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Ask Us

Q — Does the Scurry County Library have books from the current top 10 sellers list of Christian Books?

A — Occasionally. The library stocks best seller books that are on the New York Times Book Review list.

In Brief

Parole bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas House today approved a bill that would require two-thirds approval of the state parole board for releases in capital murder cases.

The measure passed 134-0 and will go to the Senate for consideration.

Rep. Allen Place, D-Gatesville, said his bill was part of an effort to create a parole system the public can have confidence in.

"I think that it's going to be a whole lot tougher for a capital felon to get out on the street" under the measure, Place said. A capital crime is punishable by life in prison or death.

Local

Choir club

Snyder High School choir booster club will meet at 7 this evening in the choir room.

SNS board

Snyder Neighbors Sharing board will meet at 5:15 p.m. today at Sam Robertson's Insurance office.

SCRTA meets

Scurry County Retired Teachers Association will meet at noon Monday at The Shack.

Emily Hataway will present the program.

SHS 52' & '53

A planning session for the 1952 and 1953 Snyder High School class reunion is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Monday at the residence of Don and Shirley Drum, 2902 34th St.

For more information, call 573-1550.

Early release

Snyder ISD teachers will participate in an early release day Monday. Students will be dismissed at 2 p.m. and buses will run their regular routes.

Teachers will meet on their respective campuses. Principals and faculty will utilize the time to begin discussing plans and needs for the 1993-94 school year.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 51 degrees; low, 33 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 45 degrees; .04 of an inch precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, 1.76 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, clear early with patchy low cloudy developing near day- break. Low in the upper 20s. Northeast wind 10-15 mph. Friday, patchy early morning low clouds, otherwise mostly clear Colder. High near 50. Northeast wind 10-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:39. Sunrise Friday, 7:13. Of 55 days in 1993, the sun has shone 49 days in Snyder.

Cogdell...

LVNs to see pay increase

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers unanimously approved a $1 per hour pay increase for licensed vocational nurses and the appointment of a Foundation Advisory Committee member this morning.

In other action, the board approved contracts for two new physicians and reviewed the financial report for January.

Last June, the board was asked to consider salary increases for RNs and LVNs. At that time, the board granted a pay hike for RNs, but deferred a raise for LVNs. This morning, the board took up the topic again, and agreed to a $1 per hour across-the-board pay increase for LVNs.

Kevin Herm, CMH director of nursing, reviewed LVN pay scales for a number of area hospitals, noting that Cogdell's $7 per-hour base is about $1 less than most. The raise will make Cogdell competitive with surrounding area health care facilities.

"All of our LVNs really appreciate the action you have taken today," Herm said following the unanimous vote.

In response to the raises, budgeted merit increases for LVNs will be suspended for one year. The impact of the salary increase for the first year will be $104,187. The pay raise is expected to be implemented in March.

Cogdell currently employs 83 LVNs.

Board members also approved contracts for surgeons Mark and Kathleen Weaver. The contracts are for a one-year guarantee, but represent a four-year committment, said CEO Tim Lancaster.

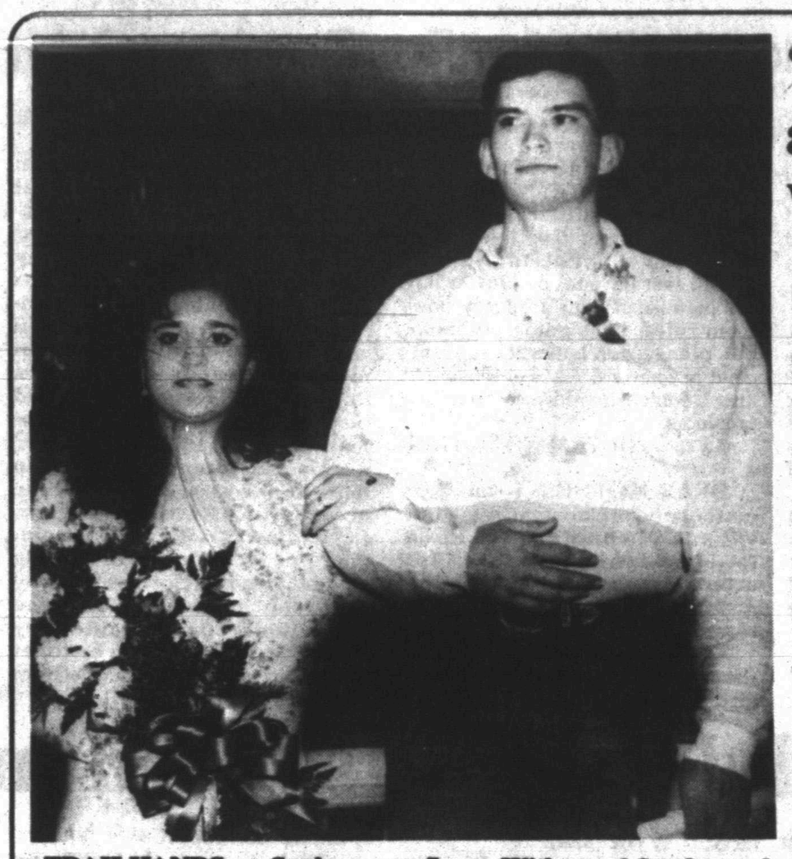
Lancaster said that Dr. Mark Weaver, a general surgeon, is expected to open his practice here by Aug. 15. Kathleen Weaver, an orthopedic surgeon, will be here Sept. 20 or earlier.

"We're very excited about them being here," said Lancaster. "They are very well trained and I think they will fit in well in Snyder."

The board unanimously approved Sammie Jarrell as a member of the Foundation Advisory Committee, as recommended by CMH board member Sue Mize.

Board members heard a positive financial report for January. Cogdell had a net income of $122,309 and a cash balance of $1,648,800. There was an average daily census of 18.5 patients, a long-term daily census of 32.7, 138 acute admissions, 596 home health visits, 59 cardiac rehab visits, 51 surgeries, 20 newborns and 705 emergency room visits.

Review and approval of previous minutes was the only other action taken by the board. All board members were present, to include Mize, Doug Foster, Bill Wilson III, Ted Crenwelge, Jim Palmer and G.A. Parks Jr., board chairman.



TRAILHANDS — Sophomores Jason Withers of Snyder and Rita Moreno of Eola were selected Mr. and Miss Trailhand during Western Texas College's annual Mardi Gras dance, held Wednesday evening. (SDN Staff Photo)

'Trailhands' are named at Western Texas

Jason Withers of Snyder and Rita Moreno of Eola were named Mr. and Miss Trailhand during Mardi Gras festivities at Western Texas College on Wednesday evening.

The annual event was sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa with the winners determined by a "penny a vote" method.

Other nominees for Miss Trailhand were Norma Gutierrez, Heather Carlson, Staci Bratton, Milly Gonzales, Brandye Bitters.

Other nominees for Mr. Trailhand were Frank Garcia, Greg Combs, Benji Fontenot, Daryl Weldon and Joe Urbina.

Winners in the Mardi Gras mask contest were, first place, Clifton Titus; second place, Gina Daniels; third place Stephanie Matlock; and fourth place, Debra Burke.

Prison site decision possible during March board meeting

A site decision on the location of four private prisons will likely be made at a March 19 meeting of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice board.

The meeting is set for 9 a.m. in the Harris County Courthouse in downtown Houston.

Gay Vick, vice president with Corrections Corporation of America, said this week that the TDCJ is mum on the review process, but had confirmed that the site selection for four private prisons is on the March 19 agenda.

Snyder has joined forces with CCA, a Tennessee-based corrections company, to submit a proposal for a 500-bed facility to be located just northwest of the state-operated Price Daniel unit.

Bids from nine companies, representing 35 proposals, were submitted to the TDCJ by the Jan. 29 deadline.

CCA is one of two private vendors presently doing business with the TDCJ. CCA operates two 500-bed facilities, one in Venus and one in Cleveland. Wackenhut operates the other two facilities, in Bridgeport and in Kyle.

The TDCJ issued a request for proposals last November asking for the design, financing, construction and operation for four 500-bed prisons.

Private vendors must provide for all operations, including medical and educational, and must state how much per day, per inmate, the vendor would charge.

State law requires that private vendors demonstrate a savings to the state of at least 10 percent.

The proposed private prison would employ from 150 to 200 with an annual payroll of approximately $3 million.

Snyder's economic development committee assisted CCA with the proposal on the Scurry County site which is 55 acres.

Western Texas College and Cogdell Hospital, if Snyder is selected, would likely work with CCA on a basis similar to the state-owned prison.

Towns seeking the four private prions include Venus, Cleveland, Kyle, Bridgeport, Lockhart, Colorado City, Agua Dulce, New Boston, Bartlett, Dayton, San Saba, Willis, Wills Point, Karnes City, Coldsprings, Kaufman, Corsicana, Robstown, Laredo, Big Spring, Rusk, Littlefield, Shamrock, Overton, Brownfield, Sweetwater, El Paso County, Clarksville, Jasper and Diboll.

Harding pre-trial hearing set Friday

A pre-trial hearing in the capital murder case of Arthur Lee Harding has been set for 9 a.m. Friday in 132nd District Court.

District Judge Gene Dulaney is expected to rule on a series of procedural motions filed by court-appointed defense attorney Mike Brown of Snyder.

In the past, Dulaney had denied repeated motions by the defendant to have Brown removed as his attorney.

Harding is charged in the death of Snyder businessman Paul Milford who was reported missing on Nov. 4, 1991. The body of Milford, owner of Fast Oil Change, was found in an abandoned cistern north of Snyder in March, 1992.

Harding, an employee at the oil change business, was arrested along with his girlfriend, Nina Jonell Henderson, in Monroe, La. last July. The pair had been suspects since Milford was first reported missing, and foul play had been suspected.

Harding was indicted for capital murder last August by a Scurry County grand jury. Henderson's indictment was upgraded to capital murder earlier this month.

District Attorney Ernie Armstrong said no trial date has been set.

To jobless...

House okays bill extending benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House moved with dispatch on the first piece of President Clinton's economic package — a $5.7 billion extension of jobless benefits — but other elements of the program are under harsh attack.

As the House passed a bill Wednesday extending the safety net for the long-term jobless, the administration's proposed energy tax came under a scathing assault in the Senate. Democrats and Republicans alike questioned its impact on their home states.

The widespread criticism led Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., to predict that Clinton's overall economic program was in jeopardy.

"They know the package is in trouble," Dole said.

The president fired back.

"The Senate minority leader can say that, but he was here during the last 12 years when other presidents and the Congress quadrupled the national debt," Clinton told reporters. "I'm trying to do something about it and turn it around and go in the opposite direction."

In the House, Democrats hailed the quick passage of the unemployment benefits bill — it was sent to the Senate on a 254-161 vote — as the first step in support of Clinton's overall economic package. The Senate Finance Committee approved a similar measure earlier Wednesday.

House Republicans complained that Democrats didn't have a way to pay its $5.7 billion cost and that it would just run up the deficit.

The bill is a "payroll tax in waiting," said Rep. Porter Goss, R-Fla. "Somehow, some way, somewhere down the road, we're going to have to pay for it. We all know that."

April 4...

Clinton, Yeltsin meeting set

GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) — President Clinton and Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin will meet April 4, foreign ministers for both nations said today. The United States is determined to support the "cause of reform in Russia," Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said.

The summit marks their first official meeting, although the two held talks on an informal basis before the U.S. election.

Christopher said the two leaders will set a site for their meeting later.

"We've established a good working relationship," Christopher said of his meetings with his Russian counterpart, Andrei Kozyrev. The summit was announced at a joint news conference.

Yeltsin has been seeking an early summit with Clinton since the president's election last November. U.S. officials said Clinton was receptive to the idea because he wanted to show support for the embattled Russian leader.

Clinton expressed confidence in Yeltsin after meeting Wednesday with British Prime Minister John Major, saying he believed the Russian leader could withstand the political challenges from conservatives in Moscow.

"We are putting a lot of effort into trying to support democracy and trying to support economic recovery there," Clinton added.

Yeltsin is clinging to a reform program against a growing conservative backlash.

The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Environmental regulations may add to your mental balance, but it sure can reduce your bank balance."

We're all for protecting the environment — the land, the drinking water and the clean air. But in typical bureacuratic fashion, regulatory overkill is going to bankrupt small towns like Snyder.

The federal government, namely the Environmental Protection Agency, writes rules and regulations and then passes them on to the state for enforcement, holding federal funds over the heads of states for failure to vigorously enforce the rules.

There is one common thread in the entire process — the lack of common sense. The state points the finger of blame to the feds, and the local authorities, rightly so, point the finger of blame to the state.

Unless you comply, the state will levy substantial daily fines to force compliance — sort of an IRS mentality to whip you into shape.

Meanwhile Snyder taxpayers are paying increased sewage rates to fund a $4 million sewage treatment plant to meet new regulations. New and changing landfill regulations will force the city to spend millions to remain in compliance. When the current landfill was permitted, the city spent big bucks to meet all current specifications. Now the rules change, and the local citizen must again ante up. On the horizon is more money for upgrading the water plant.

The problem is, ratepayers ain't seen nothing yet. In defense of local leaders, we submit that they must obey the law. But nothing prevents them and us from lobbying for legislative relief.

Smaller rural towns can get an "exemption," so it is clear that exceptions can be made. We're not suggesting total disregard of environmental issues, just the okay from regulators to local elected leaders to use common sense.

It could be that we evolve into the most "sanitary" landfill in the country because nobody will be left to take out the garbage.

A letter writing campaign to state and federal representatives to seek relief might do wonders.

'Brown Bag' event slated

The public is invited to a "Brown Bag" concert Friday in Room 102 of the Fine Arts Theatre on the Western Texas College campus.

Those attending are urged to bring a sack lunch. The concert will begin at 12:15 p.m. and last approximately 30 minutes.

Entertainment will consist of 10 to 12 pieces, including classical guitar, singing and piano. Students of Jon Palomaki, music instructor, will be featured.

Other performance dates are March 26 and April 23.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Third Time Held No Charm For Boy Who Wet His Pants

DEAR ABBY: My child, who is in the third grade at a public school, came home the other day because he had wet his pants. After questioning him, I learned that "Bobby's" teacher allows each child to go to the restroom only twice a day. Bobby had to go a third time, and was refused permission.

This is not an isolated case. Another child I know (from a different school) was told by his first-grade teacher that his team would lose "points" if they used the restroom. Being so young, this seemed very important, so the child defecated in his clothing.

In a classroom where I was a teacher's aide (in another city), a child asked to use the restroom and the teacher refused. When I asked why, I was told, "If they really have to go, they'll keep asking."

As a child, I would have been afraid to question the authority of my teacher by asking more than once.

Abby, please warn teachers that if a child is abusing restroom privileges, his parents (or guardian) should be consulted. And if the problem persists, the child should be seen by a physician. No child should ever have to soil him- or herself because of some arbitrary classroom rules. I'm signing my name, but please don't use it — as my child has several years of school left and I don't want him to have any problems.

OUTRAGED MOTHER

DEAR MOTHER: I, too, was concerned after reading your letter. So I consulted the director of pediatric urology at Children's Hospital in Philadelphia, John W. Duckett Jr., M.D. Here's what he had to say:

"I agree that children under the age of 8 should be given free and unquestionable access to the bathroom, but they should also be carefully monitored.

"About 5 percent of children at age 7 years have a medical problem called 'voiding dysfunction.' These children need medical attention, since they urinate either too frequently or not frequently enough. If teachers notice any particular child who needs to visit the bathroom more than two or three times a day, that child's parents should be alerted to a potential problem.

"Most children should and do learn that recess and lunchtime are appropriate times to go to the bathroom without being singled out as different or having special needs. (However, many children refuse to use the school bathrooms because they are dirty, without soap or toilet paper, or fail to provide them with sufficient privacy.)

"In a study involving four continents and 2,000 children, children were asked to rate the 20 most stressful events listed for them. The top three were: losing a parent, going blind, and wetting their pants in class. Children are, indeed, embarrassed by wetting and/or soiling themselves by 7 years of age. However, teachers are certainly attuned to the needs of children. And allowing children beyond 8 years of age to randomly go to the bathroom without medical reason would only create a chaotic classroom."

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Abby shares more of her favorite, easy-to-prepare recipes. To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, More Favorite Recipes, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Informant says he sold drugs to cops

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A confidential police informant claims to have seen two sheriff's deputies who were arrested on narcotics charges snort cocaine and buy drugs, according to an FBI report.

A court statement made by Agent Frank Flores Jr. said the informant claims to have sold cocaine at least six times to former deputies Maria del Carmen Rodriguez and Albert Acosta while they were still with the department.

The two were fired following their arrests last week. They were charged Monday with conspiring to buy narcotics.

The statement, prepared Monday, also says the unidentified informant claims to have seen Ms. Rodriguez, Acosta and an unnamed police officer snort cocaine.

Acosta's attorney, Robert Ramos, did not return a phone call Wednesday to The Associated Press.

Ms. Rodriguez' attorney, Joe Edd Boaz, declined to comment Wednesday on the informant's allegations. "But you have to consider the source. ... I would tend to believe a police officer over a drug pusher," Boaz said.

Boaz said that when Ms. Rodriguez, who was an undercover narcotics investigator, was arrested "everything that my client was doing had a law enforcement connection to it."

"She's been terribly wronged," he said.

According to the statement, Ms. Rodriguez would generally pick up the informant in a car and drive to several bars where cocaine can be easily purchased.

The document said that about three months ago Ms. Rodriguez gave the informant $600 cash for the purchase of two ounces of cocaine. Ms. Rodriguez told the informant she needed the drugs "to make some money from its sale," Flores' statement said.

Ms. Rodriguez later told the informant she desperately needed the cocaine and offered to smuggle it from Mexico, the reports says.

On Feb. 15, Ms. Rodriguez and Acosta allegedly bought an eighth of an ounce of cocaine from the informant while under surveillance by FBI agents and officers from the El Paso County Sheriff's Department and city police department.

The statement said Acosta asked the informant for two ounces of cocaine to be delivered last Friday. That same day he and Ms. Rodriguez were arrested after accepting one ounce of cocaine from the informant and giving a partial payment of $250.

Super collider reports called 'nonsense'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Super collider backers are irritated over claims by congressional investigators that the construction of the giant atom smasher is millions of dollars over budget and far behind schedule.

"That's nonsense," said Russ Wylie, a spokesman for the super collider laboratory south of Dallas, when asked about the General Accounting Office report.

GAO, in a study made public Wednesday, concluded that the collider won't be completed at its current $8.25 billion price tag.

The report comes as Congress prepares to wage its annual battle over the collider, which is under construction south of Dallas. All parties agree that this year's funding fight will be particularly heated in light of the growing federal deficit and Congress' desire to cut government spending.

GAO, which is the investigative arm of Congress, said it was unable to fully assess cost overruns and construction delays because an accounting system tracking cost and schedule wasn't in place.

But the agency said trend analyses suggest the collider could have a $630 million cost overrun in its $1.25 billion budget for conventional construction costs alone.

Using an Energy Department analysis of major subcontractors' progress reports, GAO also estimated construction is 19 percent behind schedule.

"The extrapolations they made are gaseous and based on fragmentary, highly selective half-facts," Wylie said.

A leading collider foe, Rep. Jim Slattery, predicted the GAO report would help opponents kill the project in Congress this year. "I think this report is going to strengthen our position," the Kansas Democrat said.

But Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary and congressional collider supporters called into question how the GAO study was performed and its results.

The conclusions "are based on faulty assumptions and trends based on insufficient data," O'Leary wrote in a letter Wednesday to Rep. George Brown, chairman of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee.

The Energy Department contends there has been adequate oversight of the collider's cost and schedule and that the project has survived independent audits every year without significant change.

"Contrary to the conclusions drawn by the General Accounting Office, aside from the effects of substantial underfunding in the last several years, the project is meeting its budget and schedule goals and the cost estimate prepared several years ago is still accurate," O'Leary wrote.

The Office of Management and Budget has projected that Congress' failure to fully fund the collider each year will swell its final price tag to $10 billion. Further increases could result from the Clinton administration's desire to stretch completion of the project from 1999 to 2003.

Texas lawmakers also denounced the report.

"Their facts don't justify the conclusions," said Rep. Joe Barton, R-Ennis, whose district is home to part of the collider. "I think they were pressured by former Congressman (Howard) Wolpe and Congressman (Sherwood) Boehlert to come up with something that knocks the program."

Boehlert, R-N.Y., and Wolpe, a Michigan Democrat who didn't seek re-election, requested the study last year. The report, completed earlier this month, was released by Brown, D-Calif.

Brown, who has supported the collider in the past, put out a terse statement Wednesday favoring neither the GAO nor the DOE position.

"Obviously, there are major disagreements between these two parties," Brown said. "Our goal in the coming weeks will be to understand the basis for these differing views."

For Barton and others, however, the GAO report merits no further review. "Anything that's at all favorable towards the project ... GAO ignored," he said.

Rep. Martin Frost, whose district includes most of the collider site, said the study's authors distorted the facts.

"The GAO just ignored all kinds of information that was provided (by DOE). They took some very initial, fragmentary information and tried to project that out over the life of the project," the Dallas Democrat said.

The super collider, with a 54-mile underground tunnel, will be the world's largest particle accelerator. Scientists hope the atom smasher will help them eventually unravel the secret of how the universe was created.

Hopkins knighted

LONDON (AP) — Anthony Hopkins, who won an Oscar for best actor last year as the maneating killer Hannibal Lecter in "The Silence of the Lambs," has been knighted by Queen Elizabeth II.

"I am a little bit numb at the moment," the 55-year-old Welshman said after receiving the honor Tuesday at Buckingham Palace.

Aspin: Pentagon will keep purchasing F-16s

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Les Aspin has reversed the Air Force's belt-tightening recommendation to halt purchases of F-16 fighters, Texas lawmakers say.

The Air Force, under orders to trim $2.8 billion, earlier this month had recommended terminating F-16 purchases for a savings next year of $700 million.

But Sen. Bob Krueger and Rep. Pete Geren told reporters at a Capitol Hill news conference Wednesday that Aspin plans to ask Congress to buy 24 F-16s next year at a cost of $615 million.

"We are extremely pleased about this," said Krueger, D-Texas. "It is a very important fact, we think, both for our state and for our nation's defense."

If Congress agrees with Aspin, it would ensure continued domestic production of the fighter at General Dynamics' plant in Fort Worth, which employs 19,500. It also would save 3,000 jobs at the Fort Worth plant and pump $240 million into the local economy, the lawmakers said.

Aspin is reviewing $10.8 billion in budget cuts proposed by the various services and is expected to forward his recommendations to the White House by March 15.

Aspin's decision — announced as he remained hospitalized for a recurring heart condition — is a sign of the defense secretary's continuing support for the fighter, said Geren, a Fort Worth Democrat who serves on the House Armed Services Committee.

As chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, Aspin fought efforts in the Senate the past two years to kill the F-16.

"I salute Secretary Aspin for the decision to keep the F-16 fighter in production," said Gov. Ann Richards, who in recent weeks has lobbied to save the program.

Aspin's decision doesn't necessarily ensure an easy road ahead for the fighter, Krueger and Geren conceded.

"There's no doubt that this program and every program in the defense budget is going to have rough sledding in Congress and we'll have to make the case for each and every one as we've had to do with the F-16 over the last few years," Geren said.

Some defense analysts have suggested the Air Force, which will reduce its number of active and reserve wings, doesn't need any more F-16s and can mothball some of the fleet for use later.

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INVESTITURE HELD — Brownie Girl Scout Troop 160 held an investiture ceremony where eight girls officially became Girl Scouts. Participating were from left, first row, Lee Ann Shankles, Amanda Whitson; middle row, Amanda Bayer, Jordan Donalson, Hayley Grant, Molly Mason; and at the top is their leader, Debbie Bayer. Not pictured are Brownies Emily Long and Stephanie Williams, and leader, Gaylan Mason. Parents and friends attended the event. (SDN Staff Photo)

NBC, Scholastic books make children's news videos

SALLY WILLIAMS COOK
For AP Special Features

Scholastic books and NBC News will be debuting a series of news videos this month for over 12 million students in the third through eighth grades.

The video that officially launched the series, "Clinton: The Challenge of the Presidency," was narrated by newscasters Andrea Mitchell, Mike Jensen, Bob Basell and Jamie Gengel. It explores the basic challenges that face the new president. Segments on the economy, health care, the environment and Somalia are also explored in the video, which uses print as an important component.

"The point is not to show the tapes in isolation," said Ernest Fleishman, Scholastic's senior vice president, director of education. "We want kids to connect to text. They will be able to go back and forth between print and video. For instance, on occasion, the teacher can turn off the audio and kids can write their own script."

Last fall, a pilot on Africa was released to 5,000 teachers across the country. The response was overwhelmingly positive. "We also learned from that experience that teachers want to control how the tapes are used."

Teachers who subscribe to Scholastic News or Junior Scholastic receive the videos at no extra charge. The videos are designed to be used with current or back issues of Scholastic magazine, which is geared for each specific grade level, third through eighth grade.

The series was the brainchild of Allison Davis, a writer-producer for NBC's The Today Show, and the mother of two boys. The idea came to her after her 6-year-old son watched the Los Angeles riots on television and later told her that he was scared of "cool" people, which he thought meant African-American teen-agers.

Davis, who is African-American, immediately drafted the proposal for the series. "I wanted to have more control over the news and the way that my son was receiving it," she said in an interview. Davis also wrote some of the scripts for the pilot on Africa and for the Clinton tape.

Peggy Charren is the founder of Action for Children's Television and a proponent of responsible broadcasting for young people.

"When I started out 25 years ago, one of my goals was to get the enormous resources of television news departments to focus on helping kids in America to understand what's happening, why it's happening and where its happening," she said. Judging by most of the television shows for children, Charren said, this nad not been her most successful effort. When told about the series, she was happy to learn the tapes would not contain commercials.

Four videos for 1993-94 school year will be produced. "We don't have definite topics yet, we will talk to teachers about what they're interested in," Fleishman said.

"We'll make sure that the videos are inclusive and diverse," said Davis. "I want my son to see that there are kids that look like him doing positive things."

Charren adds: "I hope that this project is going to convince the news people in the country that you really can do TV news for kids in a way that is different from the news we do on television for adults."

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

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

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

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308 or 573-1141.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave M, 8 p.m. For more information call 573-1141, 573-2101, 573-8626, or 573-3956.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-1141. (Last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information call 863-2349, 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-1141.

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

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

Sushi made with rice and cheese

By The Associated Press

This sushi is made with a mixture of rice and cheese, spooned onto slices of cucumber. The rice-cheese mixture is topped with a slice of carrot and a sprig of watercress.

ORIENTAL-STYLE SUSHI

3 cups hot, freshly cooked white rice

6 ounces baby blue or baby brie Saga cheese (about 1/2 baby wheel), softened

Medium-size cucumbers, peeled and cut into thirty-six 1/4-inch slices

Dijon mustard, to taste

Medium-size carrots, peeled and cut into thirty-six 1/8-inch slices

36 small watercress sprigs or leaves

With a fork, mix rice with cheese. Arrange cucumber slices on a tray. Place a small dab of mustard on each cucumber slice. Cover with a slightly rounded tablespoon of the rice mixture. Top with a carrot slice and a sprig of watercress. Makes 36 hors d'oeuvres.

The top ten

Best-selling singles of the week:

1. "I Will Always Love You," (From "The Bodyguard") Whitney Houston
2. "A Whole New World," (Aladdin's Theme) Peabo Bryson And Regina Belle
3. "Ordinary World," Duran Duran
4. "Saving Forever For You," Shanice
5. "Mr. Wendal," Arrested Development
6. "I'm Every Woman," Whitney Houston
7. "7," Prince & The N.P.G.
8. "Hip Hop Hooray," Naughty By Nature
9. "If I Ever Fall In Love," Shai
10. "Here We Go Again!" Portrait

(Source: Cashbox magazine)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 2-25-93
♠ K 2
♥ 8 3
♦ 9 4 2
♣ A 10 9 8 5 4

WEST
♠ 10 4
♥ A J 9 7 6 2
♦ J 8 3
♣ 7 6

EAST
♠ J 9 8 7 6
♥ 10 5
♦ Q 10 7 6
♣ K 3

SOUTH
♠ A Q 5 3
♥ K Q 4
♦ A K 5
♣ Q J 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 7

Take time at trick one

As I am a founding father of the Ailurophile Society, the cliche I dislike the most is "There's more than one way to skin a cat." But the *concept* — and the concept alone — may be applied to many bridge deals.

Take today's, for example. How would you plan the play in three no-trump, West leading the heart seven and East putting in the 10?

South's opening bid of two no-trump showed a good 20 to 22 points, in the modern style. Opening with a one-bid when you hold a balanced 21 points is dangerous. Partner might pass with four or five points, and you may have missed a game.

Three declarers played the contract. The first won trick one with the heart king and immediately finessed the club queen. However, East won with the king and returned his last heart: two down.

The second declarer saw that if the club finesse was working, he didn't need it. After winning the first trick, he led the club queen (to tempt a cover) but put up dummy's ace when West played low. The king didn't drop, so he led a second club. Nonetheless, the result was the same: two down.

The third declarer used the Rule of 11. Subtracting the number of the card led (seven) from 11, he knew there were four cards higher than the seven in the other three hands. And when East played the 10, declarer could see all of them. Therefore, West had several heart tricks ready to run if East got on play. To try to stop this from happening, South played his heart *four* at trick one. With the hearts 6-2, he could no longer go down.

The moral is: Paws (sic!) at trick one.

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Prehistoric tortoise slowly emerging

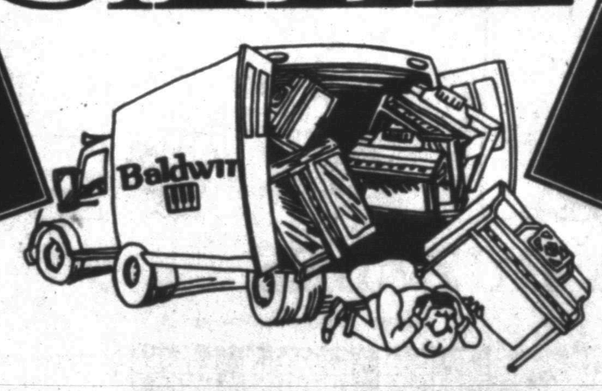
ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — A prehistoric tortoise is slowly emerging from an Orange County garage, helped by dedicated fossil restorers armed with trowels, brushes and dental picks.

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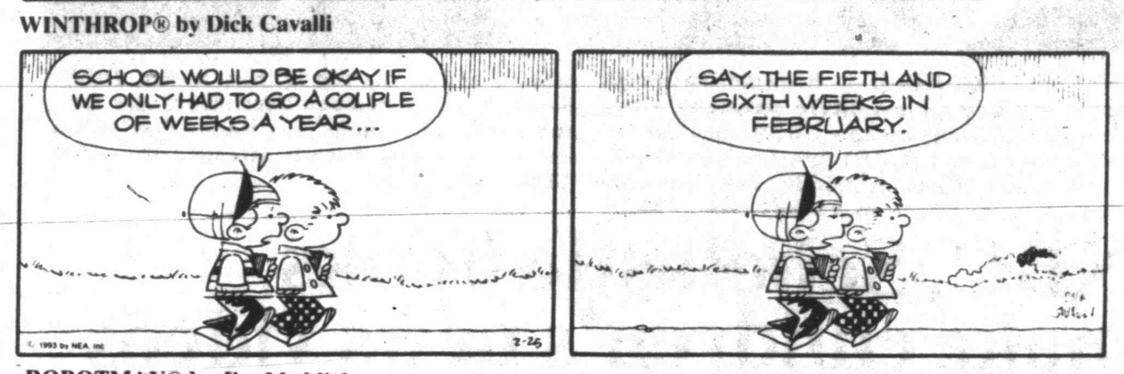
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1. What was the name of the snake in these two ***Disney*** classics:
   a) ***"Robin Hood"*** (1973) b) ***"Jungle Book"*** (1967)
2. Who was the star of these movies:
   a) ***"Cobra"*** (1986) b) ***"The Snake Pit"*** (1949)
3. Who had a 1968 Top 30 hit with ***"The Snake"*** ?

Look for the answers in tomorrow's **Pop Culture!**

Yesterday's answers: *1) "Venus" 2) Dave Stewart of The Eurythmics 3) Sarah Dallin and Keren Woodward*



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NEA PUZZLES

ACROSS

1 TV network
4 Skin mark
8 Somewhat (mus.)
12 Flee (sl.)
13 Part of the eye
14 Take — —
15 Year (Sp.)
16 Bell tower
18 Type of tea
20 Sword
21 For example (abbr.)
22 Wild sheep
23 Actress Sue —
27 Spanish hero El —
29 Okla. time
30 Eagle's nest
31 Mil. officer
32 Hint
33 Uncouth person
34 SW state
35 Was ill
37 Espionage org.
38 Boxing-victory abbr.
39 River in Belgium
40 Greek letter
41 Not at all
42 Row
44 Abraham's son
47 Sense of smell
51 Pigpen
52 Nut tree
53 Soviet Union (abbr.)
54 Scottish cap
55 Straight — — arrow
56 Pintail duck
57 Sault — Marie

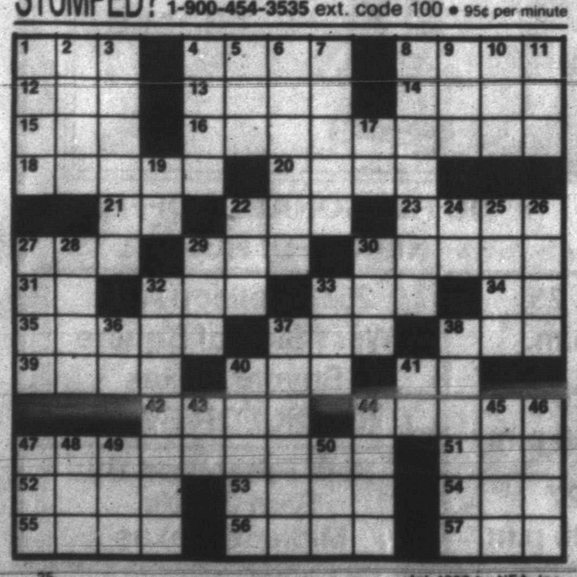
DOWN

1 Applaud
2 Poison
3 Consumed tobacco
4 Brownish-purple
5 Eggs
6 Concrete ingredient
7 Phi beta —
8 Lined with boards
9 Sash
10 Mountain pass
11 Be in debt
17 One (Scot.)
19 Biblical king
22 Opp. of NNW
24 12 mos.
25 Pigpen sound
26 Fictional captain
27 Potter's material
28 How sweet — —
29 Cow's chewed food
30 Drivers' org.
32 Sure
33 102, Roman
36 Author John — Carre
37 Consecrated oil
38 Browns (bread)
40 Whale con-stellation
41 Can. prov.
43 Adjective ending
44 Regarding (2 wds.)
46 Plant part
47 New Deal agcy.
48 Fleur-de- —
49 South of Ga.
50 Gravel ridge

Answer to Previous Puzzle

P	O	C	O		M	O	C	K		S	T	Y
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Tigers face Hanks in tourney opener

The Snyder Tigers opened the San Angelo Baseball Tournament today with a 10 a.m. meeting with Class 5A El Paso Hanks.

The Tigers and the Knights opened the 3-day, 9-team double-elimination tournament at the San Angelo Lake View diamond.

The Tigers are coming off an 11-1 no-hit loss at the hands of tournament co-host San Angelo Central in their season opener Tuesday in Snyder.

Central's Shawn Brown handcuffed Tiger hitters while his offense accounted for nine hits, including three for extra bases, and his defense played error-free baseball.

The tournament's other 10 a.m. contest finds Plainview facing El Paso Lamar at Central.

San Angelo Baseball Tournament
Thursday games

Game 1 — Snyder vs. EP Hanks at 10 a.m. at Lake View.
Game 2 — Plainview vs. Lamar at 10 a.m. at Central.
Game 3 — Lake View vs. Lubbock Coronado at 12:30 p.m. at Lake View.
Game 4 — Central vs. Bowie at 12:30 p.m. at Central.
Game 5 — Andrews vs. Snyder-Hanks winner at 3 p.m. at Lake View.
Game 6 — Snyder-Hanks loser vs. Lake View-Coronado loser at 3 p.m. at Central.

Today's first round will consist of six games. 12:30 p.m. tilts include Lake View on its home field against Lubbock Coronado and Central at home against defending tournament champ El Paso Bowie.

Andrews drew an opening-round bye and will begin play at 3 p.m. at Lake View against the Snyder-Hanks winner.

A loss by the Tigers would have them facing the Lake View-Coronado loser at 3 p.m. at Central.

The tournament championship is planned for 2 p.m. Saturday at Central.

SHS thinclads set to begin campaign

Coach Tommy Doyle had some high hopes for his track team in 1993.

Unfortunately, some of those hopes were dashed when the team's two regional qualifiers from 1992 were injured playing football and one of the Tigers' best hopes in the sprint events moved away.

Seniors Jason McAden and Jason Greene both underwent knee surgery after suffering injuries during the football campaign.

Greene and McAden captured first and second place, respectively, in the high jump at last year's District 2-4A meet here.

Doyle's sprint hope was Eddie Martinez, who moved away during the winter.

"It could be tough for us, at least until we get a feel for what we can do," said Doyle.

Among the returnees from last year who will be on hand when the Tigers open the spring track schedule at Ft. Stockton Friday and Saturday are field event specialists Todd Iglehart and Emiliano Chaidez in the shot put and discus, and Jason Miller in the long jump and triple jump.

According to Doyle, the Tigers' top sprint prospect is Tony Hernandez, who will run the 400-meter dash.

The Tigers will compete in the annual Mustang Relays at Andrews next week. The Andrews meet will also be the debut for the SHS girls' team.

Following the Andrews outing, Snyder's track teams will host the Canyon Reef Relays at Tiger Stadium on March 13.

WTC golfers compete in conference match

The going doesn't get any easier for the Western Texas College golf team.

The Westerners, who carved out a 10th-place finish in their season opener at Melbourne, Fla. over two weeks ago, will visit New Mexico Military Institute in Roswell for a 54-hole Western Junior College Athletic Conference match, today through Saturday.

Coach Milton Ham's squad shot a combined 957 on a course strewn with water, pampas grass and alligators in the season's first match in Florida.

"This was the toughest course we've seen," Ham said following the event. "I thought the one we played in Arizona at nationals last year was tough, but it was nothing like this one."

The Westerners were led by sophomores Daryl Weldon and Mike Torres, each with 3-round 236 scores.

Although this week's course may not be as tough, the competition will certainly be stiff, including nationally ranked New Mexico Junior College, defending national champion Midland College, Odessa College, also listed in the NJCAA's top 15, and host NMMI.

Western Texas will continue its run for a second straight berth in the juco national tournament with an appearance at the March 14-16 Gulf Coast Invitational at Galveston, followed by a trip to the Wildflower Country Club in Temple on March 28 for the Mary Hardin-Baylor Tournament.

The New Mexico State Junior College tournament will be played April 4 and 5 in Hobbs, followed by the Texas juco championship at Midland April 18-20.

The Westerners will wind up the regular season April 25-27 at the NJCAA Regional Tournament at Sugar Tree Country Club in Weatherford.

Snyder squads to play at Ft. Stockton event

Snyder's golf teams, both boys and girls, are scheduled to compete in the Friday and Saturday Ft. Stockton Invitational.

Both squads are coming off fourth place finishes as they head into the 36-hole tourney at Ft. Stockton Country Club.

The SHS boys fired a team total 663, including a final-round 337 in 40-plus mph winds at Plainview a week ago.

Senior Chad Jacobi tied for medalist honors at Plainview, firing a 76-74--150.

"Chad's 74 was as fine a round as you would want to see in those conditions," said Snyder boys' coach Bob O'Day. "He just did a remarkable job."

Snyder's girls, led by defending team and district medalist Brooke Lowrance, shot a fourth-place 788 at the Big Spring Invitational last weekend.

After carding a combined 415 on Friday, the Lady Tigers came back and improved 42 strokes on the final 18 holes at the Big Spring tourney.

Lowrance finished fifth in the individual standings with a 91-86--177.

Snyder will be among an estimated 40 teams at the Ft. Stockton event.

"This will be the first time we've played in a tournament this big," said Snyder girls' coach Matt Glenn. "It'll be interesting to see how the girls react."

Tee-off time is set for 8 a.m. both days.

College basketball...

Vols nudge No. 2 Kentucky

by The Associated Press

For all the foul shots Allan Houston has made for Tennessee, he missed the biggest one he's taken this season.

On purpose.

Houston's deliberate miss turned into a three-point play by Corey Allen with 1.5 seconds left, lifting Tennessee over No. 2 Kentucky 78-77 Wednesday night.

In other games, No. 9 Duke trounced No. 6 Florida State 98-75, No. 8 Vanderbilt got past Georgia 87-83 in overtime, Clemson tripped No. 12 Wake Forest 76-74 and No. 18 Iowa beat Penn State 58-38.

A day after top-ranked Indiana lost to Ohio State in overtime, Kentucky (20-3, 10-3 Southeastern Conference) missed a chance to move up. The visiting Wildcats led 70-64 with 3:01 left, and still were ahead 77-74 when Houston went to the foul line with 4.9 seconds left.

"The hardest thing is to walk up there like Allan did and say, 'OK, I'm going to make the first one and miss the second one,'" Volunteers coach Wade Houston said.

That's how Allan Houston, an 88 percent foul shooter, did it. After hitting the first to make it 77-75, he missed.

"I tried to shoot hard and a little off-center," he said.

Tennessee's Jermaine Brown tipped the ball off the backboard and Allen rebounded. Allen scored on a short jumper and was fouled, and his free throw won it.

Houston scored 27 points and Allen had 24 for Tennessee (12-13, 4-9). Jamal Mashburn led Kentucky with 26 points and Travis Ford had 22.

No. 9 Duke 98,
No. 6 Florida State 75

Bobby Hurley, closing in on the NCAA career assist record, set a school mark with 16 assists and Duke downed Florida State.

Hurley has 1,019 assists, 20 short of the all-time record held by Chris Corchiani of North Carolina State. Hurley also had 16 points as Duke ended the Seminoles' eight-game winning streak.

Antonio Lang, picking up the slack for an injured Grant Hill, scored a career-high 17 points for the Blue Devils (21-5, 9-5 Atlantic Coast Conference). Bob Sura had 29 points for Florida State (21-7, 11-3).

No. 8 Vanderbilt 87,
Georgia 83

Billy McCaffrey scored a career-high 35 points, and his eight straight foul shots in the last 1:46 of overtime led Vanderbilt over Georgia.

The Commodores (22-4, 11-2 Southeastern Conference) have won five in a row and 11 of 12. Georgia (11-12, 5-8) forced the extra period on Dathon Brown's 3-point basket with six seconds left in regulation.

McCaffrey made 11 of 16 shots, including 5 of 9 from 3-point range. Cleveland Jackson led the host Bulldogs with 18 points.

Clemson 76,
No. 12 Wake Forest 74

Chris Whitney starred at both ends of the court, scoring 20 points and stealing the ball from Rodney Rogers in the final seconds as Clemson won at home.

Rogers, the ACC's leading scorer, had 27 points. He was setting up for a 3-pointer when Whitney stripped the ball with 3.8 seconds left.

Dusters finish season at SPC

Coach Ron Jones will wind up his first season as head basketball coach at Western Texas College tonight when the Dusters visit Levelland to take on South Plains College.

The Lady Dusters, 15-14 and 1-8 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play, are riding a 2-game winning streak, including a 73-63 win in their home finale against Clarendon Tuesday.

Sophomore Mary Ann Isom led the team in the Tuesday victory with 19 points. Isom, from Midland, sank five first-half 3-pointers, giving the Dusters a 40-29 halftime advantage.

A 22-of-26 night from the free-throw line helped WTC stall a second-half Clarendon rally.

South Plains, guaranteed a District V playoff berth, boasts a 19-8 overall mark. The Lady Texans have struggled since beginning league play, forging a 4-5 slate, including a 78-68 loss to No. 1 Howard College on Monday.

South Plains downed Western Texas in their first meeting of the season, 75-52, in Snyder.

South Plains leaders include recent Player of the Week winner in the WJCAC, Saresa Butler, a freshman from Lamesa.

Butler leads the team in scoring, averaging over 20 points an outing while hitting over 56 percent of her shots. Butler also shoots over 50 percent from outside the 3-point arc.

Other top players for SPC include Bozana Vidic, a freshman guard from Croatia, who averages seven assists and four steals a game, and sophomore post Janale Stockett, who puts in 15.4 points an outing.

Tip off is slated for 7:30 p.m. at Texan Dome.

In other action within the WJCAC tonight, Frank Phillips College (12-13, 3-6) visits Odessa (23-5, 7-2) with a berth in the NJCAA Region V tournament on the line.

If the Lady Plainsmen upset OC, they claim the fourth spot from the Western Conference. An Odessa victory would drop FPC into a tie with New Mexico JC, which holds the tie-breaker edge.

The top three places in the conference belong to Howard (28-0, 10-0), OC, and South Plains.

In men's conference games tonight, Frank Phillips faces Odessa and Midland College is at New Mexico Military Institute for final regular season games.

The men's division of the WJCAC has already decided its tournament seedings. Odessa College (26-2), ranked No. 6 nationally, has clinched the conference title. No. 10 Howard (23-4) is second, while South Plains (19-10) and NMJC (18-11) have latched onto the third and fourth seeds for the post-season tourney.

WJCAC basketball

Women

Team	Season		League	
Howard	28	0	10	0
Odessa	23	5	7	2
South Plains	19	8	4	5
Frank Phillips	12	13	3	6
NMJC	17	12	3	7
Western Texas	15	14	1	8

Monday, Feb. 22
Clarendon 53, Frank Phillips 51
Howard 78, South Plains 68
NMJC 92, Ft. Bliss 65
Tuesday, Feb. 23
WTC 73, Clarendon 63
Thursday, Feb. 25
WTC at South Plains
Frank Phillips at Odessa
Regular season ends

Men

Team	Season		League	
Odessa	26	2	10	1
Howard	23	4	8	3
NMJC	18	11	6	6
South Plains	19	10	6	6
Midland	18	9	5	6
NMMI	12	16	2	9
Frank Phillips	4	20	2	9

Monday, Feb. 22
Midland 114, NMJC 92
South Plains 66, Howard 61
NMMI 88, Ft. Bliss 70
Frank Phillips 106, Clarendon 97
Thursday, Feb. 25
Howard at Clarendon
Frank Phillips at Odessa
Midland at NMMI

Cowboys figure to lose backup QB Beuerlein

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys are in good shape going into the NFL's first period of unrestricted free agency.

While the Cowboys can't sign free agents unless they lose one because they were in the NFL's final four this season, they don't stand to lose much. They have just six potential free agents and only backup quarterback Steve Beuerlein and wide receiver and kick returner Kelvin Martin have value on an open market.

The other free agents are two veteran safeties, Bill Bates and Ray Horton, long snapper Dale Hellestrae and linebacker Mickey Pruitt. Bates missed most of the season with a knee injury.

The Cowboys are resigned to losing Beuerlein, who led them to the playoffs in 1991 while Troy Aikman was injured. Although Beuerlein played little this season, other clubs have expressed interest in him as a starter.

All 28 NFL clubs had until 4 p.m. EST today to announce the three players they hope to lock up as "franchise" and "transitional" players.

Under the new agreement, the one franchise player per club is barred from entering the free-agent market and the two transitional players can be kept by matching any other team's best offer.

The Cowboys are trying to get the NFL to give them compensation for losing Beuerlein even if they don't protect him.

"We feel we deserve compensation. We feel he'll be one of the highest-paid free agents and has a lot of value to us, and we're not getting anything of value if we don't get a compensatory pick," Cowboys vice president Stephen Jones said.

The Cowboys would get an extra draft pick if they were to lose Beuerlein as the franchise player.

That's cost prohibitive for Dallas, however.

The player designated as the franchise player must be offered a salary equal to the average of the five highest paid NFL players at his position. They can protect two more transitional players by paying them equal to the average of the top 10 salaries at their positions.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
New York	36	16	.692	—
New Jersey	30	23	.566	6½
Orlando	25	23	.521	9
Boston	27	25	.519	9
Miami	19	32	.373	16½
Philadelphia	18	33	.353	17½
Washington	16	37	.302	20½
Central Division				
Chicago	36	17	.679	—
Cleveland	35	19	.648	1½
Charlotte	27	23	.540	7½
Atlanta	26	27	.491	10
Indiana	24	29	.453	12
Detroit	22	29	.431	13
Milwaukee	20	33	.377	16
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
San Antonio	34	16	.680	—
Utah	33	20	.623	2½
Houston	31	21	.596	4
Denver	21	31	.404	14
Minnesota	12	37	.245	21½
Dallas	4	46	.080	30
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	39	10	.796	—
Seattle	35	17	.673	5½
Portland	31	18	.633	8
LA Lakers	27	23	.540	12½
LA Clippers	27	25	.519	13½
Golden State	24	30	.444	17½
Sacramento	17	36	.321	24

Wednesday's Games
Boston 103, New Jersey 88
Atlanta 132, Philadelphia 107
Washington 105, Indiana 101
Miami 102, Portland 91
Seattle 89, Minnesota 77
New York 91, Milwaukee 90
Denver 113, Dallas 92
Golden State 120, Utah 108
LA Lakers 104, Sacramento 99
Thursday's Games
Chicago at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

College hoops

EAST
Bucknell 116, Loyola, Md. 85
Cleveland St. 76, Buffalo 69
Connecticut 69, Boston College 64
Fordham 69, Rice 67
Iona 96, Siena 90
Lehigh 83, Lafayette 70
Niagara 72, Canisius 62
Temple 65, Memphis St. 58
West Virginia 74, Virginia Tech 70
SOUTH
Auburn 83, Mississippi 73
Clemson 76, Wake Forest 74
Coastal Carolina 79, Winthrop 64
Coppin St. 83, N. Carolina A&T 71
Duke 98, Florida St. 75
E. Tennessee St. 117, Oral Roberts 91
East Carolina 74, William & Mary 53
Florida 80, South Carolina 73
Florida A&M 111, Edward Waters 107
Grambling St. 82, Tougaloo 79
James Madison 90, American U. 67
Maryland 88, N. Carolina St. 71
Richmond 61, George Mason 58
South Alabama 101, Lamar 80
Southern U. 127, Cent. Florida 100
Tennessee 78, Kentucky 77
Vanderbilt 87, Georgia 83, OT
W. Carolina 82, N.C.-Asheville 69
MIDWEST
Ball St. 78, Toledo 64
DePaul 79, Texas Christian 68
E. Michigan 59, Miami, Ohio 55
Iowa 58, Penn St. 38
Iowa St. 89, Florida Atlantic 46
Kent 76, Akron 75
Minnesota 79, Northwestern 60
N. Iowa 54, SW Missouri St. 53
NE Illinois 90, Chicago St. 70
Nebraska 76, Colorado 67
Ohio U. 66, Cent. Michigan 51
SE Missouri 69, Tenn.-Martin 68
W. Michigan 69, Bowling Green 65
Wis.-Milwaukee 66, S. Utah 56
Wisconsin 65, Michigan St. 62
SOUTHWEST
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(s)WILLIAM F. HINKLE,
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Clapton wins six Grammys

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Grammy voters affirmed with ballots what rock fans said with spray-paint cans in the 1960s: "Clapton is God."

The graffiti that once appeared on London walls became the theme of Wednesday's Grammy ceremonies as Eric Clapton collected six trophies, including album of the year for "Unplugged" and record and song of the year.

The 47-year-old British guitarist picked up his first award of the night for "Tears in Heaven," a melancholy tune written after the death of his 4-year-old son in a fall out a 53rd-floor apartment window in 1991.

"I feel so guilty about taking so many of these. I'm very moved and very shaky and very emotional," Clapton said after accepting his final honor of the night. "And I want to thank a lot of people, but the one person I want to thank is my son, for the love he gave me and the song he gave me."

Clapton also shared best rock song honors with writer Jim Gordon for Clapton's acoustic version of his 1970 classic "Layla."

The other big winner of the night was the music from the Disney movie "Beauty and the Beast," which claimed four Grammys.

Celine Dion and Peabo Bryson won best pop vocal performance by a duo or group for the "Beauty and the Beast" single. The music, by Alan Menken and the late Howard Ashman, also won best album for children, best instrumental composition for a movie or TV, and best song written for a movie or TV.

The academy presented awards in 80 categories at the Shrine Auditorium, but only 13 of them during the three-hour CBS broadcast.

Previously, Clapton's only Grammys were for his contribution to the 1972 album "The Concert for Bangladesh" and for best rock vocal in 1990 for "Bad Love." He had nine nominations this year.

"I'll go out on a limb and say if you're up against Eric Clapton in any other categories, I'd go home now," comedian Garry Shandling, host of the Grammy ceremonies, joked about halfway through the show.

Arrested Development won the coveted best new artist award and best rap performance by a duo or group for the single "Tennessee."

Billy Ray Cyrus, who was nominated for five awards on the strength of his wildly successful hit "Achy Breaky Heart," was shut out.

Instead, Vince Gill won best male country vocal performance for the album "I Still Believe in You" and, with co-writer John Barlow Jarvis, received the award for best country song for the album's title track.

In other country categories, Mary-Chapin Carpenter won female vocal performance honors for "I Feel Lucky," and Emmylou Harris & The Nash Ramblers won a Grammy for performance by a duo or group with vocal.

"Wow, isn't that beautiful! Gosh almighty," said Tony Bennett after his "Perfectly Frank" album, a tribute to Frank Sinatra, won best traditional pop vocal performance.

k.d. lang's "Constant Craving" won the female pop vocal performance Grammy.

Boyz II Men's smash hit "End of the Road" was best R&B group performance, and it also won the R&B songwriting award. Also in R&B, Chaka Khan won female vocal performance for "The Woman I Am" album and Al Jarreau took male vocal honors for his "Heaven and Earth" album.

The rap solo performance trophy went to Sir Mix-a-Lot for "Baby Got Back," and the Red Hot Chili Peppers were the hard rock performance winners for "Give It Away."

U2 won a group vocal rock performance Grammy for the album "Achtung Baby," which also earned a non-classical producer of the year award for the team of Daniel Lanois and Brian Eno.

Other winners included the late Stevie Ray Vaughan for rock instrumental performance for "Little Wing." Vaughan, who died in a plane crash in 1990, also won the contemporary blues album trophy for "The Sky is Crying."

Multiple winners included The Chieftains with two in the folk album categories and Linda Ronstadt with a Grammy in both the Latin and Mexican-American album categories.

The Miles Davis album "Doo-Bop" won the instrumental performance Grammy.

Classical album of the year was "Mahler: Symphony No. 9" with Leonard Bernstein conducting the Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra. Michael Fine was classical producer of the year.



BEST MASKS — These Western Texas College students wore the best Mardi Gras masks at a dance at the school Wednesday, according to judges. Clifton Titus (top, center) won first place and $20. Gina Daniels (left, standing) received second place honors and $15. Stephanie Matlock (center) finished in third place. She won $10. Fourth place honors and $5 went to Debra Burke (right, seated). (SDN Staff Photo)

Trail of contaminated hamburger meat said narrows to 9 suppliers

SEATTLE (AP) — Federal investigators are testing meat samples from nine slaughter plants in four states, including Texas, and Canada to try to find the source of contaminated fast-food hamburgers blamed in an outbreak of E. coli poisoning.

At least two children have died and more than 450 people were sickened in the outbreak.

The nine slaughterhouses supplied cow carcasses or meat to Service Packing of Los Angeles. One of the slaughterhouses was identified as Caviness of Hereford, Texas.

Service Packing sent meat to The Vons Cos. of suburban Los Angeles, which processed it into frozen hamburger patties for Jack in the Box restaurants. The tainted batch was produced Nov. 19.

Health officials have blamed contaminated and undercooked hamburgers at Jack in the Box restaurants for an outbreak of the E. coli O157:H7 bacterium in Washington, Idaho, Nevada and possibly California.

Jim Greene, a spokesman for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food Safety and Inspection Service in Washington, D.C., said Wednesday that meat samples from the nine slaughterhouses and plants were being sent to the agency's Beltsville, Md., laboratory for analysis. Each analysis is expected to take about six days, he said.

Greene identified the other eight slaughterhouses as: Alpine Packing Co. of Stockton, Beef Packers of Fresno, Ceolho of Tulare, Orvis of Modesto, and Rancho Veal of Petaluma, all in California; IBP of Waterloo, Iowa; Miller of Hyrum, Utah; and Gainers, a firm in Canada.

Investigators don't know yet which slaughter plant supplied the meat that contaminated the batch that wound up in Jack in the Box restaurants, Greene said.

Two deaths have been linked to the outbreak. A 2-year-old Tacoma boy died last month after eating a tainted Jack in the Box cheeseburger and a 17-month-old boy who got infected from a child who ate there died Sunday. A Mountlake Terrace girl also died of E. coli poisoning, but health officials don't know yet how she got infected. She didn't eat at Jack in the Box.

Michael Jackson honored with Grammy Legend Award

LOS ANGELES (AP) — After a decade of keeping his thoughts to himself, Michael Jackson has started to talk ... and talk.

Two weeks after baring his secluded soul to Oprah Winfrey, the newly accessible superstar was at it again, accepting a Grammy Legend Award on Wednesday night and sounding more like a call-in guest on a radio talk show than a publicity-shy celebrity.

Jackson, wearing a white jacket, black pants and the ever-present single glove, said his recent live interview with Winfrey has helped to dispel rumors he was an eccentric recluse, lost in a fantasy world of animals and children.

"I must confess it feels good to be thought of as a person, not a personality," said Jackson, who attended the Grammy ceremony with his frequent companion, Brooke Shields. "The last few weeks I have been cleansing myself, and it's been a rebirth for myself."

He told the crowd, "I wasn't aware the world thought I was so weird and bizarre."

Jackson again blamed any personal problems on his childhood stardom, lamenting he never had any real birthday or Christmas celebrations.

And the singer who once urged fans to concentrate on "The Man in the Mirror" also offered social commentary.

"I realize that many of our world's problems today — from inner-city crime to large-scale wars, terrorism and overcrowded prisons — are a result of the fact that children have had their childhood stolen from them," he said.

He even managed to joke about his resemblance to his sister Janet, who presented him with the award.

"I hope this puts to rest — finally puts to rest — another rumor that has been in the press for too many years," said Jackson, hugging his sister. "Me and Janet really are two different people."

Jackson's media blitz this year includes TV appearances at the NAACP's Image Awards, the Clinton inauguration, American Music Awards and the Super Bowl halftime show.

Teens easily buy cigarettes

AUSTIN (AP) — Fifteen-year-old Ivana Guzman says she has no problem purchasing cigarettes in Texas, in spite of a law forbidding sale of tobacco products to minors.

The thing is, she doesn't smoke. But she says most of her friends at Leander High School in Austin do, even though they're under age.

Miss Guzman is one of 17 teenagers who last month went undercover to 165 stores in Austin to try to buy tobacco products. The teens were successful 61 percent of the time.

The project was part of a study released Wednesday by the Texas Department of Health to determine whether laws restricting tobacco sales are being enforced.

"It was very easy (to purchase cigarettes)," said Guzman, who added that the store clerks who sold her the products didn't care how old she was.

Dr. David Smith, Texas health commissioner, said the study shows current laws aren't working.

"Our failure to enforce this law sends a false message to merchants and youths alike that tobacco is not to be viewed as seriously as alcohol," Smith said.

Eastwood's new film

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Clint Eastwood will star in his next movie as a sheriff who tracks down an escaped convict played by Kevin Costner.

Eastwood, who will also direct, was scouting locations around Austin on Monday and Tuesday with producer David Valdes.

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Obituaries



BARBARA WHITE

Barbara White

1924-1993

Services are set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Ira Baptist Church for Barbara Nivelle White, 68, who died Wednesday in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital after a brief illness.

Officiating at the service will be the Rev. Steve Long, pastor of the Ira Baptist Church, assisted by the Rev. C.J. Smith, retired Baptist minister. Burial will follow in the Ira Cemetery.

Born in Lamesa, Mrs. White had lived in the Ira area for 38 years. She served as a secretary at the Knapp Baptist Church for some 25 years. She was a housewife, a charter member of the Ira PTA and a member of the Ira Baptist Church.

From 1943-45, she served in the nursing corp of the Women's Army Air Corp. She married Udell White on Feb. 29, 1948 in Lovington, N.M.

Survivors include her husband of the home; a son and daughter-in-law, Art and Pat White of Ira; a daughter, Gale Northcott of Snyder; six sisters, Paula Wall of Seminole, Faye Walls of Lamesa, Olvene Johnstone of Houston, Lorene Davis of Mineral Wells, Jackie Beaird of Austin and Martha Beaty of Lamesa; and five grandchildren, Linsey and Jennifer Northcott, and Blake, Dani and Wes White.

Maria Robbins

1919-1993

HAMLIN — Services are set for 11 a.m. Friday in the First United Methodist Church for Maria Robbins, 73, who died Wednesday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Officiating will be the Rev. Larry Crumpton, and burial will follow in the Hamlin Memorial Cemetery.

Born in Czechoslovakia, Mrs. Robbins was a survivor of a Nazi concentration camp in Poland. Her husband, Jack Robbins, died in 1980.

She had lived in Hamlin since 1950. Mrs. Robbins was a member of the First United Methodist Church and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Mike and Carolyn Robbins of Snyder; and two grandchildren; Shannon and Susan Robbins, also of Snyder.

Flu fells Sting

MIAMI (AP) — Sting fans were singing the blues after the flu forced the star to cancel or postpone three concerts this week.

Concerts Monday through today at Miami's Gusman Center were scrubbed.

"Sting is recovering," promoter Jon Stoll said. "It's more bronchial than anything else."

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Zella M. Langley

1912-1993

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Zella Marie Langley, 80, of Snyder who died at 2 a.m. Thursday in Lubbock's St. Mary of the Plains Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Born May 12, 1912, in Mountain Grove, Mo., Mrs. Langley moved from Phoenix, Ariz., to Snyder in 1970. She married Alfred Ray Langley on Aug. 3, 1951, in Sonora, Mex. He died on Sept. 22, 1987. She was a housewife and a Baptist.

Survivors include a son, Rubert McCowan of Dellfountain, Ore.; four daughters, Orpha Dorman of Snyder, Zella Mae Petty of Merrin, Ore., Janet Montoya of Mercedes, Tex., and Sue Black of Lake Elsnore, Ore.; three sisters, Lucy Smith, Inda Dodson, and Maxine McCall, all of Mt. Grove, Mo.; 17 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Patient dumping incident probed

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — It was "inappropriate" for University of Texas Medical Branch campus police to dump a barefoot, drunken patient on a remote roadside after taking him from the John Sealy Hospital emergency room, a school official says.

Dr. James Arens, UTMB vice president for clinical affairs, said Wednesday that instead of trying to get the 46-year-old man booked into a local jail, campus police dropped him off Friday on Galveston's Pelican Island. Nearby workers found him lying near a roadside ditch.

"It was inappropriate to take (him) from here," Arens said. "It is the first time that I know that has occurred. It is improper and cannot be defended."

UTMB police did not call city or county jails to have the man booked because jailers had refused to accept him on numerous occasions, Arens said.

Arens vowed to prevent such incidents from happening again and planned to meet with Galveston City Manager Doug Matthews and other community leaders to discuss creation of a detoxification unit where homeless people can be housed and treated.

"Within 30 days of the meeting, I am committed to have developed a plan to solve this problem," Arens said. "Within 60 days, we hope to have substantially completed the planning so that appropriate accommodations can be provided for such individuals."

Campus police left the man lying beside the road, barefoot, clad in hospital surgical scrubs and mask and wrapped in a sheet, witnesses said.

Officials said the man has a record of hundreds of arrests for public intoxication and has been taken by ambulance to John Sealy Hospital an average of 40 times a year for the past decade or so. His frequent trips for care have become a source of irritation and frustration to paramedics and hospital and jail personnel.

UTMB is investigating whether disciplinary action against any police officers should be taken, Arens said. He also said UTMB and the city, which finances the local emergency medical service, are conducting separate probes into whether emergency room workers improperly attempted to keep paramedics from returning the man to the emergency room after an ambulance was called to the Pelican Island site where he had been left.

Hospital officials maintain they never refuse emergency treatment to anyone.

Paramedics said emergency room workers told them not to bring the man back to John Sealy about an hour after he had been examined and discharged Friday with no significant medical problems.

"At the conclusion of each investigation, if the allegations are proven to be true, we will deal with the responsible individuals in an appropriate fashion," Arens said.

For ignoring warnings, splitting up...

Five rescued skiers criticized

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) — Five skiers who turned up safe after four nights in the wilderness came under criticism from mountain guides and others for venturing out despite blizzard warnings and for splitting up after they got lost.

"I think they left their brains at the trailhead," said Chris Lewis, a back-country skier and Aspen real estate agent. "The skiers should receive two medals: One for stupidity and one for being prepared to survive the elements."

"I was surprised to find myself so angry," said Sloan Shoemaker, a member of the 80-person search party. "You couldn't open a newspaper or watch TV last week without hearing, 'You're an idiot if you go into the back country.'"

The cross-country skiers had set out for the high country on Friday as a storm that dumped an inch of snow an hour for five days roared into the area.

At least three experienced outdoor enthusiasts have said they warned the group not to make the trip.

"They did a lot of things beautifully just to stay alive, but their mistake was to go out Friday after three people had told them not to," said Tom McCabe, a search leader. "It would have spared everyone this agony."

Ken Torp, who planned and led the ski trip, was singled out for particular criticism.

"It seems the leaders did not examine the consequences for the whole group," McCabe said. "If there is someone like Ken who is a strong personality, you don't have to give them carte blanche with the itinerary."

Torp led six others — Andrea Brett, 42; Richard Rost, 34; Elliott Brown, 43; Rob Dubin, 38; Dee Dubin, 47; and Brigette Schluger, 50 — on what was to be a weekend expedition to a mountain hut. They got lost and never made it to the hut.

Brett and Rost split off from the group and made it back to Aspen. The others spent four nights in below-zero cold.

Torp and Elliott set out on their own, splitting off from the three other lost skiers, and reached a trading post where they called rescuers from a pay phone Tuesday.

The Dubins and Schluger were rescued the same day by helicopter after reaching a ranger cabin, where they stamped "HELP" in the snow and flew an upside-down American flag as a distress singal.

All five were in remarkably good shape, with some frostbite. They survived on trail mix and snow, slept mostly in the open and burned furniture at the cabin to keep warm.

In an interview with ABC's "Nightline" Tuesday night, Torp ducked questions about the decision to continue despite warnings a blizzard was on the way. He said back-country skiers naturally seek out snowy conditions.

But he admitted making some mistakes Wednesday.

"We're a little bit embarrassed. We feel a little like errant schoolchildren," he said.

Judge clears way for opening arguments

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The judge in the Rodney King beating case cleared the way for opening arguments today, rejecting a defense request for a mistrial over allegations one of the two blacks on the jury was biased.

That dispute — and another one, involving a defendant's claim that his lawyer had a conflict of interest — had threatened to abort the racially volatile trial Wednesday.

U.S. District Judge John G. Davies ordered the anonymous jury of nine whites, two blacks and one Hispanic to report this morning.

"Have a witness ready," he warned prosecutors. "I will not tolerate any loss of time at the end of the day."

Officers Laurence Powell, Timothy Wind and Theodore Briseno and Sgt. Stacey Koon are charged with violating King's civil rights when the black motorist was clubbed and kicked by police in 1991 in a beating videotaped by an onlooker.

The central issue is whether the four white officers used excessive force and whether they intended to punish King.

They were acquitted of state assault charges last spring by a jury with no blacks in a verdict that triggered deadly riots in Los Angeles. The officers were later indicted on federal charges.

Earlier Wednesday, Davies said there were insufficient grounds to remove a black woman from the jury, and he refused to declare mistrial.

Police battle Hindu militants

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Police swung riot sticks, blasted demonstrators with tear gas and rounded up thousands of people today to block a huge rally by militant Hindus seeking the government's ouster.

Tens of thousands of people were shoved onto buses and taken to makeshift detention camps in sports stadiums. Dozens of people were injured, thrashed by police wielding truncheons.

The rally was called by the right-wing Bharatiya Janata Party, which is riding a crest of militancy. To block it, the government mounted its largest security operation ever in New Delhi.

Bharatiya Janata's popularity was boosted in December when zealots destroyed a Muslim shrine on a site held sacred by Hindus in the holy town of Ayodhya. That incident sparked deadly religious riots.

Parts of India's capital city of 10 million people were under siege today, ringed by police barricades. The parliament lawns, where the rally was to be held, were sealed off with razor-edged wire.

Deputies note two arrests

Scurry County sheriff's deputies made two arrests and accepted information concerning two theft cases Wednesday.

Deputies arrested 23-year-old Perry Greathouse and 27-year-old Bobbie Lee Gibson for felony probation violation.

Blue Bonnett Milling Company contacted the sheriff's office concerning a theft by check. Apparently, a check for almost $1,500 was written for a load of feed but the check had bounced. A certified letter had already been mailed and returned so the SO advised the milling company to send the check and all information to them for a case to be filed.

A theft for service was reported by Willow Park Inn. Deputies were advised that a subject had paid for a room last summer with a credit card. Recently, the motel received an affidavit from the card holder noting that the payee was not authorized to use the card. Deputies advised motel employees of the steps to take in filing a report.

Airdrops to Bosnia will not widen envolvement in war

WASHINGTON (AP) — British Prime Minister John Major said today the U.S. plan to parachute relief supplies into Bosnia represents "a brave decision" to pursue a difficult humanitarian mission.

"There are parts of Bosnia that we simply can't get (to) by ground and that's an imaginative way to deal with it," said Major, making the rounds of morning TV talk shows a day after meeting with President Clinton at the White House.

Major called Clinton's plan to launch the airdrops "a brave decision because it isn't technically easy to carry out." He added that the airdrops would complement ground relief already being delivered by Britain and other countries. He said Clinton never asked Britain to join the aerial relief effort.

Major, like Clinton, rejected suggestions that the airdrop operation could lead America into a deeper military involvement in the region.

Both sides came away from their White House meeting affirming the "special relationship" of the United States and Britain. But the British leader kept his distance when Clinton said he'd like to help resolve civil unrest a lot closer to home for Major — in Northern Ireland.

"If the United States can in some way make a constructive contribution to a political settlement, of course we'd be interested in doing that," the president said after their first meeting Wednesday. During the campaign, Clinton had suggested sending a special U.S. envoy to help resolve the sectarian conflict in Northern Ireland.

Major said today that Northern Ireland was "a totally different place than 10 years ago" and had made great strides toward resolving sectarian strife.

Castro suggests he may step down in about five years

SANTIAGO, Cuba (AP) — President Fidel Castro says he would like to step down in five years if the country's plight improves.

Castro was asked during a two-hour news conference with foreign reporters late Wednesday if he expects to be president in 1998.

"I hope it will not be necessary. We will have to see what life will say," said the man who has dominated Cuba since the 1959 Communist revolution.

Castro was speaking after the country's first popular elections since the revolution, balloting in which no candidate faced an opponent or disagreed with the Communist Party line.

"Time passes and marathon runners get tired," he said. "This has been a very long race, too long."

In his news conference, which covered a wide range of topics, Castro said the more than 30-year U.S. trade embargo remains Cuba's biggest problem and indicated he would not be stepping down as long as it remains in effect.

"I feel I am a slave of the revolution," he said. "I hope conditions in five years are different from what they are today."

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	59	57 1/2	58 5/8	+1 1/4
Albtsn	49 5/8	49 3/8	49 5/8	-1/8
AlliedSignal	66 1/8	65 1/4	66	+5/8
ALLTEL Cp	47 7/8	47 3/4	47 3/4	
AmStores	37 5/8	37 5/8	37 5/8	-1/8
Amer T&T	56 1/2	55 5/8	55 3/4	-1/2
Ameritech	75 3/8	74 3/4	74 7/8	-5/8
Amoco	56 3/8	55 1/2	55 1/2	-3/8
AndarkPtr	33 7/8	33 5/8	33 3/4	+1/8
Arkla	81/4	81/8	81/8	
Armcolnc	71/2	73/8	73/8	-1/8
AtlRichfld	117 7/8	117 1/2	117 1/2	
BakerHughes	23 3/8	23 1/8	23 1/4	-1/8
BancTexas	23/8	23/8	23/8	
BellAtl	56 1/2	55 1/2	55 3/4	-3/8
BellSouth	56 1/8	55 7/8	55 7/8	
Beth Steel	17 5/8	17 3/8	17 3/8	-1/4
Borden	25 5/8	25 1/8	25 1/2	+3/8
Caterpllr	57 1/8	56 1/2	57	+3/8
Centel	37 3/4	37 5/8	37 5/8	+1/8
CenSoWst s	32 1/4	32 1/8	32 1/8	
Chevron	77 3/4	77 1/8	77 1/8	+1/8
Chrysler	39 5/8	39	39 1/4	+3/4
Coastal	25 3/4	25 3/8	25 3/8	-1/4
CocaCola s	42 1/2	41 3/4	42 3/8	+3/8
ColgP	61 1/4	60 7/8	61	+1/2
ComlMetl	26 3/4	26 1/2	26 3/4	+1/8
Cooperln	50 1/2	50 1/4	50 1/2	
CyprusMn	33 1/2	33 1/8	33 3/8	-1/2
DallSemicn	14 1/4	14	14 1/4	
DeltaAirl	48 7/8	47 3/8	48 3/4	+5/8
DigitalEq	49 1/4	47 5/8	48 7/8	+2
Dillard s	47	46 1/4	47	+7/8
DowChem	55 3/8	54 7/8	55 3/8	+1/4
DresserInd	19 3/8	19	19 1/4	
DuPont	47 1/8	46 5/8	46 3/4	-1/8
EstKodak	52 1/4	51 1/2	52 1/8	+1 3/4
EljerInd	9	8 7/8	9	+1/8
Enserch	17 3/8	17	17 1/8	-3/8
Exxon	69 1/2	69	69	-1/2
FlemingInd	18	17 3/4	17 3/4	-1/8
FordMotor	46 3/8	45 3/4	46 1/8	+1/4
GTE Cp	37 1/8	36 7/8	37	
GnDynam	115 5/8	114	114 5/8	+3/4
GenElct	84 3/4	84	84 1/8	
GnMill	69	68 3/8	68 3/8	-1/4
GenMotors	38 5/8	37 7/8	38 1/8	+3/8
GnMotr B	30 3/4	30 1/2	30 5/8	+1/8
GaPacif	67 1/8	66 5/8	66 5/8	—1 1/8
GlobalMar	31/4	31/8	31/8	
Goodrich	43 1/2	43 3/8	43 3/8	+1/4
Goodyear	68 1/4	67 1/2	67 3/4	-1/2
GtAtlPac	23 3/4	23 5/8	23 5/8	-1/8
Gulf StaUt	17 5/8	17 1/2	17 1/2	-1/8
Haliburtn	34 7/8	34 1/4	34 7/8	
Hanson	18 1/8	18	18	
HoustInd	47 3/4	47 1/4	47 1/4	-1/4
IBM	52 1/2	51 5/8	52 1/2	+5/8
IntlPaper	65 3/8	64 5/8	65	-1/8
JohnsnJns s	42 1/4	41 1/4	41 7/8	-3/8
K mart s	23 3/4	23 1/2	23 1/2	
Kroger	17	16 3/4	16 3/4	-1/4
vjLTV Cp	5/8	9-16	9-16	
Litton s	49 3/4	49 5/8	49 5/8	
vjLoneStar	23/8	23/8	23/8	
Lowes s	29 1/2	28 3/4	29 3/8	+5/8
Lubys	21	20 1/2	20 1/2	-1/2
Maxus	8 3/8	8 1/8	8 3/8	+1/4
MayDSt	72	71 3/8	71 7/8	+3/8
Medtronic	75 3/4	74 3/4	75	-5/8
Mobil	67 3/8	66 5/8	66 5/8	-1/2
Monsanto	51 7/8	51 3/8	51 3/4	+1/4
Motorola s	58 5/8	57 1/2	58 3/8	-1/8
Nationsbk	55 7/8	55 1/2	55 5/8	+1/8
Navistar	27/8	23/4	27/8	
Nynex	90 1/2	90 1/4	90 1/4	-1/4
OryxEngy	20 5/8	20 1/4	20 1/2	
PacTelesis	46 5/8	46 1/4	46 3/8	-1/4
PanhBCp	21 5/8	21 1/4	21 3/8	-1/2
PenneyJC	77 7/8	77	77 5/8	+1 3/4
Pennzoil	57	56 1/2	56 5/8	-3/8
PepBoys	24 5/8	24 3/8	24 1/2	
PhelpD s	51 3/8	50 1/8	50 5/8	-7/8
PhilipPet	28 3/8	28 1/8	28 1/8	-1/4
PilgrmPrd	7 7/8	7 7/8	7 7/8	
Polaroid s	28 7/8	28 5/8	28 5/8	-1/8
Praxair s	16 7/8	16 3/4	16 7/8	+1/8
Primerica	54 3/8	53	54 3/8	+1 5/8
ProctGamb s	50 3/4	50 1/2	50 3/4	
PubS NwMx	10 1/4	10 1/8	10 1/8	-1/8
SFePacCp	14 3/8	14 1/4	14 1/4	+1/4
SaraLee s	29 5/8	29 1/8	29 3/8	+1/4
SearsRoeb	52 3/4	52 1/2	52 3/4	+1/8
SherwinW	32 7/8	32 3/4	32 7/8	+5/8
SmthBck s	31 3/4	31 1/2	31 1/2	
SmthBc eqt s	27 5/8	27 3/8	27 5/8	-3/8
Southern Co	40 7/8	40 5/8	40 5/8	-1/4
SwAirl s	33 7/8	33 1/2	33 5/8	-3/8
SwstBell	74 1/4	73 3/4	73 7/8	-1/8
Sprint	28	27 7/8	28	+1/8
SterlingChm	41/2	41/4	41/2	+1/8
SunCo	27 3/4	27 5/8	27 3/4	+1/4
TNP Ent	19 1/8	19	19	-1/4
Teledy	25 5/8	25 3/8	25 3/8	-1/4
Tenneco	45 7/8	45 5/8	45 3/4	-1/8
Texaco	62 5/8	62 1/8	62 1/4	+1/8
TexasInd	27 5/8	27 1/2	27 5/8	+1/8
TexasInst	58 1/2	57 5/8	58	+1/2
Tex Util	46 1/2	46 1/4	46 1/2	+1/8
Textron	43 1/8	43	43 1/8	-1/4
Tyler	5	5	5	
US West	43 1/2	43	43 1/4	
USX-Marathn	18 3/4	18 5/8	18 5/8	
USX-USS	37	36 3/8	36 3/4	
UnCarbde	17	16 7/8	17	
UnPac	60 3/8	59 3/4	60 1/4	+3/8
UnitTech	45 3/8	44 7/8	45	+3/8
Unocal	26 3/4	26 1/2	26 3/4	+1/4
WalMart	63 1/4	62 5/8	63 1/8	+5/8
WalMart wi	31 5/8	31 3/8	31 5/8	+3/8
WstnGasRs	30	29 1/2	29 5/8	-1/8
WestghEl	13 3/8	13 1/8	13 1/4	
WinnDixie	71 1/8	70 1/4	70 3/8	—1 3/8
Woolwth	28 1/8	27 7/8	28	-1/4
Xerox Cp	82 1/4	81 1/4	81 3/8	-5/8
ZenithE	7 5/8	7 3/8	7 3/8	-1/8

Police work theft reports

Snyder police worked a couple of theft reports, investigated a traffic accident and responded to a domestic dispute Wednesday.

At 8:58 a.m., Mona Pierce contacted officers in reference to someone taking a wheel barrow from her residence.

At 8 p.m., Kyle Cox came to the police department to report that his son's coat had been stolen at Stanfield Elementary. A report for Class B theft was filed.

Officers responded to a domestic disturbance at 6:55 a.m. Wednesday in the 2700 block of Avenue F. No charges were filed; however, officers did file a report for family violence.

At 1:33 p.m., a woman contacted police from the 4400 block of Avenue U in reference to her 11-year-old son having been shot by a 12-year-old boy with a pellet gun. She requested no report be taken at this time.

Officers worked a two-vehicle mishap at 3:44 p.m. in the 2900 block of 37th Street. Involved were a 1984 Chevrolet driven by Jennifer Beard of Rt. 1, Box 199 and a 1993 Cadillac driven by Maxine Wright of 2907 36th St.

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Feb. 26, 1993

In the year ahead, unusual happenings could serve to elevate your hopes and expectations. Just when you think things aren't going to work out, you could be in for the surprise of your life.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Pleasant news could get you started on the right foot today. Once you are in a happy frame of mind, there's a chance more good things than usual might develop for you. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for Pisces' Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The charitable way with which you deal with others today will yield a larger return at a later date. Your seeds of kindness are sown on fertile soil.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) In your involvements with others today, you will be the person sought to establish the course of action. Fortunately, this is what you'll be best equipped to do.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Someone whom you have always been able to rely on will once again be working on your behalf today, and you won't even have to ask for this person's help.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Group involvements should prove very appealing to you today. You will respond well in situations where you are able to get together with others for a shared interest.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Cooperation from your peers is essential to your success today. Fortunately, you shouldn't have any trouble getting the right people to go to bat for you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Fresh insights can be gained today through conversation, as well as brainstorming with knowledgeable associates. Seek out individuals who fit this description.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You shouldn't have too much trouble today in gratifying your ambitious objectives. You are in a good achievement cycle, so try to make the most of it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Generally speaking, you should be able to get along quite well with others today, but you are likely to be most effective when dealing with people on a one-to-one basis.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Upon occasion, you tend to work in fits and starts, but when you set your mind to something today, it's almost a foregone conclusion you can complete it to your satisfaction.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today you might feel a strong need to share your thoughts and feelings with friends. Chatting with pals won't be a waste of time. Something significant is likely to result.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There are some hopeful indications you are moving towards firmer ground where your material affairs are concerned. Pressures you've been experiencing could be modified.

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A death foretold...

Jealous boyfriend 'fell through cracks'

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (AP) — A 13-year-old cheerleader told police her jealous boyfriend choked her until she passed out and threatened to kill them both so "we could be together forever." Ten days later, the teen-agers were dead.

Police reports on their stormy relationship tell the story of a murder-suicide that might have been prevented if not for confusion over who had jurisdiction and investigators' belief the contrite boyfriend wasn't a threat.

"Basically, he fell through the cracks," Lenawee County Sheriff's Sgt. Charles McLoughlin said.

On Tuesday morning, 17-year-old Jason Briggs stood outside Greta Slusher-Hakken's bedroom window in Sharon Township near Ann Arbor and fired a shot into her head as she slept. Hours later, he parked his van in a friend's driveway and killed himself with a shotgun blast to the head.

Police said Jason suspected Greta was dating other boys and had become extremely possessive. They know because Jason told them so himself, after he was questioned about the Feb. 13 choking.

Jason, a high school senior in nearby Manchester, and Greta, a seventh-grader, had been dating about a year. The night of the choking, they were on a double-date with Jason's sister, Sandy Briggs, 21, and her boyfriend, Chris Petersen, 22.

The four were watching videos at Petersen's house when Greta and Jason began to quarrel. Later, when Petersen and Ms. Briggs were driving the couple through Lenawee County to Greta's house in Washtenaw County, Jason began choking Greta in the back seat.

Greta passed out. Jason told police he thought he had killed her.

With the music on in the front seat, Ms. Briggs thought the two might have been kissing, the report said. But Jason told Greta, "I wanted to kill you and then kill myself, then we could be together forever," Greta told police.

After they were dropped off, Jason started choking Greta again. She managed to get away by telling Jason she would run into house to get him a blanket so he could sleep in the barn. He went alone to the barn.

Somebody — perhaps Petersen, perhaps Greta's mother, Kathleen Hakken — called the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office. Deputies arrived shortly before 4 a.m. and interviewed Greta.

She told them about the episode in the car, which had occurred in Lenawee County, but failed to tell them that Jason had attacked her again in the road near her house — in Washtenaw County.

The Washtenaw County deputies summoned the Lenawee County Sheriff's Office, which said it didn't have a car available to send to Greta's house, according to Washtenaw County Sheriff's Lt. R.J. Smith.

Because the only assault they had been told about occurred in Lenawee County, Washtenaw deputies had no choice but to release Jason that night, Smith said.

The Washtenaw County deputies told Greta to file a report with the Lenawee authorities the next day. When she did, Lenawee authorities sent her to the state police because two counties were involved.

State police interviewed Jason and Greta that very day. The teenagers were ordered to stay away from each other, but state police decided to leave it up to the Lenawee County prosecutor to bring any charges. Jason was released.

State Trooper Byron Erickson wrote that Jason "appeared remorseful and cooperated with officers."

Lenawee County Prosecutor Irving Shaw said he didn't receive information on the episode until six days later. He was considering attempted murder charges and awaiting a medical report on Greta's injuries when he heard of the slayings Tuesday.

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Feb. 25, 1993

Today is the 56th day of 1993 and the 67th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1950, Sid Caeser and Imogene Coca starred in the first installment of the comic variety show, "Your Show of Shows."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Pierre-Auguste Renoir (1841-1919), impressionist painter; Enrico Caruso (1873-1921), operatic lyric tenor; John Foster Dulles (1888-1959),; U.S. lawyer-diplomat; Adelle Davis (1904-1974), nutritionist-author; Jim Backus (1913-1989), actor; Anthony Burgess (1917-), novelist-critic, is 76; Tom Courtenay (1937-), actor, is 56; George Harrison (1943-), singer, is 50.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1988, Italian Alberto Tomba won a gold medal in the giant slalom at the Calgary Winter Olympics.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Life is a wretched gray Saturday, but it has to be lived through." — Anthony Burgess, on Samuel Beckett's play "Waiting for Godot."

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1977, dust reduced visibility to one to five miles from eastern Virginia through the Southeast to Florida. The dust started in the western plains with gusts of up to 100 mph.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Feb. 21) and first quarter (March 1).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET

Now's just about the time when politicians who took office in January are wondering why they didn't take up most any other trade.

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Alice Sessions calls criticism 'unfair'

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI Director William Sessions is not the only one criticized in a recent Justice Department ethics report — it also takes his wife Alice to task.

The report says Mrs. Sessions wrongly accompanied her husband on official trips, interfered with decisions and improperly used FBI cars to shuttle her to the dressmaker, hairdresser and shops.

Mrs. Sessions says the report isn't fair or accurate.

Sessions was a federal judge at San Antonio before being appointed to head the FBI.

The Justice Department's Office of Professional Responsibility issued the report Jan. 19 following an investigation ordered by William Barr, attorney general in the Bush administration.

The FBI director has publicly disputed the report's findings that he evaded taxes, misused government assets and used his position to get a "sweetheart" deal on his home mortgage.

Despite Mrs. Sessions' claim that the report was neither fair nor accurate, questions about her use of FBI cars surfaced again last week, when the couple traveled to New York for President's Day. While Sessions attended a meeting, she shopped. Afterward, an FBI car chauffeured her to meet her husband.

In a statement issued this week, Sessions seemed to distance himself from the incident — which he described as innocent but "nonetheless deeply troubling to me."

"I have publicly stated that I have never approved of Mrs. Sessions being driven for personal purposes in a government vehicle and I have given instructions to that effect," Sessions said.

"I have told Mrs. Sessions not to ride in the bureau car in my absence, even as here, where it might be awkward or discourteous not to do so," he said.

The Office of Professional Responsibility, an internal watchdog unit, also is investigating allegations that Mrs. Sessions had a top security FBI pass normally reserved for agents.

Mrs. Sessions blames the agency's "old-boy network" for what she sees as the many distortions about her.

"They've never really had a director with a wife," she told The Washington Post in a recent interview. "They've never had a woman executive there."

Mrs. Sessions is no longer talking in public about her troubles since her interview — which she requested — appeared on the front page of the Post.

Then, she described her life as one of thankless sacrifice for the agency — contrasting reports of misused FBI vehicles with stories of hailing taxis after semiofficial events she attended on her husband's behalf. Incidents in the report were blown out of proportion, she said, such as her role in choosing a new fence to surround the Sessions' Washington home.

Mrs. Sessions said she wanted to be involved because FBI security staff had once damaged woodwork and left holes in the walls of their home in San Antonio. Before President Reagan appointed him FBI director in 1987, Sessions was a federal judge and he presided over a murder trial in the assassination of another federal judge in San Antonio.

Clinton has new abortion stance, but what's changed?

HOUSTON (AP) — President Clinton's support for abortion rights is a drastic change from the past 12 years of Republican rule, but little has changed along the abortion battle lines.

Almost every day, several determined anti-abortion activists pace the sidewalks outside the Planned Parenthood clinic in a ritual that began last summer during the Republican National Convention.

Although discouraged by the power shift in Washington, the protesters remain resolute in their struggle to stop what they say is a moral sin. Their opponents are just as steadfast in their beliefs.

"They say they're here forever — and so are we," said Susan Nenney, spokeswoman for Planned Parenthood in Houston.

The small group of abortion opponents shows up nearly every morning at the downtown-area clinic, the site of the largest abortion protests during the GOP convention.

They carry graphic posters, shout to passing cars and try to exhort their beliefs to anyone walking into the facility.

On the opposing side, volunteer "clinic protectors" and a security guard are on duty to make sure clients get in and protesters stay out.

The numbers change and the slogans on the signs vary, but the overall scene is the same. However, attitudes are somewhat different now that the abortion rights group enjoys the favor of the president.

"There certainly is a sense of renewed energy on our part," Ms. Nenney said.

During the GOP convention, abortion rights activists angrily criticized the Bush administration and the staunch anti-abortion platform of the Republican Party. They expressed fears that abortion could soon be outlawed.

"We've fought so hard for two decades to keep abortion rights intact," Ms. Nenney said. "And then one day, President Clinton undid some of the things we fought against for 12 years. Certainly, we've had a sense too over the past year or so that we were becoming kind of the in-cause."

Meanwhile, local anti-abortion leaders are trying to come to grips with the political situation.

"It (the election) was a shock," admitted Tom Wieghard, who calls himself a sidewalk counselor who comes to the clinic to "minister" to clients. "We all got discouraged."

But the Rev. Tommy Alford sees the switch as a challenge to Christian morals.

"It makes the dark darker, and the light lighter. The middle ground is being disseminated," Alford said.

"This is the wake-up call. We're going to continue the battle," he said. "Our goals and our purpose haven't really changed."

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Senate tentatively oks libel bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate has given preliminary approval to legislation that could allow quicker appeals court rulings on constitutional issues in libel and slander cases against the news media.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. Jim Turner, D-Crockett, said the proposed change would help avoid the "chilling effect" that drawn-out lawsuits can have on news coverage.

"We're ensuring that there's not a chilling effect on those who are uniquely charged in our society with the exercise of freedom of the press," Turner said.

Turner said his bill would make no substantive change in the laws, only in the court procedure now followed. It would apply in cases alleging defamation, libel or slander arising from a broadcast or written publication.

In the majority of such cases, he said, actions against a media organization eventually are thrown out because of the free press guarantees under the First Amendment of the Constitution.

Under Texas law, however, if a judge rejects a request for a summary judgment — dismissal before trial — based on the constitutional grounds, there is no appeal until after a full trial is completed.

The bill would allow a direct appeal, before a trial, on the constitutional issue, Turner said.

"In a lot of cases, judges have a natural predisposition against granting summary judgments ... and they say, 'We'll hear the whole case'," he said.

But, Turner said, "What history shows with these kinds of cases in this country is that three-fourths of the time the ultimate appeal is a ruling in favor of the media based on freedom of the press.

"Since most of the cases have a track record of showing that that freedom of the press protects whatever the written or spoken word is, then there's a lot of cases going on ... that have full-blown trials that obviously don't need full-blown trials," he said.

Either side could appeal the summary judgment, Turner added.

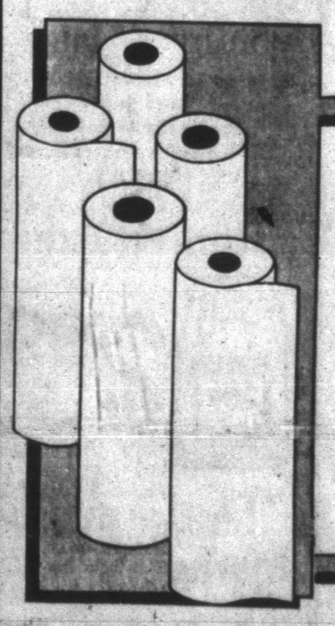
The bill won initial approval, 27-3, Wednesday. Final Senate action was held up after some lawmakers questioned why the change was being made only for media cases.

"Why wouldn't you just make this across-the-board for everybody, instead of just extending it to the press?" asked Sen. Don Henderson, R-Houston.

"We're carving out a special little category for a special interest group and cloaking all this because these are constitutional appeals ... It seems to me everybody, all persons, are protected by the First Amendment," he said.

Turner said very few such cases are brought against anyone but news media defendants. He also said the measure was designed to help those charged with reporting the news.

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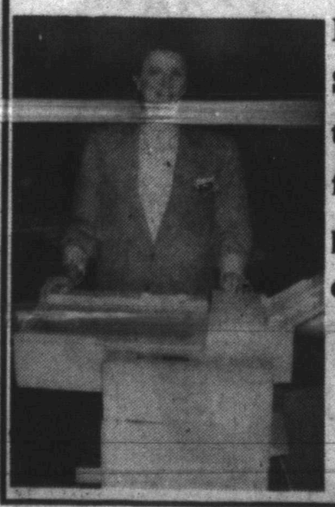
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How to treat severe rectal pain

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Two years ago I began waking up in the middle of the night with excruciating rectal pain. I've had an MRI, sigmoidoscopy, barium enema and every other test known to mankind. My neurologist has given me suppositories, thinking it is nerve compression. Is my condition common?

DEAR READER: This degree of rectal pain, in the absence of any obvious cause (such as infection), is not common. Because you have had many tests to shed light on this (and all have been negative), I wonder if you could be suffering from proctalgia fugax, an unusual condition causing severe rectal pain, especially at night.

The ailment is believed to be due to spasm of the muscles of the lower rectum; the cause of these strong muscle contractions is unknown, and the diagnosis is made by exclusion of other more serious physical afflictions. You should be examined by a gastroenterologist because, in many cases, the use of a muscle relaxant (such as Valium) at bedtime may eliminate or reduce the severity of the pain.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What is the proper way to treat a fire ant bite?

DEAR READER: Fire ant stings can be serious and, in portions of the Southeast and Southwest where the ants are epidemic, plentiful. Up to 40 percent of the population in infested areas may be stung at least once in their lifetimes; more than two dozen deaths have occurred, primarily in individuals who were allergic to the ant venom.

In most cases, the sting immediately causes a bump that is painful, lasts about an hour, then turns into a sterile pimple — which, in turn, may burst in a few days, leading to dangerous infection needing medical attention.

Initial treatment of a fire ant sting is ice. This can be followed by an anti-histamine/analgesic balm. Subsequent infection, if it occurs, is treated with antibiotics.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm an MS patient who sticks to a diet of avoiding all saturated fats. I know mine is not a scientific study; however, avoidance and acupuncture make a big difference in how I feel as far as eliminating fatigue. I'm very careful about regular exercise, rest and a vitamin regimen. Perhaps my program of control can help other MS patients.

DEAR READER: No scientific studies have suggested that a diet free of saturated fats, coupled with exercise, rest, vitamins and acupuncture will help the weakness and fatigue that accompany multiple sclerosis, for which there is no standard treatment. This, however, is a healthful program, so I endorse your efforts. Thank you for writing to share your experience.

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

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Condemned inmate says: court reversal vindicates him

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A death row inmate who recently won a reversal of his conviction in the slaying of a fireworks stand worker says he's been "a character all my life, life in the fast lane."

But Andrew Lee Mitchell says he's not a killer.

"I'm not saying I was a model citizen, I'm not trying to paint a false picture, but I'm no murderer," Mitchell, 48, said Wednesday in a death row interview. "I've done lots of wrong by selling drugs ... selling hot merchandise. I made lots of money at this. But no armed robbery ... no kind of way."

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, in an 8-0 decision earlier this month, reversed Mitchell's conviction and agreed to his request for a new trial because prosecutors suppressed evidence.

Mitchell had been convicted by a Smith County jury of killing Keith Wills during a Dec. 26, 1979, robbery of the roadside fireworks business in Tyler. But the appeals court said statements made by two men who observed the crime scene should have been introduced during the trial.

Mitchell said he feels vindicated by reversal, saying it reinforced his argument that he did not kill a man during an armed robbery in Tyler.

"The issue is so clear cut," Mitchell said, insisting he was not surprised at the ruling. "It's been a pattern up in Smith County over the years. They made me out to be a mad-dog killer but the record doesn't reflect that."

Mitchell, who came within a few days of execution in 1984, said he believes criminals should be punished, but there's no reason to execute someone when evidence doesn't support the conviction.

"The suppressed evidence would exonerate me," he said. "It's appalling to see a human's life on the line, all this evidence that exonerates you, and it's watered down."

In describing his life, Mitchell said, "Tyler had no place for me."

"Any time you spoke out against the injustice in that part of the country, they labeled you a radical. All you wanted was to be treated like a human. They tried to paint me as a racist, that I didn't like white people. It was all a lie to inflame the minds of the jurors. It's not about justice so much as about the rate of conviction they establish for political gain," he said.

Mitchell, a welder and mechanic, said if he gets out of prison, he would like to set up a center in Tyler to teach wayward juveniles how to weld and fix cars.

"I want to give something back to the community," Mitchell said. "Tyler — that's my home, my roots. I love Tyler. I don't want nobody to think I'm holding a grudge. I don't hate the people who sent me here. They were dumb and ignorant. I pray for them."

Spike Lee appears at A&M festival

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Spike Lee has encouraged aspiring black filmmakers among the hundreds of students at the Texas Film Festival to make their own movies and form their own companies "because then we can do what we want."

Lee was the featured guest Wednesday at the inaugural festival at Texas A&M University. He told aspiring black filmmakers to take charge of their destiny and quit worrying about public reaction to the message.

"I don't think my films are going to change views," he said.

"I'm an artist and I'm trying to express my views," Lee said. "We've got to get beyond the point of worrying what people think about us."

The invitation-only film festival was open to students from Rice, Prairie View A&M and the universities of Texas and North Texas. About 500 of the schools' student leaders, many of them black and Hispanic, attended the festival's student forum.

Lee spent about an hour during the forum taking questions from the students, whose queries ranged from interpretations of his films to how they could be hired for his next one. He gave students his business address in New York and invited them to write him about job possibilities. Several students also gave him scripts.

During the session, some students questioned Lee's depiction of females in his films, which they said seem to endorse abuse and violence toward women.

But Lee replied that white filmmakers are not asked the same question and said he is merely reflecting society, not endorsing certain conduct.

"If I have a character murder in a film, does that say that I endorse murder?" he asked.

After the student forum, Lee kicked off the festival with a short lecture, followed by a screening of his critically acclaimed film "Malcolm X."

Lee's appearance was arranged before two racial episodes drew the mostly white, conservative school into the limelight last year.

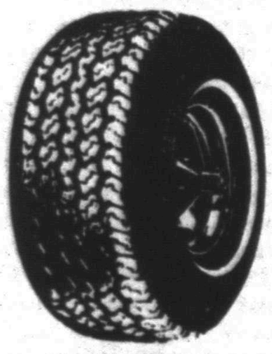
Racial problems at A&M emerged in October when a fraternity staged a party with racist overtones. At the party, Sigma Alpha Epsilon pledges wore blackface and grass skirts and carried spears.

State Rep. Ron Wilson criticized the fraternity, saying that the school should take swift and harsh action against the group.

Shortly afterwards, an editorial cartoon in the student newspaper, The Battalion, depicted Wilson as a black dog yapping at A&M, which was symbolized by a large, white boot. Wilson is black.

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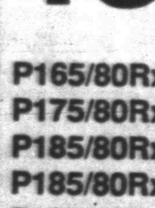


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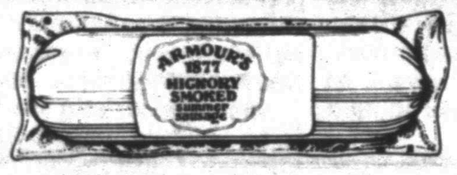
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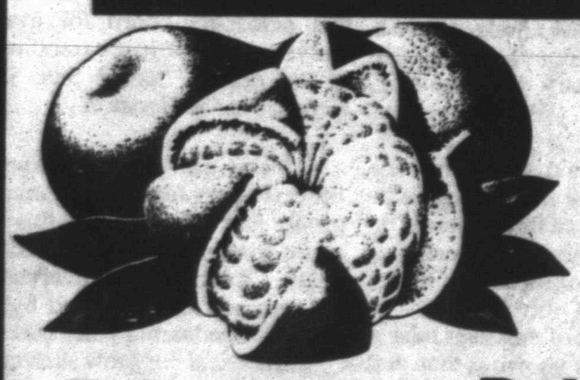
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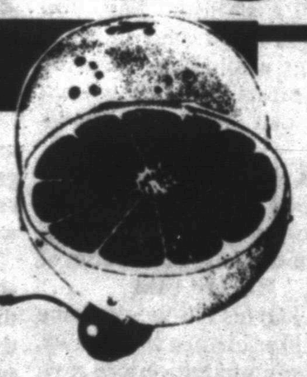
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