior to Texas, have been a boon to border retailers for years. Border chain stores often ring up some of the highest sales for their corporations.

However, the growth has recently been threatened by Mexico's establishment of stringent import laws that could conceivably cut into border-area sales, which were rising during the first part of 1992.

Economists also say the trade agreement border communities have been touting for months could potentially mean more bad news.

For now though, trade talks have provided some stimulus major retailers needed to start developing in the area, a strengthening Mexican economy has provided more.

One consequence has been a vigorous expansion on the border, where merchants took years to climb back from a nosedive precipitated by the peso devaluation that began 10 years ago.

"The peso devaluation was probably the biggest whammy we got," said Gilberto De Los Santos, a professor at the University of Texas-Pan American in Edinburg who specializes in marketing to Mexican markets.

The effect was felt all along the Rio Grande, from Brownsville to El Paso, with falling sales often accompanied by rising unemployment. For example, Laredo hit a 16 percent unemployment rate during the mid-1980s.

But during fiscal year 1992, which ended in August, the border outpaced the rest of Texas in job growth, according to a new study by the Texas Comptroller's office. Though in some places in South Texas it failed to outstrip double-digit unemployment.

The study showed:

—Laredo added 2,100 new jobs for 4.5 percent growth in fiscal 1992, posting the fastest growth rate of any metro area.

—The McAllen-Edinburg-Mission area added 3,800 jobs for 3.6 percent growth, the third-highest growth rate in the state.

—The Brownsville-Harlingen area added 2,200 jobs for 2.8 percent growth, twice the state average.

—El Paso added 6,100 jobs for 2.9 percent growth, posting the fastest rate among the state's six largest metropolitan areas.

The report cited an increase in retail and wholesale trade and industrialization in northern Mexico as the reason.

Retail trade, however, has long been the real bread and butter of many border cities.

The indicators now are good.

McAllen, for example, has recorded more than $788 million in retail sales in the first half of 1992, up from roughly $680 million during the same period last year, according to the state comptroller. That in an area where the chamber of commerce estimates 40 percent of sales are made to Mexicans.

Comparable gains have been seen in El Paso, Laredo and Brownsville.

But there have been setbacks.

The cutbacks on the amount of American goods residents from Mexico's interior and foreigners can import duty-free into that country, down from $300 to $50 per trip, have sent ripples of fear throughout the region.

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TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1941, Japanese carrier-based planes made a surprise attack on the U.S. fleet at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Rudolf Friml (1879-1972), composer; Eli Wallach (1915-), actor, is 77; Ted Knight (1923-1986), actor; Ellen Burstyn (1932-), actress, is 60; Johnny Bench (1947-), baseball player, is 45; Larry Bird (1956-), basketball player, is 36; C. Thomas Howell (1966-), actor, is 26.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, Auburn running back Bo Jackson edged Iowa quarterback Chuck Long by 45 votes in the closest Heisman Trophy balloting in history.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I could stand up here all night talking about the whole team. But I'm getting sick and tired of talking about myself." — Larry Bird, after the Boston Celtics' 1981 NBA championship.

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1886, heavy snow fell on parts of the South and southern Appalachians. It was the greatest snow of record for Montgomery, Ala.

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Piece of Treaty Oak may be good present

AUSTIN (AP) — Austin is branching out with their Treaty Oak Christmas gifts.

The city is offering a piece of Treaty Oak, inscribed and authenticated, for $9.95. For $10 more, the city will frame this bit of history. The money goes for a good cause: to plant trees in Austin.

The cookie size slices have been on the market two weeks and more than 1,000 have sold.

"They're snapping them up like crazy," John Giedraitis, Austin city forester, told the Austin American-Statesman.

Each piece, etched with an illustration of the oak, comes with a certificate describing the 500-year-old tree's place in Texas history. Its poisoning in 1989 and efforts to save it made international news.

Most of the tree died after a strong herbicide was poured in a circle around the base of the tree in 1989.

Legend says that Texas pioneer leader Stephen F. Austin once negotiated a treaty with Indians under the tree.

Paul Stedman Cullen of Austin was convicted in the tree poisoning and sentenced to nine years in prison.

Efforts to save the tree attracted world-wide attention as thousands of people wrote or telephoned city officials with suggestions of how to save the tree.

Giedraitis hopes to parlay that fame into 20,000 sales by Christmas. That would mean at least $200,000 in the tree-planting fund.

Man dies while playing with gun

ENNIS, Texas (AP) — Police say a 22-year-old man who died from a gunshot wound to the head was playing Russian Roulette.

Craig Alan Marshall was waiting for a friend to finish work at the Beer Warehouse late Friday when he took a .38-caliber revolver from under the counter and removed all but one bullet.

"I was just counting money and then Craig started joking about Russian Roulette," said Robin Gross, the store's manager. "Before I knew what was going on, the gun had gone off and Craig was laid out in the floor."

Marshall died eight hours later after being rushed by helicopter to a Dallas hospital.

Police are treating the incident as an accidental shooting, but the Dallas County Medical Examiner's office lists the death a suicide.

Ennis is about 34 miles south of Dallas.

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Foods don't affect hormone level

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I recently underwent a hysterectomy because of a malignancy of the endometrium of the uterus and was advised not to take any hormones. I'm now trying to determine if natural hormones can be dangerous. My surgeon says no, and my family doctor says there is a possibility. I've heard that licorice has hormones and I question other plant foods. To complicate matters further, I have spastic colitis for which I could take a couple of products that might help if I knew there was no hormone danger.

DEAR READER: The amount of "hormone" that occurs naturally in foods and plants is minuscule and, in my opinion, will not affect health in anyone. Conversely, these "hormones" are not beneficial either.

Therefore, beware of invalid claims by unscrupulous promoters about "natural" products or health foods; such edibles will not cure (or cause) cancer. Nor are they appropriate for treating "spastic colitis" (irritable bowel syndrome) for which prescription anti-spasmodics are more suitable.

Also, I'd stay away from licorice, which contains a compound that can worsen high blood pressure and cause a serious imbalance of potassium in the body.

I believe your surgeon is correct. Nonetheless, if you choose to take non-prescription products, run this by your family doctor, in advance, to make sure he has no objection.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: A recent CT scan revealed several calcified granulomas in my right lung and also some lesions. Tests for TB and histoplasmosis were negative. Why do I have these growths? Are they dangerous to my health? I'm a relatively healthy 25-year-old female.

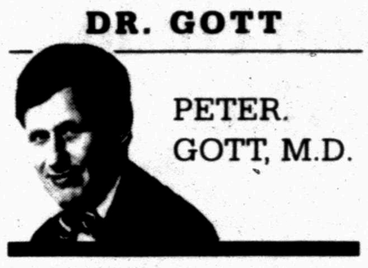
DEAR READER: Calcified granulomas are small flecks of calcium in lymph nodes and lung tissue that reflect previous infection which the body has healed. They are commonly seen in the chest X-rays of normal, healthy adults. These granulomas are usually the result of earlier infection from tuberculosis or a variety of yeast infections, such as histoplasmosis and others.

In the absence of acute or ongoing infection — which causes symptoms such as fever, cough, weight loss, and malaise — the calcified granulomas can be ignored; they show that the body has successfully healed past infection that is not a health hazard to you now. Check with your doctor about this.

In some cases, where doctors suspect on-going, low-grade infection, further testing — such as blood analyses, skin tests and sputum examination — should be performed. In the unusual situation where infection is present, appropriate therapy, such as anti-fungal drugs, is indicated.

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Testing may be held up

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration, in an early show of commitment to environmental protection, will try to stop testing at an Ohio hazardous waste facility that some local residents say is dangerous.

Vice President-elect Al Gore is expected to announce today that the new administration will refuse a final-stage testing permit to the East Liverpool, Ohio, plant until Congress investigates the legality of its operating licenses, said transition spokeswoman Marla Romash.

She said Gore, joined by congressional colleagues from Ohio and West Virginia, as well as Sen. Harris Wofford, D-Pa., will ask for a General Accounting Office investigation into the licensing.

The $140 million incinerator on the Ohio River already has regulatory permission for a 720-hour "shakedown burn" of hazardous wastes, said plant spokeswoman Julia Bircher. Plans for that initial burn, which could take place as early as next week, are continuing, she said.

A trial burn, which would not involve hazardous wastes, would follow. The plant does not have regulatory approval for that test as yet, but Bircher said it may be possible for the trial burn to begin before Clinton takes office Jan. 20.

The plant, the newest of its type in the nation, could burn as much as 60,000 tons of toxic waste a year. If two kilns are used, it could be roughly five times larger than the typical commercial hazardous waste incinerator.

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Corps' flood study upsets some officials

HOUSTON (AP) — A home-buyout recommendation that includes only some flood-prone areas along the Trinity River is being criticized by several county officials who are wondering why other homeowners have been left out.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Texas Water Commission have come up with a draft report concerning their two-year study of the Trinity River basin.

Floodwaters have gushed from the river's banks into the bottomlands 10 times in the past four years, resulting in six national disaster declarations.

The floods have affected homes in all or part of 40 riverside subdivisions in five Southeast Texas counties. Records show that more than 2,250 homes have been submerged or left reachable only by boat, sometimes for months at a time.

Officials once had high hopes for the study, which still is being revised. But they now are concerned about the Corps' recommendation to offer buyouts to only some homeowners.

"This is not a solution," San Jacinto County Judge Joe McMurrey told the Houston Chronicle. "We had hoped they would come up with something better."

The Corps' segment of the report concludes that massive flood-control dams proposed upstream are not viable options because they might threaten wetlands and wildlife habitats as well as being exorbitantly costly.

But the proposed buyout area includes only half of the flood-prone subdivisions and covers only some of the homes in those areas. The suggested $30.3 million buyout would include about 647 homes.

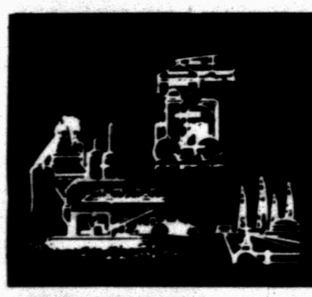
County officials said only about 28 percent of the affected homes are included in the plan, but Corps officials said the buyout would give relief to 50 percent of those homes.

However, the Corps is reanalyzing its draft report to give it "more community cohesion," said corps spokesman Robert Van Hook of Galveston.

"We're taking a look at including other homes within these subdivisions," he said.

The final draft is scheduled for completion in January.

Congress must authorize funding for whatever project is approved, with the county or state picking up 25 percent.



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Supermodel rejects criticism of her profession

PRINCETON, N.J. (AP) — Supermodel Cindy Crawford rejects the criticism of some feminist scholars and says, for her, beauty is power.

"People don't think of modeling as the ultimate feminist career," Crawford said Saturday during a three-day conference at Princeton University, "Raising Women's Voices."

"But I'm the sole president of a company that produces a very hot product called 'Cindy Crawford.'"

Despite her work, Crawford said, she is not obsessed with her appearance.

"I don't ever wake up looking like Cindy Crawford," said Crawford, who also hosts MTV's House of Style program. "Believe me, I don't want to look at my naked body in a three-way mirror any more than you do."

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