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DA bomb threat true billed here

A 25-year-old Snyder man was indicted Monday for possession of a bomb that police said Tuesday was to be used in an alleged bomb threat against District Attorney Ernie Armstrong.

Among the nine persons indicted by the Scurry County grand jury was Carson Blackwell, whose most recent listed address was a Snyder motel and who is accused of having a pipe bomb that was powerful enough to "destroy an automobile or blow out the walls of a house."

A city detective said Tuesday that a person brought the bomb to the police station on Nov. 22 from a mobile home in the 2600 Block of Ave. B that had been occupied by Blackwell.

"He didn't know what he had," the detective said of the man who brought the bomb in.

An Army bomb squad from Ft. Hood flew into Snyder and disarmed the device at the city dump.

"We have reason to believe the bomb was to be used on District

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Summit begins...

U.S. welcomes Gorbachev

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan gave Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev a red carpet summit welcome to the White House today and said "the world is watching" as they sign one nuclear arms treaty and bargain over a second, more ambitious pact.

Gorbachev, received with full military honors, said the two men must strive to "undo the logic of the arms race" during three planned days of summit talks.

The nationally televised welcoming ceremony on the White House South Lawn was a prelude to the first of five private talks between the superpower leaders. The centerpiece of the summit, arranged for early afternoon, was the signing of a treaty to ban intermediate-range nuclear weapons.

Reagan and Gorbachev both used the colorful ceremony outside the White House to hail the medium-range missile treaty and look forward to possible agreement on reducing long-range strategic weapons by 50 percent.

"The world is watching and we've got something to show them," Reagan said as U.S. and Soviet flags fluttered in the cold air.

"And over the next few days it is my hope that progress will be made toward achieving another agreement that will lead to a cutting in half of our strategic nuclear arsenals," the president said.

The general secretary of the Soviet Communist Party struck a similar note.

"This will of course be the first step down the road leading toward a nuclear-free world," Gorbachev said of the INF or Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces treaty. "Yet it is a great step into the future."

Both men cited friendships between their nations but also referred to longstanding Cold War antagonisms, and agreed that issues other than arms control would be on their agenda.

Reagan mentioned human rights. Gorbachev was less specific but mentioned regional conflicts which he did not describe.

Both leaders, however, sounded hopeful before they entered the White House to begin their formal talks.

"It's up to us with hard work, commitment and a heavy dose of realism to change the poor peace that has existed between our countries and make it into a good one," Reagan said.

Said Gorbachev: "On behalf of the Soviet people, I declare that we are prepared to go all the way along our part of the road."

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Council reaffirms utility line pledge for TDC facilities

The city council unanimously authorized Monday a city commitment to provide utility services for the Texas Department of Corrections prison to be built some 5 miles northwest of Snyder.

The actual agreement is to provide water and sewer lines to the site and to build an overhead storage facility for water there.

The promise of the utility service was made by the council Sept. 1 before Scurry County's bid for a prison site was granted. This promise was included as part of the bid package to TDC officials.

Monday's official confirmation of the promise follows TDC's naming of Scurry County Nov. 9 as one of six sites for new prison facilities.

At the Sept. 1 meeting, city engineering staffers estimated in "rough dollars" that the utility connections would cost some $1 million.

City officials have noted that this expense can be recovered by the city over at least a 20-year time period and likely sooner assuming water and sewer rates are increased at any point during this time.

The next step in the process will see the council request engineering plans for the work, then to accept bids for it.

Also Monday, the council opted to table an ordinance update which would have further restricted vehicles from parking in city roadways--specifically trucks in the process of loading or unloading supplies.

As currently written, the city ordinance has no prohibition against trucks blocking a portion or all of a city street if they are loading or unloading.

The proposed amendment would have required such trucks--when extending 20 ft. or more from the curb--to have hazard flashing lights or, if these were not visible to oncoming traffic, "appropriate barricades" placed around the truck such as safety cones or flares.

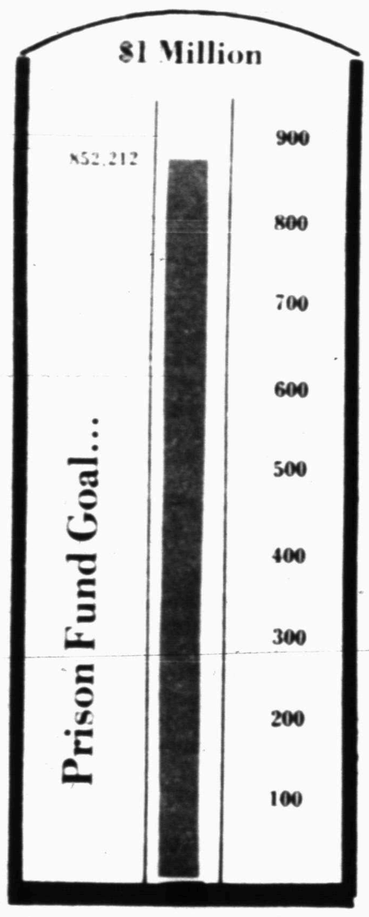
During discussion, it was noted the city ordinance which was to be revised with the new rule was itself 30 years old.

Because of this, the council directed the city attorney to revise the entire ordinance to insure greater safety measures for vehicles required to occasionally block city streets.

All council members were at Monday's meeting to include Troy Williamson, who presided as mayor, John Johnson, Joe Fowler, Mike Post, Ralph Williamson, Fred Castillo and Paul Zeck.

In other city business, the coun-

See COUNCIL, page 9





TOY PROJECT — Dena Martin of the Gay 20's Club and Danny Engle, background, and David Hines of the Snyder Jaycees work over toys at West Fire Station as the annual Toys for Tots drive begins. Local civic clubs will be assisting also by donating new toys purchased by members. (SDN Staff Photo)

Dermott school relocation...

City to aid historic project

A $4,000 request for motel tax funds from the City of Snyder was granted Monday for a new historical project here.

The request was submitted by members of the Scurry County Historical Commission, who plan to move the Dermott school building to the coliseum grounds.

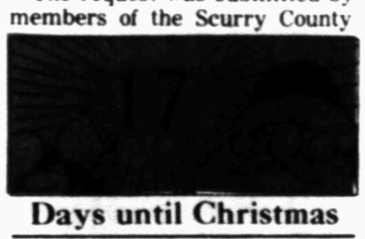
Total expense for the project is now estimated at some $10,750. The actual moving of the school is expected to cost some $6,750 to include foundation work at the new site.

In its request, the commission indicated it has some $2,000 budgeted for the project and expects another $2,000 through fund raising.

The $4,000 requested from the city would go toward moving expenses, according to Billy Bob McMullan, current president of the commission.

The building is to be relocated to the coliseum grounds adjacent to the Cornelius-Dodson House. When renovated, the building would be used as a meeting place for various organizations.

McMullan noted the building is almost 2,000 sq. ft. in size and, because of this, would be able to accomodate larger gatherings than currently possible.



Days until Christmas

Constable to seek new term in office

Constable for Pct. 1, Bill Love, Monday announced he will again be a candidate for the office subject to the Democratic primary.

Love, 64, has held the post since January of 1975 and was unopposed for the office both in the primary and November election of 1984.

He is a retired barber here and has lived in the county more than 50 years. He was involved in other aspects of law enforcement in the mid-1950s, serving as both a chief deputy for the sheriff's office and as a patrolman for the city police.

He and his wife Nan have four children and six grandchildren.

Their childen include Mollie Murr of Junction, Terry Love of Snyder, Nova Greenlee of Breckenridge and Fonda Love of Midland.



BILL LOVE
...Constable, Pct. 1...

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It's more blessed to give than recieve--and you don't have to write thank you notes."

The prison project is definitely a "community project." Thanks to local financial institutions, anybody that desires to can be a part of the fund-raising effort.

We reminded one fellow who called to complain about having to raise $1 million that a contribution is strictly voluntary.

Kate Owens at Snyder National Bank passed along the following article that is appropriate. It's entitled "Someone Else Is Gone!"

"I was saddened to learn of the death of one of our members: Someone Else. Someone's passing creates a vacancy that will be hard to fill. Else has been with us for many years. Else did far more than the normal person's share of the work.

"Whenever there was a job to do, a meeting to attend, one name was on everybody's list. 'Let Someone Else do it.'

"It was well know that Someone Else was the largest giver. Whenever there was a financial need, we all assumed that Someone Else would come to the rescue. Someone Else was a wonderful person, almost superhuman; but a person can only do so much.

"Were the truth known, everyone expected too much of Someone Else. Now Someone Else is gone. We wonder what we are going to do. Someone Else left a wonderful example to follow. So when you are asked to help, please remember, we can't depend on Someone Else anymore."

Did you hear about the Scurry County couple who visited their married daughter in the big city for the first time. The daughter took them to the city's largest shopping mall.

There the old farmer got his first glimpse of an elevator. He watched an elderly woman step into it. He saw the door close behind her. Then, moments later, the door reopened and his eyes sparkled as a beautiful young blonde stepped out.

"Maw," he said to his wife of 50 years, "I don't care what it costs. I want you to get in that machine."

Ask Us

Q. — Is it true that Brown and Root Construction Company of Houston is going to build the prison?

A. — No. Brown and Root is the consultant to TDC on construction projects and, because of this, cannot be the general contractor.

Local

Suit change

A $1-million lawsuit that was filed last month in 132nd district court here against the City of Snyder, a city detective and two former city officers has been moved, on a motion by the defense, from state court to federal district court in Lubbock.

Forrest Bowers of Lubbock, attorney for plaintiff Johnny Lee Ward, told The Snyder Daily News Tuesday that the defendants had the right to remove the suit from state to federal court because a question of federal constitutionality is raised in it.

Ward, 40, claims that excessive force was used in his arrest by the officers here in November of 1985.

Teaff here

Grant Teaff, Snyder High School graduate and head coach of the Baylor Bears, was to address the SHS student body at 1 p.m. Tuesday in an all-school assembly.

Yule lights

The annual Christmas lighting contest, sponsored each year by the Snyder Jaycees, is again planned this holiday season.

Entries are now being accepted and will continue to be received through Dec. 18. Entry blanks may be picked up at the Snyder chamber office.

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place.

The lighting entries will be judged the night of Dec. 21 and the winners announced the following day.

The judging time period on the 21st will be from 7 until 11 p.m.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 75 degrees; low, 35 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 45 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1987 to date, 18.21 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly fair. Low in the upper 30s. Wind northwest 10 to 15 mph. Wednesday, fair and colder with high in the mid 60s. Wind northeast 10 to 15 mph.



FIVE-YEAR PINS — These city employees received five-year service pins at the city's annual awards banquet Saturday night at the Snyder County Club. From left, they are Kevin Fritz, Sy Tabor, Darrell Craig, Scott Cunningham, Darrell Callahan, Kyle Cox and Jerry Dickey. Not shown is Jerry Morgan. (SDN Staff Photo)

Texaco ups settlement offer

NEW YORK (AP) — Trans World Airlines Inc., headed by financier Carl C. Icahn, says it will seek government permission to buy more than a quarter of Texaco Inc.'s outstanding stock.

Monday's disclosure was made in a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission that said Texaco's stock was undervalued at current prices, The New York Times reported today.

TWA said in the filing it might continue to buy shares "in order to establish a substantial equity position in Texaco," but did not say whether it might seek control of the nation's third-largest oil company.

Icahn has expressed impatience with settlement talks between Texaco and Pennzoil Co., which won what is now a $10.3 billion judgment against Texaco in 1985. A Houston jury ruled that Texaco illegally interfered with a merger agreement between Pennzoil and Getty Oil Co. before acquiring Getty itself.

High-level talks between Texaco and Pennzoil officials continued Monday, but no progress was reported.

Texaco was said to be offering Pennzoil a non-refundable $1 billion in exchange for a limit of $3.5 billion that Texaco would pay Pennzoil, if Pennzoil wins their legal battle.

Last week, TWA agreed to buy a block of Texaco stock from Robert Holmes a Court, the Australian industrialist. That would give Icahn, TWA's board chairman, control of almost 30 million shares, or 12.3 percent of the outstanding stock.

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Dear Abby



Bouquets and Brickbats Are Tossed Abby's Way

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR READERS: "Carole R. in Itasca, Ill." recently criticized me for trying to help my readers too much, and entertain them too little. She warned: "If you become just another column of safety tips, you might bore your readers to the point where they won't read you."

I thanked Carole for the nudge, and invited my readers to let me know what they liked — and didn't like — about my column.

Well, here's the good, the bad and the ugly:

DEAR ABBY: I've been reading you in The Houston Post for 25 years and think you provide genuinely intelligent answers to some strange and also common problems. I like the way you allow other people to state their views, even when they disagree with you. I skip the long reprints and tearjerkers, because I've read them before. I dislike repetitious tirades against smokers and people who don't write thank you notes.

I enjoy the letters from selfish jerks, bigots and busybodies, and I love the way you tell them off!

CATHY MEYER, HOUSTON

DEAR ABBY: If "Carole" wants entertainment, let her read the comics or watch "Hee Haw," but please don't change your column. I have been helped many times by your insight and suggestions. People may stop reading it if they are bored, but they will surely stop writing to you if they think their plea for help, or their sharing of a moving experience, will be used for entertainment.

NORMA R. FOOTE, FRESNO

DEAR ABBY: I agree completely with "Carole." When I see a column full of dry and lengthy facts and tips, I never read it. And I never read your columns when they have poems, or debates about who authored a poem. Nor do I care about round robin letters, or someone's pet peeve about the English language. Your feature is an advice column, not a literary forum.

S.K. FROM BAKERSFIELD

DEAR ABBY: You ask, "What don't you like about my column?" Nothing! What do you like about my column? Everything!

I like your writing style. I respect your judgment and I love your wit. I appreciate your good old-fashioned horse sense and I trust your advice. Don't change a thing. I read The Seattle Times mainly for "Dear Abby."

WILLIAM B. HOLBERG, SEATTLE

DEAR ABBY: Our family agrees that you are going overboard with health, safety and better living tips. We get plenty of those elsewhere. Your column is getting boring. Please stick to the human events format that we have enjoyed for years in the Los Angeles Times.

T.R. OLANDER AND FAMILY

DEAR ABBY: "Carole R. of Itasca, Ill." doesn't speak for me or the majority of your readers. Your column has never bored me. As a teacher for 30 years, I've heard your columns discussed repeatedly among my colleagues and students. Your caring and good sense come through, whether you're giving help or entertaining. And I dearly love your excellent recipes! I appreciate the versatility of your columns. You've become a real friend over the years.

ARLINE VOTOUR IN VIRGINIA

DEAR ABBY: You would do well to listen to "Carole R." I am completely turned off with all your safety tips and "help" columns. I just like to be entertained.

RUTH NEWTON, NEWARK, DEL.

DEAR ABBY: Please don't change a thing. I am 84 years old, and although I've never written to you, I've read you for years and have learned a lot from you. Keep up the good work!

VIVA RAMSEY KUYKENDALL, KATY, TEXAS

DEAR ABBY: If I see one more letter reminding people to tie up their dogs, visit poor old grandma in the nursing home, or a rerun of Fire Prevention Week or "Please God, I'm Only 17," I will barf. Thank you.

JERRY IN LONG BEACH

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Problems? Write to Abby. For a personal, unpublished reply, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. All correspondence is confidential.

Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Dec. 9, 1987

In the year ahead you will become involved in a new project or venture that has potential, but only if you have the right type of people in it with you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There's a possibility that you might repeat a procedure today that previously created a lot of complications. If you do, you'll have only yourself to blame for the results. Major changes are ahead for Sagittarians in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be extremely careful to whom you delegate authority today. If you make a poor choice, this person could do something in your name that may make you look bad.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Don't make a major judgment impulsively today. Your decisions will have a direct effect on an associate who is not present.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be sure at this time that you are keeping pace with the responsibilities your boss has given you. If you fall behind, there could be problems on the horizon.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you hope to keep your budget intact today, you are going to have to make a concerted effort to subdue extravagant tendencies. Shop around until you find the best bargain.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It will prove unwise at this time to keep postponing a domestic issue of importance that needs attending to now. Beard the lion in his den.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't try to overpower associates or companions with your ideas today. If they're not buying, pressuring them will serve to change their minds.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Work with funds that you already have tucked away in your bank account. Don't spend extravagantly in hopes you'll be able to cover it later.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may change course too often today to satisfy the demands of others. Unfortunately, neither you nor they are likely to be pleased.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You could be the source of your own undoing today if you operate in an impulsive, erratic manner. Think ahead and plan your steps carefully.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Try not to involve yourself in activities today that are beyond your reach financially. Remember — the piper eventually must be paid.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Keep your assertiveness in check today if you want others to cooperate with aims that are important to you. They'll desert your cause if you are too demanding.

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Human Services wants AZT available for all indigents

AUSTIN (AP) — The Department of Human Services is asking the state to make available to all indigent AIDS patients a drug critical to slowing the virus that causes the fatal disease.

DHS officials say the proposal to drop controversial guidelines that determine which indigent AIDS patients receive the drug AZT could deplete the agency's drug funding for Medicaid recipients by early 1989.

But the proposal also "takes the board out of the position of saying who lives and who dies," said Rob Mosbacher, a member of the Texas Board of Human Services. "I'd say as long as the staff is comfortable with the impact and way it's handled, the board will go along with it."

The plan, to be considered by the three-member board next week, was developed after the Texas Human Rights Foundation threatened to sue on behalf of AIDS patients denied AZT under the state Medicaid program.

Acquired immune deficiency syndrome, which cripples the body's disease-and germ-fighting system, is transmitted through sexual contact and contaminated blood. It most frequently attacks male homosexuals and intravenous drug users.

Texas is one of four states that does not pay for AZT through its Medicaid program. The drug slows replication of the AIDS virus and is the only Federal Drug Administration-approved drug that appears to improve the health of AIDS patients.

"This is a tremendously important decision for those who are most indigent and in need of this life-sustaining medicine," said Glen Maxey, executive director of the Lesbian-Gay Rights Lobby. "We only wish the department had moved sooner so that those who've died or become more seriously ill in the last months could have been using the drug."

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I have sure enjoyed visiting with
all of you and your children
who have come out and taken trees.
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Special Notice to the small pickup
that has come out on Pecan Ridge and cut and hauled off
Christms trees at night.
Old Mack has not used me in years and I am bored.
I believe I can make you an air cooled radiator and perhaps
another cylinder. Try Me.
Mack's old Deer Rifle
See you.

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BETHEL STUDIO — Bethel Studio of Music students presented a recital production Saturday evening at Martha Ann Woman's Club to a crowd of some 250 people. The program, "Christmas Memories," featured a fading slide presentation of each student pictured as a baby, a young child and in the present. The student's voice told special Christmas memories through the years including a humorous incident. The visual presentation was compliments of Harley Bynum Photography. Lighting was provided by Ira Public Schools. A reception followed the program. Pictured from left, front are Brooke McCall of Rotan, Karomy Drum, Brandi Murphree of Rotan and Lisa McNew. Second row: Michele Anderson, Shanna Wade, Laura Hamby, Julie Zeck, Regina McNair, Cynthia Stansell, and Lauren Perkins of Colorado City. Back row: Scarlet Vorn Kahl of Rotan, Christopher Fuentez, Thad Myers and Myste Malone. (SDN Staff Photo)



RECITAL STUDENTS — More Lynn Bethel students pictured from left, front are Jason Warren, Carrie Perkins of Colorado City, Kristie Perkins of Abilene, Michelle Banta, Emily Zeck, Maribeth Dillaha and Carol Strayhorn. Second row: Katie Perkins of Abilene, Paige Bell, Hope Papay, Ellen Strayhorn, Brooke Kubena, Cole Latimer of Colorado City, Melissa Myers and Nicki Riggs of Colorado City. Third row: Andrea Helm of Colorado City, Amy Armstrong, Melissa Harris of Jayton, Carrie Keith, Alicia Kubena, Kasi Campbell, Kyle Martin and Chad Keith. Not pictured are Jody Webb of Colorado City, Blanden Chisum, Michelle Holmes and Judson Morrison. (SDN Staff Photo)

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Ladies Golf Association; tee time at players convenience.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Amitie Study Club; Pete Haley's home; Christmas party; 7 p.m.

Kiwaniannes; Golden Corral; 7 p.m.

Atheneum Study Club; Snyder Country Club; Christmas party; 7 p.m.

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; Christmas party and officer election; 7 p.m.

TOPS TX56; weigh-in and meeting 7-8 p.m.; 2501 35th St.; for more information, call Peggy at 573-9000.

Canyon Gun Club; 3201 Ave. M; 7:30 p.m.

Dance lessons, country-western; VFW; 7:30 p.m.; $2.50 per lesson; call 573-9314 or 573-3432 for more information.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

Al-Anon; Winston Park Club; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101.

WEDNESDAY

Christian Women's Club luncheon; Snyder Country Club; 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m.; $6 lunch or $1 beverage only; reservations must be made by noon Tuesday by calling 573-6602 or 573-0745.

Altrurian Daughters Christmas luncheon; noon; MAWC; members bring gifts for Big Spring hospital and Goodfellows.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-0414.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; W. 37th St.; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

If you are a pregnant teenager in need of help, meet with Maria Montes of Catholic Family Services of Lubbock from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Scurry County Welfare Offices in the Senior Center on Ave. M. For more information call 573-9967.

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

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

Overeaters Anonymous, a program for out-of-control eating; St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Hall; 2214 42nd St. All are welcome; the meeting is free; 4 p.m. For more information, call Joann at 573-9839.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Weight Watchers of West Texas; basement of First Presbyterian Church; 6 p.m. New members welcome and should register at 5:30 p.m.

Alateen; for the children of alcoholics; 7 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101.

Musical Coterie; "Unforgettable Musical Memories of Christmas"; Christmas musical, "North Pole Goes Rock 'n Roll" directed by Judy McLarty with Central Elementary music students; MAWC; 7:30 p.m.; public invited at no charge.

Scurry County Sheriff's Posse; Posse Clubhouse; 7:30 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Winston Park Building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

FRIDAY

Story Time for Preschoolers; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.

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

Cornelius Dodson House; open to public 2:30-5 p.m.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Business and Professional Women's Club; MAWC; Christmas dinner; 6:30 p.m.

Al-Anon; Winston Park Club; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101.

Alcoholics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

SATURDAY

Diamond M Museum, open from 1-4 p.m.

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

Beta Sigma Phi; Christmas party; Barbara Bills' home; 7 p.m.

Sparkle City Squares; Christmas Dance; Old Ira Gym; 8-10 p.m.; Sleepy Browning, caller.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-0414.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Winston Park building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-4870 or 573-1357.

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

Diamond M Museum, open from 1-4 p.m.

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

Black Women's Association; SNB community room; 5 p.m.

The American sloop "Amity" captured the British schooner "Margaretta" in 1775 in the first naval engagement of the American Revolution.

Ted Bigham
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Bridge

James Jacoby

NORTH 12-8-87
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♥ 9 6 5
♦ 8
♣ A Q J 9 3

WEST
♠ 6
♥ A J 7 2
♦ A K Q 10 5
♣ 8 6 4

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

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

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

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			1 ♦
Dbl	Redbl	Pass	Pass
2 ♦	3 ♦	Pass	4 ♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead ♦ K

A winning lead breaks the rules

By James Jacoby

Today's hand once again demonstrates that defense is the hardest part of the game. A defender is handicapped since he must imagine what cards are in his partner's hand, with a view to winning the most tricks for his side. There are principles of play that have been developed through the years to guide defenders in taking the most tricks. For example, it's unwise to underlead an ace, since you may now have lost the opportunity to capture a high honor with the ace. When your aces capture honors, you promote your lower cards to winning rank. The rules all of us have learned are good, but the highest drama of bridge occurs when the only way to break a contract is to violate a rule. Watch the play of defender West.

Against four spades, he led the king of diamonds. Although it would be safe to play a second diamond, there was no advantage to be gained. East might have nothing of value, but he would need to hold a trick someplace for there to be any chance of setting the hand. West decided to play for the possibility that East held either the king or the 10 of hearts and the king of clubs. So at trick two West led a low heart away from his ace. South won the king, but eventually he had to take the club finesse. East took the club king and returned a heart to let West take two heart tricks and set the contract.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books.

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Actor John Barrymore died in 1942.

Beta Sigma Phi members meet for regular session

Members of Xi Alpha Alpha Theta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met at the Snyder Country Club Dec. 1 with 19 members present. President Carolyn House called the meeting to order.

Mona Bryan, social co-chairman, reported on the Christmas party planned for Dec. 12 at the Barbara and Larry Bills home.

Bette League and Sue Sewell reported on the Christmas paper sales.

Sue Sewell announced that the service committee was buying gift items for some children for Christmas.

Carolyn Limmer stated that the next program would be given by Wanda Early on Jan. 5; Marie Boone read a selection from the book of Beta Sigma Phi.

Following the business meeting, members played "Crazy Bridge." Winners were Mickey Baird and Anne Foster.

Hostesses for the evening were Mickey Baird and Sue Sewell. Winners of the hostess gifts were Mary Lou Scott, Barbara Bills, Sue Sewell, Gay Idom and Marie Boone. The gifts were cross-stitched items on friendship in keeping with the year's theme, "Build Bridges of Friendship."

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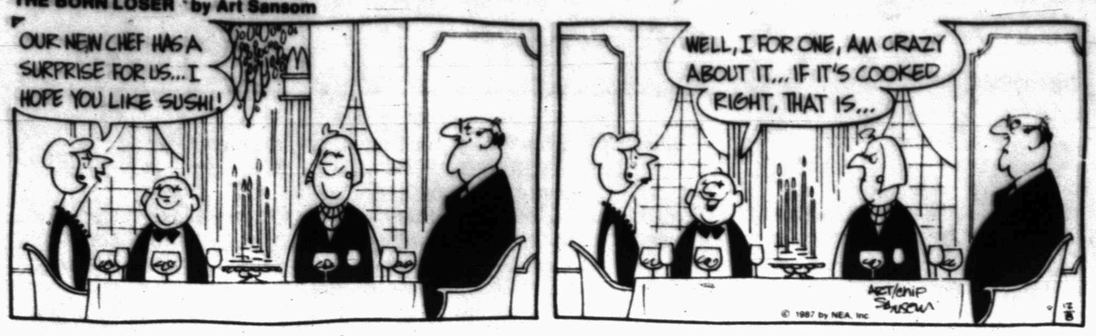
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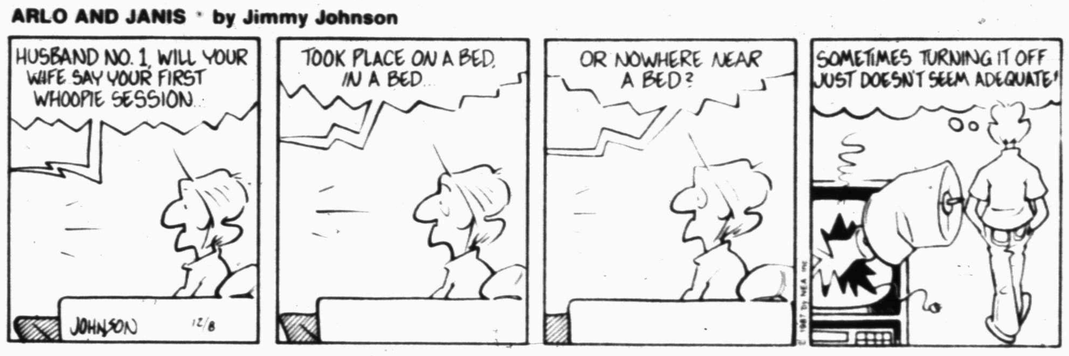
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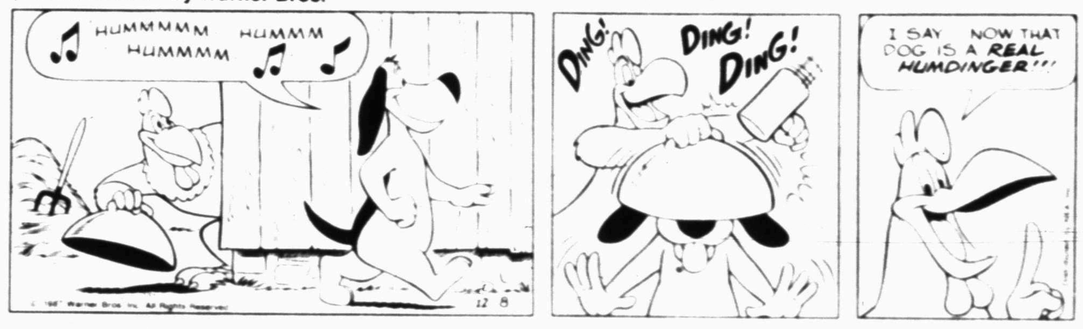
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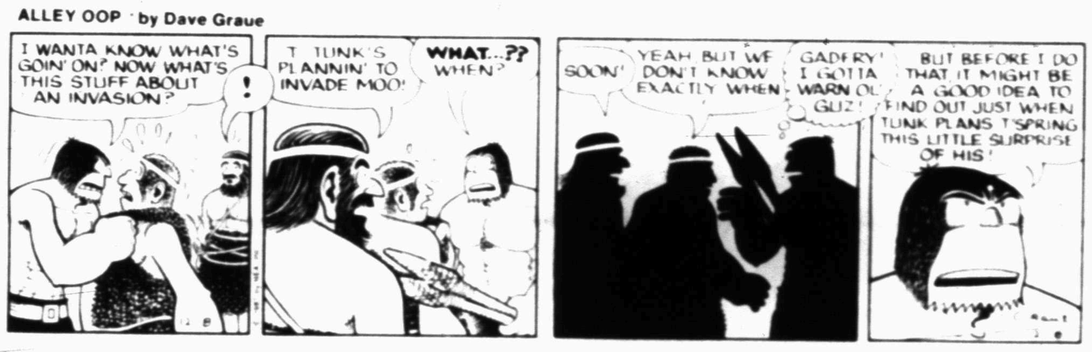
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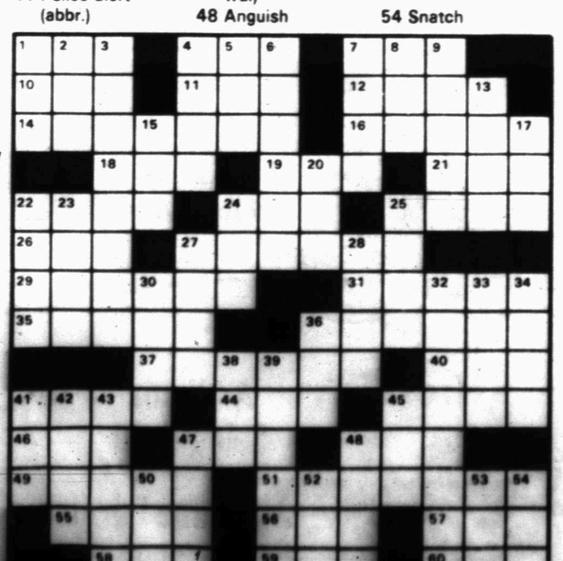
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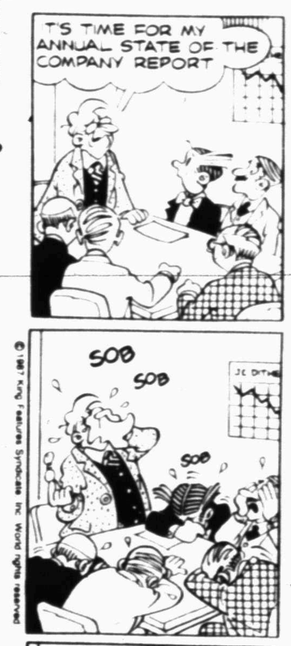
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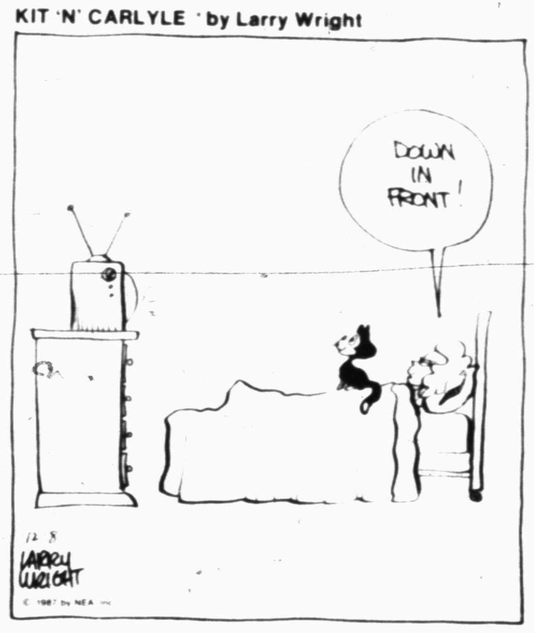


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Lady Tigers open 2-4A play tonight

The season is only eight games old, but Coach Ken Housden's Lady Tigers don't have any choice - they begin District 2-4A play tonight.

Actually, Housden is ready.

"We're looking forward to it," said the Snyder coach, whose Lady Tigers entertain San Angelo Lake View at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gym. "Lake View, I feel like, will be one of the better ballclubs this year. They have mainly a senior ballclub so they'll have good experience and good depth."

Tickets are $2 for adults and $1 for students. A junior varsity game will tip off the action at 6 p.m.

Lake View brings a 5-5 record into the gym. Snyder is 5-3 after losing 53-52 to Seminole in the finals of the Crane Tournament last Saturday.

Housden said the Tigers are suffering through some nagging injuries, but he expected everyone to suit out except Deedra Tomlin, who is nursing a sore knee.

"Other than some injuries, I believe we're in good position to start district play," he said. "We're hurting some, but we've played a lot of people in each of our games and hopefully that will continue. We've had a lot of help coming off the bench."

Expected starters for the Lady Tigers are Teri Sue Henry, Melody Pickerng, LaFon Williams, Shelly Tomlin and Christi Comer.

Scott's boys host C-City, 7:30 p.m.

Coach Larry Scott's Tigers attempt to rebound from back-to-back losses as they entertain Colorado City in a non-district basketball game at Scurry County Coliseum tonight.

The Tigers, 5-3, take on the Wolves at 7:30 p.m. A junior varsity game is slated for 6 p.m.

"They beat our junior varsity (64-61) in the Coahoma Tournament and from what I understand, our junior varsity played pretty well," said Coach Scott. "They have good height and some talent. The way we've been playing it will be a struggle for us."

Snyder beat Abilene Cooper and Lubbock High before falling to Midland Lee, then defeated Levelland and Frenship, but lost to Big Spring and Fort Stockton - the latter by 20 points - last weekend. The Tigers open District 2-4A play next Tuesday by hosting Fort Stockton.

"I don't know how we'll react, but hopefully we will find the pride do what it takes to turn things around," said Scott.

Snyder could be without Trey Tippens, who suffered an ankle injury last Thursday did not play in the games with Big Spring and Fort Stockton.

Schramm supports Coach Landry, but stresses 'changes are needed'

IRVING, Texas (P) - Dallas Cowboys president Tex Schramm said he still supports Coach Tom Landry, but added that off-season changes are needed to revive the team's sagging football fortunes.

"I still have confidence in Tom, but there is a lot to look at, if not now, then at the end of the season," Schramm said Monday. "Tom has always been timely and innovative throughout his career. I still believe in him."

Schramm's comments came the day after H.R. "Bum" Bright, principal owner of the Cowboys, in comments to a Dallas Morning News sportswriter following Dallas' 21-10 loss to the Atlanta Falcons, came down hard on Landry.

Sunday's loss all but eliminated the Cowboys from post-season consideration. Dallas is now 5-7 and will be eliminated from the NFL playoffs if it loses one of its last three games or the Minnesota Vikings win one of their last three games. Dallas has games remaining with Los Angeles, Washington, and St. Louis.

The Dallas regular team has lost 13 of its last 17 regular-season games.

Landry, the only coach the Cowboys have ever had, said Monday he has not had front office interference since he was hired in 1960.

"Times change," Schramm said Monday. "It depends on whose eyes you're looking through. Obviously, there is some basis of criticism all around in the organization."

Bright told the Morning News he was "horrified" at some of the play calling in the Atlanta game and criticized Landry's failure to make greater use of defensive lineman Danny Noonan, the team's first-round draft choice, and of running back Herschel Walker.

Until beating Dallas, Atlanta had lost six straight games and was winless since the strike.

Schramm said he shares Bright's disappointment with the situtation.

"I told my wife this is the low point of 38 years. When we were an expansion team it was at least exciting. This is the worst."

He said Sunday's attendance of 40,165 fans was shocking. It was Dallas' smallest home crowd since 1965 in the Cotton Bowl and the smallest in the 17 years the team has played at Texas Stadium.

"This is ridiculous," Schramm said. "We have to get our fans excited again. We are getting back to the early 1960s with our negative records."

Schramm said there would be an off-season shakeup but added it couldn't be a big one.

"That's the most discouraging part of this season," Schramm said. "We did a lot of things in the last off-season that I was excited about. We did a lot after last year."

Schramm said Landry faces more heat now than at any time in his 38-year career, but added that he's confident the coach can handle the pressure.

Dolphs nix Jets, 37-28

MIAMI (AP) - The Miami Dolphins are puzzled, and the New York Jets are riddled.

The Dolphins continued their up-and-down season Monday night with a 37-28 victory over the Jets New York, hampered by injuries all year, lost starting linebacker Lance Mehl and cornerback Russell Carter for the rest of the season.

A week after losing 27-0 at Buffalo, Miami built a 27-0 halftime lead and withstood a second-half New York comeback. The performance left the Dolphins shaking their heads about their inconsistency.

"It's been a weird season," rookie running back Troy Stradford said after rushing 30 times for 120 yards and three touchdowns. "It's hard to believe we got shut out last week. But we didn't sulk about it and we didn't grow apart. We stayed together and worked hard."

Both Miami and New York are 6-6 and one game behind AFC East leader Indianapolis with three games to play.

Mehl suffered a knee injury. Carter, one of four New York casualties in the secondary this season, separated a shoulder. The team's leading rusher, Freeman McNeil, injured a hamstring, and his status is uncertain.

The Dolphins dominated the first half, rolling up 18 first downs to the Jets' two, but New York closed the score to 30-21 by driving for touchdowns on its first three possessions in the second half.

Dan Marino, completing 29 of 40 passes for 293 yards on the night, then marched Miami 74 yards and scored himself on a 5-yard naked bootleg. New York's Bobby Humphery returned a Stradford fumble 46 yards for a touchdown with seven minutes left, but the Jets didn't get into Miami territory again.

Miami finished with 432 yards, 30 first downs and a 27-minute advantage in time of possession.

SMU talks with 'Mac'

DALLAS (AP) - John Mackovic, former head coach of the Kansas City Chiefs, said Monday he was contacted recently by Southern Methodist athletic director Doug Single about Mackovic's interest in the vacant SMU head football coaching job.

"I'm keeping my options open. I'm interested in coaching again. It's best just to let these things play themselves out. We left it that if I had some interest and he had some interest, we'd get back together," Mackovic said.

Single contacted him last week, Mackovic said.

Mackovic turned down the job five years ago. The job has been vacant since Bobby Collins resigned under pressure a year ago after revelations of continuing play-for-pay scandal in the SMU football program. The NCAA shut down the school's program for 1987, and the school itself canceled football for the 1988 season.

Mackovic was coach of Wake Forest, his alma mater, in 1978-80, then joined the Dallas Cowboys as an assistant. In February 1983, he left the Cowboys to take over the Chiefs, but was fired last year after leading the team to its first playoff berth in 14 years.

Single said, "I'm in the process of finding out who might be interested. Everything is very preliminary."

Single said former Ohio State coach Earle Bruce has also expressed interest in talking to him about the vacancy.

Lendl cops net Masters

NEW YORK (AP) - Ivan Lendl has mastered the Masters.

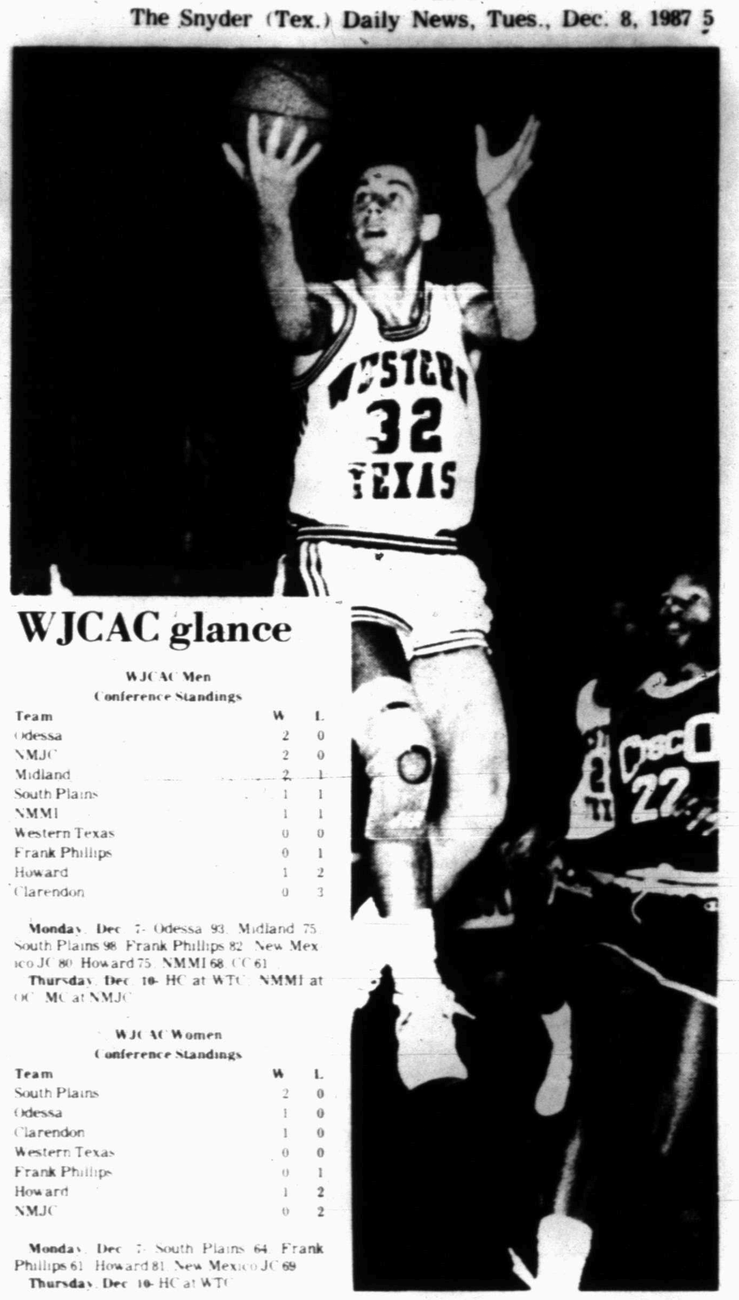
The world's top-ranked tennis player won the tounament a record fifth time by beating third-seeded Mats Wilander 6-2, 6-2, 6-3 Monday night at Madison Square Garden.

Unlike Lendl's grueling four-set victories over Wilander in the 1987 French and U.S. Open finals, this one was a breeze.

"It may have been the best match I played this year," Lendl said. "I always felt in control. If we were rallying, it was because I wanted to rally. If I came in, it was because I wanted to come in."

The victory enabled Lendl to top the four Masters titles won by Ilie Nastase in the 1970s. Lendl has reached the finals eight straight times and won the last three.

The victory over Wilander also gave Lendl his 70th career title, tying John McEnroe for second on the all-time list behind Jimmy Connors' 105.



WJCAC glance

WJCAC Men
Conference Standings

Team	W	L
Odessa	2	0
NMJC	2	0
Midland	2	1
South Plains	1	1
NMMI	1	1
Western Texas	0	0
Frank Phillips	0	1
Howard	1	2
Clarendon	0	3

Monday, Dec. 7- Odessa 93, Midland 75; South Plains 98, Frank Phillips 82; New Mexico JC 80, Howard 75; NMMI 68, CC 61.
Thursday, Dec. 10- HC at WTC; NMMI at OC; MC at NMJC.

WJCAC Women
Conference Standings

Team	W	L
South Plains	2	0
Odessa	1	0
Clarendon	1	0
Western Texas	0	0
Frank Phillips	0	1
Howard	1	2
NMJC	0	2

Monday, Dec. 7- South Plains 64, Frank Phillips 61; Howard 81, New Mexico JC 69.
Thursday, Dec. 10- HC at WTC.

SIGHTS ON THURSDAY -- Western Texas College entertains Howard in a conference double header here Thursday at 6 and 8 p.m. in Scurry County Coliseum. Meanwhile, Snyder's high school teams are in action this evening, both at the coliseum and the high school gym. Above, Bobby Spear puts in two points for WTC. (SDN Staff Photo)

McDonald baskets 12-footer to lead Aggies past Demons

by The Associated Press

Texas A&M's Darryl McDonald says he wasn't trying new strategies when he hit a 12-foot jump shot with 10 seconds remaining to give the Aggies a non-conference basketball win over Northwestern State University.

"They were playing a box and one defense and I wasn't able to get the ball inside like I have been the past couple of games," said McDonald after the Aggies' 63-61 win over Northwestern State on Monday. "In that type of situation, you have to play like you always do.

"It will definitely help the younger guys, having been in that kind of situation before," he said. "I have been there a couple of times and it helped me tonight. I would rather them have me take the shot because I would rather have coach scream at me than anyone else."

In other play involving Southwest Conference teams, Houston whipped Arkansas State 80-72 at home, while Texas Tech fell to Montana, 72-62, in an away game.

Northwestern's Roman Banks put up a shot at the buzzer but it fell short. The visiting Demons, from Natchitoches, La., wiped out a 10-point deficit in the last 10 minutes, taking a 59-57 lead, when Banks hit a layup with 2 minutes left.

Aggie Donald Thompson was credited with a basket on George Jones' goal tending to tie it at 59-59 with 1:30 left. Freshman Freddie Ricks hit two free shots to give A&M a 61-59 lead with 1:19 remaining.

Banks hit another layup at the 50-second mark to knot it at 61-61, setting the stage for McDonald's heroics.

Thompson, a 6-foot-7 junior transfer from Chicago, led A&M with 22 points and nine rebounds. McDonald scored 12 points and Keron Graves got 11 as A&M upped its season record to 4-2.

Banks was high for Northwestern with 14. Pernell Smith and Terrence Rayford scored 10 each. The Demons are 3-2 this year.

Houston senior center Rolando Ferreira and junior guard Richard Hollis scored 21 points each to lead the Cougars to victory over Arkansas State. Freshman forward Craig Upchurch had 12 points and eight rebounds and Randy Brown scored 11 points in the win.

Houston, 3-0, survived four 3-point shots in the last five minutes by Indian guard Rhon Johnson. Arkansas State fell to 2-3. Houston converted 18 of its last 20 free throws, including six straight by Randy Brown.

John Tate and Johnson finished with 16 points.

7th grade boys victorious

Snyder seventh grade boys defeated Sweetwater in outings Monday night.

The seventh grade A-team won 27-19. The B-team took a 23-21 victory.

Scoring for the A-team were Tory Garza 8, Bryan Luna 6, Steven Bollinger and Matt Byron 4, Baretta Collins 3 and Damon Kennedy 2.

Scoring for the B-team were Joe Bob McCravey 9, Ben Wilson 5, Chris Stansell 3 and Andy Gutierrez, Eddie Rodriquez and Scotty Hand, 2 each.

"The boys are improving with each game," said Coach Lloyd Bohannon of the teams, which are both 1-1.

Garza was named MVP of the A-team game by Snyder coaches.

Freshmen boys defeated

SWEETWATER -- Edward Rios piled up 20 points and Paul Anderson added 10 but it wasn't enough to push Snyder past Sweetwater in a freshmen boy's basketball game here Monday evening.

Sweetwater won over Snyder Black, 59-46.

The young Snyder bunch will play again Friday when they host Abilene High at 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the junior high gym.

Sweetwater 59, Snyder 46
SNYDER-- Fletcher Davis 2 0 4; Joe Martinez 0 1 1; Paul Anderson 5 0 10; Carlton Sanders 2 0 4; Edward Rios 9 2 20; Shelby Bufkin 3 1 7; TOTALS
SWEETWATER-- Hall 13, Daniels 13.
Total Fouls- Snyder 6, Sweetwater 12; **Fouled Out**- None

Snyder	14	8	17	7	-46
Sweetwater	16	17	10	16	-59

9th grade girls fall, 44-43

Snyder freshmen girls suffered their first defeat of the season Monday, falling to Sweetwater 44-43.

"The game see-sawed back and forth the last three minutes. We just couldn't seem to get the ball to fall the last 30 seconds even though the opportunities were there. Sweetwater is definitely the best team we've played and we played the best we've played all year against them," said Coach Connie Comer.

Liz Greathouse and Vinnie Clay scored 10 points each for Snyder. Greathouse also had 10 rebounds and Dessie Ware managed four steals.

The girls will play again on Friday, at 6:30 p.m. in Hermleigh.

Sweetwater 44, Snyder 43
SNYDER-- Liz Greathouse 3 3 10; Vinnie Clay 3 4 10; Camille Thompson 3 0 6; Robbie Braziel 3 1 7; Dessie Ware 0 1 1; Katina Brandon 4 1 9; TOTALS 16 10 43.
SWEETWATER-- Nikki Heath 26; TOTALS 17 9 44.
Total Fouls- Snyder 14, Swtr 21; **Fouled Out**- Holsey, Ware. **Three-Point Goals**- Snyder 1, Greathouse.

Snyder	8	12	13	10	-43
Sweetwater	15	11	7	11	-44



TEAM SNYDER -- Team Snyder, local youth soccer team, presented a plaque to coach Bill Parker recently. Pictured above are, left to right, front row, Chris Gayle, Scott Sears, Jamey Frazier, Jason Warren, Anthony Alvarez, J. Parker, and back row, Chris Garcia, Bobby Clinkinbeard, Pablo Coronado, Bill Parker, and Justin Jones. Not pictured are Billy and Joe Delao and Josh Floyd. (SDN Staff Photo)

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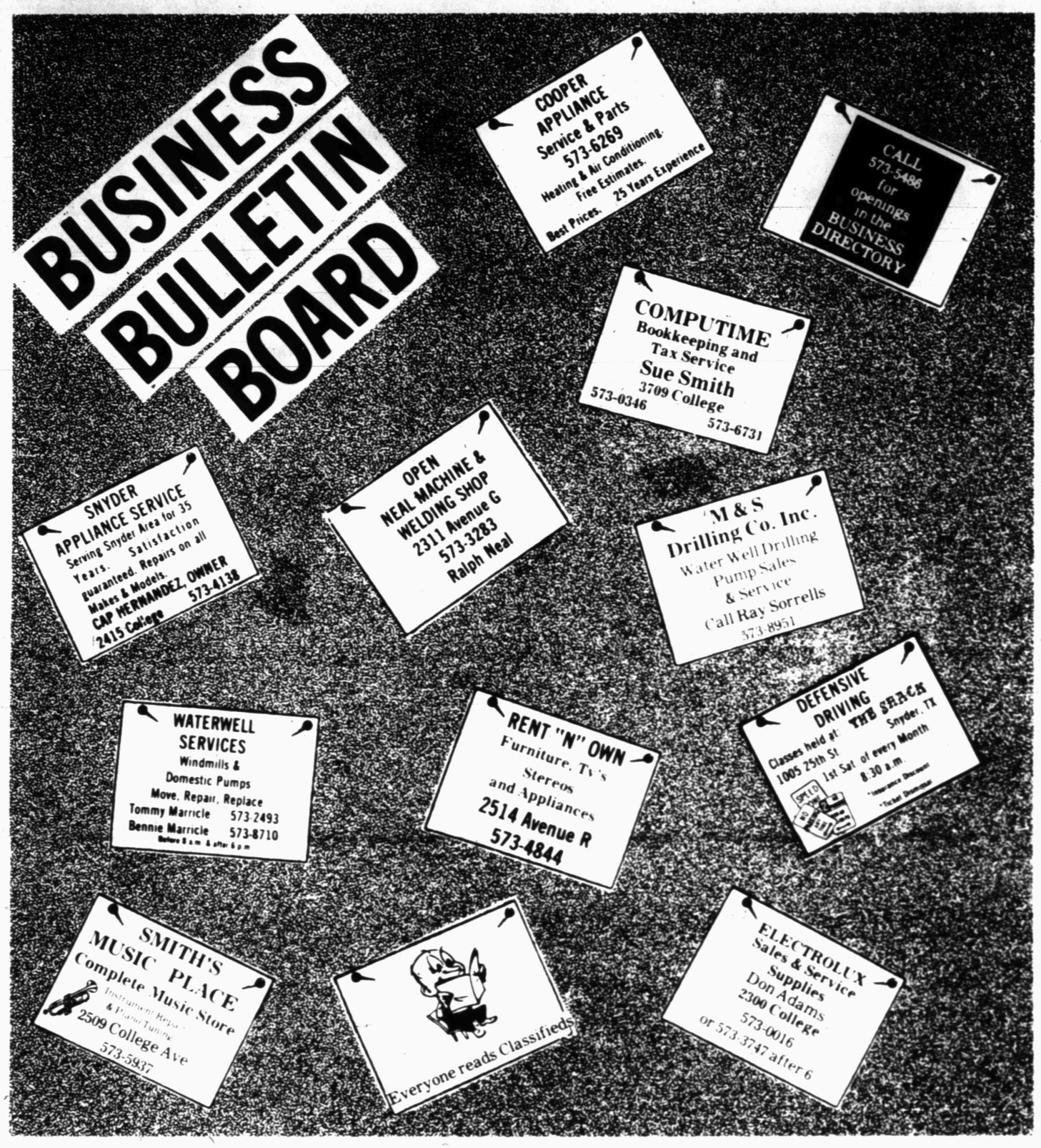
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AMI Inc	12⅝	12⅜	12⅜
AmStand	32¼	32	32
Amer T&T	27⅜	27	27⅛
Amoco	64¾	64	64
ArmcoInc	9⅞	9¾	9¾
AtlRichfld	67¾	66⅜	66⅜
BakerHugh n	12¾	12¼	12½
BancTexas n	1¼	1¼	1¼
BellAtlan	65	64¼	64¾
BellSouth s	36	35¼	35⅜
Beth Steel	14⅜	14⅛	14¼
Borden	45¼	43⅝	44½
Caterpllr	56⅜	55	55⅛
Centel s	34	33¼	33¾
Chevron	37⅝	37	37
Chrysler s	21¼	20¾	20¾
Coastal s	25	24⅛	24¼
CocaCola	38	37¼	37⅜
Coleman	29	28¾	28¾
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DigitalEq	119½	117¼	118¾
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TexasInst s	43¾	42¾	43⅜
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UnCarbde	19	18⅝	18⅝
UnPacCp	52¼	51⅛	51½
US West	49¼	48⅞	49⅛
UniTel	24⅛	23⅞	24
Unocal	27½	26	26¾
WalMart s	23½	22⅞	23

Mattox rules on police records issue

AUSTIN (AP) — Police cannot be forced to release embarrassing allegations about an officer's private life under the Texas Open Records Act, Attorney General Jim Mattox says.

But, in an opinion distributed Monday, Mattox said other types of allegations made against police must be released upon request.

Mike Thompson, El Paso assistant city attorney, sought Mattox's opinion. Thompson asked if the city had to release information about complaints against 68 El Paso police officers.

Someone had asked El Paso to release the information on "history cards" compiled by the police department. The cards include brief notations about allegations of misconduct and the result of any investigations into the allegations.

Thompson told Mattox the city and the police officers association had signed an agreement in which the city said unfounded complaints would not be placed in employee records. Mattox said such an agreement cannot override the requirements of the Open Records Act.

Mattox said, however, some of the information, including embarrassing allegations about officers' private lives, is covered by an exception to the Open Records Act.

"We do not believe there is a legitimate public interest in knowing about events involving an officer's family merely because they are noted on his history card," Mattox said.

He also said the city does not have to release information about "unfounded allegations (that) are so serious that public disclosure of them would be excessively offensive."

In another opinion, Mattox held that state law does not authorize state agencies to seal documents contained in the personnel file of an employee believed to be the victim of discrimination. He also said the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission lacks authority under the Civil Right Act to order state agencies to seal documents.

However, Mattox said, this does not mean that information "relating to discrimination claims in the personnel files of state agencies must be disclosed to the public."

He noted that a governmental body must withhold information if it finds that release of the information would be "highly offensive to a reasonable person, that public interest in the information is minimal, and that there exists serious doubt about the truth of the information."

The attorney general's opinion was sought be Henry Keene, chairman of the state board of pardons and paroles, and Vernon Arrell, commissioner of the Texas Rehabilitation Commission.

No solution for county jail problems

AUSTIN (AP) — Another summit meeting of county and state officials will be held next month in the continuing scramble to find answers to the prison overcrowding problems, Gov. Bill Clements says.

Clements met Monday with three county judges, but that session provided no solution for county jails that are jammed with felons awaiting transfer to crowded state prisons.

"What we're trying to do is seek and find new solutions to an old problem. I have to tell you that after much discussion we have not found new solutions," Clements said.

Monday's meeting, which lasted almost two hours, did produce an agreement that two proposed solutions — state payments to county jails holding convicted felons and transfers to counties with surplus jail space — will not work.

Clements said either of those arrangements could make county jails subject to state prison standards imposed by a federal court order.

"We're a county jail, not a prison," said Tarrant County Judge Roy English.

English, Dallas County Judge Lee Jackson and Harris County Judge Jon Lindsey met with Clements and officials of the Texas Department of Corrections and Texas Commission on Jail Standards.

Another meeting, including officials from the 20 or so urban counties, will be held next month, Clements said.

"We've exchanged a lot of ideas. Some are acceptable, some need further exploration," he said.

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Student surrenders after he holds assistant hostage

PASADENA, Texas (AP) — A 14-year-old student apparently upset about family problems surrendered to police after holding an assistant principal at gunpoint for two hours, authorities said.

"No shots were fired. No one was injured," Police Sgt. James Zink said. "He came out very peacefully. He made no comment."

Grover Belcher, 42, Deepwater Junior High School assistant principal, said the youth walked into the school's administrative offices about 9 a.m., and asked to see him. The boy came into the office, closed the door and pulled a gun out of his jacket, Belcher said.

"He pointed it at me and said, 'I need to talk,'" Belcher told reporters during a news conference Monday afternoon.

Belcher escaped after about two hours through a back door of his office when the eighth-grader went to use the restroom. He said he had told the boy the door was to a closet.

"I've not dealt with him before," Belcher said. "I did not know him at all."

The two were in the office for more than a half hour before the student told Belcher to call police and tell them he was being held hostage, Belcher said. Until then, other school officials were unaware of what was happening.

"He wanted the building evacuated," the first-year assistant principal said.

The 670 students present were evacuated to two nearby elementary schools, but returned to class after the youth was taken into custody, Deer Park Independent School District officials said.

The school, which has students from sixth through eighth grades, is in a residential area of Pasadena, a suburb southeast of Houston.

Belcher said the student — whose name was not released because he is a juvenile — gave no specifics about what was troubling him and seemed calm except when he heard a helicopter circling above the school.

"He was upset about some things at home," Belcher said.

Belcher talked to a police negotiator who also is a chaplain on the telephone and relayed the conversations to the student.

"The chaplain encouraged him to do what was necessary to get out of there," Belcher said.

At one point, the teen-ager mentioned the name of a friend he said he wanted to come to the office so he could surrender to police with him. The friend never was summoned to the office.

The student never threatened Belcher, but he kept the gun perched on a desk and pointed at the assistant principal, Belcher said. He did, however, apologize to Belcher for involving him.

After the principal escaped at about 11 a.m., the student agreed to put down the .38-caliber snub-nosed revolver and surrender to police, said Pasadena Police spokeswoman Betty Parks. He came out of the office about 11:15 a.m.

Ms. Parks said the boy, wearing a T-shirt emblazoned with the satanic symbol "666," was taken to a police station. He had brought the gun from home, she said.

His parents are separated and the youth was living with his father, who was at the police station Monday afternoon, Ms. Parks said.

Officials said they would turn the teen-ager over to the Harris County Juvenile Probation office in Houston.

Dianne Logan, spokeswoman for the juvenile probation office, said she was prohibited by law from discussing specific cases. When an alleged offense involves violence or threat of violence, the juvenile usually is kept in custody pending a detention hearing, Ms. Logan added.

Jury indicts local suspects

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Attorney Ernie Armstrong, that the suspect was going to blow up his house with him in it," the detective said.

A special prosecutor, assistant Midland County district attorney Randy Fluke, presented the case to the grand jury.

Armstrong said Tuesday that he was told the bomb was powerful enough to destroy an automobile or most of a house.

Blackwell was convicted of delivery of marijuana in a May 1986 jury trial in which Armstrong was the prosecutor. Blackwell was given a seven-year sentence but was released from the penitentiary on shock probation last June.

Other indictments handed down Monday included one for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle against Daniel Fredrick Hembree, 20, of Big Spring, who is accused of taking a 1978 Chevrolet belonging to Brian Glover of Big Spring after a fight at a party at a residence here.

Hembree was subsequently involved in a head-on collision with a tractor-trailer rig in the car at U.S. 84 and College Ave. and was arrested for DWI after being hospitalized for his injuries.

William Lee Steel, 22, of 2307 Ave. I was indicted for forgery by passing in connection with a $125 check forged against the account of a Snyder man on Nov. 11.

Donny Mac Chauncy, 36, of Hermleigh was true-billed for criminal mischief in a Dec. 2 case in which a 1978 GMC pickup owned by William G. Chauncy was damaged by blows with an ax.

Mary Olivarez, 32, of 2009 Ave. N was indicted for arson in connection with a Dec. 2 fire in a vacant house owned by Julian Olivarez. The true bill alleges that she set the fire at 705 15th St. by lighting a mattress with a cigarette lighter.

The grand jury issued felony DWI indictments against Richard Luera, 24, of Colorado City, Daniel Lee Randolph, 38, of Abilene, Esmeralda V. Sepulveda, 28, of Rt. 1, Box 166-A, and Jimmy Waylon Willett, 30, of 2106 Merrill Ave.

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Council hears various bids

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cil voted to:

—Accept the low bid, submitted by Wilson Motors, for four new police vehicles. Wilson bid $37,896 for the four four-door, full-size sedans. The bidding also had one out-of-town estimate as Gene Messer Ford of Lubbock bid $47,829. A third bid was submitted by Donelson Chevrolet, estimating $39,939.

—Grant on first reading a zone change request submitted by Rickey Hernandez to rezone two full lots and a portion of a third at 1806 Ave. T from M-1 (light manufacturing) to R-3 (general residential). The change will allow him to set another mobile home at the location, it was noted.

—Accept the low bid for 180 tons of alum for the water treatment plant. The contract was awarded to Russ Chemical Company of Odessa, figuring $150 per ton. Two other firms bid as well, both from Houston. These estimates were for $168 and $220 per ton.

—Accept the low bid on three new compaction bodies for city sanitation trucks. The low bidder was EMCO of Plainview, estimating $71,985. The only other bid was from Davis Truck and Equipment of Clifton for $72,750. As part of this bid, the city also sold six items of used sanitation equipment to include used compaction bodies and sanitation trucks. In each case, the council opted to take the highest bid to sell the equipment. Two firms submitted the bids, Davis Truck of Clifton and Southwestern Equipment of Argyle.

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Retired workers slate meeting

SWEETWATER--The National Association of Retired Federal Employees will have its regular meeting at noon Wednesday at K-Bob's. It will be Dutch treat.

A short program on survivor annuities will be presented. Members, spouses and guests are welcome.

Garza Theatre sets play dates

POST--The award-winning Garza Theatre celebrates its first anniversary in the old Palace Theater with a Dec. 17-20 production of "You Know I Can't Hear You When the Water is Running."

Recognized last month by the West Texas Museum Association for "enhancement of the cultural community of the Southern High Plains," the theatre received an award presented by Dr. Mary Louise Brewer at the 58th annual meeting of the association in Lubbock.

"You Know I Can't Hear You When the Water's Running" is the title for Robert Anderson's trio of plays that became one of the big hits of the 1967 Broadway season.

Nursery reports Yule tree theft

Police are investigating a burglary at Snyder Nursery at 107 37th St. in which three tall Christmas trees and a Christmas tree stand were stolen.

Entry into the nursery was gained by cutting a fabric fence sometime between 6 p.m. Sunday and 8 a.m. Monday, police said.

Three trees were dragged across Snyder Oaks Circle, and two of the stands were left there.

Two of the trees were Douglas firs eight to nine feet tall and valued at $42.50 apiece and the other was a Douglas fir six to seven feet tall and valued at $30.

Snyder Nursery placed the total loss at $125.

Trustees will hear annual ISD report

The annual performance report for Snyder ISD will be offered to school board members Tuesday during the board's regular December meeting.

The session will begin at 7 p.m.

Offering the report will be Dr. Tom Scannicchio, assistant superintendent for curriculum.

At the same meeting, the board will consider changes recently implemented for the high school curriculum. These include a change of emphasis in honors courses and how grades in these classes will count toward grade point averages.

In other proposed changes before the board, trustees will consider altering the monthly meeting date and time for school board meetings.

Other agenda items due action Tuesday include:

—Consider taxation by the district of automobiles and boats.

—Approving bids for a new school bus.

—Consider the resignation of a fourth grade teacher at Stanfield and officially employing her replacement.

Trustees have also scheduled a "possible executive session" to discuss the athletic director-head football coach position.

In addition, the board is to hear a presentation from junior high computer literacy students and to be given information reports regarding a meeting date for the annual superintendent's evaluation and the results of the 11th grade exit level test.

Veterans office closing slated

The Scurry County Veterans Service office will close on Dec. 18 for the mid-winter holiday and remain closed until Jan. 2, E. H. (Dan) Dever, Jr., Veterans Service officer said.

Veterans and their survivors or dependents who would like Dever to help them fill out income questionnaires due by Jan. 1 need to note the holiday schedule, Dever pointed out. Dever will help persons who need assistance in filling out the forms and appointments can be made by calling 573-8511.

Births

Rodney and Becky Cottrell are the parents of a baby girl weighing seven pounds two ounces born at 8:18 a.m. Monday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Berry's World



"I wonder what Ivana and Don Trump are doing tonight."

After the treaty

Who should pay to defend Europe?

By Robert Wagman

The United States and its allies may be on a collision course over who will pay to strengthen NATO. Many in Congress and the U.S. defense establishment believe that several NATO countries are more concerned with pushing their own military exports than in strengthening NATO.

Western experts agree that, after President Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev hold their summit and sign the pact banning intermediate range nuclear missiles, NATO will be forced to beef up its conventional defense capability.

It is universally recognized that the Warsaw Pact nations have a significant lead over NATO in terms of conventional forces. Currently, the intermediate range missiles are a central component of NATO's so-called "flexible shield" defense policy. With the signing of a treaty banning those nuclear weapons, NATO will be left at a considerable disadvantage.

President Reagan has assured NATO countries they have no worries. In a recent television address to Europe Reagan said, "For our part, the commitment of the United States to the alliance and to the security of Europe — INF treaty or no INF treaty — remains unshakable. Those who worry that we will somehow drift apart or that deterrence has been weakened are mistaken on both counts."

But while U.S. resolve to support a strong NATO might not be at issue, what is is who will pay for its strengthening.

Recently, the 135-member Congressional Reform Military Caucus heard from a host of experts who tried to put the problem into perspective. The caucus was told that a conventional forces build-up by NATO will cost at least $50 billion.

The experts agreed that NATO will need at least four additional fully equipped divisions, several hundred new attack aircraft, many more tanks and other armored vehicles and a beefed up naval presence.

At the same time Congress was hearing this, "ComDef '87" (Common Defense), a major annual international weapons trade show, was taking place. During the convention two top British Defense Ministry officials gave speeches that made congressional experts question Britain's resolve to do its fair share in any such build-up.

In one, Frank Cooper, chairman of Britain's United Scientific Holdings, predicted that European taxpayers are not "going to dig into their pockets" to fund the build-up.

The next day, Lord David Trefgarne, Britain's chief of defense procurement blasted the growing "protectionist mood" of the U.S. Congress in the area of weapons procurement and the reluctance of the Pentagon to make major weapons purchases abroad.

Pointing out that Washington spends only about 2 percent of its annual procurement budget abroad, Trefgarne said "I find it very difficult to believe that the 2 percent... is wreacking the havoc the U.S. defense industry claims."

The two speeches did not sit well on Capitol Hill. Congressional experts believe they indicate that Britain is going to be very reluctant to increase its NATO spending and that its main concern is increasing its own military exports.

But former U.S. Sen. John Tower, who was chairman of the Armed Services Committee, thinks the Europeans must pay for a greater share of their defense. "The Europeans are going to have to pay their fair share," Tower told the arms exposition. "Their economies are healthy enough. They can afford it."

A high ranking House Armed Services Committee staffer says, "Britain and the Common Market countries are telling us that if we spend billions more for their defense, and make sure we buy the weapons from their producers, they might be willing to open their markets to our agricultural products a little more. That idea is just not going to fly. People around here think we are spending way too much on NATO already."

Pentagon experts say that if the United States is forced to make a disproportionally large commitment to strengthen NATO, troops and ships would have to be taken from the Middle East and money from the development of the Strategic Defense Initiative.

This could lead to a divisive debate over where America's greatest strategic interest lies, in the oil rich Persian Gulf or in protecting Europe from a massive land invasion. No one in the Pentagon really wants to see that debate begin.

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'The Europeans are going to have to pay their fair share. Their economies are healthy. They can afford it.'

Some missiles will remain

The signing of a treaty on intermediate nuclear forces will not leave NATO without nuclear missiles.

NATO defense ministers made this clear at their recent meeting in California when they announced that the alliance will retain its policy of keeping a "minimum number" of nuclear weapons in Europe to deter Soviet aggression.

The 15 NATO ministers, meeting as the Nuclear Planning Group, focused on a defense of Europe with remaining short-range nuclear weapons. They pledged to "continue to implement those measures required to maintain the effectiveness, responsiveness and survivability of our nuclear forces."

One plan being actively discussed would "modernize" NATO's short-range tactical nuclear weapons, such as the Lance battlefield missile.

Some observers fear, however, that "modernize" is simply a euphemism for increasing the range of these tactical weapons and that this will constitute a violation — or at least a circumvention — of an INF treaty.



CITY VETERANS — These city employees got service pins for 10 years and over Saturday night at Snyder County Club. They are Santos Contreras, 30 years; Dale Burns, Billy Matthews and Jerry Parker, 10 years; and Terry Don McDowell, 15 years. Not shown are Don Whittenburg, 10 years; and Raymond Medrano, 20 years. (SDN Staff Photo)

Christmas bonuses are said on decline

NEW YORK (AP) — If Ebenezer Scrooge were alive, he'd have some friends in corporate boardrooms.

Once a symbol of management's yuletide generosity, the employee Christmas bonus immortalized by Charles Dickens' 19th century curmudgeon is becoming a thing of the past, either abandoned because of the cost or replaced with token gifts and other incentives, businesses and benefits consultants say.

In contrast, bonuses tied to an employee's performance or a company's profitability are still going strong, despite the Oct. 19 stock crash, compensation experts say.

Thanks to the economy's continuing health, most recipients of the performance and profitability bonuses will get at least as much this year as they did last year, except in the hard-hit investment banking business, interviews with several business consultants suggest.

The Christmas bonus was widespread in the 1960s and 1970s, before the economy was jolted by severe inflation, said Philip Henderson, a managing director at the New York-based consulting firm Mercer-Meindinger-Hansen Inc.

When company costs started rising, Christmas bonuses started declining, he said.

Others said Christmas bonuses are dwindling because they reflect an outdated relationship between many bosses and employees, who often own stock in their companies and share a desire to make them profitable. Indiscriminate bonus-giving can erode profits.

"The Christmas bonus is a product of the industrial revolution, which was essentially a paternalistic environment," said Charles Peck, a benefits expert at the Conference Board, a New York business research group. "That was when the employer was like the father and the employees were the children."

Some of the money once set aside for Christmas bonuses is now funneled into tax-deferred savings plans, which allow employees to deposit part of their income into an account that is non-taxable until money is withdrawn. Many employers now match employee contributions to these plans.

In other companies, all employee bonuses are awarded on merit, folded into the yearly salary or used to pay for health or retirement benefits.

Most Christmas bonuses historically have ranged from one to four weeks' worth of pay stuffed in envelopes, handed out personally by the boss. But many companies have switched to giving more economical gifts of appreciation ranging from fruit baskets to travel alarm clocks.

In a study of 218 companies that give bonuses, Prentice-Hall Inc., a publishing and information services company, found that since 1981, the number of employers giving Christmas cash bonuses declined from 52.2 percent to 41.2 percent, while the number giving gifts rose from 38 percent to 43.4 percent.

In a random telephone sampling of large U.S. companies, officials said they either do not give bonuses or do not disclose compensation information.

For example, spokesman for the top five Fortune 500 companies — General Motors Corp., Exxon Corp., Ford Motor Co., International Business Machines Corp. and Mobil Corp. — said Christmas bonuses do not exist.

This does not mean Christmas bonuses will disappear, consultants say. For example, holiday bonus-giving is entrenched in many small businesses with intimate boss-employee relationships.

Non-Christmas bonuses are likely to be generous this year because corporate profits are strong, regardless of the stock crash.

Unfortunately for some executives, many of their bonuses have been paid as options to buy stock at predetermined prices, and the stock plunge has rendered many of those options virtually worthless.

Gunman kills eight people

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — A gunman seeking revenge killed eight people in a downtown credit cooperative today and wounded several others before falling to his death after crashing through an 11th-floor window, police said.

Office workers at the Telecom Credit Cooperative said the gunman ran through the building shooting at random. Five women and three men were killed, said Vaughan Werner, assistant police commissioner of Victoria state.

Police initially said the gunman was robbing the cooperative and began shooting when he "lost his cool."

Crash kills flight attendant trainee on first working flight

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — A 20-year-old woman whose dream was to become a flight attendant was among the 44 people killed in the crash of Pacific Southwest Airlines Flight 1771, her first working flight, her father said.

"She was just getting ready to graduate," Gary Gottesman said of his daughter Julie.

Just last week, Ms. Gottesman returned to her home in the Spokane Valley suburb of Veradal to prepare for her move to San Francisco, where she was to be based after completing PSA's training program next Tuesday, said her mother, Gloria.

Flight 1771 crashed Monday night near Cayucos, Calif., on a flight from Los Angeles to San Francisco, killed the 39 passengers and five crew members, authorities said.

Ms. Gottesman had worked as a sales clerk at a downtown Spokane department store and took classes at Eastern Washington University in nearby Cheney before enrolling in flight attendant school four weeks ago in San Diego, her mother said.

"This was something she wanted to do all her life," Mrs. Gottesman said. "She worked really hard to get it. She was so delighted."

Mrs. Gottesman said she was at home with her husband and their other two daughters, Denise, 22, and Lisa, 18, when PSA officials notified them of the crash.

"We kept hoping that there was a mixup, but they said that she had checked in for the flight," Mrs. Gottesman said.

Ms. Gottesman was one of six PSA employees, including a customer service agent flying as a passenger, whose deaths were mourned at corporate headquarters in San Diego.

Libby Fraser, a 20-year flight attendant and manager of PSA's community relations office in Los Angeles who was sent to San Diego following the crash, said the young trainee's only assignment probably had been to observe the flight.

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Overweight can be cured

DEAR DR. GOTT — I have read no studies which prove that being overweight is medically harmful. It is the job of the medical profession to make patients as comfortable as possible and happy with themselves, so why are doctors always telling their patients to lose weight when they know that obesity is incurable?

DEAR READER — I'm afraid that you've been reading the wrong studies.

Obesity *is* associated with illness and the more overweight a person is, the greater the risk of dying from a multitude of medical problems. This statistical relation has been repeatedly validated in the medical literature. Therefore, obese people should be urged to lose weight; doctors who hassle patients about their weight are just doing their jobs.

It's true that a big part of doctoring is to make people comfortable and happy with themselves. On the other hand, this approach should not be translated into condoning unhealthy lifestyles. Most overweight people are not happy with themselves; they would feel more comfortable overcoming their addiction to food or being treated for the rare metabolic disorder causing obesity. I believe that most good doctors make an issue out of obesity because they care about their patients' health and happiness — not, as you suggest, because of a perverse and sadistic tendency to meddle.

Finally, you are incorrect in stating that obesity is incurable. Quite the reverse is true. Most overweight persons can lose weight and keep it off by dieting. For the unusual, so-called morbidly (massively) obese patient, alternative treatments are available and range from hypnosis and behavioral modification to intestinal bypass surgery and other surgical methods to reduce absorption of calories. Many overweight patients who lose weight by dieting are gratified at the results and are relieved at no longer being victims of their genes or appetites.

To give you more information on weight loss, I'm sending you a free copy of my Health Report, WINNING THE BATTLE OF THE BULGE. Others who would like a copy should send $1 and their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT — I have received serum injections weekly for five years for allergies. Recently, my blood test showed that I have a cold autoantibody. What does this mean?

DEAR READER — Technically, this means that you have developed a protein antibody that acts as a neutralizer of antigens (other proteins) which either enter your body from the environment or are made within your system. Your autoantibody precipitates (congeals) when your blood is cooled; other, "warm" antibodies do not show this reaction.

From the limited amount of information you give, I cannot tell if your antibody is the result of your "serum injections" (which I assume are allergy shots) or whether it has appeared because of an underlying disease. Ask your allergist to explain this to you.

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Men, women to share duty in U. S. missile crews

NEW YORK (AP) — The Air Force will assign male and female officer crews for the first time to the deep underground stations that control intercontinental nuclear missiles, according to a report published today.

The officers are assigned to 24-hour shifts together and currently work in pairs of two men or two women.

There are about 1,000 officers, including 120 women, assigned to 100 control centers for 1,000 missiles on seven western bases.

The new policy, which goes into effect in January, is expected to permit more women to take the assignments, according to The New York Times, which cited unidentified officers at the Strategic Air Command in Omaha, Neb.

The new policy was adopted due to complaints over scheduling, according to the officers.

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