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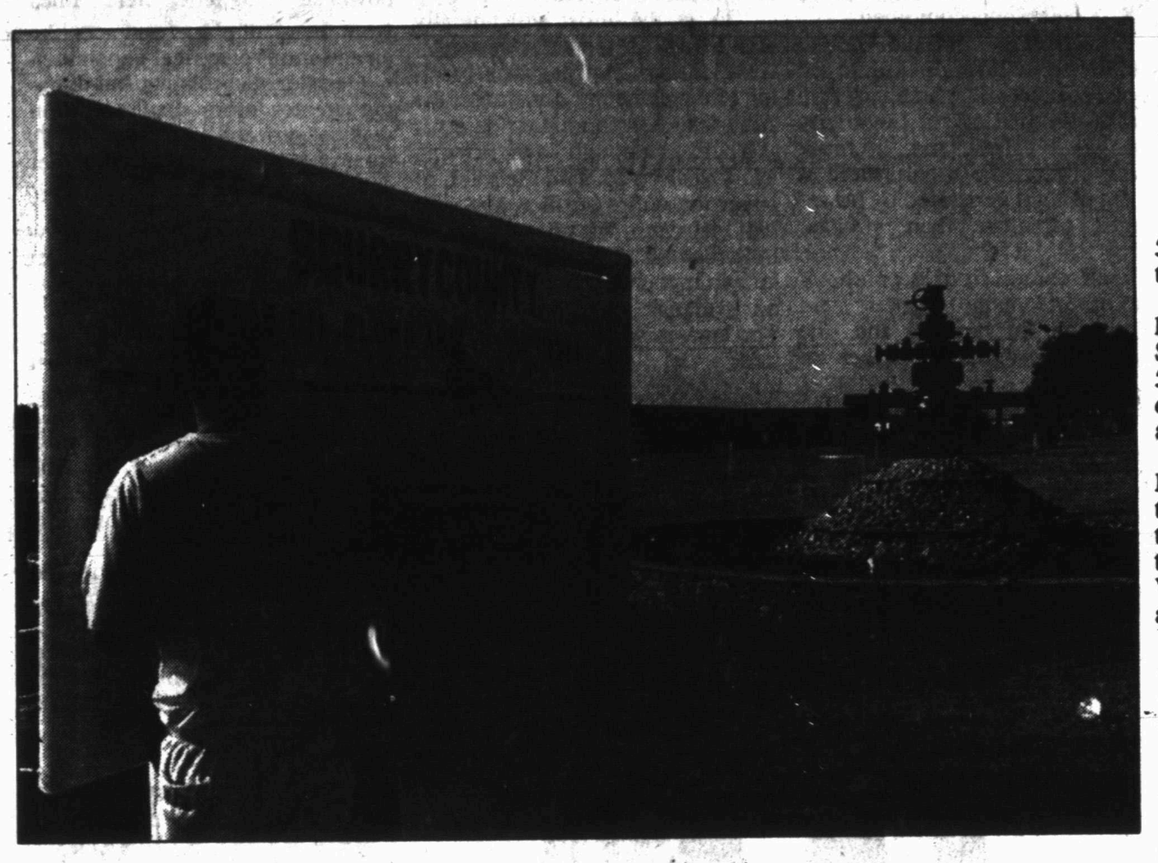


SPRUCED UP — The community work force at the Price Daniel Unit has been busy this week helping prepare Scurry County Coliseum for the Oil Appreciation Banquet and Show set for Saturday. Here, a new sign is being lettered to match the refurbished "Christmas tree" fountain shown in the background. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Tickets will be on sale today until 5 p.m. for oil banquet

Tickets will be on sale through 5 p.m. today for the oil appreciation banquet set for Saturday.

The 6 p.m. banquet will highlight a full day of activities at the Scurry County Coliseum as some 50 oil-related businesses or individuals will have displays beginning at 10 a.m.

A reception, hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baze, will honor those in the oil industry. The reception and tea will be held from 2-4 p.m. in the Scurry County Museum on the Western Texas College campus and the public is invited.

There is no cost to see the displays on the coliseum grounds or within the coliseum during the day Saturday.

There are still banquet tickets available, but none will be available after today's deadline.

Over 350 tickets have been sold, said Sandra Barboza of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets are $12.50 each for adults and $6.25 for children.

The standard fare for oilfield folks will be served — chicken fried steak with all the trimmings.

Decorations will reflect the oil industry, complete with Thermos bottles and lunch kits on the tables.

There will be displays throughout the coliseum depicting the early days of oil in Scurry County, and present day technology.

Scheduled to have exhibits are Pennzoil, Chevron USA Production Co., Inc., Mobil Exploration and Production, E.D. Walton Construction Co., Weatherford, Pool Co. Inc., BJ Services, Reef Chemical, Halliburton, Sun Pipeline Co., Mapco Pipeline, Dresser Industries, Tuboscope, Patterson Drilling, Red Man Supply and the EMS rescue team.

Others are ESP, Eddins Walcher, Yale E. Key, Cooper Cameron Ind., Production Pump, Dickens County Electric Co-Op, Sulsur Pump, Diamond D, Midwestern Service and LSI.

Also having displays will be Excel Inspection Service, Honeywell, Leamco, Musselwhite Trucking, TU Electric and Ira Pump and Supply.

Also, 5-R Management, Aline Parks, Western Texas College, Mesquite Oil Tool, Texas Railroad Commission, RichCo, Arrow Completion Systems, York Vacuum Trucks, WSI Cased Hole Specialists, Torch Energy and KVI USA.

Still others are the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Big Country Chevrolet, Midwest Electric Co-Op, Permian Communications and John's Pump and Supply.

Espy Price, vice president of Chevron USA, will deliver the keynote address at the banquet.

The celebration is honoring three historic events in Scurry County — the first oil well in the county brought in on Oct. 9, 1923 in the Sharon Ridge field, the 50th anniversary of the Canyon Reef well brought in on Nov. 19, 1948 and the billionth barrel of oil produced on Oct. 8, 1973.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Life, like a mirror, never gives back more than we put into it."

This weekend, the community will be reflecting on the history of the oil patch in Scurry County.

Discovery of oil and the resulting boom brought all sorts of rugged individuals to the community. It took grit to survive.

Like many boom towns, the available amenities did not keep pace with the new-found population. As a result, cot houses sprang up.

And there are still folks in Snyder who remember that those cots were rented for eight hour shifts. When it was time to be back on the rig, the cot was then rented to somebody else.

The oil patch also produced a number of characters — perhaps even legends. Behind the rugged exteriors were men of big hearts and a great sense of humor.

One fellow attracted to Snyder, and one of our all-time favorite oil patch characters, was the late Bill Atwood, owner of Atwood Construction Co.

He made his living in the oilfield service business, but he often opened his checkbook to help others — like using his airplane to fly a sick child down state for medical treatment.

Atwood, a former major league catcher, enjoyed competition. And it was hard for him to turn down a wager.

One morning about 4 o'clock, Atwood waked up his wife, Claudene, and announced, "Mamma, we got to go open up."

"Open up what?" she asked.

Bill revealed that he had won a cafe located at Union in a poker game. And as soon as they got the lights on that morning, crews were already waiting for breakfast and a sack lunch.

Mrs. Atwood said they kept the roadside cafe about 2½ months. "It took me that long to get it cleaned up so we could sell it."

And another Atwood story concerned a wager he had with Roger Mize, long-time president of Snyder National Bank.

Both attended the early-morning Sunday school class taught by Miller Robinson.

There was a challenge to see who could bring the most visitors to the class. Mize and Atwood agreed on the terms: the one who brought the most visitors would have breakfast prepared by the loser.

Mize did a yeoman's job of rounding up prospects, but Bill Atwood had a game plan of his own to ensure that Mize would have to cook breakfast for the class.

At the next class meeting, Atwood brought all his roustabout hands. According to Mize, Atwood paid 'em regular oilfield wages that morning to attend Bible class.

Counts' Appreciation Day set Thursday on WTC campus

State Rep. David Counts will be honored on the Western Texas College campus Thursday with an appreciation luncheon in recognition for his contributions to education in Scurry County.

The luncheon is all part of David Counts Appreciation Day on the WTC campus.

In addition to the luncheon, there will be several meetings, including an address by Counts at 9:30 a.m. to WTC students, faculty and staff in the Fine Arts Theater.

Prior to that, Counts will tour the college's Distance Learning Center from 9-9:30 a.m.

A faculty reception will also be held from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the faculty lounge.

Thursday afternoon, there will be a reception sponsored by local chapters of the Association for Texas Professional Educators and the Texas State Teachers Association.

The reception will be from 3:30-5 p.m. at the Dermott School on the grounds of the Scurry County Coliseum.

Western Texas College president Dr. Harry Krenek said Rep. Counts has always been a friend of WTC.

"Throughout his tenure in the legislature, David has always been supportive of education, and especially the programs at Western Texas College," Dr. Krenek said.

"He has always been accessible to us, and is quick to inform us of issues that might be of concern to the college."

Counts, a Democrat, is opposed for the 70th District House seat by Republican Scott McLaughlin of Big Spring.

Budget agreement once again eludes White House, Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Republican-led Congress, still at odds with the White House over education policy and several other intractable issues, was moving today to pass yet another temporary measure to keep the government open until a deal can be reached on the 1999 budget.

The stopgap measure would keep federal agencies running for another two days, through Friday. The fiscal year began on Oct. 1.

House Democrats, while eager to pass a budget so they can go home and campaign for the Nov. 3 elections, generally saw the drawn-out talks, now in their second week, as a plus.

House Democratic Caucus Chairman Rep. Vic Fazio, D-Calif., said it was the first time since the White House sex scandal broke that Democrats have been able to focus attention on their issues. "Most Democrats feel that we've had a very productive week. We've certainly got the subject back to the issues."

Completion of the giant $500 billion bill hinged on a few relatively narrow but politically sensitive issues, including how to run a $1.1 billion program to improve the nation's schools, family planning and the 2000 census.

Republicans and the White House were close on a program aimed at increasing elementary school teachers.

"There are big philosophical differences on how this budget should be spent," said White House Chief of Staff Erskine Bowles, the chief administration negotiator.

Differences also remained on a so-called emergency spending bill to accompany the main package.

Sales tax rebates takes large drop

Snyder's sale tax rebate for October took a drop of over $22,000 from the same time last year.

This is according to figures released from State Comptroller John Sharp's office.

Last year, the city received $131,528.08 in sales tax rebates, while receiving only $109,396.23 this year.

That is a decrease of almost 17 percent.

Lamesa's rebate dropped over 22 percent.

That city received $72,792.60 in 1997, and $56,585.76 this year.

Sweetwater also received less money this year than last.

In 1997, Sweetwater received $129,588.14, while that city's most recent check was for $115,036.76 — a drop of just over 11 percent.

Among area communities posting gains were Roby and Colorado City.

Colorado City received $30,724.32, up 2.21 percent from last year's $30,057.60.

Roby had an increase of 14.83 percent in its rebate check — $1,220.18 as compared to $1,062.56 last year.

Cities across the state received a total of $159.3 million in monthly sales tax rebates which was an increase of some 7.8 percent over the figures in 1997.

October's rebates include local sales taxes collected on August sales and reported to the Comptroller in September by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

The largest check was delivered to the city of Houston in the amount of $20.3 million.

Dallas received $13.3 million.

Area sales tax rebates

City	October'98	October'97	+/-	Year'98	Year'97	+/-
Abilene	$1,745,984.43	$1,608,416.94	8.55%	$19,226,915.64	$18,041,407.37	6.57%
Big Spring	$245,433.19	265,786.95	-7.65%	$3,003,086.43	2,907,980.14	3.27%
Colorado City	$30,724.32	$30,057.60	2.21%	$359,202.27	$327,722.99	9.60%
Lamesa	$56,585.76	$72,792.60	-22.26%	$734,730.12	$712,653.18	3.09%
Lubbock	$1,901,492.58	$1,909,609.56	-0.42%	$20,819,405.95	$20,092,766.19	3.61%
Post	$14,162.17	$16,993.41	-16.66%	$191,221.44	$197,456.57	-3.15%
Roby	$1,220.18	$1,062.56	14.83%	$18,277.97	$18,574.26	-1.59%
Rotan	$7,035.63	$7,181.09	-2.02%	$99,728.18	$98,168.86	1.58%
Snyder	$109,396.23	$131,528.08	-16.82%	$1,221,480.57	$1,269,964.64	-3.81%
Sweetwater	$115,036.76	$129,588.14	-11.22%	$1,561,285.66	$1,482,623.56	5.30%

Ira, Hermleigh breeze through brief agendas

Both Ira and Hermleigh school boards met Tuesday night with short agendas.

At the Ira board meeting, the only action item was the approval of an agreement with Borden County ISD for tuition-free transfers.

Informational items such as financial statements and calendar of events were also presented to the Ira board.

In Hermleigh, three items of action were taken.

Trustees approved the teacher appraisal calendar and the teacher orientation manual.

Also approved at Hermleigh was the payment of bills.

ASK US

Q—Where does the United Way currently stand on its 1998-99 campaign?

A-The United Way is currently at 56 percent of its goal — or $35,917.63.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 86 degrees; low, 58; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 61; no precipitation; total for 1998, 7.08 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low near 60. S wind 10-20 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy, breezy. High, mid 80s. S wind 15-25 mph, gusty.

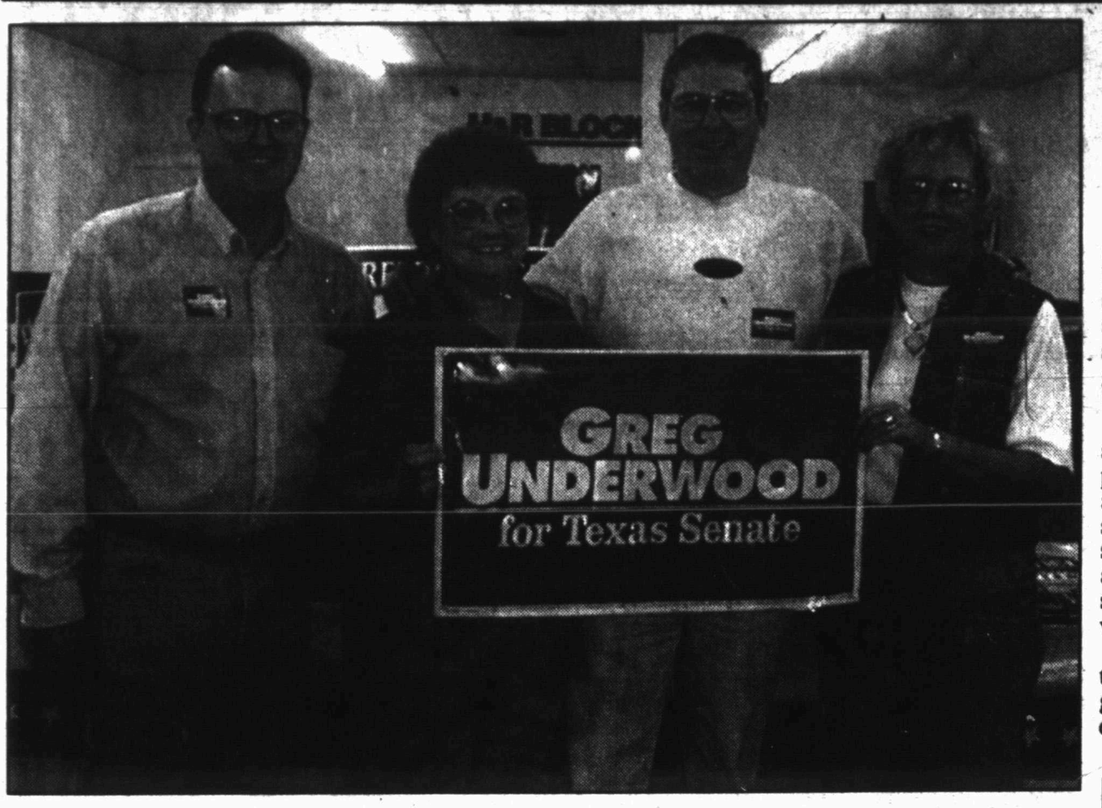
Brandon Hill
Gusty

Sunset: 7:13 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:47 a.m.
Of 286 days in 1998, the sun has shone 284 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Eyes that look are common. Eyes that see are rare."

J. Oswald Sanders



GREG UNDERWOOD — Greg Underwood, Democratic candidate for a seat in the Texas senate, was in town this past weekend campaigning door-to-door. Pictured are T.G. Caraway, executive vice president of Texas Young Democrats; Chloanne Lindsey, candidate for Precinct 4 commissioner; Underwood; and Linda Sellars, candidate for Precinct 2 commissioner. (SDN Staff Photo)

Little Io said big on volcanos, natural electricity, study says

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Io may be only a moon of Jupiter, but it puts on a planet-size energy show, with more than 30 volcanos spewing lava, fountains that spray streams of blue and a dynamo that generates more electricity than all U.S. power plants combined.

New photos from the Galileo satellite show lava glowing in red pools, scattered like an angry rash across the face of Io. Electricity sets gases aglow, and, in black space around the moon, there is an arc of light generated by power surges of more than 400,000 volts.

It all comes from a combination of volcanism, magnetic field generation of power and the enormous gravitation forces of Jupiter, the monster that is Io's mother planet, said Paul Geissler of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory.

Tidal forces from Jupiter twists and contort little Io, creating frictional heat that erupts in at least 32 volcanoes, he said.

"Io is the most volcanically active body in the solar system," Geissler said Tuesday at a meeting of the planetary division of the American Astronomical Society.

There is enough lava flowing every year on Io, said Geissler, to cover the entire surface almost a half inch deep. For this reason, the little moon is the only major body known in the solar system to have no evidence of asteroid craters. The lava erases impact marks, he said.

Pillon, a major Io volcano, spews lava that is about 2,600 degrees F., hundreds of degrees hotter than volcanos now active on Earth, said Geissler.

As it orbits Jupiter, Io intersects powerful magnetic field lines from the giant planet and acts like an enormous electrical generator.

Geissler said this natural dynamo creates more than a trillion watts of power — greater than the total output of all the U.S. power stations combined.

The power causes Io to glow when it is in the shadow of Jupiter and pictures from Galileo show the moon with a glimmering halo.

Near the surface, the combination of electricity and gases from the volcanoes create an even more unusual sight, said Geissler.

Sulfur dioxide venting from the volcanos is, energized by the charged particles from the electrical fields. The gas then glows in a brilliant blue.

Geissler said it works in the same way electricity causes chemical vapor to glow in street lights that use mercury vapor, which shines in a bluish white, or sodium vapor, which makes a yellowish light.

Cronkite:
CNN beat CBS to the punch

NEW YORK (AP) — When it comes to landing the most trusted man in America, the early bird gets the worm.

Walter Cronkite will lead CNN's coverage of John Glenn's return to space later this month. The anchorman said the cable news network's coup caught his former employers at CBS by surprise.

"Their reaction was 'Gosh, we wish we'd thought of it,'" he said Tuesday.

"This is all giving me the chance to play the game again the way we used to play it at the networks," he said. But he said he couldn't criticize CBS for not spending as much time on the flight.

Cronkite said he prefers to cover Glenn's launch for CNN because it had more time to cover space flights more like the major television networks did in the 1960s.

The former "CBS Evening News" anchor comes out of retirement on Oct. 26 to anchor, with Miles O'Brien, CNN's coverage of Glenn's liftoff in the space shuttle. He'll participate in CNN's coverage off and on until the shuttle's planned landing on Nov. 7.

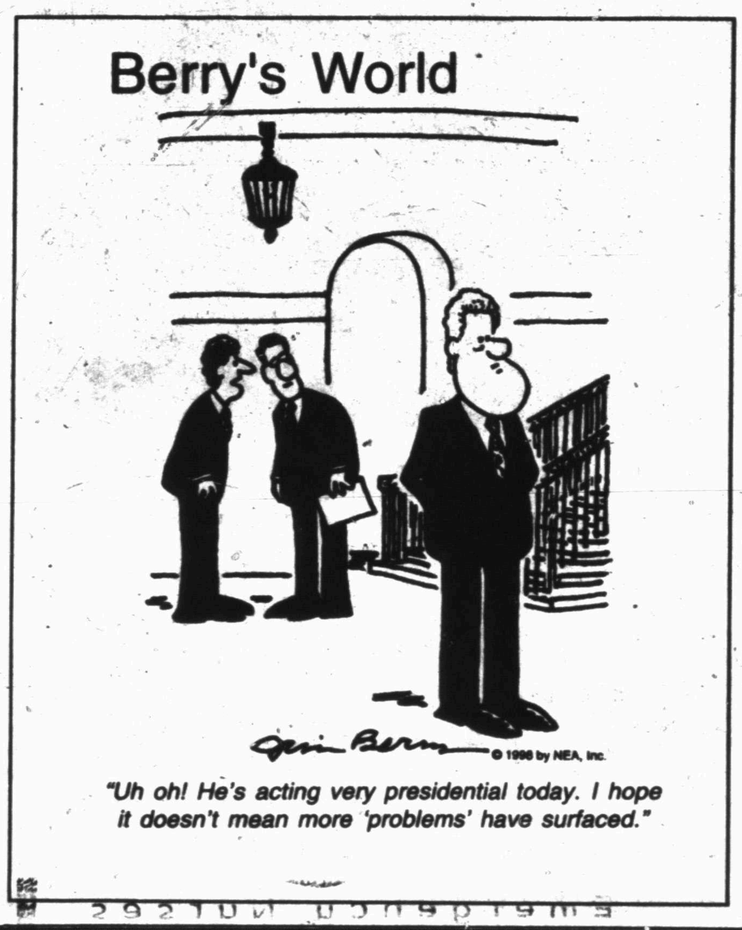
He won't be completely absent from CBS. Cronkite, who anchored most of CBS's coverage of space flights in the 1960s, will be interviewed by Dan Rather for a special CBS report and participated, along with Ed Bradley, in an interview with Glenn to be broadcast on "60 Minutes."

CNN also sells a feed of its space coverage to stations owned and operated by CBS across the country.

"We're thrilled that he will be a part of our coverage of this historic event," CBS spokeswoman Sandra Genelius said.

CBS will be on the air with a special report for at least an hour at the time of Glenn's launch, she said.

The appearance of Cronkite, who still keeps an office in CBS and wears the network's logo on his cufflinks, was a coup for CNN.



"Uh oh! He's acting very presidential today. I hope it doesn't mean more 'problems' have surfaced."

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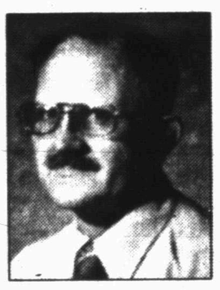
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In each advertisement you will find a face from the past. Identify the faces on the entry blank opposite the name of the sponsoring business. **Bring or mail the entry blank to the Snyder Daily News, 3600 College, PO Box 949.** The deadline for entering is 5 p.m. Monday before the next contest appears on Wednesday. The weekly prize winner will be drawn from all the correct entries. The winner will be notified. This week's faces will be identified in next week's contest. Only one entry per person, and please do not make copies of the entry blank. Employees of the SDN and their families are not eligible to enter.

Last Week's Photos: 1. David Thompson 2. David Fisher 3. Kinney Hart 4. Pat Whitte 5. David Higgins 6. Pam Everette 7. Melvin Cobb 8. Cynthia Darlin 9. Sharon Applin 10. Bud Pinkerton

Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Just for Today NA; open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238, 573-8018; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members are urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Snyder Country Club; noon.

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

Just for Today NA; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

Just for Today NA; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 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 & 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, 573-4238 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.

Just For Today closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238, or 573-8018; 5 p.m.

Alleged serial killer indicted in the deaths of eight women

POUGHKEEPSIE, N.Y. (AP) — More than a month after police began pulling the corpses of missing women from his garbage-strewn home, Kendall Francois has been indicted on eight counts of first-degree murder.

Francois, 27, could face the death penalty if convicted on all the charges. Prosecutors said they had made no decision on what sentence they might seek against the former middle school hall monitor.

Prosecutor William Grady said the eight women whose bodies were found in Francois' home died by "traumatic" asphyxia. He refused to elaborate, but indicated strangulation was involved.

All the women but one had a history of prostitution and drug abuse, and had been reported missing from a Poughkeepsie neighborhood over a period of 22 months.

In court documents released last month, police said Francois told them that he picked up one of the women, Catina Newmaster, when he offered her money for sex. He drove her to his home where they had sex in his car, and he strangled her and took her body into the house, the documents said.

Grady said that a woman who escaped from Francois went to police Sept. 1. Christine Sala told police that Francois tried to strangle her. Police arrested him that same day at the home he shared with his family.

The family members have not been charged. They apparently did not realize bodies were hidden in the house, authorities said.

Francois had already been a suspect in the disappearances of the women and had taken and passed a lie detector test, Grady said.

Last February, Francois was jailed for 15 days on a misdemeanor charge of sexual misconduct and assault involving a Poughkeepsie prostitute, authorities said.

Statements Francois apparently made to police about the other women were expected to be released today after he is arraigned on the new charges.

Francois' attorney, Randolph Treece, said late Tuesday the defense team was still discussing whether to try to keep those statements from being released.

Emergency Nurses

The Many Faces of Caring

Cogdell Emergency Nursing Staff - front row, from left: Cheryl Chance, RN, ER Nurse Manager, Michelle Martin, RN, Kerry Smith, RN, Laurie Stark, RN. Back row, Cheryl Harker, ER Tech, JoAnn Cagle, RN, John Busby, ER Tech, Wanda Stansell, ER Tech. Not pictured, Stacy Haley, RN.

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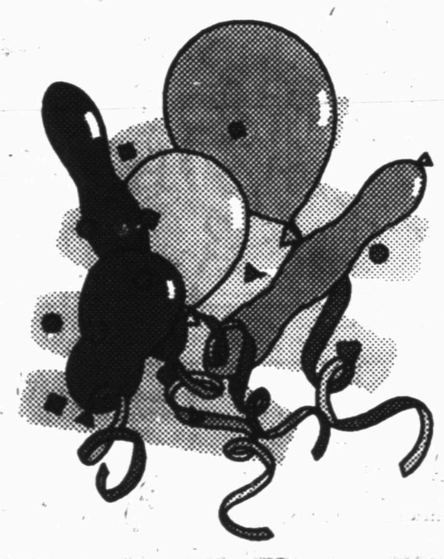

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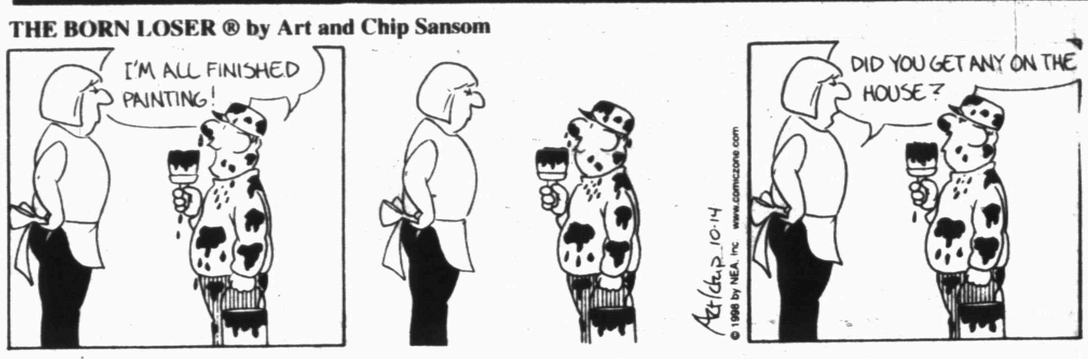

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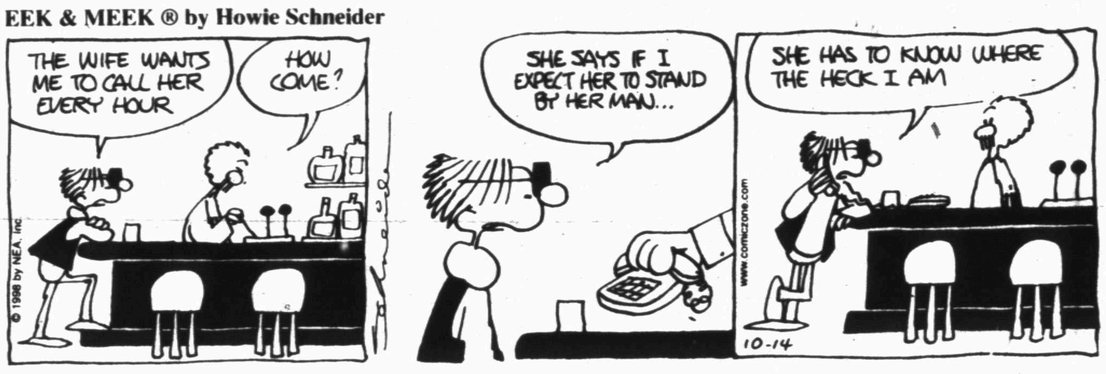

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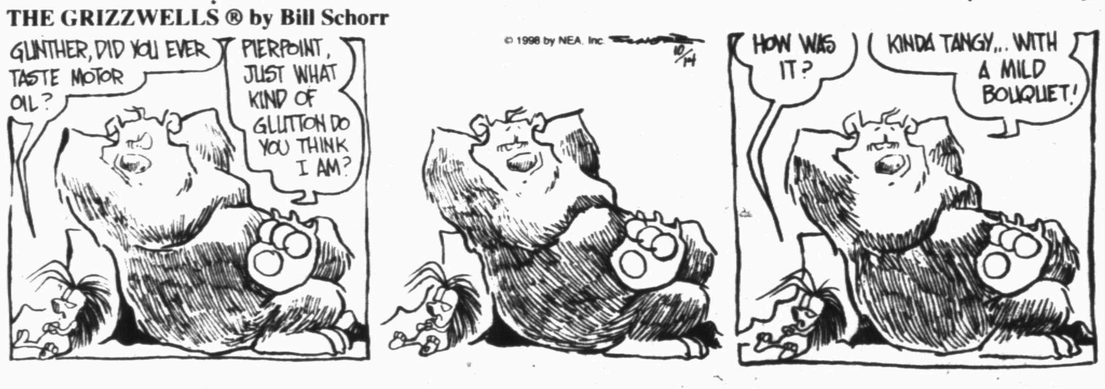

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Emotional shock
7 Stockholm native
12 Become more impaired
13 London's river
14 — rating (of gasoline)
15 Edmonton hockey team
16 Fe-fi-fo- —
17 Southeast Asian holiday
18 Feathery wrap
21 Fiber plant
23 Man's title
26 Leave — — Beaver
28 Frigid
29 First number
30 Bank transaction
31 Publishing
33 Seafood choice
36 Smelting residue
37 Guido's high note
38 Singer Ed —
40 Bristle
41 Dover's st.
42 Squandered
44 Poor mark
45 As far — — know
46 Hebrew letter
48 More banal
51 Doze
55 Baby's toy
56 Engraves with acid
57 Thoughts
58 Vacation place

DOWN

1 Deuce
2 Fabulous bird
3 Museum fill
4 Mil. org.
5 Restaurant lists
6 Weak
7 Protects
8 Whitman or Disney
9 Uncle
10 The (Ger.)
11 Type of curve
13 Does a math task
18 Did a bookkeeping task
19 Actor Peter —
20 Arabian kettledrum
22 Evening party
23 Dirtied
24 Like many talents
25 Jamaican music
27 Cricket positions
32 Naval inits.
34 Ornaments on cape
35 Realm
39 Talk-show host Tom —
43 Rich cake
45 — boy!
47 Med. workers
48 Prefix for pod
49 Radiation measure
50 Native of (suff.)
52 Which person?
53 Sun. speech
54 Superlative ending

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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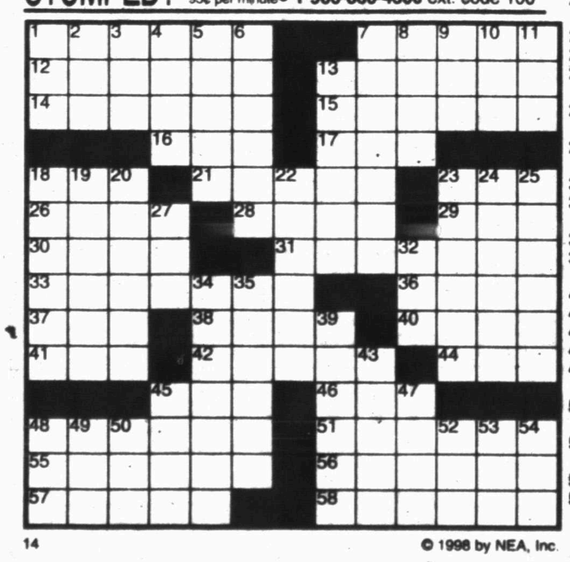

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Millions of fire sprinklers will be recalled by maker

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — The nation's second-largest manufacturer of fire sprinklers has agreed to recall millions of sprinkler heads in use across the country that federal safety officials say are defective.

The Omega sprinkler heads have failed to activate in at least nine fires in the past three years and have high failure rates in laboratory tests.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission in March filed a lawsuit seeking the recall of about 10 million Omega heads used in schools, hospitals, hotels, homes, apartment complexes, office buildings and prisons. They were also in the White House, the U.S. Capitol and 80 other federal buildings.

Central Sprinkler Co. of Lansdale, Pa., dropped its opposition to a recall Tuesday "because we wanted to be certain our consumers were confident with our products," said Carmine Schiavone, the company's vice president for customer relations.

Central Sprinkler stopped making Omegas last month, Schiavone said.

Central has said it would fight the recall, arguing that Omegas work and have successfully controlled hundreds of fires since they went on the market 15 years ago.

The company remains convinced the head works properly, Schiavone said. The recall "is what the CPSC wants," he said.

He said he could not provide more details because a federal judge has yet to approve the agreement with CPSC as well as seven separate class-action lawsuits against Central.

The company took a $38 million charge against its third-quarter earnings to recall and replace heads and settle lawsuits filed in California and Pennsylvania, Schiavone said.

Central already has absorbed additional charges of nearly $17 million for a program it initiated in 1996 to encourage testing and possible replacement of some Omega sprinklers.

Critics say prison pay phones gouge inmates on collect calls

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — When Dannielle Hadley picks up the phone to talk to her two teenage sons, her loved ones dig deep into their pockets.

A typical 15-minute collect call to Philadelphia on a Saturday night costs her $7.05. The same call through AT&T's automated long-distance service would usually cost her only $4.79.

But Ms. Hadley's circumstances are unusual: She's an inmate at the state Correctional Institution in Muncy, 120 miles northwest of Philadelphia.

The reason Ms. Hadley and other inmates pay more is due to the multimillion-dollar commissions paid by phone companies to secure exclusive state prison contracts.

Despite monthly phone bills that can sometimes add up to more than $95, Ms. Hadley doesn't have a choice. Along with thousands of other prisoners across the country, inflated phone bills are the price for keeping in touch with family.

Inmate advocates call it exploitation of a captive audience. Prison officials say too bad.

"I think there is a general understanding that as part of being inside an institution, there are things you don't have access to that people on the outside do," said Michael Lukens, a Pennsylvania Department of Corrections spokesman. "Part of that is paying more to use a telephone."

Nearly every state awards exclusive contracts for prison phone service based on which company offers the most lucrative deal — provided they also have the state-of-the-art technology to prevent credit-card fraud and other phone scams.

In 1997, New York collected more than $20 million from MCI, a sum that included a 40 percent commission on inmates' long-distance calls. Florida charged MCI half, collecting $13 million last year. California collected $18.7 million; Michigan $[illegible] million; and Pennsylvania $6 million.

While prison officials defend the policy, saying the phone fees pay for prison programs so that taxpayers are let off the hook, prisoner-rights advocates say the system is a way to gouge inmates' families.

"Here, basically, you have a tax on the very poorest people," said Gerald Norlander, deputy director of the Public Utility Law Project in Albany, N.Y., a consumer watchdog group. "This hits them where they have no choice. For these poor families, their main contact to loved ones is by phone."

In Pennsylvania, the phone commissions are divided between the state's general fund and a welfare and recreational fund for inmates. Other states, such as Michigan, use the money to pay for county prisons or for programs like boot camps and electronic monitoring.

"We give (inmates) a warm, dry, safe place to sleep, safer than some of the places they come from, and that costs money. And we're going to find ways, like this, to get money," Matt Davis, a spokesman for the Michigan Department of Corrections, said Tuesday.

Pennsylvania's 24 state prisons have 1,277 telephones for inmates, all owned by AT&T. All calls are screened by an anti-fraud system and no 800 or 900 numbers are allowed. Inmates can make only collect calls and cannot choose a cheaper carrier.

The Federal Communications Commission a few years ago considered regulations to allow the person paying the phone bill to chose the carrier, Norlander said. But the agency never followed up.

Date Book

Oct. 14, 1998

Today is the 287th day of 1998 and the 22nd day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1912, Teddy Roosevelt was shot while campaigning for the office of U.S. President. He refused treatment until after he had delivered his speech.

On this day in 1947, Chuck Yeager broke the sound barrier as he flew the X-1 rocket plane over southern California.

On this day in 1987, Jessica McClure, aged 18 months, fell into an abandoned well in Midland, Texas. She was rescued 2-1/2 days later.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Penn (1644-1718), Quaker leader-founder of Pennsylvania; Eamon De Valera (1882-1975), Irish statesman; Dwight D. Eisenhower (1890-1969), U.S. president; John Wooden (1910-), basketball coach, is 88; C. Everett Koop (1916-), U.S. surgeon general, is 82; Roger Moore (1927-), actor, is 71; Ralph Lauren (1939-), designer, is 59; Harry Anderson (1949-), actor, is 49; Greg Evigan (1953-), actor, is 45.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1906, the Chicago White Sox defeated the Chicago Cubs 8-3, winning the World Series in six games.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Truth often suffers more by the heat of its defenders than from the arguments of its opposers." William Penn

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1933, three farms near Sayre, Okla., were destroyed by an F3 tornado; three deaths, one hurt.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Oct. 12) and new moon (Oct. 20).

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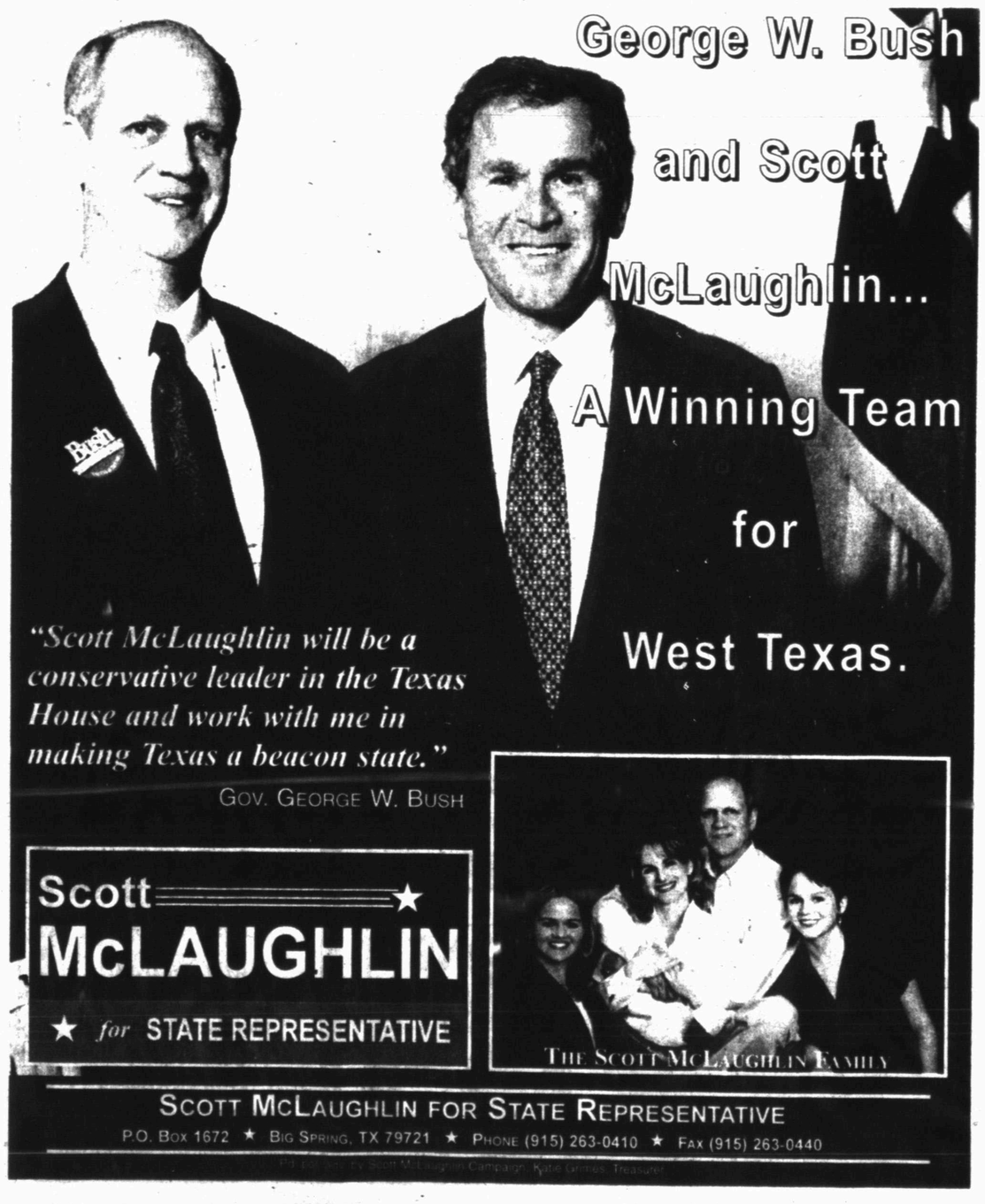

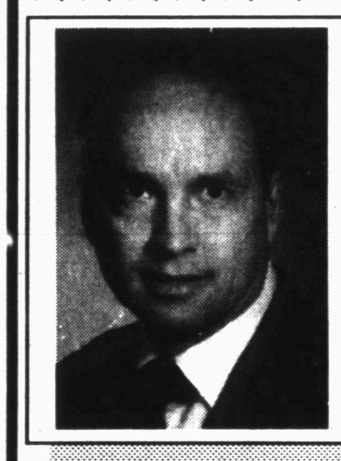

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Jones asks appeals court to allow use of Starr referral

WASHINGTON (AP) — Paula Jones' lawyers, trying to revive her sexual harassment lawsuit, contend that President Clinton's misleading testimony about Monica Lewinsky should be grounds to reinstate the suit.

In a legal brief made public Tuesday, the Jones lawyers asked the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to let them incorporate the argument — even though it is unusual to admit information that was unavailable when a case was dismissed. A federal judge threw out the case April 1.

Clinton's denial of a sexual relationship with Ms. Lewinsky left the case "tainted" by perjury and obstruction of justice, Mrs. Jones' lawyers argued.

The president's legal team said Clinton's deposition last January in the Jones case was irrelevant to the lawsuit. U.S. District Judge Susan Webber Wright dismissed the case on grounds that Mrs. Jones couldn't prove Clinton acted to harm her in her state job after — she contends — she rejected his sexual advance. Clinton denied that he propositioned Mrs. Jones in a Little Rock hotel room in 1991, when he was governor of Arkansas.

The 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which scheduled oral arguments Oct. 20 in St. Paul, Minn., on Mrs. Jones' appeal, lifted its secrecy order on the Jones filing and most other legal briefs that have been submitted.

"No fair-minded person" who reviews Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's findings "can fail to conclude that Mr. Clinton lied under oath ... in this case and unlawfully interfered with Mrs. Jones' efforts" to gather evidence, her lawyers argued.

Lawyers for Clinton and Mrs. Jones are trying to negotiate a high six-figure monetary settlement, and the oral argument date is considered a deadline for an agreement. A source knowledgeable about settlement talks between lawyers for Clinton and Mrs. Jones said discussions between the two parties are at an impasse while the Jones camp internally debates how to divvy up any payment.

Mrs. Jones has legal bills to cover, not only from her current attorneys at the Dallas law firm of Rader, Campbell, Fisher & Pyke, whose contingency agreement was for 40 percent of any settlement or judgment.

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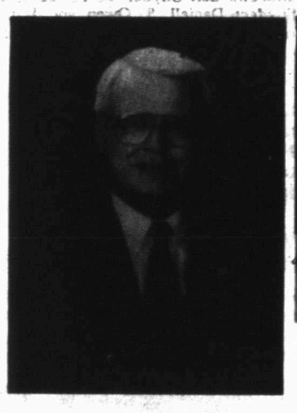

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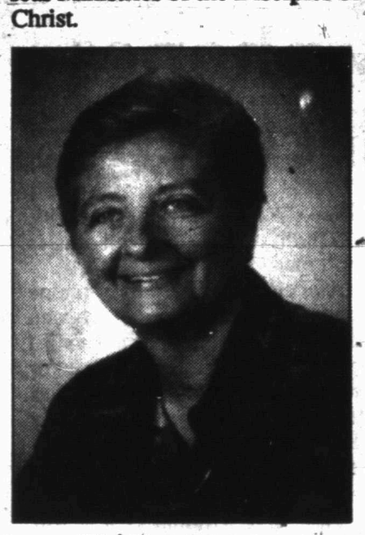
First Christian missionaries are serving in post in Africa

The First Christian Church will celebrate its 100th anniversary with a dinner at 6 p.m. Saturday at the country club. The guest speaker will be Dr. Lester Palmer, distinguished preacher and leader of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Tim Colvin, daughter of Jeanne Duke of Snyder, and her husband Larry, are presently serving as missionaries in Africa under the auspices of the Division of Overseas Ministries of the Disciples of Christ.



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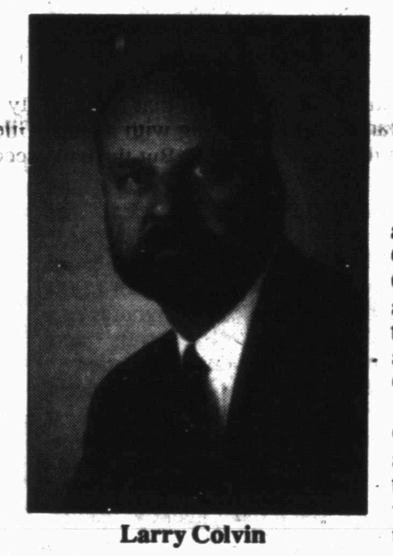

Larry Colvin

The couple is serving a three-year term with the Kgologana College of Gaborne, Botawana as theological tutors. Their term began Sept. 1, 1997.

Tim Duke Colvin is a graduate of Snyder High School, where she was an academic achiever. Austin College in Sherman offered her a scholarship. She graduated from Austin in 1974 with a degree in Spanish and earned a masters in elementary education in 1981.

Tim then went to Perkins School of Theology (SMU) and Brite Divinity School (TCU) and graduated from Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis with a master's degree in divinty in 1992.

She served Disciples congregations in Plano and at Downey Ave. Christian Church in Indianapolis. The Colvins have two daughters, Micky born Dec. 18, 1978, and Katy born May 2, 1992.

Larry, a native of Springfield, Ill., is a graduate of Western Illinois University (1974) and Christian Theological Seminary (1982 and 1984).

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Tim's aunt, Jo Ann Taylor, is also an ordained minister of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). Tim's grandparents, Zeda and Charley Miller were longtime ranchers in Borden County and staunch members of the First Christian Church in Snyder.

Dr. Tim Griffin, pastor of First Christian, says, "I know that Zeda and Charley are looking down on their children and grandchildren with pride, knowing how much they are contributing to the cause of the Gospel."

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 10-14-98
♠ A Q J 7 3
♥ A K Q 10 3
♦ 3
♣ Q 2

West
♠ K
♥ 8 7 5 2
♦ A 9 4
♣ A K 8 7 4

East
♠ 9 8 6 5
♥ 6 4
♦ 10 8 7 6
♣ J 9 3

South
♠ 10 4 2
♥ J 9
♦ K Q J 5 2
♣ 10 6 5

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	1 ♣	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ A

More on Michaels

Yesterday, we started to look at the Michaels Cue-Bid. If an opponent opens one of a minor, an immediate cue-bid overcall shows at least 5-5 in the majors. Alternatively, if the opener bids one of a major, cue-bidding two of the same major shows at least 5-5 in the other major and either minor.

How many points do you need for a Michaels Cue-Bid? This is the hard part. First, you and your partner may agree on whatever you like. However, I recommend that you play it as two-way: You have *either* a weak hand *or* a strong hand.

What do these terms mean? Well, with a weak hand, you will usually have some 8-11 high-card points (and respectable suits). You show your hand and leave everything else to partner.

For a strong hand, you'll normally have some 16-plus points. You plan to bid again even if partner gives minimum preference to one of your suits (as in yesterday's deal).

With an intermediate hand (some 12-15 points), overcall in your higher-ranking long suit, planning to bid the second later. Partner should then know what to expect.

In this deal, North probably should have bid four spades, and South might have passed out three spades.

West cashed his three top minor-suit tricks before leading another club. After ruffing in the dummy, declarer planned to take two or three trump finesses. He played a heart to his nine and carefully led a low spade. When West's singleton king appeared, South claimed.

Note that if declarer starts with his spade 10, he loses a trump trick — and his contract — to East.

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SPORTS

SHS keeps postseason hopes alive

SWEETWATER — It's full speed ahead for the Lady Tigers.

Snyder got rolling Tuesday night with a 15-9, 15-2 romp over Sweetwater, hurling the Lady Tigers toward Saturday's head-on collision with Big Spring.

Snyder and Big Spring have been locked in a battle for the third playoff spot since the district opener. The Lady Tigers won the first meeting between the two squads and are hoping for more of the same on Saturday.

"We just have to go down there and take care of our business," Snyder head coach Patty Grimmett said. "The girls know that we can't worry about what anybody else does. We just have to play our game."

The Lady Tigers certainly took care of business Tuesday night in Sweetwater.

After the Lady Mustangs jumped on top, 4-0, in Game 1, senior Keila Helms got the ball and served Snyder into a lead they would never surrender. Helms would finish with 11 points on the night.

Sophomore Ashley Delce, now fully recovered from an earlier elbow injury, dominated the middle once again for the Lady Tigers. Delce posted five kills and two blocks in the opening game.

"We played well for most of the night," Grimmett said. "We kind of got off to a bad start with those first four points, but after that did well. Our offense was a lot better. The girls made good passes so that the setters could make good sets and that makes a big difference."

The second game was much like the first — only quicker.

Kristin Martinez set the tone with two aces to begin the game, before Bradi Johnson took the serve with a 6-1 lead.

Before Johnson relinquished the ball, the Lady Tigers had staked a 14-1 advantage. Johnson accounted for 10 points in the contest.

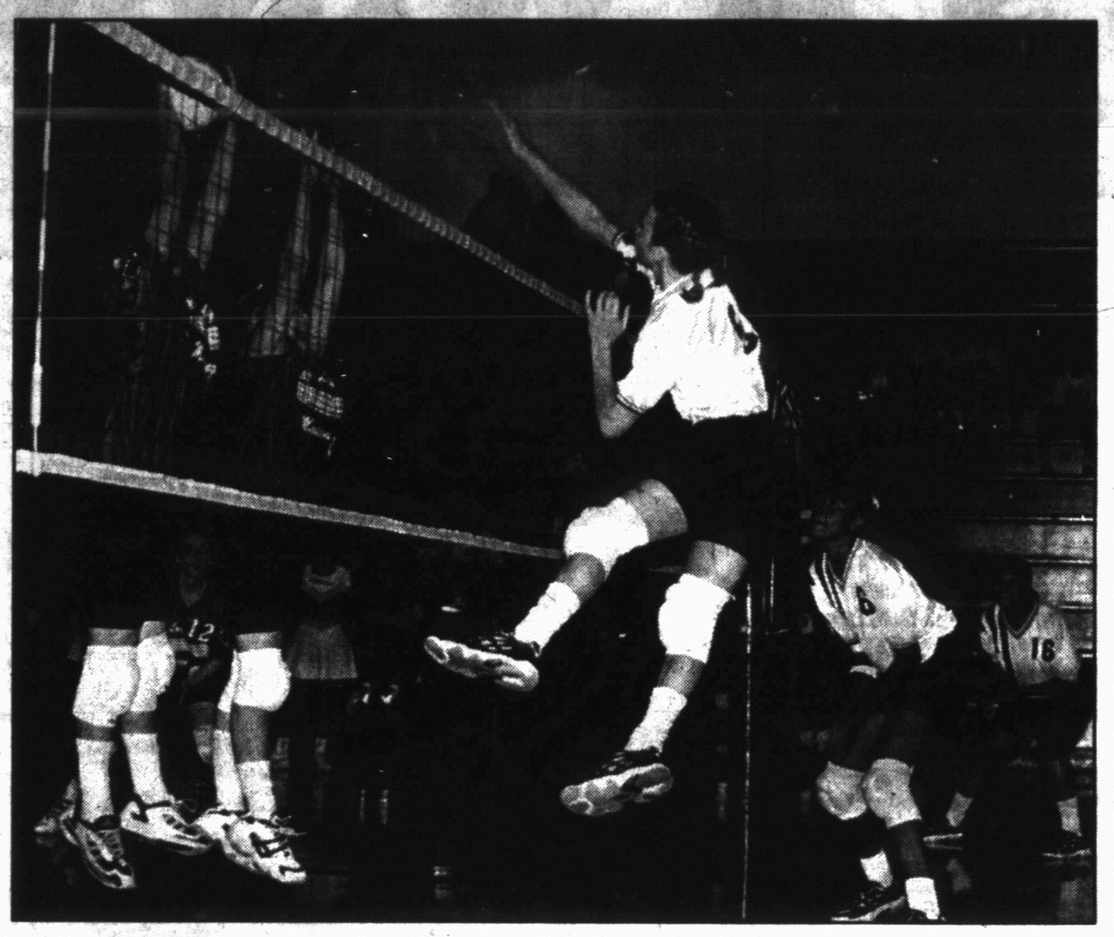
Game 2 lasted only 12 minutes, as Sweetwater extended its district losing streak to eight matches.

Snyder's battle at Big Spring is slated for 2 p.m.

5-4A Standings

	District		Season	
Team	W	L	W	L
Lake View	7	0	19	3
Andrews	6	1	18	9
Snyder	4	3	10	16
Big Spring	4	4	9	13
Ft. Stockton	1	6	4	19
Sweetwater	0	8	2	16

Tuesday's results: Snyder def. Sweetwater, 15-9, 15-2; Andrews def. Big Spring, 8-15, 15-13, 15-7 (only matches scheduled).



HOLDER HANG TIME — Snyder junior Christina Holder displays her leaping ability while spiking the ball through a Lady Mustang block Tuesday night at Sweetwater. The Lady Tigers improved to 4-3 in district play with a 15-9, 15-2 victory. (SDN Staff Photo)

Pinstriped pay back...

Yankees bounce Tribe, 9-5

NEW YORK (AP) — As far back as May, this night seemed inevitable.

The New York Yankees weren't just good, they were great.

After winning 114 games during the regular season, anything less than the World Series would have been unacceptable.

Well, they're there.

"We expected it," shortstop Derek Jeter said Tuesday night after New York won its record 35th American League pennant, beating Cleveland 9-5 to win the AL championship series 4-2.

New York, which opens the World Series at home Saturday night against Atlanta or San Diego, hadn't won the AL title at Yankee Stadium since the Reggie Jackson-Thurman Munson-Ron Guidry team in 1978.

Still, amidst the celebration, there was a feeling that there's work to be done: winning the Series for the second time in three seasons.

"There's another step to go," said ALCS MVP David Wells, who likely will start the Series opener.

Scott Brosius seemed to finish Cleveland off with a three-run homer for a 6-0 lead in the third inning. But David Cone nearly gave it all back, allowing a grand slam to Jim Thome that pulled the Indians within a run.

"I let them back in the game," Cone said. "But they picked me up, and that's been our trademark all year."

Jeter then restored the safety margin with a two-run triple in the sixth, a drive to right that Manny Ramirez tried to snag with a leap at the top of the wall. But the ball landed on a hop at his feet.

"I didn't think it was going out, but I thought it was going to the wall," Ramirez said. "I turned and saw it hit. I was surprised where it landed."

After Thome's grand slam pulled Cleveland to 6-5, Ramiro Mendoza blanked Cleveland for three innings, allowing just one hit.

Indians shortstop Omar Vizquel, who has won five straight Gold Gloves, opened the way to the three-run seventh by making a throwing error on Brosius' grounder.

"I'll have the whole year to think about that error," Vizquel said. "I would have rather made 25 errors during the year and not made that one."

Charles Nagy fell behind 2-0 in the first on Bernie Williams' RBI single and Chili Davis' sacrifice fly. An error by left fielder Brian Giles allowed another run in the second.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
American League
Tuesday, Oct. 13
New York 9, Cleveland 5, New York wins series 4-2

National League
Monday, Oct. 12
Atlanta 7, San Diego 6, San Diego leads series 3-2
Wednesday, Oct. 14
San Diego (Hitchcock 9-7) at Atlanta (Glavine 20-7), 4:20 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 15
San Diego at Atlanta, 8:15 p.m., if necessary

NBA cancels games; 52-year streak ends

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA's perfect record — 35,001 games over 52 seasons, never once interrupted by a strike or lockout — is history.

The league wiped out the first two weeks of the 1998-1999 season Tuesday, canceling regular-season games because of a work stoppage for the first time ever.

The action was taken when collective bargaining talks between owners and players broke off after about 3½ hours,

"My job is to put on games for the fans, not to cancel them. It's terribly disappointing," commissioner David Stern said.

A total of 99 games from Nov. 3 through Nov. 16 will not be played or made up, and the majority of players will miss their first paychecks Nov. 15.

The union put forth an 11th-hour proposal — a luxury tax on players re-signing under the so-called Larry Bird exception — to address the owners' concerns over escalating salaries. But it wasn't enough to save the full 82-game season.

"It's evident we're not going to reach an agreement any time soon, so we are reluctantly canceling the first two weeks," a dour-faced deputy commissioner Russ Granik said from a podium at a midtown Manhattan hotel.

Sitting beside him was Stern, who looked equally glum.

The NBA had been the only major American professional sports league that never lost a game to a labor dispute.

Two previous NBA lockouts in 1995 and 1996 ended before any games were missed.

The next move in this dispute will come from the owners, who will deliver a counterproposal later this week. Tuesday was the 105th day of the lockout.

"It doesn't look promising," Stern said. "The reality is that the owners had no choice. The union indicated some flexibility, but the reality is that their proposal doesn't completely address what we've focused on."

The sides met for two sessions, one in the morning when the union made its proposal and one in the afternoon after the owners discussed it.

"We players feel we're taking steps to bridge the gap," union president Patrick Ewing said.

Frosh romp Sweetwater

SWEETWATER — Snyder's freshmen volleyball squad made its visit to Sweetwater short and sweet.

With 10 players posting service points, Snyder quickly disposed of the Lady Mustangs, 15-1, 15-6.

Ashley Owen's seven points paced the Lady Tiger service effort, with Jaci Smith accounting for six more.

The victory came on the heels of a 15-17, 15-5, 15-10 setback to Andrews over the weekend.

Snyder will be back on the court Saturday at 12:30 when it visits Big Spring.

Snyder def. Sweetwater 15-1, 15-6
Snyder: Ashley Owen, 7; Jaci Smith, 6; Meagan Hatley, 4; Mary Wesson and Leticia Martinez, 3; Taylor Daniell, Laura Billingsley, Lori Chesser and Kasey Collier, 1.
Andrews def. Snyder 15-17, 15-5, 15-10
Snyder: Daniell, 8; Owen and Hatley, 6; Collier, 4; Kate Wright, 3; Martinez, 2; Wesson, 1.

JV spikers up mark to 16-11 with victory over Sweetwater

SWEETWATER — After watching its six-match winning streak come to an end Saturday, Snyder JV took out its frustration on Sweetwater.

Snyder improved its mark to 16-11 Tuesday with a 15-10, 15-3 junior varsity volleyball victory over the Lady Mustangs.

The Lady Tigers, who had posted six straight wins before Saturday's 16-14, 15-5 setback at Andrews, were paced at the service line by Callie Bane and Valery Haines.

Bane and Haines served up seven points apiece, while Rina Geiger led the play at the net with two blocks and a kill.

Next on the Snyder schedule is a visit to Big Spring Saturday at 1:30.

Snyder def. Sweetwater 15-10, 15-3
Snyder service points: Callie Bane and Valery Haines, 7; Rina Geiger, 5; T'Leah Eicke, 4; Brooke Williams, 3; Cary Brown and Cameron Mackey, 2. **Kills:** Bane, Geiger, Mackey, Whitney Webb and Katie Voss, 1. **Blocks:** Geiger, 2; Webb, 1.
Andrews def. Snyder 16-14, 15-5
Snyder service points: Haines, 6; Bane, 4; Eicke and Voss, 3; Mackey, 2; Geiger, 1. **Kills:** Voss and Webb, 4; Geiger, 3; Eicke and Bane, 2; Mackey, 1. **Blocks:** Geiger and Voss, 5.

Local Sports Schedule

THURSDAY
Rodeo: WTC at Texas Tech.
Football: Snyder 7th & JV at Big Spring, 5 p.m., 5:30.
Football: Big Spring at Snyder 8th & 9th, 5 p.m., 5:30.
FRIDAY
Football: Big Spring at Snyder, 7:30.
Football: Hermleigh at Westbrook, 7:30.
Football: Grady at Ira, 7:30.
Football: Sands at Borden County, 7:30.
Rodeo: WTC at Texas Tech.
SATURDAY
Volleyball: Snyder 9th, JV and varsity at Big Spring, 12:30.
Tennis: Snyder varsity at Big Spring.
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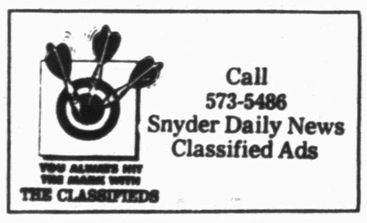

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Supreme Court considers how much...

Can states regulate ballot initiatives?

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court appeared to take a dim view today of Colorado's efforts to regulate the circulating of petitions aimed at placing voter initiatives on the state ballot.

Five of the nine justices peppered state Attorney General Gale Norton with challenging questions about requirements a federal appeals court previously struck down as violations of petition circulators' free-speech rights.

Those justices appeared unconvinced by Norton's argument that the requirements amount to "a limited structure of regulation ... necessary to ensure fairness."

About half the states allow voter-initiated ballot questions, and voters increasingly are bypassing their legislatures and making law through such grass-roots efforts.

The court's decision, expected by July, could help determine how rigorously states are allowed to regulate that process.

In Colorado, supporters must collect the signatures of at least 5 percent of the total votes cast in the most recent race for secretary of state to get a measure on the ballot.

Most of the justices' questions today zeroed in on the likelihood of fraud — bribery, forgery and the like — creeping into the gathering of those signatures.

Norton, seeking reinstatement of the state's requirements, referred to "bands of people who go state to state simply to circulate petitions" for pay.

But a seemingly unimpressed Justice Antonin Scalia asked her, "How many of these election gypsies are there?"

Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, David H. Souter and Anthony M. Kennedy also voiced concern about the state's efforts. Only Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist appeared sympathetic to Norton's argument.

Denver lawyer Neil O'Toole, representing those who challenged the state's regulations, accused Colorado of invoking fraud as "a talismanic incantation in these cases."

"We just don't see it," he said.

After a record 10 initiatives were placed on Colorado's ballot in 1992, the state Legislature passed a law that imposed several new requirements. Among them:

—People who circulated petitions had to be registered voters.

—Petition circulators had to wear badges identifying them as "paid" or "volunteer" workers.

—Initative backers had to file reports with the state identifying all paid petition circulators and the amounts they were paid.

State officials justified the requirements by citing the possibility of fraud and accompanying threat to public confidence in the process.

The state in 1980 had reacted to ballot initiatives begun by commercial interests such as backers of legalized gambling by prohibiting paid petition circulators. But the nation's highest court struck down that ban in 1988, ruling that it interfered too much with "core political speech."

The 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals struck down the newer requirements, which had been challenged by a group of state residents and the public interest group American Constitutional Law Foundation.

Polka king...

Frank Yankovic dies at 83

NEW PORT RICHEY, Fla. (AP) — Frank Yankovic, Grammy-winning "polka king" whose songs wore out thousands of pairs of dancing shoes over six decades, died today. He was 83.

Yankovic died at his home in this Gulf Coast town north of Tampa, said Sunana Batra of Cleveland International Records, his record company. He had suffered a fall last week and was briefly hospitalized, but the death "was a big surprise because he seemed to be getting better," she said. The exact cause was unknown.

Yankovic, who won the first Grammy for polka in 1986, had quit performing about a year ago because of a bout with heart disease.

Yankovic's mastery of the accordion wowed audiences of Eastern European ethnics in his hometown of Cleveland and throughout the Midwest for more than six decades.

"He's the man who put polkas where they are," said Tony Petkovsek, who broadcasts a daily polka show on two northeastern Ohio radio stations.

Yankovic's Grammy nomination for "Songs of the Polka King, Volume 2," in 1998 was his fourth nomination since 1986, the year the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences began honoring polka musicians. Yankovic won that year for the record "70 Years of Hits."

Yankovic also recorded recently with country superstar Chet Atkins and pop singer Don Everly. He even did a version of the "Too Fat Polka" with another famous Clevelander, Drew Carey.

Yankovic was perhaps the best-known practitioner of Slovenian-style polka, which is heavy on the accordion, clarinet and saxophone. Polish-style polka features accordions and trumpets and has a faster beat.

"I created a style of Slovenian. The beat that I gave it was different. It was acceptable to teenagers as well as the older folks," Yankovic said in an Associated Press interview in February. "I took the real old-time polkas and modernized them."

Yankovic had his two biggest hits in the late 1940s. His signature polka, "Just Because," sold more than 1 million copies in 1948, as did "Blue Skirt Waltz" the following year.

He continued performing, mostly in the Great Lakes area, for the next 40 years. He also had television shows in Cleveland and Chicago in the 1960s.

Markets

NEW YORK (AP)

High	Low	Last		
AMR Corp s	50⅞	48 1-16	50⅝	+ 2⅝
AT&T Corp	59⅞	58⅝	59 11-16	+13-16
AirTouch	50⅝	49	49⅝	— 9-16
Albertsons	54¼	53¼	53⅜	— ½
AlldSignal	36⅞	36⅛	36⅝	—15-16
Alltel	46	45⅛	45⅝	— 5-16
AmOnline s	94 15-16	91⅝	94 13-16	+2 9-16
AmStores	31 7-16	30⅝	31 1-16	— ⅛
Ameritech s	49⅝	49 5-16	49 11-16	+ ⅛
Amoco s	55 15-16	54⅝	55 13-16	+1 7-16
AndarkPtr s		37⅛	37	37 5-16
ArmcoInc	4 3-16	4	4 3-16	+ ⅛
AtlRichfld	69 13-16	68	69⅝	+ 1⅝
ATMOS Egy	28⅞	28 13-16	28⅞	+ 1-16
Aviall	9 15-16	9 15-16	9 15-16	
BakerHughes	19⅝	18⅝	18 15-16	+ ⅛
BankAmerica	49⅝	46⅞	49	—4 15-16
BellAtl s		50	48	49⅝ + ⅜
BellSouth	77⅞	76⅝	77⅝	+ 3-16
BethSteel	7⅝	7 7-16	7⅛	— 1-16
BritPet	88⅝	87⅞	88	11-16 + 2
BurlNoSFe s	31⅛	30 15-16	31⅛	+ 3-16
CBS Corp	21	20⅛	20 3-16	—13-16
Caterpillar	46⅝	45 5-16	45⅛	— 1⅝
CenSoWst	29 11-16	28⅛	29⅝	+ 1⅛
Chevron	85 9-16	83⅛	85	+1 7-16
Chrysler	44⅛	43⅛	44 1-16	+ 1⅜
Citigroup s	35⅞	33⅜	35 11-16	+27-32
Coastal s	35⅛	34 15-16	35	— ⅛
CocaCola	64⅞	63 5-16	64 11-16	+11-16
ColgatePalm	76 15-16	75 5-16	76 11-16	— 5-16
ComclMetals	22⅛	21⅞	22 1-16	+ 1-16
CooperIn	39 5-16	38 13-16	39⅛	— ⅛
CyprusAmax	12⅝	12 1-16	12 5-16	+ 1-16
DallSemicn	26	24⅜	25 11-16	— 9-16
DeltaAirl	86 15-16	83 9-16	86 9-16	+ 2⅝
Dillards Inc	29⅝	28 7-16	29⅝	+1 1-16
DowChem	88⅞	87⅝	88⅛	+ 5-16
DuPont	59⅛	58⅛	58⅛	— 9-16
EastmanChem	54	52 15-16	52 15-16	— ⅛
EstKodak	73⅛	71⅛	71 15-16	— 7-16
EDS Corp	34 5-16	33 5-16	34⅛	+ ⅛
Entergy	30 15-16	29 13-16	30 13-16	+1 3-16
Exxon	74⅛	73 5-16	73 13-16	+13-16
Flowers	21 11-16	21 9-16	21 11-16	— ⅛
FordMotor s	46⅛	43 1-16	46	+1 15-16
GTE Cp		57 15-16	56 3-16	57⅛
GenDynam s	51 21-32	49⅛	50⅝	— ⅜
GenElec	77 1-16	75 11-16	76⅛	+ 5-16
GenMills	70 7-16	69⅝	70 7-16	+ ⅛
GenMotors	52⅝	51 13-16	52 5-16	+ 1⅛
GaPacGP s	51	50⅛	50⅛	—11-16
GlobalMar		9⅝	9⅛	9⅝ + ⅛
Goodrich	29 13-16	29 9-16	29 13-16	+ 9-16
Goodyear s	49⅛	48 13-16	48⅞	— ⅛
GtAtlPac	22 3-16	22	22⅛	+ ⅛
Halliburtn	29	28⅛	28 11-16	+ ⅛
Hanson ADS		32	31⅞	31⅞
HarteHanks s	20⅛	19⅝	20	+ 3-16
HomeDepot	38 3-16	37 1-16	37 15-16	+ 3-16
HoustonInds	32⅝	30 13-16	32 5-16	+ 1⅝
IBM	131	127 3-16	130⅞	+2 5-16
IntlPaper	45⅛	44 9-16	45 1-16	— 1
JohnsonJn	79 3-16	76 15-16	78 15-16	+1 3-16

Midday Stocks

K mart	11 13-16	11⅛	11 13-16	+ ⅛
Kroger Co		50	49⅝	50 — ⅜
Litton		61⅝	60⅝	61 9-16 + ⅞
LockhdMart		111⅝	108⅝	108⅝ — ⅜
Lowes Cos s		31⅛	29⅝	30 13-16 + 1⅛
Lubys		13⅝	13⅛	13 11-16 — ⅛
LucentTech s		66 5-16	64	66⅛ +1 11-16
MayDeptStrs		55 9-16	54 15-16	55 5-16 + ⅛
MediaOne		40⅝	39 5-16	40 + 1-16
Medtronic		58 15-16	58	58⅝ + ⅛
Mobil		79 3-16	78⅝	78 15-16 + ⅛
Monsanto		37⅛	35 13-16	35⅞ — 1⅛
MorganJP		85 5-16	82⅝	85 3-16 + ⅛
Motorola		46 13-16	44⅝	46 9-16 + 1⅝
NCR Corp		31 15-16	31	31 — 3-16
Navistar		19	18	18 13-16 +1 3-16
Norwest		33 5-16	32⅝	33⅛ + ⅜
OryxEngy		11⅝	11 7-16	11 11-16 + ⅛
Penney JC		46 3-16	45⅝	45 15-16 — 3-16
Pennzoil		31⅛	30 13-16	31⅛ + 5-16
PepBoys			14⅛	14⅛ 14⅛
PepsiCo		30 13-16	30 1-16	30⅝ — 1⅝
PhelpDodge		54⅞	54 1-16	54 1-16 —1 1-16
PhilipPet		46	45 5-16	45 11-16 + ⅜
PilgrmPrd B		19⅝	19⅝	19 11-16 + 1-16
Polaroid		22 1-16	21⅛	21⅛ — 5-16
Praxair		35⅛	34 11-32	34⅝ —1 3-16
ProctGamb		79⅝	77⅞	79⅛ + 7-16
PubSNwMx			21⅛	21 21⅛ + ⅜
RoyalDut			50⅝	49⅝ 50⅛ + 3-16
SBC Comm s			43⅝	42⅛ 42⅝ — ⅛
SaraLee		60⅛	59⅛	59 15-16 — 1-16
Scripps EW			39⅝	39 1-16 39⅝ + ⅛
SearsRoeb		40⅝	39 13-16	39 15-16 — ⅜
SherwinW		23⅛	22⅝	22⅝ — 7-16
SmithklBchm			53⅝	52⅛ 53⅝ — ⅛
SouthernCo		29⅛	28 13-16	29 13-16 +1 7-16
SwstAirl s		17⅛	16 11-16	17⅛ + 7-16
Sprint		73 15-16	72⅛	73⅛ + 1⅛
SunCo		32⅛	31⅛	31 15-16 + ⅜
TNP Ent		32⅛	32⅛	32⅛ + ⅛
Tandy		41 7-16	40⅛	40 9-16 — ⅛
TempleInland		49 7-16	49⅛	49 5-16 — 1-16
Tenneco		32 15-16	32⅝	32⅞ + ⅛
Texaco		63⅛	61 13-16	63⅛ +2 1-16
TexInd			21⅛	21 21 — ⅛
TexasInst s		51 15-16	50 3-16	51 11-16 +1 9-16
TexUtil			46⅝	45 11-16 46⅛ + 1⅛
Textron		63 7-16	62 5-16	63 5-16 + ⅛
TriconGlbR		37⅞	36⅛	37 9-16 +1 11-32
TrinityInds			30⅛	30 1-16 30⅛
TritonEngy			9 5-16	9 1-16 9⅛ + ⅛
Tyler			6⅛	6 6 — ⅛
US West Inc		53 15-16	52⅝	53 15-16 + 1⅛
USX-Marathn		35⅞	35 1-16	35 9-16 + 5-16
USX-USS		22 9-16	22 3-16	22⅛ — 5-16
UnCarbde		40 7-16	39⅝	40 1-16 + 5-16
UnionPacif		45 1-16	43 15-16	45 1-16 + ⅛
UnitedTech		79	78⅛	78⅛ — 3-16
Unocal		34 3-16	34	34 — ⅜
Venator Grp		7 11-16	7 9-16	7 9-16
WalMart		61 3-16	59⅝	60⅝ +11-16
WstnGasRs			7⅛	6⅞ 7⅛ + ⅛
WinnDixie		32⅝	31⅛	32⅝ +11-16
Xerox Corp		92 11-16	91 9-16	92⅛ — 1

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Florence Bailey of Santa Fe, Norma Chapman, Amalia Echavarria, Rosie Williams of Hermleigh, Carolyn Torres.

DISMISSALS: Stephanie Weaver-Martin, Rosie Williams, Armando Baumann, Eric Overton, Bella Rios, C.J. Thornton, Lucille Welch.

CENSUS: 38 (Med., Surg.-12, Long-term Care-22, CCU-2, OB-1, Nursery-1).

Births

Jessica and Steve Raatz of Irving announce the birth of their daughter, Ashley Elizabeth, on Oct. 8. She weighed seven pounds, 14 ounces. Ashley was greeted by a big brother, Austin Raatz.

Grandparents are Betty and John Richardson and their great-grandmother is Sadie Longbotham, all of Snyder.

Two taken into custody

Two subjects were arrested Tuesday.

At 10:56 a.m., officers took a 28-year-old female into custody in the 1400 block of 25th Street on oustanding Department of Public Safety warrants for speeding and no liability insurance.

At 1 p.m., a DPS trooper was requested in reference to a truck running another man off the road. The truck was located and a 38-year-old male was arrested for no commercial driver's license. He was released on promise to appear.

In other activity, an offense report for found property was filed at 2:35 p.m. in reference to a bicycle that was found in the 2800 block of Avenue U.

An offense report for criminal mischief was filed at 11:34 p.m. at the Noah Project in reference to a vehicle that had been keyed.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SCURRY COUNTY
TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
CONTRACT NUMBER 716791
FINAL PUBLIC HEARING

Scurry County will conduct a final public hearing on its 1996 Texas Community Development Program Water Grant on Monday, October 19, 1998 at 9:00 A.M. The meeting will be held at Commissioners' Courtroom, Scurry County Courthouse, Snyder, Texas. Topics to be discussed are completion of water storage tank and expenditure of grant and local funds.

The County encourages recipients of the project as well as other interested citizens to participate in the hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and comments to Jerry Gannaway, County Commissioner. Handicapped individuals that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made. If anyone interested in attending the public hearing requires a translator, please contact the City Hall office prior to the public hearing so arrangements may be made. All written comments will be addressed in writing fifteen days after public hearing.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Who needs pneumonia shots?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 80. Should I have a pneumonia shot? I had pneumonia last year. Could the shot cause a recurrence?

DEAR READER: Pneumonia can be caused by hundreds of different types of microorganisms, ranging from bacteria and yeasts to viruses. One cause of pneumonia is the pneumococcal bacteria, of which there are more than 80 strains. Pneumococcal infection affects upwards of 500,000 people a year, with a fatality rate of as much as 10 percent. Patients at highest risk of life-threatening infection are the elderly, people with AIDS and other immune deficiencies, alcoholics, patients with disease of the spleen and people with sickle cell anemia.

The pneumococcal vaccine is safe and does not cause pneumonia. You — and anyone over the age of 65 (as well as those in the high-risk groups I mentioned) — should have it.

But, remember: This vaccine provides resistance against only 23 of the most common pneumococcal strains. It will not — repeat NOT — protect against all kinds of pneumonia. Nonetheless, it is an appropriate preventive measure.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please give me information about Tourette's syndrome. I have had a nervous disorder all my life and recently learned that my sister and father were also afflicted.

DEAR READER: The cause of Tourette's syndrome, a rare neurological disorder, is unknown. People with the syndrome suffer from motor tics (twitching of the face, neck and shoulders), vocal tics (grunts and words) and behavioral tics (sudden outbursts of profanity). The disorder usually responds to medication, such as Haldol.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: What does "chronic lumbar dysfunction" mean, and what causes it?

DEAR READER: This is a catchall phrase that means very little. "Chronic" indicates that a condition has lasted more than a month; "lumbar" means that your lower back is involved; and "dysfunction" is a favorite medical word meaning something isn't working right.

You've got chronic back pain. The term "chronic lumbar dysfunction" is just a fancy way of saying this — and it doesn't help your symptoms.

Your pain could result from abnormalities in the nerves, muscles or bones. Therefore, you probably should have further testing, such as a CT scan or MRI, to define your problem with greater precision. Then the doctor can prescribe medication, physical therapy or a visit to a specialist to relieve your discomfort.

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REGISTRATION — Lance Beaver, Lauren Hackfeld and Rebecca West, from left, helped to register students during Saturday morning's speech contest at Snyder High School. They are member of the SHS Forensics team which sponsored the event, the first for the school since 1969. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

ART EXHIBIT — Western Texas College students (from left) Pete Olivarez, Brad Williams and Toby Young look over a painting by Jean Schofield Badger. Badger's exhibit will be displayed in the Fine Arts building at WTC through Nov. 6. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Badger art on display at local college

The Western Texas College Fine Arts department is exhibiting a collection of art by Jean Schofield Badger through Nov. 6.

The pieces are on display in the Fine Arts gallery area in the lobby of the Fine Arts Theater.

Badger enjoys painting the world around her that most people overlook or take for granted.

She may paint a shadowy, subdued restaurant scene or a wondrously colorful stormy landscape found in her native West Texas.

Badger is well known for colorful and beautifully accurate regional landscapes which center on capturing the spirit of life in the Southwest, as reflected in its agriculture, recreation and people.

"My works show the viewer the joy one can experience by observing the normal, everyday beauty found all around us," the artist writes.

Badger graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Broadfield Art Education from Texas Tech University.

Her work has won numerous local, state and national awards, including awards in the Degas Pastel Society Show in New Orleans and the Texas Visual Art Association Citation Exhibit in Dallas.

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Fugitive found after 28 years

DALLAS (AP) — A man who fled from a Dallas courtroom 28 years ago while a jury was considering his punishment on a heroin possession conviction has been arrested.

Officers said they found a man they say is Charles Edward Garrett, who was 28 when he excused himself to leave the courtroom to go to the bathroom. He was discovered on Menday at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. He was working there as a maintenance technician.

Jurors returned with a life sentence about an hour after Garrett left the courtroom.

Authorities say Garrett, 56, had assumed the identity of Kowl Emil Williams and had lived in Los Angeles, Detroit, Chicago and New York before he returned to Dallas in 1984.

"When we arrested him, he said it was a relief," Detective Pete Castillo told The Dallas Morning News.

Detective George Arrietá said Garrett married in 1986 and had several children.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Bossy Brother-in-Law Makes Man Want to Raise the Roof

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: My wife and I live with three friends in order to save money. One of our housemates is my wife's brother. I can't stand him. He's bossy and always wants things his way. The other housemates ignore him and let him do what he wants. I am the only one who seems to have a problem with him.

Abby, last night he held a "family meeting" and asked my wife and me not to fight on the front porch. We don't fight very often, but there are two things we fight about: money and her evil brother. I have considered telling him what to do with his thoughts on many occasions, but I have kept my mouth shut because my wife gets upset when I criticize her brother. She's very protective of him and feels he can do no wrong. She thinks I'm vindictive if I disagree with him.

Should I keep my mouth shut for the sake of peace, or do I have a right to say what I think of him?

FED UP IN WEST VIRGINIA

DEAR FED UP: As long as you're living under the same roof, you'd be wise to keep your mouth shut.

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DEAR ABBY: Regarding your response to "Irritated in Minneapolis," the woman who was distressed because a minister's widow was chasing after her husband at church: You said the widow probably needed "verification that she's still attractive to men."

Abby, you excused this woman's behavior and minimized the wife's distress. The minister's widow should know better. She does know better if she is trained in the holy Scriptures, which are guidelines for what is appropriate and what is not between the sexes.

The widow has already had a husband of her own, and though it's unfortunate he's deceased, pursuing someone else's husband (in her own church, yet) is not only inappropriate, but disloyal to the man's wife.

People like the widow invade others' boundaries and count on "compassion" in order to continue their game. The husband is not always "not attracted," and it's not the wife's job to find the widow a new man so that she won't steal hers.

I have been in similar situations and have a solution: I take the woman aside and say, "I may be wrong, but I get the feeling you're attracted to my husband, and it makes me uncomfortable." They always deny it at first, but I treat them with dignity and honesty, and it earns me their respect. I have no more problems with them. In fact, I get the sense they're relieved to have been stopped in such a loving way. It works.

A WIFE WHO CARES

DEAR WIFE: Your experience gives wise voice to the other side of the story. In a perfect world, no one would desire or deliberately entice another's spouse. Unfortunately, however, we're not living in a perfect world.

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DEAR ABBY: I gave up my child for adoption when she was 7 days old. It was one of the hardest things I have ever had to do. Please do not get me wrong; the choice I made was a loving choice. I did what I felt was right for my child. You see, I love her more than the very air I breathe, as I do all my children.

This happened approximately 18 years ago, and I have since had two more children. The child I gave up has met her sister and knows that she is her sister. Now, as she approaches her 18th birthday, she has made it clear that she wants to meet me face-to-face.

Abby, I am terrified to meet her. I don't know what to say to her. Could you please advise me about what to do?

SCARED IN VISTA, CALIF.

DEAR SCARED: Tell your daughter exactly what you have told me, and do not be afraid. The most important message you can give her is that you never stopped loving her, and you did what you thought was best for her at the time.

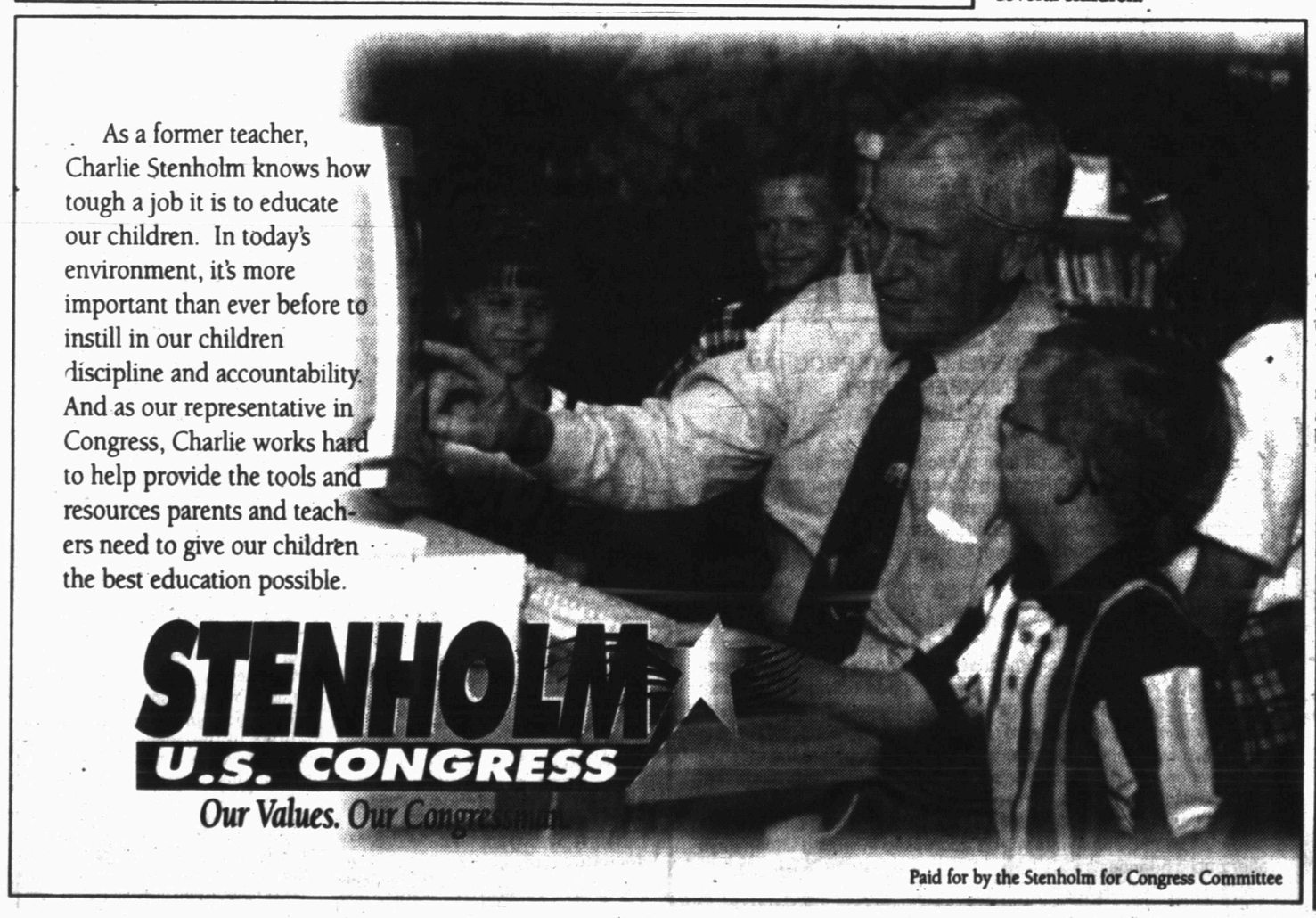
To receive a collection of Abby's most memorable — and most frequently requested — poems and essays, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's "Keepers," P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Martha Reeves loves company on stage

WEST BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP, Mich. (AP) — Martha Reeves loves company onstage — and it's nothing to do with stage fright.

"I never really wanted to go on stage by myself. I like the camaraderie," Ms. Reeves said during a break in rehearsals for Sunday's concert with the West Bloomfield High School choir.

Ms. Reeves, 57, will team with the choir for a rendition of "Dancing in the Streets," a hit for Martha & the Vandellas. She also will sing a duet with senior Carmen Woodruff.



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Tuesday	October 13	8:00-11:30	2:00-5:00
Thursday	October 15	8:00-11:30	2:00-5:00
Friday	October 16	8:00-11:30	1:00-4:00
Tuesday	October 20	8:00-11:30	2:00-5:00
Thursday	October 22	8:00-11:30	2:00-5:00
Friday	October 23	8:00-11:30	1:00-4:00

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Impeachment probe may be streamlined

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the House Judiciary Committee said today that he will try to streamline the panel's impeachment inquiry by focusing on the "core charges" against President Clinton: lying under oath, obstruction of justice and witness tampering.

Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., said his goal is to finish the inquiry by the end of the year — a goal he has expressed before, even while opposing Democratic attempts to set strict time limits on the investigation.

The White House suggested Hyde was floating a trial balloon for political reasons.

The House voted 258-176 last week to authorize the inquiry without limits by time or subject.

"The committee is attempting in this initial phase of the impeachment inquiry to establish a process for completing the inquiry by the end of the year," Hyde said today in a written statement. "This requires streamlining its work to focus on the core charges against the president of lying under oath, obstruction of justice and witness tampering."

Hyde said the yearend goal could not be met without cooperation from the White House and committee Democrats.

The chairman said in an interview with The Washington Post on Tuesday that the 15 potential grounds for impeachment — detailed by the committee's chief investigator last week — may be pared down to meet the voluntary deadline.

"I frankly don't see how we can deal with all 15 charges," Hyde said. "We need to think about narrowing the charges down to the ones that are the most provable."

White House press secretary Joe Lockhart said today: "Expansion of charges last week probably was done with politics in mind on the House floor. And floating the idea of reducing them probably has something to do with politics this week."

Lockhart said any serious process must first look at setting the standards of impeachment.

David P. Schippers, the Judiciary Committee's chief counsel, outlined the 15 separate allegations last week, adopting 10 of the 11 grounds for impeachment recommended by Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr and offering four from the panel's GOP staff for the committee to consider.

Those recommended grounds included conspiracy, obstructing justice, perjury, withholding evidence and tampering with witnesses, all arising out of Clinton's affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

"There is a limited amount of time, and we can't spend all the time we would like on all of the charges," Hyde told the Post. "There may be some consolidation of these counts to accommodate the time constraints. But we aren't there yet."

Americans to be small part of team that will monitor Kosovo

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans won't be a large part of a 2,000-member civilian force that will be go into Kosovo to verify progress toward peace between Serbs and ethnic Albanians, the Clinton administration says.

A still undetermined number of American observers and members of the U.S. military — all unarmed and wearing civilian clothes — will join the international monitors. But the primary American role will be conducting air reconnaissance and maintaining a threat of NATO airstrikes if Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic fails to meet commitments he made to stop fighting secessionists and let refugees go home.

"We will not rely on what President Milosevic says, but on what he does for the whole world to see," Clinton said Tuesday at the White House.

NATO, in authorizing military action for only the second time in its 50-year history, on Monday gave Milosevic four days to comply.

Under the agreement negotiated by U.S. envoy Richard Holbrooke, Milosevic must withdraw Serb army and police forces he began sending to Kosovo in February to fight ethnic Albanians seeking independence. Serb troops in the province have more than doubled to 25,000.

Milosevic also must set a timetable for negotiations on returning autonomy to Kovoso, which he removed in 1989, and on setting up Kosovo government institutions and police forces, U.S. officials said. The province's 2 million population is 90 percent ethnic Albanian.

Obituaries

S.A. Taylor Jr.

1926-1998

Sterling A. Taylor Jr., a Scurry County native, died Tuesday at Snyder Health Care Center after a lengthy illness.

Graveside service for Mr. Taylor, 72, is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the Ira Cemetery. The Rev. Larry White, pastor of Faith Baptist Church, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on Oct. 7, 1926 in Scurry County, Mr. Taylor was a barber for 43 years, and he owned and operated the 66 Barber Shop on Coliseum Drive in Snyder. He was a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and served in the Philippines.

Survivors include four sons, Charles Taylor of Phoenix, Ariz., David Taylor of San Antonio, Mark Taylor of Shelby, Mont., and James Taylor; a sister, Virginia McMillan of San Angelo; a brother, Charles Taylor of Snyder; and eight grandchildren.

O.B. Irion

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Irene Irion

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O.B. "Jolly" and Irene Irion, former residents of Snyder, died earlier this month.

Mr. Irion, 86, died Oct. 1 in the Alvin Convalescent Center. Mrs. Irion, 88, died Oct. 9, in the Columbia-Clear Lake Regional Medical Center in Webster.

Graveside service for Mr. Irion was held Oct. 3 in the Snyder Cemetery. A graveside service for Mrs. Irion was held Oct. 12, also in the Snyder Cemetery.

Mr. Irion was born Dec. 30, 1911 in Kent County. Mrs. Irion was born Sept. 6, 1910 in Snyder. The couple had been married for 63 years.

The couple grew up in Snyder. Mr. Irion was a retired geologist and the family had lived in Midland before moving to Alvin five years ago.

The Irions were preceded in death by their parents, Lewis and Molly Irion and Festus Clifton and Fannie Boyd.

Survivors include their daughter and son-in-law, Brenda and Bill Ewing of Alvin; four grandchildren; one great-grandchild and several relatives in Snyder.

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Report: HIV test should be included in pregnancy care

WASHINGTON (AP) — Testing for the AIDS virus should become a routine part of pregnant women's prenatal care, a policy change that could help more mothers-to-be get treatment that can protect their babies from infection, a panel of medical experts told Congress today.

The recommendation by the Institute of Medicine is sure to be controversial.

The idea is for HIV testing to be just another one of the battery of tests, such as the test for syphilis, that pregnant women normally get, said the institute, which advises the federal government.

"The message to women is, this is a disease for which we can do a great deal right now," said Dr. Marie McCormick of Harvard University, who chaired the study. "If you find you're positive, there's a great deal we can do to keep you healthy and, more importantly, to prevent transmission to your child."

Under the recommendation, doctors would tell women they will automatically be tested for HIV as part of regular prenatal care unless they object. Women must be given a chance to refuse, the report stressed.

Taking the drug AZT during pregnancy significantly cuts an infected woman's chances of spreading the deadly virus to her baby. The AZT discovery caused births of HIV-infected babies to plummet 43 percent between 1992 and 1996.

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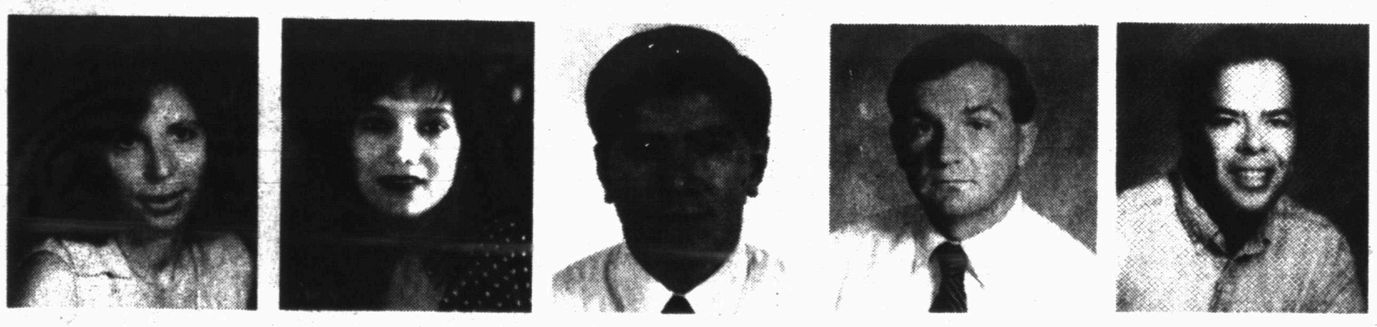

Monday — Anna Rosinska, MD — Internal Medicine — *Dermatology*

Tuesday — Mara DeLaVega, MD — Family Practice — *Womens Health Care*

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Friday — Micheal Stephens, MD — Family Practice — *Pediatrics*

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Ira booster club

The Ira Booster Club will hold its monthly business meeting at 8:15 tonight in the school cafeteria. Film from last Friday's football game will be shown.

Fellowship of home schoolers

Fellowship of area home schoolers will meeet at 3 p.m. Thursday at Kiddie Park for fellowship and fun. Anyone interested is welcome. Call 573-6230 for information.

Stanfield Parent Council

Stanfield Elementary Parent Council will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the cafeteria. All Campbell soup labels and General Mills box tops for education may be dropped off at Lawrence IGA stores.

Basketball booster chili supper

An all-you-can-eat chili supper sponsored by the boys basketball boosters is set from 5-7 p.m. Friday at the Snyder High School cafeteria prior to the Big Spring football game. Tickets are $5 and can be purchased from basketball players or their parents by calling Carolyn at 573-1252, Debra at 573-0835 or Richard at 573-2553.

Area-wide women's conference

The 4th annual area-wide Women's Conference will be held in Snyder beginning at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Sound of Jubilee, 908 E. Hwy 180. Mercy & Truth will be leading the music, and Barbara Collins of Dallas is the guest speaker. For more information or to pre-register call 1-800 658-6216 or 573-8401.

Class of 1958 reunion

The SHS Class of 1958 will have its 40th runion Friday and Saturday. Teachers, friends and classmates are invited to a coffee at the Ritz at 10 a.m. Saturday. Other activities are planned at the Sweet's Shop and Martha Ann Woman's Club. For further information, contact Janelle Pollard at 573-9076.

Car wash

The Snyder Springers will host a car wash Saturday from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Wal-Mart. It will benefit the competition team.

Ennis Creek reunion

The annual Ennis Creek reunion will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Towle Park Barn. Residents and former residents of Ennis Creek, as well as their guests, are welcome.

Short courses at WTC

WTC short courses at Western Texas College include introduction to Microsoft PowerPoint, Basic which will begin Monday. Call 573-8511, Ext. 390 for additional details.

East Parent Council

The East Elementry Parent Council will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the school auditorium.

Diabetes support group

The Snyder diabetes support group meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22, at 5301 Trinity Blvd. The speaker will be a glucose meter representative. Bring your meter to the meeting and any questions you have about blood testing.

JV cheerleader's fund raiser

Snyder JV Cheerleaders are sponsoring a Beanie Baby raffle of one set of bears. These bears, donated by Landes Home Furnishings, include Glory, Fortune, Erin, Princess, Peace, Valentino and Curly. Tickets are $1 and may be purchased from any JV cheerleader or by calling 573-0440.

Parkinson's support group

The Parkinson's disease community support group will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Cogdell Hospital board room. Richard Stout, physical therapist, will be the speaker.

Small animal contest

Western Texas College's Phi Theta Kapa Chapter will sponsor a small animal contest Saturday, Oct. 24, at 10:30 a.m. at the grassy area in front of Wal-Mart. Admission is either dog or cat food which will be donated to the animal shelter. Prizes will be awarded. Special speakers will include David Tale from the animal shelter.

Candy hunt

First Church of the Nazarene will have a candy hunt on Oct. 25 following church services which begin at 10:45 a.m. It is a safe, fun alternative to trick or treating. All kids are invited to the church on the Colorado City Highway, across from Big Country Autoland.

SHS band holiday gifts

The Snyder High School band will be selling holiday gifts and food Oct. 20-26. Proceeds will go to purchase chairs for the high school band hall.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
4-0-2
(four, zero, two)

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
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(two, fourteen, twenty-six, thirty-three, thirty-four)

Accused Army spy had financial and marital problems

WASHINGTON (AP) — David Boone was in debt and his marriage was in trouble. On top of that, the Army turned down his bid to save money by housing his family at a military base in Germany.

That was October 1988. Now, the FBI charges the 36-year-old intelligence analyst with top-secret clearance found another way to solve his problems: He walked into the Soviet Embassy here, just before he was transferred to Germany, and began selling defense secrets for money.

Ultimately, he gave up a raft of top secrets, including a list of Soviet targets for U.S. nuclear weapons, and was paid a total of $60,000, the government charges.

That same month in 1988, Boone was separated from his wife and two children. By June 1990, he was so far in debt that his Army wages had been garnisheed. So the Army suspended his access to classified information and reassigned him from analyzing intercepted foreign communications to guarding a hospital.

"There were lots of red flags," said one federal law enforcement official Tuesday.

As with other Americans before him charged with spying in recent years, there were plenty of signs that Boone was in turmoil and needed money. But he wasn't arrested for spying until 10 years after those signs emerged.

The FBI says it captured the gray-haired 46-year-old last Saturday at a suburban Virginia hotel, where he had been lured from his home in Germany by a sting operation. A Russian-speaking former FBI agent had posed as a spy from Moscow offering to pay for new espionage by Boone, who has bounced through three jobs in the seven years since he left the Army.

Wearing Levis and a long-sleeve yellow shirt, the retired Army sergeant first class who grew up in Flint, Mich., appeared Tuesday before U.S. Magistrate Judge Welton C. Sewell in Alexandria, Va. He was charged with espionage, which carries a top penalty of life in prison, or death if certain conditions are met.

Boone waived his right to a preliminary hearing and detention hearing and was held without bond. Represented by court-appointed attorney, Jim Clark, Boone responded, "Yes, sir," when asked whether he understood the charges against him and his right to a preliminary detention hearing.

The government has 30 days in which to bring an indictment against him, after which he would enter a plea.

Boone told the FBI's fake Russian spy that, during 1988-1991 in Germany, he sold the Soviets details of U.S. targets for tactical nuclear weapons in case of a Soviet nuclear attack and a 300- to 400-page handbook listing reconnaissance and intelligence collection systems used by the U.S. military, FBI agent Stephanie Douglas wrote in an affidavit.

Before 1991 when he left the Army and quit spying, the government said, he also provided his Soviet KGB contact — a man he knew as "Igor" — with U.S. documents describing the movement and capabilities of Soviet forces and Soviet tactical nuclear weapons.

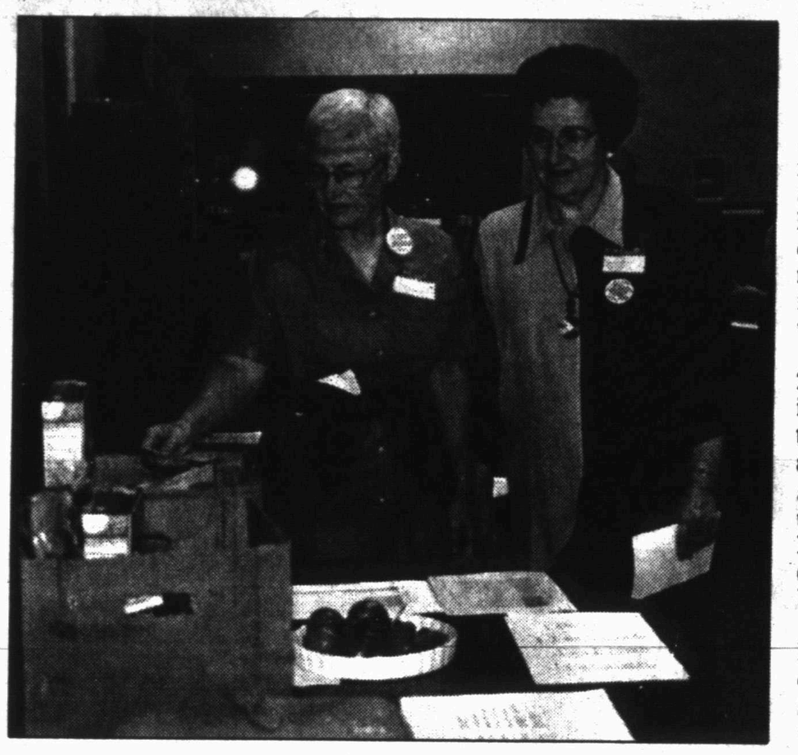
Boone spent most of his nearly 21-year Army career as a signals intelligence analyst, including three tours in Augsberg, Germany, and more than three years assigned as a senior cryptologic traffic analyst at the Pentagon's National Security Agency headquarters at Fort Meade, in Washington's Maryland suburbs.

The NSA and the Army units Boone served with use electronic eavesdropping to collect transmissions by foreign governments, which are decoded and analyzed.

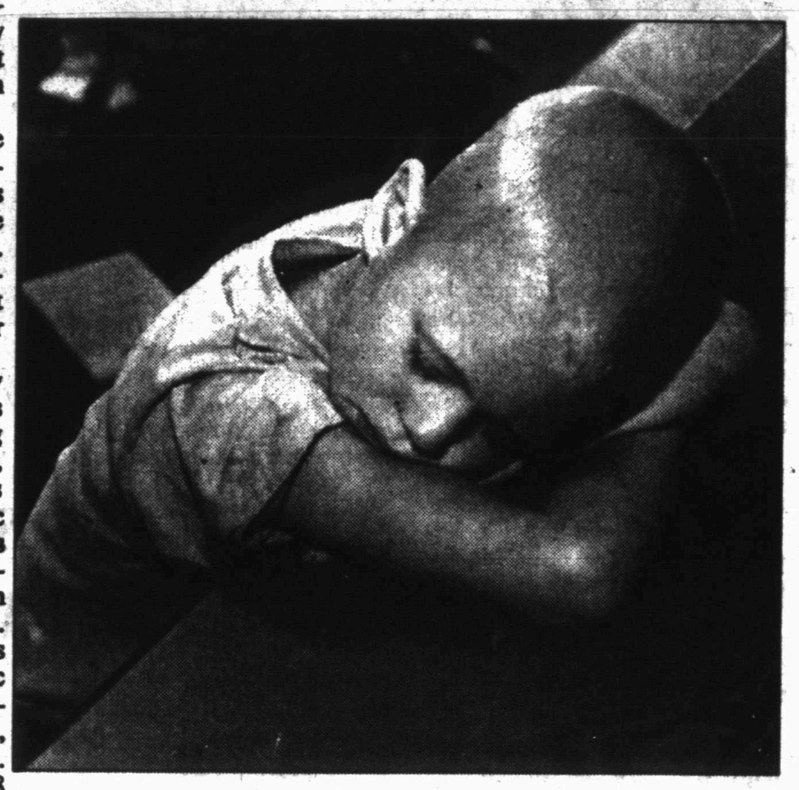
The FBI said Boone's 1988 separation agreement with his first wife gave her his entire Army pay. She was to give him $250 a month to live on, but he complained she never did. He took a three-month advance on his Army pay.

While assigned as a cryptoanalyst for the Army in Augsberg during 1988-1991, he met about four times a year with Igor and was paid $5,000 to $7,000 at each meeting, the FBI said.

On Sept. 5 of this year, a former FBI agent who speaks Russian telephoned Boone at his German home posing as a spy for the SVRR, the Russian successor to the Soviet KGB spy agency. The phony Russian spy lured Boone to London on Sept. 12 where Boone recounted his career as a spy for the KGB, accepted $9,000 cash and agreed to meet again in Virginia this month, the FBI said.



AARP DAY — During Saturday's AARP Day held at the Senior Citizens Center, Carolyn Cox, left, and Peggy Eubank look at a display for the Food Cupboard, the Ministerial Alliance's food bank. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



FAST ASLEEP — Timothy Iglehart was fast asleep Friday when the Kitchen Band performed during Stanfield Elementary's safe child program. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Oct. 15, 1998

Your ambitions and abilities will be fused harmoniously together in the year ahead. You'll be able to get all that you go after. Big rewards could be for the offering.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) An old enterprise which has been on the verge of collapse might experience a breath of fresh air today, and take on new life. It's a good thing you didn't toss in the towel. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Should you have to make a difficult decision today, face the issues head on and have faith in your abilities to make the right choices. With a fearless attitude, you'll accomplish great things.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You are now in a good achievement cycle. So beginning today, start setting your sights a bit higher than usual. Your arrows won't miss your targets.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Because of the organized way you present a new idea today, your listeners will have as much faith in them as you do. They'll be willing to follow your lead.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If someone you've been successfully teamed up with in the past comes to you with a new proposal today, take him or her up on it. Chances are you'll be good for each other again.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Someone who has never been supportive of you might begin to see you from a new perspective today. Take advantage of this person's altered views.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Although profile stirrings might initially be difficult to evaluate today, your alertness will pick up on its signals and you'll be able to move forward from there.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Shunning away from activities involving new people could be a mistake today. Exciting associations could develop from the encounter.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Use the past today to progress, not cling. Experience can be a most valuable compass and teacher when moving into uncharted realms.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A chummy, old pal might cross your path today. Should this occur, do what you can to revitalize the relationship, because something propitious could come from it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Astrological aspects are beginning to shift today that'll allow you to improve both your financial and career base. Be prepared to move with the tide.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Under the guidance of your able hands, a matter that has been mismanaged by others could be turned around. If given the chance, take a firm grip on the reins.

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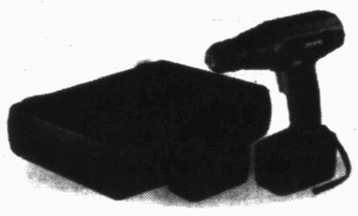

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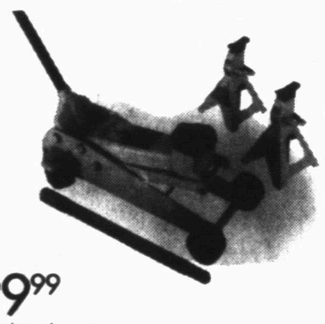

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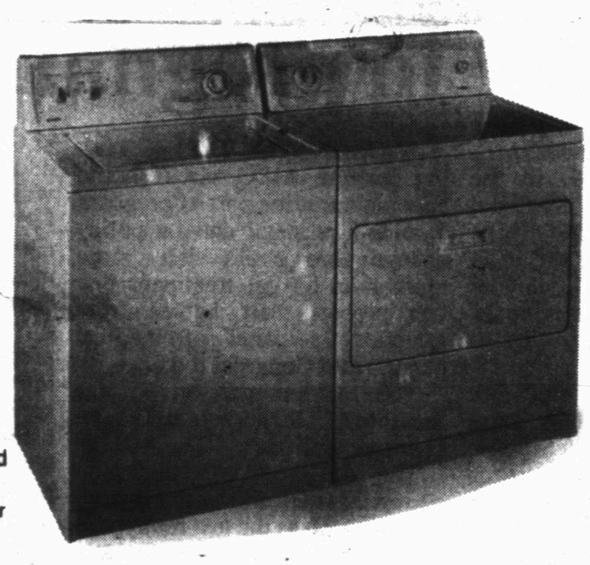

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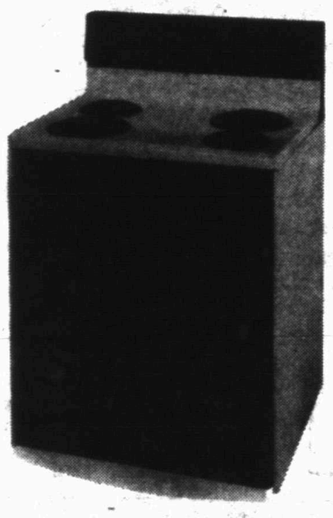

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