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Local citizens honored for community involvement

More than 350 people attend annual banquet

More than 350 people attended his year's Snyder Chamber of Commerce Banquet on Saturday to enjoy good food, lively entertainment and to honor some of Scurry County's outstanding citizens.

Awards were presented for individual contributions to the oil and agriculture industries, education, community and to the chamber itself.

R.C. Patton, retired businessman who has served for years as a member of the board of trustees at Western Texas College and the Boys & Girls Club, among others, received the first Chamber's Choice for Outstanding Service Award. No newcomer when it comes to serving the community and the chamber, Patton received the Vestal Award in 1980 and the Sizemore Award in 1981, 1992 and 1993.

Phil Ragland, longtime local businessman and radio play-by-play sports announcer, was this year's Sizemore Award recipient. The Sizemore Award goes to the top Goldcoater — an arm of the chamber which assists in chamber as well as community events.

Roy Baze, retired Exxon Company USA vice president, known more recently for his work with the chamber, Rotary Club, prison taske force, college and county museum, received the Vestal Award. The award is presented for contribution to the development of Snyder through cultural, economic or governmental activities.

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CHUCK WAGON GANG — Preparing food for more than 350 banquet goers Saturday were members of the Chuck Wagon Gang, Ted Floyd, J.D. Barham and Jerry Baird, left to right. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Chamber awards

Chamber's Choice	R.C. Patton
Sizemore Award	Phil Ragland
Vestal Award	Roy Baze
Winston Award	Jess Everett
McLaughlin Award	Glenn Patterson
Education Excellence	Jerry Worsham
Business of Year	Jack's Roadboring

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MONDAY
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Ask Us

Q—Was the 1 percent salary increase and merit approval recently voted on at the college board meeting for all personnel?

A—The 1 percent salary increase was for all employees. The merit increase is for faculty and administration only.

Local

Closed

The district clerk's office will be closed Tuesday due to funeral services for Franklin Pruitt.

Backers

Ira Bulldog Backers will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the school cafeteria.

Yearbooks

Distribution of the 1995 Tiger's Lair yearbook will continue this week in Worsham Auditorium from 7:45-8:05 a.m. and 3:30-4 p.m.

Revival

The Church of God, 21st Street and Avenue O, will hold revival services today through Wednesday at 7 p.m. The Rev. Jerry Pilley will bring the message. Everyone is welcome.

Video series

Video tapes of a series titled "Back to Basics," presented by Dr. Steve Flatt, will be shown on TCA Cable TV Channel 2 through Aug. 29. The fourth tape, "What Is The Church?," will air at 7 this evening.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 94 degrees; low, 71 degrees; high Sunday, 96 degrees; low, 73 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1995 to date, 13.32 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy early, becoming mostly clear by midnight. Low near 70. East wind 5-15 mph, becoming light and variable. Tuesday, mostly sunny. High in the mid 90s. East wind 5-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:21. Sunrise Tuesday, 7:13. Of 232 days in 1995, the sun has shone, 217 days in Snyder.

County budget in black

Scurry County Commissioners Court — learning its proposed 1996 budget is in the black, based on the effective tax rate — adjourned before noon today after taking care of routine business.

County Auditor Eddie McHaney told the court, after cuts made last week, that the budget is $760 in the black against revenues using the effective tax rate of 59 cents.

The effective tax rate is five cents above the current rate, but is the rate necessary to raise the same amount of tax revenue as the previous year.

The tax rate and budget still must have final approval, and the proposed budget, excluding the hospital, is $5.3 million. The county has again budgeted $390,000 tax support for the hospital.

That item resulted in comment this morning by John Hudman, senior tax representative with Pennzoil.

Hudman suggested that the hospital, since it is showing a profit, should "stand on its own." Hudman further suggested that the hospital subsidy be eliminated, allowing the court to give a county pay raise and still reduce the tax rate.

Hudman did praise commis-

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BANQUET FUN — Nine-month-old Abby Corser has a good time with her mother Amy at the annual Snyder Chamber of Commerce Banquet, held Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Fall registration begins at college

Registration for the Western Texas College fall term was to begin today, in preparation for the first day of classes on Wednesday.

Sophomores register from 1-4 p.m. today with Freshmen to follow from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday. A special evening class registration is set for 6:30 to 8 o'clock tonight.

Due to the death of Dr. Franklin Pruitt, a longtime former WTC instructor, some changes have been made in the Tuesday afternoon registration process. Late registration was originally scheduled from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday. That has been changed now to 3-5 p.m., officials said. The change was made to allow those who wish to attend funeral services for Dr. Pruitt, which will be held at 2 p.m. at 37th Street Church of Christ.

The final day to enroll or change a class is Aug. 29. Nov. 10 is the last day to drop a class.

The semester consists of 16 weeks of classroom lectures. Finals will be Dec. 4-6 and the fall term for faculty and staff officially ends Dec. 8.

The 1995-96 school year is being observed as Western Texas College's Silver Anniversary, commemorating the groundbreaking in November of 1970. The naming of the first WTC board of trustees was also in 1970.

Classes began in the fall of 1971.

Bomb kills four during rush hour

JERUSALEM (AP) — A bomb ripped apart a bus during morning rush hour today, killing five people, including an American, and injuring more than 100. Police suspect the attack was carried out by a woman suicide bomber.

An anonymous caller claimed the Islamic militant group Hamas, which opposes peace between Israel and the Palestinians, was responsible.

The bombing led to another suspension of talks on an Israeli troop pullout from West Bank towns, but Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said he did not expect it would delay an agreement.

The No. 26 bus exploded in flames as the bomb went off in the back shortly before 8 a.m. in the northern neighborhood of Ramat Eshkol.

Ronen Shmuel, the bus driver, said most passengers were students traveling to Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus. Some were foreign students attending summer Hebrew language classes.

Judy Shulewitz, a 19-year-old Cornell University student from Philadelphia, said she was standing next to the back door of the bus at the time of the explosion. She was cut by glass on her face, hands and knees.

"I felt very hot and I landed on the ground with a lot of people on top of me, screaming 'Let us out of here,' and crying," she said. "There was blood all over the place."

The explosion also blew out the windows of a nearby school and a passing bus, setting the second bus on fire.

Dr. Pruitt, longtime local professor, dies

Dr. Franklin B. Pruitt, a Snyder educator for more than 40 years, died at 11:30 p.m. Saturday in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital following heart surgery. He was 68.

Service for Dr. Pruitt will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the 37th St. Church of Christ were he had served as both a deacon and an elder.

Officiating will be Rick Cunningham, minister of the Clyde Church of Christ; Homer Anderson, minister of the 37th St. Church of Christ; Tom Holcomb, minister of the East Side Church of Christ; and Miller Robinson, minister of Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Interment will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born in Waco, he earned his bachelor's degree from Baylor University, his master's degree from East Texas State University and his doctorate from Texas Tech University in 1978.

As a new graduate of Baylor, Mr. Pruitt took his first job with the Snyder Public Schools as a journalism teacher. Three years later, he married Elois McDow on March 15, 1955 in Snyder. Their wedding was the first formal wedding to be held in the 37th St. Church of Christ building. Mrs. Pruitt, who survives, serves as district clerk in Scurry County.

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DR. FRANKLIN PRUITT

Train accident worst in India's history

FIROZABAD, India (AP) — Rescuers with cranes and blow torches sliced through the tangled remains of two passenger trains today while police searched for the signalman blamed for the worst train wreck in India's history.

At least 300 passengers died and 500 others were injured Sunday when the Puroshottam Express rammed the Kalindi Express outside Firozabad railway station in northern India.

The Kalindi Express had stopped on the tracks after hitting a cow and damaging its brakes. A signalman gave the crowded Purshottam a green light to continue down the same line, officials for India's state-owned railway said.

Police were looking for the signalman today. He vanished after the disaster at 2:45 a.m., just 15 minutes after he came on duty.

"It is definitely human negligence of the railway staff," said M.N. Chopra, a divisional manager of the railway.

Rescuers searched for more victims today, using blow torches to cut through the train wreckage. Corpses were laid in rows in a muddy field nearby.

"The entire area was reverberating with cries and shrieks," said Manas Patnaik, 29, who was traveling from the eastern state of Orissa to New Delhi on the Puroshottam Express.

"I stumbled several times on severed limbs and some people," Patnaik told the United News of India news agency.

Between the two trains there were about 2,200 passengers, most of whom were sleeping when the collision occurred. Both trains were bound for New Delhi, 185 miles north of Firozabad.

Subodh Kumar Gupta, who was standing near the door of the Kalindi Express when it stopped on the track, said he saw the other train approaching, but thought it was on another track.

"The next thing I knew, I was crushed under a seat and the coach had overturned," he said from his bed at the Sarojini Naidu Hospital, stroking the cast on his left shoulder.

Chopra said 230 bodies were recovered from the wreckage. News agencies reported dozens more people died in hospitals of their injuries. Doctors and relief workers said at least 500 people were hospitalized with injuries and hundreds more were treated for cuts and sent home.

Press Trust of India news agency put the death toll at 350, but an army officer supervising the rescue operations said on condition of anonymity that the toll could be as high as 400 when all the cars are removed from the tracks.

Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: Your answer to the Arizona lady who inquired how she should have handled the situation of uninvited relatives who elected to take their leftovers home with them was dismaying to this reader.

Why? Because your answer ignored the fundamental breach of etiquette, and focused on a technicality related to ordered-in food.

The breach of etiquette had three components: First, the visitors arrived unexpectedly; second, the visitors ignored another obvious courtesy they should have shown their hostess — *not* to stay so long that it becomes necessary to invite them for dinner; and third, since the dinner was ordered in, surely the courteous action would have been to pay part of the bill. Instead, the hostess indicated that she paid for the entire order.

In my mind, your response implies that the actions on the part of the guests were acceptable.

Your response would have been more appropriate had you taken the opportunity to educate your readers about the proper behavior of guests.

It seems to me that the rules for that situation are quite clear:

If you drop in unannounced, make it a short visit, and don't place your host or hostess in the position of having to provide lunch or dinner for an unexpected guest. If the situation favors staying longer, offer to share the cost of the added expense your visit imposes. If the host or hostess declines, that's one thing, but at least the offer should be made.

KATHERINE WALKER,
ROCKPORT, MASS.

DEAR KATHERINE WALKER: Your letter makes some good points about drop-in visitors. However, "Perplexed in Arizona" apparently was more concerned that her guests wanted to take home the leftovers from their individual orders, which was the issue I addressed.

Had she asked what I thought about guests overstaying their welcome, or sharing the cost of the ordered-in food, I would have addressed those issues as you did.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: What incredible chutzpah! Dropping in, uninvited, on a Sunday afternoon and inviting yourself to a meal for which your hostess is unprepared, have her order food to your specifications delivered to your hostess's home, for which she pays — then stuffing yourself, and taking home what you cannot eat! Unbelievable!

Abby, your flip answer also was unbelievable. Are you really telling me you condoned the rudeness of these drop-in guests?

ADA SILBEY, STUART, FLA.

DEAR ADA: I don't know about you, but I wouldn't care to keep the leftover spaghetti from the plates of others to eat later. If the guests could not finish eating their orders (from which they had eaten), why shouldn't they take the orders home rather than toss them?

I do agree, however, that the uninvited visitors were not model guests, and they broke several rules of etiquette.

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DEAR ABBY: Any man who is afraid of neutering a dog has a problem with his own manhood. The husband of "Ernie's Mom" sounds like a lot of the macho males we have in this country who are responsible for babies having babies.

I suggest that he not only have his dog neutered, but also himself, lest he father more macho males like himself. (Notice, I said "males" — not "men.")

BEEN THERE, DONE THAT,
STOCKTON, CALIF.

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For Abby's favorite family recipes, send a long, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet No. 1, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Is Paget's disease hereditary?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've recently been diagnosed with Paget's disease, following a bone scan and other X-rays. I'm bothered by nausea, unsteady walking and vision problems. I'm on one 400 mg Didronel tablet each day. What's your opinion regarding my symptoms, prognosis, and whatever else there is pertaining to this disease? Is it hereditary?

DEAR READER: Paget's disease of bone is a chronic disorder of the adult skeleton, primarily in the elderly, leading to patchy areas of rapid bone metabolism. The cause is unknown.

Because of hyper-metabolism of the bone cells, some portions do not calcify completely; hence, they are more prone to fracture. When the skull is affected, patients often experience headache, decreased visual acuity and increased size of the skull. Other symptoms include bone pain, fatigue, stiffness, and deformity of the legs. The diagnosis is made by X-rays and bone scans.

Didronel is a prescription drug that stabilizes bone formation. The medicine is usually administered for up to six months, followed by a rest period of three months; after this, depending on the patient's response, additional "pulsed" therapy may be given. Didronel is largely free of complications. However, it can cause nausea, diarrhea and kidney damage.

Although there is a family incidence of Paget's disease, no clear-cut genetic pattern has been identified.

Ordinarily, the prognosis is quite favorable. With treatment, patients can live long and reasonably comfortable lives.

In my opinion, such patients should be under the care of metabolic specialists or endocrinologists.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm an 18-year-old white male. Occasionally when I defecate, blood is passed along with my stool. This only seems to happen when my stool is enlarged and defecation hurts. Could this be an early sign of hemorrhoids? Should I see my doctor?

DEAR READER: Rectal bleeding is always a medical concern, regardless of a person's age. In a healthy adolescent, with the circumstances you describe, the bleeding almost surely has a benign cause, such as slight tissue-tearing or hemorrhoids.

However, you really should check this out with your doctor, who after examining you, will diagnose the problem and offer a solution. For example, your situation might be cured by consuming more fluids (to soften your stools), using more bran and fiber (to aid evacuation) and attempting to defecate on a regular schedule (so that your lower rectum is not as stressed by bulky, hard, infrequent stools).

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Constipation and Diarrhea." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

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DR. GOTT

PETER GOTT, M.D.

Toddler shot by sister

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. (AP) — A 10-year-old shot her 3-year-old brother in the head over a video game after their parents left them alone in the house with two other children, police said.

Desmond Moore underwent brain surgery and was in serious condition.

The girl, whose name was not released because of her age, was charged Saturday with attempted murder and taken to Broward Regional Juvenile Detention Center.

The girl went to neighbors to get help after the Friday night shooting. At first, she told police her brother shot himself between the eyes with their father's .357-caliber pistol, said Broward Sheriff's Office spokesman Ott Cefkin.

"It was difficult for her to grasp the seriousness of the situation," he said.

The girl later admitted shooting her brother, Cefkin said. She had lied because she was scared her father would beat her, he said.

The girl's 8-year-old brother and his 8-year-old cousin had been playing with the loaded gun before the argument over the video game, authorities said. It was not immediately clear how the children got hold of the gun.

The boy's mother, Sharon Brown, left 1½ hours before the shooting for a cruise, and the father, Raymond Moore, was visiting friends nearby.

The parents could be charged with negligence, pending an investigation into whether the gun was locked away and how long the children had been left alone.

Economic 'gatekeepers' may limit patients' medical care

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Jane Harrison was surprised that she had to fight with her doctor to see a specialist about her multiple sclerosis.

Although diagnosed 15 years ago, Harrison never had seen a neurologist who specializes in the debilitating nerve and muscle disease.

She finally found one on a list provided by her insurer, a health maintenance organization, but then ran into a problem: Her primary care doctor wanted her to see his clinic's neurologist — one who did not specialize in MS.

She had to change primary care doctors before she got to see the specialist.

"I got tired of arguing," Harrison said. "The bucks are always the bottom line."

She and others contend the problem she faced is becoming more widespread as managed care overtakes the country.

Patients complain that primary care doctors limit referrals to specialists because that means parting with some of the money coming in from the HMOs. Many specialists agree.

The controversy is escalating in Portland, which leads the nation with 64 percent of its residents in HMOs.

In medical insurance jargon, the controversy centers on a term known as capitation.

It means that an HMO gives a primary care doctor a lump of money each year to cover a patient's medical costs, including tests and specialists' fees.

Primary care doctors or their clinics are, in effect, "gatekeepers" who determine what care a patient gets. If the patient visits an HMO-approved specialist in another clinic, the primary care doctor has to share some of the money.

"The gatekeeper almost holds you captive because of the financial reward," said Kathy Weaver of the Oregon Health Action Campaign, a nonprofit patient rights group based in Salem.

Weaver, who has an inflammatory digestive disorder known as Crohn's disease, said primary care doctors have held her back. And she regularly hears from patients in similar circumstances.

"It's a serious problem," Weaver said.

At the crux of the debate is this question: Is it better to treat patients too much or too little?

Capitation also is causing a rift between primary care doctors and specialists.

Six killed, 18 hurt in militia fighting

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — At least six people were killed and 18 others were wounded in fighting between the militias of rival warlords in the Somali capital.

Fighters loyal to Gen. Mohammed Farrah Aidid, who controls parts of southern Mogadishu, and supporters of Ali Mahdi Mohamed, who holds the northern part of the city, fought into the night Saturday with machine guns, mortars, artillery and anti-aircraft guns.

Most of the victims were militiamen, but two civilians were killed by a stray shell, witnesses said.

Somalia has been without a government since the ouster of dictator Mohammed Siad Barre in 1991.

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

R.L. Adkins has completed the No. 1 699 Hickman in the Vernon Cox field, 15 miles northwest of Snyder. The well was finaled to produce 100 barrels of 41 gravity oil and 300 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,088-100 feet, and location is in Section 699, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Parker and Parsley Development has completed the No. 87 State-Strain unit in the Sharon Ridge field, three miles southeast of Ira. The venture was completed to produce 10 barrels of oil and 52 barrels of water. Perforations were from 1,692-765 feet, and location is in the Kirkland and Fields survey.

Lakewood Operating will drill the No. 1 Raptor in the Diamond M field, six miles northwest of Ira. Contracted for 7,000 feet, location is in Section 144, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Mitchell County

Parker and Parsley Development has completed the No. 302 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. The well was completed to produce 49 barrels of 30.1 gravity oil and 246 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,602-910 feet, and location is in Section 17, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Parker and Parsley has completed the No.332 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. The well was finaled to produce seven barrels of 29.2 gravity oil and 120 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,728-3,152 feet, and location is in Section 8, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Parker and Parsley has completed the No. 334 Mary Foster in the same field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. The venture was completed to produce 37 barrels of 29.2 gravity oil and 107 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,658-3,112 feet, and location is in Section 9, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Parker and Parsley has completed the No. 335 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. The well was finaled to produce 30 barels of 29.2 gravity oil and 107 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,658-3,112 feet, and location is in Section 16, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Baytech Inc. will drill the No. 1-44 Nail in the Jasmine field, 11 miles northwest of Silver. Planned for a depth of 7,400 feet, location is in Section 44, Block 12, H&TC survey.

Borden County

Texaco Exploration will drill the No. 5543 Jo Mill unit in the Jo Mill field, 14 miles southwest of Gail. Planned for a depth of 7,290 feet, location is in Section 25, Block 33, T4N, T&P survey.

Texaco will drill the No. 8144 Jo Mill unit in the Jo Mill field, 21 miles southwest of Gail. Planned for a depth of 7,750 feet, location is in Section 44, Block 33, T4N, T&P survey.

Wynne Petroleum Co. will drill the No. 1 Newton, a 7,500-foot wildcat located 14 miles north of Gail. Drill site is in Section 23, Block 30, T6N, T&P survey.

Howard County

Cobra Oil and Gas Corp. will drill the No. 1-28 McNew in the Raman field, three miles northwest of Morita. Planned for a depth of 11,000 feet, drill site is in Section 28, Block 34, T&P survey.

Duncan Drilling Co. has completed the No. 1 Dorland in the Dorland field, five miles southeast of Coahoma. The well was finaled to produce 12 barrels of 30 gravity oil and 70 barrels of water. Perforations were from 5,490-508 feet, and location is in Section 30, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Union Pacific Resources has completed the No. 2. A.E. Sumruld in the Vealmoor Central field, 16 miles northeast of Big Spring. The well was finaled to produce 100 barrels of 43 gravity oil and 108 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,673-681 feet, and location is in Section 10, Block 31, T2N, T&P survey.

Garza County

Huber Corp. has completed the No. 1-8 Post Estate in the MWH field, seven miles northeast of Post. The well was finaled to produce 36 barrels of 34.3 grvity oil and 138 barrels of waer. Perforations were from 7,746-791 feet, and location is in Section 8, Block 4, K. Aycock survey.

Midpar LTD has completed the No. T-513-S Huntley north unit, 2.5 miles northeast of Close City. The well was finaled to produce eight barrels of 37 gravity oil and 200 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,235-396 feet, and location is in Section 2, C.W. Post survey.

Fisher County

Cholla Petroleum Inc. will drill the No. 5 Norsworthy in the Newman field, 7.5 miles south of Roby. Planned for a depth of 3,999 feet, drill site is in Section 7, Block 1, HT&B survey.

GP II Energy Inc. will plug and abandon the No. 106 Corey, a 6,862-foot wildcat located six miles north of Sweetwater. Drill site was in Section 6, Block 22, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Clear Fork Inc. will drill the No. 7-44 C.E. Boyd in the EVB field, 3.5 miles northeast of Nolan. Planned for a depth of 6,800 feet, locationis in Section 44, Block X, T&P survey.

Tucker Drilling Co. will drill the No. 1 TXL, a 5,700-foot wildcat located four miles north of Maryneal. Drill site is in Section 31, Block X, T&P survey.

Date Book

Aug. 21, 1995

Today is the 233rd day of 1995 and the 62nd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1858, Illinois politicians Abraham Lincoln and Stephen Douglas had the first of seven debates that became famous for the eloquence demonstrated by both men.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Aubrey Beardsley (1872-1898), artist and illustrator; Count Basie (1904-1984), pianist-composer; Princess Margaret of England (1930-) is 65; Wilt Chamberlain (1936-), basketball great, is 59; Kenny Rogers (1938-), singer-actor, is 57; Joe Strummer (1952-), musician, is 43; Jim McMahon (1959-), football player, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1887, Dan Casey of the Phillies fanned in the ninth inning, prompting Ernest L. Thayer to write "Casey at the Bat."

TODAY'S QUOTE: "All over, people changing their votes / Along with their overcoats / If Adolf Hitler flew in today / They'd send a limousine anyway." — Joe Strummer

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1984, a violent thunderstorm in Pueblo, Colo., closed the state fair for the day. Hail broke 500 light bulbs on one carnival ride.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Aug. 17) and new moon (Aug. 26).

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Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, or order:

5-3-3

(five, three, three)

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Two tickets bought in Harlingen and Weatherford correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth $60 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 2, 7, 9, 15, 29, and 41.

There were 524 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth $1,394. There were 29,119 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning $90. And there were 539,505 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic $3.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be $4 million.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0599 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 863-2349, 573-8626 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0599 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for inofrmation call 573-3956, 573-2101,573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club's luncheon/game day; reservations needed by 5 p.m. Monday by calling 573-3427 per person; serving begins at 11:30 and games will follow.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0599 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

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

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

SOS (singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Center; 7 p.m.

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 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; for information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.

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

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

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 8-21-95
♠ 9 8 4
♥ K Q 4 3
♦ K 7 6 2
♣ A Q

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

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

SOUTH
♠ K Q 2
♥ A 6 2
♦ A J 4 3
♣ 7 6 3

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 5

Check the map first

By Phillip Alder

When you are playing in a contract that would be easy to make if only you could see the opponents' cards, ask yourself how you might play to "see" their cards legally. Today's deal is a good example. How should you plan the play in three no-trump after the spade-five lead to East's jack?

Sometimes it is right to duck the first trick in this position, but not here. Realizing that he would be finessing diamonds into West, South won with the spade king, played a diamond to dummy's king and a diamond to his jack. After winning with the queen, West guessed well, switching to the club two.

Suddenly South saw that he had a nasty decision to make. If he took a losing finesse in clubs, East would push a spade through the queen, killing the contract. Whereas if South put up dummy's club ace, he would need to find the hearts 3-3. What if they were 4-2 and the club king was in West's hand all along?

Knowing that the odds favor a finesse over a 3-3 break, South called for the club queen. But his luck was out. East won with the king and returned a spade, putting the contract one down.

"How was I to know?" asked South when he found that the hearts were 3-3 all along.

"By finding out first," answered North. "Cash your three top hearts before taking the diamond finesse. If the hearts are 3-3, you know you don't need the club finesse; if they aren't 3-3, you know you do."

If you can, check out the lay of the land before having to make the crucial play.

Phillip Alder's book, "Get Smarter at Bridge," is available, autographed upon request, for $14.95 from P.O. Box 169, Roslyn Hts., NY 11577-0169.

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Economists disagree on dollar strategy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Economists see the Clinton administration's effort to prop up the sagging dollar as either a masterful market play or a boneheaded policy that will cost thousands of American jobs by aggravating the U.S. trade deficit.

While economists are notorious for disagreeing among themselves, seldom has a single issue sparked more divergent views. To critics, administration efforts to support the dollar are the wrong prescription for an economy already saddled with huge trade deficits.

Under this reasoning, the way to attack a trade deficit is to devalue the currency, not increase its value. But the Clinton administration argues that a stronger dollar will help the global economy to the ultimate benefit of American manufacturers.

On its surface, last week's coordinated effort by the United States, Japan and Germany was a clear-cut success in propping up the dollar.

The three countries intervened massively in global currency markets, selling Japanese yen and German marks to buy what by some estimates was as much as $4 billion in the U.S. currency.

The intervention drove the value of the dollar to the highest levels in nearly six months against both the Japanese yen and German mark.

Last week's success stood in marked contrast to government dollar-buying efforts earlier this year that did little to brake a steep slide that had pushed the greenback down to historic lows against both the yen and the mark.

At its lowest point, the dollar was down 20 percent against the yen and 13 percent against the mark, compared to levels at the beginning of this year.

But with last week's successful intervention, the dollar has regained almost all of that lost ground, ending last week down only 2.5 percent from where it started the year against the Japanese yen.

"This is the most brilliantly conceived currency strategy in a decade," Allen Sinai, chief economist at Lehman Brothers Global Economics in New York, said of last week's sneak attack on currency speculators.

He said the administration had timed the intervention superbly, giving credit to the market savvy of Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, who at one time headed up the currency operations at Goldman, Sachs and Co.

But Washington economist William Cline called it "a brilliant downfield run, but in the direction of the wrong end zone."

Cline and other opponents contend that the administration has no business trying to support the dollar at a time when America's trade deficit is heading to the stratosphere.

A weaker dollar makes imported cars and other foreign products more expensive for American consumers while U.S.-made products are more expensive in foreign markets.

Last week, the government reported that the deficit in goods and services climbed to $11.31 billion in June, the second-worst showing on record.

Cline, an expert on currency rates at the Institute for International Economics, said his projections show that if the recent dollar strengthening is not undone, it will mean that the broadest measure of the U.S. trade deficit, the current account, will stick at levels of around $200 billion over the next several years.

For 1997, that would mean a $40 billion deterioration from where it would have been if the dollar's spring lows had stayed in place, Cline said. That $40 billion difference means fewer U.S. exports, more imports and thousands of lost U.S. jobs.

Pointing to the soaring trade deficit, Gordan Richards, chief economist at the National Association of Manufacturers, said recent intervention in foreign exchange markets "is precisely the wrong policy. The appropriate course of action is to lower the dollar."

But administration defenders argue that critics need to take a broader view of the global economy. They contend that the dollar's weakness in relation to the German and Japanese currencies had put a severe crimp in those two countries' economies by depressing their manufacturing exports.

By relieving some of that pressure, it will mean stronger growth in Japan, Germany and the rest of Europe as well. That in turn will lead to more U.S. exports.

Administration supporters point to severe troubles facing the Japanese economy, dragging through its fourth year of recession-like conditions that have put major strains on the country's financial system.

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Mrs. Clinton awaits decision on attending China meeting

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ideally, for first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and other Americans, attending a conference in China could be the adventure of a lifetime: sightseeing at the Great Wall and Forbidden City combined with important discussions.

But the Fourth United Nations Conference on Women opening in two weeks in Beijing looks to some like a political minefield for visitors and perhaps even for the hosts.

Mrs. Clinton was advised Sunday by two Republican senators who want her husband's job to pass up the meeting for which she has been named honorary chairman of the U.S. official delegation.

Sens. Bob Dole of Kansas and Richard Lugar of Indiana said Mrs. Clinton's presence in Beijing would not help U.S.-Chinese relations, which have been on a downward slide.

U.S. delegates and observers reported cliff-hanging delays getting Chinese entry visas and room bookings. They blame both administrative overload and suspected attempts to exclude those who plan to attack Chinese practices such as forced labor and birth control.

Non-government delegates learned that their unofficial gathering, traditionally held parallel to major U.N. conferences, will be at Hairou, 35 miles outside Beijing, which can accommodate only 10,000 of the 38,000 who are applying from around the world. Representatives of Tibet, human rights groups and various religious groups reported denials or long delays on visas.

Lugar, a former Senate Foreign Relations Committee chairman, said on NBC's "Meet the Press" that Mrs. Clinton's presence probably "would make no difference to the Chinese, (who) find that whole conference troublesome."

By now, China's communist government may regret seeking the gathering for prestige reasons, Lugar suggested. "The women coming in they see as a threat to their regime. ... Probably Mrs. Clinton should not go. I think it ... makes another ambiguity out of a very difficult situation."

Dole, the Senate majority leader, said he's already written Mrs. Clinton that she should stay home. He accused Democrats of blocking a congressional resolution against her attendance.

"I don't see any useful purpose" for Mrs. Clinton to attend, Dole said on CBS' "Face the Nation."

"Certainly she's very bright, very articulate, but ... as long as they are retaining an American prisoner there, Harry Wu, and as long as there are other human rights abuses ... in China, I think it would be a mistake," he said. Wu is a Chinese-American who has visited his homeland to collect evidence of forced labor and other human rights abuses.

Mrs. Clinton discussed with top administration officials last week pros and cons of her visiting Beijing. The decision is expected this week.

China has recalled its ambassador and interrupted some ongoing talks with the United States to demonstrate outrage over President Clinton's granting a visa for the president of Taiwan to make a private visit in June to Cornell University, his alma mater.

The United States has criticized China for testing nuclear weapons on the eve of negotiations on a comprehensive test ban treaty, and for staging artillery exercises near the Taiwan coast.

U.N. Ambassador Madeleine Albright, working head of the U.S. delegation to the conference, said last week Americans would press strongly for agreements on legal equality and human rights for women. And she said they'll take up previously taboo subjects, such as violence against women and "the despicable notion that rape is just another tactic of war."

Adding to tension, U.S. abortion foes and Muslim groups last week joined forces to charge that radical feminists who minimize family and spiritual values will dominate the conference and the official U.S. delegation.

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IMF report casts new light on crisis

WASHINGTON (AP) — A run on the Mexican peso by currency investors in Mexico caused the collapse of the currency last year, according to an International Monetary Fund report.

The IMF analysis, its first of circumstances surrounding the peso collapse, was reported initially by The Washington Post in today's editions.

The Post quoted an unidentified senior Treasury Department official as saying the IMF report adds to understanding of the crash, but at the same time cautioning that it is difficult to precisely distinguish between domestic and foreign investors' transactions — a difficulty the report itself acknowledges.

"The available data show that the pressure on Mexico's foreign exchange reserves during 1994, and in particular just prior to the devaluation, came not from the flight of foreign investors or from speculative position-taking by these investors, but from Mexican residents," says the analysis, which is contained in the IMF's annual survey of global capital markets.

The document suggests that a flight of domestic capital set off a downward spiral in Mexican financial markets that made it impossible for the Mexican government to defend the peso.

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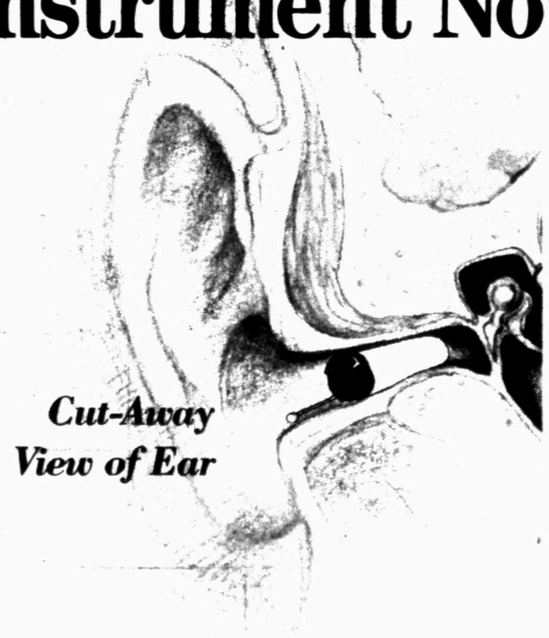

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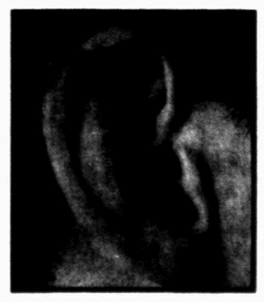

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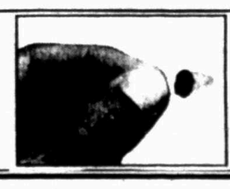

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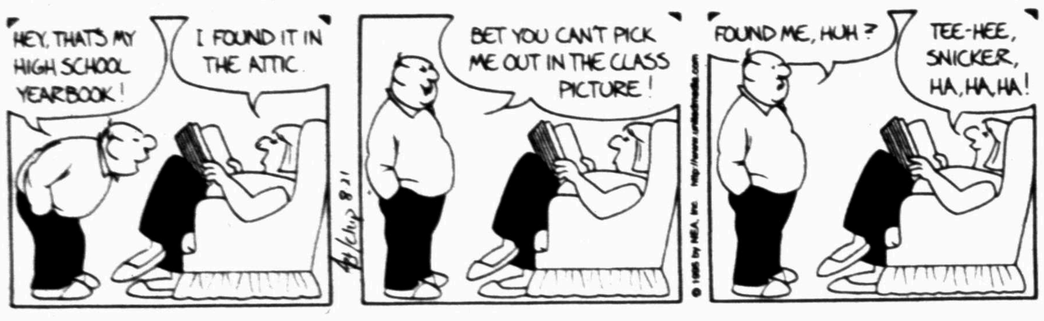

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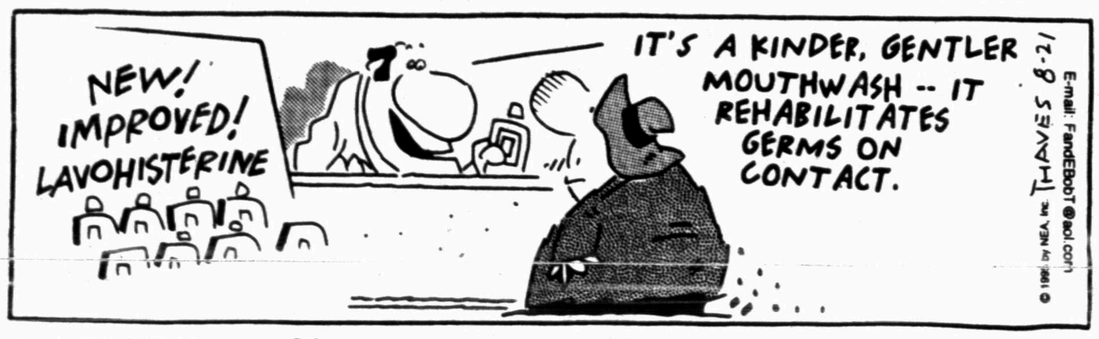

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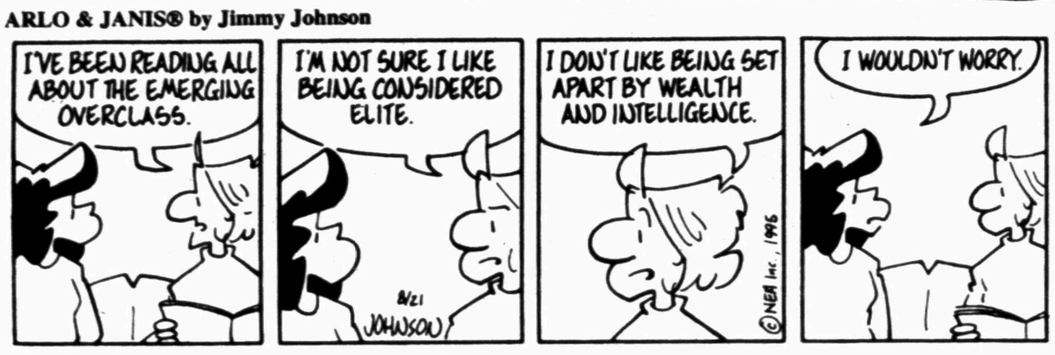

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ACROSS

1 A rose — — rose
4 Spheres
8 Spoken
12 Swindle
13 No
14 Information
15 WWII area
16 Intense heat
18 Military device
20 Lump
21 — Kapital
22 Olympic org.
24 — whiz!
26 Walked slowly
30 Sailing ship
34 Same (comb. form)
35 Opposite of ecto
37 Singer Fitzgerald
38 Look steadily
40 Duty
42 Navy ship pref.
43 Distinctive manner
45 N.Y. team
47 Ending for final
49 — Grande
50 Doctrine
53 Scold repeatedly
55 Loiter
59 Type of park
62 I think, therefore — —
63 Golly!
64 Peel
65 New Deal prog.
66 Curved molding
67 Resin-producing tree
68 Alias (abbr.)

DOWN

1 Glazes
2 Hernando de —
3 Before long
4 Surpassed, on a horse
5 Greek letter
6 Char
7 Shoulder movement
8 Peculiar
9 Invasion
10 Leaf-cutting ant
11 Spreads out
17 Wild goat
19 Help
23 Small coin
25 Shoe size
26 Swine
27 Future attys.' exam
28 Slimy
29 6/6/44
31 Sky color
32 Different
33 Mama — Elliott
36 Gravel ridges
39 — Wallach
41 Sweater maker
44 Serf
46 Timber tree
48 Florida city
50 Othello villain
51 Air problem
52 Ponder
54 Equipment
56 Costa —
57 Display stand
58 Non-profit org.
60 Feminine pronoun
61 Gun grp.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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"MY GRANDPA'S COMING TO VISIT, AND I DON'T WANT HIM TO GET BORED!"

Anderson, Brock take SCC MGA Blowout title

The 1995 Snyder Country Club, Men's Golf Association Blowout tournament came to an end Sunday with the winning team taking a three shot win. Larry Anderson and Billy Brock combined to shoot a two day 124 to capture first place in the championship flight. The twosome shot a 65 on Saturday before burning up the course with a 59 on Sunday.

Randy Weaver and David Sharrock came in second with a 127 (66-61) and Randy Addison and Jay White finished third with a 129 (67-62).

In the Presidents flight, three strokes separated the top three places. The team of Brent Burnett and Faron McCain shot a 134 (67-67) to win the flight. Kyle Doby and Cuppy Graham finished second with a 135 (67-68) and Jim Bartlett and Joe Harris finished third with a 136 (73-63).

Robert Lopez and Donny Stelzer combined to shoot a 133 (71-62) which was good enough to win the first flight by six shots. Jay Houston and Ronnie Houston carded a 139 (71-68) for second and Glenn Patterson and Pete Greene finished third with a 140 (74-66).

The second flight was won by Bear Hardin and Dutch Stehley with a 138 (71-67). Second place in the flight went to Johnny Reed and Wade Lancaster with a 143 (74-69) while Billy Hill and Gary Williams shot a 146 (75-71) to finish third.

John Greene and Mackey Greene took the top honors in the third flight by shooting 145 (73-72). Jeff Fowler and Will Ashmore combined for a 149 (80-69) to finish second and Steve Olsen and Nolan Von Roeder finished third with a 152 (81-71).

The fourth flight was won by Jerry Owen and Wes Key with a 152 (79-73). The father, son team of Sam and Brad Robertson took second with a 153 (81-72) and four shots back was another father-son team, Ted and Scott Crenwelge who shot a 157 (83-74) to finish third in the flight.

Championship Flight

1. Larry Anderson-Billy Brock, 65-59--124; 2. Randy Weaver-David Sharrock 66-61--127; 3. Randy Addison-Jay White, 67-62--129; 4. Russ Menke-Jim Adams, 67-64--131; 5. (Tie) Jack Poe-Bill Hunter III, 71-61--132; Wade Hatter-Lance Jones, 69-63--132; 7. Alton Patterson-Charlie Longbotham, 68-66--134; 8. Jimmy Nelms-Kelly Hughes, 73-68--141.

President's Flight

1. Brent Burnett-Faron McCain, 67-67--134; 2. Kyle Doby-Cuppy Graham, 67-68--135; 3. Jim Bartlett-Joe Harris, 73-63--136; 4. (Tie) Jim Blume-B.W. Harris, 71-66--137; Mark Waldrip-Carl Guelker, 73-64--137; 6. John Williams-Clay Allen, 71-67--138; 7. Tommy Lay-Mike Strickland 72-67--139; 8. Charles Powell-Tom Rees, 76-66--142; 9. Dirk Ingram-Cliff Ingram, 73-70--143; 10. Donny Lindsey-Gerald Epperson, 76-68--144.

First Flight

1. Robert Lopez-Donny Stelzer, 71-62--133; 2. Jay Houston-Ronnie Houston, 71-68--139; 3. Glenn Patterson-Pete Greene, 74-66--140; 4. Mike Macy-Edwin Lewis, 69-71--140; 5. R.T. Henderson-Chris Beaty, 73-69--142; 6. Brent Beck-Robert Patterson, 72-71--143; 7. Walt Staats-Don Stewart 76-68--144; 8. (Tie) Rick Hall-Rickey Daniell 76-69--145, Kelly Ragland-Shawn Ragland 80-65--145, Manuel Avila-Greg Hays, 74-71--145; 11. Joe Laroux-Micky Neff, 80-72--152.

Second Flight

1. Bear Hardin-Dutch Stehley, 71-67--138; 2. Johnny Reed-Wade Lancaster, 74-69--143; 3. Billy Hill-Gary Williams, 75-71--146; 4. (Tie) Elliot Cox-Barry Blackmon, 77-70--147, Rob Hall-Duane Richard 75-72-147, Ricky Williams-Randy Glasscock, 77-70--147; 7. Herb Reed-John Reed, 78-70--148; 8. George Alderete-Juan Hernandez, 80-69--149; 9. Eicke Perry-Clay Hill, 78-71--149; 10. James Caldwell-Jay Cumbie, 77-75--152; 11. Bush Jordan-John Darby, 81-76--157; 12. Mike Levens-Randy Levens, 90-74--164.

Third Flight

1. John Greene-Mackey Green, 73-72--145; 2. Jeff Fowler-Will Ashmore, 80-69--149; 3. Steve Olsen-Nolan von Roeder, 81-71--152; 4. Bill Seale-Kris Seale, 78-75--153; 5. Mike McLeod-Gary McLeod, 87-69--156; 6. (Tie) Jene Steakley-Earl McKinstry, 85-72--157; Darryl Blackwell-Eddie Chambers, 85-72--157; Sam Davenport-Gary Foster, 87-70--157; 9. Don Sealy-Rex Robinson, 84-74--158; 10. Kirby Head-Kim Robertson, 80-79--159; 11. Britt Vincent-William Cotton, 84-80--164.

Fourth Flight

1. Jerry Owen-Wes Key, 79-73--152; 2. Sam Robertson-Brad Robertson, 81-72--153; 3. Ted Crenwelge-Scott Crenwelge, 83-74--157; 4. Steve Rich-Max Hildebrand, 81-77--158; 5. David Harrell-Dayton Robertson, 85-74--159; 6. Lane Beaty-Jim McKamie, 85-75--160; 7. (Tie) Kirk Morris-Mike Ratliff, 87-76--163; Vance Voss-Johnny Eicke, 85-78--163; 9. Howard Sterling-Roy Sallee, 92-76--168; 10. Paul Thompson-Dalton Walton, 92-82--174; 11. Ed McDaniel-Bobby Franks, 94-83--182; 12. Jim Griswold-Mike Tyrell, 97-86--183.

Baseball Glance

By The Associated Press

American League

All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	65	41	.613	-
NewYork	53	52	.505	11½
Baltimore	49	57	.462	16
Toronto	46	59	.438	18½
Detroit	45	61	.425	20

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	71	34	.676	-
Milwaukee	52	53	.495	19
KansasCity	50	53	.485	20
Chicago	44	60	.423	26½
Minnesota	38	66	.365	32½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
California	66	41	.617	-
Texas	56	50	.528	9½
Seattle	53	53	.500	12½
Oakland	50	58	.463	16½

Saturday's Games

Cleveland 4, Milwaukee 3
Minnesota 9, Detroit 5
Texas 9, Chicago 6
Boston 4, Seattle 3
Toronto 5, Kansas City 4, 13 innings
Baltimore 12, Oakland 6
California 5, New York 3

Sunday's Games

Cleveland 8, Milwaukee 5
Minnesota 8, Detroit 7, 10 innings
Toronto 4, Kansas City 3
Texas 6, Chicago 4
Oakland 6, Baltimore 3
California 10, New York 5
Boston 7, Seattle 6

Monday's Games

Kansas City (Gubicza 8-10 and Appier 12-7) at Milwaukee (Givens 4-2 and Scanlan 3-4), 2, 6:05 p.m.
Chicago (Fernandez 7-8) at Detroit (Moore 5-12), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Hershiser 10-5) at Toronto (Hurtado 5-1), 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Klingenbeck 2-3) at Texas (Darwin 2-10), 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Brown 5-8) at Seattle (Johnson 12-2), 10:05 p.m.
New York (Pettitte 6-6) at Oakland (Stottlemyre 10-5), 10:05 p.m.
Boston (Eshelman 4-2) at California (Anderson 6-4), 10:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

New York (Kamieniecki 3-4) at Oakland (Van Poppel 4-7), 3:15 p.m.
Chicago (Righetti 3-1) at Detroit (Lima 1-4), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Martinez 9-4) at Toronto (Leiter 8-7), 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Rodriguez 2-4) at Texas (Pavlik 6-7), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Gordon 7-8) at Milwaukee (McAndrew 1-2), 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 13-7) at Seattle (Belcher 8-7), 10:05 p.m.
Boston (Clemens 4-4) at California (Harkey 7-7), 10:05 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	66	39	.629	-
Philadelphia	54	53	.505	13
Montreal	52	54	.491	14½
Florida	46	57	.447	19
NewYork	45	60	.429	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	66	38	.635	-
Houston	57	49	.538	10
Chicago	53	53	.500	14
Pittsburgh	45	60	.429	21½
St.Louis	42	64	.396	25

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Colorado	56	51	.523	-
LosAngeles	56	51	.523	-
SanDiego	53	52	.505	2
SanFrancisco	48	58	.453	7½

Saturday's Games

San Diego 9, Montreal 5
New York 2, Los Angeles 1
Philadelphia 6, San Francisco 4
Cincinnati 8, Houston 0
Pittsburgh 10, Florida 5
Chicago 6, Colorado 5
St. Louis 5, Atlanta 4

Sunday's Games

San Diego 3, Montreal 0
Pittsburgh 3, Florida 2
New York 5, Los Angeles 3
Cincinnati 11, Houston 4
Philadelphia 8, San Francisco 7, 10 innings
Colorado 4, Chicago 2
Atlanta 1, St. Louis 0

Monday's Games

Los Angeles (Valdes 10-7) at Montreal (Alvarez 0-0), 7:35 p.m.
San Diego (Ashby 9-6) at Philadelphia (Fernandez 3-1), 7:35 p.m.
Florida (Banks 0-4) at Pittsburgh (Ericks 3-6), 7:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Brewington 3-1) at New York (Pulsipher 4-6), 7:40 p.m.
Atlanta (Glavine 11-5) at Houston (Drabek 7-6), 8:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Smiley 11-2) at St. Louis (Petkovsek 5-4) 8:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Los Angeles (Tapani 1-1) at Montreal (Perez 10-5), 7:35 p.m.
San Diego (B.Williams 2-9) at Philadelphia (Greene 0-2), 7:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Leiter 8-7) at New York (Cornelius 1-2), 7:40 p.m.
Florida (Rapp 7-7) at Chicago (Bullinger 10-3), 8:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Avery 5-9) at Houston (Brocail 4-1), 8:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Schourek 13-6) at St. Louis (Barber 0-0), 8:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Loaiza 7-5) at Colorado (Reynoso 5-4), 9:05 p.m.

Coach pleased following annual Watermelon Bowl

By BRENT TAYLOR
SDN Sports Editor

The 1995 Watermelon Bowl is history and according to Snyder Tiger's Head Coach David Baugh, progress was made. "I was pleased with everyone from the freshman on up," said Baugh Monday morning. "I thought our freshman team did well for a group that has not had that many workouts."

The J.V. had to go against both the freshman and the varsity and as one might expect, started to run out of gas. Nevertheless, Baugh saw some things from them he liked for being early in the season.

Talking about the varsity, Baugh commented, "They did some good things too. We saw some things we need to get corrected and work on."

According to Baugh, "The main thing we wanted going into the scrimmage was for everyone to be aggressive and get after it and not worry about making mistakes. We did make some mistakes, but overall, we were aggressive and going after it hard."

The lack of two-a-days is taking a toll on the Tigers according to the coach. "There are three phases to the game, kicking, offense and defense, and we are not getting around to all of them the way we should. We are just going to be a little bit behind for a while."

Thursday night, the Tigers will travel to Stanton to scrimmage Fort Stockton. The freshman and J.V. will begin at 6 p.m. with the varsity to follow at 7:30 p.m. The Tigers will spend Tuesday and Thursday going over the base defense and offense of Fort Stockton, but were scheduled to look at the defensive scheme of the Andrews Mustangs in preparation for the first game of the season on Sept. 8 in Andrews.

Injuries have plagued the Tigers the last few years, but the injury situation looks good so far. The only Tiger out of action right now is Seth Knox, a two-way starter at guard and linebacker. Doctors feel like he may have some torn cartledge in his knee. Knox will not work out for a week and then will have his knee re-evaluated after that time.

Cowboys ready for Broncos

DENVER (AP) — If Dallas Cowboys coach Barry Switzer has his way, his team will be in peak form tonight when it meets the Denver Broncos.

It's a time for fine-tuning before backing off heading into the regular season.

"We need to make sure our starting group is coming together in the game against Denver," Switzer said. "They won't play much in our last preseason game (against Houston), so this will be a good test for us."

Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman said his team must use tonight's game to eliminate penalties and mental mistakes that have dogged the Cowboys during the preseason.

"I think the concentration has wavered at times, and I think that should be a little bit of concern for all of us," Aikman said. "It's extremely important for us in this Denver ballgame to go out and look sharp before we go to New York (in the season opener Sept. 4.)."

Aikman, wide receiver Michael Irvin and the rest of the Dallas starters are expected to play the full first half — the most action they will have seen all preseason. Switzer said running back Emmitt Smith may not go the entire first half, but will see considerable action.

International Results

CASTLE ROCK, Colo. (AP) — Scores and earnings Sunday after the final round in the $1.5 million Sprint International tournament played on the 7,559-yard, par-72 Castle Pines Golf Club course using a modified Stableford scoring system (8 points for double eagle, 5 points for eagle, 2 for birdie, zero for par, minus-1 for bogey and minus-3 for double bogey or worse).

Lee Janzen, $270,000	10-9-6-9—34
Ernie Els, $162,000	17-0-7-9—33
Mark Wiebe, $87,000	8-15-(-1)-6—28
Jay Haas, $87,000	3-12-13-0—28
David Duval, $60,000	10-9-6-2—27
Jose Maria Olazabal, $52,125	7-5-6-8—26
Tom Watson, $52,125	7-8-9-2—26
Greg Norman, $43,500	14-3-(-2)-9—24
Dan Forsman, $43,500	3-10-7-4—24
Davis LoveIII, $43,500	11-6-6-1—24
Kirk Triplett, $34,500	5-2-10-5—22
David Feherty, $34,500	2-11-7-2—22
Tom Kite, $34,500	11-(-1)-10-2—22
D.A. Weibring, $27,000	3-10-6-1—20
Craig Stadler, $27,000	11-(-4)-11-2—20
Tom Lehman, $27,000	8-7-7-(-2)—20
Glen Day, $22,500	5-2-9-3—19
Mark Carnevale, $22,500	7-4-5-3-19
Mike Hulbert, $22,500	1-10-10-(-2)—19
Wayne Westner, $18,750	5-6-5-0—16
Dicky Pride, $18,750	3-9-6-(-2)—16
Joey Sindelar, $16,800	8-(-1)-9-(-2)—14
Kelly Gibson, $15,600	5-2-9-(-4)—12
Joe Ozaki, $14,400	6-6-5-(-6)—11

Texas downs White Sox

CHICAGO (AP) — Jason Bere could only shake his head.

"Physically, nothing's wrong," said the Chicago White Sox pitcher who lasted only two-thirds of an inning on Sunday, his first start since coming off the disabled list.

"It's a battle right now," he said. "When things are going bad out there, maybe I'm thinking too much."

Texas chased Bere with a six-run first inning, capped by Otis Nixon's two-run double, that set Kenny Rogers and the Rangers off to a 6-4 victory over the White Sox on Sunday.

Rogers (12-5) survived a Frank Thomas line drive to his forearm to win his third consecutive decision. He gave up seven hits, walked one and struck out five over 7 1-3 innings.

"We dodged a bullet," said Texas manager Johnny Oates, who has had enough injuries this season.

The left-hander, ranked among the AL leaders with 105 strikeouts and a 3.44 ERA, was hit on his right arm by the single in the fourth.

"It's not fair when he (Thomas) hits it back up the middle at the pitcher," Rogers said. "It hurt. But it didn't break anything. If you're going to get hit, that's the spot."

It's the right time for the Rangers, the AL wild-card leader, to get hot, winning their ninth game of the last 12.

"Right now we're getting back to where we're playing consistent baseball," Rogers said.

Reds dominate Astros

CINCINNATI (AP) — The NL Central is no longer a race, it's a runaway.

The Cincinnati Reds pushed their lead to a season-high 10 games over the weekend by once again dominating the only team that's been able to stay close. An 11-4 victory Sunday over the Houston Astros left no doubt who's the better team.

The Reds have won all 10 games this season against the Astros, who have played their worst when there was a lot at stake. The Astros lost the last two games 8-0 and 11-4, and have been outscored 61-25 in the season series.

"We played a good team. We're not embarrassed," manager Terry Collins said. "We're embarrassed the way we played because we're a better team than we've played. But to lose to the Cincinnati Reds is not something to be embarrassed about. They're very good."

They're unmistakably the best in the NL Central. Trades to acquire Mark Portugal, Dave Burba and David Wells have rebuilt the rotation, giving the Reds more than enough pitching to go with their balanced offense.

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"This is a very determined club," manager Davey Johnson said. "They have a lot of pride."

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Volleyball

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Saturday: Three-way match, Plains, Bronte, Snyder in Snyder, Noon.

Basketball

Thursday: Meet the Lady Westerners, Towle Park Barn, 6:30 p.m.

Sport Shorts

Softball classic

The first annual "Bad Boys" softball classic will be held Saturday at Winston Field. Entry fee is $100 per team. Proceeds will go toward the building of stands for fans at the new tennis courts.

First, second and third place will received team trophies and individual Bad Boy t-shirts. Three most valuable player t-shirts will also be given. For information, call 573-8823.

Sammy Baugh golf tourney

The fourth annual "Slingin" Sammy Baugh golf tournament will be held Sept. 2 at Western Texas College. The tournament is held each year to benefit the Snyder High School boys and girls golf program.

Entry fee for a four-man team in the scramble format is $100. Tee times are 8:30 a.m. and 2 p.m., and the tournament will be limited to 18 teams in each session.

Cash prizes include $300 for first place team, $250 for second, $200 for third and $150 for fourth. Closest to pin on No. 1 and longest drive on No. 7 will be awarded $50. A hole-in-one on No. 15 will win a Club cart.

Prizes may be waived for an autographed football from Sammy Baugh, former all-pro quarterback with the Washington Redskins. There will be a closed bid for a Redskins' jersey signed by Baugh. Minimum bid is $500 and should be sent to Matt Glenn, high school golf coach, at 4101 Midland Ave. Bids will be opened Sept. 1.

Races set here Aug. 27

Tumbleweed Raceway will host competition Sunday at the race track west of Snyder.

Action will include motocross, harescramble and 4 wheelers.

Admission is $5. Entry fee for amateurs is $15 and $20 for experts. Gates open at 8 a.m., practice at 9:30 with races starting at 11 a.m.

White Buffalo Stampede

Runners from 20 to 89 are invited to enter the White Buffalo Stampede, a 10K run planned as part of the White Buffalo Festival on Oct. 6-7.

Men and women interested in entering may contact the Snyder Chamber of Commerce for registration forms. There is an entry fee of $10.

The run will start at 8 a.m. with prizes awarded in each age group.

Hunter education class

A course in hunter education has been scheduled in Snyder for Saturday and Sunday. First class day is 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Class size is limited and those who pre-register will be given preference over walk-ins. For information about the location of the class and pre-registration, call 573-2323

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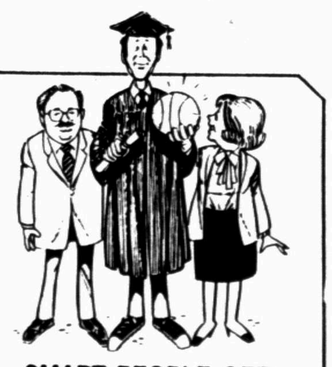
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U.S. Soldiers begin journey for 'Gulf' military exercises

FORT HOOD (AP) — Eighty soldiers in battle-dress uniform climbed aboard a C-141 cargo plane Sunday bound for Kuwait, where they are scheduled to take part in military exercises.

The deployment came the same day a top-ranking Iraqi defector said his flight foiled an Iraqi plan to invade Kuwait and Saudi Arabia this month.

A second cargo plane — a C-5B carrying 70 soldiers who would complete the advance team — departed for the Persian Gulf Sunday, said Army spokesman Staff Sgt. Christian Mulvey.

Two planes carrying 400 soldiers each were to take off Monday as the deployment continues, he said. In all, approximately 1,400 troops from Fort Hood's 1st Cavalry Division are expected to take part in the coming days in the training exercises with Kuwaiti soldiers.

Although originally scheduled to take place in October, the exercises, dubbed Operation Intrinsic Action, were moved up because of increased activity in Iraq, Mulvey said.

The four- to six-week operation comes on the heels of defections by two top Iraqi officials to Jordan, Iraq's western neighbor.

Lt. Gen. Hussein Kamel al-Majid, who was head of the country's clandestine weapons program and is Saddam Hussein's son-in-law, said he attended meetings of the Cabinet and the Revolutionary Command Council in which the invasions were discussed.

"All army units were informed to enter Kuwait and the eastern parts of Saudi Arabia," he told The Associated Press in his first interview since an Aug. 12 news conference. "The move was reversed after ... our departure."

There was no way to independently confirm al-Majid's claims. As a newly converted Iraqi opposition figure, it would be in his interest to play up any hints that Iraq was planning such moves.

However, the fact that al-Majid was such a senior figure in the Iraqi regime gives him added credibility.

U.S. intelligence reports indicated "unusual" Iraqi troop movements in southern Iraq beginning last month.

"The latest movement of a large number of troops toward Basra (a city in southern Iraq near the Kuwaiti border) was aimed at entering Kuwait," al-Majid said in the telephone interview.

At Fort Hood, hundreds of troops went through "soldier readiness procedures," which entailed keeping their records up-to-date.

"They filled out wills if they chose to do so and made sure their life insurance and ID cards were current," Mulvey said. "They also checked their dogtags, shots, medical and dental records."

Soldiers who departed Sunday were members of the 180th Transportation Battalion and the 21st Field Artillery. Members of the 13th Forward Battalion, headquarters unit of the 1st and 5th Cavalry Mechanized Infantry and the headquarters of the 2nd Brigade of the 1st Cavalry were to depart Monday.

Fort Hood was a major player in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm five years ago. The base sent 26,500 troops for those missions to ward off Iraq's last attack on Kuwait.

At least one soldier preparing to make the latest trip to the Persian Gulf expressed dismay that Iraq is still a military flashpoint.

"I really don't feel that we should have to go over there to do this again because I think everything should have been taken care of the first time," he said, asking not to be identified.

Officials had first considered Monday and Tuesday as likely deployment dates as troops filled out forms and said goodbyes to families at Abrams Gym Saturday. But the timetable was moved up late Saturday as soldiers mustered at 5:15 a.m. to prepare for the first flight overseas.

The remaining soldiers are awaiting aircraft and should depart "within a couple of days," Mulvey said.

Fort Hood soldiers have routinely made trips to the Persian Gulf for training purposes twice a year since 1992, base officials said.

Officials seek nursing home for longest-serving inmate

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — Howard Christensen is considered the nation's longest-serving inmate, a slightly demented, cantankerous killer jailed in 1937 when he was 17.

After 58 years, prison officials have had enough. They want to put him in a nursing home but are not sure whether they can find any takers.

Christensen, 75, has spent most of the past six decades in the South Dakota State Penitentiary and in hospital psychiatric wards.

He is now in a cell in the prison's wing for mentally disturbed inmates, where his care costs taxpayers tens of thousands of dollars a year.

Medicare could pay the bills if he lived outside prison, but Christensen has a long history of being obnoxious to his visitors and fellow inmates, said Rich Wiese, the penitentiary's spokesman.

"The world has changed a lot since 1937. He's a difficult person, and with the notoriety of the case," finding a nursing home willing to take Christensen will not be easy, Wiese said.

Even if a nursing home is found, officials would have to determine that he is not a threat to society and Gov. Bill Janklow would have to reduce his life sentence to time served, Wiese said.

Janklow could not be reached for comment Sunday on whether he would agree to that plan.

A prison geriatric ward would be another alternative, but South Dakota lawmakers have been reluctant to create such a facility.

"I don't know how you would establish a geriatric ward without spending money," said Democratic state Rep. Pat Haley.

Still, the case shows that South Dakota, like other states, is ill-equipped to deal with aging prison populations, said Haley, a former prison guard who has interviewed Christensen for a book.

Christensen and another 17-year-old hitchhiker, Norman Westberg, shot and bludgeoned 28-year-old schoolteacher Ada Carey in a robbery.

The teacher's murder, which prompted the state Legislature to reinstate the death penalty in 1939, remains one of the most notorious in South Dakota history. Westberg hanged himself in 1943.

Christensen was put in a mental hospital nine times. Doctors gave him electroshock treatments and even considered giving him a frontal lobotomy to make him more docile.

'Mortal Kombat' debuts at No. 1

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Mortal Kombat," a movie version of the popular martial arts video game, debuted in the No. 1 spot at the weekend box office with an estimated take of $23 million.

The film, starring Christopher Lambert, dwarfed its closest competitor, "Dangerous Minds," which earned an estimated $10 million in its second weekend, industry sources said Sunday.

The only other debut movie to make the Top 10 was "The Baby-Sitters Club," based on the popular book series by Ann M. Martin. It placed ninth with an estimated take of $3.6 million.

The figures are based on estimates of ticket sales Friday through Sunday. Final box office figures are due out today.

1. "Mortal Kombat," $23 million.
2. "Dangerous Minds," $10 million.
3. "A Walk in the Clouds," $7.65 million
4. "Something to Talk About," $5.7 million.
5. "Waterworld," $5.3 million.
6. "Babe," $5.1 million.
7. "Apollo 13," $3.8 million.
8. "The Net," $3.7 million.
9. "The Baby-Sitters Club," $3.6 million.
10. "A Kid in King Arthur's Court," $2.4 million.

Detectives help parents to collect child support

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Carolyn Grisham says she's found help where the courts and child-support officials have failed — tracking her ex-husband, who owes thousands of dollars in child support.

The interior designer from Harrison is among a growing number of custodial parents who are turning to private collection agencies to recoup back child support.

Ms. Grisham was divorced in Texas in 1987, when her two children where teen-agers. She said their father owes more than $50,000 in child support.

Texas child-support officials and the courts couldn't collect the money. Two years ago, she hired Child Support Enforcement, a private company in Austin, Texas.

The company hasn't gotten the money, either. But investigators found her ex-husband and are keeping tabs on him, she said. He has been arrested in Florida for contempt of court. Company attorneys are working with the district attorney's office in the Texas town where she divorced to arrest him for criminal non-support.

"They're getting things done that I never could do," she said.

Such agencies usually keep from one-fourth to one-third of all child support collected during the contract period. They use computer data bases, credit bureaus, private investigators and lawyers.

In Arkansas, the state Office of Child Support Enforcement uses many of the same tools. The office also charges less.

However, it has collected some money in only 47 percent of the cases in which a parent had a court order for child support, said Judy Jordan, administrator for the state office.

Last year, the office collected only 17 percent of the money owed.

Ed Baskin, manager for administration and fiscal affairs of the Office of Child Support Enforcement, said the state can provide the services that a private collection agency can and more, since it has access to more confidential records.

"In our defense, I'd like to say that those arrears — past due support — in some circumstances, could have been owed for 10 or 15 years before we ever saw the case," Baskin said.

Susan Brotchie, founder of Advocates for Better Child Support Inc., said private companies are an option for some parents.

For a custodial parent owed $40,000, "to receive 70 percent of that $40,000 is better than to receive 100 percent of nothing," Ms. Brotchie said.

Eric Smith, president of Collector 4 Kids, a child-support collection agency in North Little Rock, said his company offers two things the state lacks — speed and access.

Smith searches data bases. Armed with a Social Security number, he can find addresses, credit reports and other financial information. He calls neighbors, friends and family, trying to track an absent parent.

The Association for Children for Enforcement of Support Inc., an Ohio-based nonprofit advocacy group, doesn't like private collection agencies.

"They prey on people's emotions. They take part of kids' money," said Debbie Kline, the group's regional director.

County budget in black

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sioners for working to stay within the effective tax rate. Hudman said values will continue to decline and noted that his company's production in the SACROC unit is at 9,000 barrels per day.

"The oil industry is in a heap of hurt," Hudman said. "The oilfield is not the answer to finances in the long run."

Before adjourning his morning, Pct. 1 Commissioner Ralph Trevey, noting that it has been 11 years since county employees had received a raise, said he would like to be able to do so, "But I'm just not comfortable with it at this time."

Trevey said a $300 raise for all employees — excluding elected officials and department heads — would cost $26,000. "When I see others improve (employees of taxing entities) and we slide, I take exception to that."

County Judge Ricky Fritz said that he hopes the court will spend the next 11 months looking for ways to cut and become more efficient, not just in the last month prior to adopting the budget.

"One thing I've learned," said the judge. "People want a cut in taxes, but they don't want a cut in services, especially theirs. Everybody has a sacred cow; this is the disappointing thing."

In other business this morning, the court agreed to combine voting boxes for the general election on amendments in November. County Clerk Frances Billingsley said the consolidation will result in a savings of $3,000. She also noted an early voting period starting Oct. 18 and running through Nov. 3.

In Precinct 1, boxes 14 and 15 will vote on the north side of the coliseum. In Precinct 2, boxes 5, 6 and 7 will vote at the Scurry County Library.

In Precinct 3, boxes 8, 9 and 10 will cast ballots at Towle Park Barn. In Precinct 4, Boxes 11, 12 and 13 will vote on the south side of the coliseum.

The court heard a request from Hermleigh resident Jean Sharp to close a platted alley in Hermleigh. Precinct 4 Commissioner Jerry Gannaway said Sharp is the only property owner affected. The notice of possible closure will be posted for two weeks to solicit public comment.

The court unanimously reappointed Phyliss McGinnis as Scurry County's representative to the Big Country Library System board. The term is for two years.

Also approved were a budget amendment, two line-item transfers and bills.

The budget amendment, for $275,000, formalized an agreement made earlier with the hospital to split the cost of emergency plumbing repairs.

A $1,500 line-item transfer was approved for the airport, all coming from part-time salary. Some $400 is for supplies, $600 for communications and $500 for repairs.

The line-item transfer for Precinct 4 was $1,000 from equipment to operational supplies.

Judge Fritz presided, and commissioners attending were Trevey, Gannaway, C.D. Gray Jr. and Roy Idom.

Crowd watches, some cheer...

Woman jumps to river death to escape from male attacker

DETROIT (AP) — About 40 onlookers cheered as a man with a crowbar forced a woman to strip to her underwear and then chased her until she jumped to her death from a bridge, police said.

No one tried to stop the attack early Saturday at the Belle Isle Bridge, which occurred after the man and woman were involved in a traffic accident, authorities said. The body of 33-year-old Deletha Word was found several hours later in the Detroit River, miles downstream from the bridge that links Detroit to an island park.

"They don't have any heart," said Word's mother, Dortha Word. "They don't have any conscience. They are just as much at fault as the man who made her jump."

One man was taken into custody Sunday but no charges had been filed as of today, police said. A second man was being sought.

Police said the woman's car was in a minor traffic accident with three other cars near the bridge. Two men in one of the cars jumped out and started arguing with her and one of them made the woman strip to her underwear.

As the crowd gathered, the man chased Word and she jumped into the water. Two men went into the water after her but were unable to rescue her before she disappeared.

The body was later Saturday near Wyandotte, south of Detroit.

"Once I saw the hair, I knew it was a body," said Bryan Brillhart of Wyandotte.

Obituaries

RITA DOWDY

Rita Dowdy

1910-1995

Funeral service is set for 4 p.m. Tuesday in the chapel of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Rita Aline Dowdy, 84, of Snyder. Mrs. Dowdy died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday in the Care Inn Nursing Home in Abilene after a lengthy illness.

Burial will follow in the Fluvanna Cemetery. Bill Looney will officiate.

She was born on Nov. 19, 1910 in Loraine and married Clarence Dowdy on Dec. 27, 1927 in Snyder. He died on May 23, 1990. Mrs. Dowdy lived in Scurry County most of her life and was a housewife and a member of East Side Church of Christ.

Survivors include one daughter, Ann Martin of Abilene; one sister, Elizabeth Bode of Snyder; a grandson, Ryan Martin, and a granddaughter, Amber Martin, both of Abilene; and a niece, Kimberly Smith of Eunice, N.M.

Thomas Martin

1915-1995

ABILENE — Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home Chapel for Thomas Milton Martin, 80, who died Saturday at his home in Hawley.

Officiating will be the Rev. Ray Cobb and the Rev. R.O. Sims. Burial will follow in Elmwood Memorial Park.

Born in Scurry County, Mr. Martin attended school in Dermott. He married Alma Martin in 1932 in Snyder. In 1946, he moved to Hawley. He owned and operated Martin Nursery for 38 years.

A member of the Victory Baptist Church in Abilene, Mr. Martin served that church as a deacon.

Survivors include his wife, Alma Martin of Hawley; a daughter, Betty Faye Edwards of Tuttle, Okla.; his stepmother, Delma Martin of Abilene; three sisters, Beth McCarter of Snyder, Faye Rhodes of Abilene and Sylvia Saferight of El Paso; two brothers, Preston Martin of Blairsville, Ga. and Harold Martin of Aransas Pass; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Victory Baptist Church, Jarmon Road, Abilene.

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CENSUS: 40 (Med.-10, Long-term Care-29, OB-1).

Pruitt

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Mr. Pruitt taught at Snyder High School until 1974 when he joined the faculty of Western Texas College. He obtained the rank of professor of history and government before his retirement in 1988. After that time, he continued to teach on a part-time basis until last December.

Dr. Pruitt served in the Coast Guard during World War II and in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict.

He was a member of the Scurry County Historical Commission, a former Kiwanis Club member, and was a member of the Admiral Nimitz Foundation.

Survivors also include two sons, Kyle Pruitt of Arlington and Kevin Pruitt of Pearl Harbor; two daughters, Deborah Boyd and Cecile Kerley, both of Snyder; six grandchildren, Samantha Boyd, Ben Boyd, Matt Boyd, April Beth Boyd, Laurie Kerley and Katie Kerley, all of Snyder; a sister, Anne Louise Watt of Conroe; and Nero Pruitt Jr. of Porterville, Calif.

The family suggests memorials to the Franklin B. Pruitt Scholarship Fund at Western Texas College.

Pallbearers will be Dr. Jim Palmer, Dr. Harry Krenek, Charles Anderson, Robert Adams, Dan Dever, Bobby Goodwin, Dan Cotton and G.A. Parks Jr.

To expel rebels

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Zairian troops expelled hundreds of Rwandan refugees today and announced plans to close a camp in eastern Zaire that houses 150,000 people, the United Nations said.

Peter Kessler, a spokesman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees in Kenya, said Zairian troops sent eight trucks and four buses to the camp in the afternoon to begin the evacuation.

"They have indicated to us that they intend to close Mugunga camp," Kessler said.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last
AMR Corp	74⅛	73⅛	74⅛+ ⅛
AT&T Corp	53⅛	52⅝	53⅛+1
AirTouch	31⅜	31⅛	31⅜+ ⅛
Albertsons	30	29¾	29¾+ ⅛
Alldsignal	45⅝	45¼	45⅝+ ⅜
Alltel	27⅞	27⅝	27½+ ⅜
AmStores	28⅜	28⅛	28⅜— ⅛
Ameritech	50⅜	49⅛	49⅜+ ⅛
Amoco	64	63¼	63¼+ ⅛
AndarkPtr	44⅜	44¼	44⅛+ ⅛
ArmcoInc	6⅜	6¼	6⅜+ ⅛
AtlRichfld	111⅛	110⅛	111⅛+1⅛
ATMOS Egy	19⅝	19⅛	19⅜
Aviall	8¼	8⅛	8⅛
BakerHughes	20⅛	20⅛	20⅝+ ⅛
BancTexas	⅛	⅛	⅛
BellAtl	58⅛	58⅛	58⅛+ ⅛
BellSouth	67⅛	66⅛	66⅞+ ⅛
BethSteel	14⅜	14⅛	14⅜+ ⅛
BritPet	89⅝	89⅜	89⅝+ ⅛
Caterpillar s	68⅛	67⅞	68 + ⅛
CenSoWst	25⅛	24⅞	24⅛+ ⅛
Chevron	47⅞	47⅞	47⅜+ ⅛
Chrysler	51⅛	50⅝	50⅝
Coastal	31⅜	31⅛	31⅜+ ⅛
CocaCola	63⅜	63⅛	63⅛+ ⅛
ColgatePalm	67⅞	67⅞	67⅞+ ⅛
ComclMetals	29	28⅞	28⅞— ⅛
CooperIn	39⅛	39	39⅛+ ⅛
CyprusAmax	29	28⅝	29 + ⅜
DallSemicn	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛+ ⅛
DeltaAirl	77⅞	76⅝	77⅛+ ⅛
DigitalEq	42⅞	42⅝	42⅝+ ⅛
Dillard	31⅜	31⅛	31⅛+ ⅛
DowChem	75⅛	74⅝	74⅛+ ⅛
DresserInd	23⅛	22⅞	23 + ⅜
DuPont	65⅞	64⅛	65⅜+ ⅛
EastmanChem	66⅜	65⅞	66⅛+ ⅛
EstKodak	58⅛	57⅞	57⅞+ ⅛
EljerInd	5¼	5⅛	5¼
Enserch	16⅜	16	16⅛
Entergy	24	23⅜	23⅛
Exxon	69⅛	69⅛	69⅛+ ⅛
FlowerInd	21⅜	21⅜	21⅛+ ⅛
FordMotor	28⅜	28⅛	28⅛+ ⅛
GTE Cp	36⅛	35⅞	36⅛+ ⅛
GenDynam	52⅜	51⅞	52⅛+ ⅜
GenElec	58⅛	57⅞	58⅛+ ⅛
GenMills	51⅞	51⅝	51⅞
GenMotors	47⅞	47	47⅛+ ⅛
GenMotors E	46⅛	45⅞	46
GaPacif	91⅛	90	90⅛+ ⅛
GlobalMar	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛
Goodrich	57⅛	56⅞	57⅛+ ⅛
Goodyear s	42⅛	41⅞	41⅛+ ⅛
GtAtlPac	27⅞	27⅝	27⅞
Haliburtn	41⅛	40⅞	41⅛+ ⅛
Hanson ADS	17⅛	16⅞	17⅛+ ⅛
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Kroger	31⅛	31⅛	31⅛+ ⅛
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Lowes Cos	37⅞	37⅜	37⅜— ⅛
Lubys	20⅛	20	20⅛+ ⅛
MayDeptStrs	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛+ ⅛
Medtronic s	93⅛	92⅛	93 + ⅛
Mobil	97⅛	96⅞	97⅛+1⅛
Monsanto	98⅛	97⅞	98⅛+1
Motorola	77⅛	76⅜	76⅝— ⅛
Nationsbk	60⅛	59⅞	60 + ⅛
Navistar	13¼	13⅛	13⅛
NoramEngy	7¼	7	7⅛
Nynex	45	44⅜	44⅜— ⅛
OryxEngy	13⅜	13	13⅛+ ⅛
PacTelesis	28	27⅛	27⅞+ ⅛
PanhECp	25⅛	25⅛	25⅜— ⅛
Penney JC	46⅜	46	46⅜+ ⅛
Pennzoil	45⅛	44⅞	45⅛+ ⅛
PepBoys	28	27⅞	27⅞— ⅛
PepsiCo	45⅛	45⅛	45⅜
PhelpDodge	67⅛	66⅜	67⅛+ ⅛
PhilipPet	32⅛	32⅛	32⅜+ ⅛
PilgrmPrd	8¼	8⅛	8⅛— ⅛
Polaroid	45	44⅞	45 + ⅛
Praxair	27⅛	27	27⅛+ ⅛
ProctGamble	67⅞	67⅛	67⅞+ ⅛
PubSNwMx	15⅛	15	15
RoyalDutch	118⅛	118⅛	118⅜+ ⅜
SBC Comm	49⅛	48⅛	48⅝+ ⅛
SFePacCp s	28⅛	28	28 — ⅛
SaraLee	27⅜	27⅛	27⅛+ ⅛
SearsRoebu	35	34⅝	34⅞
SherwinW	35	34⅝	35 + ⅛
SmthBchADS	46⅛	46	46⅛+ ⅛
SmthBc eqt	45⅞	45⅞	45⅛+ ⅛
SouthernCo	22	21⅞	21⅞
SwstAirlines	28	27⅞	28 + ⅛
Sprint	34⅛	34⅛	34⅜+ ⅛
SterlingChm	10⅝	10⅛	10⅝— ⅛
SunCo	27⅛	26⅞	26⅞— ⅛
TNP Ent	17	16⅝	16⅝— ⅛
Tandy	60⅝	60⅛	60⅛+ ⅛
TempleInl	53⅛	52⅝	53⅛+ ⅛
Tenneco	48⅝	48⅛	48⅜+ ⅛
Texaco	65⅛	64⅝	64⅞+ ⅛
TexasInd	47	46⅛	46⅜— ⅛
TexasInsts	79½	76⅛	76⅛—3¼
TexUtil	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛
Textron	68⅛	67⅛	67⅞+ ⅛
Travelers	47⅞	47⅛	47⅜+ ⅛
TrinityInds	33⅛	33⅛	33⅜+ ⅛
TritonEngy	54	53	53⅛+ ⅛
Tyler	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛
US West	43⅞	43⅛	43⅜
USX Delhi	9¼	9⅛	9⅛— ⅛
USX-Marathn	20⅛	20⅛	20⅛+ ⅛
USX-USS	32⅜	32⅛	32⅜+ ⅛
UnCarbde	36⅜	35⅞	36 + ⅛
UnPac	63⅛	62⅝	62⅞+ ⅛
UnitedTech	82⅝	81⅛	82⅜+ ⅜
Unocal	27⅝	27⅜	27⅝+ ⅜
WalMart	25⅜	25⅜	25⅛+ ⅛
WstnGasRs	16⅛	16⅛	16⅛
WestghEl	13⅛	13⅛	13⅜— ⅛
WinnDixie	57⅝	57⅛	57⅛
Woolworth	13⅛	13⅛	13⅜— ⅛
XeroxCp	126⅛	125⅞	125⅞+ ⅛
ZenithE	8⅛	8⅛	8⅛

Kevorkian assists with 25th suicide

SOUTHFIELD, Mich. (AP) — Dr. Jack Kevorkian was present today at the death of a seriously ill woman, at least the 25th he has attended since 1990, his attorney said.

Esther Cohan, 46, suffered from multiple sclerosis and had been counseled for months by Kevorkian, a retired pathologist who advocates doctor-assisted suicide for the terminally ill, attorney Geoffrey Fieger said.

Fieger said the woman died in a manner consistent with other deaths attended by Kevorkian, but he refused to be specific. Most of the deaths have come after the person inhaled carbon monoxide from a canister.

Cohan's illness left her "nearly quadriplegic" and riddled with bed sores, Fieger said. She lived in Skokie, Ill., a Chicago suburb.

Her sister, Judy Cohan, also was with her when she died, Fieger said.

He said some friends also had accompanied her Sunday on her trip from Illinois. Fieger said Cohan was unmarried when she died, but he had no other background on her.

The Oakland County prosecutor's office today refused to comment, saying it would await the results of the police investigation.

Fieger wouldn't say where Cohan died, but said she was taken to William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, a Detroit suburb, not far from where Kevorkian lives.

There, a security guard spotted the body in a car left parked near the emergency entrance in an area that is reserved for doctors, said hospital spokeswoman Colette Stimmell.

She said a doctor and a nurse declared the woman dead at 7:20 a.m., and the body was left in the car for investigators.

The body was removed about 11 a.m.

Fieger said there was a letter with Cohan "asking them to address her needs." No other information from the letter was immediately available. Stimmell said there was a note in the car, but no one from the hospital moved or read it.

Bosnian government protests U.N. failure to call airstrikes

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — The Bosnian government protested to the United Nations for failing to order airstrikes when Serb shells slammed into the center of the Gorazde "safe area," killing three girls.

Last month, after Bosnian Serbs overran two U.N.-protected zones, NATO vowed to make a "substantial and decisive response" to any Serb attack or threat against Gorazde. NATO ambassadors approved the contingency plans for allied bombing on July 26.

When a shell killed the girls in the Muslim enclave in eastern Bosnia on Sunday, NATO did not retaliate.

"I wonder when the United Nations will stop closing its eyes, and ask what must happen before the United Nations and NATO will respond adequately to this terrorism," Foreign Minister Muhamed Sacirbey wrote in a letter to the U.N. Security Council, published today by Sarajevo's main newspaper, Oslobodjenje.

"One shell, no matter how lethal, does not constitute an attack against a U.N. 'safe area' which would merit a response from NATO," U.N. spokesman Alexander Ivanko said in Sarajevo.

A Western diplomat, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said no airstrikes were ordered in part because the United Nations did not want to endanger peacekeepers trying to withdraw from Gorazde.

Chamber

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Snyder High School drama instructor Jerry Worsham received the Education Excellence Award, presented by the Council for Educational Excellence. Under Worsham's guidance, Snyder High School has won more University Interscholastic League acting awards than any other school in Texas. His 1995 one-act play cast won the Class 4A state contest, the most recent of a dozen state titles.

Receiving the McLaughlin Award for contribution to the oil industry was Glenn Patterson, president of Patterson Drilling.

Jess Everett, Scurry County rancher/farmer, received the Winston Award for achievement in agriculture.

Jack's Roadboring, owned by Jack Greene, was named as the Business of the Year.

Food for the banquet was prepared by the Chuck Wagon Gang — Jerry Baird, J.D. Barham and Ted Floyd. Desperado provided music for the dinner and dance and Dan Willis, cowboy poet and storyteller from Cranfills Gap, was the featured entertainer.

Master of ceremonies was Gayle Lomax, superintendent of Snyder ISD. Daryl Thomas is the chamber board president. Donna Fowler is the executive director.

Law officers work lots of weekend calls

Snyder area law enforcement officers made five arrests and investigated calls ranging from criminal mischief to traffic accidents over the weekend.

Police arrested a 19-year-old male in the 3700 block of Avondale at 12:43 p.m. Saturday for driving with a suspended license.

At 8:54 p.m. Saturday, police arrested a 64-year-old man in the 2800 block of Avenue H for public intoxication.

A 21-year-old male was arrested for assault/family violence at 12:56 a.m. Sunday.

Two males, ages 24 and 32, were arrested at 9:29 p.m. Sunday in the Club 250 parking lot. The 24-year-old was arrested for public intoxication; the older man was taken into custody for possession of drug paraphernalia and public intoxication.

A man contacted police at 9:53 a.m. Saturday in reference to someone cutting the tires on his vehicle. A report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

Police were informed at 6 p.m. Saturday that a juvenile had damaged a bicycle owned by another individual. A report for criminal mischief was filed.

A caller reported to a 911 dispatcher at 10:04 p.m. Saturday that a woman in Hermleigh had told him she had taken an overdose of pills and wanted to die. The caller said the woman was refusing help of any kind. Family members were able to determine that the woman had not taken any pills. She had been drinking and become upset.

A man in the 3700 block of Avondale contacted police at 4:03 p.m. Sunday in reference to someone scratching his vehicle with an object. A report for criminal mischief was filed.

Police also took a report at 8 p.m. Sunday for criminal mischief in reference to a vehicle which was vandalized Saturday.

Officers also investigated three weekend traffic accidents, beginning with one which occurred at 2:51 p.m. Friday at 25th Street and Avenue Q. Involved were a 1991 Geo driven by Lanell Latham Simmons of 1310 17th St. and a 1990 Ford pickup driven by Odell Blackwell of Dickens.

At 2:10 p.m. Saturday, officers investigated an accident in the 2400 block of Avenue B. Involved were a 1989 Ford driven by Virginia Rebecca Grimes of 206 25th St. and a 1991 Dodge driven by Salome Guerrero Barrera of 124 Milburn.

Officers also investigated an accident at 12:10 p.m. Sunday in the 2900 block of College. Involved were a 1991 Ford driven by Joe Louis Carrisalez Jr. of 1906 Scott and a 1988 Mercury driven by Euphemia Barrera-Silva of 2411 30th St.

Births

Toby and Kristi Goodwin of Lubbock are parents of a son, Tyler Nolan Goodwin, born at 1:08 p.m. on Aug. 17 in Methodist Hospital. He weighed eight pounds, one ounce.

Grandparents are Sharon and Roger Goodwin of Snyder and Joyce and Pat Risinger of Knox City. Great-grandparents are Hallie Stewart of Rising Star; and Irene Goodwin of Potosi; Zoy Risinger of Knox City; and Peggy and Bill Souder of Littlefield.

Vaughnie and Jeana Voss of Plainview announce the birth of their son, Brendan Carl Voss, weighing seven pounds, 13 ounces. He was born at 6:12 p.m. on Aug. 18 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.

Grandparents include Dildy Smith of Dunn and Murry and Ferne Vise of Tulia. Grandmother is Virginia Posey of Okeene, Okla.

What's Happening August 28 at SUBWAY
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1995 Chamber of Commerce Banquet

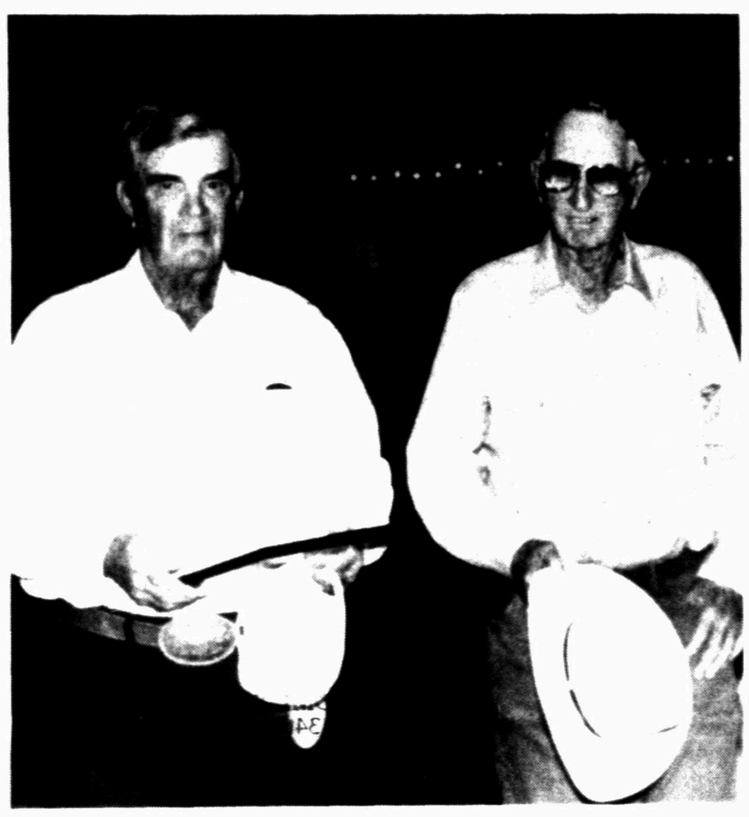
VESTAL AWARD — Roy Baze, left, received the Vestal Award for community service from Mayor David Holt during banquet ceremonies.

SIZEMORE AWARD — Phil Ragland, right, receives the Sizemore Award from Snyder ISD Supt. Gayle Lomax.

McLAUGHLIN AWARD — Glenn Patterson received the McLaughlin Award for achievement in the oil industry during Saturday's Chamber of Commerce Banquet.

CHAMBER'S CHOICE — Chamber executive director Donna Fowler announced R.C. Patton as recipient of the chamber's first Chamber's Choice Award.

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR — Keith Hackfeld, left, presents Jack Greene, owner of Jack's Roadboring, with the Business of the Year Award.



WINSTON AWARD — Jess Everett, left, was presented with the Winston Award for achievement in agriculture by last year's recipient, Bill Eiland.

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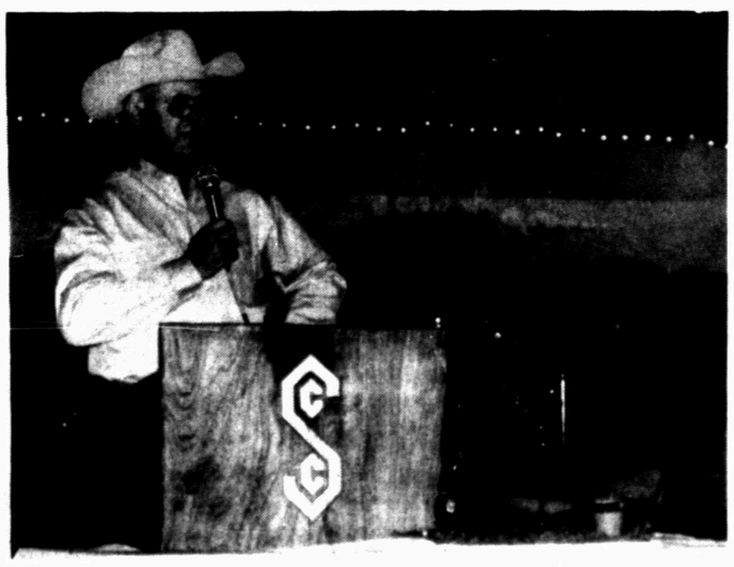

Dole stoic but optimistic, Gramm exultant

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Facing the first significant slip in his presidential campaign, Bob Dole labeled an embarrassing showing here as "an aberration" Sunday and rejected assertions by rivals that it proved him out of step with conservative GOP activists.

"In my view, this is one pebble on the beach," a stoic Dole said the morning after he tied with Texas Sen. Phil Gramm in a presidential straw poll. "There will be a lot of beaches to cross."

Hundreds of non-Iowans were brought in by car, bus and plane to vote in the $25-a-head straw poll. This gave credence to Dole's assertion that Saturday night's results, while stunning, were probably not representative of Iowa's mood six months before its leadoff presidential caucuses.

The Senate majority leader also got a damage control assist from Republican National Committee Chairman Haley Barbour, who said straw polls "don't really count" and aren't reliable gauges of candidate support.

Perhaps not, but the event raised several questions about Dole's strategy and the intensity of his support. And after months of watching in frustration as Dole surprised them with deft campaign moves, Dole's rivals got the opening they've dreamed of. They began making their case that Dole is the most fragile of front-runners, with support that is broad but not deep.

An exultant Gramm, who matched Dole with 24 percent support, led the charge.

"This was the first major victory of the campaign for president in 1996 and we won it," Gramm told reporters. He called Dole "the greatest legislator of his era" but suggested Republicans still hungry from their 1994 congressional takeover were looking for something more in a president.

"Last night had nothing to do with momentum," Gramm said before flying off to New Hampshire, where he hoped the Iowa boost would help him whittle into Dole's lead there. "Last night had to do with message."

Dole disputed that, saying he had "a good, solid message" anchored on the themes of reining in the federal government, reconnecting government with Americans' moral values and reasserting American leadership abroad.

Still, Dole acknowledged his campaign might have an early case of a disease that often strikes front-runners: "There may have been some complacency on the part of some of our people."

Dole knew Gramm was making a big push in Iowa, looking to quell speculation that his campaign was sputtering. So Dole advisers privately conceded they had no excuses, and said the episode would bring a thorough re-examination of the organization, which will face a similar challenge when it needs to turn out caucus voters in February.

"I would obviously prefer it to happen tonight than in February," Scott Reed, Dole's campaign manager, said as the results were tallied Saturday night. Commentator Pat Buchanan ran third with 18 percent and former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander was fourth with 11 percent.

Dole garnered just 2,582 of the 10,598 votes cast despite the deepest organization here, and despite the support of GOP Gov. Terry Branstad, Sen. Charles Grassley and three of the state's five Republican House members.

Dole shrugged off the significance of that, and said he would have a slew of new endorsements soon to show more support around the country. But Gramm said such establishment backing would not win Dole votes among the Republican rank and file.

"Sen. Dole believes the campaign is about polls and about endorsements," Gramm said. "I believe it's about issues and message."

While predicting Dole would win Iowa in February, Branstad touched on one of the problem's the 72-year-old senator faces in his third try for the GOP nomination: Today's Republican Party, in Iowa and across most of the country, is more conservative and anti-establishment than when Dole ran in 1980 and 1988. "We've got more of a diverse Republican Party than we used to have," Branstad said.

Indeed, while Dole had an enthusiastic contingent in the hall for Saturday's event, the crowd showed more passion for the blunt, conservative speeches from Gramm, Buchanan and radio personality Alan Keyes, a staunch abortion foe who placed fifth in the field of 10 candidates.

Sixth place went to businessman Morry Taylor, who bought 1,000 tickets to the event but got only 803 votes, one less than Keyes. Well behind him was Indiana Sen. Richard Lugar with 466 votes, or 4 percent, followed by California Gov. Pete Wilson, California Rep. Bob Dornan and Pennsylvania Sen. Arlen Specter.

India, China to pull back border troops

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — India and China agreed on Sunday to pull back troops from a disputed Himalayan frontier where their soldiers are less than 100 yards apart, the Indian foreign secretary said.

The countries, which fought a war in 1962 over rival territorial claims, will move troops away from the border at four outposts along the 2,500-mile frontier, said Foreign Secretary Salman Haider.

"This is a major advance," Haider said after three days of talks with a Chinese team led by Vice Foreign Minister Tang Jiaxuan.

Haider would not say how far the troops will be pulled back, and emphasized that the repositioning of troops does not mean that either country has changed its claims.

Despite regular talks to reduce the risk of a war along the border, India remains suspicious of China's military expansion, its nuclear tests and reported supply of missiles to India's enemy, Pakistan.

The Indian army has 154,000 soldiers along the frontier, and China is believed to have at least as many. Neither side has agreed to reduce the number of troops.

Astro-graph By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1995

In the year ahead, your greatest rewards might come from endeavors that appear to have poor possibilities at the start. Once you get something on track, don't look back.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Two of your more influential contacts might pass valuable tips your way today. However, it will be up to you to provide the methodology to use them effectively. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions will be favorable today for reinforcing a valued relationship that has been shaky lately. Your counterpart will be as eager as you are to improve matters.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Put a little extra effort into your work today. Your hard work will not go unnoticed, nor will it go unrewarded.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Treat whatever occurs today philosophically. It will keep everything in prospective and reduce mountains to molehills.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A favorable shift in conditions might transpire today. It could be just what your family has been needing. Everyone could benefit in some manner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your best chance for fulfilling your desires today is to want the same things for others that you want for yourself. A generous attitude could work wonders.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A critical financial trend may take an upswing today. Funds you've been hoping for might become available. Keep your phone lines open and check the mailbox.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) In your social activities today, remember that the primary reason you are there is to have a good time. Try not to cultivate any thoughts of a negative nature.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your greatest pleasures today can be derived from doing things to bring joy to the persons nearest your heart. Make this their special day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today you will be in the thoughts of friends about whom you have also been thinking. If you sense the inclination is there, make the contact.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Material desires can be gratified today if you prepare to make them major interests. To get what you want, they must become primary objectives.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The secret to success today will be not to take yourself or what you're doing too seriously. Life is a game, and if you play it by the rules, you can win.

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Results of Straw Poll given

AMES, Iowa (AP) — Results of Saturday's GOP straw poll at Hilton Coliseum on the Iowa State University campus (includes votes per candidate and percentage of total). A total of 10,598 votes were cast, according to the Iowa Republican Party.

1. (tie) Bob Dole and Phil Gramm, 2,582 votes, 24.36 percent.
3. Pat Buchanan, 1,922, 18.14 percent.
4. Lamar Alexander, 1,156, 10.91 percent.
5. Alan Keyes, 804, 7.59 percent.
6. Maurice Taylor, 803, 7.58 percent.
7. Richard Lugar, 466, 4.4 percent.
8. Pete Wilson, 129, 1.22 percent.
9. Bob Dornan, 87, 0.82 percent.
10. Arlen Specter, 67, 0.63 percent.

Hefner and family to move

LOS ANGELES (AP) — After 20 years of pajama parties and playmates, Hugh Hefner is moving out of the Playboy mansion.

Playboy magazine's editor-in-chief and his wife, Kimberly Conrad, are reportedly leaving the famous mansion to provide their two sons, ages 3 and 5, with a "normal atmosphere."

"There is always something going on, like a photo shoot, at the mansion," an unidentified Playboy representative said in Sunday's Los Angeles Times. "Imagine coming down the stairs to that every day."

Like the Playboy mansion, the new home is also in the city's Holmby Hills area, which neighbors Beverly Hills and Bel-Air. Hefner also owns a home in Malibu.

Hefner, 69, turned day-to-day operations of Playboy Enterprises over to his daughter, Christie, in 1988. He has been married to Conrad, 33, for six years.

Business and Industrial News

Nolan Electric: experience and quality

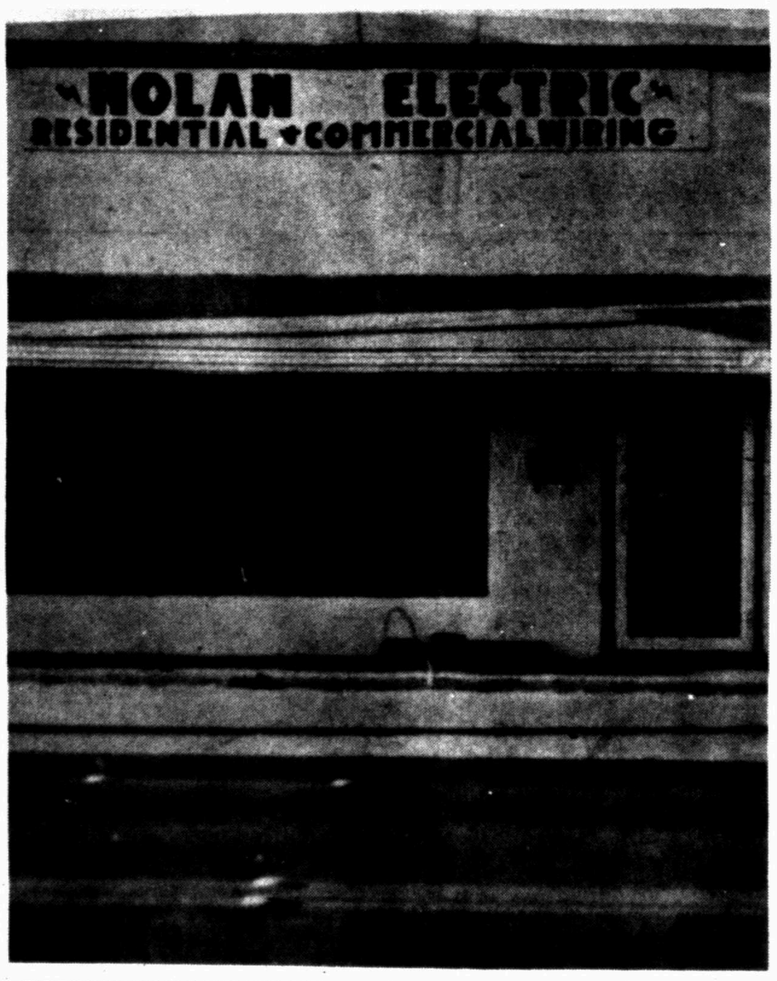
In July 1977, Bobby Nolan started operating his own business: Nolan Electric. Bobby has been doing electrical work since he was in high school and has been a master electrician for 20 years. Today, Bobby has accumulated a total of 39 years of electrical experience.

Bobby and Kim's home was the first location of their business. Later they opened a shop at 1010 25th street and are still at that location. In earlier years, the whole family helped out in the business. The children have since grown up and away, but Bobby and Kim are still actively involved in all phases of the business. Bobby does a lot of estimating and bidding these days, but still gets to do some of the actual physical labor involved in the electrical business. Kim works in the office and does most of the purchasing. Another aspect of Kim's part in the business is lamp repairs. She keeps a supply of lamp parts and works on all types of lamps: table, floor and touch lamps. Just take your lamps to the shop for repairs.

Nolan Electric does both commercial and residential electrical wiring. From remodels and add-ons to new construction, they are involved in all these areas of electrical wiring. They also work on repairs of electric water heaters.

Do you need to have lighting on a sign repaired? Their two sizes of bucket trucks allow them to work on most lighted signs. They keep a supply of lamps and sign ballasts to do these repairs.

Troubleshooting and service work make up a large part of Nolan Electric's work. If you have an electrical problem, they have two service trucks that are on call during the week. They do their best to serve their customers as quickly as possible.



A good inventory of electrical supplies is an important asset to them. Plugs, switches, fuses, breakers, panels, conduit, conduit fittings, lamps, ballasts: these are all well stocked items. And if they don't have it, they usually can get most well-known items right away. "We have a large variety of electrical suppliers and a truck runs every day of the week except Wednesday," says Bobby.

Bobby and Kim wish to express their appreciation to all of their customers (both old and new) and hope to continue to do lots of work in Snyder. They take lots of pride in doing good professional work and keeping their customers happy with that work.

You may call them at (915) 573-5117. Their phone is answered seven days a week 24 hours a day.

Actress' storyline will be slightly revised in sitcom

RADNOR, Pa. (AP) — The death of jeans model Anna Nicole Smith's 90-year-old husband has meant some quick editing of the first episode of a new ABC sitcom, "The Naked Truth."

The storyline features a tabloid photographer assigned to snap pictures of Smith at the gynecologist's office to determine whether the model is pregnant. Smith plays herself in the episode.

Producers are deleting jokes about her husband, the late millionaire J. Howard Marshall II, and the unlikelihood of a senior citizen conceiving a child.

"The loss of human life won't necessitate any reshooting or abandonment, just some simple editing," executive producer Christopher Thompson says in the Aug. 26 issue of TV Guide.

Love carried away

MOUNTAIN VIEW, Calif. (AP) — A security guard carried a sobbing Courtney Love off the stage after the leader of the rock band Hole twice jumped into the audience to attack fans.

"Louder, you — — !" she exhorted, apparently unhappy at the audience response on Friday's closing night of the summer Lollapalooza tour of alternative bands.

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