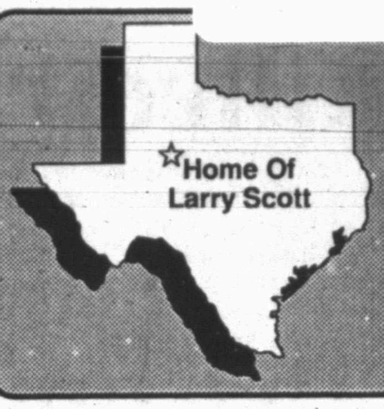
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Key Mississippi River bridge closed

by The Associated Press

Volunteers struggling to keep open the only path across the raging Mississippi for a 200-mile stretch scrambled to safety when the river burst a levee, forcing the bridge to be closed.

"We just barely made it," one sandbagger said.

"It was just a tremendous, awesome, terrible event," said Ken Garner of the Army Corps of Engineers, who watched the scene from a helicopter.

The force of the water sucked a barge through the levee breach.

A gas station exploded just after the water swept through the levee, spewing a stream of burning gasoline on top of the flood. Spectacular flames rose out of the water, and dense, dark smoke billowed hundreds of feet into the air. The fire went out within minutes.

The Midwestern deluge, which began more than a month and a half ago, continued Saturday. Thunderstorms dropped as much as 5 inches of rain on central Iowa. Heavy rain also fell overnight in the Dakotas, Minnesota, Illinois, Nebraska and parts of Wyoming.

One storm poured torrents of water into the South Skunk River near Ames, Iowa, which almost was cut off by flooding a week ago. Nearly incessant lightning illuminated the pre-dawn sky.

The Ames area, 30 miles north of Des Moines, got as much as 4 inches of rain within six hours Saturday, said the National Weather Service. A flash flood warning was issued for rapidly rising Squaw Creek in and near Ames and for creeks north and east of the city.

Flash flooding struck sparsely populated areas of the eastern Dakotas. In northeastern South Dakota, a flood warning was posted for the James River, a tributary of the Missouri River, after an area that got 3 inches of rain Friday got that much more Saturday.

No relief loomed anytime soon. Thunderstorms remained likely

(see RIVER, page 12A)

Ask Us

Q—Will the bill introduced by Rep. Combest give any relief to the city on landfill requirements?

A—Not according to City Manager John Gayle. The bill, similar to the West Texas exemption, would give relief only to landfills that receive less than 20 tons of solid waste a day. The daily for the city of Snyder is approximately 47 tons.

Local

Council

Snyder City Council will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday at City Hall for a work session on the 1993-94 city budget.

Health unit

Immunization clinic will not be held at Scurry County Health Unit on Tuesday, but will resume Thursday, July 22.

County court

Scurry County commissioners will delay their Monday meeting until Tuesday since the court will be in Lubbock Monday for an area meeting on reform of the national health-care system.

AARP #2063

AARP Chapter 2063 will meet Monday at 1 p.m. in the Senior Center. A representative from the police department will present information on 911.

AARP members are to bring toilet articles for the Noah Project. The board will meet at noon.

DCOS

The board of directors of the Development Corporation of Snyder will meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the TU Electric Reddy Room.

Only two items are on the agenda, including a request from Snyder Senior Citizens, Inc. for $47,000 in funds to purchase land for expansion of Golden Terrace. The board will also elect officers.

Class of '73

Snyder High School Class of 1973 will hold a reunion July 23 and 24.

Registration will be at Willow Park Inn from 7 p.m. until 11 p.m. on the 23rd. Scheduled events on Saturday, July 24, include at golf tournament at the country club at 7:30 a.m. and a dance at 7 p.m.

Contact Suzanne Doolittle at 573-5401 or 573-6704 for more information.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Friday, 96 degrees; low, 70 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Saturday, 72 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, 9.57 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low 70 to 75. South wind 10-15 mph. Sunday, partly cloudy. A 30 percent chance of thunderstorms. High in the lower 90s. South wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset Saturday, 8:48. Sunrise Sunday, 6:51. Sunset Sunday, 8:48. Sunrise Monday, 6:52. Of 197 days in 1993, the sun has shone 190 days in Snyder.

Poor districts' plea is denied

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Supreme Court on Friday overruled a motion by property-poor school districts that was aimed at getting the new education finance law changed before school opens.

"It just means we're not going to have a hearing this summer," said San Antonio lawyer Al Kauffman of the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, a lawyer for the poor districts.

The new law "is going to have a very negative effect on poor districts," he said. "'I see no reasonable, easy way, at least, to change that during the next school year."

Another lawyer for poor districts, Roger Moore of Austin, said, "The choices that many of them are facing are very, very big tax increases or some pretty massive cuts in their budgets."

The lawyers didn't immediately know whether they would ask the state Supreme Court to reconsider. Kauffman noted that the Supreme Court's action didn't address the merits of the new law.

The poor districts went to the Supreme Court after State District Judge F. Scott McCown of Austin, who oversees the long-running school finance case, refused to have a June hearing on their complaints about the law. They wanted the court to require a quick hearing.

McCown has said Texans should assume the law will be in effect in the coming school year. The judge has said he would assess challenges to the law and set a trial date, possibly for early fall.

The law is the Legislature's latest effort to meet a Supreme Court order to even out funding available to school districts with different property wealth. Schools rely on state aid, local property tax revenue and some federal money.

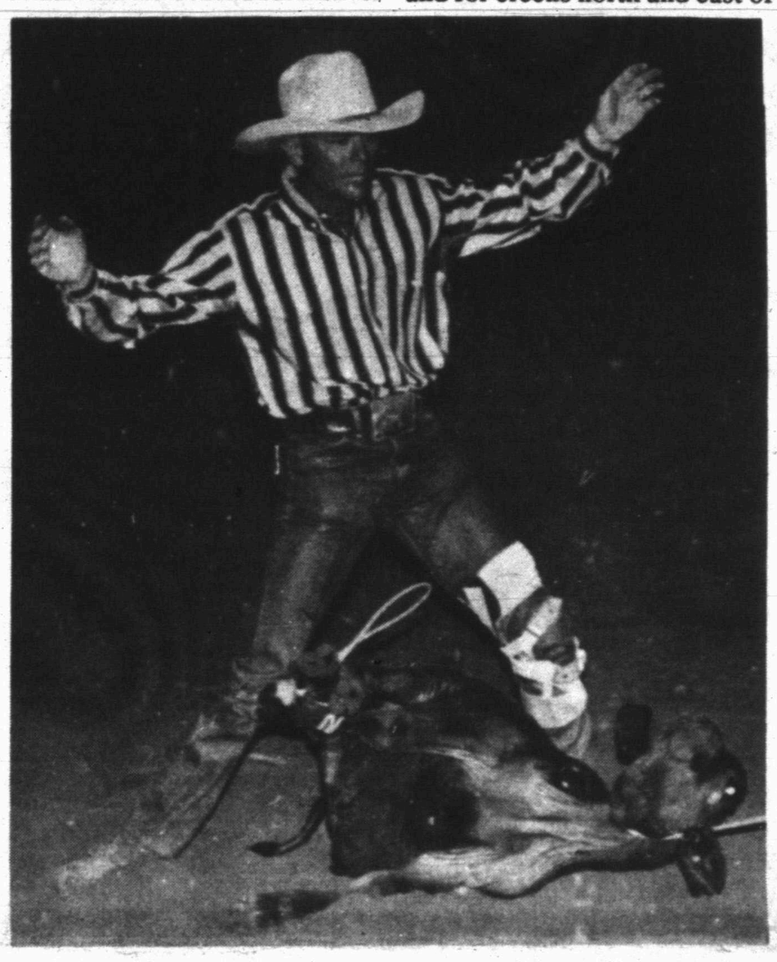
Two previous school funding plans that were meant to address the court mandate have been ruled unconstitutional.

The new measure — which gives the state's richest school districts several options for sharing some of their property wealth with poorer ones — is under fire from poor and rich districts. State lawyers defend it as constitutional.

Poor school districts, among other complaints, have sought to change the way state aid is distributed under the law before it takes effect. They say the distribution system penalizes a number of districts with little property wealth.

Property-rich school districts' complaints include the new law's continued reliance on local property taxes.

Since the Supreme Court has declined to require a quick hearing, Moore said, it's up to McCown when to hold one.



ROPED AND TIED — Clovis, N.M. cowboy D.R. Lewis raises his hands for the judges after his calf-roping run at Friday's performance of the 58th Annual Scurry County Rodeo. The rodeo winds up with Saturday's final show, set for 8 p.m. at the Scurry County Rodeo Association Arena on Gary Brewer Road. (SDN Staff Photo)

Times faster, scores higher at 58th rodeo

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

Team roping and bull riding each got new leaders with Friday night's performance of the 58th Annual Scurry County Open Rodeo.

Eddie Smerdon of Amarillo scored a 79 to edge into the top bull riding spot in front of current Texas Cowboys Rodeo Association money leader Michael Daniel of Lubbock, who posted a 78 on Thursday.

Morse cowboy Lauren Odell was awarded a 69 and Kenneth Wise of Abilene scored a 68 in Friday night's show.

Team ropers Rusty Wright and Rusty Ray flashed a 4.573, taking over the top spot from Thursday's winners, Dee Cook and Darrell Radasse and Radasse and Shannon Lea, who each turned in a 5.652.

Les Dial and Greg Martinez headed and heeled their way to second place overall with their 4.973, trailed by a 5.195 from Shane Hatch and Rick McKinley.

The rodeo winds up with an 8 p.m. performance Saturday at the county association arena on Gary Brewer Road. Advance tickets are available at Bar-H-Bar Family Outfitters for $4 each. Admission at the gate is $5.

A dance, featuring Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will be held following the rodeo.

Other changes in the standings included calf ropers Chad Hiatt and Clay Schreicker, who moved into second an third place overall.

Hiatt roped and tied his calf in a time of 8.373 seconds, tops on Friday, to wind up behind Bruce Gibbs' 8.352 from Thursday. Schreicker, from Dexter, N.M., flashed an 8.784 for Friday's second-best time and third in the rodeo.

Local barrel racer Jana Himes held on to the event's top spot, in spite of Friday's challenge from a pair of top-10 TCRA competitors.

Himes' 17.340 was first heading into the final show, but Mary Beth Simpson of Archer City scooted into third place with her 17.724 on Friday. Simpson is No. 6 on the current TCRA earnings list.

No. 10 on that same list is Brenda Etcheverry of Carlsbad, N.M., who scored a 17.798 Friday.

Holiday atmosphere planned for July 24 relighting of Ritz

The second annual "Lighting up the Ritz" is planned for Saturday, July 24, with a holiday atmosphere taking over the courthouse square for the evening.

The Ritz Community Theatre will also be kicking off its second season ticket sale.

A crowd estimated at over 1,000 attended the Ritz re-lighting held in June of 1992. Plans for the renovation and re-opening of the old movie house are under the oversight of the Ritz Community Theatre, which envisions making it into a functional live theatre to be used for stage shows as well as musicals, meetings, and even movies. The building was donated to the Ritz Community Theatre by Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Patterson and has undergone exterior renovations, including new neon for the marquee and new front doors.

Activities on July 24 will begin at 4 p.m. when booths set up by local groups will open on the north and east sides of the courthouse square. Entertainment in the gazebo on the south side of the courthouse will begin at 6 p.m. Some special awards will be presented at the gazebo before the marquee lights at the Ritz are turned on about 9 p.m.

Visitors are invited to bring lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy foods available from the booths while they listen to the entertainment.

A table for the purchase of season tickets will be set up near the gazebo. Season tickets are $30 for six tickets, $60 for 12 tickets, and $100 for 24 tickets. Season ticket holders have first choice of seats for shows each time.

The 1993-94 season will open Oct. 7 with eight performances of the Neil Simon comedy "Barefoot in the Park." The Christmas production will be "Amahl and the Night Visitors," directed by Doug Fishel, from Dec. 2-5. The final show will be "Nice People Dancing to Good Country Music," a contemporary comedy, in February of 1994. The site for the shows will be announced at a later time since the Ritz building will not be ready for use.

Democracy pact ok'd by Haitian lawmakers

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Leading Haitian lawmakers took a major step toward restoring exiled President Jean-Bertrand Aristide to power Saturday by signing a pact that will revamp Parliament and pardon the soldiers who ousted him.

All the Haitian politicians attending the secret talks held in a U.N. basement since Wednesday signed the deal, U.N. special envoy for Haiti Dante Caputo said early Saturday.

"This is a very positive step. Of course we have had many problems," Caputo said. "But in any case I want to stress the fact that we are on track."

The main obstacle had been the fate of 13 legislators elected Jan. 18 in widely boycotted balloting held under the military regime. Aristide had demanded guarantees that they be removed, because he can't muster a majority of his supporters with those lawmakers in Parliament.

Under the accord signed, those legislators won't sit in Parliament pending the verdict of a Commission of Conciliation, set up by Parliament, that will review the legality of their election.

However, to reassure Aristide's camp that they won't remain, Caputo promised that the United Nations wouldn't recognize their legitimacy and would maintain a worldwide oil embargo on Haiti if they refuse to resign.

The delegates, who represent political factions from the left to the right, were to attend a working group later Saturday to iron out the details of Caputo's assurances.

Under the accord, Parliament also will adopt an amnesty law covering all the participants in the bloody 1991 military coup that overthrew Aristide, Haiti's first freely elected leader.

C-City prison name chosen

A 1,000-bed medium security prison unit being constructed near Colorado City will be named after Mitchell County's first black landowner.

The Texas Board of Criminal Justice on Friday approved naming the unit the "Daniel Webster Wallace Unit."

Wallace's name was the only one proposed for the unit, which is expected to be completed by May, 1994.

Wallace pioneered Mitchell County. Born in 1860 in Victoria County to a slave mother, he moved to the Concho Valley in 1878 to work for a local rancher. He purchased his first land near Loraine in 1885. His holdings in Mitchell County had grown to 15,000 acres and 600 head of cattle by the early 1900s.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Almost 50 percent of Americans this summer have found themselves ill-housed, ill-fed and ill-clad. It's called being on vacation."

A newspaper reporter in Carlinville, Ill., drove up on what he thought was a traffic accident involving a piece of farm equipment. A state trooper was already on the scene. The reporter stopped and overheard the following conversation:

Trooper: Any other vehicles involved in this wreck or is it a one-combine accident?

Farmer: What in tarnation are you talking about? What accident? I'm just gettin' a haircut.

Trooper: A haircut! Right here in the middle of the highway?

Farmer: Why not? It's the only level spot around here, and besides, I was changing fields anyway.

Trooper: But you're holding up traffic in both directions.

Farmer: So what? I read where some guy closed down LA International while he got a haircut on his airplane.

Trooper: Well, that wasn't just any airplane. That was Air Force One, and the man getting the haircut was the President.

Farmer: You mean Slick Willie?

Trooper: I think he prefers to be called Mr. President.

Farmer: Whatever, but didn't he have dozens of other aircraft circling for an hour while he got a $200 trim?

Trooper: Sure, but he was only trying to save time, and besides, he's the president.

Farmer: That's what I'm trying to do, save time and get a haircut while changing fields.

Trooper: I'm going to have to write you a ticket. Who's your barber.

Farmer: She's not a barber. She's my wife and cuts my hair free, too.

Trooper: What's her name?

Farmer: Just put her down as Slick Filly...

Just as the trooper pulled out his nightstick, the reporter heard a different voice. It was his wife who shouted, "Wake up, Scoop, you must be having a nightmare.

'Africanized' bees may have killed rancher

WESLACO (AP) — Bee researchers say it's likely that an elderly Starr County rancher was killed by a swarm of "killer bees," but they say South Texans need not be alarmed that every bee is lethal.

"It's something that happens from time to time," Dave Mayes, a spokesman for Texas A&M's Agricultural Communications Department in College Station.

"From the best we can tell, there are still more people struck by lightning in Texas per year than stung by Africanized bees. It's just not something we have to watch out for."

Lino Lopez, 82, died Thursday after being swarmed by bees. His son said an autopsy showed his father's fragile condition could not withstand the assault.

Should it be found that the bees that stung Lopez were of the "Africanized" variety, he would become their first such victim since the strain migrated into Texas in 1990.

Preliminary test results show a high likelihood that the bees are Africanized, said entomologist Stormy Sparks of the Texas A&M Agricultural Extension Service in Weslaco.

A definite answer is expected to come Monday following studies of the bee samples at the Bee Research Lab in Beltsville, Md., which performs national identification on honey bees, Mayes said.

Robert Norton, director of information at the Agricultural Research Service in Greenbelt, Md., said the bee samples also will be tested at the USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service office in Harlingen on Saturday morning.

Lopez likely had little chance to escape their attack once he agitated them.

"They were very aggressive, very aggressive," said Waylon Chandler, who killed the bees Friday and brought samples back to the Weslaco lab. "In other words, if you make the wrong move they will cover you in a matter of seconds."

Lopez — stung in the head, chest and arms — died on his way to the hospital, his family told investigators.

Chandler said Lopez apparently had doused a burlap sack with diesel fuel, set it ablaze at the end of a stick and tried to burn the bees out of a wall in an abandoned home at his ranch in remote brush country, about 30 miles north of Rio Grande City.

Sparks said researchers at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Honeybee Lab in Weslaco measured the bees Friday afternoon to determine whether they were Africanized or the more common, less aggressive European variety.

"Most of them measured out African," Sparks said. "Some bees measured out purely European and some bees measured out purely African."

The hive appeared to have once been a European variety, but it apparently had been taken over by Africanized bees through crossbreeding during swarmings, he said.

Africanized bees look much like European bees, though a little smaller, but they are much more likely to swarm invaders of their nests.

An entomologist brought a few colonies of African variety from Africa to Brazil in 1956. The variety escaped and migrated north, crossbreeding with other bees along the way.

They have been found in 58 South Texas counties since the first swarm was detected in October 1990 near the small town of Hidalgo, about 50 miles east of Rio Grande City.

Prison director escapes firing

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — The state prison board took a U-turn Friday and set aside a motion to fire James Lynaugh, executive director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The prisons chief emerged tight-lipped after a two-hour executive session with the board and silently took a seat beside chairman Carol Vance, who announced the panel's decision to table a motion regarding Lynaugh's employment.

"The board had some concerns," said Vance after the board's monthly meeting at Sam Houston State University. "But it (the board) was unanimous in its agreement that James Lynaugh can carry out the policies of this board."

Just days before, Vance said he had enough votes on the eight-member panel to oust the 53-year-old Lynaugh and confirmed that a demotion offer had been made to him so he could retain his retirement benefits.

"Well, I was pleased with the board," said Lynaugh, head of the Texas prisons system since 1987. "I think the board had some concerns and I addressed them."

Neither Vance nor Lynaugh would elaborate on what those concerns were. Lynaugh has been criticized for his lackluster support of further privatization of the state prison system.

Also, Lynaugh has suffered from disclosures late last year that former department internal affairs chief Jim Gant had ordered investigations of Gov. Ann Richards and two board members.

Vance said the board's change of heart had nothing to do with possible influence from a team of legislators, including state Rep. Allen Hightower, D-Huntsville — chief of the House Corrections Committee — who attended the meeting.

"I think there was a legitimate lack of communication," said Hightower, who said the possibility of Lynaugh's removal shocked lawmakers.

Hightower suggested a possible reason for the discord may be the state's prison overcrowding issue which has overshadowed the prison system for 20 years. Prison overcrowding led to bad conditions which culminated into a federal court monitoring of the system for decades.

"Perhaps one or two members have a greater interest in pardons or parole," Hightower said. "They're probably right because the legislature had demanded we put out the fire before we rebuild the house."

Because state prisoner limits have taken much of the department's focus, some on the board have felt not enough attention has been paid to the system's parole and pardons issues.

In recent years, there have been several celebrated cases of prisoners have slipped through loopholes in the parole system to return to a life of crime.

But Hightower is uncertain whether that was the catalyst for the campaign to remove Lynaugh.

"I don't know what pushed it over the edge," Hightower said.

The board reportedly had six votes, one more than necessary, to remove Lynaugh, but key legislators had attempted to persuade at least two board members to reconsider.

Vance said earlier this week Lynaugh has been asked to stay with the agency in another job even if he were fired.

The demotion also would allow allowed Lynaugh to remain on the payroll until 1995, when he becomes vested in his retirement.

United We Stand elects officers for current year

The Scurry County Chapter of United We Stand met July 13 at Towle Park Barn for its regular monthly meeting.

Carl Nunn, area coordinator, presided and those in attendance elected officers for 1993.

In his opening remarks, Nunn emphasized that UWS is a non-partisan organization consisting of Democrats, Republicans, and independents concerned with local, state, and federal government activities.

Nunn, appointed by Bill Walker, Texas state coordinator, will continue as area coordinator. Other officers elected are Bill Cain, president; Charlie Henderson, vice-president; Rebecca Boyd, secretary-treasurer; Morgan Weat, director of issues and research; Bob Powell, director of communications; and Maxine Ragland, director of special projects. Art Feinsod is the chairman of the nominating committee.

The group has plans to conduct a membership drive and a decision was made to meet every second Tuesday of the month.

For further information concerning UWS, contact Nunn at 573-5584. The next meeting is slated for 7:30 p.m. Aug. 10 in the Towle Park Barn. Everyone, regardless of political affiliation, is invited to attend.

Woman indicted

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal grand jury has indicted a Houston woman for falsely claiming she found sewing needles in a can of Coca-Cola Classic.

The woman, Deborah Sue McGuire, is believed to be the first Texan to be charged since the so-called Pepsi scare began early last month. She was at large Friday, authorities said.

The indictment, returned Friday, alleges Ms. McGuire, 39, violated two federal statutes by falsely claiming she found the needles after her husband, Davie McGuire, bought the soft drinks.

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PARADE FLOAT — Members of the 4-H Club, along with personal pets, have fun on their float before the 58th Annual Scurry County Rodeo parade Thursday. The 4-H float was one of two float entries in the parade. (SDN Staff Photo)

Release of captive whales advocated

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The Humane Society has renewed calls for water parks and aquariums to release captive whales as another group plans protests nationwide to coincide with the opening of the film "Free Willy."

The Humane Society on Friday, citing a new study of small whales out of their natural habitat, said the mammals should be freed from "the horrors of captivity."

"Whales are wild animals and simply cannot and should not be kept in captivity for human observation," Humane Society President Paul Irwin said at an Orlando news conference.

But Jim McBain, senior veterinarian for Sea World of Florida, said the theme park's performing mammals are important for research and education purposes.

"Our whales have been living at Sea World much of their lives, and there seems to be no justification for risking their lives by releasing them to the wild," McBain said.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals scheduled protests in nine cities this weekend to publicize the issue along with "Free Willy," a movie about a boy who tries to free a captive whale from an aquarium.

"Marine mammals in captivity are subjected to high levels of stress, which can lead to ulcers and an early death," said a news release from Washington-based PETA. "In the wild, marine mammals live twice as long as they do in captivity."

Irwin said the five-year study headed by marine mammal scientist Naomi Rose tracked five types of small whales in captivity at a number of facilities. They were beluga, false killer whales, killer whales and long-finned and short-finned pilot whales.

Accidents, disease and extremely low birth rates are common in captive whales, he said.

"Whales in captivity share little with those in the wild," said Rose, who attended the news conference. "And visitors to theme parks learn little about whales because their lifestyles are so different."

The Humane Society also called for a halt to taking whales from the ocean.

McBain said Sea World parks have not captured any whales for more than a decade "and don't have any plans to do that because of the success of our breeding programs."

Four Sea World parks have a total of 18 killer whales, five of them in Orlando, said McBain.

One of the local whales, Katina, is pregnant for the third time. Katina made news in 1985 by becoming the first killer whale to give birth successfully in captivity. Her first offspring, Kalina, gave birth in February at the Sea World park in San Antonio, Texas.

Anheuser-Busch Co. also owns Sea World parks in California and Ohio.

Texas farmers: vegetable's demand greater than supply

VERNON (AP) — Thick clusters of pods sag from the mung bean plants that thrive on the Red River's sandy farms.

Harvest is still weeks away. But already the most mature pods are swelling with the tiny olive-colored, bead-like mung beans.

Contractor Sam Pierce expects another good crop.

And, as usual, demand from restaurants and bean sprouters has exceeded what Pierce's farmers grow.

"Not enough are being planted," Pierce said, examining the blackening pods in a field of near knee-high plants. "I can't raise enough of them."

The mung bean — better known in its post water-soaked form, as a bean sprout — is a staple of Chinese food. But it remains a somewhat obscure vegetable.

The Texas Department of Agriculture doesn't keep statistics on mung bean crops.

Creighton Miller, a professor in the horticultural sciences department at Texas A&M University, estimated that Texas farmers plant 20,000 acres in mung beans each year.

Thirty-five farmers from Quanah to Henrietta contract with Pierce. Another 10 farmers or so raise mung beans near Pearsall, Miller said, and several work in the Haskell area.

Mung beans became popular around Vernon several decades ago thanks to restaurateur Henry Huie. When mung bean imports to the United States were cut during World War II, Huie prodded local farmers to raise the vegetable for his Chinese restaurant and others across the country.

Vernon-area farmers like mung beans because the dryland crop's growing season — from early June to late August — fits nicely between wheat harvest and wheat planting, Pierce said.

Mung beans are cheap to plant, require little work and replenish the soil with nitrogen.

Risks include wind-blown sand and too much rain.

"What's going to hurt is the sand. It's going to burn them," Pierce said. "If you have a week and a half of rain, you'll have beans sprouting in the pod."

Pierce will pay 15 cents per pound for the 2 million pounds of mung beans he expects to buy this year.

He ships the high-protein product to New York, Florida and Tennessee, he said. Still, the United States continues to import heavily from India, China and Thailand.

"Our growers just have not grown it that much," said Miller, who helped develop the high-yield TexSprout variety at A&M. "It seems to me, if we could get a good variety ... then they might be able to get more competitive and make a little money."

TWC to take action on site

DALLAS (AP) — Cleanup of a former lumber processing facility in Texarkana, which was put on the EPA's Superfund list seven years ago, will begin next year, according to the Texas Water Commission.

The TWC, under an agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, will be the lead agency in cleaning up the site starting in September 1994. About 77,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil and 16 million gallons of groundwater must be cleansed.

The main pollutants at the site include polynuclear aromatic compounds (PNAs), pentachlorophenol (PCP) and dioxins. They pose a significant health risk to the public and environment, according to the TWC.

The TWC expects to put the $58 million project up for bid in December.

The site served as a lumber facility in 1909-84 under various owners. Texas officials learned of problems at the site in 1968. The Texarkana Wood Preserving Co. failed to meet permit requirements and closed the site in 1984.

The EPA put the site on its Superfund list in 1986. The Superfund law gives the government the power to sue former owners to recover the costs of cleaning polluted sites or force them to take action.

The agency did five removal projects between December 1986 and October 1990 to stabilize the site.

The cleanup plan calls for excavating and burning the soil, replacing it on the site, then covering it with topsoil and vegetation.

Space center head resigns position

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Johnson Space Center director Aaron Cohen, a 31-year NASA veteran, announced his resignation Friday after seven years as head of the agency's manned space flight hub.

Cohen, 62, said he was stepping down Aug. 20 to become the Zachary professor for engineering at Texas A&M University.

He denied speculation that cost overruns on Space Station Freedom and other budgetary concerns had any part in his decision.

"No, it was not that," Cohen said. "I think today that we probably on space station are in as good a posture as we can possibly be with the restructure of the space station. We've got work to do, but I feel we do have a space station."

NASA this year acknowledged that space station costs by 1995 could go over budget by about $1 billion, most of it for work supervised by the Johnson Space Center.

The prospective cost increase was discovered in January and threatened the project's funding in Congress last month. The House ultimately approved funding for a slimmed down version of the space station.

NASA administrator Daniel Goldin said Cohen would retain ties with the agency as a consultant.

"It gives me a great deal of comfort to know I can pick up the phone any time and have Aaron come to Washington and help the administrator," Goldin said.

He added, "Texas has Aaron, NASA has Aaron, and I think the nation is going to benefit."

Goldin said Johnson's deputy director, Paul J. Weitz, would assume the head role until Cohen's successor can be found.

"I want to let a little time pass," Goldin said. "The tempting thing is to go out and pick someone and put them in place and make a whole bunch of changes. I want a little time to settle."

Cohen took over at the space center on Oct. 12, 1986, succeeding Jesse Moore, who was in charge of the space shuttle program at the time of the Challenger disaster.

At the time, Cohen said the key to restoring NASA's political and popular reputation was the shuttle program.

Since the Challenger explosion, there have been 31 successful shuttle missions leading up to Saturday's planned launch of Discovery.

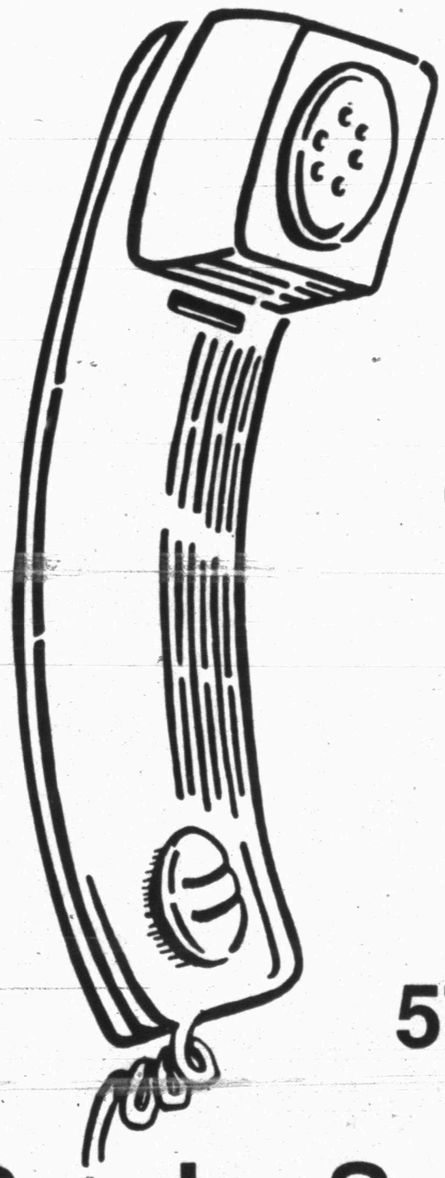
Cohen, who said he made his decision with "an enormous feeling of nostalgia," added that he wants to be remembered for his contribution to the manned space flight effort.

"I think my biggest legacy has to be the development and the promotion and the success of the human element of space flight," he said. "I think was able to promote that through the Apollo program and the shuttle orbiter program."

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RIBBON CUTTING — The Snyder Gold Coats and chamber manager Ricky Fritz (far left back row) were present Friday morning for a ribbon cutting ceremony at Ronny Shield's Insurance Agency, located on the south side of the square. Also pictured are owner Ronny Shields, his wife Lea Anne, their children Sterling and James Allen, and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Noah. (SDN Staff Photo)

South Texas nuke plant plans heard

BAY CITY (AP) — The South Texas nuclear power plant's new managers seem committed to correcting the facility's equipment, manpower and management problems, federal regulators say.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials heard top plant officials outline their plans Friday. They called for improving communications between managers and workers, boosting staff levels to reduce the pressure on plant operators, improving plant maintenance and increasing spare parts supplies.

The facility recently was labeled one of the five most poorly run nuclear plants in the nation.

James Milhoan, administrator of the NRC's Region IV office in Arlington, said the ideas were encouraging, but he wanted to see specifics. "The recognition of the problems seems to have been achieved," Milhoan said.

The plant could begin generating power by year's end, said William T. Cottle, group vice president in charge of nuclear operations for Houston Lighting & Power. HL&P is the project's managing partner.

"The project was designed and built to be an asset for 40 years for the citizens of this state. We're not going to jeopardize that by taking short cuts," he said.

In an unrelated development, the city of Austin has hired two consultants to investigate some 700 unresolved allegations made by workers at the South Texas plant in 1987.

Edna Ottney of Sierra Vista, Ariz., said Friday that she and John Rex of Olympia, Wash., expect to begin reviewing the charges next week in Austin.

Rookie police officer killed in gun battle

EL PASO (AP) — A rookie police officer was killed Friday morning in a gunfight with her husband, who is a reserve Sheriff's Department officer, a police spokesman said.

Jacqueline Avila, 24, an April graduate of the police academy, was shot at least once in the chest with a 9mm handgun at about 2:45 a.m., said El Paso Police Department spokesman Sgt. Bill Pfeil.

Her husband, Gilbert Avila, 23, was shot once in the shoulder, Pfeil said. He was listed in stable condition at Thomason Hospital.

"Apparently, they became involved in a marital dispute earlier this morning at midnight. That ceased, then picked up again at 2:45 and ended in gunfire," Pfeil said.

Ms. Avila died at the scene.

Pfeil said Ms. Avila apparently used her service handgun. Avila also used a handgun, but it was unclear whether it was his service weapon.

Police are investigating the shooting. No charges had been filed Friday.

Pfeil said the couple, who lived with Gilbert Avila's parents, had a history of marital disputes. But there were no known incidents of prior violence, he said.

The couple had a 20-month-old daughter, who was in the house at the time of the shooting. She was turned over to relatives who live a few doors away.

"It took me forever to get her to go to sleep," said a woman who would only identify herself as Gilbert Avila's sister-in-law.

"I guess she is OK for right now. We'll take care of her," the woman said, biting her lip and blinking back tears as he looked at the house where the shooting occurred.

Another woman, who identified herself as Gilbert Avila's aunt, said the couple was planning to move out of the house. Gilbert Avila was looking for a second job, she said.

"He was a good kid to me," she said. "I used to baby-sit him all the time. If he had a temper, I never saw it."

Gilbert Avila had formerly worked as a Police Department juvenile probation officer and at an auto parts store, Pfeil said. As a reserve sheriff's officer, he is an unpaid patrolman used to supplement the department's standing force.

Ms. Avila had been working as a police officer for three months out of the Police Department's Central Substation in downtown El Paso.

"She was real smart and had a good mind," said Capt. Carlos Subia, the substation commander.

Legislator's blunder could cost veterans some of their benefits

AUSTIN (AP) — A Panhandle legislator's mistake could cost Texas veterans up to $2 million in college tuition and fee exemptions beginning this fall.

Last spring, Rep. Wilhelmina Delco, D-Austin, sponsored a bill to expand a veterans' college financial aid program to cover children whose parents died as a direct result of military service.

But Rep. Warren Chisum, D-Pampa, tacked an amendment onto the bill. He thought it would require children of veterans to prove financial need before they could qualify for tuition and fee exemptions.

The amendment actually requires the approximately 10,000 veterans who receive exemptions each year to prove financial need.

"It was intended to apply to veterans' children," said Chisum, one of 12 House members who belong to the newly created Veteran's Caucus.

"However, because we went in and tried to remove some old World War II language, it applied to everyone — unknowing to me in particular. We didn't have time to interpret what it was saying."

Mack Adams, assistant commissioner for student services at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, says that because of the flaw 3,000 to 3,500 veterans could be ineligible for full benefits.

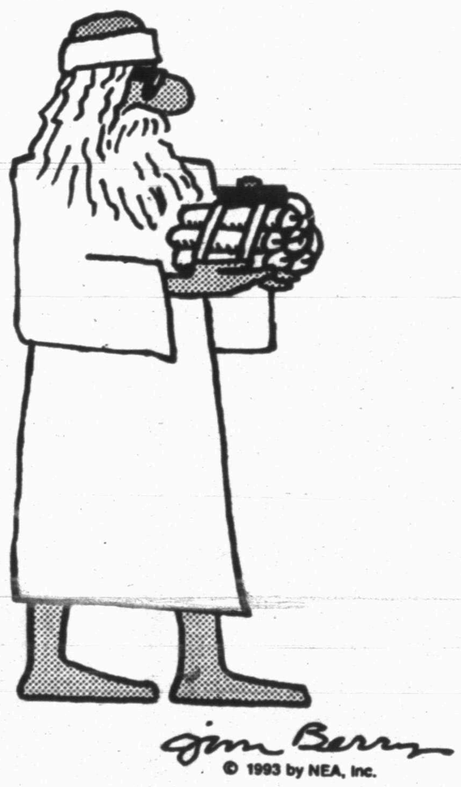
Last year, the state awarded $4 million in exemptions to 9,784 veterans.

Glen Gardner Jr., state adjutant quartermaster for the Veterans of Foreign Wars, said the bill demonstrates how legislators sometimes treat veterans.

"This is just one more case where at the last minute, the veterans got the short end of the stick down at the Capitol," Gardner said.

"It just appears that there are certain individuals down there who don't realize the contribution that the veterans have made to the freedom of this state and this country."

Berry's World



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Financial Focus

If you participate in an employer-sponsored retirement plan, such as a profit sharing plan, 401(k) or money-purchase pension plan, legislation that became effective this past January means that you're now playing by a new set of rules.

Specifically, the game plan changed the way lump sum distributions are handled. Under prior law, when an employee retired or changed jobs, he or she took receipt of the lump sum distribution and within 60 days rolled the money into an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) to avoid penalties and taxes. Now, employees are required to transfer their lump sum distribution directly from one plan to another, without taking receipt of the funds, in order to avoid taxes and penalties.

A transfer may involve your employer either wire transferring the distribution directly to your new retirement plan trustee or mailing a check to the trustee. However, if the check is made payable to you, rather than a trustee, it would constitute taking receipt of the funds and could cost you dearly.

Any distributions taken by an employee from a qualified retirement plan will be subject to 20 percent federal income tax withholding unless the distribution is transferred directly into an IRA by the employer. If the individual is under age 59 1/2, there may also be a 10 percent penalty for early withdrawal.

For example, let's assume you change jobs and take receipt of a $25,000 lump sum distribution from your employer's profit sharing plan. The plan administrator is required to withhold 20 percent, or $5,000, for federal income tax. This means you will receive only $20,000. However, the full $25,000 is taxable income in the year you receive it. In addition, if you are under the age of 59 1/2, you may be subject to a 10 percent premature distribution penalty. Remember, the $5,000 withheld represents additional taxes you paid for the year and will be a credit on your tax return.

Let's take this a step further. You would still have the option to roll your distribution into an IRA within 60 days. However, you would need to replace from other assets the $5,000 withholding. If this were not possible, and you could only roll over the $20,000, the $5,000 would be considered a taxable distribution and would be subject to income taxes as well as a possible early withdrawal penalty. Again, to avoid taxes and penalties altogether, your plan administrator can directly transfer your entire $25,000 lump sum distribution to an IRA or other qualified plan.

It's very important to note that IRA distributions are not affected by these rules. Only distributions from employer-sponsored qualified retirement plans, such as profit-sharing plans, 401(k)s and money-purchase plans, are involved.

The changes in lump sum distributions are confusing at best, and they can be costly for those who misunderstand them. If a lump sum distribution is in your future, see a tax professional to make sure you don't end up needlessly sacrificing a penny of the retirement benefits for which you worked so hard.

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Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Sunday, July 18, 1993

In the year ahead you might not get out of the starting blocks as quick as you hope, but don't let this discourage you. This is an unusual cycle where you grow stronger and stronger as you near the finish line.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you are overly insistent upon having your own way today, you might run up against someone who is equally adamant about having his/hers own way. A collision is possible. Cancer, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $1.25 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone who knows how to draw you out, but may not have your best interests at heart could get you to reveal things today which, quite frankly, should be kept secret.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Friends might try to involve you in a type of activity today you don't find enjoyable. It may be best to turn them down, rather than participate in an expensive no-fun time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Ambitious objectives can be fulfilled today, provided you have the patience and tenacity to do so. Things you attempt to do in a hasty fashion are apt to fall flat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your ideas might not be readily accepted by others today, so it will be up to you to prove their validity through action instead of explanation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) In a joint endeavor today neither you nor the person with whom you're involved may handle things as wisely as they should be handled where costs are concerned.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There's a possibility you might have to deal with someone today who is rather abrasive. However, this person can be managed if you wear a velvet glove over your armor fist.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Fortunately, you're a person who is endowed with tenaciousness. This quality will put you in a good stead today if you run into a series of obstacles in a row.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today you might encounter someone socially who comes on rather strong and is inclined to always try to upstage you . Let this person do so and get the bad revues it'll generate.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Sit down and discuss matters in detail if you have a problem with a relative or family member today. An honest exchange can help deflate a testy situations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) In conversations with friends today, be able to distinguish between being frank and forthright or just merely being blunt. Your listeners will be able to determine between the two.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be extremely careful in managing your resources today or else you might lose your grip on something for which you've worked very hard. It pays to be practical and cautious.

Your Birthday

Monday, July 19, 1993

Exciting changes are in the offing for you in the year ahead. Success could be coupled to what you learned from experience. You'll not be tripped up again by obstacles over which you fell previously.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Abide by what your inner feelings tell you is right if faced with opposition from others today, but do so in a manner that does not offend companions. Major changes are ahead for Cancer in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $1.25 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph. c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163 Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do not let your intuition or hunches supersede your logic and common sense today. The latter enhances chances for success, the former could diminish it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Unfortunately, you might place your trust today in an acquaintance you know from experience isn't too reliable. You'll have only yourself to blame if havoc results.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Together you and a close friend might come up with a rather ingenious idea today. However, when attempting to iron out the kinks, be careful not to destroy what was created.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Usually you're a self-disciplined person who tries to be careful as to how you express yourself. Today, however, this defense might not be operative and you could say something you shouldn't.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Persons with whom you'll be involved today might lack your vision and positive perspective. Instead of standing up for your ideas, you may let them override you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There is a chance a relationship of dubious value might be terminated today. It's an association you've been trying to figure out a way to unwind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you fail to take your duties and responsibilities seriously at this time, they might end up plaguing you for the balance of the week. You can hide, but you can't escape them.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Someone who has gossiped about you recently might say something unfounded about a close friend to others today in your presence. Squelch the rumor immediately.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You could meet someone new today toward whom you feel quite friendly. However, think twice before inviting this person home. Owing to domestic tensions, the welcome mat might not be out.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) An associate with whom you work might try to take credit today for some concepts or ideas you created. Be prepared to defend yourself in this arena.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you are now involved in a joint endeavor that requires greater funding than anticipated, study this deal more closely to be sure you're not getting into something you shouldn't.

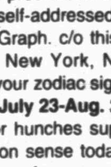
Fans reassured

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Burt Reynolds says fans shouldn't worry about the details of his divorce from Loni Anderson.

"I've been around long enough to know, thank God, that next month or next week my story will be on the bottom of the bird cage," Reynolds said Friday.

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Judge rejects Tilton's injunction request

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Evangelist Robert Tilton failed in his bid to show he would suffer more than ABC News if its "PrimeTime Live" expose of his Dallas-based ministry were shown again, a federal judge has ruled.

U.S. District Judge Thomas Brett denied Tilton's request for a temporary injunction against ABC on Friday, and also indicated that Tilton would have a difficult time winning a pending libel lawsuit against ABC.

Tilton "has not thus far demonstrated that there is a substantial likelihood of recovery on the merits regarding three claims of libel," Brett ruled.

The report alleged that Tilton never saw prayer requests because a bank trashed them after depositing the contributions; that he bought holy items from Taiwan; and that he falsely claimed to support an orphanage in Haiti.

Tilton, pastor of the Word of Faith World Outreach Center, had claimed a rebroadcast of the "PrimeTime Live" report, first shown in November 1991 with a follow-up in July 1992, would further damage his ministry.

Brett said Tilton's evidence of libel "does not rise to the standard level" that Tilton prove potential damage to him outweighs any harm to ABC.

Along with being required to show a likelihood of proving libel, Tilton also had to prove he would suffer irreparable injury if the ABC segment were rebroadcast and that an injunction would not be adverse to the public's interest.

J.C. Joyce, Tilton's attorney, was out of the office and could not be reached for comment, his secretary said.

Attorney Floyd Abrams said ABC was "delighted that First Amendment principles it fought to vindicate have been reaffirmed."

"ABC will continue to resist this unfounded and just libel action and continue to seek to vindicate the public's right to know about powerful public figures such as Reverend Tilton," he said.

The president of the Trinity Foundation in Dallas, Ole Anthony, said the judge's order was a victory for supporters of freedom of speech and religion. The foundation, which monitors the activities of televangelists, has long been a foe of Tilton's.

"As long as charlatans like Tilton continue to take advantage of the most desperate people in our society, it gives true religion a very bad name," Anthony said.

"Because of ABC and Diane Sawyer, somewhere tonight there's a welfare mother who will not send her last dollar out of desperation or a cancer patient who will not fall under the sorcerer's spell," he said.

Joyce had said during the hearing that ABC reporters ignored the truth and edited materials to make it say something the subjects didn't. He claimed the "slats were cut out from under" Tilton when the program was shown, and "if they run this same pack of lies, it'll happen again."

The case was heard in Tulsa in part because ABC reporters said they found prayer requests in the trash outside of a Tulsa company that processed his mail. The president of International Data Management acknowledged during the hearing that 200,000 such requests were dumped, but said that was against policy.

Abrams said he thought it would be unusual if Tilton were to appeal because the legal findings "seem virtually impregnable."

The decision came one day after a state judge in Tulsa threw out civil lawsuits of three Oklahoma women who claimed Tilton defrauded them and inflicted emotional distress through his ministry.

War with Japan ended officially in 1952 when a treaty that had been signed by the United States and 47 other nations took effect.

Guns 'N' Roses have problems in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — Guns 'N' Roses got into some trouble before their concert here, but everything was cleared up just before they hit the stage.

Members of the rock group were charged with cocaine possession and indecent exposure Friday, but the charges were dropped an hour before they performed.

A former state intelligence agency officer, Juan Imbesi, filed the charges, saying band members bought 50 grams of cocaine from dealers in their hotel.

Federal Judge Nerio Bonifatti ordered the band's hotel rooms searched for drugs, but nothing was found, radio station Rivadavia reported.

Imbesi also accused the group's guitarist, Slash, of indecent exposure, saying he posed nude Thursday in front of a 12th-floor hotel window in view of hundreds of teen-age fans in the street below.

The judge had Slash to agree in writing not to expose himself, Rivadavia said.

The group later performed before some 70,000 people at River Plate Stadium.

DATE BOOK

July 17, 1993

Today is the 198th day of 1993 and the 27th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1938, Douglas Groce "Wrong Way" Corrigan took off in a monoplane from Floyd Bennett Field in Brooklyn, N.Y., headed for Los Angeles. He landed 28 hours later in Dublin, Ireland.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Jacob Astor (1763-1848), businessman; Erle Stanley Gardner (1889-1970), detective-story writer; James Cagney (1899-1986), actor-dancer; Art Linkletter (1912-), broadcaster, is 81; Phyllis Diller (1917-), comedian, is 76; Donald Sutherland (1934-), actor, is 59; Diahann Carroll (1935-), actress, is 58; David Hasselhoff (1952-), actor, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1941, Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak ended.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Cleaning your house while your kids are still growing / Is like shoveling the walk before it stops snowing." — Phyllis Diller

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1914, New York Giant outfielder Red Murray was struck by lightning as he was running the bases. He was not seriously injured.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (July 11) and new moon (July 19).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET

Have you ever noticed that those who say "I can relate to you" are folks you don't want climbing your family tree?

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The March of Dimes campaign to fight polio was organized in 1938.

July 18, 1993

Today is the 199th day of 1993 and the 28th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1980, India launched its first satellite, Rohini 1.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Makepeace Thackeray (1811-1863), English novelist; Clifford Odets (1906-1963), dramatist; Hume Cronyn (1911-), actor, is 82; Red Skelton (1913-), comedian, is 80; Nelson Mandela (1918-), South African activist, is 75; John Glenn Jr. (1921-), U.S. senator-astronaut, is 72; Dion DiMucci (1939-), singer, is 54; Hunter S. Thompson (1939-), journalist, is 54.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1976, Romanian gymnast Nadia Comaneci received the first perfect score of 10 in Olympic history.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "To endure is greater than to dare; to tire out hostile fortune; to be daunted by no difficulty; to keep heart when all have lost it; to go through intrigue spotless; to forgo even ambition when the end is gained — who can say this is not greatness?" — William Makepeace Thackeray

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1953, an estimated 27,000 ducks were killed by a hailstorm in Alberta, Canada.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day before new moon (July 19).

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Our minister says sin is getting so boring that some of his congregation are getting a kick out of behaving properly.

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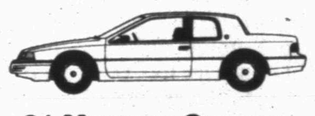

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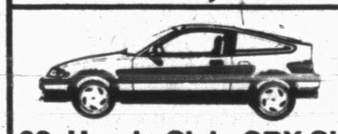

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DIVISION II CHAMPIONS — Snyder UGSA Division II champs for the 1993 season were the Poison II, who finished the campaign with an 11-3 mark. Team members are, back row from left, coach Larry Thompson, Amy Ricks, Miranda Hackford, Kristen Martinez, Angela Matthews, manager Annette Ramos, Elishia Roberts, Vanessa Jones, Amber Graves and coach Mark Harless. Front row from left, Kristen Harless, Mindy Thompson, Davy Barnes, Elishia Bowlin, Jennifer Mayer and Ashley Lee. (Contributed Photo)

Faldo storms into Open lead by shooting record-tying 63

SANDWICH, England (AP) — Nick Faldo's message to his would-be challengers in the British Open was loud and clear, punctuated by a record-matching 63.

Faldo's second-round trip over Royal St. George's Friday was nearly flawless — no bogeys, no "5's" — a mix of his customary mastery with a couple of strokes of pure genius by the defending and three-time champion.

One of those was a 50-yard pitch-in birdie on the 14th, a shot that turned potential trouble into triumph.

As good as that pitch was, it was no better than the low, running 2-iron second shot from 220 yards out that set up a 12-foot putt for the go-ahead birdie and a share of the record on the final hole.

Those two combined with 61 other shots for a score that has not been bettered in all the 122 times this tournament has been played, matching the standard established by Mark Hayes 16 years ago at Turnberry in Scotland.

It put the English ace through 36 holes at 8-under-par 132 and established him as the one to beat.

But it also made him a target for a starry group of challengers that includes Masters champion Bernhard Langer of Germany, Australian Greg Norman, Fred Couples and Corey Pavin.

"All the right names are up there," Faldo said after a glance at the scoreboard.

And they all have him in their sights.

"I think we'd all like to knock him off," Norman said of the man who sent him into a two-year tailspin after their head-to-head confrontation at St. Andrews three years ago. "He's the best, no question about that."

"When you're on top, that's the medal you wear on your chest to be shot at," said Norman, who is only two shots back and insisting that Faldo "is not infallible."

Langer, who would have a share of the lead but for a last-hole bogey on a hooked 7-iron shot that hit a female spectator, was second alone at 133 after a 66.

Norman, with a 68, was tied at 134 with Couples and Pavin, each of whom shot 66. Like Langer, Couples' effort was marred by a stumble at the end: a bogey-bogey finish.

Peter Senior of Australia was next at 69-135 and was trailed by Fuzzy Zoeller and Larry Mize at 136.

All are within reach, but one of Faldo's chief challengers, American PGA champion Nick Price, shot a 70 that put him six behind at 138.

That's a lot to make up against the best player in the world who is playing at the top of his form. But at least Price has a chance. He's still playing.

Jack Nicklaus, Tom Watson, Lanny Wadkins, John Cook, Davis Love and Ben Crenshaw are not. All missed the cut for weekend play.

Faldo, who warmed up for the defense of this title with a victory in the Irish Open in his last previous start, appeared completely at home in the blustery winds that flapped his trouser legs and tousled his dark hair.

A 5-iron to four feet produced a birdie on the opening hole and he ran off three in a row beginning with a 10-foot putt on the fifth. He scored from about 20 feet on the next and needed only a 6-iron second shot to set up a two-putt birdie-4 on the seventh.

A 9-iron to four feet left him one off the lead and — accompanied by a howling, happy mob of fans — he went in front alone with the two great shots on the 14th and 18th.

British Open

Recent winners of the oldest major golf tournament

Year	Winner	Site
1992	Nick Faldo	Muirfield
1991	Ian Baker-Finch	Royal Birkdale
1990	Nick Faldo	St. Andrews
1989	Mark Calcavecchia	Royal Troon
1988	Seve Ballesteros	Royal Lytham and St. Annes
1987	Nick Faldo	Muirfield
1986	Greg Norman	Turnberry
1985	Sandy Lyle	Royal St. George's
1984	Seve Ballesteros	St. Andrews
1983	Tom Watson	Royal Birkdale

Source: PGA Tour — NEA Graphic

Houston tops Cards, 7-6...

Defense sparks Astros in win

ST. LOUIS (AP) — If the Houston Astros manage to catch the first-place San Francisco Giants, they'll look back at a sparkling defensive play as one of the turning points.

The Astros heralded Jeff Bagwell's dramatic, game-saving play after Houston's 7-6 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals Friday night.

"It seem's funny to say it in a 13-run game, but a defensive play is what made the difference, and it's something we might look back on after the season," Astros manager Art Howe said.

The Cardinals scored twice in the eighth inning to move within one run. Then, with the bases loaded, Bagwell fielded Ray Lankford's hard smash on a diving stop to his right. Bagwell managed to throw to second while on his knees for a forceout to end the inning.

Bagwell said he knew he had no chance to get the speedy Lankford at first base.

"I looked up after I caught it, and Lankford was three-quarters of the way to first base," Bagwell said. "Second base was my only play, it was just a reaction play."

Cardinals manager Joe Torre agreed that Bagwell's defensive gem was the difference in the game.

"We win the game if not for that play by Bagwell in the eighth," Torre said. "It was a great play. He had the presence of mind to throw to second. I wouldn't call it a lucky play. Bagwell's always done that to us. He's a terrific player."

Bagwell, who also drove in two runs with a double, said the Astros expect to be in a pennant race even though they trail the Giants by 13 games.

"The season is only half over. We can make a run and catch the Giants. They haven't locked up anything yet," Bagwell said.

Howe said the victory was important because it came on a night when his best pitcher was ineffective.

Starter Darryl Kile was seeking his ninth straight win, and had already defeated the Cardinals twice this season.

Kile was taken out of the game in the third inning after blowing a 4-1 lead when the Cardinals scored three runs on five singles.

"Kile proved he's human tonight. His pitches were high and right over the middle of the plate," Howe said.

Eric Anthony started a three-run rally for the Astros in the eighth with a home run off reliever Lee Guetterman (1-1), breaking a 4-4 tie.

The Astros went on to score two more runs in the inning, thanks to a wild pickoff throw by Guetterman, who allowed six hits and three runs in his one inning of work.

Anthony said the victory was a big lift for the Astros, who had 17 hits in the 3 hour, 46-minute game played in 94-degree heat.

"This was the hottest night game I've ever played in my life," Anthony said.

Tom Edens (1-1), who pitched a scoreless two innings for the Astros, got the victory and Doug Jones, who struck out the two batters he faced, earned his 14th save.

Title IX lawsuit is settled

AUSTIN (AP) — The University of Texas and seven fcmale students announced an agreement Friday in a lawsuit in which the women accused the school of denying them an equal chance to play intercollegiate athletics.

The out-of-court settlement, which still requires a judge's approval, will double the number of women participating in sports at Texas over the next several years, officials said.

Both sides hailed the agreement as a landmark decision in the debate over Title IX that may affect how other colleges and universities equalize sports opportunities between women and men.

Title IX is a 21-year-old federal statute prohibiting gender discrimination in educational institutions that receive federal funds.

Ellen Vargyas, an attorney for the National Women's Law Center in Washington, D.C., said Texas' decision to settle the lawsuit tells other schools to comply with the law.

"Texas is a powerhouse both academically and athletically. Texas has made a judgment that it can't or won't fight this. The message this sends to other schools is that it is simply time for them to come into compliance with the law," said Ms. Vargyas, whose center has sued many times over Title IX violations

"This is just amazing," said Rachel Sanders, one of the women who sued. "I never, ever in my wildest dreams, when I came to this university, thought that this would happen," said the 21-year-old senior from San Angelo.

Under the agreement, Texas has until the end of the 1996 school year to increase the participation in intercollegiate sports by women to 44 percent of the total student-athletes. That is nearly double the current 23 percent.

The school must also increase athletic scholarships to women from the current 32 percent to 42 percent over the next five years.

And Texas will start intercollegiate competition in women's soccer and softball earlier than previously announced. The soccer team will start this fall, and the softball team in the spring of 1996.

Gonzalez slams two homers to push Rangers past Detroit

ARLINGTON (AP) — What a week for Juan Gonzalez: he won a slugging contest at his first All-Star game, then he joins an elite slugging club that includes some of baseball's all-time greats.

The Texas Rangers' young slugger hit two homers Friday to become the 11th youngest player in major league history to reach 100 homers. The blasts helped Texas beat Detroit 9-6 for its sixth straight victory, a season-high. The Rangers have won 10 of their last 11.

"I've got lots of power this year," said Gonzalez, who outclobbered Seattle's budding great Ken Griffey Jr. at the All-Star home run derby in Baltimore on Monday.

"I'm working hard every day. I'm concentrating on my game. It's exciting for myself to have done this before three complete years (in the majors)."

Gonzalez, the defending major league home run king, regained that honor for this year in the third inning Friday with his 25th homer. His first-inning homer had given Texas a 2-0 lead.

Gonzalez reached 100 career homers at 23 years and nine months, tying Joe DiMaggio for No. 11 on the all-time list. At 22 years, four months and 10 days, Mel Ott became the youngest to reach the milestone on July 12, 1931.

Other names on the list include Eddie Mathews, Johnny Bench, Hank Aaron, Mickey Mantle and Ted Williams — a selection that even impressed the newest member of the group.

"They told me I tied for 11th place and that's good," Gonzalez said. "Those are great players."

Gonzalez was playing in his 423rd major league game Friday. Among active players, only Oakland's Mark McGwire reached 100 homers quicker, in his 393rd game. The multi-homer game was Gonzalez's fourth of the season and 12th of his career.

"He's got as good a power as there is," Tigers manager Sparky Anderson said.

But Gonzalez isn't only going for fences this year. He's learned to hit to all fields and with six hits in his last eight at-bats, he's boosted his average to .331.

"He's awesome," Rangers manager Kevin Kennedy said. "He's got some tremendous ability.

Rangers back in chase after return to basics

ARLINGTON (AP) — Since going through a spring training-like workout three weeks ago, the Texas Rangers are drawing walks, moving runners over and hitting the cutoff man.

By doing those fundamental things, the Rangers have climbed from the brink of a lost summer to the thick of the American League West pennant chase.

Rookie manager Kevin Kennedy called the practice for June 25 after his team had lost six straight and 12 of 15. Players had become selfish and the team concept Kennedy was striving for appeared lost.

By having big leaguers go through the drills they've done since Little League, Kennedy snapped the Rangers out of the doldrums.

Entering Friday night's game against Detroit, the Rangers, playing with renewed confidence in themselves and Kennedy, had won five straight and 14 of 17 since the workout, and were only one game out of first place.

"I think that practice was like a wakeup call for us," said first baseman Rafael Palmeiro, who has hit .405 since moving to the No. 3 spot in the lineup, replacing injured Jose Canseco. "People's minds were wandering every which way. It made us come together as a team."

Kennedy cites rookie center fielder David Hulse as the prime example of a player who needed to get back to basics.

Hulse has since made it difficult for pitchers to get him out, getting on base regularly via a walk or a bunt every game. The result is a batting average near .300 and 18 runs scored in the 14 games before Friday.

Also on June 25, Kennedy gave an ultimatum to pouting stars Julio Franco and Canseco: either play through injuries or go on the disabled list.

"We were going with basically 23 guys against 25. You can't do that," Kennedy said.

Franco responded by going on a tear and even playing through new injuries. Canseco has had elbow surgery and is out for the season.

There are plenty of reasons, theories and excuses why the Rangers played so poorly until late June, but Kennedy said that part of the problem may have been the team adjusting to him, its third manager in two years.

He first tried taking charge by showing rage, but instead may have alienated himself by yelling at a rookie on the mound, flipping over a postgame dinner and calling several dreaded team meetings.

For whatever reason, the extra workout worked. "A cloud was lifted in the clubhouse," Kennedy said.

The Rangers finished the first half of the season with a 9-2 road trip, the first time in franchise history that Texas had won more than eight games on a trip. And they did it against the top tier of the AL East, including sweeping a four-game series at Toronto's Skydome.

The Rangers will get a further boost Monday, when strikeout king Nolan Ryan returns for the final three months of his legendary career.

"We need the presence of a veteran starter like a Nolan Ryan," Kennedy said.

As much hope as the recent hot streak has inspired around Arlington Stadium, longtime followers still fear second-half collapses that have been as predictable each year as the oppressive Texas summer heat.

Fans have been teased many times by near-first place standings around the All-Star break, but Kennedy insists his team could give Arlington Stadium its first meaningful postseason game this year, the ballpark's last.

"Winning the pennant is a realistic goal," he said, adding that 90 victories may be all it takes to win in the mediocre AL West. "We know why we lost before and we know why we're winning now. The experience of it is enough."

Baseball glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	50	41	.549	—
Baltimore	49	41	.544	½
New York	49	42	.538	1
Detroit	48	42	.533	1½
Boston	46	43	.517	3
Cleveland	41	49	.456	8½
Milwaukee	37	51	.420	11½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	47	41	.534	—
Texas	46	42	.523	1
Kansas City	45	43	.511	2
California	44	44	.500	3
Seattle	45	45	.500	3
Oakland	39	47	.453	7
Minnesota	36	51	.414	10½

Friday's Games

California 2, Cleveland 1
New York 10, Oakland 3
Boston 5, Seattle 3
Baltimore 9, Minnesota 7
Kansas City 7, Toronto 3
Chicago 4, Milwaukee 3
Texas 9, Detroit 6

Saturday's Games

Oakland (B.Witt 8-6) at New York (J.Abbott 5-8), 1:15 p.m.
Kansas City (Appier 10-4) at Toronto (Stottlemyre 5-7), 1:05 p.m.
Seattle (Bosio 3-4) at Boston (Darwin 8-7), 1:05 p.m.
California (Springer 1-3) at Cleveland (Mutis 1-2), 1:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Tapani 3-11) at Baltimore (Sutcliffe 8-4), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago (McDowell 13-6) at Milwaukee (Navarro 5-6), 8:05 p.m.
Detroit (Gullickson 5-4) at Texas (Pavlik 5-4), 8:35 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Seattle (Johnson 10-5) at Boston (Dopson 7-5), 1:05 p.m.
California (Langston 9-3) at Cleveland (Lopez 0-0), 1:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Pichardo 4-5) at Toronto (Hentgen 11-4), 1:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Guardado 1-2) at Baltimore (Valenzuela 4-7), 1:35 p.m.
Chicago (Bere 4-3) at Milwaukee (Miranda 0-1), 2:05 p.m.
Detroit (Doherty 8-5) at Texas (Leibrandt 9-4), 8:05 p.m.
Oakland (Welch 6-6) at New York (Wickman 8-3), 8:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	57	34	.626	—
St. Louis	52	37	.584	4
Montreal	48	42	.533	8½
Chicago	43	45	.489	12½
Pittsburgh	42	48	.467	14½
Florida	37	52	.416	19
New York	27	62	.303	29

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	61	30	.670	—
Atlanta	52	39	.571	9
Los Angeles	48	41	.539	12
Houston	47	42	.528	13
Cincinnati	47	45	.511	14½
San Diego	35	56	.385	26
Colorado	33	56	.371	27

Friday's Games

Chicago 8, Colorado 2
Cincinnati 4, Florida 0
Atlanta 3, Pittsburgh 2
Houston 7, St. Louis 6
San Diego 5, Philadelphia 3
Los Angeles 2, Montreal 1
San Francisco 4, New York 2

Saturday's Games

Houston (Williams 2-2) at St. Louis (Tewksbury 9-7), 1:05 p.m.
Colorado (Reynoso 7-4) at Chicago (Harkey 6-3), 4:05 p.m.
New York (Tanana 4-8) at San Francisco (Burkett 13-3), 4:05 p.m.
Ilrida (Armstrong 6-9) at Cincinnati (Browning 6-4), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Wagner 4-6) at Atlanta (Smoltz 8-7), 7:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Mulholland 9-6) at San Diego (Benes 9-6), 10:05 p.m.
Montreal (Hill 6-2) at Los Angeles (Gross 7-7), 10:35 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh (Z.Smith 0-3) at Atlanta (Avery 9-3), 1:10 p.m.
Houston (Portugal 7-4) at St. Louis (Watson 1-0), 2:15 p.m.
Florida (Hough 4-10) at Cincinnati (Pugh 5-9), 2:15 p.m.
Colorado (Parrett 3-2) at Chicago (Hibbard 7-6), 2:20 p.m.
Montreal (Fassero 5-1) at Los Angeles (Candiotti 3-5), 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Schilling 8-6) at San Diego (Brocail 2-4), 4:05 p.m.
New York (Schourek 2-10) at San Francisco (Brummett 1-2), 4:05 p.m.

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Backup quarterback...

Millen glad to be with Pokes

AUSTIN (AP) — Who was that running the Super Bowl champions offense on Friday? Hugh who?

Hugh Millen, who lost all seven games he started for the New England Patriots, the worst team in the NFL last year, found himself in charge of the world champion Dallas Cowboys as training camp got underway at St. Edwards University while Troy Aikman recovered from back surgery.

"I've had some unfortunate things happen to me in football," Millen said. "This is sort of a golden egg. It's good to get back into a winning type environment."

Millen suffered a separated shoulder in the Patriots' opener last year and was 0-7 as a starter.

"There's a question whether I should have even been in the lineup," Millen said. "My mechanics suffered with the injury."

The Cowboys signed free agent Millen to a one-year contract to replace Steve Beuerlein who went to Phoenix.

"I understand the parameters of my job," Millen said. "There's no shame backing up Troy."

But will Aikman, the Super Bowl MVP with four touchdown passes, be ready by the Cowboys' opener on Sept. 6 against Washington? Aikman has vowed he'll be the starter.

Millen said he will if Troy can't perform.

"Troy had a delicate operation and if he is healthy and ready then fine," Millen said. "I'm acting under the assumption he won't be ready."

Millen didn't look like a loser on Friday, handling the offense crisply. His throws were strong and true.

Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson was impressed.

"I guess you always look for a silver lining but Hugh Millen has been very impressive in our offense," Johnson said. "He's a tall quarterback (6-foot-5) and has a good arm."

In the last two years, Beuerlein had a 5-1 record as a starter but he signed a lucrative free agent contract with the Phoenix Cardinals.

Johnson said Millen might even be better than Beuerlein.

"As much as I loved Steve Beuerlein who had a good feel for our offense and the game, Hugh throws the ball better," Johnson said. "He really knows our offense. Hugh ran much the same offense when he was with the Los Angeles Rams."

While Aikman worked on a back stretching machine and made a few short tosses, Millen was wowing the crowd of some 5,000 fans with his passing.

"This is a great opportunity for me," said Millen. "It's great to have all these stallions around you. There is a lot of pride here. The superstars on this team work harder than anybody. I like that kind of attitude."

Millen, who is playing for his fourth NFL team, has a 60 percent completion percentage in seven years in the league. He has 19 touchdown passes and 32 interceptions.

Ironically, one of his victories came over Dallas. Starting for Atlanta, he led the Falcons to a 26-7 victory in 1990 to knock the Cowboys from playoff contention.

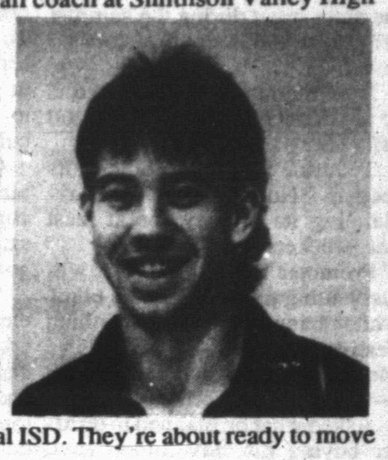
"It's good to be back in a place again where everyone walks around with their heads held high," he said. "This is a great atmosphere and I'm happy to be here."

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Garrett takes job in New Braunfels

Snyder High School coach Matt Garrett recently accepted the position of head girls' basketball coach at Smithson Valley High School in New Braunfels.



Garrett, who served as assistant girls' varsity basketball coach, assistant girls' varsity volleyball coach, assistant girls' varsity track coach, head JV basketball coach and head JV volleyball coach at SHS, will inherit a Smithson Valley team that has finished no lower than third the last five years.

"It's a golden opportunity," Garrett said. "It's really the opportunity of a lifetime to be able to go to such a big school as head coach.

"It's a 4A school in the Comal ISD. They're about ready to move up to 5A, too."

Garrett said his new job begins as soon as he can get there.

While he is excited about his new position, he says he will leave some good friends behind.

"I really would like to thank Jack Dorsett, Levon Webb and Steve Krueger for taking care of me while I was here," Garrett said, "and I want to, of course, thank coach (David) Baugh for supporting me. They are all quality people."

Garrett's 1992 JV volleyball squad forged a 22-6 season mark, while his basketballers went 4-6 through the District 2-4A campaign.

He assisted varsity coach Patty Grimmett in the SHS Lady Tigers' 14-14 playoff season in volleyball, and coach Jerry Tucker in Snyder's 3-24 varsity cage season in 1992-93.

Garrett's previous coaching experience includes an 18-month stint at Trinity Christian Academy in Lubbock, a TAPPS school, where he was on the basketball, football and golf staffs.

He is a native of Lubbock and a 1990 graduate of Texas Tech.

Baugh said that plans call for last year's freshman coach, Robin Turner, to be promoted and assume Garrett's duties.

Another coaching change in the Snyder ISD has recently hired Dan Puletti taking over for seventh grade football coach Rudy Hinojos, who moved to Midland earlier this year.

Dallas inks Johnston to 1-year deal

AUSTIN (AP) — Veteran fullback Daryl Johnston signed a one-year contract for about $700,000 on Friday with the world champion Dallas Cowboys.

Johnston's signing leaves only running back Emmitt Smith unsigned from the Cowboys corps of veteran players who beat Buffalo 52-17 in the Super Bowl.

Smith is seeking $4 million per year and the Cowboys have offered a little over $2 million per season.

Johnston had been dickering with the Cowboys for a two-year deal but couldn't reach terms.

Stephen Jones, Cowboys' vice president, said, "Johnston could be losing money next year when he tests the free agent market but we'll see how it goes. We feel he will be with the Cowboys again next year.

"The important thing is that we will be getting Daryl into camp. All our negotiations with him were amicable."

Johnston will report for his first practice on Tuesday after he irons out some business.

The Cowboys also signed running back Derrick Lassic of Alabama to a three-year deal for an undetermined amount.

Lassic, who led the Crimson Tide to the national championship, was drafted in the fourth round. He will report immediately to training camp at St. Edward's University.

Only second round pick Darrin Smith, a linebacker from the University of Miami, remains unsigned from the Cowboys draft.

Sports Briefs

Summerfest tournament is slated

Summerfest '93 men's softball tournament has been planned for July 24 and 25 at Snyder's Winston Park.

Entry fee is $100 per team with a three-game guarantee.

Included in the tournament will be a consolation bracket with a trophy going to the top finisher.

Other awards include trophies to the first and second place teams, T-shirts for players on first through third place squads, 10 all-tournament T-shirts, and a T-shirt for the tourney MVP.

For more information or to register, contact Chris Maxfield at 573-6862 during the day, or 573-4332 at night.

Junior golf clinic planned at WTC

Western Texas College will host a junior golf clinic from July 19-23.

Golfers age 9-18 will be accepted into the clinic. The 9-12 year-old age group will work from 8-10 a.m., followed from 10 a.m. to noon by the 13-18 division.

Included in the $40 registration fee will be videotape sessions.

Instructors will be Snyder High School girls' golf coach Matt Glenn, WTC assistant pro Rick Kahlick, and SHS boys' golf coach Bob O'Day.

For more information, or to register, contact the golf shop at Western Texas College at 573-9291, or Glenn at 573-0912.

Athletes need to schedule exams

Incoming SISD athletes who need a physical examination should have an appointment by Aug. 3.

All incoming seventh graders and high school freshmen, all new Snyder students planning to play sports, any student who has not competed in athletics but plans to in the 1993-94 school year, and any student who answered yes to questions 1,4,5,6 or 7 on their medical history form must have an exam.

The school district will pay for all athletic physicals scheduled prior to Aug. 3. Appointments should be scheduled as early as possble to avoid last-minute problems.

Doctors who will schedule physicals include Dr. James Burleson, Dr. Bid Cooper, Dr. Robert Pierce, Dr. Paul Thompson and Dr. Gary Nussey.

Athletes not needing a physical should return all completed forms to the Athletic Director's office or to Steve Krueger, SHS trainer, 3801 Austin Ave.

Albus shoots 65 for Senior lead

AURORA, Ill. (AP) — Jim Albus shot 7-under-par 65 to take a two-stroke lead in the first round of the $600,000 Ameritech Senior Open.

Albus birdied two of the first four holes and five of the last six of the 6,840-yard Stonebridge Country Club course.

Chi Chi Rodriguez, George Archer and Bill McDonough each shot 67s.

The group at 68 included Bob Charles, Al Geiberger, Dick Hendrickson, Dave Hill, Dick Lotz, J.C. Snead, DeWitt Weaver and Jim O'Hern.

Defending champion Dale Douglass shot 73. Arnold Palmer had a 2-under 70.

Mitchell gets two-game suspension

CINCINNATI (AP) — Outfielder Kevin Mitchell had an altercation with Cincinnati Reds manager Davey Johnson and was suspended two games.

Mitchell missed the Reds' first game after the All-Star break Thursday, and was docked a day's pay. Johnson told him of the fine when he arrived at the clubhouse.

Their private meeting became volatile. Reporters were kept out of the clubhouse, but could hear shouting. General manager Jim Bowden said there was an altercation.

Cowboys host Ann Richards

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — They were the only high heels on the Dallas Cowboys' practice field at St. Edward's University.

Gov. Ann Richards, escorted by team owner Jerry Jones, strolled along the sidelines Friday to see the Super Bowl champs prepare for the 1993 season.

The governor was one of 4,100 fans who came to see the Cowboys on the opening day of training camp.

Defensive lineman Tony Casillas looked up from the field for a moment to greet Richards. "How ya doin'?" he yelled to the governor.

Richards spent nearly an hour watching drills and gabbing with Jones, coach Jimmy Johnson and Super Bowl MVP Troy Aikman, who is recuperating from back surgery.

"This year we want to see two Texas teams in the Super Bowl. Would that be a show or what?" Richards asked Johnson.

"That would be fine with me because that means we're in it," Johnson said with a laugh.

"I admit I'm a big Cowboys fan," Richards said. "I followed them last year (and) I loved watching that Super Bowl at the White House."

But the governor confessed she had another motive for showing up: to try to get her favorite player, NFL rushing champion Emmitt Smith, to sign a contract.

"If you need me to go negotiate with Emmitt Smith, I'm ready to volunteer," Richards said.

Transactions

Friday's Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press
BASEBALL
American League

BOSTON RED SOX—Extended the contract of Butch Hobson, manager, through the 1994 season.

CALIFORNIA ANGELS—Placed John Orton, catcher, on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled Jim Walewander, infielder, from Vancouver of the Pacific Coast League. Transferred Julio Valera, pitcher, from the 15-to the 60-day disabled list.

CLEVELAND INDIANS—Signed Daron Kirkreit, pitcher, and assigned him to Watertown of the New York-Penn League.

SEATTLE MARINERS—Assigned Edgar Martinez, third baseman, to Jacksonville of the Southern League on a 20-day rehabilitation assignment and Rich DeLucia, pitcher, to Calgary of the Pacific Coast League on a 30-day rehabilitation assignment. **National League**

CINCINNATI REDS—Suspended Kevin Mitchell, outfielder, for two games, and placed him on the 15-day disabled list.

COLORADO ROCKIES—Traded Butch Henry, pitcher, to the Montreal Expos for Kent Bottenfield, pitcher. Sent Keith Shepherd, pitcher, to Colorado Springs of the Pacific Coast League.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Placed Bud Black, pitcher, on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled Gino Minutelli, pitcher, from Phoenix of the Pacific Coast League.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Signed Alan Benes, pitcher, and assigned him to Glens Falls of the New York-Penn League.

Top players holding out

by The Associated Press

Pittsburgh running back Barry Foster, Indianapolis quarterback Jeff George and Raiders defensive linemen Howie Long remained on sidelines, trying to force their teams to renegotiate contracts, and were fined the new maximum $4,000 per day.

Foster, the No. 2 rusher last season, is trying to re-do the deal he signed 10 months ago. Pittsburgh won't consider re-working his contract until he shows.

George remained out without giving teammates or coach Ted Marchibroda a clue to what's wrong.

Long, a seven-time Pro Bowler, has three years left on a 7-year, $9 million contract, and he's reportedly unhappy with his $1.5 million salary this season. Denver Broncos running back Steve Sewell, who shattered his left ankle during camp last season, retired after eight seasons.

Minnesota signed top draft choice Robert Smith, a running back from Ohio State.

Getting to camp tough for rookie

AUSTIN (AP) — Rookie Kevin Williams knew training camp with the world champion Dallas Cowboys was going to be a grind.

He just didn't know how tough it was going to be just getting to St. Edward's University from Dallas.

Wide receiver Williams, the Cowboys' top draft pick out of the University of Miami, was speeding down Interstate 35 Thursday when his car suffered a blowout. He put on the spare.

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"They were new tires and I couldn't believe it," Williams said.

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Team	W	L
Fric & Frac	30½	15½
Sherry and Laurie	30	14
The Rebel and the Yank	27	17
Woody and Diana	24	20
Dana and Linda	23	21
Sherry and Robert	22	22
Billie and David	20	24
M&M	20	24
Tracy and Wendell	19½	24½
Leda and Darlene	19½	24½
April and Deana	16½	27½
Melco	13	31

High series: Robert Early 539; **High game:** Beverly Jackson 224; **High handicap series:** Melba Surratt 622; **High handicap game:** Beverly Jackson 276.

Converted splits: Alma Posey 3-10; Jerry Surratt 5-8-10.

200-500: Robert Early 539; Woody Taylor 201, 507; Beverly Jackson 224, 507; Keith Bryant 533.

TRIPLE THREAT
7-15-93

Team	W	L
D. Grant	23	9
C. Reed	22	10
D. Lyle	24½	11½
C. Patrick	20½	15½
R. Lloyd	20	16
W. Page	16	16
L. Smith	19½	16½
D. Hanak	17	19
K. Jones	16	20
T. Crawley	16	20
W. Monroney	15½	20½
R. Pavlik	13	19
R. Early	12	24
M. Lyle	9	27

High series: Lynn Smith 686; **High game:** Bill Miller 266.

Converted splits: Bill Miller 2-7-8; Robert Early 6-7-10; Russell Lloyd 3-10.

200-500: Bill Miller 266, 566; Lynn Smith 233, 262, 686; Darrell Grant 209, 591.

Rodeo results

58th Annual Scurry County Rodeo
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Friday's results

Saddle bronc riding: 1. Guy Banks, Manchester, 64; 2. Jason Amison, Pecos, 61; **Calf roping:** Chad Hiatt, no home town listed, 8.373; Clay Schreicker, Dexter, N.M., 8.784; 3. Randy Bomar, Midland, 8.896; **Team roping:** 1. Rusty Wright and Rusty Ray, 4.573; 2. Les Dial and Greg Martinez, 4.973; 3. Shane Hatch and Rick McKinley 5.195; **Bull riding:** 1. Eddie Smerdon, Amarillo, 79; 2. Lauren Odell, Morse, 69; 3. Kenneth Wise, Abilene, 68.

Breakaway roping: 1. Tamra Tivis, Portales, N.M. 6.495; **Barrel racing:** 1. Mary Beth Simpson, Archer City, 17.724; 2. Missy Harris, no home town listed, 17.762; 3. Brenda Etcheverry, Carlsbad, N.M., 17.798.

Standings after two performances

Bareback riding: 1. Cole Tindol, Canadian, 76; 2. Jo Ed Eckert, Morse, 68; **Saddle bronc riding:** 1. Guy Banks, Manchester, 64; 2. Jason Amison, Pecos, 61; **Calf roping:** 1. Bruce Gibbs, no home town listed, 8.352; 2. Chad Hiatt, 8.373; 3. Clay Schreicker, Dexter, N.M., 8.784; **Team roping:** 1. Rusty Wright and Rusty Ray 4.573; Les Dial and Greg Martinez 4.973; 3. Shane Hatch and Rick McKinley 5.195. **Bull riding:** 1. Eddie Smerdon, Amarillo, 79; 2. Michael Daniel, Lubbock, 78; 2. Shon McIntyre, Morse, 76.

Breakaway roping: 1. J.J. Hampton, Stephenville, 3.642; 2. Cathy Crowder, Ira, 3.782; 3. Shawn Wise, Vernon, 3.908; **Barrel racing:** 1. Jana Himes, no home town listed, 17.340; 2. Latisha Whitfield, Odessa, 17.708; 3. Mary Beth Simpson, Archer City, 17.724.

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Welcome to Telluride; now please go away

TELLURIDE, Colo. (AP) — Dogs used to sleep in the middle of the main street during the summer off-season at this southwestern ski resort.

Now the hip mountain town is so popular it has to take a weekend off.

Telluride is in the middle of its second "Nothing Festival," reclaiming its privacy for at least one weekend.

Promoter Dennis Wrestler was just putting up the festival's blank white banner, while "Nothing Festival" T-shirts — with "Leave Me Alone" stenciled on the back — were selling briskly Friday.

Asked what he planned to do after buying his, Jay Simon said, "Nothing."

Wrestler got the idea two years ago after a big rock concert left the town covered in trash and its ears ringing.

"I was just trying to eliminate one big rock concert," he recalls. To preempt plans for another concert in 1992 for the same weekend, he proposed a "Nothing Festival" to the commission that controls cultural events.

City Manager Virginia Egger jumped at the idea. The 1991 rock concert "was a disaster," she said. "We said never again. We're going to get lynched."

Wrestler, owner of a carpet-cleaning service and liquor store, adds, "People just ate it up because they wanted a little peace and quiet. We're putting on the tourists but not putting them down. It's a sort of mental health weekend."

The town of 1,500 has become a victim of its own success. Tourism has been growing 20 percent per year, with many visitors attracted by the many festivals and forums that draw participants and celebrities from around the nation. Forty-two events are listed on the Telluride calendar for this summer.

Festivals range from the Mushroom Festival and Native American Writers Forum to the Telluride Bluegrass Festival, which has become so popular the town has to limit attendance to 10,000.

Mel Gibson and Sissy Spacek performed A.R: Gurney's "Love Letters" last week in two sold-out benefits for the Sheridan Opera House.

"It's hard to be nice to people every day," Egger said. "The town needs a break."

During the "Nothing Festival," residents are encouraged to pay visits to one another, although much business is already conducted during roadside chats. Delivery trucks still park right in the middle of the main street, a relic of Telluride's mule train days.

"Last year's festival was a total success. Nothing happened," said former Mayor Peter Spencer.

Dave Erickson, owner of Timberline Hardware, says most townspeople moved here to ski, but then discovered there is much more to do during the summer, including hiking, mountain biking and camping.

The town's newfound popularity has spawned a wave of anti-growth sentiment.

The bankruptcy of a $79 million luxury hotel seems to have been greeted almost with a sigh of relief. The town council, nervous about additional growth, has voted to oppose expansion of the ski area.

Wrestler remembers it wasn't always that way.

"I moved here 20 years ago. Twelve years ago if you had a full-time job you were a god," he said. "Now we're trying to do one little thing to bring the community together."

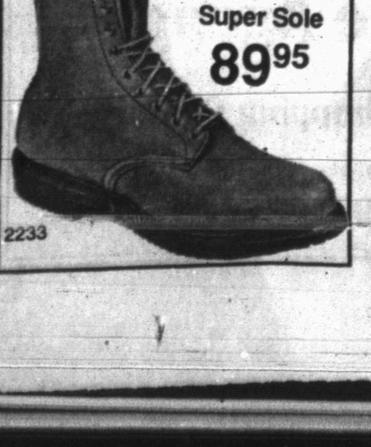
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CARING AND SHARING
By Homer Anderson



The church is God's benevolent hand to those in need. The church was built by Christ (Matthew 16:18), He is its head (Ephesians 1:22-23), and He is its pattern for living (1 Peter 2:21). Jesus had great compassion for those in need, which was demonstrated at the tomb of Lazarus. "Jesus wept" (John 11:35) and then raised Lazarus from the dead. He had compassion for the mulitudes (Matthew 9:36; Mark 8:2) and then provided food for them. Our compassion must move us to help, also.

Jesus taught about caring. When asked, "Who is my neighbor?" He explained by telling about the good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37). He taught that one basis for judgment will be the help we give to those in need. "For I was hungry, and you gave Me to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in; naked, and you clothed Me; I was sick, and you visited Me; I was in prison, and you came to Me" (Matthew 25:35-36, NASB).

We are reminded in a time of economic recession and high unemployment, "Let love of the brethren continue. Forget not to show love unto strangers..." (Hebrews 13:1-2), and "So then, as we have opportunity, let us work that which is good toward all men, and especially toward them that are of the household of faith" (Galatians 6:10).

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren
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Mother Hopes to Reassure Daughter's Adoptive Parents

DEAR ABBY: Thank you from the bottom of my heart for printing the letter from "One of Many Unwed Mothers." It is my fervent hope that my birth daughter's adoptive parents will read that column and decide to forgive me for finding my daughter.

The pain of not knowing my child's fate, and the guilt I felt from cutting her off from her history, led me to locate her three years ago, when she was 24.

I was blessed. She has had an excellent upbringing — far better than I could have given her at the time. She welcomed the medical and genealogical history I had gathered for her, and gave me the chance to tell her why I have given her up for adoption. This resolved my long-standing guilt, and allowed us to form a special friendship.

I realize that some adoptive parents have unresolved feelings over the adoption issue.

Abby, please say something to reassure them. I know that they have always been my daughter's "real" parents ... and they have no reason to feel they are "losing" her. In fact, accepting me as their daughter's special friend can only strengthen her love for them.

I hope that someday they'll see that a daughter can love two mothers just as naturally as a mother can love two children. Sign me ...

GRATEFUL

DEAR GRATEFUL: I've heard adopted children say that birth parents gave them life — but adoptive parents gave them love. Adoptive parents who have built a warm, loving relationship with their children should not fear losing their children — children need to find their "roots," but they never forget who nurtured them to adulthood and gave them wings.

If and when a child meets his birth parents, his life is enriched by having the love of all his parents. Thank you for confirming this.

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DEAR ABBY: Five or maybe six years ago, you had a letter from someone who insisted that beer was OK to drink because it wasn't nearly as intoxicating as the "hard" stuff — whiskey.

In your answer, you shot that theory down with some facts. Will you please run it again?

NOE VALLEY DAD

DEAR DAD: The letter you refer to ran in November 1986. Here it is:

DEAR ABBY: Is beer considered an alcoholic beverage? A lot of high school guys drink beer and think there's nothing wrong with it. (Some girls, too.)

Well, this one kid, who is in the ninth grade, brought a six-pack over to my house, drank it all up and took the empty cans home with him so my folks wouldn't find them. He didn't act drunk or anything, but he talked pretty loud. How much alcohol is there in a can of beer? Please let me know in the paper. Other kids might want to know, too.

A GIRL IN PHOENIX

DEAR GIRL: There is as much alcohol in a can of beer as there is in a drink of whiskey served in a bar. (One and a half ounces!) Tell your friends this, and don't permit anyone to bring beer into your home.

Also, never ride with anyone who has been drinking beer. It may not seem to be as intoxicating as whiskey, but it is.

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DEAR ABBY: Thank you for printing the letter from the teen-age girl who was struggling with shyness.

I, too, am a very shy and quiet person. I've been this way all my life. I can't tell you how many people have said, "You sure are quiet." I can't imagine anyone going up to a person and saying, "You sure have a big mouth!"

I would like to reassure everyone that I know I am quiet, but I am a very well-adjusted, happy person who enjoys being quiet. I am quiet because I have nothing to say, and I don't want to fill the quietness with empty chatter. I would find it quite exhausting to make small talk, or worse yet, try to be the life of the party, or the center of attention.

In the past, I have tried to talk more and be more outgoing so people would like me better, but it did not become me ... it was not natural.

It has taken me years to like myself just the way I am. I have many friends who like me just the way I am, so to the others who are disturbed by my quietness and shy personality, please leave me alone. Please don't try to make me feel that there is something wrong with me because I am different from you who feel compelled to talk all the time.

Abby, if you print this — and I hope you do — you will be doing an enormous favor to all the shy, quiet people who read your column. There are more of us than you could possibly imagine.

QUIET IN ATLANTA

DEAR QUIET: Here's your letter, which should make a highly audible statement, and will put an end to that question — "Why are you so quiet?"

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DEAR ABBY: "Frustrated in Kansas" suggested that a description of the gift be included on the back of the gift card, so the bride can say something nice about the gift when she acknowledges it.

That wouldn't have helped me when I was married 46 years ago. My father came home one evening quite upset. A family friend, "Mrs. Smith," who worked at the Lutheran Book Store had given my father a wedding gift for my husband and me. Daddy had tossed it in the backseat of his car and carried it around for several weeks. That day, he noticed it was gone! (Imagine someone stealing a gift-wrapped package from an unlocked car!)

Daddy said, "Now, you write them a nice thank-you note." I asked, "What did it feel like?" He growled, "My god, Marjorie, how should I know? It was a book of some kind."

I dutifully wrote a note saying how interesting the book was, and I was sure my husband and I would enjoy it.

Some months after our wedding, Mrs. Smith asked my mother if we had received any other "family bibles"!

I thought you might get a laugh out of this.

MARJORIE MACKEY, OXFORD, OHIO

DEAR MARJORIE: I did. And so did my staff. Thanks for sending it. The moral to that story is, "It doesn't pay to bluff; even if you have four kings — someone else might have four aces."

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THOUGHTS WHILE SHAVING: "Happiness is having a large, loving, caring, close-knit family in another city." (George Burns)

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New marshal besieged by calls to resign

THREE FORKS, Mont. (AP) — A former Texas lawman is putting Three Forks on the map of places to stay out of if you're driving drunk.

Some townspeople don't like that.

There are calls for Joe Eldrege to resign.

Eldrege, a policeman who came here from College Station, has arrested 19 people in the last 10 months for driving under the influence, including a city councilman. That's more than five times the number of people arrested for DUI in all of 1992.

As an outsider in a ranching community of 1,200 along the headwaters of the Missouri River, Eldrege is causing waves that threaten to inundate him. He admits the rising storm is more of a battle than he expected.

Residents have demanded he leave, complained of his alleged disregard for police policy, pointed to what they call his lack of compassion and called him an eager beaver out to make Three Forks "his town."

The 28-year-old lawman says he fell in love with the Gallatin Valley last year and wanted to escape the hectic life of the Dallas suburbs and didn't think a small town would be all that different.

"I didn't expect what I got in terms of fighting this large of a battle," Eldrege told the Bozeman Daily Chronicle in an interview.

He says he has arrested only blatant offenders and would rather give people a ride home than arrest them for DUI. Now, one of the complaints against him is he allows unauthorized people in his patrol car.

"I will run a taxi service," Eldrege says. But drive drunk and he'll arrest you, if he can.

Longtime resident and former mayor Bill Fairhurst says drinking and driving is not new to Three Forks.

"People thought nothing of getting snockered in our bars and driving home," Fairhurst says. "If a city marshal just turned his back, he's not doing the job and we've had that in the past."

The town's other marshal, 12-year veteran Hank Hecker, says the DUI problem had been under control in recent years, but a growing population is bringing it back to the forefront.

Former railroader Dick Emerson, who pleaded guilty to a DUI after being arrested in front of his home by Eldrege, says the marshal he calls "Texas Joe" is a little bit gung-ho.

"I would make a strong suggestion that maybe he should slow down a little bit and not be so fast and harsh on us old grandpas," Emerson says.

Eldrege says there is room for compassion in law enforcement but there also is a need for consistency. "I don't think you can be consistent on the lenient side."

Another person stopped for DUI was City Councilman Jack Rochford, arrested in December.

Rochford, the president of Three Forks Security Bank, denies he is trying to run Eldrege out of town: "I don't have any hassles with the guy."

However, he wrote a three-page letter to the City Council in January about citizen complaints involving a city marshal who took unauthorized passengers in his patrol car, stopped people only because their cars were parked in front of a bar and made arrests outside of his jurisdiction. Eldrege was not named by Rochford.

City Councilman Jack Armstrong, however, wrote a letter in May outlining some of the same allegations and naming Eldrege. He also demanded the marshal's resignation.

The national media found out about "Texas Joe" and has besieged Eldrege and others with inquiries. The lawman says he has not solicited the attention.

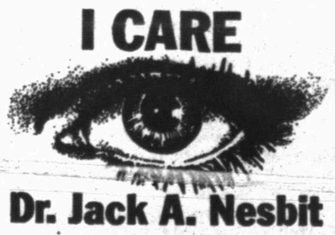
Three Forks Mayor Bonnie Cook says she tires of taking time out from her beauty salon to answer questions about Eldrege from reporters who think she is a full-time mayor.

Rochford wonders why anybody cares and believes the publicity is hurting his family.

He also won't comment on his particular case since he is awaiting a jury trial, but adds: "My side won't make it to print."

"I don't know how I'm getting dragged into this," Rochford says. "It's not good for Joe, it's not good for me and it's not good for the town."

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Condemned man may have found way to avoid execution

HOUSTON (AP) — A prosecutor says death row inmate John Henry Selvage has found a way to postpone his execution indefinitely by refusing to take drugs that allow him to remain competent — a requirement for the state to kill him.

The 42-year-old retarded Texas man, scheduled to die by lethal injection early Tuesday, received a stay from State District Judge Joe Kegans Thursday after several witnesses testified his mental condition has deteriorated.

Harris County prosecutor Shirley Cornelius said Selvage has refused to take psychotrophic medication that would keep him sane and competent.

The U.S. Supreme Court has ruled that incompetent death row inmates can't be executed, and there is no legal way to force a condemned prisoner to take medication unless he becomes a menace to himself or others.

The stay moves Selvage into legal limbo. Because he's on death row, he can't be moved to a hospital for treatment. Instead, he'll go back and forth between death row and Harris County Jail for periodic competency examinations.

Kegans said there is no doubt Selvage's condition has seriously deteriorated in recent weeks. Paperwork from Houston psychologist Jerome Brown and Vernon State Hospital clinical director John Bateman indicate that Selvage is delusional without the drugs.

Jailhouse visitors say Selvage this month has started to hiss, chant, bark, growl, slam his head into walls, burn himself with cigarettes and tell people his practice of yoga will save him from execution.

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Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Why can't my mother's doctor regulate her blood pressure? Thirteen years ago it ran high. Since then, her doctor has prescribed 23 different kinds of blood pressure medicine. I mentioned to him three years ago that perhaps she should see a specialist. This met with a genuine tantrum on his part, and nowI've lost all confidence in him.

DEAR READER: Virtually all cases of hypertension are now treatable using modern drugs, a far cry from my internship days when only a couple of medications were available for this purpose.

Consequently, I'm surprised that your mother's doctor has been tearing his hair out over her high blood pressure. By prescribing adequate doses of diuretics, beta-blockers, calcium-channel blockers, ACE inhibitors or other drugs (such as hydralazine), he should have been able to bring her blood pressure under control.

Perhaps it's time to involve a specialist. Ask her doctor again to refer her to a cardiologist for another opinion about managing her disease.

On your first go-around, his "tantrum" was totally inappropriate — and makes me wonder whether his priorities lie with your mother's health or his own over-inflated ego. Now, after 13 years of frustration, he should welcome some help.

Get your mother to a specialist, either with her doctor's blessing or without it. Hypertension is a dangerous disease that leads to stroke and heart disorders. She needs suitable medical care. Now.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my new Health Report "Hypertension." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a

long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband suffered a stroke about a year ago. While he's recuperating well with exercise and therapy, his main problem is a loss of taste for food. How long might this last?

DEAR READER: Loss of smell and taste (the two ordinarily function together) may occur after a stroke, although this is relatively unusual. The loss can be temporary or permanent. There is no treatment.

Because diminished smell/taste frequently has other causes, such as sinus infection and nasal congestion, your husband needs an examination by his family doctor to exclude treatable causes for this nuisance.

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Stress, a ubiquitous element in human existence, has been believed since Biblical times to influence health. However, not until the Civil War did organized medicine pay much attention to stress. At that time, the term "soldier's heart" was first coined; this was later re-defined as "shell-shock" during World War I.

Serious investigation into stress began in the 1930s. Dr. Hans Selye, working at McGill University in Toronto, devoted much of his career to defining the effects of stress, which he discovered were associated with hormone changes that produce devastating consequences, such as heart disease, hypertension and depression. Subsequent studies confirmed Selye's hypothesis that stress initiates a cascade of chemical reactions starting with the hypothalamus (a structure deep in the brain) and ending with neurotransmitters, compounds naturally produced in the body to aid in the "fight or flight" reaction to danger.

Such neurotransmitters include epinepherine (adrenaline), acetylcholine, dopamine and serotonin. Eventually, these natural substances stimulate the adrenal glands to secrete cortisone. The end results are increased blood sugar, more rapid pulse and high blood pressure, among other effects.

Although this natural reaction may have been necessary for the prehistoric man who was attacked by a saber-toothed tiger, it is less appropriate for the white-collar worker sitting at a desk and attempting to deal with the frustrations of a job. Also, the concept of stress is relative: What's stressful for one person may be entirely normal for another. Thus, the consequences of stress can be modified or prevented by breaking the cycle at a number of places.

As researchers learned more about the stress reaction, it became obvious that attitude was a crucial determinant of the degree of physical reaction. By helping highly stressed people to revise their perceptions, doctors have been able to prevent the physical consequences of stress. For example, some aggressive and super-ambitious persons cannot wait in line without being stressed. They are easily upset by circumstances beyond their control, such as the weather and heavy traffic. These people need to learn ways to relax and accept situations over which they have no influence. This re-thinking definitely lowers the stress-threshhold.

Other methods to help people to relax, such as biofeedback and meditation, have demonstrable benefit. In fact, a recent report to the American Heart Association showed that relaxing techniques actually improved heart function in cardiac patients. Furthermore, these techniques may improve psoriasis, combat depression and strengthen the immune system. (Stress is known to make us more susceptible to the common cold, for instance.)

Stress, which can be defined as the way we deal with life, clearly exerts more influence on some people than on others. Therefore, teaching people to relax may be yet another way to promote good health. At the very least, this activity may help some patients to reduce their medicine. In a study at Harvard, 80 percent of hypertensives were able to lower their doses of medicine and 16 percent could forego drugs entirely after a stress-reduction program.

Biofeedback is far from being available in most doctors' offices, although many medical centers now have such programs in place. Nonetheless, all of us can attempt to lower our stress levels by altering our attitudes about everyday frustrations (life's too short) and by taking a few moments several times a day to engage in relaxing meditation. This activity has the potential to interrupt chemical pathways that may be hazardous to health.

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Former publicist for Maples sues Donald Trump

NEW YORK (AP) — Chuck Jones, Marla Maples' former publicist, has slapped Donald Trump with a lawsuit accusing him of helping feed the press with false stories about Jones stealing Maples' shoes, underwear, nude photos and diary.

Jones, 50, has been charged with offenses including burglary and possession of stolen property.

Trump was named in the lawsuit Wednesday along with Maples' mother, six New York Post reporters and others. The Post articles attributed the information mostly to police and unidentified sources. The lawsuit seeks unspecified damages.

Trump called the lawsuit ridiculous and said Jones is "just trying to get a few bucks."

"Chuck needs some serious psychological help," Trump said.

Neither Maples nor the newspaper was named as a defendant.

Visits Rotary Club

CONYERS, Ga. (AP) — Howard Rollins, a detective on CBS' "In the Heat of the Night," says his real-life run-ins with the law have made him a better actor.

He spent about a month in jail for driving under the influence and reckless driving. He was released June 16.

He told the Rotary Club on Wednesday he used drugs and alcohol "to level out the highs and lows" in his life.

"I now have found other ways to try to make my situation work," he said.

State considers carcinogen emissions

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Attorney General Dan Morales said Friday he will ask a state judge to prohibit a petroleum refining plant from emitting excessive amounts of the cancer-causing toxin benzene.

The announcement came as the Texas Air Control Board said last-minute efforts to forge an agreement with Coastal Refining and Marketing Inc. were unsuccessful.

Morales said prevailing winds have been pushing the contaminated air away form populated areas and are likely to do so throughout the summer.

But he said Coastal's employees and workers at other plants in the area are at risk, and he will not wait until large populations are harmed to take action.

"This is a potentially very dangerous situation for area residents and school children. The plant site is only one-half mile from an elementary school and is adjacent ot a residential neighborhood of about 20,000 residents," Morales said.

Officials said the motion for a temporary restraining order will be filed Monday in Corpus Christi.

The company had said residents were not at risk because it is shutting down the benzene loading tank that was found to have a bad seal.

"We're 99.9 percent sure that's it," Coastal spokesman Steve Eames said. "It's a matter of a day or so, not a week or so."

The emission, measured by the Texas Air Control Board last Saturday, was 150 to 175 times the state limit. But it was a tiny fraction of the amount that can cause symptoms such as dizziness or headaches.

"It would take a long-term exposure, like months, to cause problems at those levels," Eames said.

Eames called the emissions "unusual and unacceptable," but he said the levels would go down once the tank is emptied.

Benzene, a flammable, colorless liquid, is a natural part of crude oil.

Various industries use it to make petroleum products including plastics, gasoline, rubber and lubricants. It is one of the cancer-causing agents in tobacco.

Brief exposure to benzene — 5 to 10 minutes — can cause drowsiness, dizziness, headaches and unconsciousness at levels of 700 to 3,000 parts per million, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The exposure measured at Coastal was 1.5 parts per million.

Texas Air Control Board guidelines say acceptable levels range from 10 parts per billion in a 30-minute period; to seven parts per billion in an eight-hour period; and four parts per billion in an 24-hour period.

Prolonged exposure to benzene can affect the immune system, cause blood disorders, anemia and cancer.

The Sierra Club called for health screening of neighborhood residents.

Oak Park residents, who formed a watchdog group in November after a pipeline explosion at Coastal Javelina Inc., are considering a lawsuit because of the benzene emission, said spokeswoman Selia Simms.

In February the Attorney General's Office filed suit against Coastal, seeking penalties for 17 alleged violations of air quality regulations between 1991 and December 1992.

The lawsuit said the Air Control Board had issued $122,600 in administrative penalties against the company for five prior violations in the 1980s. The lawsuit, still pending, asks the company to take whatever action is necessary to stop harmful emissions.

Neil Carman, who heads state Sierra Club's Clean Air Program, said he was concerned about possible long-term risks.

"All those refineries emit benzene, so there could be higher levels than what they sampled," said Carman, a former Air Control Board investigator. "It is still potentially harmful to the neighborhood and they should have health tests to determine its effects."

Live show staged

NEW YORK (AP) — Imagine a live song-and-dance show with Martin Short, Chita Rivera, Larry Gatlin, Mickey Rooney and a host of other stars.

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The Broadway on Broadway concert celebrated the 100th anniversary of Broadway theater's arrival in Times Square.

Ex-ASCS head in Borden County is given sentence

LUBBOCK — The former executive director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service in Borden County received a six-month sentence Friday in U.S. District Court.

Jerry Neil Stone was ordered to spend six months in a halfway house plus three years of supervised release by U.S. District Judge Sam Cummings.

Stone had pleaded guilty in February to embezzeling funds from the Commodity Credit Corporation administered by the ASCS. Stone, 49, was in charge of the Borden County ASCS office.

He pleaded guilty to endorsing and depositing into his personal account 40 checks totaling $1,869.67 that had been made payable to ASCS committee members for salary and travel expenses.

Stone also was charged with taking eight checks totaling $2,876.89 that were drawn on the Commodity Credit Corporation and which should have gone to ag producers.

He was also charged with taking three rebate checks, totaling $633.56, from the Poka-Lambro Rural Telephone Co-op. The offenses occurred between May of 1988 and May, 1992.

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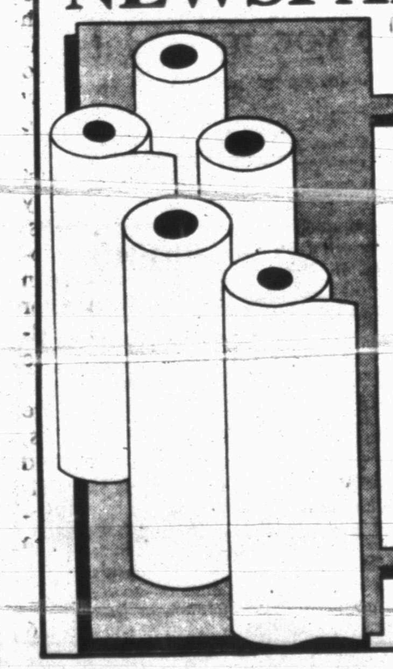
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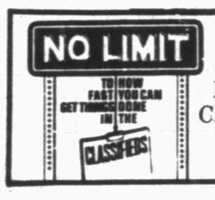
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3782 Avondale 3-2-2, $46T.
3808 Galveston 3-2, $45T.
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2411 26th 2-1, $26,500.
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4501 Denison, 3-2-CP, $49,500.
1507 20th, 3-1-CP, A, $33T.
3725 Sunset, 2-1-1, $25,500.
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NASA scrubs shuttle launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA called off the launch of space shuttle Discovery less than an hour before liftoff Saturday because of a circuit problem in the posts that lock the solid rocket boosters to the pad.

Launch officials did not say how long it would take to fix the problem or when the next launch attempt might be. But the delay was expected to be about five days.

"We'll see you here on another day," shuttle test director Mike Leinbach informed the five astronauts inside the shuttle.

Discovery was supposed to blast off at 9:22 a.m. EDT. But with just a few hours left to go, there were indications the booster-release system was on. That's not supposed to happen until 18 seconds before launch.

The twin boosters are bolted to the pad, and the bolts are supposed to detonate when the boosters ignite at liftoff.

"If you fire your boosters and these (bolts) haven't fired, then you have a catastrophic situation," said NASA spokesman Bruce Buckingham. In other words, the shuttle likely would blow up on or just above the pad.

The problem appeared to be a faulty switch, officials said.

Everything else about the countdown, including the weather, had been going perfectly.

"I hate to leave a good launch opportunity but we want to ensure that we have a fully functional pyrotechnic system for launch, and it's going to take some time to do that," said launch director Bob Sieck.

Police arrest 5; work other cases

Snyder police made five drinking-related arrests Friday evening and early Saturday, worked two burglaries and several criminal mischief complaints.

Officers arrested 29-year-old Rosalio Gutierrez at 10:18 p.m. Friday in the 2300 block of 25th Street for felony driving while intoxicated and a warrant for parole violation.

At 3:22 a.m. Saturday, police arrested three people, two 19-year-old men for public intoxication and an 18-year-old man for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, failure to control speed, disregarding a stop sign, no liability insurance and no Texas driver's license.

Police also arrested a 19-year-old man for public intoxication at 3:27 a.m. Saturday at 27th Street and Avenue H.

Bill Dryden notified officers at 8:02 a.m. Friday that Stevenson Real Estate, 4102 College, and Bill Roach Crop Insurance, 4102½ College, had been burglarized. Two reports for burglary of a business were filed.

At 6:40 a.m. Friday, Jim Nowotny contacted police in reference to someone damaging his 1989 Crown Victoria at the Fieldcrest Apartments. A criminal mischief report was filed.

Susan Kiker notified police at 7:36 a.m. Friday concerning damage to her husband's 1993 Jeep Cherokee. Another report for criminal mischief was filed.

At 1:20 p.m., Ramona Cain notified police that someone had damaged her 1991 Chevrolet pickup. A report for criminal mischief was submitted.

A woman contacted the police department at 3:40 p.m. Friday to complain that she had been assaulted by her husband at Travel Inn. A report for Class C assault/family violence was filed.

Employees at ABC Educational Supplies contacted police at 4:05 p.m. Friday in reference to three shoplifters. The three girls were transported to the police department and later released to their parents. A report for Class C theft was filed.

River levee breaks

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for several days as a cold front settled over the Plains, weather service meteorologist James McQuirter said in Des Moines. Scattered thunderstorms were expected to produce extremely heavy rain this evening in Iowa.

Months of above-average rainfall led to record flooding that began in early June in Minnesota and Wisconsin and has been blamed for 27 deaths and at least $5 billion in damage to crops and property.

Governors from nine flood-stricken states were to meet with President Clinton in a "flood summit" Saturday on his third trip to the region since the flooding began. He announced a $2.48 billion emergency aid request on a stop in Des Moines on Wednesday.

Clinton intended to take a helicopter tour of flooded St. Charles County north of St. Louis. Aides said he wanted to see where the Missouri River broke through a levee Friday and converged with the Mississippi River about 20 miles upstream from the rivers' usual junction.

In some places on the peninsula separating the two rivers, the Mississippi had moved nine miles inland to meet the Missouri. About 7,000 people heeded earlier evacuation recommendations; of hundreds who had stayed, most were gone by Friday.

One woman who stayed, 72-year-old Geraldine Fichter, died Friday afternoon despite efforts of rescuers who cut her from a submerged car. Her husband, Andrew Fichter, 73, was pulled from the car and watched in horror as passers-by and paramedics tried to save his wife.

Quail census will be taken

Wildlife biologists with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department will be conducting a roadside quail census during early August, according to Jim Lionberger, wildlife biologist.

The purpose of the census is to obtain information pertaining to population trends and reproductive success. Quail census lines are 20 miles in length and are usually conducted on county roads or ranch roads throughout the state. The same line is driven each year in order to insure a true picture of quail population trends.

Quail nesting begins in mid-May and eggs hatch after an incubation period of 23 days. Preferred nesting sites consist of mid-to-tall perennial grasses.

Nest losses can be attributed to drought and predators such as coyotes, skunks, snakes and feral hogs. If a clutch is lost, quail are capable of renesting; however this renesting can be delayed, resulting in some smaller birds being harvested during the hunting season.

Young quail grow rapidly and are capable of short flights in approximately two weeks. Adult plumage is dominate in juvenile quail by approximately 12 weeks of age.

Technical assistance is provided to landowners by the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. For wildlife management assistance in the South Plains, contact Lionberger at Rt. 2 Box 486, Snyder, TX 79549 or call (915) 573-9864. Panhandle residents should contact Danny Swepston, district wildlife biologist, 3409 South Georgia, Suite 25, Amarillo, TX 79109, or call (806) 353-0486.

Officers work traffic mishaps

Snyder police worked several traffic accidents over the past 24-hour period, and cleared one hit-and-run.

Officers worked a two-vehicle accident at 12:02 p.m. Friday in the 2200 block of Avenue R. Involved were a 1988 Chevrolet pickup driven by Jude Marcon of 3708 Ave. U and a 1978 Ford pickup driven by Tina Market of 100 E. 37th St.

At 6:57 p.m. Friday, police identified Alexandro Alvarez of 605 20th St. as the driver of a 1963 Chevrolet which hit a TU Electric light pole in the 1600 block of 30th Street Thursday evening. The case had been classified as a hit-and-run.

Just before 3:30 a.m. Saturday, officers investigated a one-vehicle accident in the 900 block of 31st Street where a 1979 Chevrolet driven by Javier Alfaro of 2711 Ave. F struck a fence owned by Saundra Fredrick.

Deputies note three arrests

Sheriff's deputies made three arrests early Saturday morning.

Deputies arrested a 24-year-old man at the sheriff's office on a Nolan County warrant for reckless conduct at 12:15 a.m.

At 1:23 a.m., deputies arrested a 31-year-old man along Highway 180 for public intoxication.

At 3:30 a.m., deputies arrested an 18-year-old man for public intoxication at Gary Brewer Road and 30th Street.

Deputies were notified of a gas drive-off of $17.37 p.m. Friday from Rip Griffin's.

At 7:30 a.m. Friday, Gary Nussey notified deputies that at least three mailboxes along Mountain View Road had been vandalized.

Obituaries



MARY PITTS CARNES

Mary Carnes

1921-1993

Services are set for 9 a.m. Monday in the First Presbyterian Church for Mary E. Pitts Carnes, 71, with the Rev. Steve Smith, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment will follow at 5 p.m. Monday in the Dawson, Tex., Cemetery.

Mrs. Carnes died Thursday night in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a sudden illness.

A housewife, she was born in Ashdown, Ark. Mrs. Carnes married Joe Pitts who died in 1970. She then married Willard Carnes on June 30, 1979 in Lovington, N.M. He died in January, 1986.

Mrs. Carnes was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, AARP, Snyder Garden Club, Martha Ann Woman's Club and the First Presbyterian Church. She did free tax service for members of the Scurry County Senior Citizens. She also was an active member of the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Women's Auxiliary.

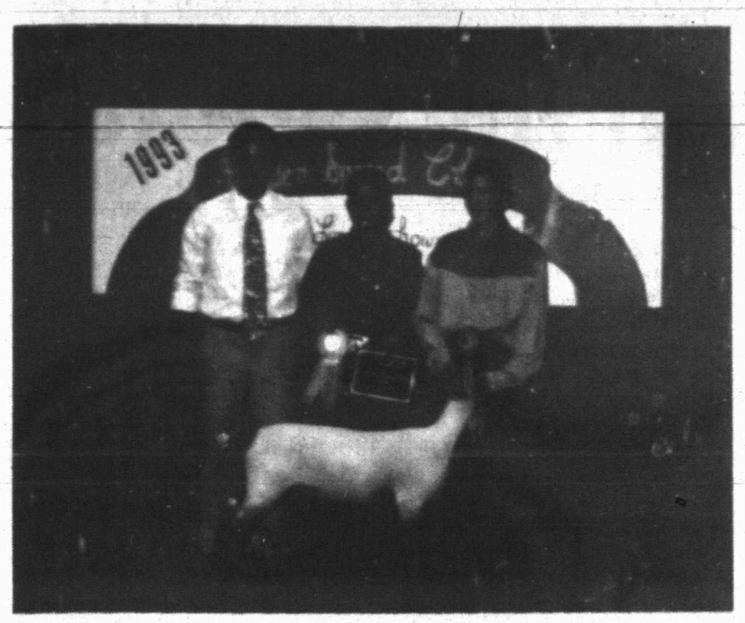
She was preceded in death by one brother, Harold Russell.

Survivors include a son, Harold "Rusty" Pitts of Odessa; two daughters, Ann Sanders of Odessa and Freda Edmonds of Hillsville, Va.; a sister, Bates Harned of Dallas; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

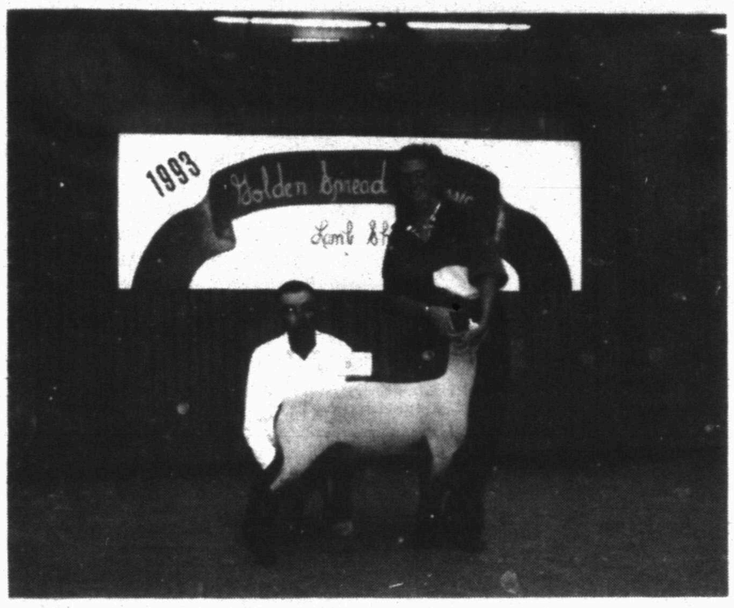
We wish to take this opportunity to give a special thanks, to the wonderful staff of doctors and nurses at the Veterans Hospital in Big Spring and Albuquerque, who cared for our loved one. Also for the flowers, food, and cards. Special thanks to Jack and Rita Lawrence and Sammy Hancock and the greatest employees of I.G.A.

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RESERVE CHAMPION LAMB — Brandon Hackfeld exhibited the Day 1 Reserve Champion Lamb at the Golden Spread Classic in Amarillo. (Contributed Photo)



ALSO RESERVE CHAMPION LAMB — Jamie Beck exhibited the Day 2 Reserve Champion Lamb at the Golden Spread Class in Amarillo. (Contributed Photo)



FINE WOOL RESERVE CHAMPION — Jackie Beck exhibited the Reserve Champion Prospect Finewool at the Golden Spread Classic in Amarillo. (Contributed Photo)

Snyder 4-Her's win awards in Amarillo

The Golden Spread Classic Prospect Steer and Lamb Show was recently held in Amarillo. 4-H members exhibiting livestock include Chad Beaver, Cody Beaver, Jackie Beck, Jamie Beck, Jessica Eicke, Rad Eicke, T'Leah Eicke, Brady Hackfeld, Brandon Hackfeld and Elyse Merritt.

Exhibitors showed animals to two separate judges during the two-day show. Highlights of the steer show were Elyse Merritt exhibiting the Grand Champion Steer and Jessica Eicke showing the Reserve Champion Hereford Steer during the first day of showing.

In the lamb show, Brandon Hackfeld exhibited the Reserve Champion Lamb during the first day of showing. The second day, Jamie Beck exhibited the Champion Medium Wool and Reserve Champion Lamb of the Show. Jackie Beck exhibited a Reserve Champion Finewool and Lamb and second place medium wool.

Brady Hackfeld placed third with his finewool crossbred lamb.

Mexico accepts four bid offers

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico accepted bids from four competitors Friday for the sale of two state-owned television networks, a newspaper and theaters.

The package could fetch up to $500 million, making it one of the government's largest privatization schemes, said analysts.

Items up for sale include Channels 7 and 13, the government newspaper El Nacional, a movie theater chain and a production studio.

After the 1990 sale of the country's giant telephone monopoly, and the 1992 privatization of 18 banks, the sell-off is the largest to date by the reformist administration of President Carlos Salinas de Gortari.

It also poses a challenge to Mexico's giant private television monopoly, Grupo Televisa, the largest Spanish-language broadcaster in the world.

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White House memo draws GOP ridicule

WASHINGTON (AP) — A White House memo outlining administration etiquette for promoting President Clinton's budget plan is drawing jeers from Republicans, who are offering their own tips on "body language."

"Resist the urge to wink," begins one of the GOP taunts.

At issue is a five-page memo the White House wrote for Cabinet members and other administration officials and for Democratic lawmakers.

Entitled "Hallelujah: Change is Coming," the document gives pointers on how officials can put the best face on Clinton's deficit-reduction plan, now before a House-Senate conference committee.

The committee is trying to hammer out a final compromise between different versions passed by the House and the Senate.

"Never forget that the optimism, energy, enthusiasm you project is vital," reads one of the pointers. "Even your most cynical critics will walk away impressed with your commitment. And that's half the battle. Your body language, attitude and confidence will be infectious."

The memo says that if pressed for details on the plan, "there is nothing wrong with demurring for the moment on the technicalities" and returning to "the Big Picture."

Most of all, the memo suggests, be upbeat.

"If you become a merchant of pain, you'll find that the middle class isn't buying — they already have enough, thank you."

And the memo concludes: "Now go forth and spread the good news."

White House aides said the memo was never intended for public consumption, but as guidelines for those who will be discussing the plan with the public.

But Republicans who got hold of the memo have been having a field day with it. Fax machines all over town were humming with the memo Friday.

"More smoke and mirrors," asserted Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole of Kansas.

And the House Republican Conference, headed by Rep. Dick Armey of Texas, circulated its list of "more tips on 'body language'" that it said it was offering "in the spirit of bipartisanship."

Some examples:

—Resist the urge to wink when you give 'em the part about making it "easier for businesses to grow."

—Don't let them see you crossing your fingers behind your back when telling reporters that the spending cuts-to-tax increase ration is one-to-one.

—When you say 'Hallelujah! Change is Coming," be sure to rise from your chair and raise your hands over your head.

Some Republicans suggested that distributing the "Hallelujah" document in federal agencies at government expense came close to violating federal laws against lobbying by the executive branch and using tax dollars for partisan activities.

But the White House defended the practice.

"We are providing public information about the plan and we are equipping members of the administration and our supporters in Congress with advice on how to talk about the president's plan," said White House aide David Dreyer, one of the authors of the memo.

The memo was being circulated as the Democrats intensified their sales campaign for the plan.

So far, $150,000 has been spent and the party plans to spend about $100,000 a week for the next three weeks, he said.

U.S. trade deficit with Japan shrinks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans bought less imported oil, cars and toys in May, helping to narrow the nation's trade deficit — especially the deficit with Japan, which posted the best one-month improvement in six years.

But the good trade news, which came after two terrible monthly reports, was not expected to last, given the pronounced economic weakness in many of America's major overseas markets.

Meanwhile, two more recent readings of economic activity showed disappointing results. The Federal Reserve reported Friday that industrial output fell for the first time in nine months, dropping 0.2 percent in June. The government also revised May's output downward to show no change.

The two straight months of weakness at U.S. factories underscored the severe strain the manufacturing sector is under, analysts said.

While some held out hope that increased auto production will boost manufacturing in coming months, other economists pointed to a third report showing that a preliminary reading of consumer sentiment in July, as measured by the University of Michigan, fell to 76.9 in early July, down from 81.5 in June.

The Clinton administration took an upbeat assessment of the economy's current standing. Commerce Secretary Ron Brown noted that exports climbed to their second highest level on record in May, rising by 1.2 percent, to $38.95 billion.

That increase, along with a 2.8 percent drop in imports, which fell to $47.32 billion, helped to push the overall deficit down to $8.37 billion. That was down 17.8 percent from an April level of $10.18 billion.

President Clinton pushed during last week's seven-nation economic summit for stronger emphasis on boosting domestic demand, but he received no specific assurances from either Japan or Germany that they are ready to do more than they already have.

So far this year, the U.S. trade deficit is running at an annual rate of $106 billion, up sharply from last year's $84.5 billion imbalance, and many analysts are predicting the deficit will worsen next year.

The $1.82 billion narrowing of the overall deficit reflected a decline of $1.74 billion in the deficit with Japan, the largest one-month improvement in trade with Japan since December 1986.

But America's deficit with Japan was still $3.75 billion, still the largest by far with any country. During his trip to Tokyo, Clinton reached agreement with Japanese Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa on new ground rules aimed at opening up Japanese markets to more American goods.

American imports of Japanese cars were down 17 percent in May, with analysts attributing the decline to Americans balking at paying the higher prices for Japanese cars.

The May trade deficit was the smallest since a $7.90 billion imbalance in February. In March and April, the monthly deficits climbed above $10 billion, the worst showing in more than four years.

The increase in exports in May reflected higher sales of chemicals and plastics, telecommunications equipment, gold, industrial engines and computers. These gains offset a drop in sales of American farm products and decrease in civilian aircraft exports.

Imports fell 2.8 percent to $47.32 billion. Big declines were recorded in auto imports, down $570 million, toys and games, down $130 million, and crude oil, down $270 million.

After Japan, the biggest deficit was with China, an imbalance of $1.80 billion.

Keith Carridine leaves 'Follies' role

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Keith Carradine is leaving his starring role in the road company of "The Will Rogers Follies" after the Los Angeles run is over.

"I can no longer reconcile my duties as a performer in this show with my duties as parent," he said in Wednesday's Daily News of Los Angeles. 'It's time to go home. I've been away for too long."

The 43-year-old actor starred on Broadway in the lavish Ziegfeld Follies-style tribute to Rogers and was nominated for a Tony Award in 1991.

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Craftsman helps keeps Texans in the saddle

WINNIE (AP) — Thanks to C.J. Fontenot, a lot of ranch hands, cowboys and cowgirls are riding high in the saddle — Fontenot saddle, that is.

Fontenot understands the partnership between human and horse. He has spent the better part of his life hand-crafting custom saddles designed to cradle the rider in comfort while being kind to the hard-working animal that carries an extra couple of hundred pounds strapped to its back.

When Fontenot was 10 years old, his mother gave him a leather-working kit for Christmas. By the time he was 19, he was able to buy his first automobile — a 1957 Ford pickup — entirely from funds he'd earned tooling leather on his back porch.

Fontenot was a frequent visitor to the saddle shops in the area, studying the techniques of such master saddlers as Alvie Harmon and Joe Frank, men whose saddles carried many a hard-working cowboy across the salt grass prairies of Texas.

He worked for a while at Harmon Saddle Shop, taking orders and occasionally making belts. "I have long appreciated their work, particularly Mr. Alvie Harmon. He was a super fine fellow, both as a saddle maker and as an individual. I learned a lot from him. He was a great influence in my formative years," Fontenot says.

Fontenot opened his first shop when he was a young husband of 19, trying to take care of his family. It wasn't easy.

"Brenda and I had an American straight needle stitcher for the heavy stitching. We did the rest of the stitching by hand. We made 59 saddles in that shop before we moved to Greenville, Texas, to work for Billy Cook," Fontenot says.

Two years later, Fontenot knew something had to change. He was making great saddles but he wasn't making a decent living. He went to work in industry but continued to make saddles on the side. He got back into saddle making in a big way in 1980; by 1990, he had opened a shop and gone full-time again.

Fontenot's saddles range from a basic, no-frills model to beautiful saddles with lots of elaborate art work, reflecting the changes in the times.

"The original saddles were mostly working saddles, used by everyday ranch hands and working cowboys. As time went on, mechanization phased out horses. Saddles then became largely hobby and pleasure items that weren't as necessary for everyday work. We began making prettier and fancier saddles because people showed their horses and their gear."

Fontenot makes his saddles the hard way, each one done by hand, by him, and him only. Therein, he says, lies the difference. "A factory saddle is limited by cost factors and high-speed production techniques. They simply can't put the time into them that we need to make a saddle.

"Horse riding is an athletic adventure that puts a lot of stress on the human skeleton. A well-fitting saddle makes both the horse and rider survive the trip a whole lot easier.

"Today, we have very few people who spend enough hours in the saddle to really realize the difference in a factory and a custom saddle. Those who do are frequent customers of ours."

That type of customer wants what Fontenot offers — a saddle designed strictly for them, taking into consideration their size, build and working needs. The painstaking process limits him to 10 to 15 saddles a year.

A plain ranch saddle takes 50 to 60 hours to complete. A show-quality saddle takes between 150 to 200 hours. Prices reflect the time and work — ranging from $1,400 to $7,000.

Fontenot saddle owners lieein Missouri, Colorado and Arkansas, among other states — one owner ordered a saddle for the centennial trail ride in Wyoming. Fontenot made him a saddle fashioned after the typical saddles of the 1880s.

His saddles often are given as cherished prizes — as they have been the past two years for the Trinity Valley Rodeo Queen.

Fontenot says the money isn't what pulls him to his chosen profession. It's also the knowledge that for some people, owning one of his saddles is a dream that may take years to attain.

"Working with people is a very alluring prospect indeed. Money is very secondary here. The first thing is the joy of building and delivering a saddle. As saddle makers, we are a dying breed. I have traveling salesmen who tell me that in the entire state of Texas, there are probably only five shops similar to ours, where one person does all the work."

Fontenot says he often works cattle with his customers. It's been an affirmation of the value of his work. "Those that ride all day are most often riding Harmon saddles or saddles left from very old saddle makers who are long since gone. It's a joy to see that, because that means we're leaving something behind for others to enjoy, something much beyond our lifetime.

"You can hire people to help you, but they don't put as much into it as the originator and owner of the shop. It's a passion to do good work. This art is a part of you — uniquely you."

Fontenot says saddle shops also are known for the quality of their bull sessions and that's just fine with him. He and Brenda get quite a kick watching the assortment of personalities that pass through their shop.

"This is the best job in the world, largely because of the people we meet. I've had people from all over the world, people who are just passing through and stop by because they know what they'll find at a saddle shop."

Good people and good conversation. And that's no bull.

Young cancer patients attend camp

COMFORT (AP) — For at least one week of their young lives, the kids at Camp Discovery near here know what it's like to be normal.

They swim. They roughhouse. They commune with nature in a Hill Country setting just like the thousands of natives and tourists who visit this area every year.

For seven days, they can put aside their life-and-death struggle with cancer.

Sponsored by the American Cancer Society, Camp Discovery plays host to 102 kids from 6 to 18 years old at the Hermann Sons Hilltop Camp.

Adding to the uniqueness of this year's camp — marking its 10th anniversary — were the five former campers who were among the 54 counselors on the all-volunteer staff.

"You should think positive if you have cancer. You have to be cheerful and fight off the depression," Angela Connors of San Antonio said Wednesday.

"We are all out to have fun here, but I do talk to the campers on their level and try to reassure them that everything will be all right," the 21-year-old said. "I tell them I came through it all."

Connors is at times difficult to distinguish from the excited youngsters who scamper from the swimming pool to the arts and crafts house as part of the camp activities.

She volunteered as a junior counselor at the American Cancer Society camp this year, having spent the past two years as one of the youngsters selected to attend the weeklong outing for those battling cancer or who've overcome the disease.

With hardly a break in her flashing smile, she said she was diagnosed with stomach cancer when she was 15 months old. She had a kidney removed last year and underwent her last chemotherapy treatment in May.

Like many others here, her head is covered with a bright scarf, although she happily points out her hair is starting to grow back.

"Radiation treatment, chemotherapy, nothing is new to me. A lot of people ask me about my cancer, and it doesn't bother to talk about it," she said.

"Being at the camp helps gets the kids' minds off cancer. They don't have to be in a hospital all closed up," she said, adding she's hoping for a career as a nurse's aide in order to continue to work with cancer-stricken children.

Another camper-turned-counseler, 18-year-old Marcus Flores of Gonzales, said working with children suffering the same trauma he's experienced the past four years has been very helpful.

"I came back partly for the kids and partly for selfish reasons," Flores said, explaining he was diagnosed with leukemia in 1988 and has been attending the camp for the past four years.

"A close friend, Renee Cruz, started coming here when I did. Last year, she got sick while she was at camp and died," he recalled. "She was the first person close to me to die from cancer. This year I have come back to say goodbye to her."

Flores said acting as a big brother to the campers is his way of helping the youngsters share the pain and pressure of fighting an ongoing battle with cancer.

"You have to have a very positive attitude. That is what I try to tell the kids," he said, pointing out that he's enrolled a the University of Texas at Austin and plans to become a lawyer.

"I try not to plan too far ahead" Flores said.

P.J. Schneider, volunteer camp director, said the American Cancer Society spends about $40,000 in donations each year on Camp Discovery, with the Texas chapter of Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary providing a contribution for the 1993 operation.

"When I told them what we are doing during their April convention in Austin, some of the ladies started crying. When I went to pick up their check in Corpus Christi and saw it was for $15,000, I was the one with tears in my eyes," Schneider said.

FBI aborted several probes

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The FBI decided to abort several white supremacy investigations and arrest eight people after learning a group of neo-Nazis plotting a race war was about to mail a bomb to a rabbi, a prosecutor said Friday.

The other investigations had to be halted, and some people connected with them arrested, because authorities knew that the bomb plot and the plans for a race war would be highly publicized, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Marc R. Greenberg. The publicity, he said, could have tipped the supremacists targeted in the other investigations to the identities of the undercover agents who uncovered the bomb plot.

"It was simply a matter of assessing the danger level," Greenberg said in a telephone interview. "We felt we could no longer take the risk."

Authorities announced Thursday that they had arrested eight people and foiled a plot by a group called the Fourth Reich Skin Heads to start a race war by bombing a black church and killing several prominent people, including police beating victim Rodney King.

An FBI agent and an informant who infiltrated the Fourth Reich Skinheads also were involved in other cases, including that of a San Fernando Valley couple who were among those arrested Thursday, Greenberg said.

Fourth Reich leader Christopher D. Fisher had sold pipe bombs to undercover agents, threatened to bomb a prominent black church and was hunting for King's address because killing the police beating victim would precipitate racial violence, authorities charged in court papers.

Fisher's threat to mail the letter bomb to a rabbi made it too risky to continue the undercover work, so arrests were made in that case and others, Greenberg said.

A cache of machine guns, along with a poster of Adolf Hitler, were seized at the San Fernando Valley home of two of those others, Continental Airlines flight engineer Chris Nadal, 35, and his wife Doris, 42, a real estate agent.

The Nadals apparently never met the Fourth Reich members, but they knew the same informant and undercover agent, Greenberg said.

"When I saw those weapons coming out of the house, you have no idea how relieved I felt. I had no idea what was in there," Greenberg said.

Charged with weapons offenses were the Nadals, Geremy Rineman, 22, and Jill Scarborough, 22, both of Orange County; and Josh Lee, 23, of Costa Mesa.

Fisher, 20, was charged with conspiring to attack and destroy the First African Methodist Episcopal Church in Los Angeles, the city's oldest black church.

He and juvenile members of his Fourth Reich group had talked of machine-gunning the congregation as it worshipped, officials said.

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Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

There was a time when Opal Davidson might have spelled happiness "R-O-D-E-O."

Let's turn back the hands of time — 50 years or so — to another era and a simpler lifestyle when the Hermleigh native, then known as Opal Etheredge, donned the latest cowgirl regalia. "Hugging the saddle," she barrel raced with the best of the "ranch girls," who were popular contenders in 1940s' rodeos — each vying for prizes such as a saddle for first place and spurs for second place.

Those prizes were nice, Opal reflected recently, but the real joy of the rodeo circuit was the fun and camaraderie she shared with her friends. That was more important than the three saddles she won.

Those summertime rodeos were like "big family reunions" which the young girl, who had her first horse ride when she was a few weeks old, eagerly looked forward to.

Opal, who is nearly 71, no longer rides, but in her heydey she and several of her friends gained quite a reputation and attracted a legion of fans as they competed in rodeos throughout the state and in other states as well.

Texas rodeos Opal competed in included Stamford, Abilene, Big Spring, Midland and Fort Worth.

She also competed in Madison Square Garden in New York City and Frontier Days in Cheyenne, Wyo. Opal's favorite rodeos were the ones in Cheyenne because they "were rough and ready." The ranch girls also dressed like true cowgirls and chuck wagon races "caught my breath" as cowboys raced against each other.

Opal said she and the other ranch girls received invitations to several rodeos and they often competed in other events besides barrel racing.

Many times, rodeos like the ones in Abilene would give the girls a different horse to ride just to test their equine prowess, Opal said.

Sometimes all the rodeo contenders would be invited to a ranch breakfast. Opal fondly remembers the Double Hart Ranch near Sweetwater where big breakfasts, dinners and dances were staged for all the rodeo riders.

Between rodeos, Opal and her friends always wrote to each other, exchanging information about which rodeos they were going to enter.

For many years, long after they put their rodeo days behind them, they still kept in touch. But gradually life took them in different directions and they eventually lost touch with each other.

Besides her memories and anecdotes, all that remain of Opal's golden rodeo days are a few pictures and momentoes spread between two photo albums. The bulk of her photos were destroyed in a fire.

Generally, Opal said she and the other ranch girls got along real well, but she recalled one who was universally disliked by she and the other girls.

Apparently, this particular cowgirl thought of herself as an excellent barrel racer and was not shy about singing her own praises or expressing her opinion about how the modern cowgirl compared to pioneer women.

For one rodeo, a restaurant printed special menus featuring all the barrel race contestants' pictures. This girl's photo was placed at the top since she had apparently convinced the owner that she was the most important one. Opal's and other ranch girls' pictures were arranged below hers.

Opal said they all had a good laugh when the girl and her horse rode around the barrels very slowly while the band played fast music.

But the biggest laugh came the next time this girl ran the barrels because this time the band played very slowly — to match her still-slow speed.

In truth, Opal said, this girl was really a crack shot. But she just was not the barrel racer that she thought she was.

One of Opal's favorite rodeo pals was a "Dude" Barton, whose real name was Mary Ellen but her trademark saying was *"you'd better smile if you call me that."*

Opal and Dude enjoyed a friendly rivalry with each wanting to be the best. However, there was one time when it appeared — at least to the audience — that they were fighting for real.

At a Fort Worth rodeo, they were the leading contenders of seven ranch girls. They both wanted to win first place in the chair race

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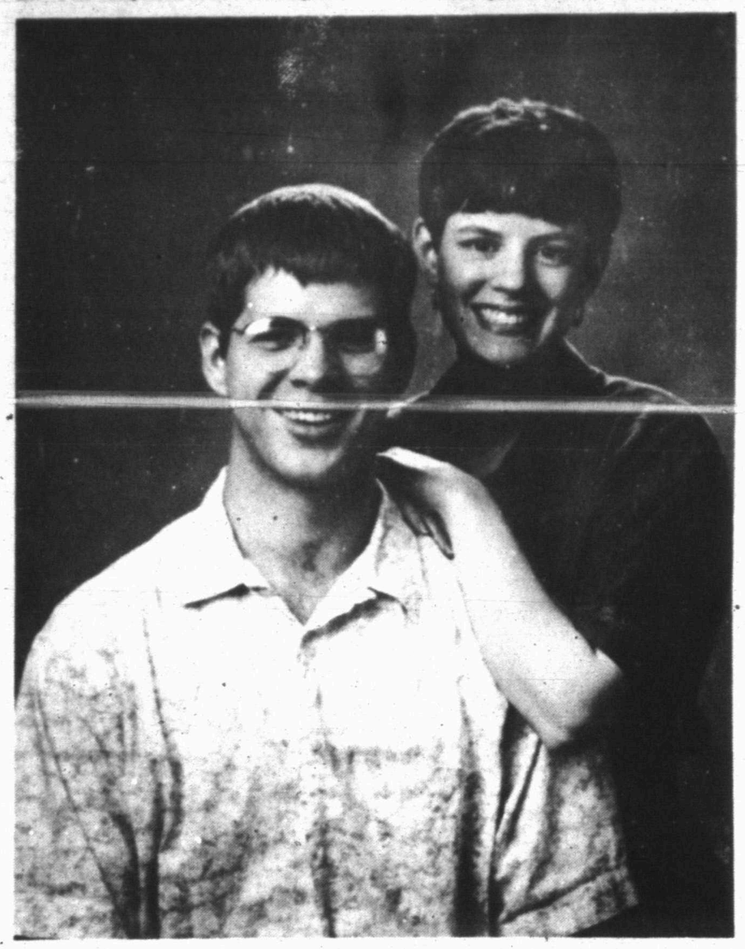
THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES — Opal Davidson of Hermleigh and her granddaughter, Kristi McMahan, are shown looking at a picture album of photos of Opal's days as a barrel racing "ranch girl" during the 1940s. Competing for prizes was fun, Opal said, but the real joy was getting to meet old friends again. A horsewoman since she was a child, Opal was always eager for any chance to ride. (SDN Staff Photo)

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KIRSTEN MILLER AND CHRISTOPHER CURTIS
(Contributed Photo)

Miller, Curtis plan Austin vows

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Miller of Austin, formerly of Snyder, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kirsten, to Christopher Curtis of Houston.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of Snyder High School where she participated in drama and speech UIL activities, winning numerous awards. Miss Miller was also a cheerleader. She attended Southern Methodist University and University College in London. A graduate of SMU in 1992 with a bachelor's degree in theatre arts and English, she currently resides in Dallas.

The prospective groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Curtis of Friendswood. He is a 1987 graduate of Dobie High School in Houston. He received his bachelor of music in viola performance at SMU in 1991. Curtis is currently pursuing a master's degree in performance at SMU.

A small family wedding is planned in August in Austin.

A cold in hand

Cold sufferers often sneeze or cough into their hands, then touch objects or other people, thus passing the bug to someone else. Frequent handwashing will lessen transmission chances.

Wash your hands a lot to avoid colds or to keep from passing the one you have to someone else.

You can catch a cold by rubbing your nose or eyes with your fingers, which may have picked up the virus from hand-to-hand contact, according to Dr. Christine Matson of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Tissues or handkerchiefs also can help keep the germs from spreading. Just be certain to dispose of or launder them quickly after use.

Toe to Toe

Most birds have four toes on each foot: three in front and one behind. However, members of the parrot and woodpecker families — including road runners, cuckoos and kingfishers — have two toes that point forward and two that point backward.

and the foot race.

For the foot race, Opal said they each had to ride a horse to one end of the arena, dismount and then race back on foot.

Dude was a little "clumsy" one day and accidentally tripped Opal. They got into a "shoving match" which looked like they were really fighting; but in truth, Opal said they were having so much fun that they did not care who won.

Opal and the ranch girls' reputations spread far and wide, so much so that long after a rodeo had ended she said they still got letters from admirers who remembered their performance.

Opal said she always felt at home in the saddle and was once known for her ability to sit a horse "pretty tight." However, she might not have joined the rodeo circuit if Minnie Lee Williams hadn't asked Opal's mother if Hermleigh could sponsor Opal at its rodeo.

With her mother's blessing, Opal signed up for her first rodeo and liked it so well that she stayed on the circuit until she got married.

It wasn't long before Snyder citizens took note of Opal's accomplishments and asked her if she would accept the city's sponsorship. Opal agreed.

In those days, both Hermleigh's and Snyder's rodeos were held in what was then known as Wolf Park, located north of the present Scurry County Library.

Wolf Park was the main park for Snyder before Towle Park was established. During its heyday, it was also the site of many public barbecues. At one time, Wolf Park was also where area boys gathered to play semi-pro baseball.

Opal has many fond memories of competing for prizes at Wolf Park — except for her debut performance which was an entirely different matter.

She was riding "Peaches," the first horse her father bought just for her and one she had picked out herself.

Before the purchase was finalized, the prospective seller had wondered if Opal might have trouble riding the former race horse. Opal never wavered from her choice.

Opal had no difficulty training Peaches to ride the barrels. But at their first rodeo together at Wolf Park, Opal discovered the hard way that Peaches' former owner had neglected to share an important bit of information.

Besides racing, the horse had also been taught to perform tricks — like jumping over a rope. Opal waited inside the chute for her turn, but when Peaches saw the rope stretched in front of the chute, it jumped over it — with such momentum that Opal's head struck the top of the chute with enough force to momentarily knock her unconscious. Opal remained in the saddle as the horse ran the barrel race course as if nothing had gone wrong.

Peaches had a "perfect ride," but Opal did not get credit for it. As soon as someone touched her after she finished she said she "slid right out of the saddle and hit the ground."

When Opal started competing in 1941, she was accompanied by her parents, but as she grew older her dad let her go by herself. That meant she had to load and unload her own horse trailer as well as everything else. "He trusted me because he knew I would be okay. That I could do it," she said.

Opal said occasionally she "might ride a horse too fast" but she always remembered her father's advice, "never whip a horse's head."

After Opal married, she only attended one rodeo — at Dude's request. With the onset of World War II and Opal's husband in the service she said they moved around a lot.

Eventually, Opal became a beauty operater and worked in Snyder for many years.

The former rodeo competitor and her only sibling — a sister, Myrtle Edwards of Temple — grew up in the same home near Hermleigh with their parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. W.L. "Bill" Etheredge, that Opal now shares with husband James.

Rodeo competition came naturally to Opal since she grew up with horses and used to ride one to school in Hermleigh before a school bus started picking up rural children.

She lived about 2½ miles away from the school. In the afternoons, she said she liked to hurry home because she was hungry.

When Opal was a young girl, she said Hermleigh had a dry goods store, picture show, a "very busy" drug store, a doctor and two banks — though she can only remember one.

Weekly trips to Hermleigh were a regular pastime, but as she grew older she said they started going to Snyder on Saturdays. Her family often traveled in wagons which were then known for their rough rides.

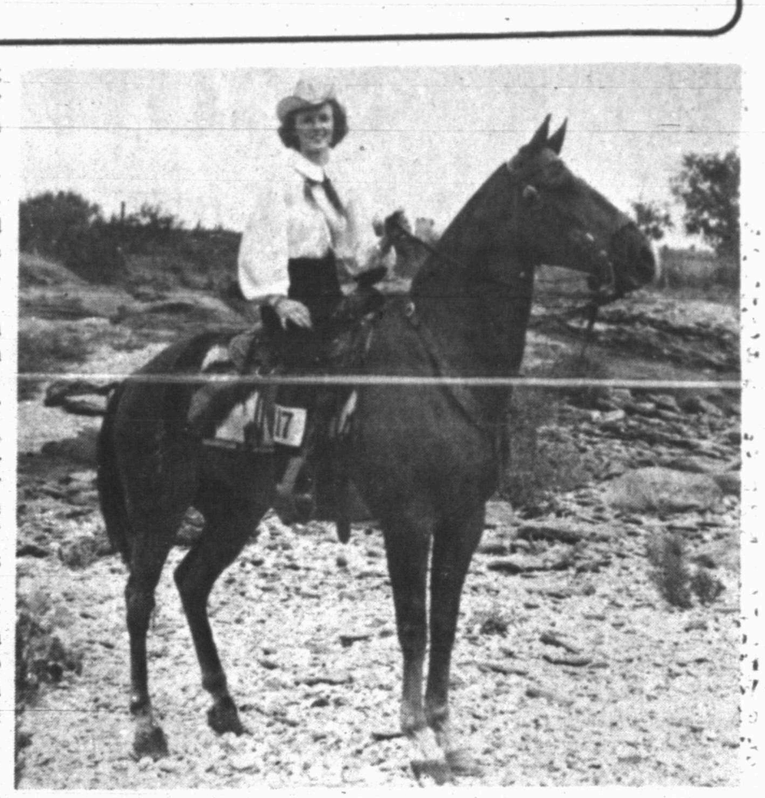
Opal said everyone was very close to their neighbors. "I never felt that I lacked for anything," she said.

Her family's land had been homesteaded by her grandparents, T.J. and Alice Peterson. When she and James married some 10 years ago she said they honeymooned in Hawaii before moving into her childhood home.

"The first thing I noticed when I moved back here was that the fences had been taken down and I didn't see any cattle," she said.

Opal has two sons, Steve McMahan of Hobbs, N.M., and Dave McMahan of Castait, Calif.

She also has five grandchildren: Kevin McMahan who attended school in Ira and Snyder; Jason, Brian and Greg McMahan, all of Castait; and Kristi McMahan, her only granddaughter.



TALL IN THE SADDLE — When Opal (Etheredge) Davidson of Hermleigh was a young girl she traveled the summer rodeo circuit for several years. In this photo, taken in 1941 at Wolf Park in Snyder, she is riding "Sleepy," who had much more "get up and go" than his name suggests. (Contributed Photo)



RANCH GIRLS — Opal (Etheredge) Davidson of Hermleigh (front row, seated) once competed in rodeos as a barrel racer. She and the other "ranch girls" drew quite a following during the 1940s. Other ranch girls shown are from left, back row, Constance Duncan of Alpine, Mary Ellen "Dude" Barton of Flomot; and Betty Bowman of Odessa; front row, Helen Barron of Lamesa; Opal Davidson; Marjorie Reagan of Beeville and Nita Mae Boyd of Sweetwater. (Contributed Photo)

All in the family

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — ''Kissin' cousins'' often became marriage partners in colonial New England, according to John Waters, a history professor at the University of Rochester.

The world of kin played an important part in nuptials in the mid-1700s, says Waters.

Through an analysis of demographic information gleaned from property ownership records of East Guilford, Conn., Waters found that in one out of four families, at least one child married his or her cousin.

Brothers and sisters from one family often chose a mate from the siblings of another family, too. About 12 percent of the families Waters studied engaged in this marital exchange of siblings.

Thus, almost 40 percent of the families were related.

Good Housekeeping magazine was first published by Clark W. Bryan in 1885 in Holyoke, Mass.

Scurry County Library News and Views

At the close of the Summer Reading Program, the library staff thanks all participants, volunteers and sponsors for the successful program. Children should come to the library to pick up prizes they earned.

Storytime for four- and five-year-olds will continue at 10 a.m. each Friday. It lasts approximately 40 minutes, and the library staff asks that a parent stay in the building during the program.

BOOK FEATURE

"The Excitement Is Building," by Millard Fuller.

It tells of the surging growth of Habitat for Humanity International. This group shares love in tangible ways while offering hope for tomorrow. Born out of humble beginnings in 1976, Habitat for Humanity now operates in more than 500 cities in 30 nations. These people unselfishly build homes for complete strangers. By the end of this decade, they hope to be finishing 20,000 homes a year, crossing denominational lines to build both homes and relationships.

NEW CHILDREN'S BOOKS

"The Witch Goes to School," by Norman Bridwell.

"Talking With Artists," by Pat Cummings.

"Tasmanian Devil," by Kathy Darling.

"That's Good! That's Bad!" by Margery Cuyler.

"Somewhere in the Darkness," by Walter Myers.

"Mirette on the High Wire," by Emily McCully.

"Into the Mummy's Tomb," by Nicholas Reeves.

"Maxie, Rosie and Earl — Partners in Grime," by Barbara Park.

"The Fire-Station," by Robert Munsch.

"The Dark-Thirty," by Patricia McKissack.

"Kids," by Catherine Anholt.

"The Mind Trap," by G. Clifton Wisler.

"Working Cotton," by Sherley Williams.

"Tree of Cranes," by Allen Say.

LIBRARY HOURS

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Orms, Parks marry in formal ceremony

Keri Dawn Parks of Olden, formerly of Snyder, became the bride of Brandon Lewis Orms of Eastland in a 5 p.m. wedding on June 12 in the First United Methodist Church in Eastland. Vaughn Baker officiated the couple's vows.

Parents of the bride are Johnny and Linda Young of Olden and Bryan and Ina Parks of Joshua. Her grandparents are Rosa Hatton and Vinetta Young, both of Ranger, and Rosa Key of Seagoville.

The bridegroom's parents are Charles and Judy Orms of Eastland. His grandparents are Bob and Lucille Carroll of Eastland; Eva Orms of Longview; Charlie Walton of Ranger; Minnie Smith of Abilene; and great-grandmother, Essie Orms of Snyder.

Vows were exchanged before an archway laced with ivory and mauve summer flowers and greenery. A multitude of candles decorated the church sanctuary. Family pews were marked with large ivory bows, adorned with mauve flowers, and standing brass candelabras.

Candlelighters were Adam Horn of Eastland and Jason Jorgenson of Fort Worth.

Maid of honor was Lydia Kobyijance of Denton. She wore a knee-length, two-piece suit of emerald green taffeta and matching shoes. She carried a bouquet of green, mauve and ivory silk flowers with a large emerald green bow.

Bridesmatrons were Jo Ann Orms of Eastland, Traci Parks of Lipan and Robbye Carroll of Eastland. They were dressed like the maid of honor.

Jenna Hester of Arlington and Ashlyn Orms of Eastland were flower girls. The pair wore floral polished cotton, tea-length dresses of mauve and green on an ivory background. They wore matching mauve shoes, featuring bows to match their dresses. Miss Hester and Miss Orms carried ivory baskets with emerald green bows.

Ryan Gevara of Eastland was best man. Groomsmen were Gable White of Eastland, Bryan Orms of Eastland, and Jason Jorgenson of Fort Worth. Ushers were Ricky Petree and Ronnie Petree, both of Eastland.

Ring bearers were Chase and Hunter Meister, both of Arlington.

Given in marriage by her brother, Tommy Parks of Lipan, the bride wore a floor-length gown of candlelight satin. Her bodice and full length sleeves were covered with lace and baby pearls. The gown was cut low in back and accented with a large satin bow. The train was of satin, trimmed in lace.

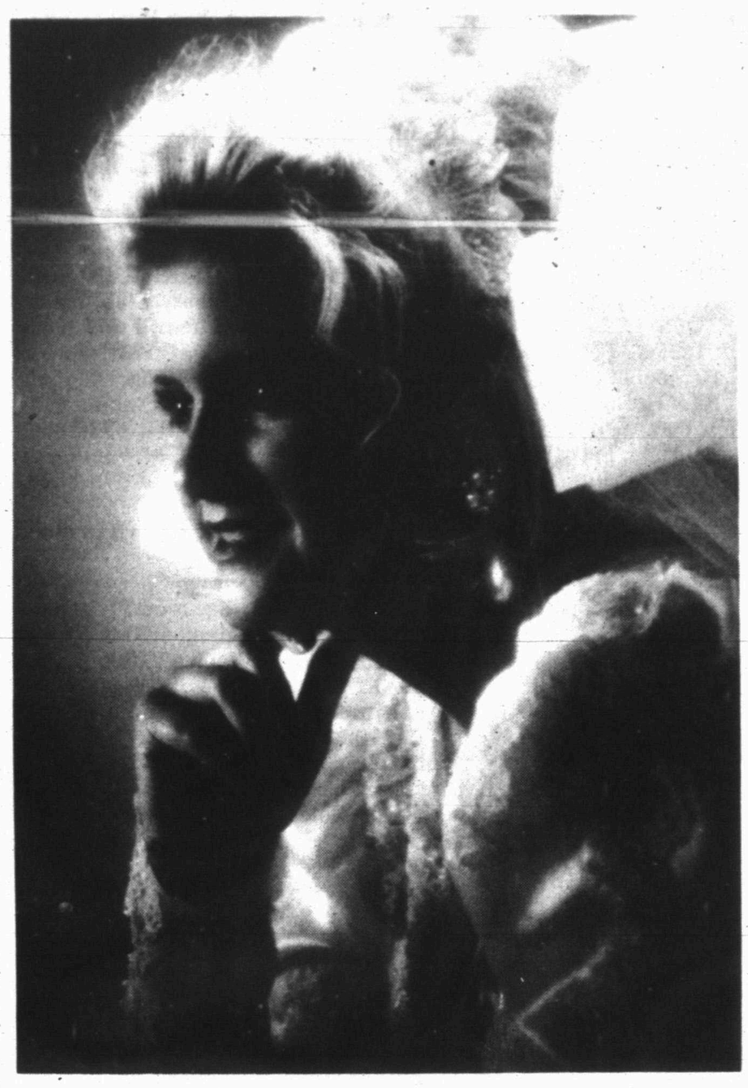
Her mid-length veil of soft candlelight net was embellished with tiny pearls throughout. It was attached to an ivory tierra covered with beads and pearls.

She carried a combination of live and silk mauve and ivory roses with greenery, adorned with a large emerald green bow. Streamers were of candlelight lace.

Complementing her attire were pearl earrings, belonging to the groom's grandmother. She carried an ivory handkerchief belonging to the bride's great-grandmother.

Rick Futch of Cisco was soloist and Carolyn Bolt of Eastland was organist. "Right Here Waiting For You" and "Everything I Do I Do For You," were presented musical selections.

Vinetta Young registered guests.



MRS. BRANDON LEWIS ORMS
(Contributed Photo)

A reception followed the ceremony in the home of Bob and Lucille Carroll. The bride's table, centered with a large arrangement of mauve and ivory summer flowers, was covered with an ivory lace tablecloth. Mauve candles in crystal candleholders were on each side of the centerpiece. Large emerald green bows were attached to each end of the table. Crystal and gold appointments graced the table setting. The square, three-tiered wedding cake was solid white and topped with fresh flowers.

The groom's table was covered with an ivory cloth. White candles, in crystal candleholders, flanked the two-tiered German chocolate cake. With basket weave design, the cake was topped with strawberries. Greenery, adorned with fresh strawberries, was arranged around the cake. Gold and crystal appointments completed the table.

After a short wedding trip, the couple is at home in Eastland where the groom is employed at B-C Construction.

Other relatives from Snyder include the bride's aunt and uncle, Jenna Vee and Cy Miller.

Recipe Box

By The Associated Press

Icy cold drinks offer thirst-quenching relief from summer's hot, humid weather. And they're quick and easy to make. Stir up a strawberry spritzer, banana pineapple colada or iced French roast coffee.

STRAWBERRY SPRITZER

Strawberry extract
2 to 3 sugar cubes
1 cup seltzer, chilled

Pour about 1 teaspoon of the strawberry extract into a dish. Place sugar cubes in the extract for 4 to 5 minutes. Put cubes in bottom of glass; pour seltzer water over cubes. Let cubes dissolve. Serve. Makes 1 serving.

Nutrition information per serving: 28 cal., 0 g pro., 6.22 g carbo, 0 g fat, 2.5 mg sodium, 0 mg chol.

BANANA PINEAPPLE COLADA

1/2 ripe banana
1/2 cup fresh or canned pineapple
1/2 cup pineapple juice
1/2 cup ice cubes
1/4 teaspoon coconut extract
1 tablespoon sugar

In blender or food processor, blend all ingredients thoroughly. Pour and serve immediately. Makes 2 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 198 cal., 1.4 g pro., 50 g carbo., .4 g fat, 4.7 mg sodium, 0 mg chol.

ICED FRENCH ROAST

2 cups brewed French Roast coffee, strong
2 teaspoons sugar
1/2 teaspoon cocoa powder
2 tablespoons low-fat milk
Dash cinnamon

Brew coffee. In a blender, mix all ingredients. Pour over ice; serve immediately. Or refrigerate, stir well and serve later over ice. Makes 2 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 27 cal., .7 g pro., 6.3 g carbo., .4 g fat, 13.3 mg sodium, 1.4 mg chol.

Recipes from: The Sugar Association.

Louis Braille, inventor of a reading system for the blind, was born in 1809 in France.

Mrs. Cochran speaks at society meeting

Scurry County Genealogical Society held its monthly meeting on May 25 at the Scurry County Library. Juanita (Warren) Cochran gave a program on the Matthews and Reynolds families, and the history of the 9R Ranch.

These two families, she noted, pushed back the Comanche frontier of the 1800s. Four Reynolds men married into the Matthews family. Joseph Matthews came to Clear Fork in 1858 and the Reynolds family in 1859.

The area was open range because barbed wire had not been introduced until the 1870s. At the age of 15, George T. Reynolds rode for a Pony Express, carrying mail from Weatherford to Palo Pinto. He married one of the Matthews girls, and with two of his brothers, Will and Phin, established the Reynolds Land and Cattle Company. This company operated in North Dakota, Montana, Kansas, California, Colorado, Utah, Nevada, Arizona and Texas.

By the late 1870s, the Reynolds brothers and Matthews had acquired land all along the Caprock, now Borden, Scurry and Mitchell Counties. In 1885, George and his family moved to the land now known as the 9R Ranch. It was named for the nine children of the first Reynolds family to settle near Albany.

Following the program, members expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Cochran and conducted a regular business meeting.

SCGS members still have copies of Jeanne Pruett's new cookbook, "Satin Sweets," for $10 each.



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♥ Q 10 8 7
♦ K J
♣ A K 8 2

EAST
♠ J 8 6 5
♥ 9 5 2
♦ 8 6 5
♣ 10 7 6

SOUTH
♠ 10 9
♥ A K J 6
♦ A Q 7 3
♣ J 5 3

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♣ 2

How much luck is involved?

It is an old question: How much luck is involved in tournament bridge? In rubber bridge, if you get no cards, you cannot win. But in a tournament, with everyone playing the same deals, the element of luck is greatly reduced. Yet it isn't eliminated completely.

Consider today's deal, played in Newport, Wales, last February. There were seven tables in play. Every South played in three no-trump. All the Wests attacked clubs, some leading the ace, others the two. After winning a club trick, the declarers decided to go after three diamond tricks. Six of them did the "normal" thing, playing a spade to dummy's queen and taking a finesse. It lost; West cashed his club tricks and exited with a spade. Now a second diamond finesse lost: an unlucky one down.

At the seventh table, South adopted a potentially dangerous "safety play." After winning the first trick with the club jack, he cashed the diamond ace. The jack dropped from West. So declarer continued diamonds and had nine tricks.

Why is this a dangerous play? Give West honor doubleton and East honor third. The ace collects only low cards. Declarer enters dummy with a spade and leads the diamond 10. When East plays low, South has a nasty guess to make. The double finesse eliminates any guesswork.

South was lucky, but East and West were doubly unlucky. They were Tony Disley (a former schoolfriend and bridge partner of mine) and Robert Charlesworth. They finished second. If South had adopted the popular line and finished one down, they would have won. Bad luck!

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FUTURE BRIDE COMPLIMENTED — Holly Joplin, bride-elect of Dennis Johnson, was honoree at a shower held July 10 at 2604 47th St., the home of her sister, Donna Dupree. The bride-elect's colors of peach and green were used in the corsages and table decorations. Also included were three generations of heirloom serving pieces. From left are Corena Cole, grandmother of the future bride; Miss Joplin, honoree; Lanelle Joplin of Colorado City, her mother; Rachael Dupree, her niece; Alexis Dupree, her niece; Annis Joplin of McCaulley, her grandmother; and Donna Dupree, her sister. The couple plan a 3 p.m., Aug. 21 ceremony to be held in the atrium at Willow Park Inn. (SDN Staff Photo)

French President Charles de Gaulle left office in 1969.

Artist Leonardo da Vinci died in 1519 at Cloux, Fance.

Athletic injuries rise

Women athletes, welcome to fitness sports achievement, college scholarships, possible careers — and the doctor's office.

"We are now seeing the same type of sports-related injuries which have been prevalent in the male population in the female population — especially in teen-age girls," says Dr. Michale A. Kelly, director of the Insall Scott Kelly Institute for Orthopedics and Sports Medicine at Beth Israel Medical Center North in New York City.

"It has been assumed for many years that the majority of acute injuries of the knee have been confined to the male athelete; that is no longer the case," he says.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

AARP Chapter 2063; Senior Center; program will be given by a representative from the Police Department upgrading 911 information; toilet articles are still being taken to donate to Noah Project; board members will meet at 12 noon, others at 1 p.m.

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 6 p.m.

Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.

VFW Post 8231 & Ladies Auxiliary; VFW Hall; 7:30 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8626, 573-1141 or 863-2349.

TUESDAY

Honey Do's Extension Club; home of Shirley Bullard for a bazaar workshop and cookout; 9:30 a.m.

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church; 5:30 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 8 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-1141, 573-5867.

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

WEDNESDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961.

THURSDAY

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

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

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; Martha Ann Woman's Club; 7 p.m.

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

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

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

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Ten Trade-Offs

Diets are out. Eating smart is in. Instead of giving up favorite foods entirely, make trade-offs that help you achieve an overall healthier eating style, says Karen Wilder, registered dietitian and staff nutritionist fo Total cereal.

She recommends starting with trade-offs that reduce fat in the diet. Here are examples:

- When margarine or butter on your toast is a must at breakfast, make a trade-off at lunchtime by using a reduced-fat dressing on your salad.
- If sandwiches are a favorite, try using one slice of meat instead of two or three. Top with just one slice of cheese and make it lowfat cheese.
- To compensate for an indulgent snack with morning coffee, enjoy a light dessert of fresh fruit after dinner.
- At the fast food restaurant, order your favorite burger but forego the fries and shake.
- When making your favorite main dishes with ground beef, choose the leanest available variety or substitute ground chicken or turkey.
- Take advantage of the convenience of prepared sauces and mixes but look among your favorites for new, lower-fat versions.
- When serving a higher-fat main dish, offer lowfat side dishes, such as herb-seasoned pasta, rice or couscous plus vegetables and a green salad.
- Satisfy ice cream cravings with nonfat frozen yogurt or sorbet.
- To maximize flavor of lean cuts of meat, marinate in a lowfat or nonfat salad dressing.
- When you go out for pizza with friends, enjoy just a slice or two and fill up on tossed salad with lowfat or nonfat dressing. Skip the extra cheese and add a sprinkle of Parmesan instead.

These are just a few of the trade-offs you can make to reduce the fat in your diet, concludes Wilder. And you don't have to give up all of your favorites.



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Clues for good ice cream

By NANCY BYAL, Food Editor
For AP Special Features

Luscious scoops of creamy, old-fashioned ice cream still create a big stir at summer gatherings, just as they did in Grandma's day. The welcome difference from the old days is that ice cream is now a lot easier to make, thanks to electric ice cream freezers and ready-made crushed ice.

As you're cranking up your ice cream freezer for the first time this season, reread the directions that came with the freezer. Plus, keep in mind the following tips for sweet and creamy success every time:

— Chill your ice-cream mixture in the refrigerator for several hours before starting the freezing process. This cuts the freezing time so the ice cream will be smoother and will reach maximum volume.

— Fill the canister no more than two-thirds full. This allows the mixture to expand as air is beaten into it. The ice cream will be creamier and fluffier.

— Add alternate layers of crushed ice and rock salt to the outer container, using about 1 cup of salt to 6 cups of ice.

— To start the freezing process, follow the manufacturer's directions for electric models. For hand-crank models, turn the handle until you feel a slight pull, then turn it at a steady pace. Continue until the turning becomes difficult. It's important to add ice and salt occasionally as the ice melts.

— When the ice cream is finished, remove the ice until the level is below the can lid. That way, when you remove the lid, no salty water can seep into the ice cream.

— Wipe the lid and the top of the can. Remove the lid and dasher.

— Allow enough preparation time (about 4 hours) for the ice cream to ripen. Just-churned ice cream needs standing or ripening time to develop the best texture and flavor. To ripen ice cream, cover the canister with waxed paper, plastic wrap or foil, and replace the lid. Plug the hole in the lid with a cork. Push the can back down into the ice. Pack additional layers of ice and salt into the freezer to cover the top of the can.

Use 1 cup salt to 4 cups of ice (the higher proportion of salt will make the ice cream colder and harder). Cover the freezer with newspapers or a heavy cloth to keep it cold for four hours. Or, instead of ripening with ice and salt, transfer the churned ice cream to a freezer container with a tight-fitting lid and put it in your freezer for four hours. Storing Homemade Ice Cream

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Douglass Don Hill of Snyder and Valerie Kay Stewart of Columbus, Ga.

Kenneth Daniel Hoyle of Big Spring and Marcella Sabin Griffen of San Antonio.

Napoleon Jose Trujillo of Portales, N.M. and Linda Lou Bennett of Oakland, Calif.

Darren Allen Brooks of Plainview and Wilma Kay Henkell of Snyder.

Christopher Boyd Kelly of Abilene and Brandi Lynn Renteria of Weatherford.

Filed in District Court

Sallie Trigg Tate vs. Austin Etheredge, suit on note.

Margarito M. Ramos and Eva Ramos vs. Rodolfo Rodriquez, suit on fraud.

Angel Lopez, et ux, vs. Cindy Jewell Arnett, auto damage suit.

Lerline Cogdell vs. Wal-Mart Stores Inc., and Becky Thomas, suit for negligence.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Sandra Herrera Diaz and Marcus Patrick Diaz, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Melissa Ann Vineyard and Harley Don Vineyard, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Angela Elizabeth Nichols and John Wesley Hardin Nichols, divorce granted.

AmSouth Bank, N.A. vs. John Freeman and Martha Freeman, interlocutory judgment against Martha Freeman.

Aurora Tavarez vs. Western Texas College (self-insured) agreed judgment.

Pro Parts, Inc. vs. Energy Electric Contracting, Inc., judgment for plaintiff.

Amy Herrley vs. Beverly Enterprises, dba Snyder Nursing Center, order for nonsuit.

Oralie Rodriquez vs. A.E. Fogg Health Care, dba Snyder Oaks Care Center, judgment for defendant.

Don-Nan Pump and Supply Co. Inc. vs. Kana Resources, default judgment for plaintiff.

Nancy J. Lopez, individually and as surviving wife of the estate of Abraham Lopez vs. Murphy and Associates, Southwest Royalties, Kerry Clay, Lloyd Isbell, individually, and dba Lloyd's Roustabout, order for nonsuit.

Scurry County vs. Kay Price Willis, et al, default tax judgment.

Scurry County vs. Ruben Hernandez, et al, default tax judgment.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Audie K. Jones, et al, tax judgment.

Scurry County vs. Gilbert A. Theriot, et al, tax judgment.

Scurry County vs. Gilbert Sanchez, et al, tax judgment.

Scurry County vs. Lonnie Henry, et al, default tax judgment.

Scurry County vs. Mike Hernandez, et al, default tax judgment.

Scurry County vs. Dario Hernandez, et al, tax judgment.

Scurry County vs. Ramiro Ruiz, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Murrel's Trucks, Inc., et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Jewell McKeown Williams, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Catholic Diocese Kansas City, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Eulalia Ramirez, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Raymond N. Addison, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Z.W. Davis, dba Ben Wilson Supply, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Lois Catherine Allen, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Jay Sosland, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Scurry County vs. Mozelle Parks, individually, and dba P&M Manufacturing, et al, tax suit dismissed.

Warranty Deeds

Ruby L. McClain to Lynn Fenton, et ux, all of Lot 3 in Block F of the Towle Park Addition.

Paul Tovar, et ux, to Robert Guerrero, et ux, the east 40 and one-half feet of Lot 1, the west 57 and one-half feet of the north 50 feet of Lot 4, and the west 32 and one-half feet of the south 100 feet of Lot 4 all in Block 3 of the Cody Heights Addition.

L. C. Hawkins, et ux, to Camillio Jasso, et ux, being a 2.75 acre tract out of the southeast one-quarter of Section 134 in Block 3 of the H&GN Co. Survey.

Oda Mae Jones to Randall P. Glasscock, et ux, all of Lot 1 in Block 1 of the Bowden Addition.

Teddy Mack Tutor to Leonard Witte, et ux, all of Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10 in Block 7 of the Bootheland Addition.

Snyder Savings & Loan Association to Lynn Fenton, et ux, being all of Lot 1 in Block 1 of the Colonial Hill North Addition and other lands in Section 81 in Block 3 of the H&GN Co. Survey.

James L. Pritchett Jr., et ux, to Jerry L. Webb, et ux, all of Lot 4 in Block 2 of the Parkview Addition in Section 1.

Bruce Scott Burdett, et ux, to Robert D. Elston, et ux, being all of Lot 1 in Block 7 of the Correction of Bassridge Addition.

Ben Murphy, et ux, to Darby Keith Scott, et ux, the south 5.00 acres of Lot 43 of Round Top Acre Subdivision of Section 185 and 186 in Block 3 of the H&GN Co. Survey.

C. Y. Brooks to Darby Keith Scott, et ux, being a 5.86 acre tract of land in the northeast one-quarter of Section 49 in Block 3 of the H&GN Co. Survey.

Darby Keith Scott, et ux, to Johnny Don Claxton, being a 5.856 acres tract of land in the northeast one-quarter of Section 49 in Block 3 of the H&GN Co. Survey.

Murry Charles Bell, et ux, to George Eldred Schoolcraft, et ux, all of the south 25 feet of Lot 17 and all of Lot 18 in Block F of the Second Section of the Westridge Addition.

Hanks Oilfield Service, Inc., to Sydney E. Worthen, et ux, all of the north five feet of Lot 14 and the south 72 feet of Lot 15, both in Block 8 of the Bassridge West Addition.

Paul Seib, et ux, to Loyd Hatcher, et ux, all of Lot 4 in Block H of the Replat of the Towle Park Addition.

Fatal stabbing

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A store surveillance camera captured the fatal stabbing of a clerk and helped police and prosecutors obtain two indictments less than 14 hours after the killing.

One suspect turned himself in early Thursday, about 20 minutes after 20-year-old Clay Peterson of Portland was killed. But officials said the main reason behind the speedy indictments was the graphic video account of the attack at Corpus Christi Beach 7-Eleven store.

Johnny J. Martinez, 20, of Kingsville, and Ernest Joseph Wortmann, 23, of Corpus Christi, were held without bond at the Nueces County Jail.

A man called from a hotel to say he had been involved in the stabbing, police said.

Officers said they found Martinez in the hotel lobby. According to the police report, Martinez asked on his way to the police station: "Is the guy I stabbed dead?"

Police Capt. J.D. Brewer said Wortmann was found at a separate location.

District Attorney Carlos Valdez said the video shows a man robbing Peterson, then stabbing him in the neck, back and shoulders.

"He left the picture, then walked back into the picture and stabbed the victim again," Valdez said. "He did it after the robbery — the victim was cooperating."

Valdez said his office will seek the death penalty in the case.

"This one isn't negotiable," Valdez said.

Britain took control of the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic in 1833. Almost 150 years later, Argentina seized the islands from the British, but Britain won them back after a 14-day war.

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No one wanted to believe reports of massacre in 1891

By George Gedda
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Twelve years ago, the Reagan administration was attempting to halt the spread of communism in Central America with the help of an admittedly flawed instrument: the Salvadoran Army.

Just how flawed was demonstrated again Thursday with the release of an official report that provides a rare, intimate glimpse of how administration officials dealt with the atrocities that the Salvadoran Army regularly committed in the name of defending freedom.

The administration's point man at the time was Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Enders, who was faced with the daunting task of convincing Congress that the Salvadoran Army's rights record, however abysmal, did not invalidate American security concerns in the region.

The State Department report, commissioned by Secretary of State Warren Christopher, concluded that the most significant misjudgments by U.S. policymakers during the 12-year El Salvador war occurred during Enders' watch in early 1982.

In effect, the report said Enders did not come clean with Congress in responding to newspaper accounts that a massacre had occurred in the Mozote area of El Salvador in late 1981. In what was perhaps the most grisly of all the atrocities committed during that brutal conflict, hundreds were killed by a U.S.-trained battalion over a three-day period, mostly women and children.

A few days after the accounts appeared, Enders testified before Congress that there was "no evidence" to confirm the reports of a massacre. But, as the report pointed out, exhumations years later proved that the allegations were correct and Enders was wrong.

Two hours after the report of the Christopher panel was released, a new assistant secretary, Alexander Watson, was sworn in to the job that Enders vacated 10 years ago.

Virtually all of Watson's predecessors over the past two decades — six in all — were present. Among the handful of absentees was Enders himself; he has long since left the Foreign Service and was on a business trip Thursday in Western Canada.

However, in an opinion piece written in March, Enders acknowledged he was wrong in asserting that there was "no evidence" of a massacre. He also admitted "responsibility for not having been able to confirm" that a massacre had taken place.

Beyond accepting responsibility, he said, "I make no apologies."

He added: "We accepted the opprobrium of helping a flawed army as the only way to end human rights abuses while preventing a Communist takeover. Under our influence, violence against civilians peaked, fell and ended.

"The war is over. ... There is one less major conflict to deal with in this war-ridden decade. That could not have happened had we not engaged. For all the scars — some of them self-inflicted — that was worth being part of."

EDITOR'S NOTE — George Gedda has covered foreign affairs for The Associated Press since 1968.

Glenn Close to play newspaper editor

NEW YORK (AP) — Glenn Close spent some time at a New York tabloid to prepare for her upcoming movie role as ... head of a New York tabloid.

What'd she learn?

For one thing, editors who decide what stories to run apparently aren't much different from TV producers.

"It's a little like 'Saturday Night Live,'" said Close, who studied the Daily News. "You've got a whole list of things, and some make it, some don't."

Asked at a news conference Wednesday to describe her character, managing editor of the fictional New York Sun, Close said she would be a "good newswoman. You can't be the managing editor of a newspaper without being good."

The audience, filled with reporters who knew better, groaned.

Also set to star in "The Paper," directed by Ron Howard, are Randy Quaid, Michael Keaton, Robert Duvall, Marisa Tomei and Catherine O'Hara.

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Buffalo Reef

By Bill McClellan

"Just one little electric pump, dear. What's the big deal about that?"

I've always thought my wife and I pack far too many things for a weekend camping trip. In addition to the tent and sleeping bags, we throw in a couple of pairs of shoes apiece, two changes of clothes, lanterns, flashlights, five gallons of water, a portable stove, more pots and pans than it takes to cook a four-course meal, and, of course, a cooler.

Then there is the air mattress and its accursed portable pump, a little plastic plunger thing designed by someone in a foreign country who never blew up anything larger than a balloon. Make that a small balloon.

Left to my own, the air mattress would be tossed in the back of some closet, to be forgotten forever. Not because it isn't comfortable. It is, and that's the point. Hard ground, a rock jabbing you in the back as you toss and turn at night, is something to be expected, even appreciated. It's part of camping.

But my wife insists on the air mattress, and so it stays.

By now, we have a ritual built around the air mattress. I say, "If you want to use the air mattress, YOU pump it up." She says, "no problem. I will." Two minutes later, after she's pushed on the pump about 20 times, and is huffing and puffing and seemingly getting nowhere, I start feeling guilty. I take over while she insists "You don't have to do that. I can do it."

Then I, pump-pump, give her instructions, pump-pump, on how to find the road, pump-pump, out of the park, pump-pump, when I have a heart attack, pump-pump, and collaspe, pump-pump, because this blankity-blankity thing, pump-pump, is going to, pump-pump, kill me.

Which gives her an opportunity to suggest that we buy an electric pump. And I in turn, pump-pump, give her a lecture on purity in camping.

"Just one little electric pump, dear" she says. "What's the big deal about that?"

Because, I say, it is unnatural to take an electric pump camping. If the Lord had wanted us to use electricity while camping, he would have put outlets in trees. Instead, he gave us propane in a can and charcoal in a sack. And you can't use either one to pump up a stupid air mattress.

All that done, we get on with the rest of the camping experience.

More unloading. Lawn chairs. Sunscreen. Extra blanket. Fishing tackle. Mosquito repellent? Did we forget the mosquito repellent?

Several weeks ago we were camping at Lake Colorado City when a group of people in matching Suburbans pulled up across from us. Out came a folding picnic table, a four-room tent, cots, a portable cassette player with detachable speakers, four large boxes of supplies and about two miles of orange electrical extension cord.

Next, they unloaded a huge electric cooker. Not propane. Not charcoal. But electric. One of those $300 models.

Let there be heat.

Not everyone thought this was so incredulous. In fact, a woman in the camping spot to the right of us proudly unpacked a Mr. Coffee and a microwave.

A microwave? I wondered, if this is "roughing it," what does she use at home? Must order out.

I didn't go into shock, though, until the Suburbanites offloaded the refrigerator. No, no. Not one of those dorm-room sized things. A full-sized, six-foot refrigerator/freezer. I swear.

In fact, I DID swear, which brought my wife out of the tent to see what was going on.

"Wow! Looo...look," she uttered, while jabbing her finger at the microwave, the Mr. Coffee, and the refrigerator.

The Suburbanites stood the refrigerator straight up next to an outlet and plugged it in. They stood back and smiled.

Let there be cool.

I didn't wait to see what was next. "Dixie," I said, "we're moving." And we did.

It's people like that — people who carry microwaves, electric percolators, boom boxes, televisions, and, yes, *refrigerators* — who give camping a bad name.

And I bet it all started over an air mattress. "Just one little electric pump, dear. What's the big deal about that?"

(Pssst. Remind me not to gripe so much about that plastic portable pump.)

SDN Opinion Page

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Country Life

By Deanie Francis Mills

"You're never happy unless you're packing to go somewhere," complained my disgruntled husband several years ago, as I danced around the house, throwing things into a bag for a business trip.

"You came by it natural," said my mother recently, as she was excitedly relaying to me her vacation plans.

I thought about these things the other day, as I relayed to my son the sad news that his sixty-something grandad would not be able to take him white water rafting through the Big Bend, as planned, on account of how he'd broken his leg skydiving.

Let's just say I was not born into a very typical family.

Add this to the fact that the man who raised me, who I call Daddy (as opposed to my "real" father, Dad), never went anywhere but to work and walked in the door at 5:15 p.m. every day of my life, until he dropped dead at the age of 45.

So you take that experience and mix it all up with this decidedly gypsy/daredevil blood of mine, and you've got a person hopelessly bitten by the wanderlust. All I think about, sometimes, are all the places I want to go and all the things I want to see.

And here I am, 42 years old, married to a cowboy who never wants to go anywhere but to check on the cows. (Correction. He has expressed a desire to see Australia someday, to check out those cattle "stations" over there. Like I'm dying to travel halfway around the world just to visit a country that looks exactly like West Texas.)

People who are not driven by the wanderlust think that people who are, are just unhappy with where they are and think another place will make them happier. I can testify that this is not the case. Most travelers and adventurers I know are quite happy domestically, and love nothing better than to have a place to come home to. The truth is that traveling and seeing firsthand how some other people live is the best thing one can do to make him or her truly appreciate home.

So it's not about unhappiness. It's about curiosity. A drive to explore the world, compare cultures — even if it's just the differences between New York city and a small West Texas town.

I know people who travel, all right, but they do it in insulated time capsules. They don't mingle with the locals; they eat the same kinds of food they eat at home; they wrap themselves in protective cotton, taking pictures or videotape from a comfortable distance.

Kind of like going "camping" in an air-conditioned, TV-equipped, fully-kitchened recreational vehicle.

I even know people who've lived around the world due to military service or oilfield jobs, who make it a practice never to leave the American base.

My brother, on the other hand, while stationed on a West German base for four years, purposely lived 30 miles away in a tiny village, where he learned to speak German and made friends with people in the village.

(What can I say? It's in the blood.)

Last night, I watched the sixties movie classic "Easy Rider," for the first time since I was 18. I thought that looked like the perfect experience, riding a Harley from one end of this great and beautiful country to another. It's the freedom, you see, that that kind of travel can give you — it has nothing to do with some silly desire to recapture your youth, as the nonadventurers of the world like to think.

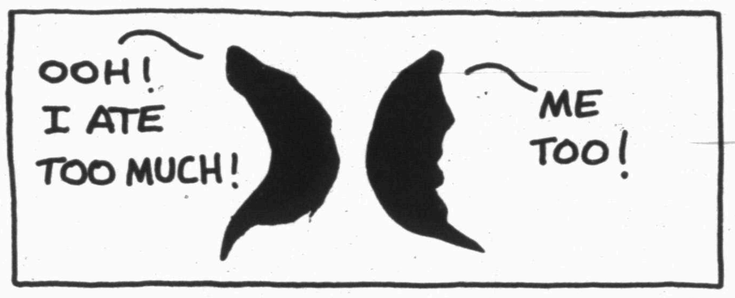
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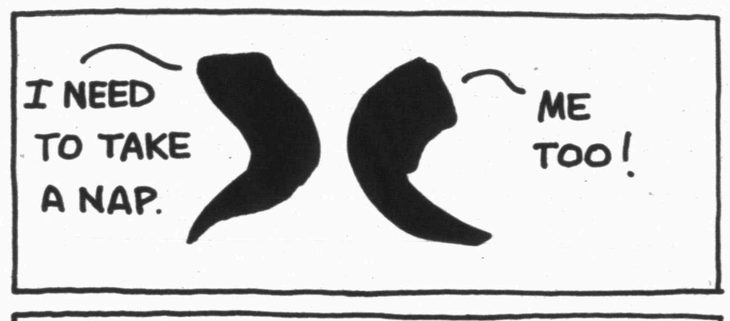
My dad, who celebrated his retirement by hiking across Death Valley, knows all about that. He knows it now — even with his leg in a cast all the way up to his earlobes.

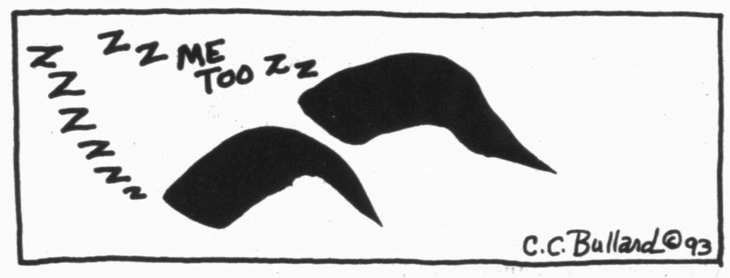
So I got to thinking about how my husband has often expressed a desire to learn to fly, and how this has always frightened me a little because I don't trust those small planes very much. So I decided to make a deal with him, dependent, of course, on the kids being out of the house and our someday ability to afford it:

When that time comes, I'll say, you can learn to fly and maybe even get an airplane...if I can have a motorcycle.

Then we'll each see the country in our own way.







Look Back

By JoAnn Nunley

5 YEARS AGO

Snyder High School graduate and local CPA Lee McNair was named business manager for Snyder ISD.

Demolition crews began taking down panels from the Tiger Drive-In screen to prepare for the construction of a Wal-Mart store on the site off the 4500 block of College Avenue

Jeff Adams of Snyder, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Adams, was accepted in U.S. Naval Academy and reported for Plebe Summer Camp, similar to Boot Camp. Previously, he had returned from a trip to Belgium where he visited an aunt who was a commander in the U.S. Navy.

10 YEARS AGO

Winners in the Earl Fish Memorial Partnership Golf Tournament were Larry Anderson and Don Copeland, championship flight; Daryl Brock and Jim Phillips, first flight; Tommy Lay and Ernie Armstrong, second flight; Mike Taylor and Pat Gilstrap, third flight. There were 60 teams in the tournament held at Snyder Country Club.

Barry Davis, first baseman for the 1983 Class 4-A state championship SHS Tigers, signed with Lubbock Christian College. He was the second SHS standout to play for LCC. The other was Mitch Mackey, who set pinch-hitting records for the NAIA championship team the previous season.

Scurry County Library received four Polaroid 640 instant cameras from the Polaroid Corporation to be loaned to library patrons.

15 YEARS AGO

Christine Rameriz of Snyder was one of 16 girls from West Texas Girl Scout Council to attend Our Cabana, a wider opportunities for Girl Scouts in Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mex. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ramirez Sr. and a member of Cadette Troop No. 266.

Dee A. Roach of 3797 Ave. V was accepted into the college of medicine at Texas A&M University for 1978 fall classes. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Earl Roach of Snyder.

Tonya Holladay, Kelly Dryden and Dana Elrod all qualified in a Kermit track meet to compete in the State TAAF (Texas Athletic Association Federation) Track Meet in Mesquite.

20 YEARS AGO

Charter members on hand to launch the construction of new wings at Morningside Baptist Church were Brian and Louise White, Dewey and Patty Lester, Leonard and Martha Broach, Wilmer and Geneta Richards and Mrs. W.R. Sanderford. Prior to the construction of the original building, members met in East Elementary.

The 38th annual Scurry County Rodeo's four-night run was dedicated to all who had served on the board of directors of the Scurry County Rodeo Association since its 1936 organization with 44 stockholders. Enthusiastic supporters present were Joe York, George Parks, Allen Stephens and J.L. (Lois) Adams. Others remembered were J.J. Koonsman, J.C. Dorward and J.M. Stewart.

25 YEARS AGO

It was reported that the Colorado River Municipal Water District's lake project at Robert Lee was progressing well with the dam at 75% completion. Most of the 36 miles of 33-inch line was in place from Big Spring to the Martin County pump station, and the right of way for upcoming pipeline was largely acquired.

Mayor Bobby McCormick signed a proclamation naming "Multiple Sclerosis Day" in Snyder. Bill Williams was local chairman and the organization sponsored a Ray Price benefit performance in Scurry County Coliseum.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to add to the letters of support for Representative David Counts.

In January, the Snyder Child Day Care Center received two statewide awards. One was presented by the Governor's office for our work with children and families. The other was the 1993 "Best of Texas" award given to outstanding service organizations.

A banquet was given in Austin honoring the recipients of the awards. The banquet and related conferences were attended by hundreds of educators, social workers and service organizations throughout the state. Senators and Representatives were also invited to attend.

David Count's office called offering congratulations and accepted the invitation to attend. There were several aides who attended and even the representatives who were on the program as speakers sent aides in their place.

David Counts was the only representative who took time out from his busy schedule to be there. When he addressed the group a woman asked him why he came to the meeting when everyone else declined because they were too busy. His answer was, "If it is important to Mrs. Fritz that I be here, then it is important to me that I be here." Needless to say, he received a vigorous round of applause.

We were also honored by the presence of County Judge Bob Doolittle and Chamber Manager Ricky Fritz, who drove to Austin to attend the awards presentation and conference.

We came away from the meeting feeling that we were more privileged that Mr. Counts, Judge Doolittle and Ricky took the time to be there and support us than by having won the awards.

In fact, we had a lot of poeple trying to trade local officials and representatives with us!

I, personally, think we are pretty lucky to have people in leadership positions who are interested in what is going on in the community and in the individuals who make up that community.

Shirley Fritz
Snyder, Texas

Editorial Roundup

Austin American-Statesman on school textbooks:

Contrary to the cliche, ignorance is not bliss.

Like curriculum, Texas textbooks must be based on reality if they are to have any meaning to students. A most important example is health textbooks. Those books cannot ignore human sexuality.

Books the state board ultimately selects for secondary health courses must balance concerns of parents who are worried their children will be unduly influenced and the needs of students who must be well-informed about the life and death choices they confront daily. The scale must tip in favor of education.

San Angelo Standard-Times on school milk program:

Give the kids what they want even when they'd be better off without it.

That's sometimes claimed to be holy writ in the catechism of permissive child-rearing decried so fervently by traditionalists (as well as others who realize the value of saying no even in a laid-back society.)

The 1993 agriculture appropriations bill that came out of committee last month said no longer would school districts that take part in the federal lunch program be required to give the moppets a choice between skim, low-fat, whole or chocolate milk. But, some dairy state lawmakers did nip-nups over depriving kids of that fat, even though Congress itself has urged schools to cut back on fats in pupils' diets.

Floor debate became high-flown, invoking a "freedom of choice" right that is laughable in most minds. But it worked. Youngsters can have it their way. And you do understand that the 2-to-1 House vote was based on basic rights, not on the fact that the dairy states want markets for all that delicious, artery-clogging cream.

El Paso Times on Spanish insurance policies:

Texas law requires all drivers to carry vehicle liability insurance, but someone who speaks only Spanish cannot now buy a policy that he or she can read.

That is about to change for the better.

Within two months, the State Insurance Board is expected to approve Spanish-language vesions of the basic policies sold in Texas for use by insurance companies.

Soon after, insurance companies will be required to provide policies in Spanish to people who ask for them.

It was not a step that insurance companies volunteered to take. The Insurance Board ordered it after hearing a few consumer complaints and some statistics.

"Census figures show that 3.5 million or 22 percent of Texans speak Spanish in the home and that 750,000 report that they are not fluent in English," state Insurance Department spokesman Rafael Ayuso said.

Some people and insurance companies are bound to complain that the requirement represents some official acceptance of Spanish. In fact, it is just an acknowledgement of reality.

As the Insurance Department's Associate Commissioner for Consumer Service Rob Schneider said, "This is not to make Spanish an official language, just to facilitate communication. That's all."

Retail positions sought for local DECA students

Lisa Williams, marketing coordinator for Snyder High School, is making preparations for the start of the 1993-1994 school year.

Williams is beginning her fifth year as instructor for DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) through which some 50 juniors and seniors work and study part-time each school year.

Snyder DECA students usually attend morning classes and work at a local retail store in the afternoon, Williams said. They work from 15-20 hours and receive minimum wages.

Williams asks all Snyder merchants and business people who are interested in hiring a DECA student to call her at the high school — 573-6301.

Labor officials hear Gov. Richards' speech

IRVING (AP) — Texas has been successful in attracting new business and jobs to the state, but those gains will be minimized if Congress kills the super collider and space station, says Gov. Ann Richards.

Richards on Thursday urged state labor officials to mount a widespread campaign to save the science projects.

During a speech before the Texas AFL-CIO state convention, Richards said the number of jobs in Texas has increased, as one out of every three jobs created in the United States last year was in Texas.

She also cited a number of economic victories for the state, such as keeping open the General Motors plant in Arlington and last year's transfer of Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. headquarters to San Antonio.

"A strong economy and a strong labor force has to do with one thing — jobs ... and we are working constantly to bring new jobs to Texas," she said.

But Richards warned that the state will lose thousands of jobs if Congress fails to approve funding for the super collider and the space station, targets of thrift-conscious lawmakers.

"The offshoot of these science projects are going to create what you're going to make tomorrow and what your children are going to sell tomorrow," she said. "They are not talking about pie in the sky ... When those cuts come, you're cutting jobs in the state of Texas."

The House last month approved by one vote funding for the space station, but voted to kill the super collider. Collider supporters now are looking to the Senate to save the giant atom smasher being built in Waxahachie.

Richards urged AFL-CIO members to help muster support for the project.

"You are the bedrock and backbone of the economy in this state. You are the ones who make it work," she said.

During her speech, Richards steered clear of one of her economic pet projects — the North American Free Trade Agreement. A major supporter of the trade pact, Richards said afterwards she didn't touch on the subject because of the labor group's stance on it.

"They're in opposition of the NAFTA, and I'm a very strong proponent of it, and we have agreed to disagree," she said.

The AFL-CIO has said the pact could cost Texas and the United States jobs. However, Richards says the agreement would create jobs.

New law restores annuitants' funds

AUSTIN — The Teacher Retirement System of Texas is looking for former annuitants — widows or widowers of deceased members or retirees — whose survivor benefits stopped when they remarried prior to 1980. A new Texas law has now restored their benefits.

State law previously requirements that benefits stop when a surviving spouse remarried. That law was changed in September 1980 permitting benefits, in future years, to continue for the surviving spouse who remarried; however, those who had already lost benefits before that date were not included.

The 73rd Texas Legislature this spring rectified that inequity and passed House Bill 2711 restoring payments to those beneficiaries whose benefits stopped when they remarried.

TRS, however, does not have record of those individuals since their names were dropped from the system database when they received ended 13 or more years ago. The retirement system is looking for these individuals so that benefits can be restored o them.

Persons who believe they qualify to have survivor benefits restored should contact the Claims Department of the Teacher Retirement System for information on how to apply.

The new law will be effective Sept. 1, 1993,. Payments can begin after that date and within one month after an application is filed and approved.

TRS can be reached by calling toll-free 1-800-223-8778, or for Austin-area calls, 397-6400.

Egypt passed on details of plot to U.S.

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — A top aide to President Hosni Mubarak says Egypt gave U.S. officials details of the plot behind the World Trade Center bombing and suggested some evidence came from a blast suspect who was arrested in Egypt.

Osama el-Baz, Mubarak's chief political adviser, made the comment during a meeting with reporters Thursday night in Cairo. He was responding to a question on the events leading up to the Feb. 26 bombing in New York.

El-Baz was asked if he could confirm reports that the plot was hatched in Peshawar, Pakistan, that both Iranians and Iraqis were involved and that the plot was approved by Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman. He was also asked if some funding came from Muslim Brotherhood offices in Germany.

"Some information similar to what you just mentioned was received by us. We conveyed it to the American authorities," el-Baz replied.

The information on Abdel-Rahman would be important because American authorities have been unable to tie the blind Egptian cleric, who is being detained on U.S. immigration charges, directly to the Trade Center bombing.

A dozen men with links to Abdel-Rahman are among defendants in the bombing and an alleged plot to blow up other New York landmarks.

The New York Times reported in Friday's editions that el-Baz said Egyptian suspect Mahmoud Abouhalima told Egyptian officials the plot was approved by Abdel-Rahman and men who described themselves as Iranian intelligence officials.

But el-Baz did not specify in the meeting with journalists which details of the question he was confirming. Pressed to say if the information was accurate, he answered: "My approximation is that this is an accurate approximation."

El-Baz was not immediately available Friday, the Muslim sabbath, to elaborate on his remarks.

In the meeting, he noted that some of the information which Egypt gathered could be defective or inadequate.

El-Baz implied some information that was passed on came from Abouhalima, who was seized in Egypt south of Alexandria, turned over to U.S. authorities and later charged in the Trade Center blast.

He did not mention Abouhalima by name, but made clear to whom he was referring by noting the details passed on by Egypt would have to be evaluated for accuracy by American courts trying the case.

Abouhalima was held for 10 days in Egypt. After he was returned to the United States, he claimed that a confession taken by Egyptian authorities was a result of torture and untrue. An FBI doctor who examined Abouhalima said he found bruises and burn marks on his body.

Connection of the bombing to the Muslim Brotherhood would challenge the brotherhood's denunciation of the blast and extremist attacks in Egypt aimed at toppling Mubarak's secular government.

The brotherhood is an Islamic fundamentalist group founded in Egypt in the 1920s. Although officially outlawed, it has been allowed to operate openly because it maintains it has eschewed violence.

Officer charged

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — A Corpus Christi police officer accused of returning confiscated marijuana to a woman after he allegedly pressured her to perform oral sex on him was indicted on a charge of official oppression Thursday.

David E. Martin, 39, a three-year veteran, had been on paid leave since the indictment was handed down.

Official oppression is a Class-A misdemeanor, punishable by one year in jail or a $3,000 fine.

Martin "intentionally subjected (the woman) to sexual harassment in that he compelled her by verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature," according to the indictment.

The officer caught the woman with marijuana at the Corpus Christi Trade Center July 6, and gave it back to her after she performed oral sex on him, Assistant District Attorney Dick Berry said.

The case will be handled by a county attorney and it will remain in district court.

"The case was brought to us as a possible sexual assault, but it soon became apparent that was not what it was," Berry said. He said the woman's civil rights were not violated if she was not in custody at the time, as the police indicate.

Police Chief Henry Garrett said an internal investigation should be wrapped up by Monday. He said he will decide on Martin's status by early next week.

Dr. William W. Grant of Davenport, Iowa, performed in 1885 what is believed to have been the first appendectomy. The patient was 22-year-old Mary Gartside.

Senior Center news listed

Games of 42 will begin at 9:30 a.m. Monday in the Senior Citizens Center as Game Day gets underway. Senior citizens who prefer other games are also invited to arrange them at that time.

Senior citizens will be giving volunteer time for the distribution of surplus commodities to eligible county residents on Wednesday. Hours for distribution will be 9-11:30 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

The Adult Master Ringers from First Baptist Church will be visiting the center on Wednesday for a performance starting at 11:30 a.m. Barbara Tune and Frances Featherston will combine their talents for a musical program at 11 a.m. Thursday.

Everyone is invited to join in the Sing Along starting at 11:30 Friday morning.

The Scurry County chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 1 p.m. Monday in the center. The Golden K Kiwanis Club will hold its meeting there at noon Tuesday.

A 55 Alive driving course will be offered in the center on July 24 and 31. Persons 55 and over are eligible to enroll and will receive certificates entitling them to discounts on automobile insurance upon completing the eight hours of instruction. The fee of $8 is to be paid at 8:45 a.m. on July 24. Persons wishing to enroll are to pre-register by telephone in person.

Other special events scheduled in the center this month include the country/western dance on July 27, the McDonald's July birthday party on July 28, and the Texas Society to Prevent Blindness program on July 29. Information about all Senior Center activities can be obtained by calling the office at 573-4035.

Commodities distribution set Wednesday

Commodity distribution this month will be Wednesday, July 21, from 9 until 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center, 2603 Avenue M. There will be no makeup day and all participants are asked to enter through the north door and to bring paper sacks or boxes to transport commodities.

Income eligibility guidelines for all citizens of Scurry County are posted at the Senior Center.

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY
Baked Ham
Orange Sweet Potatoes
Brussels Sprouts
Cucumber-Onion Salad
Orange Sherbert

TUESDAY
Liver and Onions
Potatoes in Savory Butter
Turnip Greens
Lettuce & Tomato Salad
Stewed Prunes

WEDNESDAY
Chopped Sirloin au jus
Baked Potato
Cauliflower w/Cheese Sauce
Perfection Salad
Peach Cobbler

THURSDAY
Chicken Strips w/Cream Gravy
Buttered Rice
Mixed Vegetables
Sliced Tomato
Gingerbread w/Vanilla Sauce

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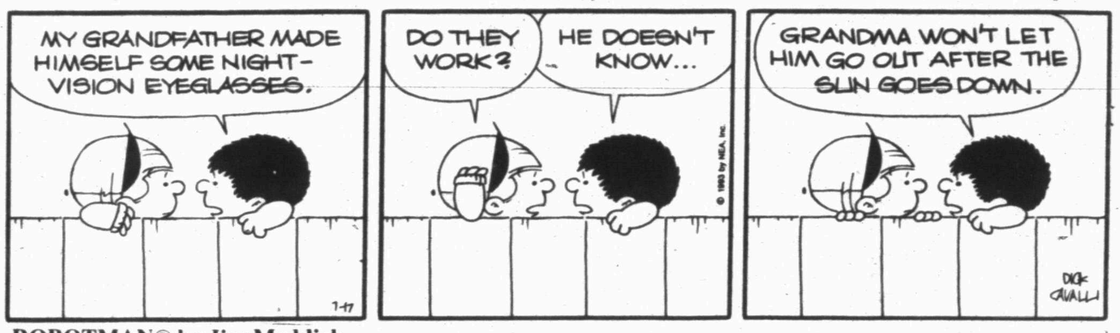
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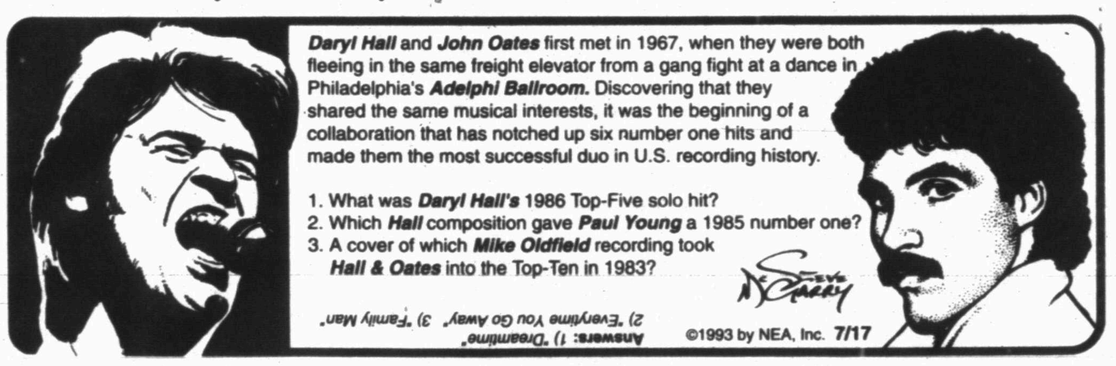
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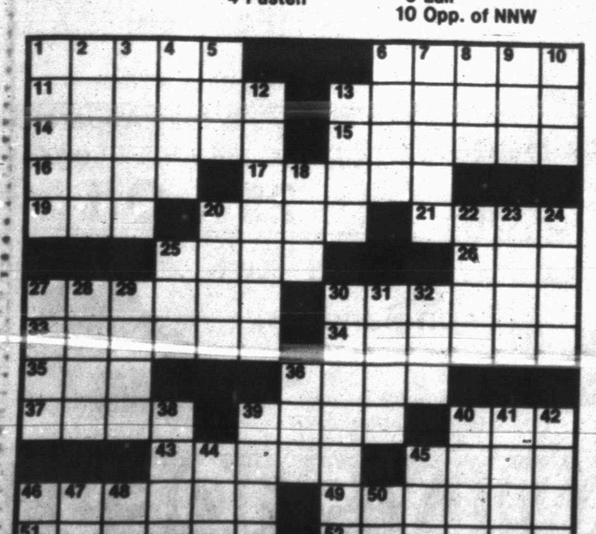
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17 Doctor's assistant
19 Hindu cymbals
20 Animal enclosure
21 Christmas carol
25 Similar in kind
26 56, Roman
27 Happen to
30 Conviction
33 Crystalline gem
34 Baltimore symbol
35 Genetic material (abbr.)
36 Goddess of discord
37 Catch sight of
39 Fashion
40 Japanese sash
43 Degrade
45 Actor — Everett
46 Roar
49 Tell
51 Kitchen utensil
52 Shops
53 Evergreen tree
54 Not together

DOWN

1 Initial
2 Babylonian hero
3 Of warships
4 Fasten
5 German for "one"
6 Marshes
7 Actress — Burstyn
8 Yale student
9 Lair
10 Opp. of NNW
12 Room of the Last Supper
13 Uninteresting person
18 Exclamation of disgust
20 Sect
22 Mixture
23 — Knievel
24 Existence
25 Type of monkey
27 Wait
28 Vast ages
29 Flutter
30 Edges
31 Iroquois Indian
32 Fleur-de- —
36 Dawn goddess
38 1945 conference site
39 Bryn —
40 Scarlett —
41 Reducer
42 I.e., in full
44 South African Dutch
45 Hoofbeat sound
46 UK broadcasters
47 Wide shoe size
48 Boy
50 Greek letter

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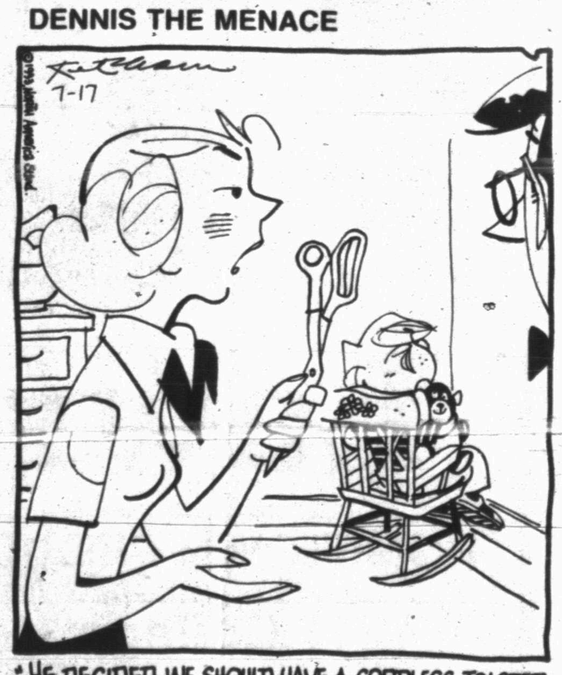
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Texans can't function without air-conditioning in the summer

DALLAS — Reading the stories of the intense heat on the East Coast has left some Texans wondering what all the fuss is about. But these southwestern city dwellers in air conditioned cubicles all their lives just don't understand.

"A hundred degrees, big deal!" says Hattie Carter of Dallas. "Those New Yorkers should just wear something cool and light-colored and turn the air conditioner down low. They should have been here in Dallas when it hit 115 in the shade. Now that was heat. Central Expressway was filled with cars steaming and stalled on the side of the road."

Lesson No. 1: There are two kinds of air conditioning in the world. Texas air conditioning and regular air conditioning. Texans keep it cold and frigid at all times. We might as well be in a foreign country as far as the rest of the world is concerned.

A Dallas friend just came back from a wedding in Connecticut. He stayed at some friends' home out in the country. These people commute from Manhattan to use this as a weekend retreat.

It is not air conditioned. It regularly gets into the 90s in this part of the state in the summer.

"They told me they just use it on the weekends," says my friend, who was dearly wishing he had somehow remembered to pack a ceiling fan. "It just didn't get hot all that often. They just didn't think air conditioning was necessary."

It was a lovely house. But in Texas you'd have to pay someone to live in it. No one in Texas would consider living in 90-degree temperatures without full air and probably fans, too.

A few days after this conversation, I talked to a friend who lives right in New York City. I asked how she was faring with the hot weather. I had read that there was such a demand for power that air conditioners were only running at half speed and they don't give such big blasts of air during the best of times.

"We don't have air conditioning," she explained. "With the temperatures around 100, it's just miserable. I'm taking a lot of cold baths."

I was incredulous. She didn't have air conditioning! I have my air conditioning repairman's telephone number written on my telephone. I've never known anyone who has a 25-inch television set and doesn't have air conditioning.

I've been to this New York woman's apartment. It's lovely, overlooking the river. I can't imagine a place like that without air conditioning. It's not always 100 degrees in New York, but it's always in the 90s at least sometime in the summer.

She recalled visiting Texas and thinking she was in the middle of the South Pole when she walked into a Houston airport one sultry August.

"I've never been so cold in my life. I had to buy a jacket just so I could go to the restaurants and shop in the stores. Why do you Texans keep every place feeling like it's always the middle of December?"

"It doesn't feel like December," I explained. "In December we keep it warm. It's just in June, July and August that we like it frigid."

She said she has heard we hold barbecues outside in the heat of the summer. How do we Texans stand that?

"You've got to understand," I said. "Outside in Texas doesn't mean outdoors. We go outside to an air conditioned tent. It's very civilized."

I continued this conversation with others. Billie Stolz was just back from New York. She was not only bowled over the by the heat, she was also surprised that people weren't dressed for the weather.

"They weren't wearing cool summer colors. They were wearing black. My sister who lives there explained black 'is' a New York summer color. White just isn't a color that's in their wardrobe.

"She said if she wore the little summer floral prints that I wear to work to her office, they would really have something to talk about. They would forget the heat and talk about her wardrobe."



VIRGINIA FENTON

Fenton makes Dean's List

WACO — Virginia Nicole Fenton has been named to the spring semester Dean's List at Baylor University. To achieve this recognition, she had to maintain a grade point average of 3.7 or better of a possible 4.0 while enrolled in at least 15 semester hours.

Fenton, a 1992 graduate of Snyder High School, is majoring in computer science.

She is the daughter of John Fenton of Snyder and Margie Dunn of Waxahachie; and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Fenton of Snyder and Mrs. Charles Powell of Dallas.

Genetic link to homosexuality discovered

WASHINGTON (AP) — New evidence supporting the theory that the tendency to be gay may be inherited was reported Friday by researchers who have found a gene pattern linked to male homosexuality.

Dean Hamer, principal author of the study, said the research does not prove that sexual orientation is compelled genetically, but it does indicate that sexual orientation is powerfully influenced by inherited genes.

"This is the strongest evidence to date that there is an important genetic component to sexual orientation," Hamer said in an interview.

A common genetic pattern for homosexuality was found in a part of the X chromosome in 33 of 40 pairs of gay brothers.

The study by a group of National Cancer Institute researchers was published Friday in the magazine Science.

The researchers are trying to identify the specific gene containing the shared variant. A similar study for female homosexuals also is under way, Hamer said.

Three experiments in recent years have found possible biological explanations for sexual orientation. The new finding strengthens the conviction by many in the gay community that homosexuality is not a matter of choice, but of biological destiny.

George Neighbors Jr. of the Federation of Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays said the new study "may help people look at this as a genetic issue, that it is natural and it involves no sort of choice at all."

But he said some gays fear that if a biological basis for homosexuality is found, there may be some people who view it as an opportunity to medically change the sexual orientation.

Study: substance abuse increases Medicaid charges

WASHINGTON (AP) — Substance abuse treatment is a major component of Medicaid hospital payments, eating up $1 of every $5 spent and doubling the length of hospital stays, a study has found.

Abuse of tobacco, alcohol and legal and illegal drugs will add more than $7.4 billion to Medicaid inpatient hospital costs in 1994, according to the study released Thursday.

The analysis by the Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University is the first attempt to measure how much substance abuse adds to the cost of health care in America, said Joseph Califano, chairman and president of the center.

"There has never been a study that tried to tease out of the health care industry the cost of substance abuse," said Califano, a longtime anti-smoking crusader and Jimmy Carter's secretary of health, education and welfare. "The study has enormous policy implications."

The report does not define substance abuse. But Jeffrey Merrill, vice president for policy and research at the center, said the definitions depend on the disease and were based on previous epidemiological studies. So, for example, if researchers were looking at bladder cancer, they would take into account studies that found smoking "X" number of cigarettes per day increased the incidence or severity of the disease, he said.

The study used hospitalization data from the 1991 National Hospital Discharge Survey — the latest year available. Researchers also reviewed more than 3,000 scientific papers, identifying 72 medical conditions that are wholly or partially attributable to substance abuse.

In 1991, substance abuse accounted for $4.2 billion of the $21.6 billion Medicaid paid for hospital stays, according to the study. By 1994, that number will exceed $7.4 billion out of a total $41 billion, the study estimated.

Califano called those numbers low, noting that physicians tend to under-report alcohol and drug abuse, and that cigarette smoking or prescription drug abuse is infrequently included in hospital records.

Califano said he has distributed the study to members of Congress who will play key roles when President Clinton's health care policy reaches Capitol Hill later this year.

"I am convinced beyond doubt that any attempt to promote quality health care at a reasonable expense to all Americans is doomed to fail unless it deals with substance abuse," Califano said.

TI earnings posted

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Instruments Inc, said Friday it earned $112 million in the second quarter, a 55 percent jump over last year due to greater orders for semiconductors.

George Miller...

Ex-resident to study cardiology procedures

George G. Miller, M.D., has completed the third year of cardiology fellowship at the University of Texas Medical School at Houston under the direction of Dr. James T. Willerson, chairman of the Department of Medicine and chief of the Division of Cardiology.

Dr. Miller has been selected as a fellow in invasive cardiology procedures with Dr. William O. Neal at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Mich.

Dr. O'Neal is an internationally recognized leader in intravascular procedures such as balloon angioplasty, peripheral arteryangioplasty, valvuloplasty, and intracoronary artery arthrectomy.

William Beaumont Hospital cardiologists perform in excess of 4,000 of these procedures annually. Over 600 applicants were received by the hospital this year for the two available positions in invasive cardiology.

Dr. Miller's training began July 1 and will be completed by June 30, 1994. He will spend the year in the cardiac catherization and research laboratory developing and testing new modalities for intravascular intervention and management, prevention of complications associated with the interventions.

These include atherectomy (shaving of cholesterol atheroma from coronary arteries via a catheter), use of perfusion catheters for the distol perfusion of intracoronary artery stents to prevent acute and late closure of coronary arteries after standard balloon angioplasty.

Dr. Miller, a native of Snyder and the son of Frank and Carol Miller of Snyder, is a 1976 graduate of Snyder High School and a 1980 cum laude graduate of Texas A&M University. He graduated from the University of Texas Medical School at Houston with honors in 1984.

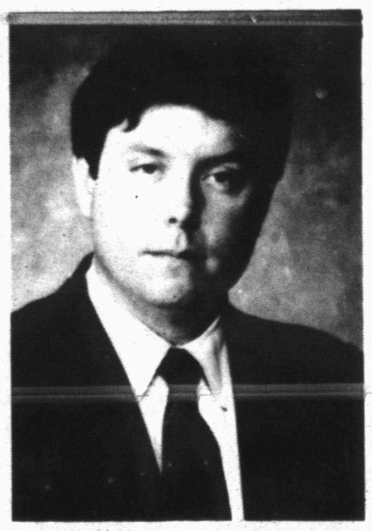
He did his professional postgraduate training in internal medicine at the University of Florida in Gainesville from 1987-1990.

Since July of 1990, Dr. Miller has been a fellow training at the University of Texas Medical School at Houston in cardiology.

Dr. Miller married Lisa Jean Faust on June 7, 1986. They have two sons, G. Givens Miller II, 3, and Austin D. Miller, 1.

Lisa has a doctorate in clinical pharmacy from the Medical University of South Carolina and is presently the director of drug information training at M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston.

The Millers currently reside in Houston and will remain in the city until he completes his year of fellowship in Michigan before relocating for private practice.



DR. GEORGE MILLER

Trust fund set up for 2-year-old

A trust fund for two-year-old bone cancer patient Jamie Glover has been established in Dallas.

Jamie is the grandson of Jack and RaVona Glover of Snyder and the son of Loby and Chandra Glover of Irving.

Jamie was diagnosed with neuroblastoma on June 17. The disease has now spread to his bone marrow. He began chemotherapy June 22 and will be in Children's Medical Center in Dallas on and off for the next several month.

After his cancer is in remission, he will require a bone marrow transplant. His insurance will not cover the cost of the procedure because they consider it to be an experimental treatment.

Anyone interested in helping Jamie may send a donation to: Jamie Cass Glover Trust Fund, Attention Cindy Cooper, First Interstate Bank, 3535 Forest Lane, Dallas, TX 75234.

Blood donations on Jamie's behalf are also being accepted at Meeks Blood Bank in Abilene, Carter Blood Bank in Fort Worth and Parkland Blood Bank in Dallas.

Kung fu teacher sues movie star

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — A kung fu instructor is sparring with martial arts movie star Chuck Norris in federal court here.

Louis Illar's lawsuit against Norris and others involves the movie "Sidekicks," which Illar says was derived from his screenplay entitled "The Gift of the Iron Crutch."

The lawsuit claims Norris and the California-based Iron Crutch Productions Inc. broke contracts with Illar in producing the movie.

Norris' agent didn't return a phone call seeking comment Wednesday or Thursday.

"Sidekicks," is the story of a sickly teen-ager transformed into a self-confident young man with the help of a character played by Norris, according to a promotional packet that lists Illar as an associate producer and story author.

The suit contends that Norris and others involved in making "Sidekicks" edged him out of the creative process when the movie was being produced and also failed to go through with a marketing tie-in to benefit a charity for handicapped children.

Illar also contends that "Sidekicks" twisted his original concept by glorifying violence.

Illar claims that after he was cut out of the production he reached an agreement with Norris and producer Don Carmody that called for enough story and character changes to be made so that Illar could make a television movie based on his screenplay.

The changes weren't made and the television movie can't be pursued, Illar alleges.

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Bullet that killed trooper shattered many lives

VICTORIA — That Bill Davidson was a victim of senseless violence is undisputed.

But when Ronald Ray Howard shot the veteran highway patrol trooper during a traffic stop, his bullet claimed many lives besides the one it ended.

For when Davidson hit the pavement on U.S. Highway 59 in 1992, it set off a chain reaction of shattered lives.

His wife, Linda, to whom he'd spoken on the telephone just minutes before he was shot, and their children, Kimberly and Trey, have been victimized by Howard's anger as surely as their husband and father was.

To Ronald Ray Howard, Bill Davidson was "the law" — a nameless person in a hated uniform, a target for his rage.

To everyone else, he was Bill. Bill the husband. Bill the fishing buddy. Bill the city councilman. Bill the Little League president. Bill the UIL football referee. And so on.

With one bullet, he became Bill the cherished memory.

On Wednesday, with Ronald Ray Howard condemned to death, Linda Davidson said she and her children will now try to live a normal life again. But she called that task "impossible now that we don't have Bill anymore."

For Kimberly, a return to normalcy means going back to college — and hopefully to the Department of Public Safety Academy in Austin to follow in her father's footsteps.

But it also means an empty chair at graduation, where she would otherwise have found her father. And another one at home, where she would otherwise have found help understanding Texas traffic laws.

For Trey, to whom Bill Davidson was "coach" as well as "dad," it means a wall of trophies, bittersweet memories of championships and of a fallen champion.

To Don Wardlow, who sat through almost the entire trial — most days after an hour's drive from Rockdale after working all night — it means the end of a lifelong friendship.

"We really didn't see each other all that much the last few years, but our friendship was there," said Wardlow, a friend since both were second-graders in Belton.

For them, the pipe dreams of boyhood became reality when, in 1968, they enlisted in the Army together.

Wardlow would later follow his friend into the highway patrol, graduating from the DPS Academy two classes behind Davidson.

Add the loss of a brother officer to that of a boyhood chum.

And what of Howard's family?

His grandmother, Birdie Prince, wept uncontrollably Wednesday as she stretched to hug her 6-foot-1 grandson after the jury passed its death sentence.

"Don't kill my baby. Don't kill my baby. Don't kill my baby," she could be heard saying through her sobs.

His mother, Debra, despite her poor judgment in buying him the gun that he would later use as a murder weapon, also is a victim of her son's action.

That a mother, any mother, should have to hear her child condemned to death is itself tragic. That a woman should have to ride a bus from Houston and hobble on crutches into a courtroom full of strangers to do so is pitiable.

Howard's children — as many as six of them — will grow up knowing only that their father killed a police officer and was sentenced to die for it.

A Texas death row inmate spends an average of 81/2 years in a legal battle for his life. If Howard's efforts fail, he will face his end strapped to a gurney behind a red-brick prison wall in downtown Huntsville, lethal drugs coursing through his veins.

Bill Davidson had no time to prepare for his end, comatose in a Victoria hospital bed, a bullet fragment in his lung.

When his time comes, Howard's family will be able to say goodbye. Until then, they will speak to him on the telephone, write him letters and visit him in prison.

But never again will he braid his sister Octavia's hair as she gets ready for school, or shoot baskets with little brother Wilber.

Whose fault is that?

His lawyer tried to blame his upbringing in a violent Houston ghetto, or savage beatings by his father, or the influence of violent rap music. Or a combination of all of them.

When asked for his idea of who's to blame, Howard's answer was simple: "Me."

Ultimately, 12 Travis County residents agreed with him.

That the question should ever have been asked is the greatest tragedy of all.

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In 1913, the 17th amendment to the Constitution, providing for the election of members by popular vote rather than by selection by state legislatures, was ratified.

Bacteria might help prevent potato rot

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agriculture Department scientists say bacteria found in Wisconsin potato fields can prevent dry rot in stored potatoes and reduce the size of the decayed area in an infected potato.

The bacteria could provide a natural replacement for synthetic chemicals in warding off potato dry rot, they say.

"All commonly grown commercial cultivars of potatoes are susceptible to this disease," said plant pathologist David A. Schisler of the Agricultural Research Service.

"It's unlikely we can continue to adequately control dry rot by applying a post-harvest fungicide," he said.

Dry rot is caused by a fungus, Fusarium sambucinum, that infects potatoes in the field and in storage. The fungus enters through wounds in the potatoes' skin and causes dry, crumbling decay. Sixty percent of a stored crop can be lost because of the disease.

Only one fungicide now is approved for dry rot on harvested potatoes, Schisler said. And recent studies found that 75 percent of fungus samples resisted post-harvest treatment.

"There is a control void here that biological control agents are well-suited to fill," said Schisler.

He and colleagues at the National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research in Peoria, Ill., are studying six bacterial strains found in the Wisconsin soil samples in 1990. They are determining which of the strains are most effective against dry rot and could be mass-produced easily.

The scientists screened 350 strains of bacteria from the Wisconsin fields.

Patricia J. Slininger, a chemical engineer at the Peoria center, said studies are under way to develop liquid culture and formulation technologies needed to mass produce storable, effective biocontrol agents.

"A wettable powder formulation composed of dried bacterial cells and a carrier is being considered," she said. "Such a product would be handled and applied much like wettable powder fungicides currently used."

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Dollar Amounts in Thousands	Bil	Mil	Thou	
ASSETS				
1. Cash and balances due from depository institutions: a. Noninterest – bearing balances and currency and coin		2	471	1.a.
b. Interest – bearing balances			100	1.b.
2. Securities		36	975	2.
3. Federal funds sold & securities purchased under agreements to resell in domestic offices of the bank & of its Edge & Agreement subsidiaries, & in IBFs: a. Federal funds sold		3	500	3.a.
b. Securities purchased under agreements to resell			-0-	3.b.
4. Loans and lease financing receivables:				
a. Loans and leases, net of unearned income		36	385	4.a.
b. LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses			794	4.b.
c. LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve			-0-	4.c.
d. Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve (item 4.a minus 4.b and 4.c)		35	591	4.d.
5. Assets held in trading accounts			-0-	5.
6. Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)		1	160	6.
7. Other real estate owned			47	7.
8. Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies			-0-	8.
9. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding			-0-	9.
10. Intangible assets			-0-	10.
11. Other assets		1	054	11.
12. a. Total assets (sum of items 1 through 11)		80	898	12.a.
b. Loans deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j)			N/A	12.b.
c. Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j) (sum of items 12.a and 12.b)		80	898	12.c.
LIABILITIES				
13. Deposits: a. In domestic offices		71	265	13.a.
(1) Noninterest – bearing		10	390	13.a.(1)
(2) Interest – bearing		60	875	13.a.(2)
b. In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs				13.b.
(1) Noninterest – bearing			-0-	13.b.(1)
(2) Interest – bearing			-0-	13.b.(2)
14. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase in domestic offices of the bank & of its Edge & Agreement subsidiaries, & in IBFs: a. Federal funds purchased			-0-	14.a.
b. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase			-0-	14.b.
15. Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury			521	15.
16. Other borrowed money			-0-	16.
17. Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases			-0-	17.
18. Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding			-0-	18.
19. Notes and debentures subordinated to deposits			-0-	19.
20. Other liabilities		1	072	20.
21. Total liabilites (sum of items 13 through 20)		72	858	21.
22. Limited – life preferred stock			-0-	22.
EQUITY CAPITAL				
23. Perpetual preferred stock (No. of shares outstanding 0)			-0-	23.
24. Common stock (No. of shares a. Authorized 120,000 / b. Outstanding 120,000)		2	400	24.
25. Surplus		2	600	25.
26. a. Undivided profits and capital reserves		3	040	26.a.
b. LESS: Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities			-0-	26.b.
27. Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments				
28. a. Total equity capital (sum of items 23 through 27)		8	040	28.a.
b. Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j)			N/A	28.b.
c. Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j) (sum of items 28.a. & 28.b)		8	040	28.c.
29. Total liabilities, limited – life preferred stock, equity capital, and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j) (sum of items 21, 22, and 28.c)		80	898	29.
MEMORANDA: Amounts outstanding as of Report Date:				MEMO
1. a. Standby letters of credit Total			299	1.a.
1. b. Amount of Standby letters of credit in memo 1.a. conveyed to others through participations			-0-	1.b.

NOTE: This report must be signed by an authorized officer(s) and attested by not less than three directors other than the officer(s) signing the report.

I/We, the undersigned officer(s), do hereby declare that this Report of Condition has been prepared in conformance with official instructions and is true

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER(S) AUTHORIZED TO SIGN REPORT: [signature] — DATE SIGNED: JULY 15, 1993

NAME AND TITLE OF OFFICER(S) AUTHORIZED TO SIGN REPORT: DERWIN THOMPSON, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CASHIER — AREA CODE/PHONE NO.: 915-573-5441

We, the undersigned directors, attest the correctness of this Report of Condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief and has been prepared in conformance with official instructions and is true and correct.

SIGNATURE OF DIRECTOR: [signature] — SIGNATURE OF DIRECTOR: [signature] — SIGNATURE OF DIRECTOR: [signature]

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF SCURRY, ss:

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