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House impeachment presentation continues

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators returned to the Capitol today for more evidence and arguments from House prosecutors, still mostly divided along party lines on the crucial issues of calling trial witnesses and whether President Clinton should be removed from office.

Arriving after an overnight ice storm, the senators gave their views of Thursday's opening of the prosecution case, in which Republican House members charged that Clinton engaged in a criminal conspiracy to thwart the courts from learning of his affair with Monica Lewinsky.

The House members also pressed for the right to call witnesses at the first presidential impeachment trial since 1868.

"I'm in favor of having witnesses if they can shed light," said Sen. John Chafee of Rhode Island, a moderate Republican the White House has hoped will joined Democrats in opposing the calling of witnesses.

"I think we can do it in an effective way. Have them stick just to the narrow points. We don't want them wandering all over the place. We don't want an army of witnesses, but I think a few would be helpful," Chaffee said in an interview on CNN outside the Capitol.

Democrats remained steadfast in their opposition to witnesses and suggested the House prosecutors' presentation hadn't moved them any closer to removing Clinton from office.

There is still "a long way to go before you get to the threshold that qualifies an impeachment decision," Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J., said.

The White House joined in the criticism. "Everything that they presented has been presented before," Press Secretary Joe Lockhart said today. "I think the excessive desire to call witnesses ... demonstrates an admission of a fundamental weakness in the case."

The prosecution's tale of perjury and obstruction began unfolding Thursday before a jury of 100 hushed senators.

Rising from their curved, custom-built tables in a chamber steeped with history, House "managers" took turns in their opening statements to argue in favor of removing the 42nd president from office.

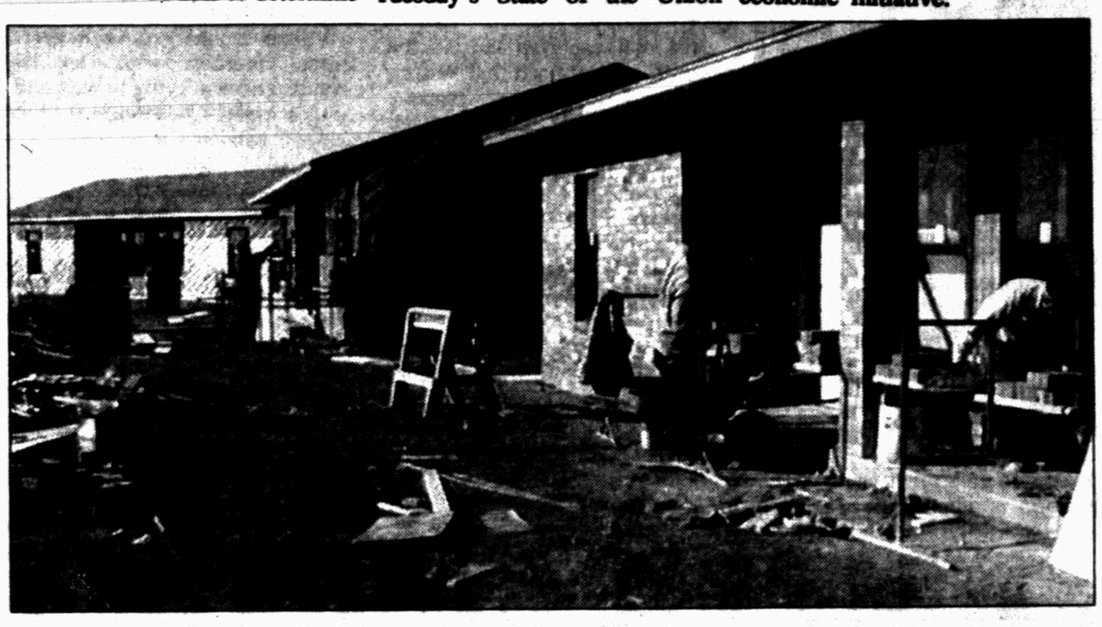
Today, the prosecutors were to offer a summation of evidence and arguments that the president's conduct violated criminal law.

A key decision facing senators is whether to call witnesses during the trial.

"If you boil the case down, somebody's telling the truth under oath and somebody's lying under oath," Rep. James Sensenbrenner, R-Wis., one of the House prosecutors, said on NBC's "Today." "And the only way the senators will be able to determine which is which is by seeing the principals, looking at their facial expressions, looking at the tone of their voice and making a determination."

On Thursday, Clinton worked at the White House, preparing for Tuesday's State of the Union address. Lockhart said he was briefed by his lawyers for 10 minutes.

Today he addressed a reinventing government forum at the State Department before flying to New York City to unveil a new economic initiative.



CONSTRUCTION CONTINUES — Construction on Phase IV of the Golden Terrace Village senior housing continues. Bricklayers were busy this morning at the site including from far left Joel Salinas, Javier Salinas and Tommy Cole. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A man who says marriage is a 50-50 proposition doesn't understand women nor fractions."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors:

The Texas Legislature, just getting started in Austin, is always a good source of humor.

Otis Frances, in the Sweetwater Reporter, had these thoughts.

--Politics is show biz for ugly people.

--Politics is like booze and women — dangerous but incomparably exciting.

--The fascination with Texas politics is kinda like slowing down at a wreck on the highway to see the dead.

--Politicians and dogs are alike in some respects. They both get petted a lot, but also get kicked a lot. Many things happen to them that they don't understand, and occasionally they become rabid.

And these budget-cutting thoughts:

--If you rob Peter to pay Paul, you can always count on the support of Paul.

--Everybody wants to cut spending, but not in their own districts. It's kind of like everyone wants to go to heaven, but no one wants to die to get there.

In 1992, when Clayton Williams was running for governor, he said far too much. He once opposed Ann Richards' proposal on insurance regulations by saying:

"Asking Ann Richards to solve the insurance problem is like asking the Boston Strangler for a neck massage."

Danny Andrews, in the Plainview Herald, says there also can be humor in the courtroom.

A lawyer called his first witness, an elderly woman.

The lawyer approached and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know me?"

"I've known you since you were a boy," she said. "Frankly, you've been a big disappointment. You lie, you cheat on your wife, you manipulate people. You think you're a rising big shot when you haven't the brains to know you will never amount to anything."

The lawyer was stunned. Not knowing what else to do, he pointed across the room and asked the witness if she knew the opposing attorney.

"Known him for years," she continued. "Use to babysit him. Another real disapointment. He's lazy, bigoted and has a drinking problem. Can't build a decent law practice."

At this point the judge rapped the courtroom to silence and called both lawyers to the bench and quietly offered this admonishment:

"If either of you asks her if she knows me, you'll be put in jail for contempt."

TU Electric seeks off-peak rate okay

TU Electric today has filed a request with the City of Snyder to permit three optional time-of-use rates for customers inside the city limits.

Daryl Thomas, Snyder TU manager, said the proposed rates are voluntary on the part of individual customers and will appeal to a diverse group of customers.

Thomas said time-of-use rates currently are available for customers outside the city and about 20 percent of those customers are churches and school districts.

Last year the Public Utility Commission gave interim approval for the rate structure which lowers the costs for electricity during periods of low demands. Since the PUC approval, about 200 customes have signed up.

The proposed rate structure would have four pricing periods that depend on month and time of days. "Customers who are able to shift their on-peak energy use to pre-determined off-peak times within those pricing periods are charged less," Thomas said.

Under the time-of-use rates, prices for residential and business customers receiving electricity at secondary distribution voltages vary from 1.09 cents per kilowatt-hour every day in April, October and November, when demand is low, to 13.42 cents per kilowatt-hour for electricity used between 2 and 8 p.m. on weekdays during June and August.

Businesses are also eligible for a voluntary curtailable rate and an aggregate billing option.

Thomas said TU developed the rate after consultations with customers looking for ways to better manage their power usage.

Time-of-use rates allow customers who can shift significant portions of their electric loads away from peak periods to save money. By doing so, Thomas said, it allows TU to incur less costs in buying power to meet customers' peak demands.

Thomas said in anticipation of approval by the city council, he would begin helping prospective customers evaluate their electrical usage to take advantage of the new rate structure.

Local TAAS scores exceed state average in three Rs

Snyder ISD board of trustees reviewed the yearly report of the district's academic excellence indicator system Thursday night during their regular monthly board meeting.

The report compares the district's TASS results with that of the state and the education region.

The report noted that the district exceeds the state average in the percentage of students in the third, eighth and sophomore grades passing the TASS requirements.

Dr. Melissa Jones, assistant superintendent for Snyder ISD, said the district also exceeds the Region 14 Educational Service Center results in three of four categories.

District-wide, 90 percent of the students passed the TAAS reading test, while 87 percent state-wide passed. In the region, 91 percent of the students passed.

In the writing portion of the test, 93.9 percent of the students passed in the local district, as compared to 92.8 percent in the region and 87.4 percent state-wide.

In the math portion, 91.3 percent passed locally, while 92.8 percent passed in the region and 87.4 percent passsed state-wide.

Dr. Jones said a comparison between the local district and the rest of the state's school districts could be made by accessing http://www.tea.state.txus./perfreport/account/index.html.

Dr. Jones also presented the board a revised district policy on using electronic media sources.

Dr. Jones said the new policy would allow school personnel limited personal use of the district's Internet system.

"The use will be allowed if it imposes no tangible cost to the district, and does not place a burden on the system or interfere with an employee's job performance or a student's academic performance," said Jones.

Jones said the public will also be able to use the district's Internet system during certain times of the week.

The board will consider the approval of the changes during the February board meeting.

The board also approved several policy updates on second reading, including policies concerned with sexual harassment of employees and students.

The trustees also accepted the bid of COMP USA of Abilene for a turn-key installation of equipment for computer links between Northeast, East and West Elementaries.

The company's bid was $72,419.03, while the only other bid was from Liberty Technologies of Dallas for $80,849.

The program is funded by an $87,000 grant from the state's Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund (TIF).

MLK Day means holiday for some

Financial institutions will be closed Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Snyder schools will also observe the holiday. However, Hermleigh and Ira students attend classes as usual.

The Texas Workforce Commission, located on the Western Texas College campus, is scheduled to be closed as is the Snyder Post Office.

Mail will be placed in boxes, but will not be delivered.

City and county offices will both conduct business as usual.

Area sales tax rebates

City	January'99	January'98	+/-	Year'99	Year'98	+/-
Abilene	$1,488,237.25	$1,570,184.37	-5.21%	$1,488,237.25	$1,570,184.37	-5.21%
Big Spring	$231,129.40	247,943.16	-6.78%	$231,129.40	247,943.16	-6.78%
Colorado City	$20,632.69	$28,864.97	-28.51%	$20,632.69	$28,864.97	-28.51%
Lamesa	$47,029.94	$70,647.64	-33.43%	$47,029.94	$70,647.64	-33.43%
Lubbock	$1,695,037.53	$1,742,809.59	-2.74%	$1,695,037.53	$1,742,809.59	-2.74%
Post	$11,592.19	$15,432.06	-24.88%	$11,592.19	$15,432.06	-24.88%
Roby	$1,242.64	$1,103.46	12.61%	$1,242.64	$1,103.46	12.61%
Rotan	$6,234.91	$6,523.10	-4.41%	$6,234.91	$6,523.10	-4.41%
Snyder	$107,954.62	$105,221.21	2.59%	$107,954.62	$105,221.21	2.59%
Sweetwater	$111,049.24	119,773.92	-7.28%	$111,049.24	$119,773.92	-7.28%

SALES TAX REBATE INCREASES — The state sales tax rebate to Snyder in January reflected a 2.59 percent increase over the same period last year. The city received $105,221.21, as compared to $107,954.62 in 1998. The figures reflect local taxes collected in November and reported in December.

Venus returns for viewing

Planet Venus has returned to our night skies. Rollin Swanson, WTC instructor and planetarium director, said that other than the moon, Venus is now the brightest object in the sky at night. Towards the west just after dark, Venus shines in all its glory.

This planet is called our sister planet because it is about the same size as the Earth and the closet planet to us. It is only 26 million miles away.

Both Jupiter and Saturn are still visible at night. Jupiter is higher overhead than Venus, but almost as bright. The dimmer Saturn is further to the east.

ASK US

Q—When is the deadline for applications at the Farm Service Agency for the livestock assistance program?

A—Applications will be accepted through Feb. 5.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 55 degrees; low, 24; 7 a.m. Friday, 27; no precipitation.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear. Low, lower 30s. SW wind 5-15 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy, warm. High, mid 70s. West-NW wind 10-20 mph.



Nolan Williamson
Partly cloudy

Sunset:
6:03 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:43 a.m.
Of 14 days in 1999, the sun has shone 14 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"We can do anything we want if we stick to it long enough."

Helen Keller

Native Hawaiians to pick sovereignty group

HONOLULU (AP) — Imprisoned in her palace bedroom, Queen Lili'uokalani was given an ultimatum in 1895: abdicate the throne or her followers would face a firing squad.

"For myself, I would have chosen death rather than to have signed it," the eighth Hawaiian monarch later wrote. But she felt she had no choice. Her signature forever relinquished the monarchy begun in 1810 by Kamehameha I.

Now, more than a century later, some native Hawaiians want the crown restored, others want their own nation and still others would like to see something akin to an Indian reservation for ancestors of the original islanders.

No one seriously worries about insurrection, but the sovereignty movement in Hawaii is real and native Hawaiians will cast votes Sunday to select the people who will shape it.

"Sovereignty is a trail Hawaiians have been traveling actively for 25 years and even longer since the overthrow of the monarchy," said Kaipo Kincaid, executive director of Ha Hawaii, sponsor of the election. "This is a journey we are taking — all of us."

About 100,000 native Hawaiians are eligible to elect delegates to a sovereignty convention planned for this summer. The convention, organizers hope, will set specific goals for the sovereignty movement.

The process began three years ago when the Hawaiian Sovereignty Elections Council mailed ballots to 81,507 registered native Hawaiians. Less than half voted, but 73 percent of those who returned ballots favored electing delegates to a convention.

A total of 156 Hawaiians are competing for 85 seats at the convention. Results of Sunday's vote are to be announced Jan. 27.

Not all native Hawaiians support the push for sovereignty. Some question the legitimacy of a process begun by less than half of qualified voters.

Kina'u Boyd Kamali'i, a former trustee of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, an agency charged with looking out for the interests of native Hawaiians, said the election should meet minimum requirements, including having ballots cast by a majority of registered native Hawaiian voters.

Ha Hawaii ("ha" means "breath" in Hawaiian) succeeded the state-appointed Sovereignty Elections Council — and Kamali'i said any process started by state appointees is tainted.

"The Ha Hawaii process is not the breath of life, but possibly the kiss of death to native Hawaiian self-government," Kamali'i said in a January newsletter from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

She also likened the election to the creation of the Republic of Hawaii after Lili'uokalani's overthrow.

"Then, as now, a small group of unelected individuals decided the process and drafted a constitution — ready or not, wanted or not."

But Ha Hawaii president Pua'ala McElhaney said the group's authority comes from its membership and supporting organizations.

"Can detractors have such total lack of trust in the judgment of the Hawaiian people to think that all of these groups, all of these people, as diverse as they are, are under state control and not know it?" McElhaney asked.

Sentiment in favor of sovereignty has existed ever since Americans, Germans and Britons sacked Queen Lili'uokalani's government and formed the Republic of Hawaii in 1893. Sugar planters then convinced the United States to annex Hawaii in 1898, despite opposition from native islanders.

The islands became a U.S. territory in 1900. Though Hawaiians were U.S. citizens, they could not vote and were represented by a congressional delegate who also could not vote. Hawaii became the 50th state in 1959.

Ha Hawaii still needs to raise about $3 million to hold the convention. Assuming fund-raising targets are met, delegates will likely hold community briefings and then make recommendations for ratification by voters, Kincaid said.

"Over time, the (sovereignty) discussion will weave a fabric," she said, "As there is more dialogue, the predominant concepts will prevail."

Drifter pleads insanity in boy's death

VISTA, Calif. (AP) — The way drifter Brandon Wilson remembers it, he smiled first and 9-year-old Matthew Cecchi smiled back.

Seconds later, Wilson said, he pulled a hunting knife from his belt and cut the boy's throat as he stood at a urinal inside a public restroom at Oceanside Harbor. And then he walked past the boy's aunt as she stood outside waiting for him.

Wilson, 21, provided the details to Superior Court Judge John Einhorn at his preliminary hearing Thursday. He also changed his plea from innocent to innocent by reason of insanity.

"The question is not whether he committed the act; he's admitted to that," public defender Curt Owen said after the hearing. "The question is whether he was sane when the act was committed."

Matthew was camping with his mother and 3-year-old brother as part of a weekend family reunion with her family at a beach in San Diego County.

His aunt escorted him to the restroom and noticed that Wilson followed him. She became worried when Wilson exited but the boy didn't. She went inside and found the boy covered in blood.

Wilson was arrested two days later in Hollywood when he allegedly stabbed a woman and attempted to steal her purse.

Wilson, of St. Croix Falls, Wis., said he spent two days hunting for a victim, passing on two women before overhearing Matthew tell his aunt he needed to go to the restroom.

"That's it. That's the one; follow him," Wilson said he told himself.

Wilson said he smiled at Matthew because he didn't want Matthew to realize that he was about to kill him.

Wilson is charged with first-degree murder with special circumstances of lying in wait and using a knife. Conviction on the charge carries an automatic sentence of life imprisonment without parole. The special circumstances make him eligible for the death penalty.

If Wilson is found insane, he will be sent to a state mental hospital. If he is found sane, the trial will move into the penalty phase.

The court appointed two psychiatrists to evaluate Wilson next month and Owen said he will seek an opinion from his own expert.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Saturday, Jan. 16, 199

The new cycle for the year ahead will bring better chances of success in areas where you've diligently worked for in the past, but reaped no tangible results. Map a fresh course for yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you focus on trying to advance your own personal interests instead of half-heartedly attempting to please others today, your time is apt to be more productively spent. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Seek isolation. Free yourself from distracting, outside influences today if you can. By spending some time in solitude, your outlook can be refurbished at this time.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) So your efforts can blend more comfortably with your future hopes, start looking ahead today. You'll be able to figure out ways to effectively merge them with your present activities.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be sure that what you say in front of others today leaves the type of impression you'd like to convey, because your words have more weight than usual and won't be forgotten.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The muscles in your mind today tend to be stronger than those in your back. If possible, spend more time on creative, mental projects than on those of a physical nature.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Getting to the root of problems that have been cleverly hidden should be rather easy for you today. Your abilities to probe or detect be especially acute.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Should your mate or a partner make sound suggestions that could benefit both of you considerably, let wiser heads prevail today. Who cares who came up with the ideas?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If your health habits have been especially poor lately, give a little extra attention to common sense health matters today. You have the discipline to get back on track.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Avoid negative thinkers who could put you in a dark frame of mind today. But, if you associate with people who are young at heart, they'll have a beneficial effect on your outlook.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Give someone you feel protective of as much time as she or he needs today if this individual should come to you for advice. You're the one who could offer sage counseling.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Mentally, you'll be exceptionally alert, creative and expressive today. This might be an excellent time to catch up on correspondence or other communications.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do any necessary shopping today, because you're likely to have a bigger appetite for bargains than usual. Chances are you'll get more mileage out of what you spend.

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3 die in house fire

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Three young children died in a house fire they may have started and their mother was burned when she tried to kick open the bedroom door to rescue them.

The children, ages 3, 4 and 5, died in their second-story bedroom from a blaze that may have been started because they were playing with fire, said Jack Cassady, a fire department spokesman.

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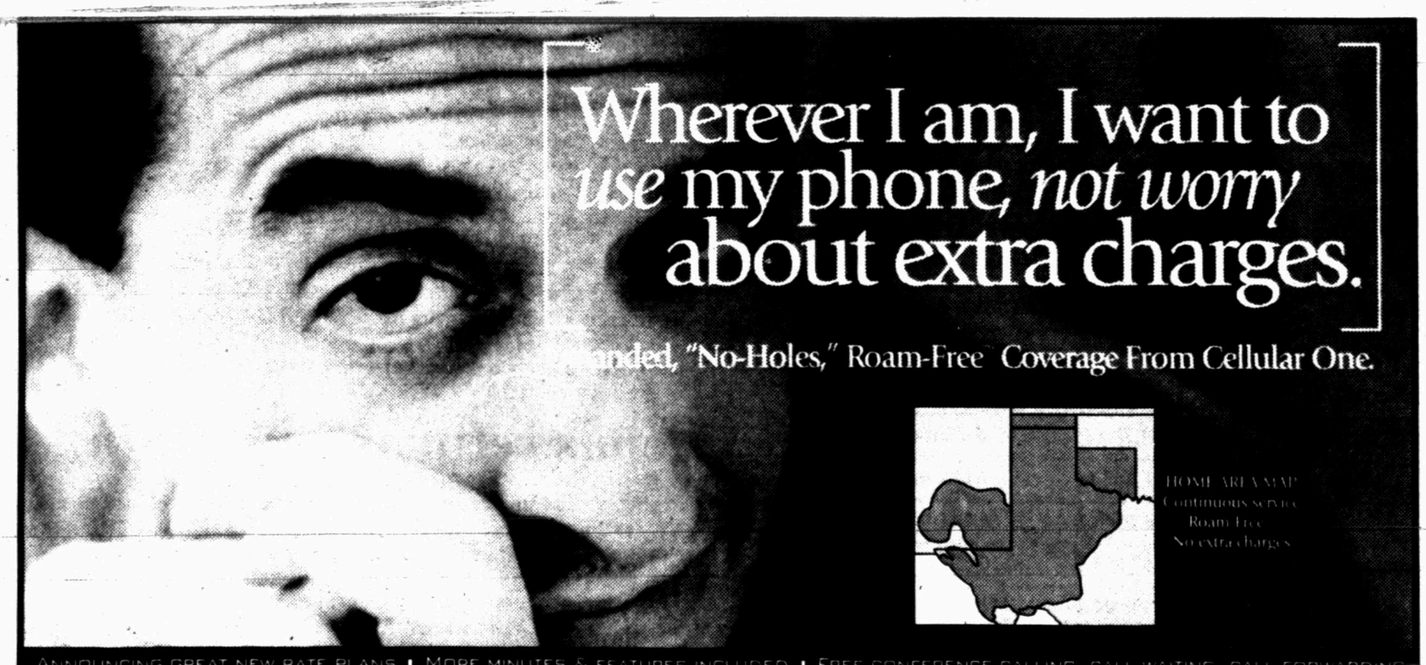


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Today is the 15th day of 1999 and the 26th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1870, the image of a donkey was used for the first time as a symbol for the Democratic Party, in a cartoon by Thomas Nast that appeared in Harper's Weekly.

On this day in 1974, "Happy Days" premiered on ABC television. The last episode aired in July 1984.

On this day in 1983, the National Commission on Social Security Reform recommended changes to the Social Security System which were incorporated into a bill that became law the following April.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Matthew Brady (1823-1896), Civil War photographer; Osip Mandelstam (1891-1938), poet; Edward Teller (1908-), physicist, is 91; Gene Krupa (1909-1973), musician; Lloyd Bridges (1913-1998), actor; John Joseph O'Connor (1920-), archbishop of New York City, is 79; Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968), civil rights leader; Margaret O'Brien (1937-), actress, is 62.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1841, Lord Frederick Stanley was born. As Governor General of Canada, he presented the first Stanley Cup to an amateur Canadian hockey team in 1893.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "There is no such thing as a worthless conversation, provided you know what to listen for." — James Nathan Miller

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Jan. 9) and new moon (Jan. 17).

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Study: Illness more prevalent in 'Gulf' vets

LONDON (AP) — A new study of British troops has found that veterans who served in the Gulf War have a rate of general ill health at least two times as high as troops who went to Bosnia and soldiers who stayed home.

The study published in The Lancet, a British medical journal, confirms what previously has been reported in studies of Canadian and U.S. veterans — that going to the Gulf in 1991 affected soldiers' health, but no definable disease could be found.

The study of 8,195 men is the largest of symptoms to date and the first to compare Gulf vets with troops who served in a similarly hazardous conflict around the same time.

The men, half of whom had retired from the military, filled out questionnaires about their current health.

They all reported a variety of about 59 ailments, including chronic fatigue, hair loss, rashes, headaches, joint pain, memory loss, heart problems and nervous system disorders.

There was hardly any difference between the Bosnia troops and the men who served at the time of the Gulf War but were not deployed.

Regardless of the ailment, however, Gulf vets were about twice as likely to complain of it than the other two groups studied, the researchers said.

"The evidence is unequivocal that going to the Gulf affects your health," said Dr. Simon Wessely, one of the researchers from King's College at the University of London.

The researchers don't know why ailments were more common in Gulf vets, but said the study shows there is no single cause, either physical or psychological, and that attempts to look for a "smoking gun" are not going to succeed.

"We have to look at a multitude of causes and their interactions," Wessely said.

The researchers also found that hazards of war ranging from using pesticides and seeing dead bodies to getting diesel fuel on your skin were linked to more symptoms, regardless of whether the soldiers served in the Gulf or somewhere else.

The study did find a slight increase in ill health in those who had vaccines against biological threats such as anthrax or plague. Receiving multiple vaccinations against routine infections also was linked to a modest increase in illness, but only in the Gulf group and not in Bosnia.

In an editorial in the Lancet, a scientist with the National Institutes of Health called the study one of the most definitive conducted to date and said it added weight to the argument that no unique so-called "Gulf War Syndrome" exists.

Fed writ sought for twice-convicted man

TYLER (AP) — Misconduct by prosecutors and police has fatally tainted a twice-convicted East Texas man's state capital murder retrial, say defense attorneys who are seeking federal court intervention in the case.

A petition on Wednesday listed misleading expert testimony on fingerprints against Kerry Max Cook, improper contact by prosecutors and their failure to disclose information as grounds for a writ of habeas corpus in East Texas federal court.

David Dobbs, first assistant Smith County district attorney in Tyler, and defense lawyer Steve "Rocket" Rosen of Houston cited state District Judge Robert Jones' strict gag order in declining to comment Thursday on the case.

But similar accusations were raised in 1992 within another habeas corpus writ.

Cook's retrial — his fourth trial overall in the case — is scheduled to begin Feb. 8 in Bastrop, about 30 miles east of Austin. A judge moved the trial from Smith County because of 20 years of news coverage about the mutilation-slaying.

Cook first was convicted of capital murder and sentenced to death in 1978 for slaying Linda Jo Edwards in a Tyler apartment she shared with a friend the previous year. The 21-year-old secretary was found beaten, stabbed and sexually mutilated.

Following a subsequent reversal of the conviction, a 1991 retrial ended with a hung jury. A third trial in 1994 ended in Cook's conviction and another death sentence.

In 1997, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals overturned Cook's capital murder conviction, ruling that prosecutors hid evidence. The U.S. Supreme Court subsequently let the reversal stand.

Jones, senior district judge, in December warned Cook against making comments to the media. Dobbs argued that the former death row inmate violated a gag order imposed when he was released in November 1997.

A Dec. 4 Nightline program about Cook's case titled "Shadow of Doubt" spoiled the jury pool, according to Dobbs.

State sources told The Associated Press that accusations in the latest petition are nothing new and remain unfounded, while advocates for Cook contend that the claims are true.

"Petitioner's ability to have a fundamentally fair trial has been so impacted by prosecutorial misconduct, the passage of time, restrictive evidentiary rulings and the death of a witness that to subject him to a fourth trial is to demean the ideals of due process and his constitutional protections," the petition stated.

Signed by Rosen and defense attorney Cheryl B. Wattley of Dallas, the document urges the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Texas to block Cook's scheduled trial.

Ms. Wattley did not return a telephone call Thursday from the AP.

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By Phillip Alder

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West ♠ 8 5 ♥ J 9 5 2 ♦ A 6 5 2 ♣ J 8 7		East ♠ 6 ♥ K 10 7 3 ♦ K 9 8 4 ♣ Q 10 6 5
	South ♠ A Q J 10 9 7 ♥ 8 4 ♦ J 3 ♣ A K 2	

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ 2

Don't eat the carrot

By Phillip Alder

Sydney Smith, an English writer and clergyman, had a wry sense of humor. (Not "rye," as I once saw in a newspaper. Where was that columnist's copy editor?) For example, Smith said to someone, "I have the most perfect confidence in your indiscretion."

Well, while on that subject, which fruit and vegetables supposedly tempt humans into indiscretion?

Now to this bridge deal. How would you play in four spades? West leads the heart two.

North's three spades is a limit raise, showing 10-12 support points and at least four-card spade support. For those of you still using the jump raise as forcing, what would you respond with that hand? Take up the limit raise!

It is tempting to finesse the heart queen at trick one. However, if East is in midseason form, you will go down with this layout. After winning with the heart king, he will switch to a club. Then the defense is ahead in the race. You have nine top tricks (six spades, one heart and two clubs), and can establish a 10th in diamonds, but the defenders will collect four tricks (one heart, two diamonds and one club) first.

The guaranteed line is to win trick one with the heart ace, draw trumps (keeping the king in dummy) and attack diamonds. Now you win the sprint. You establish the key diamond trick before the defense can get its potential club trick.

Adam and Snow White ate indiscreet apples (though the latter did all right in the end), but strangely nowadays we seem to concentrate on carrots.

Are there any others?

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Ties to Former In-Laws Still Affectionately Bind New Bride

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I recently became engaged to marry for the second time. I am still close to my former husband's parents and would like to invite them to my wedding. I think they would be hurt if I didn't. My fiance has no problem with their attendance.

A few people have said that it would be ridiculous and improper to invite them to the wedding and reception. A friend suggested that with a sticky situation like this, I should ask you what to do.

BRIDE IN MANCHESTER, N.H.

DEAR BRIDE: Since your fiance is comfortable with your inviting your former in-laws to your wedding, and you sincerely want them to attend, invite them. Although it is somewhat unusual for a former daughter-in-law to remain so close to her in-laws, it is a testimony to the respect and affection you have maintained for each other in spite of the marital problems you had with their son.

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DEAR ABBY: When I saw the letter from "Forgotten Daughter," whose family is in turmoil due to her dad's infidelities, I had to respond. Call this letter a plea to parents who are contemplating having affairs.

When I was 13, my dad started having an affair with a younger woman and left my mom. My reaction to the situation was to cut school, shoplift and drink. This apparently isn't unusual, if you pay attention to the statistics or watch talk shows. The reality was that Dad did not have an affair on my mom. He cheated on the whole family.

Many cheating spouses say, "This is between my spouse and me, and it has nothing to do with the children." The truth is, it has everything to do with the children. Men or women who are considering having an affair need to stop and think beyond their own selfish needs, and consider the havoc it will wreak on the lives of their children. The message they're sending to their kids is, "This affair, which is based on sex, means more to me than creating a safe and loving environment for you." Children aren't equipped with the coping skills necessary to come through an affair unscathed. (Neither are many adults, for that matter.)

If your marriage is unsatisfactory, seek counseling with your spouse. If divorce is inevitable, seek family counseling to help your kids through the transition. But please, for heaven's sake, wait until the divorce papers are signed before beginning another relationship. Your children deserve that courtesy. Their very lives may depend upon it.

What was the outcome in our family? Dad moved back in with us two years later, with no explanation to the kids. I was in therapy for several years, trying to learn to trust men and to love again. My mother lost huge chunks of her self-esteem that she is just now retrieving, after 20 years. And my brother committed suicide.

I hope it was worth it, Dad.

A SURVIVOR IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR SURVIVOR: Your parents' inability to discuss their separation and reconciliation with you and your brother was deplorable. It is clear from your letter that you still harbor enormous hostility about the way it was handled. I hope that one day you will find it in your heart to forgive and move on, because nurturing bitterness will only corrode your future.

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Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-9742.

Just For Today NA; Snyder Park Club; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Scurry County AA, closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for information, call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA, open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

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

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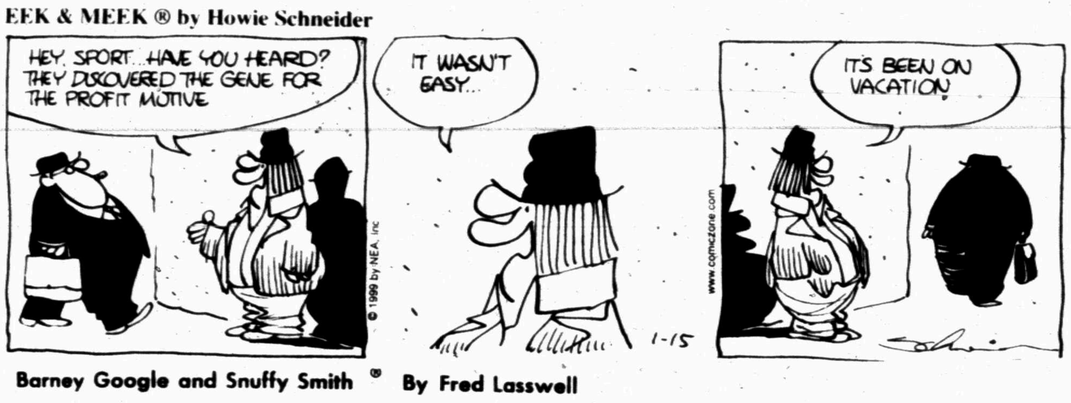
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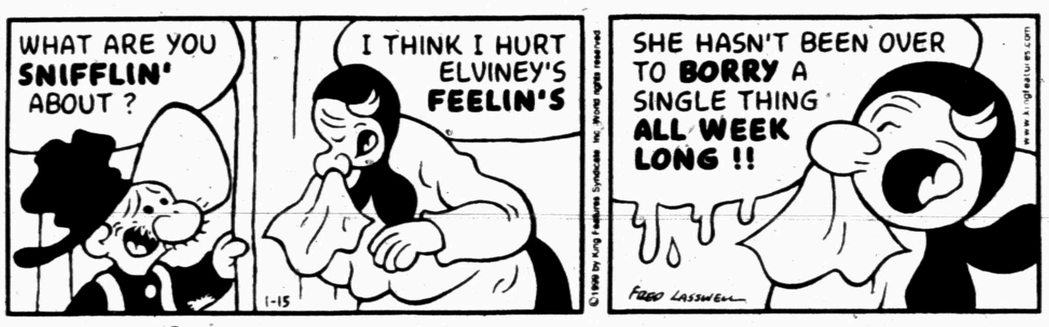
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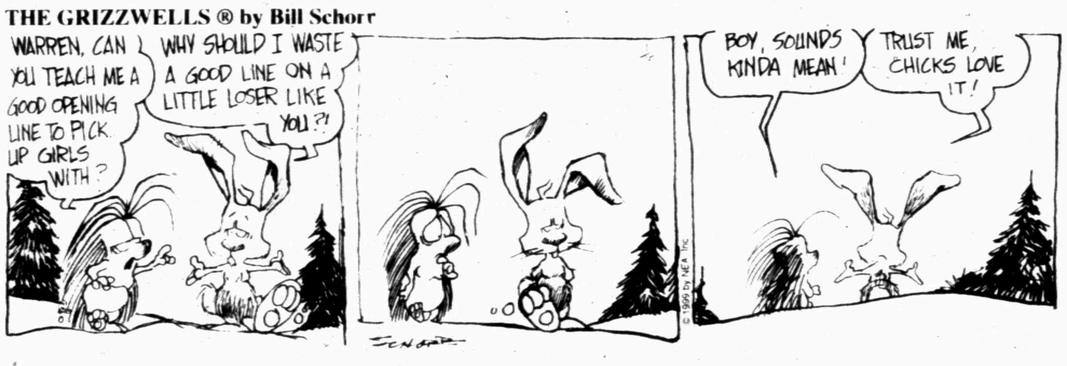
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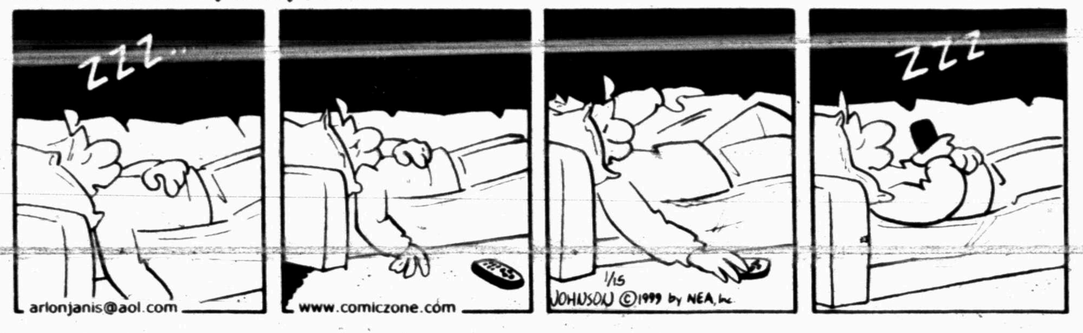
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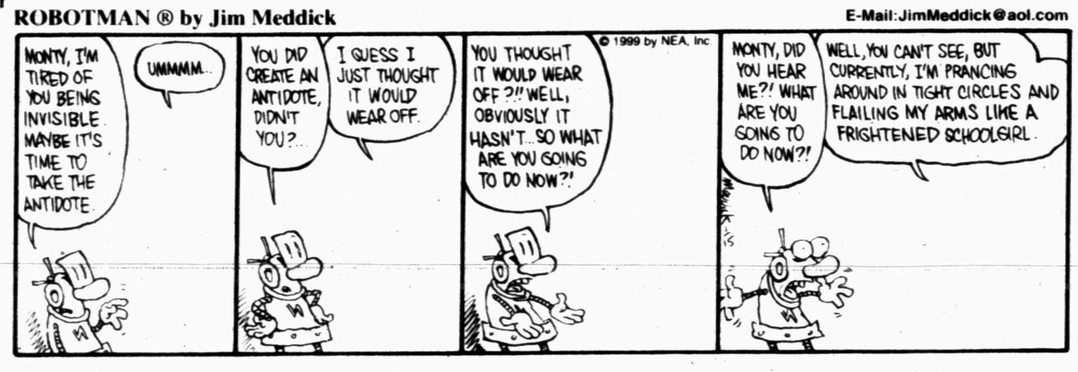
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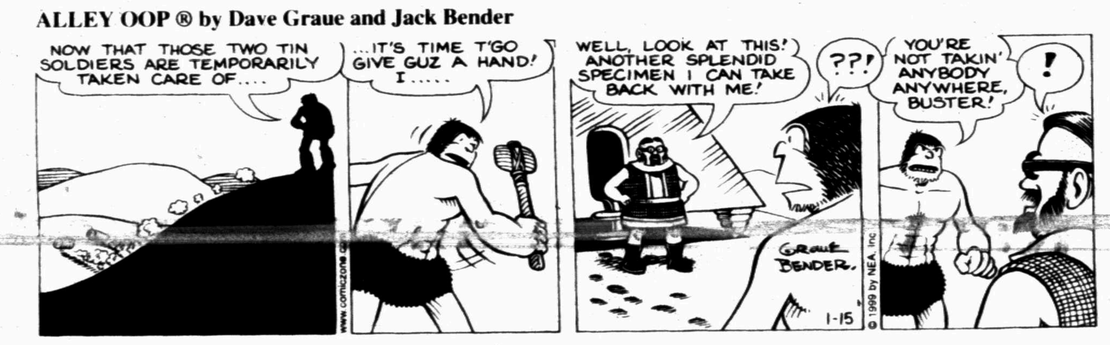
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7 Banishes from one's country
13 Final tribute
14 Lightly
15 Type of rod
16 Small finch
17 Individual
18 Exist
20 Wide shoe size
21 Looked up to
25 Ire
28 Cities
32 Met offering
33 Auctioneer's word
34 Tag
35 — nous
36 Business-woman Lauder
37 Phil Collins' former band
39 Trickled from a faucet
41 Author Umberto —
44 — Canals
45 Type of curve
48 Of the mails
51 Magician's word
54 Store fodder
55 Took in, as salary
56 Passes (laws)
57 Gravel ridges

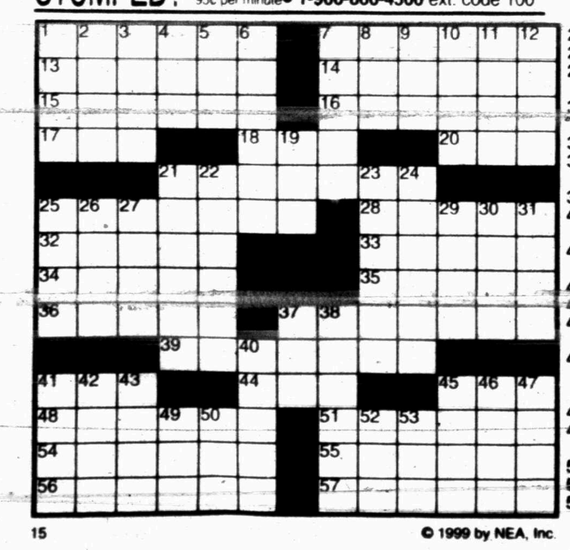
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2 Destroy
3 Besides
4 Bon — (witty saying)
5 Conceit
6 Forceful one
7 Loom bar
8 Roman dozen
9 Tax org.
10 Be fond of
11 Author Wiesel
12 Auld Lang —
19 — Tin Tin
21 Concurred
22 Card distributor
23 Playwright O'Neill
24 Hummed
25 Red Cross head, Elizabeth —
26 Arrow poison
27 Obligation
29 Small amounts
30 Letters on a cross
31 Gets older
37 Mail-center abbr.
38 Epic poem
40 Capri and Man
41 Fencing sword
42 Darien's st.
43 Greek peak
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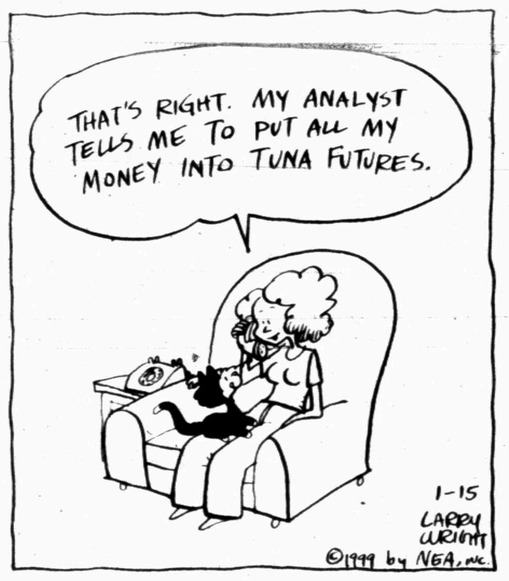
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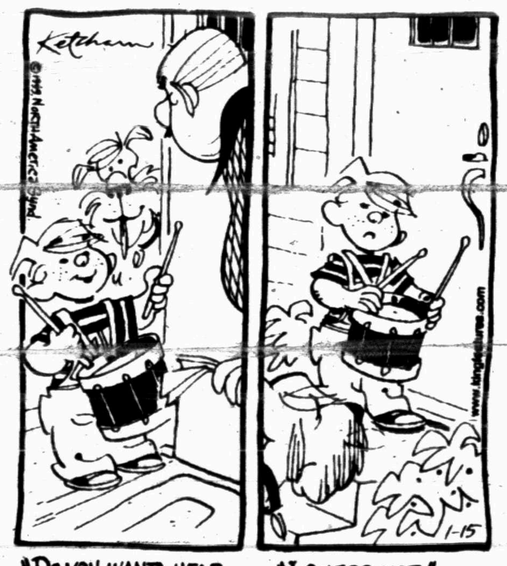


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SPORTS

WTC earns respect, but not victory

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

For the first 37 minutes of Thursday night's contest, the Lady Dusters showed why they're considered postseason contenders.

And in the final three minutes, the Lady Hawks showed why they're the fourth-ranked team in the nation.

Howard's big-game experience payed off down the stretch as the Lady Hawks (17-1, 2-0) went on a 10-2 run over the final 3:13 to rescue a 72-62 WJCAC victory over Western Texas (12-6, 0-2) at Scurry County Coliseum.

For the up-start Lady Dusters it was a bittersweet setback. WTC can feel comfortable in knowing it gained conference respectability, but must now recover from an 0-2 league start.

"My kids played their hearts out tonight. They left the gym with nothing more to give," WTC coach Valery Jackson said. "We played one of the best teams in the country down to the wire.

"We came into this game thinking this was the beginning of the rest of our season. If we play the rest of our conference games as tough as played tonight, then we'll make the regional tournament."

It was a series of runs that kept Thursday's fast-paced contest close, and one final spurt which sealed the outcome.

A 11-2 WTC streak in the second half gave the Lady Dusters a 49-48 lead with 10:50 left on the clock.

Sophomore Christy Wells drained six free throws and a three-pointer during the two-minute stretch which was capped by a Danielle Brown drive to the basket.

But it was Howard who strung together the final run.

Four WTC turnovers, combined with four empty trips, gave the Lady Hawks the fuel they needed over the last five minutes.

Howard's Karlita Washington, who had 15 points in the first half and 23 on the night, took over down the stretch. The athletic sophomore guard controlled the ball on the final six possesions, running time off the clock, before creating a shot off the dribble or finding an open teammate.

With Washington running the show, the Lady Hawks mustered the 10-2 run which sealed the game.

Washington had four points and three assists in the closing moments, which is nothing new according to her coach.

"Karlita is one of the leaders on this team," said Howard coach Matt Corkery. "We want the ball in her hands in tight situations because she plays with so much pride and confidence. WTC's defense didn't allow us to sustain any type of momentum on offense, so we needed someone to step up and she did."

First-half action was dominated by streaky play as well.

After the Lady Dusters raced to a 11-5 advantage, Howard answered with a 19-3 stretch to go up, 24-14.

But back came Western Texas with a 12-4 rally to close within two points at the 5:35 mark, before the Lady Hawks closed the first half with a 6-0 run over the final three minutes.

"We knew coming in that they could get on a run. They had a 32-7 run against Odessa in the conference opener, so we knew they could strike quick," Jackson said. "They had the last runs of each half that made the difference. We knew we would have to control Washington and we held her below her average, but she still had a great game."

Washington's performance for Howard was matched by Wells' effort for WTC. Wells drained 20 points, 15 of them coming in the second half, and pulled down seven rebounds.

The Lady Dusters now look to Monday when they will try to break into the conference win column during a visit to Clarendon.

Clarendon holds a 7-3 overall record and 1-1 WJCAC mark, following Thursday's 69-64 loss to Odessa.

Howard (72)
Washington 9 4-5 23, Moore 6 0-0 14, McKee 5 1-1 12, St. Cyr 4 1-1 9, Grant 1 0-0 2, Charles 1 2-3 4, Ross 2 0-0 4, Love 1 0-1 2, Gardner 1 0-0 2. Totals 30 8-11 72.
Western Texas (62)
Wells 6 7-8 20, Williams 5 0-0 12, Walker 2 3-4 7, Lawrence 2 0-0 5, Tran 1 2-6 4, Odhuong'o 1 6-10 8, Brown 2 0-2 4, Fincher 0 2-2 2, Vizcorrondo 0 0-2 0. Totals 19 20-34 62.
Halftime: Howard 34, WTC 26. Three-point goals: Howard 4 (Moore 2, Washington, McKee), WTC 4 (Williams 2, Wells, Lawrence). Rebounds: Howard 33 (Washington 8), WTC 39 (Tran, Odhuong'o 10). Total fouls: Howard 21, WTC 15. Fouled out — Ross, Lawrence.



REASON FOR CELEBRATION — Western Texas' Mary Cavazos (30), Rosalind Lawrence (34) and Danielle Brown (14) celebrate with their teammates, while head coach Valery Jackson (far right) studies the action. The Lady Dusters put together a second-half rally, before falling to fourth-ranked Howard, 72-62. (SDN Staff Photo)

WJCAC Women

Team	Conference W	Conference L	Season W	Season L
Howard	2	0	17	1
Midland	2	0	15	2
New Mexico	1	1	13	4
Odessa	1	1	12	3
South Plains	1	1	10	8
Clarendon	1	1	7	3
Western Texas	0	2	12	6
Frank Phillips	0	2	5	12

Thursday's results: Howard 72, WTC 62; South Plains 83, Frank Phillips 60; Odessa 69, Clarendon 64; Midland 77, New Mexico 68.

Monday's games: WTC at Clarendon; New Mexico at South Plains; Midland at Howard; Odessa at Frank Phillips.

NCAA BASKETBALL SCORES

SOUTH
Appalachian St. 62, Chattanooga 61, OT
Austin Peay 68, Tennessee Tech 58
Cent. Florida 74, Jacksonville 58
Georgia St. 87, Campbell 64
Marshall 82, Buffalo 62
Memphis 83, Tulane 68
Mercer 81, Troy St. 65
Middle Tennessee 70, Tennessee St. 60
N. Carolina St. 82, Virginia 72
N.C. Charlotte 62, Cincinnati 60
SW Texas 77, SE Louisiana 66
Sam Houston St. 76, McNeese St. 70
Samford 82, Jacksonville St. 57
South Alabama 76, Fla. International 69
Stetson 73, Florida Atlantic 57
Texas-San Antonio 78, Nicholls St. 68

MIDWEST
Bowling Green 66, Akron 57
Butler 78, Cleveland St. 62
Chicago St. 50, Ind.-Pur.-Indpls. 47
DePaul 87, Ala.-Birmingham 80
Detroit at Wright St., ppd.
Missouri-Kansas City at Youngstown St., ppd.
Murray St. 71, SE Missouri 70
Oral Roberts 94, Oakland, Mich. 89
Tenn.-Martin 83, E. Illinois 75, OT
W. Illinois 76, S. Utah 68
Wis.-Milwaukee 52, Ill.-Chicago 50

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas St. 70, New Orleans 52
NE Louisiana 81, Stephen F. Austin 77
North Texas 83, Pacific 75
SW Louisiana 73, Texas-Pan American 60
Texas-Arlington 78, Northwestern St. 66

FAR WEST
Air Force 65, Tulsa 57
Arizona 74, Arizona St. 73
Boise St. 73, UC Irvine 61
Brigham Young 83, San Diego St. 76
Colorado St. 73, Southern Meth. 62
E. Washington 87, Sacramento St. 42
Fresno St. 70, Texas-El Paso 56
Idaho 77, Cal St.-Fullerton 62
New Mexico St. 60, Long Beach St. 46
Oregon 87, Washington St. 83, 3OT
Stanford 72, Southern Cal 55
UC Santa Barbara 66, Nevada 64
UCLA 72, California 61
UNLV 78, Rice 72
Utah St. 97, Cal Poly-SLO 73
Washington 70, Oregon St. 50
Weber St. 77, Idaho St. 56
Wyoming 96, Texas Christian 93

Women's Basketball Scores

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 85, Mississippi St. 58
Colorado St. 89, Texas Christian 76
NE Louisiana 67, Stephen F. Austin 63
Northwestern 56, Texas-Arlington 51
Rice 73, UNLV 43
Southern Meth. 97, Wyoming 66
Texas-El Paso 65, San Jose St. 47
Tulsa 78, Air Force 54

Reeves, Green have revived careers

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Two years ago, Dan Reeves was out of work, fired by the New York Giants after 5-11 and 6-10 seasons and numerous squabbles with the front office.

A year ago, Dennis Green was in upset with instability in the Minnesota front office, in hot water for writing a controversial book about the team and for sexual harassment charges filed against him and ready to jump to Oakland or whatever team would have him.

When Reeves' Atlanta Falcons meet Green's Vikings in Sunday's NFC championship game, they'll be as content as they can be.

Reeves, back from heart bypass surgery a month ago, has the control over personnel he always sought and is coming off a 14-2 regular season, best in his team's 33-season history.

Green has a contract extension through 2001 from Red McCombs, the new owner, and his personal life seems serene.

"I think one of the reasons we've done what we've done is that Denny finally knows his status," running back Robert Smith said. "And because he's secure, we're secure. You can't imagine what it was like not knowing from day to day whether we'd have our coach."

A year ago, the Vikings were 9-7 and made it to the second round of the playoffs with just about the same team. The only significant addition was wide receiver Randy Moss, the offensive rookie of the year who is the main reason the team scored an NFL record 556 points, scoring more than 30 points in 12 of 16 regular season games, getting more than 40 three times and hitting 50 once.

Reeves, who started 1-7 last season in Atlanta, is 21-4 since, including a playoff win over San Francisco last week that put the Falcons in a conference championship game for the first time ever.

He's done it with a quarterback (Chris Chandler), who had never been to the playoffs in 11 seasons with six teams, and pickups like veteran safety Eugene Robinson and linebacker Cornelius Bennett, who had a good year after seemingly being at the end of his career.

But most of all, the key has been a one-time seventh-round draft pick named Jamal Anderson, who in his fifth NFL season set a record with 410 carries and gained 1,846 yards, the ninth best ever.

Green has made a point of noting that when Marty Schottenheimer resigned in Kansas City that Green's now the senior NFL coach in point of service with one team — by two days over Pittsburgh's Bill Cowher.

But Reeves is the senior coach overall — 17 uninterrupted seasons with the Broncos, Giants and now the Falcons. And this despite heart problems that began nearly a decade ago in Denver.

Reeves says he's still a bit tired.

But he also says he'd be in bad shape if he hadn't gotten back to coaching.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Wild Cards
Saturday, Jan. 2
Miami 24, Buffalo 17
Arizona 20, Dallas 7
Sunday, Jan. 3
Jacksonville 25, New England 10
San Francisco 30, Green Bay 27

Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 9
Atlanta 20, San Francisco 18
Denver 38, Miami 3
Sunday, Jan. 10
New York Jets 34, Jacksonville 24
Minnesota 41, Arizona 21

Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 17
Atlanta at Minnesota, 12:35 p.m. (FOX)
New York Jets at Denver, 4:05 p.m. (CBS)

Super Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 31
At Miami
Conference champions, 6:18 p.m. (FOX)

Local Sports Schedule

TODAY
Basketball: Lady Tigers at Ft. Stockton, varsity at 6 p.m. and JV at 7:30 p.m.
Snyder Tigers at Ft. Stockton, JV at 6 p.m. and varsity at 7:30 p.m.
Hermleigh varsity hosts Highland, girls at 6:30 p.m. and boys at 8 p.m.
Ira varsity hosts Sands, girls at 6:30 p.m. and boys at 8 p.m.
SATURDAY
Basketball: Snyder 9th grade girls and boys at Sweetwater tournament.
Snyder 7th and 8th grade boys at Andrews tournament.
Ira Jr. High and Hermleigh Jr. High at Highland tournament.

Sports Briefs

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All coaches must be signed-up before Jan. 29.

Johnson remains with Miami

DAVIE, Fla. (AP) — Jimmy Johnson, on the verge of quitting, changed his mind and will remain coach of the Miami Dolphins.

Instead of announcing his resignation, Johnson said former Chicago Bears coach Dave Wannstedt, a former assistant of his in Dallas, will join the Dolphins as assistant head coach to give him more free time.

Word surfaced Wednesday night that Johnson was prepared to leave after three seasons, prompting Dolphins owner Wayne Huizenga to rush back from a baseball meeting in California. Huizenga convinced Johnson that hiring Wannstedt would mean more time away from the 15-hour workdays as head coach.

Johnson, 55, said his mother's death and father's battle with cancer made him realize he needed to spend more time with his family, especially because he is marrying his longtime girlfriend, Rhonda Rookmaaker.

Freshmen nab opening-round victory, 54-38

SWEETWATER — Brooks Nunley and Nick Landes combined for 22 points Thursday as the Snyder High School freshman boys rolled to a 54-38 victory over Merkel in the Sweetwater hoops tournament.

The Tigers jumped off to a 16-4 first-quarter lead and enjoyed a 27-17 margin at intermission. At the end of the third quarter, Snyder had a 17-point advantage, 40-23.

Nunley, who finished with 11 points, got four buckets in the opening period while he hit a field goal and three shots from the charity strip in the final period. Landes also canned 11, getting two field goals and one free toss in the last eight minutes.

Tate Thompson and Brandon McGuire dumped in eight points apiece while Jamaal Pruitt canned seven. Wade Pinson was good for four points while Shay Franks added three. Chris McLeod and Tito Alaniz added two each.

The freshmen continue play in the Sweetwater tournament on Saturday.

BOYS' LITTLE DRIBBLERS' RESULTS

MAJOR LEAGUE
Celtics 25, Warriors 17
Celtics: Blake Seale, 8; James Castro, 6; Blake Scott, 5; Barret Bowlin, 4; Dustin Babcock, 2. **Warriors:** Jason Cave, 8; Jonathan McClure, 5; Matthew Kerr and Danny Ortegon, 2.
Jazz 48, Magic 21
Jazz: Cade Simpson, 19; Lico Castillo, 17; Kennon Garcia, 6; Austin Hatfield, 4; TaTa Groage, 2. **Magic:** Justin Rios, 10; Wyl Wiggins, 8; Cade Owens, 3.
T-Wolves 38, Celtics 36
T-Wolves: Zach Garcia, 24; Jordan Lollar and Tyler Thompson, 6; Jonathan Hembree, 2. **Celtics:** Blake Scott, 11; Dustin Babcock and Barrett Bowlin, 8; Blake Seale and Jose Velasquez, 3; James Castro, 2.
Mavericks 43, Raptors 31
Mavericks: Clint Blume, 31; Alan Gray, 8; Conner Johnson and James Nussey, 2. **Raptors:** Jason Ramos, 13; Isreal Martinez, 10; Bryan Clifton, 4; Cale Lancaster and Steve Tippens, 2.
Jazz 42, Spurs 36
Jazz: Lico Castillo, 22; Cade Simpson, 9; TaTa Groage and Austin Hatfield, 4; Chris Thompson, 3. **Spurs:** Tyler Hogan, 12; Jay Weaver, 11; Garrett Pinson, 10; Steve Martinez, 2; Jarrod Fletcher, 1.
T-Wolves 37, Warriors 25
T-Wolves: Zach Garcia, 23; Jonathan Hembree, 6; Tyler Thompson, 4; Joel Lollar and Jordan Lollar, 2. **Warriors:** Jason Cave, 15; Dustyn Williams, 10.
MINOR LEAGUE
Wolfpack 43, Pistons 32
Wolfpack: Lance Day, 33; Travis Hatfield, 8; Sean Velasquez, 2. **Pistons:** Donald Jeffery, 23; Dustin Murdock, 4; Kyle Sanchez and Jimmie Schooler, 2; Jared Cave, 1.
Hornets 25, Kings 8
Hornets: Jamie Arnold, 10; Corbin Clements, 6; Matthew Garcia and Brett McClure, 4; William Brasher, 1. **Kings:** Joel Rocha, 4; Cody Burney and Mark Barnes, 2.
Knicks 34, Bulls 13
Knicks: Brent Bollinger, 16; Pedro Villa, 12; James Hernandez, 4; Stetson Kiecheloe, 2. **Bulls:** Ryan Claxton, 11; Matthew Schoolcraft, 2.
Nuggets 29, Grizzlies 4
Nuggets: Andy Garvin, 10; Brooks Gafford, 7; Charone Hill, 6; Brandon Jones, 4; Kardian Groage, 2. **Grizzlies:** Kaden Billingsley, 2; Jacob McFatridge and Chase Medina, 1.
Heat 26, Lakers 12
Heat: Ryan Mitchell, 11; Tyler Driggers, 7; Michael Martinez, 4; Kelton Clayton and Preston Munson, 2. **Lakers:** Jacob Hinson, 4; Bryce Westmoreland, 3; Chad Franks and Layton Westmoreland, 2; Steven Hubanks, 1.
Pistons 36, Hornets 33
Pistons: Donald Jeffery, 26; Dustin Murdock, 4; Brandon Hagins, Michael Mann and Brandon Robbins, 2. **Hornets:** Corbin Clements, 22; Jamie Arnold, 6; Matthew Garcia, 5.
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Key senator proposes major change in IRAs, 401(k) plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new type of 401(k) plan allowing money to be withdrawn tax-free would be created and numerous major changes would be made to other individual retirement arrangements under legislation proposed by a key Republican senator.

Sen. William Roth, R-Del., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee and sponsor of the popular Roth IRA, said today the Retirement Savings Opportunity Act would "address the issue of baby boomers and others not having enough savings" for retirement.

As Congress and President Clinton debate how to ensure Social Security remains solvent, lawmakers are examining dozens of options to enable more people to guarantee their own retirement incomes.

Foremost among the bill's provisions would be a so-called "Roth 401(k)" plan that would differ from regular 401(k) plans in a crucial way: the earnings on contributions — while made on an after-tax basis — would be tax-free when they are distributed, much like the Roth IRA.

The rules for a Roth IRA would also change. The income limit on people wishing to convert a traditional IRA to a Roth would rise from $100,000 to $1 million and all income limits would be eliminated for people wishing to make a full annual contribution.

The measure would make these other changes:

—The maximum IRA contribution limit would rise from $2,000 to $5,000 per year and go up annually in $100 increments. Workers 50 and older could contribute up to $7,500.

—The maximum pre-tax contribution to a regular 401(k) plan would increase from $10,000 to $15,000; those 50 and older could contribute as much as $22,500 a year.

—For people who are active in a workplace pension plan, the amount they can contribute to traditional IRAs is limited by the amount they earn. Roth's bill would end all income limits.

There are several other provisions dealing with matching contributions by employers and laws governing certain pension plans. Roth is expected to introduce the measure in the Senate in a few days.

Felony charges send one to jail

Felony revocation of probation sent a 17-year-old male to jail Thursday.

Officers arrested Earnest Eugene Jones of 2411 26th Street at 10:41 p.m. in the 1700 block of 27th Street on a Crockett County warrant for motion to revoke probation.

One other arrest was made Thursday.

At 2:06 p.m., officers took a 33-year-old male into custody in the 800 block of 26th Street on a misdemeanor capias pro fine out of city court.

An offense report for dog bite was filed at 10:13 p.m. at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Three minor accidents occurred Thursday.

At 8:15 a.m., officers worked a two-vehicle minor accident in the 3600 block of El Paso. Involved were a 1981 Oldsmobile Delta 88 driven by Amy Webster of 100 E. 37th Street and a 1993 Chevrolet C1500 pickup driven by Tommy Culwell of 5503 Cedar Creek.

Officers responded to a minor two-vehicle mishap at 10:03 a.m. in the 1900 block of 26th Street. Involved were a 1997 Ford Dually driven by Robert Fowler of 11496 CR 3132 and a parked, unoccupied 1996 Jeep Cherokee owned by Randy James of 5492 Pleasant Hill Road.

A two-vehicle minor occurred at 10:49 a.m. in the 2200 block of 25th Street involving a 1994 Dodge Caravan driven by Betty Brown of Dunn and a 1996 Oldsmobile Ciera SL driven by Lyndia Allen of 3710 Avenue U.

Accused man unhappy with his attorney

JASPER (AP) — One of three white men accused in last summer's dragging death of a black man complains that his attorney doesn't believe in his innocence and will focus only on keeping him from getting the death penalty.

Defendant John William King, scheduled to be tried Jan. 25 for the capital murder of James Byrd Jr., outlined his displeasure with court-appointed attorney C. Haden "Sonny" Cribbs in two letters addressed to state District Judge Joe Bob Golden.

The near identically-worded handwritten letters were filed at the Jasper County courthouse late Wednesday. One letter is undated, the other written on Nov. 23, 1998.

"Mr. Cribbs is in disagreement of my innocence, and on several occasions, has stated that he intends to do no more for my defense than try and ensure that I do no(t) receive the death sentence," King wrote in the November letter.

Births

Valerie Green of Snyder announces the birth of her seven-pound, 11-ounce son at 5:32 p.m. on Jan. 14 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

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ADMISSIONS: Mary Boydstun of Hermleigh, Valerie Green, Cailey Coy, Guadalupe Duran, Vida Frazier of Rotan, Thadine Harless, LaDean Rhodes, Carolyn Stansell.

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AMR Corp s	65¾	63¼	65 3-16+ 2¼
AT&T Corp	82⅝	81⅞	82 9-16+ 7-16
AirTouch	82¼	78⅝	81⅛+2 11-16
Albertsons	62	61⅛	61 15-16+11-16
AlldSignal	42 1-16	41	41⅜+ ⅜
Alltel	61 3-16	60¾	61⅛+ ⅛
AmOnline s	149¾	145	147⅜+ 3¼
AmStores	36⅞	36¼	36¼— 1-16
Ameritech	63	62¼	62 13-16+ 1⅛
AndrkPtr s	28¾	28	3-16 28⅛
ArmcoInc	5 ⅜	5	+ ⅛
AtlRichfld	61 5-16	60¾	61 3-16+ ⅜
ATMOS Egy	30¾	30¼	30 5-16
Aviall	10 5-16	10¼	10 5-16+ 1-16
BP Amoco	88 7-16	87 9-16	88 7-16+1 15-16
BakerHughes	18 7-16	18 1-16	18⅜+ ⅜
BankAmerica	64¼	63	63 11-16+1 3-16
BellAtl s	54¾	52 9-16	52¾— 1 1-16
BellSouth s	48	47 3-16	48 + 1⅛
BethSteel	9 3-16	9 1-16	9 3-16+ ¼
BurlNoSFe s	33 5-16	32 15-16	33 1-16+ 9-16
CBS Corp	34⅛	34⅛	34⅜+ ⅛
Caterpillar	47 9-16	47 1-16	47⅛+13-16
CenSoWst	27 5-16	26¾	27 3-16+ ¼
Chevron	80 15-16	80	80 9-16+11-16
Citigroup	51¼	50 7-16	51 1-16+ 3-16
Coastal s	32¾	32⅛	32 9-16+ ⅛
CocaCola	64 11-16	63 9-16	64⅝+ ⅛
ColgatePalm	78⅝	75¾	77⅛+1 7-16
ComclMetals	25¾	25 9-16	25 9-16— ⅛
CooperIn	44¼	43	44⅛+ ⅛
CyprusAmax	10¼	9 15-16	10⅛+ 3-16
DaimlrChry s	104¾	102½	104 1-16+2 9-16
DallSemico	40¼	38¾	40 9-16+ 7-16
DeltaAirl s	56 15-16	56	1-16 56¼+ 2¼
Dillards Inc	27	26¾	26¾+ ½
DowChem	91¾	91	91⅛+1 3-16
DuPont	55 15-16	55	7-16 55 11-16+13-16
EastmanChem	45	9-16	45 45⅛— ⅛
EstKodak	70 13-16	69⅝	70 — ½
EDS Corp	50	49⅝	49 9-16+ 9-16
Entergy	30¼	30¼	30 5-16+ 1-16
Exxon	70 7-16	69	13-16 70 3-16+ 7-16
FstBksAm	19 5-16	19	5-16 19 5-16— 1-16
Flowers	22¼	22⅛	22 13-16— 1-16
FordMotor s	61⅛	60⅜	61⅛+ 1
GTE Cp	63¾	61¼	62 15-16+11-16
GenDynam s	55¼	54	1-16 54½— 5-16
GenElec	99⅝	98¾	99 7-16+ 2¾
GenMills	84 11-16	83¾	84⅝+2 9-16
GenMotors	82¾	81	11-16 82⅝+ 1⅜
GaPacGP	63 7-16	62	15-16 63 1-16+15-16
GlobalMar	9 3-16	9	9 3-16— 1-16
Goodrich	35	34 9-16	34 13-16— 1-16
Goodyear s	50¾	49¾	50⅛+ ½
GtAtlPac	29¾	29¼	29 7-16+ ⅛
Halliburtn	31 11-16	31¼	31⅜+ 5-16
Hanson ADS	37 11-16	37	9-16 37⅜— 1¼
HarteHanks s	24 9-16	24⅜	24 9-16+ 3-16
HomeDepot	55 7-16	54	9-16 55 1-16+ ⅛
HoustonInds	30¼	30¼	30⅛+ 5-16
IBM	184⅜	181¼	183 13-16+3 3-16
IntlPaper	44 15-16	44	5-16 44 9-16+ 7-16
JohnsonJn	79 13-16	78¼	79 9-16+ 1¼
K mart	15¼	14	13-16 14⅝+ 1-16
Kroger Co	58 1-16	56¾	58 1-16+1 13-16
Litton	60¼	60	7-16 60 7-16— 1-16
LockheedM s	39 5-16	38¾	39 1-16+ 5-16
Lowes Cos s	52⅛	51¾	51 15-16+ 9-16
Lubys	14¾	14½	14¾— 1-16
LucentTech s	108⅜	106	11-16 108 7-16+ 2½
MayDeptStrs	61	59	11-16 59 15-16— ⅛
MediaOne	51 5-16	50⅜	51⅛+ 1⅜
Medtronic	70 7-16	69	11-16 70 7-16+ 9-16
Mobil	84⅛	83¾	84⅛+ 1
Monsanto	43 7-16	42	9-16 43 1-16+13-16
MorganJP	104 9-16	102¾	103⅛+ 1¾
Motorola	69¼	67	15-16 68 13-16+2 5-16
NCR Corp	48¾	47	9-16 48 9-16+ 1⅛
Navistar	31 11-16	30¾	30¼— 7-16
OryxEngy	13 7-16	13	1-16 13⅜+ 5-16
Penney JC	41	40¾	40 11-16+13-16
PennzEnergy s	15 11-16	15	7-16 15⅛+ ⅛
PepBoys	15	14	13-16 14⅞+ ⅛
PepsiCo	39 13-16	38⅞	39⅜+ ⅛
PhelpDodge	51 15-16	48¾	51¾+ 1
PhilipPet	40¾	40¾	40 13-16+ 1-16
PilgrmPrd B	22 5-16	22	22 5-16+ ⅛
Polaroid	19 7-16	19⅛	19⅜+ ⅛
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ProctGamb	86⅛	84	7-16 86⅛+1 11-16
PubSNwMx	19⅝	19⅜	19⅜
RoyalDut	45 7-16	44⅛	45 5-16— 1-16
SBC Comm s	54 15-16	54¼	54 11-16+ 7-16
SaraLee s	27 7-16	26⅜	26⅞+ ⅛
Scripps EW	47 7-16	47	47 7-16+ ⅛
SearsRoeb	43⅜	43¼	43⅛+ ⅛
SherwinW	28 13-16	28	9-16 28⅜— ⅛
SmithkltBchm	70⅝	68	11-16 70 + 4
SouthernCo	28 9-16	28¼	28⅜— ⅛
SwstAirl s	27⅛	26⅛	26⅞+ ⅛
SprintFON s	76¼	75⅛	76¼+ 1⅛
SprintPCS s	25¾	25¼	25⅝+ 1-16
Sunoco Inc	34 15-16	34	9-16 34 15-16+ 7-16
TNP Ent	36⅛	36¼	36⅛— ⅛
Tandy	43 5-16	42⅛	42⅜— ⅜
TempleInland	60¼	59⅝	60 3-16+15-16
Tenneco	34⅛	34¼	34 7-16+ ⅜
Texaco	51⅛	50¾	51 9-16+ ⅜
TexInd	26¾	25⅞	25⅞— 5-16
TexasInst	91¾	89	91¼+ ⅜
TexUtil	44⅜	44¼	44 11-16+ 3-16
Textron	71 7-16	70	15-16 71⅜+ 5-16
TriconGlbR	48¾	48¼	48⅜+ ⅜
TrinityInds	37 15-16	37	11-16 37 15-16
TritonEngy	7¼	7⅛	7⅞+ ¼
Tyler	5	4	13-16 5 + 1-16
US West Inc	62¼	61	7-16 62¼+ ⅜
USX-Marathn	28 7-16	28	3-16 28 7-16+ 9-16
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UnCarbde	44 7-16	43¾	44⅜+ ⅜
UnionPacif	47⅛	47	3-16 47⅛+ 7-16
UnitedTech	109⅜	108⅜	108⅞+ 5-16
Unocal	30 15-16	30	30⅜+ ⅜
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WHEN KING SAUL, BESET BY MELANCHOLY AND INSANITY, FIRST LAID EYES ON DAVID, THE BIBLE REPORTS THAT SAUL "LOVED HIM GREATLY" (I SAM.16:21). SO MUCH SO, THAT SAUL MADE DAVID HIS ARMOUR-BEARER AND CALLED UPON HIM TO REFRESH HIS SPIRITS WHENEVER HE, SAUL, WAS SO DISTURBED! HOWEVER, DAVID WAS SO VALIANT AGAINST THE PHILISTINES AND SO SUCCESSFUL WHENEVER THEY MET IN BATTLE THAT WOMEN IN ALL THE ISRAELITE CITIES USED TO SING PRAISES TO DAVID ABOVE THAT TO KING SAUL! (I SAM.18:6-9) THE JEALOUSY THAT WAS INSTIGATED IN SAUL'S MIND ERASED ANY FEELINGS OF LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP FOR DAVID TO BE REPLACED WITH THE DESIRE TO KILL DAVID AT ALL COSTS! (I SAM.19:1).



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Capitol Briefs

AG wants to improve enforcement

AUSTIN (AP) — Attorney General John Cornyn said Thursday he remains committed to improving child support enforcement and making sure already-collected money is distributed as quickly as possible.

The state has about $22 million in collected child support payments that has not been sent to the families waiting for it in part because of computer problems, Cornyn said.

"People told me when I came into office, as bad as you think the child support system is, it's worse," Cornyn said. "We're still trying to assess the nature and extent of the problems. It's in pretty bad shape."

Cornyn appeared before the Sunset Advisory Commission, the same panel that recommended last month the child support enforcement division should remain under the attorney general's office for two years to see if it can make improvements.

The division was criticized as inefficient under former attorney general Dan Morales and some lawmakers had threatened to move it elsewhere. Morales has defended his handling of child support collection.

Texas House revises rules Thursday

AUSTIN (AP) — It'll take more than a typo to kill a bill this year.

The Texas House revised the rules governing debate of proposed legislation Thursday, limiting a tactic often used to kill unpopular bills on a technicality.

"This is going to make the system a lot more efficient," said Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston, who sponsored the rule changes.

Under the rule changes, approved in a voice vote, lawmakers would no longer be able to use a technical error found in legislation —such as misspelled words or misnumbered pages — to stop consideration of a bill. Unless the mistake was substantive and misleading, a lawmaker's objection, known as a "point of order" under House rules, would be overruled.

"We shouldn't not be allowed to consider a bill because it was numbered incorrectly, particularly since we have only 140 days to consider two years worth of work," Wilson said.

Wilson said he wanted to do away with the parliamentary maneuvering, though he had often used it himself to kill bills he didn't favor.

"I raise them all the time. I've done tons of them," Wilson said. "But it's better for the entire process, it's better for the state" if the tactic is eliminated.

The revision doesn't address the tactic used by Rep. Arlene Wohlgemuth, R-Burleson, to kill 52 pieces of legislation during the 1997 session. Mrs. Wohlgemuth's technical challenge stemmed from the House Calendars Committee's failure to announce where they were meeting to consider several bills.

Study: Taxes total $44 billion a year

AUSTIN (AP) — State and local tax systems raise more than $44 billion a year, or $2,252 for every man, woman and child in Texas, according to a new legislative report.

And while the tax structure has been studied often in recent years, "Neither the legislative will nor the support of the public has ever materialized for an alternative to the current mix of sales, property and business taxes," the report said.

The report was issued by the Select Committee on Revenue and Public Education Funding, which was assigned by House Speaker Pete Laney to study the tax system after a comprehensive tax overhaul plan died in the 1997 Legislature.

"The Texas tax system depends heavily on sales and property taxes," the report said. Both of those taxes are regressive, it said, taking more from low- and middle-income Texans than upper-income people.

"Moreover, rates of the two taxes have risen to levels that are undesirably high, particularly when compared with rates of comparable taxes in other states," it said.

"The state continues to impose a large share of its tax burden on business, and the overall system falls most heavily on the 'older' portions of the economy — the capital intensive manufacturing industries, the utility industry and the oil and gas industry. The rapidly expanding service sector of the economy is largely outside the tax system."

Pentagon expects minor Y2K glitches

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pentagon officials say all computer systems critical to U.S. national defense, including those linked to nuclear weapons, will be safe from program bugs before 1999 changes to 2000.

"We will be 100 percent ready by the end of the year," Deputy Defense Secretary John Hamre said Thursday. As of Dec. 31, 1998 the Pentagon had certified that 81 percent of "mission critical" computer systems were ready for the arrival of 2000, he said.

President Clinton had asked all government agencies to reach the 100 percent ready mark by March 1999. The Defense Department will be at the 93 percent mark by then, Hamre said.

The Defense Department "went into hyperdrive" with its Year 2000, or Y2K, work after realizing last August that it was moving too slowly in preparing the approximately 2,300 crucial computer systems, Hamre said. In all, the Pentagon has about 10,000 computer systems.

Hamre said minor glitches are likely to crop up on Jan. 1, 2000. "I think it's going to clearly be in a category of nuisance," he said. "I'm very confident we won't have major problems."

The Y2K problem begins when computers try to add or subtract dates using only the last two digits of the year — 00 in the case of 2000 — which may confuse computers into reading the date as 1900. Larger, older mainframe computers used by government and big corporations for many vital functions are particularly vulnerable.

The bill for fixing the Pentagon's computers and testing them will reach $2.5 billion, Hamre said.

Special attention is being given computer systems that affect the U.S. nuclear arsenal, he said.

Hamre said that in December the North American Aerospace Defense Command, or NORAD, ran a three-day series of about 30 simulated missile attacks to ensure that its Y2K-compliant computer systems would run properly in providing attack warning and assessment.

"In every case the systems worked as designed," he said.

Some individual nuclear systems, including Trident submarines carrying nuclear-tipped intercontinental ballistic missiles, already are certified as ready for 2000, he said.

By the end of this year, all other U.S. warfighting commands worldwide will run their own tests to evaluate the completeness of Pentagon computer fixes that affect them, Hamre said.

The deputy defense secretary said U.S. officials are working with the Russian government on its 2000 preparations, but he indicated that Moscow has been moving too slowly.

Hamre acknowledged "some nervousness" in Washington about potential computer problems in Russia. "They don't seem to have the same level of urgency that we have had over it," he said.

Both sides of voucher issue are optimistic

AUSTIN (AP) — Supporters and foes of allowing taxpayer-funded vouchers for private school tuition said Thursday they sense victory this legislative session. One voucher backer said a number of like-minded groups want a statewide program but support a smaller pilot as a first step.

"Obviously a number of the organizations here would like to see school choice statewide," said Peggy Venable of Texas Citizens for a Sound Economy.

"We recognize the political realities that most lawmakers are looking at more limited programs, at least this legislative session," she told a Capitol news conference of more than two dozen groups that support school choice.

She later said her comments reflected her group's position, and that the coalition's focus was on winning passage of a pilot voucher program. Groups in the coalition said that together, they represent nearly 1 million Texans.

If a pilot program were "wildly successful," then its expansion would have widespread support, Ms. Venable said. "If it doesn't work, we'll reassess what we want."

Carolyn Boyle of the anti-voucher Coalition for Public Schools — whose members include the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers along with teacher, school board, school administrator and some religious groups — said the statewide goal is significant and harmful.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Losing weight may cause skin folds

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 30 and weigh 320 pounds. If I lose weight, will my skin shrink to accommodate the change or will it be loose and saggy?

DEAR READER: Depending on the amount of weight you could lose, your skin probably would not shrink back completely. There is no hard-and-fast rule for this, however. Some obese patients lose many pounds and the skin manages to adapt. In other instances, even modest weight loss can leave a great deal of excess, sagging skin. I predict that you will have excess skin folds to deal with, because you really need to lose a significant amount of weight. Don't let my conclusion deter you from making the effort, however: Plastic surgeons are quite adroit at removing excess skin. So if you trim down and are still dissatisfied with your looks, see a plastic surgeon.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Once my blood pressure returns to normal with medication, is it safe to stop taking the blood pressure pills?

DEAR READER: As a general rule, no. It is precisely BECAUSE of the medicine that the blood pressure becomes normal. Therefore, stopping the pills would permit the blood pressure to rise to pre-treatment levels.

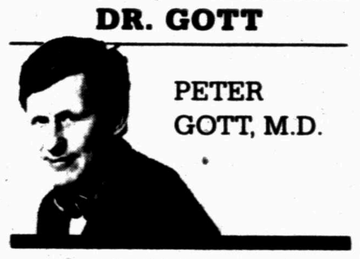
On the other hand, an occasional case of hypertension may be temporary. For example, obese patients often suffer from a weight-related hypertension that will fall to normal as pounds are shed. I had a 250-pound woman with a blood pressure of 160/100. I put her on a low-calorie, weight reduction diet, and — bless her heart — she followed it. At 230 pounds, her blood pressure was 150/90; at 210, it was 145/85. Finally, after several months of committed dieting and exercise, she returned to her college weight of 175. Her blood pressure, without medication, was 140/80 and remained normal — as long as she continued to keep her weight under control.

Patients on antihypertensive medications should have their blood pressures monitored. If the blood pressures fall to normal (140/90 or below), the physician might be inclined to make a reduction in the dose of medicine. Occasionally, under close medical supervision, patients might be able to stop therapy altogether. This is a decision best made by the doctor. In my experience, thin hypertensive patients ordinarily require treatment for indefinite periods, but I try to keep an open mind about the dosages and the necessity for continued therapy.

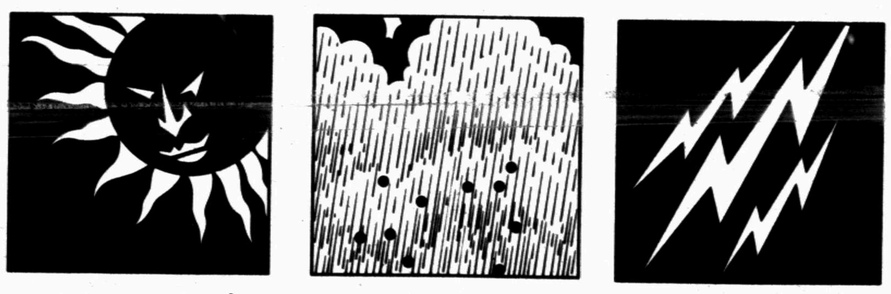
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U.S. offers new ways to help Iraq

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The United States countered French calls to lift the oil embargo on Iraq with a proposal Thursday to let Baghdad sell unlimited amounts of oil — but only if the proceeds go to buy food and other humanitarian supplies for Iraqis.

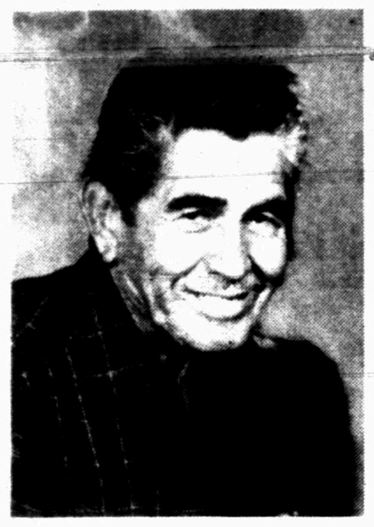
Deputy U.S. Ambassador Peter Burleigh outlined the proposal before the Security Council, expressing concern that the 8-year-old embargo has caused immense suffering in Iraq but stressing that Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's regime itself was mostly to blame.

As evidence, Burleigh pointed to Iraq's failure to submit contracts for humanitarian goods, to reports that Iraq was actually exporting grain rather than selling it domestically and to Iraq's own acknowledgments that it cannot effectively distribute some imported medicines.

"The basic problem continues to be the government of Iraq's unwillingness to manage this oil-for-food program in an efficient and timely manner," Burleigh said, referring to the U.N. program that lets Iraq sell limited amounts of oil to buy humanitarian goods.

The U.S. proposal would remove those limits on exports and would streamline the bulky U.N. bureaucracy, allowing contracts to bring food and medicine into Iraq to be approved.

Obituaries



Emiterio Martinez

Mr. Martinez

1934-1999

Mass for Emiterio Villanueva Martinez of Hermleigh is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in St. John Catholic Church in Hermleigh with Fr. Gerry Leatham officiating.

Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home. Rosary for Mr. Martinez, 64, is set for 7 this evening at the funeral home with Salome Barrera officiating.

Mr. Martinez died Thursday, Jan. 14, in Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Born March 3, 1934 in Alice, he married Alice Mireles on Dec. 17, 1998 in Hermleigh. Mr. Martinez was a self-employed dirt contractor and a member of St. John Catholic Church.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father and by three brothers.

Survivors include his wife, Alice Martinez of Hermleigh; two daughters, Anita Tovar and Gloria Gutierrez, both of San Marcos; three sons, Max Martinez and Johnnie Martinez, both of Snyder, and Bennie Martinez of Lubbock; three brothers, Joe Martinez of San Angelo, Manuel Martinez of Waxahachie and Juan Martinez of Snyder; six sisters, Benita Davila and Bruna Gutierrez, both of Colorado City, Christina Cevallos and Irene Alderete, both of Sweetwater, Romana Bugarin of Waxahachie and Maria Terrazaz of Las Vegas; 21 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Billy Null

1924-1999

MARBLE FALLS — Billy Marion Null, a former resident of Snyder, died Thursday, Jan. 14, in a Kingsland care center.

Funeral service for Mr. Null, 74, is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in the Clements-Wilcox Chapel in Marble Falls. The Rev. Richard Young and Rusty Freeman will officiate.

Graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday in the Ninnekah, Okla., Cemetery.

Born Dec. 16, 1924 in Ninnekah, he graduated from high school there in 1942. He entered military service that same year and served in the European Theatre during World War II. He was discharged from the Air Force in 1947.

Mr. Null married Helen Lounette Frye on Dec. 21, 1945 in Greensboro, N.C.

The family lived in Wichita, Kan., Greensboro and Ninnekah before Mr. Null went to work for Sun Oil Company in April, 1951 in Starr County, Tex.

He worked in McComb, Miss., and Maricaibo, Venezuela, before being transfered to Snyder in April, 1972. He retired from Sun Oil in April, 1985 after 34 years.

The Nulls moved to Marble Falls in 1985, and he continued to work as a consultant and inspector until 1992.

Survivors include his wife, Lounette Null of Marble Falls; a son, Dennis Arnold Null of Murrieta, Calif.; a brother, Dennis Null of Chickasha, Okla.; a sister, Betty Lou Williams of Seminole, Okla.; two grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Mary Ellen Keith

1946-1999

Funeral service for Mary Ellen Keith of Snyder is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Fluvanna Church of Christ. Fred Austin and Don Campbell will officiate. Burial will follow in the Fluvanna Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Keith, 52, died at 6:40 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13, in Snyder Oaks Care Center following a lengthy illness.

Born March 8, 1946 in Snyder, she was reared in the Fluvanna Community and was a graduate of Snyder High School and Texas Tech University. She taught kindergarten and elementary reading for many years in Chilchinbeto, Ariz., where she also served as principal. She also taught in Post, and was a member of the Fluvanna Church of Christ.

She was preceded in death by a son, Lloyd Keith, on Dec. 12, 1979.

Survivors include one daughter, Carrie Keith of Austin; one son, Chad Keith of Snyder; her parents, Lloyd and Mabelle Ainsworth of Fluvanna; and her former-husband, Shonie Keith of Chilchinbeto, Ariz.

Bob Harmon

1927-1999

Robert "Bob" Harmon, a native of Scurry County, died at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 14, in Covenant Hospital Lakeside in Lubbock.

Funeral service for Mr. Harmon, 71, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Pyron Cemetery.

Born May 16, 1927 in Scurry County, Mr. Harmon was reared in the Pyron Community and graduated from Pyron High School. He had lived in Fort Worth for many years and worked as a salesman for Sears-Roebuck. Mr. Harmon had lived in Lubbock the past three years. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Hettie Harmon of Lubbock; a daughter, Donna Mae Bryant of Houston; three sons, Bobby Leon Harmon of Galveston and Michael Harmon and Ricky Harmon, both of Houston; four sisters, Dorothy Bonner and Ada Tawver, both of Lubbock, Nadine Lockard of Snyder and Betty Jo Ott of Odessa.

Neil Ellis

1925-1999

ODESSA — Connard Neil Ellis, the brother of Harold Ellis of Snyder, died Wednesday, Jan. 13, at his home in Odessa.

Funeral service for Mr. Ellis, 73, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors Chapel. The Rev. Bob Bratcher will officiate and burial will follow in Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Born in Eastland, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World War II. He married Dorothy Nell Hazard in 1948 in Eastland and she preceded him in death. He married Dorothy Dobbs Byrd in 1996.

Mr. Ellis, a resident of Odessa since 1951, was retired from El Paso Products, and he was a member of the Crescent Park Baptist Church.

Survivors also include his wife, Dorothy Ellis of Odessa; two sons, Michael Ellis and Terry Ellis, both of Odessa; two sisters, Joyce Taylor of Cisco and Leona Schobel of Wimberly; and five grandchildren.

Leonard Kahlich

1923-1999

SLATON — Resurrection mass for Leonard (L.J.) Kahlich of Slaton, father of David Kahlich of Snyder, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the St. Joseph Catholic Church. The Rev. Lawrence Hemp, pastor, will officiate. Interment will follow in Engelwood Cemetery in Slaton under the direction of Englunds Funeral Service.

Rosary is set for 7 tonight in the funeral home chapel.

Mr. Kahlich, 75, died Wednesday, Jan. 13, at his home in Slaton after a lengthy illness.

Born on March 13, 1923 in Slaton, he married Bernice Buxkemper on April 23, 1946 in Slaton. He attended St. Joseph Parochial School in Slaton. A World War II veteran, Mr. Kahlich was a member of the Seabees and served in the U.S. Navy 56th Construction Battalion.

He was a cotton farmer in Slaton for many years and had worked for Lee Lewis Construction. Mr. Kahlich was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church and a life member of Slaton VFW, a member of the Sons of Hermann at Rowena, and a previous member of the Carpenters Union.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Norbert, Edgar, Fintan and Sherman Kahlich.

Survivors include his wife, Bernice Kahlich of the home; three other sons, Wayne Kahlich of Brownwood, Jimmy Kahlich of Slaton and Gary Kahlich of Dallas; four daughters, Helen Potter of Payne, Ohio, Susan Schwertner of Ballinger, Linda Ross of Austin and Mary Kahlich of San Antonio; one brother, Charlie Kahlich of Slaton; three sisters, Mary Kahlich of Lubbock, Lenora Nesbitt of Slaton and Joan Behrends of Ozark, Mo.; 16 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to St. Joseph Catholic Church, 205 South 19th Street, Slaton, 79364, or to the American Cancer Society, 3411 73rd Street in Lubbock, 79423.

Travis Lightfoot

1912-1999

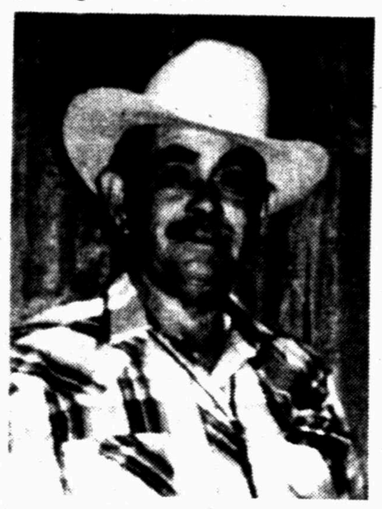
FLOYDADA — Travis Lightfoot, a native of Scurry County, died Wednesday, Jan. 13, in Lubbock's Covenant Medical Center.

Funeral service for Mr. Lightfoot, 86, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in New Salem Primitive Baptist Church with elder Don Morton officiating. Burial will follow in the Floydada Cemetery.

Born Sept. 9, 1912 in Fluvanna, he moved from Scurry County to Floydada in 1917. He attended Center Community School and graduated from Floydada High School.

Mr. Lightfoot married Letha Frances Lindley on Nov. 8, 1936 in Haskell County. He worked as a parts manager for John Deere in Floydada for 25 years. After retirement, he worked in construction for Walter Davis. He was a member of the senior center and the Primitive Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Letha Lightfoot of Floydada; two sons, Kenneth Lightfoot of Amarillo and Michael Lightfoot of Grand Junction, Colo; a daughter, Nita Jo Carmack of Corsicana; two sisters, Cecille Weathers of Canyon and Gertrude Hollums of Waco; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.



Ramon Fuentes

Ramon Fuentes

1939-1999

Ramon Fuentes, an employee of Collier Dairy, died Thursday, Jan. 14, east of Snyder.

Mr. Fuentes, 59, was pronounced dead by Justice of the Peace Charlie Reynolds shortly after 5:30 p.m. Thursday. Mr. Fuentes was in a pickup that had run off the road. Investigators believe death is due to natural causes, but an autoposy has been ordered.

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 25, 1939 in San Angelo, he married Connie Fuentes on Aug. 28, 1958 in Post. She died in 1986. He married Eva Fuentes on April 17, 1987 in Snyder.

Mr. Fuentes was a farmer and a member of St. John Catholic [illegible].

He was also preceded in death by one son, Ben Fuentes in 1994.

Survivors include his wife, Eva Fuentes of Snyder; a daughter, Erminia "Minnie" Fuentes and Marcus Fuentes of Austin; five sons, Raymundo "Ray" Fuentes of Harrisburg, N.C., Martin Fuentes of Austin, Ramon Fuentes Jr. of Groesbeck and Ascension "Smiley" Fuentes of Smithville; six sisters, Carmen Abraham and Felicita Reyna of Post, Guadalupe Zomora of Wilson, Linda Carrego of Quanah, Virginia Beavers of Douglas, Wym.; and Helbera Sanchez of Snyder; four brothers, San Antonio Fuentes of Austin, Amando Fuentes of Bastrop, Nick Fuentes of Smithville and Richard Fuentes of Post; and 14 grandchildren.

In land-scarce Japan, one builder envisions a $33 billion "vertical megastructure" called Sky City — a stack of 14 minicities that would rise 2.5 times higher than New York's World Trade Center, says National Geographic.

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ONGOINGS

Fluvanna fire department

Residents of the Fluvanna Community are invited to a meeting at 7 p.m. Monday in the community center for the purpose of reorganizing the volunteer fire department.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "The Two Elements of Coming to Christ," followed by "Giving Your Child Roots and Wings."

Parkinson's Disease support group

The Parkinson's Disease community support group will meet Tuesday from 10 until 11:30 a.m. at the Cogdell Memorial Hospital board room. Guest speaker will be Loretta Lee, speech/language pathologist.

Library storytime change

Beginning this month, Storytime for 4-5-year-olds at the Scurry County Library will be held at 10 a.m. on Wednesdays.

Stanfield parent-council meeting

The Stanfield Elementary parent-council meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the library.

Clogging lessons

Deep Creek Cloggers will start beginner lessons at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the American Legion. For more information, call after 5 p.m. to 573-3315 or 573-0807.

Planetarium shows

The refurbished planetarium at Western Texas College is again available for group shows Thursday evenings and all day on Fridays. The shows are by reservation only and there is no charge. There are three presentations available in the 59-seat auditorium, one for pre-K, another for K through 4, and one for general audiences. For reservations contact Sharon Gill at WTC, 573-8511, ext. 312.

Jeremiah People to sing

The Jeremiah People, a Christian musical theatre group, will be presenting their new program from 7 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Thursday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Scholastic book fair

Snyder Head Start will have a scholastic book fair from 8 a.m. until noon and from 1-6 p.m. Jan. 25-29. For more information call 573-7403 or 573-1784.

Ira Bulldog annual

Ira's 1999 Bulldog annuals are on sale until Jan. 26, the last time they will be offered this school year. The cost is $26 with name on cover or $22 without. Contact Becky Hudgins at the school. Only a few are left.

1998 First Methodist cookbook

The First United Methodist Church's 1998 cookbook, compiled by the Angel Seekers Sunday School Class and dedicated to the memory of Ruby Anderson, can be purchased at the church or Classic Interiors. The cost is $10 and all proceeds benefit the Lord's Acre projects.

Windbreak trees

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District is selling windbreak trees. Both evergreens and hardwoods are available. Call 573-6317, or come by the office at 5309 Big Spring Highway.

Adult education classes

Adult basic education classes that can lead to a GED are underway at Western Texas College. Students may enroll at any time in Room 209 of the WTC library. Both day and evening sessions are held Tuesday and Thursday. Call 573-8511, Ext. 322, for more information.

Support groups

Four different support groups meet at 6:30 this the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church. The groups include divorce recovery, cancer-grief support group, a group for parents of teens and a group for adult-children caring for elderly parents.

Pick 3

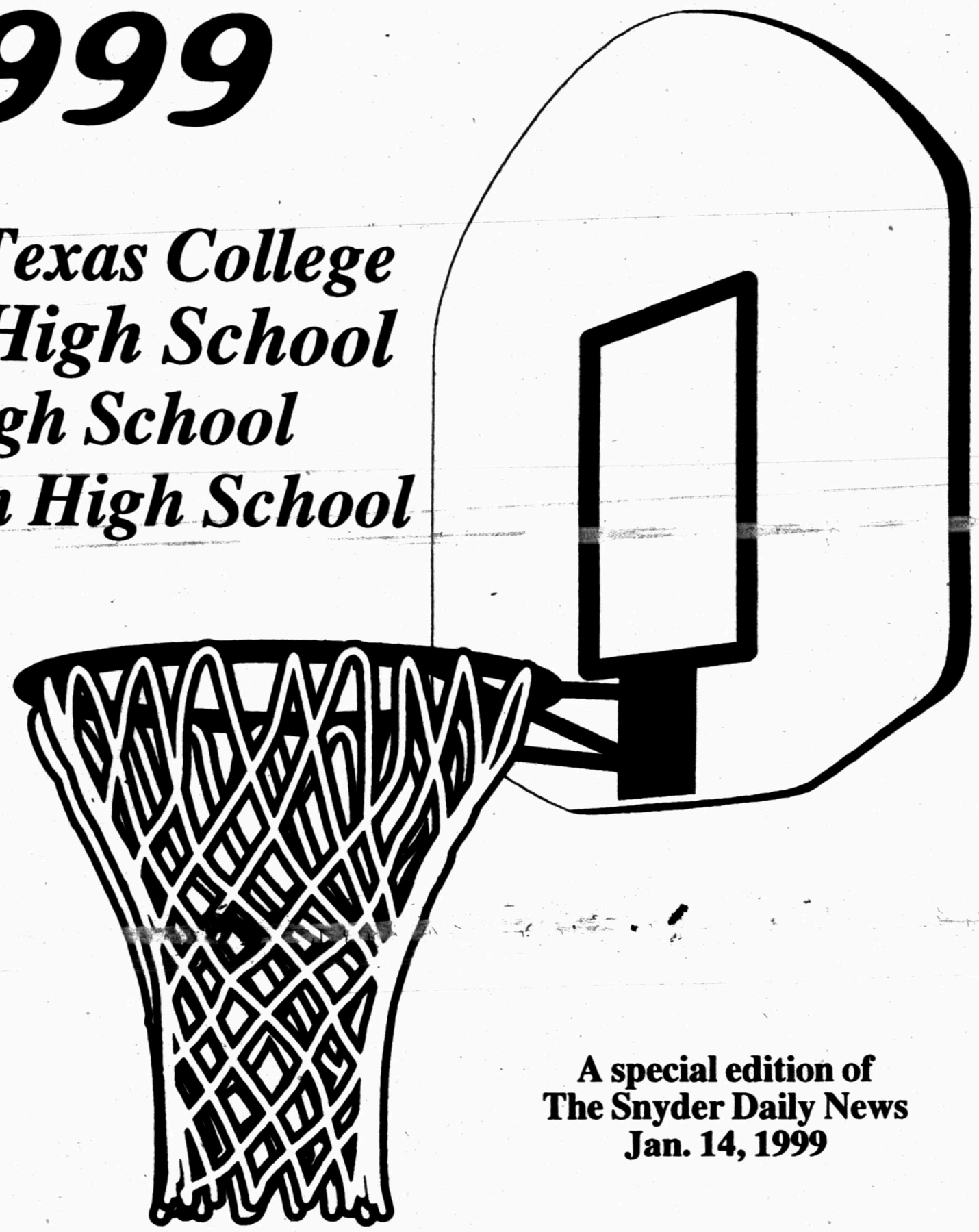
AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
2-1-7
(two, one, seven)

Cash Five

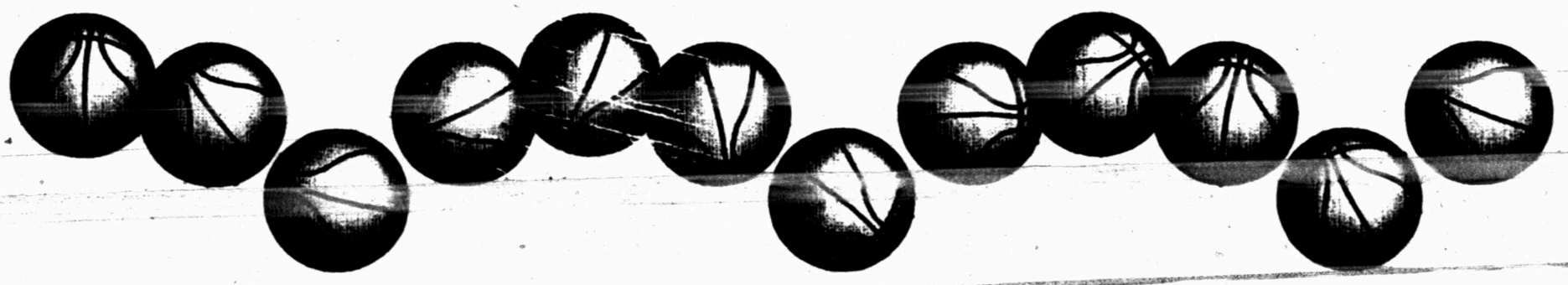
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(three, seven, nine, nineteen, thirty-nine)

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Tigers focused on postseason

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

This year's Snyder Tigers don't have much in common with last year's group.

But the 1999 version of the Tigers would like nothing more than to match last season's effort, which resulted in a playoff berth.

With the graduation of key players, mainly 6-7 post power Jimmy Taylor, this year's Tigers lack a towering figure in the middle.

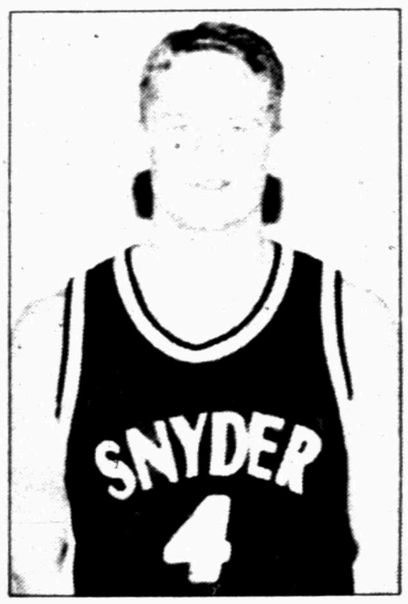
But they don't lack the effort necessary to earn a post-season berth, according to head coach Bud Birks.

"All the guys have been playing extremely hard all year," said Birks, now in his ninth year at the helm of the Snyder program. "There is no lack of effort with this team. This is a very coachable group of kids."

The Tigers carry a 9-11 mark into Friday's district opener at Ft. Stockton, a few wins shy of last year's non-district record.

But the Tigers' mistakes that have cost them in the win column, are things that can be corrected, Birks said.

"We need to cut down on our number of turnovers," stated the Snyder coach. "We've committed too many turnovers in the last few ball-games and it has hurt us in the end. But it is something this group can correct. They are a hard-working bunch."



Sonny Cumbie
6-3, junior
post

"Sonny is a real smart player. He's great at getting rebounding position and an excellent free-throw shooter. Like most of the kids on this team, he's also a team player."

The Snyder Tigers are 9-11 after last Friday's 62-60 victory over arch-rival Lamesa. After Tuesday's rematch with Lamesa was cancelled, the Tigers have turned their focus to the 5-4A race which includes a trip to Fort Stockton Friday. Other district foes are San Angelo Lake View, Andrews, Big Spring and Sweetwater.

An early concensus favorite to make a run at the title is Lake View.

The Chiefs have a combination of quick guard play and strong post play that can make them a problem to match-up with.

"Lake View has excellent athletes," said Birks. "They have maybe the premier point guard in the district in Alonzo Robinson and they have a 6-8 post player with good hands who is more than capable of converting around the basket. They probably have the best all-around athletes of any team in the district."

Andrews, who got off to a slow start this season, is improving with each outing, as evidenced by their near victory over highly-touted Frenship last week.

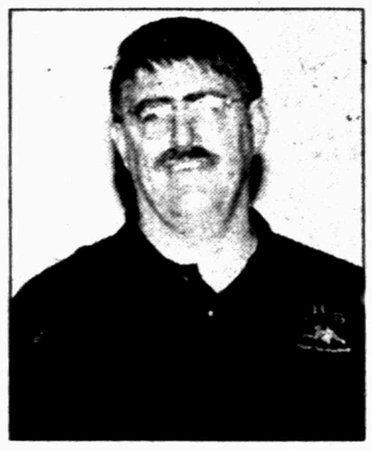
Ft. Stockton, much like its football team, fields a big line-up on the hardwood. The Panthers could cause match-up problems for the under-sized Snyder ballclub.

Big Spring, like Lake View, is extremely athletic and relies on its athleticism to carry it, while Sweetwater is in the midst of a rebuilding year, but has been improving in the past weeks.

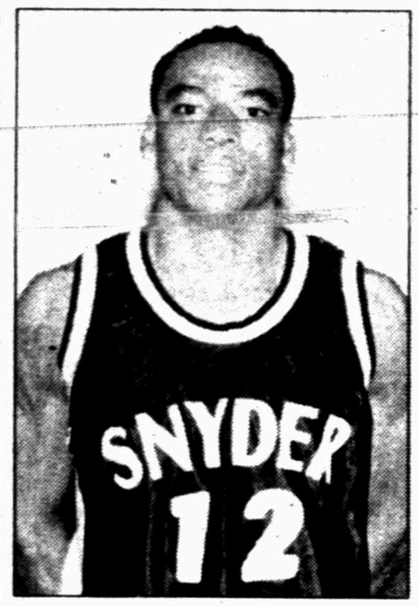
"The key for our success in district will be our play on the defensive end," Birks remarked. "We have to play really solid defense every time out on the floor in order to make a run at the playoffs.

"On the offensive end, we have to take good shots and know our limitations. And we have to get offensive rebounds.

"It's pretty much the same



Bud Birks



Brady Cobb
5-9, senior
guard

"Brady is real quick and a great 'on-the-ball' defender. He's getting more confident in his abilities and getting stronger as the year goes on."

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old stuff, we have to play fundamentally sound basketball and get after people on defense."

When talking about Tiger defense, it all starts with senior guard Tyler Warren.

Warren, who usually draws one of the tougher match-ups on the floor, was referred to by Birks as "the epitome of what you ask for in a defensive player."

Another tenacious defender for Snyder is senior guard Brady Cobb.

The fastest player on the Tiger roster, Cobb can smother opposing ball-handlers with man-to-man pressure.

On the offensive end, junior point guard Jared Hester directs traffic, while senior Cory Mandrell and junior Sonny Cumbie take care of the work underneath, and senior Justin McNair finds the open shot on the perimeter.

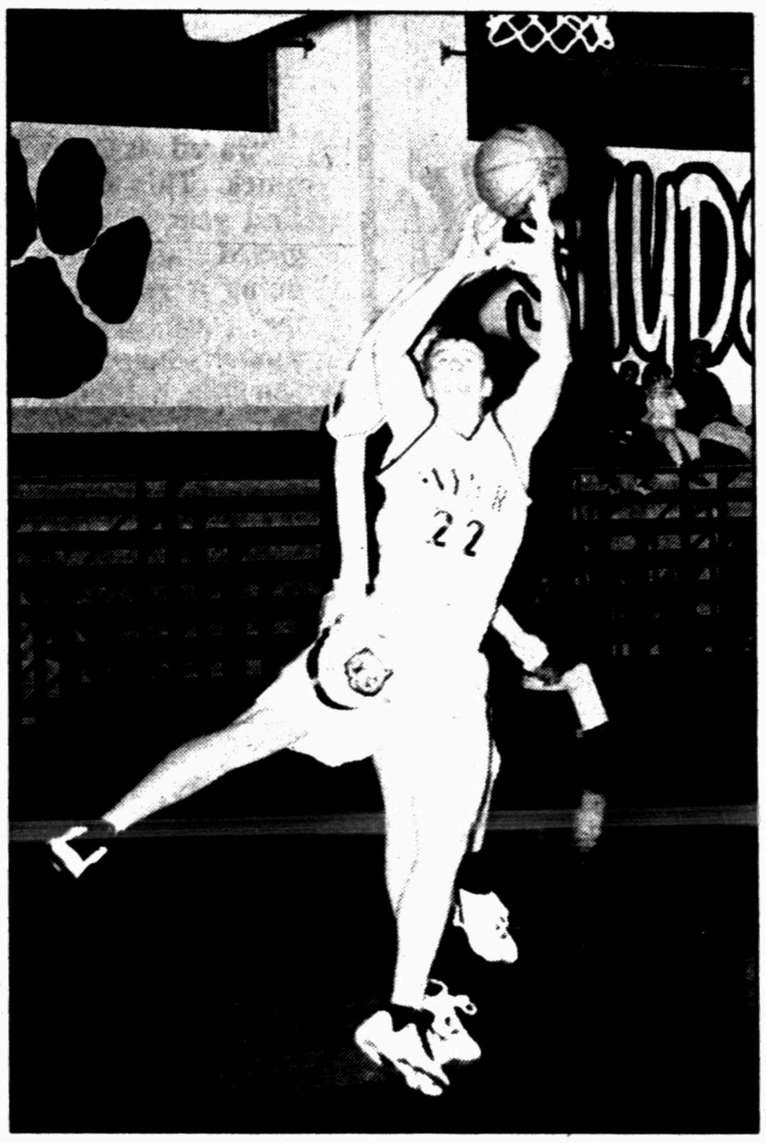
Cumbie leads the team in points, while McNair is converting on three-point attempts at a rate of 40 percent on the season.

Trey Gorman, just back from an earlier ankle injury, Brock Durham and Justin Rosson have given valuable minutes in the paint for the Tigers already this season and Birks said their play could be a key part in Snyder's district run.

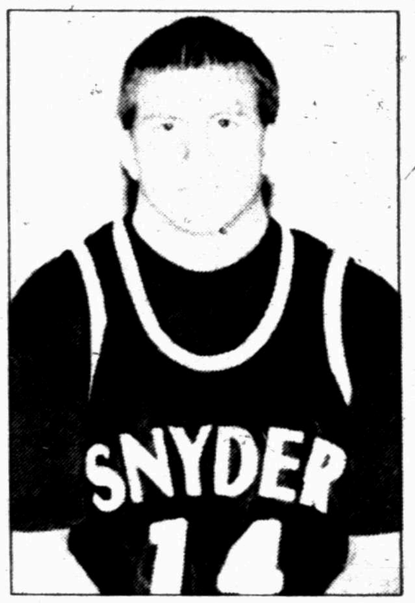
Coming off the bench at the guard positions are a pair of sharp-shooters in Greg McAnaw and Josh Ward.

Along with McNair, McAnaw and Ward are perhaps the best shooters on the Tiger roster.

Snyder is slated to open 5-4A play with a pair of road games.

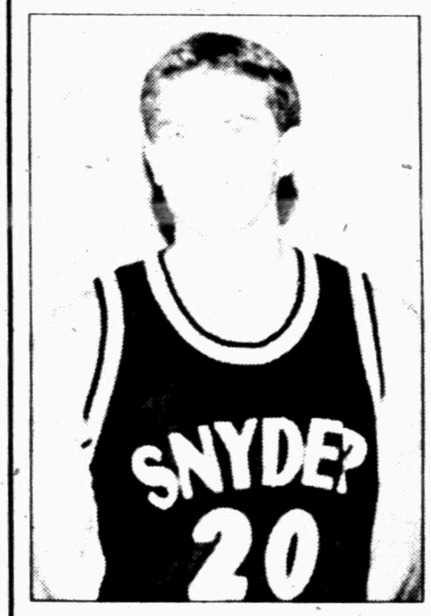


REBOUNDING POSITION — Snyder senior Cory Mandrell goes up for a rebound after blocking out a Lamesa player during the Tigers' final district tune-up.



Justin McNair
5-11, senior
guard

"Justin is a real weapon for us because of his shooting ability. He's someone that you want to set up to get the open shot."



Brock Durham
6-1, senior
post

"We're using Brock as a post, because he's real quick, but also real strong. Brock is very quiet, but very effective."

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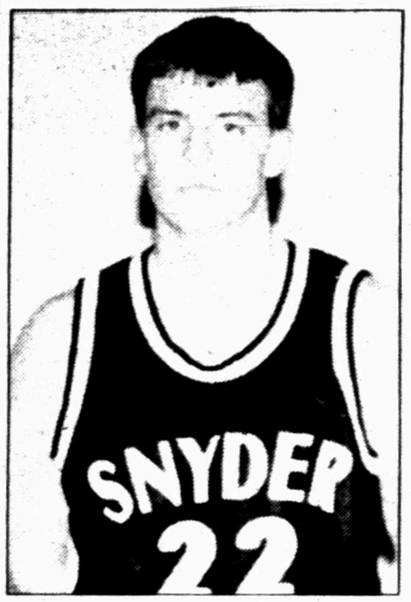
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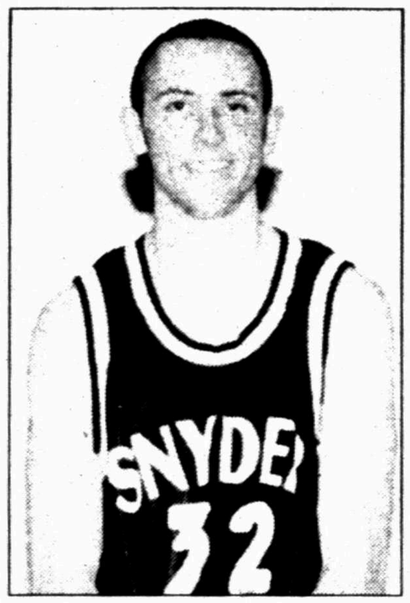
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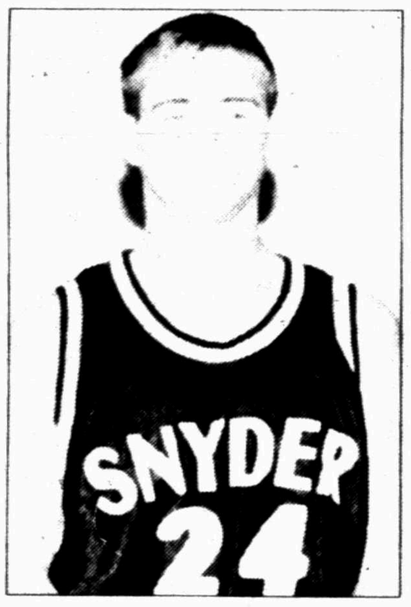
Cory Mandrell
6-2, senior
post

"Cory is a player who has the ability to play on the wing or with his back to the basket. He's real tough, so we like to put him on the opponent's best post players."



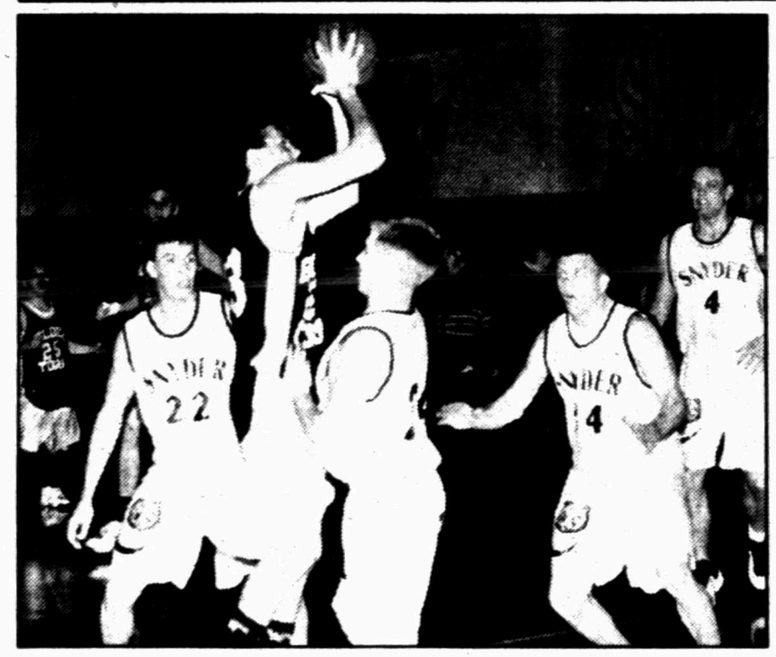
Jared Hester
5-10, junior
guard

"Jared is very quick. This is his first year at point guard and he's doing a great job for us. Even though he's still learning, he's been a very steady player."



Tyler Warren
5-9, senior
guard

"Tyler is the epitome of what you ask for in a defensive player. He's tough as nails and very unselfish. Tyler has tremendous instincts for the game of basketball."

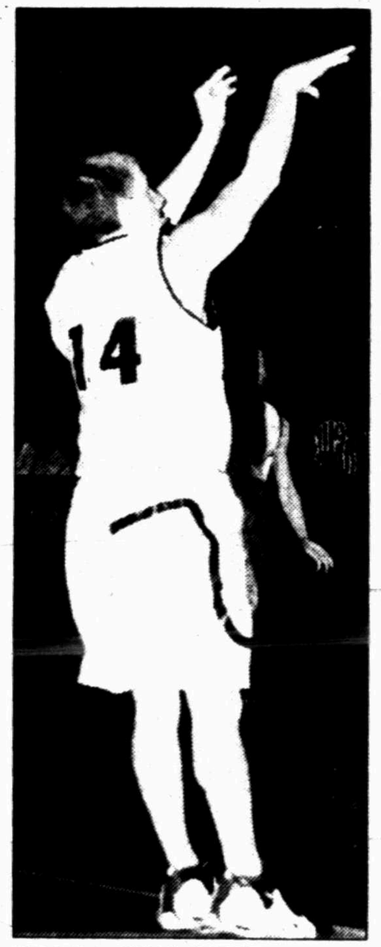


TENACIOUS — Snyder's Tyler Warren, known for his defensive play, guards a Lamesa shooter. (SDN Staff Photo)

The Tigers will visit Ft. Stockton on Friday, before traveling to Sweetwater Jan. 19.

Ft. Stockton heads into District 5-4A competition with a record of 12-7, second only to Lake View.

The Chiefs and Panthers have the same number of



SHARP-SHOOTER — Justin McNair is the Tigers' main threat from behind the arc. Like last season, the senior is leading Snyder in three-point shooting.

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losses, but Lake View has chalked up four more victories than Ft. Stockton at 16-7.

The Tigers' 9-11 mark is next, followed by Sweetwater (7-12), Big Spring (6-13) and Andrews (5-17).

Sweetwater was the only squad in action on the final Tuesday before the district opener. The Mustangs fell to Colorado City, 51-46, in their last tune-up.

The Tigers were scheduled to visit Lamesa, but instead had an open date after both schools agreed to cancel the contest.

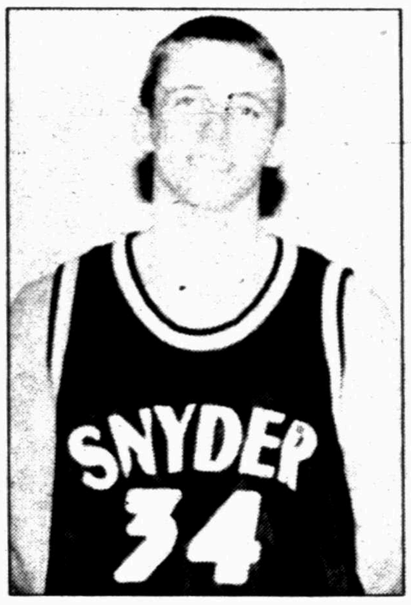
Snyder edged the Tors by two points only three days earlier in a heated battle which saw tempers flare throughout. With neither team wanting to risk injury, or lose focus on the upcoming league schedule, it was decided that an open date would be best.

Snyder plays its first district home game Jan. 22 against Lake View.

5-4A Boys

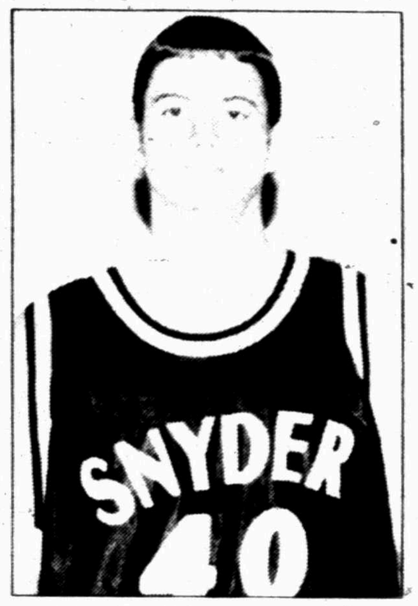
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Team	W	L	W	L
Lake View	0	0	16	7
Ft. Stockton	0	0	12	7
Snyder	0	0	9	11
Sweetwater	0	0	7	12
Big Spring	0	0	6	13
Andrews	0	0	5	17

Friday's games: Snyder at Ft. Stockton; Andrews at Big Spring; Sweetwater at Lake View



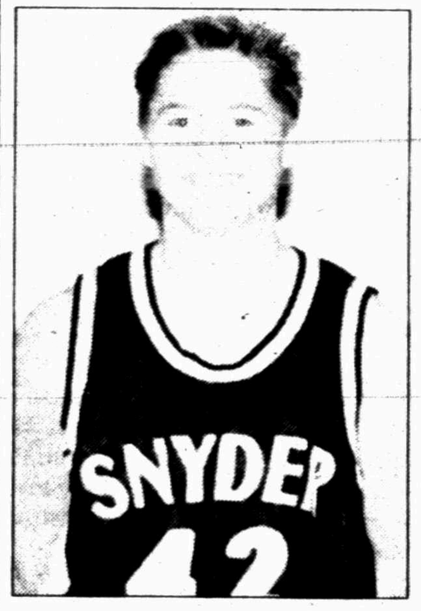
Greg McAnaw
5-9, junior
guard

"Greg is one of the best shooters on the team and his defensive skills are improving. He's a scorer who can sink the shot from just about anywhere."



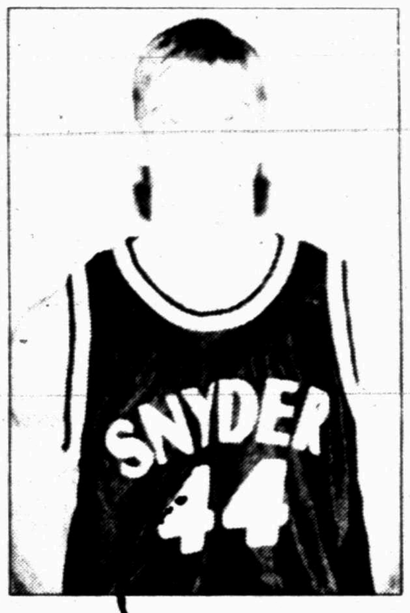
Trey Gorman
6-1, junior
post

"Trey is very intelligent and works very hard. He's a slasher who loves to take the ball to the hole and he's fearless in that way. He's doing a good job since coming back from injury."



Josh Ward
5-10, junior
guard

"Josh has come off the bench for us all year long and has been a very steady player. He's sharp and is a good shooter. He's hit some big shots for us this season."



Justin Rosson
5-11, junior
post

"Justin is a good all-around athlete. He's a good jumper and has some quickness. He's a good defender and is also the kind of player that can play on the inside or the wing."

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Edwards has Bulldogs rolling

Ira boys charge into thick of district race

IRA — The Ira Bulldogs are enjoying highly-anticipated hardwood success — and they hope to keep it that way.

With new head coach Bubba Edwards at the helm, Ira has turned its program around this season.

The Bulldogs, who had suffered through a pair of disappointing seasons under former coach Russell Gee, are carrying an area best 16-4 mark into Friday night's district tilt with Sands.

The reason for this new-found success — fundamentals, according to Edwards.

"I knew when I came here that there was the talent to win," Edwards said. "I just had to get it channeled in the right direction. We stressed fundamentals a lot and the kids have responded by doing the things we've asked them to do."

Those fundamentals have moved Ira from a district also-ran to a possible front-runner for the District 18 crown.

Titles are nothing new to Ira this season.

The Bulldogs have already secured a pair of tournament crowns, winning the championship of the Ozona and Klondike tourneys.

But winning a district title is a different story.

The Bulldogs will have to beat out defending district champion Borden County.

The Coyotes, who are stacked with talent as evidenced by their return trip to the state football title game, will be a tough match-up for anyone in District 18.

Joining Ira and Borden County in league play will be Sands, Grady and Westbrook.

To top those teams and earn a postseason berth, Ira could rely on junior powerhouses Logan Daves and Jerek Brown.

At 6-6, Daves is a formidable foe on any level. His size advantage is a definite boost to the Bulldogs.

Brown, who only stands 6-1, could be the best high-post player in the region. The junior three-sport athlete can face-up or play with his back to the basket.

Brown has garnered all-tourney recognition this year, while also being named MVP of the Ozona event.

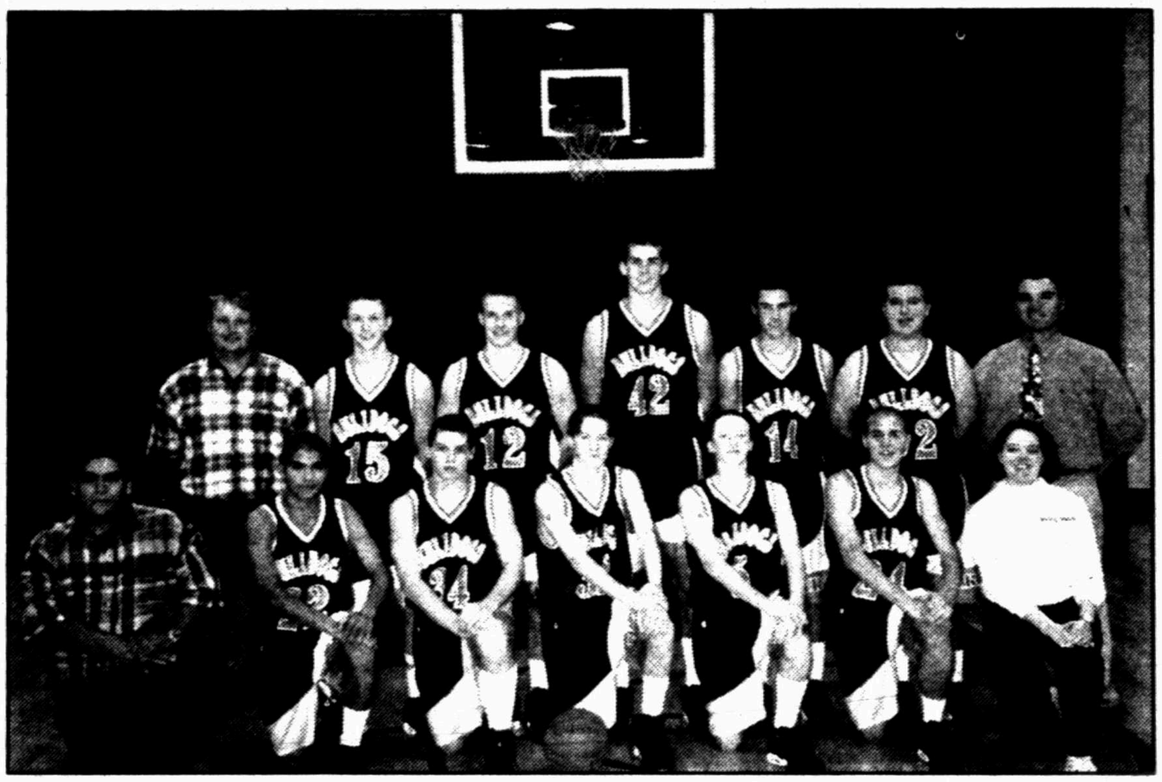
Joining Brown and Daves on the Bulldog squad are Nathan Smith, Richard Wilkins, Jenson Gainer, Jose Juarez, Drew Wall, Bryce Wilkins, Terry Jamison and Seth Sterling.

Juarez brings the threat of quickness to the floor. The speedy junior advanced to the state cross country meet earlier this year in Austin.

Richard Wilkins could be the squad's best outside shooting threat.

Ira opened district play Friday night with a 51-41 victory over Grady in which Brown canned 24 points.

Tuesday night, Ira whipped up on Westbrook, 68-41, and will play host to Sands Friday night.



IRA BULLDOGS — Members of the Ira Bulldogs basketball team are, front row, left to right, Moses Williams, Jose Juarez, Terry Jamison, Bryce Wilkins, Nathan Smith and Drew Wall. On the back row are asst. coach Toby Goodwin, Jenson Gainer, Jerek Brown, Logan Daves, Richard Wilkins, Seth Sterling and head coach Bubba Edwards.

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Lady 'Dogs look to forget 1998

Ira girls searching for playoff berth

IRA — After posting a 20-win season last year, most basketball teams would be hoping to repeat the performance this season.

But not the Ira Lady Bulldogs.

They had just as soon forget about last year and their play this season is going a long way toward erasing those memories.

A year ago, the Lady Bulldogs entered district play with a 18-1 mark, only to finish 20-5 overall, missing a playoff berth.

This year, the Ira girls carried an 11-7 record into league action, knowing that the most important part of the season is just now beginning."

"I think there's a little carry-over from last year," Lady Bulldog head coach Jason Weese said. "All of these girls remember what happened and none of them want to go through that again."

One disadvantage for the Lady Bulldogs this time around, is the loss of leading scorer Terri Robinson.

Robinson, who led Ira in scoring the previous three years, will be relegated to spectator for possibly the rest of her season, after suffering a knee injury during tournament action three weeks ago.

Taking up the slack in Robinson's absence has been sophomore Morgan Clements.

Clements leads the team in point production and has set two tournament records for scoring this year. The most recent mark coming at the Klondike Cotton Classic when she posted game totals of 31, 22 and 20 to set a tourney record of 73 points.

Joining Clements in the Lady Bulldogs' chase for a postseason berth are Brook Wilkes, Korby Calley, Kristen Harless, Tara Allen, Audra Oliver, E'Lissa Goolsby and Davi Barnes.

Calley and Harless both poured in eight points in Ira's final district tune-up.

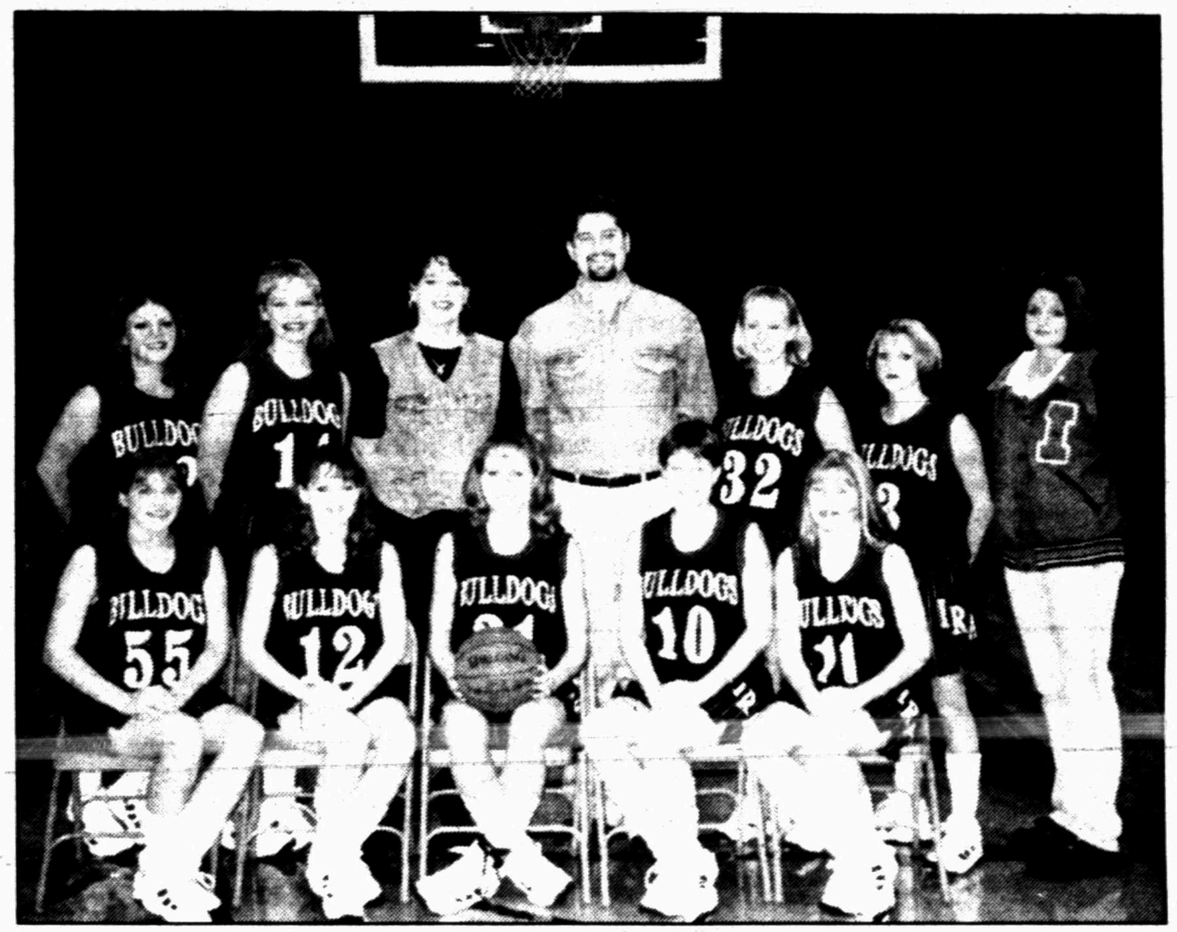
Goolsby has proven to be an offensive threat, while Wilkes, Barnes, Allen and Oliver have turned in some stellar performances this year as well.

The District 18 favorite for 1999 is Borden County. The Lady Coyotes took the district title in '98 and could do the same this year.

Rounding out District 18 are Sands, Grady and Westbrook.

The Lady Bulldogs opened league play Friday night at Grady, bowing 63-40. The Lady Bulldogs hosted Westbrook Tuesday night, winning, 62-43. Ira hosts Sands Friday night.

In what could end up being a crucial district contest, Ira hosts Borden County in the regular season finale Feb. 5.



IRA LADY BULLDOGS — Members of the Ira Lady Bulldogs basketball team are, front row, left to right, Davi Barnes, Tara Allen, Morgan Clements, Korby Calley and Kristen Harless. On the back row are Terri Robinson, Audra Oliver, asst. coach Kristi Goodwin, head coach Jason Weese, E'Lissa Goolsby and Brook Wilkes.

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Midland	1	0	14	2
New Mexico	1	0	13	3
Clarendon	1	0	7	2
Western Texas	0	1	12	5
Odessa	0	1	11	3
South Plains	0	1	9	8
Frank Phillips	0	1	5	11

Thursday's games: Howard at WTC; South Plains at Frank Phillips; Clarendon at Odessa; New Mexico at Midland.

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

It would come as no surprise if the Western Texas Lady Dusters felt a little dizzy at this point in the season — considering the abrupt turnaround they've made.

After winning only seven games all of last year, a talented recruiting class and three solid returnees had the Lady Dusters ranked fifth in the WJCAC pre-season poll.

Now, after posting a 12-4 non-conference mark, WTC is regarded around the league as a team that could battle for one of the four postseason berths.

Second-year head coach Valery Jackson, a former Lady Duster player during WTC's dominant span in the late '80s, has steered the program back into respectable basketball territory.

A successful campaign in the tough WJCAC would have the Lady Dusters facing 180 degrees from where it was two years ago when they could muster just two victories.

"The team is excited about conference play. The girls are ready to see how far they've come so far," Jackson said. "Getting to where we are now has been a lot of hard work, but it's also been very enjoyable."

Considered one of the toughest junior college conferences in the nation, having success in the WJCAC is never an easy task for any team.

Three of the league's teams are ranked in the JUCO Top-25, with Howard holding the highest spot at No. 4. Midland sits in the eleventh slot, with New Mexico at No. 23.

But despite the caliber of competition and the early success, the season would still be somewhat of a disappointment if the Lady Dusters (0-1 in conference action) didn't make the regional tournament, according to Jackson.

"I think we have good chance to make the postseason and I think it will be a disappointment if we don't," she remarked. "We have talented players with great attitudes. We realize that we have the opportunity to make a run at the playoffs if we put forth the effort every time we step on the court for practice or a game."

WTC discovered earlier this week what it will take to still be playing come March. Riding a four-game winning streak, the youthful Lady Dusters were given a rude introduction to conference play by New Mexico. The Lady Thunderbirds dominated all facets of the game in the first half of the league opener, before cruising to a 86-61 victory.

Coach Jackson's 10 freshman now know what to expect in a rugged league tilt.

"We had some jitters for the conference opener," the WTC coach stated. "Our freshmen were kind of overwhelmed at the start, but they settled down and played better in the second half. In that second half, they learned they can compete with these other teams."

Having only three returning players (Christy Wells, Pam Odhuong'o and Latasha Vizcorrondo) can make it



Valery Jackson

Lady Duster statistics

Kathy Tran, 5-10, fresh., Santee, Calif.
FG: 35% FT: 60% PTS: 106 REB: 65 ASST: 27

Carrie Fincher, 5-4, fresh., Spur
FG: 26% FT: 43% PTS: 61 REB: 26 ASST: 44

Heather Moon, 5-11, fresh., Big Lake
FG: 33% FT: 67% PTS: 60 REB: 17 ASST: 26

Danielle Brown, 5-9, fresh., Cedar Park
FG: 26% FT: 56% PTS: 77 REB: 50 ASST: 16

Crystal Williams, 5-8, fresh., Corpus Christi
FG: 45% FT: 59% PTS: 159 REB: 27 ASST: 23

Latasha Vizcorrondo, 5-10, soph., Gretna, La.
FG: 41% FT: 56% PTS: 92 REB: 47 ASST: 5

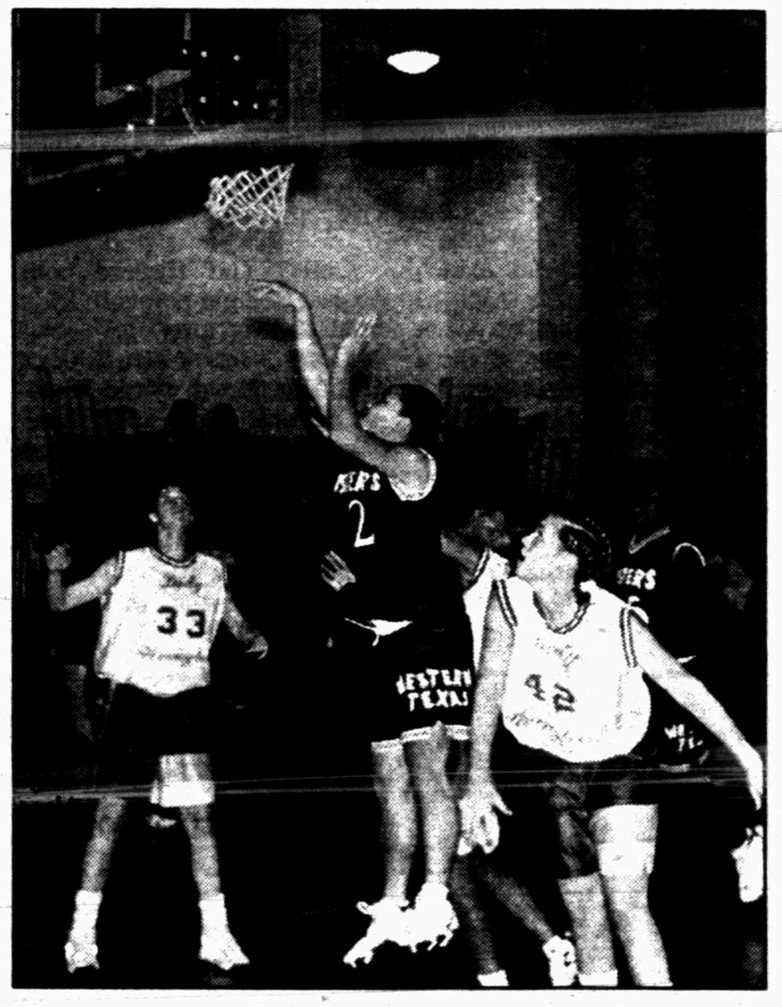
Christy Wells, 5-10, soph., Lubbock
FG: 36% FT: 53% PTS: 162 REB: 74 ASST: 59

April Walker, 5-10, fresh., Spur
FG: 49% FT: 45% PTS: 138 REB: 89 ASST: 10

Mary Cavazos, 5-9, fresh., Crosbyton
FG: 41% FT: 75% PTS: 101 REB: 34 ASST: 6

Rosalind Lawrence, 5-8, fresh., Cleburne
FG: 35% FT: 74% PTS: 147 REB: 82 ASST: 34

Pam Odhuong'o, 6-2, soph., Nairobi, Kenya
FG: 42% FT: 62% PTS: 230 REB: 182 ASST: 10



EASY BUCKET — WTC's Kathy Tran registers another bucket during action earlier this season at Cisco. The freshman guard is averaging over six points and four rebounds per contest. (SDN Staff Photo)

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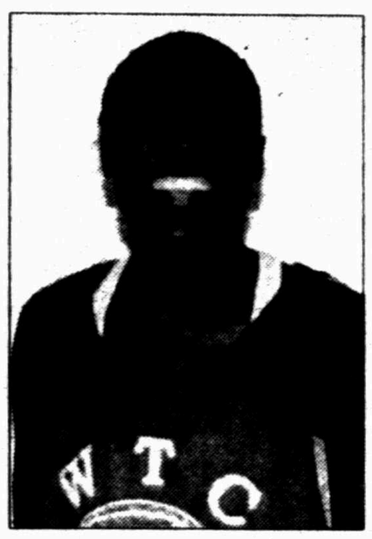
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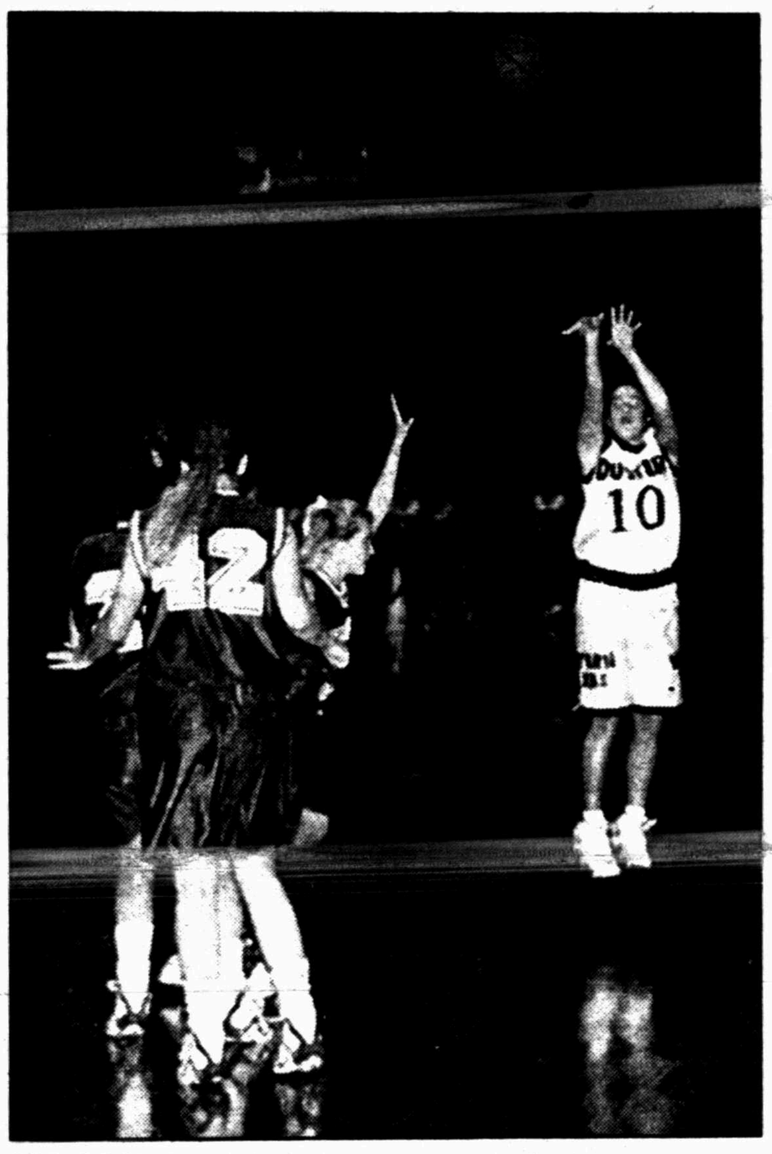
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Christy Wells



Pam Odhuong'o



ALL ALONE — WTC point guard Carrie Fincher was left wide open for this long-range shot during a non-conference tilt last month. (SDN Staff Photo)

rough during crucial moments in a ballgame. Therefore, keeping those three returnees healthy throughout the conference schedule will be vital to WTC's success.

"We need to have all three of our sophomores healthy. They know how to raise their level of play when it counts and they can raise the level of play of the girls around them," Jackson explained.

"Christy Wells will be very important to this team during conference. She struggled a little bit early on, compared to last year. But since the holidays she has been helping carry us on the offensive end."

Wells, a Lubbock Monterey product, is second on the team in scoring and owns the highest shooting percentage. Odhuong'o is tops in points, averaging 13.5 per outing.

Facing upcoming dates with Howard and Midland, WTC will need all the offense it can muster, to go along with strong efforts on the defensive end. Howard enters tonight's match-up at Scurry County Coliseum averaging over 82 points and 42 rebounds per game.

"Howard, Midland and New Mexico are definately considered the favorites in the conference," said Jackson. "All three of them have beaten some highly-ranked opponents already this year."

Howard is sporting a 16-1 mark, while Midland carries a 14-2 record, with New Mexico at 13-3. They've impressive numbers to carry around, but Jackson knows that when all is said and done, the only wins that count are the ones that come during January and February.

"We have the ability to beat any team in our conference," she remarked. "We're playing with more confidence now and we're a better defensive team. If we can rely on our defense, which has been pretty effective for the most part this season, then I think we can surprise some people."

With Howard, Midland and New Mexico considered to have the top three spots all but locked up, that leaves five squads to battle for the WJCAC's final postseason berth.

The Lady Dusters have the fourth-best overall record. Also toting winning marks are Clarendon (7-2), Odessa (11-3) and South Plains (9-8). Among Nos. 4 through 7 in the conference standings, only Clarendon won its league opener. Frank Phillips rounds out the conference with a 5-11 record.

Following tonight's 7:30 contest against Howard, the Lady Dusters travel to Clarendon on Monday and to Odessa on Jan. 25, with Frank Phillips squeezing in a visit to WTC in between.

Should WTC need to make up ground during the second half of the WJCAC race, the schedule is in the Lady Dusters' favor.

Over the final seven-game span, WTC will have the advantage of being at home to face New Mexico, Clarendon, Odessa and Midland.

The regional tourney is slated for March 2-4 on the campus of Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene. The national tournament will be March 16-20 in Salina, Kan.



TIMEOUT TALK — Western Texas coach Valery Jackson talks to Heather Moon (left) and Carrie Fincher (10) during a break in the action at Scurry County Coliseum. Jackson, a former WTC player, is in her second season on the Lady Dusters sideline. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Lady Cardinals set for title run

Hermleigh girls vying for third straight crown

Every high school basketball team strives to be district champion, yet it is a distinction which only one squad per year can carry.

Winning the league crown is an honor.

Winning it in back-to-back years, as the Hermleigh Lady Cardinals have done the past two seasons, is outstanding.

But the Lady Cards aren't satisfied. What they want to accomplish would be remarkable — a three-peat, back-to-back-to-back girls district basketball titles.

And if the first half of the season is any indication, Hermleigh is well on its way to its third consecutive crown.

Under second-year coach Rocky Clindaniel, the Lady Cards are sporting a 12-7 record overall and a 1-1 mark in league play, heading into Friday.

Hermleigh, fresh off a tourney championship over the weekend at Westbrook, is poised for its district run.

"The girls really know what they want and they work hard to accomplish it," Clindaniel said. "They remember last year. There's some parts of it they like to remember and some parts they want to forget."

The Lady Cardinals have fresh in their minds the thrill of last year's title, but had rather forget the bi-distict loss to Sterling City which followed.

"We know we didn't play our best in the playoff game last year," Clindaniel said. "These girls want to get back there and prove what they can really do."

Leading the charge for Hermleigh once again is Jennifer Roemisch. The senior post player is averaging close to 30 points per game, while hauling in double-digit rebound totals with each outing.

"Jennifer was really disappointed with how last year ended," Clindaniel said. "She worked really hard in the offseason and it's paying off now."

The Lady Cards' roster may not be long, but quality contributions from each player is what drives the squad.

Kendra Dacus and Randi Herrington make large contributions both in points and rebounds, as does Chasity Perales, Crystal Jackson and Brandi Wood. Sheena Callaway can score as well as distribute the ball from her guard position.

"Each girl knows her strengths and weaknesses and she plays to them," Clindaniel said. "This is an overall team effort."

Team effort has put Hermleigh back on track for their third consecutive title and the Lady Cards are counting on it to carry through to postseason success.



HERMLEIGH LADY CARDINALS — Members of the Hermleigh Lady Cardinals basketball team are, front row, left to right, Randi Herrington, Crystal Jackson and Kendra Nachlinger. On the middle row are Kendra Dacus, Amber Yruegas, Sheena Callaway and Chasity Perales. On the back row are Andrea Rodriguez, Jennifer Roemisch, Brandy Wood, Samantha Smith and coach Rocky Clindaniel. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Cards look to get back on track

Hermleigh hopes second season brings success

The Hermleigh Cardinals are embarking on what they consider to be not the second half of the basketball season, but a second season all together.

The early part of the season was not kind to second-year coach Juan Rios' Hermleigh squad. After 11 non-district contests and two district ballgames, the Cardinals are still searching for that elusive first victory.

But after winning the league title in his first year at the helm, Rios knows that once the first win gets notched, anything can happen.

"We didn't win that many games during non-district last year either," Rios remembers. "But then we went on to win district. We know that anything can happen now and that everybody starts out even once district play begins."

Despite their 0-13 record, the Cards have held leads and had chances to come out on top in many of their ballgames, only to fall victim to an opponent's rally.

"We've been in almost every game we've played," said Rios. "It just seems like there's always that one cruical span of minutes where we break down a little bit and the other team makes a run to take control of the game."

If Hermleigh is to give a repeat peformance of last season's playoff berth, it will likely rely on a steady platoon of players.

A number of players are capable of leading the Cardinals in scoring on any given night.

Joey Garza and Andy Luna have shown they have the capabilities of putting the ball in the hole on a regular basis.

Another power underneath is Billy Lambaren. The Hermleigh post power can not only score but get on the glass as well. Lambaren is leading the squad in rebounds with more than 10 per contest.

Caleb Callaway, David Digby and Jared Higgins also play a major role on the Cardinal squad, as do Rocky Gill, Jeremy Roemisch, Alfonso Rangel and Tony Molina.

"We don't have just one superstar on this team," Rios remarked. "What we have is a bunch of guys chipping in and doing what they can do best each time they step on the floor. Every kid on this team contributes in some way, whether it's on the offensive end or the defensive end."

Armed with a number of vital players and having wiped the slate clean to start district play, the Cardinals are capable of anything in their most important second season.



HERMLEIGH CARDINALS — Members of the Hermleigh Cardinals basketball team are, front row, left to right, Andy Luna, Jeremy Roemisch and Jared Higgins. On the middle row are Melissa Berkley, Alfonso Rangel, Tony Molina and Maria Luna. On the back row are Jennifer Hernandez, Joey Garza, Billy Lambaren, Caleb Callaway and coach Juan Rios. Not pictured is Rocky Gill. (SDN Staff Photo)

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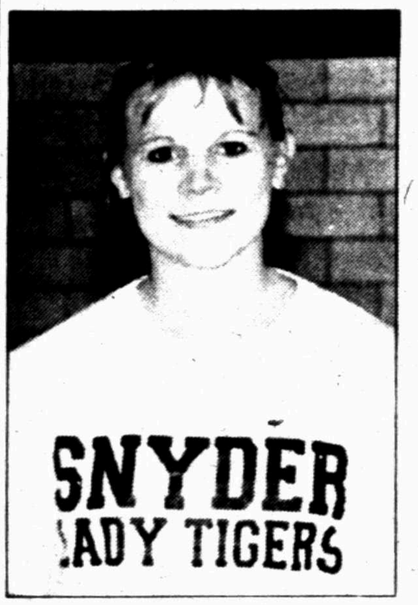
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Lady Tigers take aim at playoffs

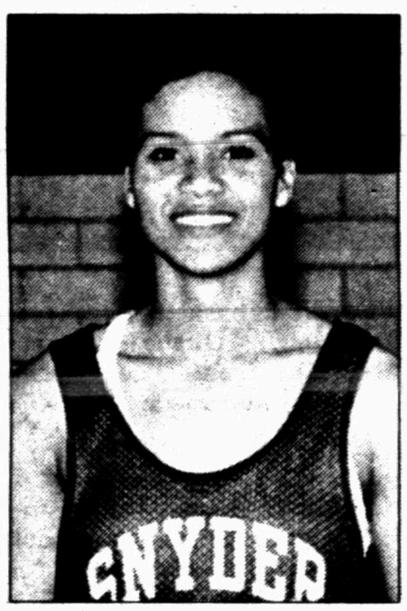


Shannon Hall
5-8, senior
guard

— very athletic

— excellent 3-point shooter

— hard-nosed player



Alicia Peoples
6-0, senior
post

— great athlete

— tireless rebounder

— versatile post player

By Eric Drennan
Sport Editor

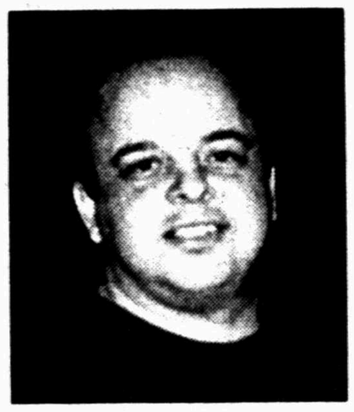
Now in their third year under head coach Rick Archer, the Snyder Lady Tigers believe they are poised to make their strongest bid for a postseason berth in quite some time.

After back-to-back seasons which saw them finish out of the playoff chase, and a sub-.500 non-district record this year, a postseason trip or even perhaps a district title is on the minds of the Lady Tigers in '99.

"We've believed all season that we are good enough to make the playoffs," Archer said of his ballclub. "Now we just have to make it happen."

In fact, before a plague of injuries beset Snyder, there was even talk of a District 5-4A championship.

"Totally healthy, we can



Rick Archer



I'M WIDE-OPEN — Snyder's Kristin Murray (31) signals for the ball, while fellow Lady Tiger Shannon Hall puts up a shot and Katie Voss gets position for the rebound. The Lady Tigers topped Big Spring in the contest, raising their 5-4A mark to 2-0. (SDN Staff Photo)

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win this district," Archer stated. "Now that we have some injuries, we're just trying to take it one game at a time and make sure we give ourselves the best chance for making the playoffs."

The Lady Tigers (10-11, 2-0) are already on the right path, having started league play with a 66-38 shellacking of Andrews and a 48-25 rout of Big Spring.

Also considered among the top teams in 5-4A is Sweetwater. The Lady Mustangs possess that potent combination of quick guards and strong post play, much like the Lady Tigers.

"Sweetwater is pretty good," the SHS coach remarked. "They have a tough post player, but also some good three-point shooters. You have to be careful not to concentrate so much on the big girl in the middle, that you give them wide-open looks at the basket from the outside."

Archer's words could also describe the sentiments of coaches preparing to face the Lady Tigers.

Senior post Alicia Peoples and senior guards Shannon Hall and Mandy Hess can be a lethal trio.

Peoples, a "tireless rebounder" according to Archer, can take over on the inside. The senior poured in 26 points in an overtime victory against Wylie earlier this season.

But if teams devote too much focus on Peoples, Hall can catch fire from the outside, burying buckets from behind the arc or driving and passing the ball to an open teammate. Hall heads the list of Lady Tiger sharp-shooters, leading the team in three-point baskets.

Hess is a floor leader who can hit the open jump shot or penetrate the defense for a layup.

Joining Peoples in the middle is a group of players that give Snyder its tallest lineup in recent memory.

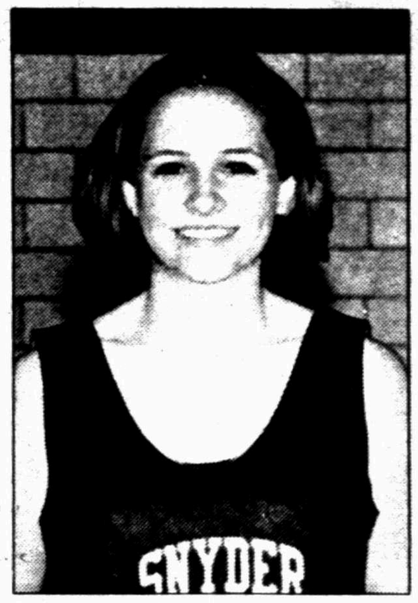
Junior Lexie Beard, sophomore Kameron Kallemeyn and freshman Katie Voss have all contributed solid minutes in the paint so far.

Teaming up with Hall and Hess at the guard spots is a platoon of athletic, but inexperienced underclassmen.

Kristin Murray, T'Leah Eicke, Rina Gieger and Cameron Mackey, all sophomores, have split time at both guard spots, with Murray, the only returnee of the group, also playing on the wing.

Injury has been the main topic surrounding the Lady Tiger program since the season began. Snyder has been forced to field an abbreviated roster for every game this season, with players missing a combined 39 games due to injury.

"This is the worst injury situation that I've ever been around," Archer remarked. "It just keeps piling up and then when we do get someone

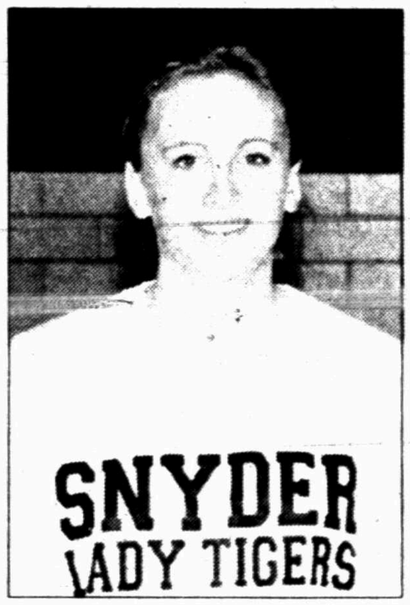


T'Leah Eicke
5-9, sophomore
guard

— well-rounded athlete

— excellent 3-point shooter

— constantly hustling



Kameron Kallemeyn
6-0, sophomore
post

— good athlete

— emotionally tough

— good rebounder



Mandy Hess
5-11, senior
guard

— floor leader

— intense competitor

— always hustling

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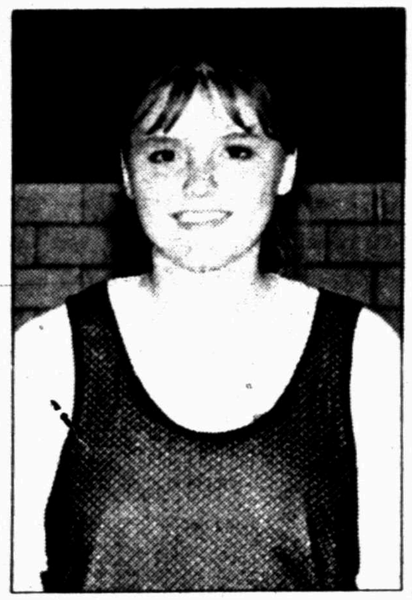
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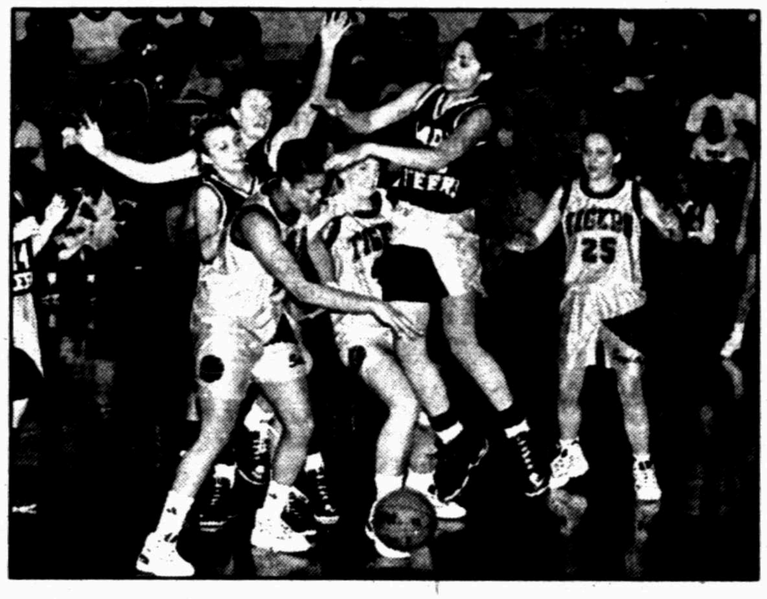


Katie Voss
6-1, freshman
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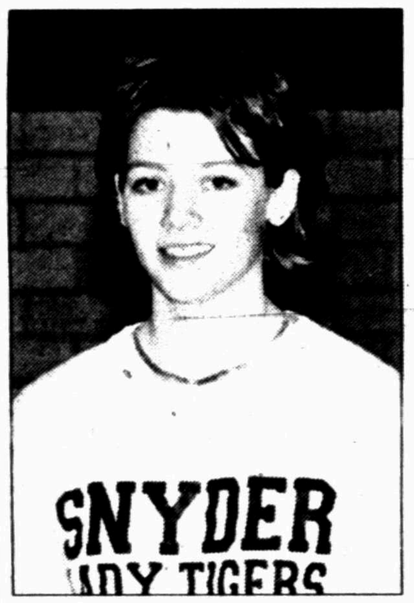
— good shooter

— good rebounder

— very aggressive defender



I WAS HERE FIRST — Snyder's Kameron Kallemeyn (45) gets landed on by a Big Spring player while helping teammate Alicia Peoples battle for a loose ball. (SDN Staff Photo)

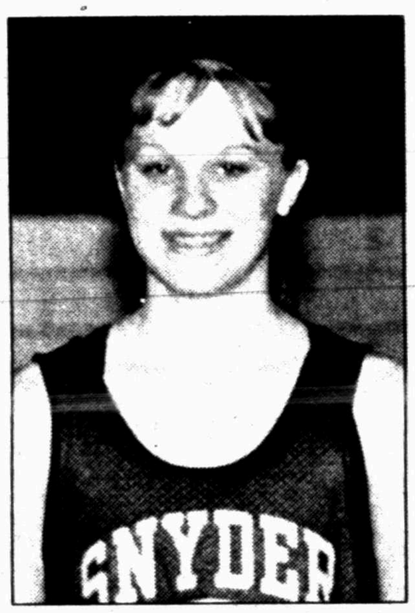


Callie Bane
5-10, sophomore
guard

— hard worker

— always intense

— hard-nosed defensive player



Kristin Murray
5-11, sophomore
guard

— good shooter

— tough defender

— very versatile

back, someone else goes down."

Among those sidelined this season have been Ashley Delce, Callie Bane and Mandy Hess, all of whom suffered knee injuries.

Delce, a sophomore shot-blocker and inside scorer, is scheduled for surgery in late January and will miss the remainder of the season with a torn anterior cruciate ligament.

Bane, a returning sophmore guard, had drawn a starting role before suffering an injury after only eight games. Originally expected to be out for the rest of the year, Bane could return as early as mid-January.

Hess, perhaps the squad's most versatile player, went down during the Abilene High tournament, 10 days prior to the district opener. Hess underwent arthroscopic knee surgery and could be back in the line-up by the Jan. 26 contest at home against Andrews.

Snyder's record in the face of such adversity is a testament to the squad's depth.

"We've not only had to play inexperienced players for extensive minutes this year, we've started them sometimes," the third-year coach said. "But the girls deserve the credit. It's been a little rocky at times, but pretty much everytime we stick someone in there, they get the job done."

The marquee match-up for the Lady Tigers in the early

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part of the district race could be the Jan. 19 tilt at Sweetwater, as both teams have solid chances to be 3-0 when the contest tips-off. Snyder and Sweetwater meet again in the ninth game of the 5-4A schedule Feb. 5 at the SHS gym.

Two games into the district schedule, Snyder shares the top spot in the standings at 2-0 with Sweetwater and Lake View.

The Lady Mustangs knocked off Big Spring, before thrashing Ft. Stockton, 74-17. Sweetwater visits Lake View on Saturday.

The Maidens took care of Ft. Stockton in the opener, then toppled Andrews, 54-49.

Snyder follows its trip to Sweetwater on Tuesday, with a home date Jan. 22 against Lake View. A pair of Lady Tiger victories over the course of four days would put them in the district's driver's seat.

5-4A Girls

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Team	W	L	W	L
Snyder	2	0	10	11
Sweetwater	2	0	17	4
Lake View	2	0	9	11
Andrews	0	2	5	15
Ft. Stockton	0	2	4	15
Big Spring	0	2	4	17

Friday's games: Snyder at Ft. Stockton; Andrews at Big Spring; Sweetwater at Lake View.

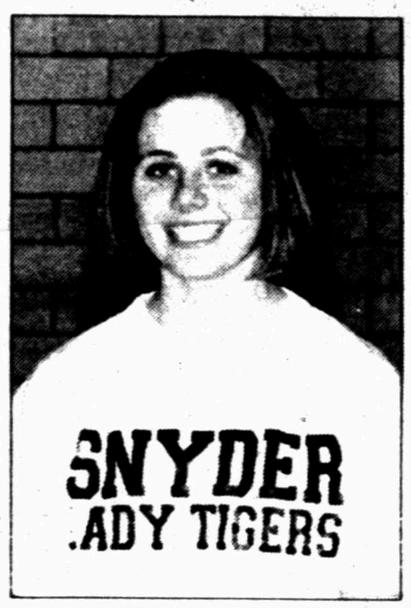


Rina Geiger
5-10, sophomore
guard

— great athlete

— very intense defender

— slasher

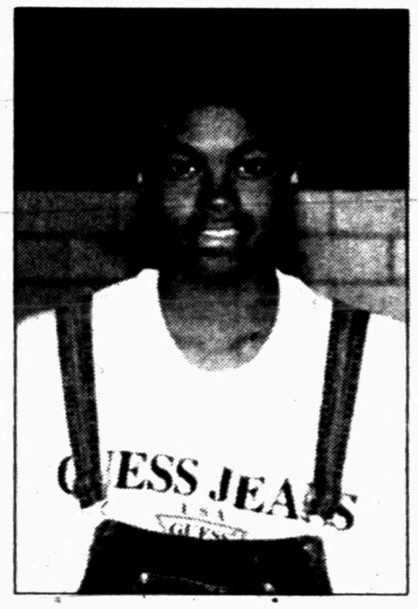


Cameron Mackey
5-8, sophomore
guard

— good athlete

— hard-nosed competitor

— tough defender



Ashley Delce
5-11, sophomore
post

— excellent athlete

— great rebounder

— tough defender



Lexie Beard
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— good passer

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Feb.	12	Andrews	T	7:30
Feb.	16	Big Spring	H	7:30

LADY TIGERS

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Feb.	9	Lake View	T	6:00

LADY DUSTERS

Jan.	11	New Mexico	T	5:50
Jan.	14	Howard	H	7:30
Jan.	18	Clarendon	T	5:50
Jan.	21	Frank Phillips	H	7:30
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Feb.	4	New Mexico	H	7:30
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Feb.	11	Clarendon	H	7:30
Feb.	15	Frank Phillips	T	5:50
Feb.	18	Odessa	H	7:30
Feb.	22	South Plains	T	5:50
Feb.	25	Midland	H	7:30

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Jan.	8	Grady	T	6:30
Jan.	12	Westbrook	H	6:30
Jan.	15	Sands	H	6:30
Jan.	19	Borden Cnty.	T	6:30
Jan.	22	Open		
Jan.	26	Westbrook	T	6:30
Jan.	29	Grady	H	6:30
Feb.	2	Sands	T	6:30
Feb.	5	Borden Cnty.	H	6:30
Feb.	9	Open		

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Jan.	5	Loraine	H	6:30
Jan.	12	Blackwell	T	6:30
Jan.	15	Highland	H	6:30
Jan.	19	Trent	T	6:30
Jan.	22	Open		
Jan.	26	Loraine	T	6:30
Jan.	29	Blackwell	H	6:30
Feb.	2	Highland	T	6:30
Feb.	5	Trent	H	6:30
Feb.	9	Open		