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# Clinton urges Congress, 'save Social Security first'

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton sought to reassert his leadership in a crucial State of the Union address Tuesday night, urging Congress to "save Social Security first" before cutting taxes or increasing spending.

With the end of big budget deficits, Clinton said "every penny of any surplus" should be devoted to shoring up Social Security, which faces bankruptcy next century as baby boomers retire. Republicans are eyeing the surpluses for tax cuts.

Replying to Clinton, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott said the best thing Washington can do is "cut the tax burdens on the American family."

Amid fresh tensions with Saddam Hussein, Clinton issued a veiled threat of force against Iraq: "You cannot defy the will of the world. ...You have used weapons of mass destruction before. We are determined to deny you the capacity to use them again."

In his annual report to the nation, Clinton said America is enjoying good times enhanced by the lowest unemployment and inflation in decades. He urged Congress to raise the minimum wage — now $5.15 an hour — but did not specify how much. "We can afford to take one simple, sensible step to help millions of workers struggling to provide for their families."

Social Security faces bankruptcy next century under a tidal wave of payoffs for the baby boom generation. On this politically charged issue, Clinton challenged Congress to join in a bipartisan search for a fix. With the prospect of the first balanced budget in 30 years, Clinton said the question is what should be done with the projected surpluses.

"I have a simple four-word answer: save Social Security first," the president said. "Tonight I propose we reserve 100 percent of the surplus — that's every penny of any surplus — until we have taken all the measures necessary to strengthen the Social Security system for the 21st century."

Clinton also challenged Congress to pass national tobacco legislation, but its fate is uncertain. He urged raising the price of cigarettes by $1.50 a pack to deter teen smoking, and said tobacco companies should be slapped with penalties "if they continue marketing to kids."

The administration is counting on passage of a tobacco deal for $65 billion over five years to pay for social spending.

Clinton urged $21.7 billion for a childcare initiative, doubling to 2 million the number of kids eligible for childcare subsidies. "Not a single family should have to choose between a job they need and the child they love," he said.

He proposed $7.3 billion to hire 100,000 teachers, with a goal of reducing class sizes in grades one to three. He also urged tax credits to pay interest on nearly $22 billion in bonds to build and renovate public schools.

With the economy booming and the government collecting more tax revenues, Clinton boasted that he would submit a balanced budget for 1999, three years earlier than required in his deal with Congress. "And if we hold fast to fiscal discipline, we may balance the budget this year, four years ahead of schedule," the president said.

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# Chamber endorses motel fund requests

## *Banquet tickets are on sale now*

Snyder Chamber of Commerce board members on Tuesday agreed to grant three hotel/motel requests and announced banquet tickets are on sale.

The board approved $1,500 in hotel/motel funds to promote the Tommy Dorsey Band, which will perform at the coliseum on March 3. Plans are to reimburse the funds with ticket sales.

Also approved was $500 to the chamber for supplies and promotion of the annual banquet, set for March 24.

In addition, $675 was approved for funding Scurry County Museum's exhibit, "Partners Across America: Girl Scouts and First Ladies," from mid March through mid April.

The exhibit, coming from the Presidential Museum in Odessa, will coincide with Laura Bush's appearance in Snyder as guest speaker at the banquet. The local Girl Scouts will also contribute memorabilia.

Following approval of minutes and financial statements, executive director Donna Fowler announced new chamber members — Carl and Gayle Burleson, Lorber Industries and Patterson Drilling. The Burlesons also joined the Gold Coats, bringing its total membership to 46.

Board members announced Tuesday that reservations for the chamber banquet are now being taken. Tickets are $15 for adults. A child's plate is $7.50. Elementary schools have been asked to participate in student drawings in four catagories. Prizes will include savings bonds. Winners and their teachers will be introduced at the banquet.

A new member orientation will be held at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Spanish Inn.

Fowler asked local merchants to bring coupons or inserts, to be used in give-away packets, to the chamber office.

Attending were Keith Hackfeld, C.R. Perez, Wade Hatter, Brenda Hedges, Jeffrey Martin, Mark Cypert, Rod Waller and staff members Fowler, Barbosa and Mary Westmoreland.

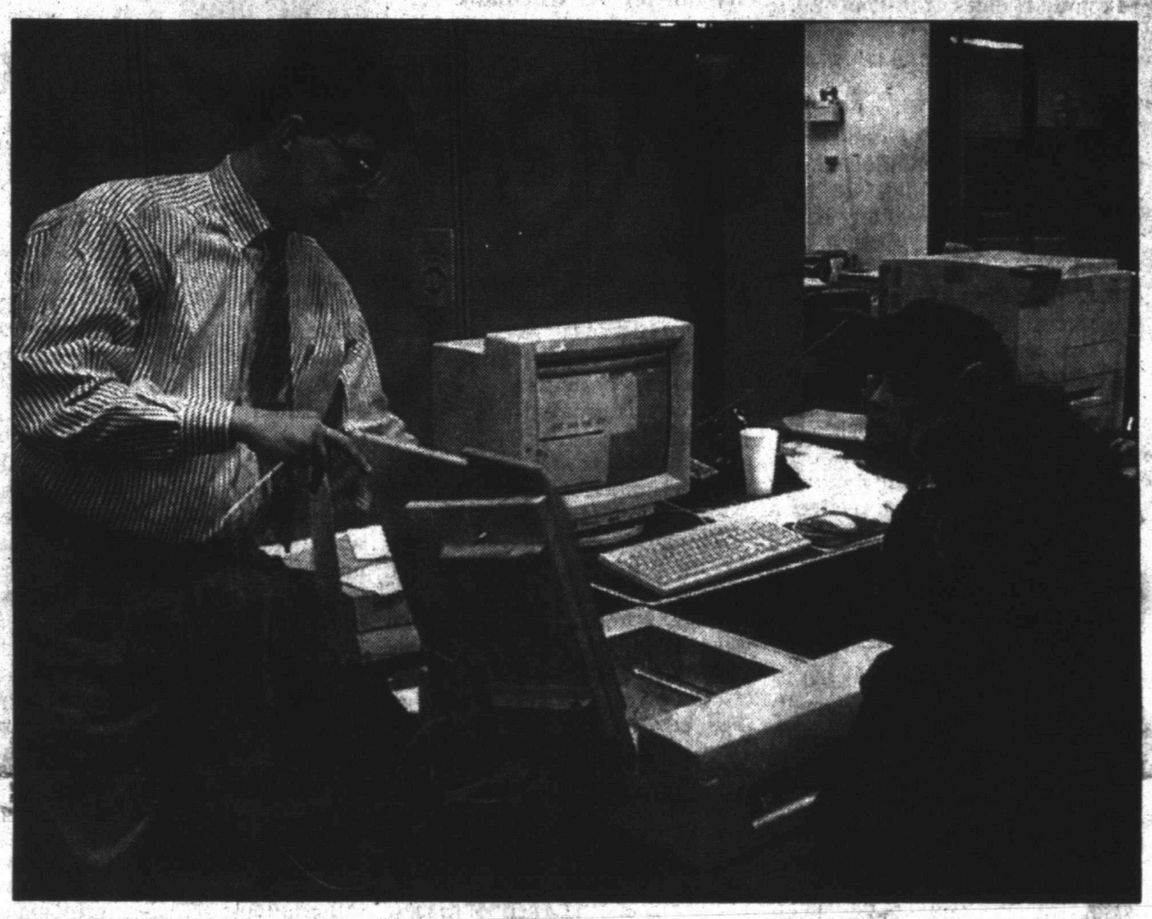
# Auditions for 'Timing' begin today

Auditions for Western Texas College's "All In The Timing" will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. today and Thursday in the Fine Arts Theatre.

By David Ives, the production will be a collection of wacky plays, combining physical and verbal comedy. Helen Cogan, drama instructor, will direct.

She will be casting eight actors of various ages and both genders.

Performance dates are Feb. 26-28 and March 1.



COMPUTER AGE — Government Records Services representative Mike Anderson instructs the county clerk's office on a new computer system for storing vital records. Shown with Anderson are deputy clerk Cathy Reed and county clerk Joan Bunch, right. The system was bought with fees collected through the clerk's office. (SDN Staff Photo)

## THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

**The feller on Deep Creek says, "No matter what kind of a diet you're on, you can eat as much as you want of anything you don't like."**

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Thanks to a clipping brought to us from down state, we finally read something about global warming that we understand.

According to the article, there is hope. "To keep the polar ice caps from melting and turning Midland into a beach community," a new organization has been formed.

The political action group is call SOBER — as in Slow on the Beans, Enjoy the Rice.

SOBER intends to keep earth temperatures down by setting reasonable levels on bean consumption, especially here in Texas where consumption could light up a major city.

According to the article, scientists attending the U.N. summit in Japan didn't pick up on this. Not one of the delegates from 159 countries that adopted the treaty that would make substantial cuts in emissions of greenhouse gases even considered beans.

One of the gases is methane, which is produced after beans are consumed. Still, not one mention of a need to put a cap on beans.

"Maybe the reason scientists missed the bean connection that they're not Texans. Think about it. Beans are served as a side dish at just about every barbecue joint and Mexican food place in this state."

According to the Texas Restaurant Association, there are 6,856 Mexican food establishments and 2,135 BBQ joints in Texas. Nearly all of 'em serve beans. So we're putting Joni Gonzales and the Spanish Inn on notice.

If you're thinking of joining SOBER, you should head to one of the eating places, confiscate the spoon and suggest a fruit cup as an Earth-friendly substitute.

If the treaty is ratified, the U.S. will agree to cut greenhouse gas emmissions by seven percent below 1990 levels. To do our part, restaurant owners could cut back the amount of beans served by seven percent.

It might take some getting used to, but West Texans are hearty types. They could learn to gulp down Brussels sprouts with beef enchiladas and rice. Just bring more hot sauce. The article concluded, "No wonder parking lots at Mexican food restaurants are so warm."

# Court rejects Tucker's arguments

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas' highest criminal court today rejected Karla Faye Tucker's arguments against the state's clemency process and refused to halt her scheduled execution next week.

Ms. Tucker, 38, has been sentenced to die by lethal injection Feb. 3 in the 1983 pickax slaying of a Houston man. She would be the first woman executed in Texas since the Civil War.

The U.S. Supreme Court rejected her appeal late last year.

Last week, Ms. Tucker challenged the state's procedure for commuting death sentences, arguing that the law sets no rules for parole board members to follow in considering clemency.

The Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles, which can recommend clemency to Gov. George W. Bush, still is considering her request to have her death sentence commuted to life in prison. Ten of the 18 board members must recommend it before the governor would have the option of sparing her life.

In a written opinion agreeing with the Court of Criminal Appeals' decision, Presiding Judge Michael McCormick said clemency decisions "are not the business of the courts; they belong solely to the executive branch."

"There is no tradition or practice in this state's history that recognizes any kind of fundamental right to executive clemency," he wrote. "An inmate has no 'constitutional or inherent' right to commutation of her sentence."

Ms. Tucker and a companion, Daniel Garrett, received death sentences for the slaying of Jerry Lynn Dean, 27. Garrett died in prison in 1993 of liver disease. Deborah Thornton, 32, also was killed in that attack.

# Grand jury investigation continues

WASHINGTON (AP) — A grand jury investigation was accelerating today even as Hillary Rodham Clinton sought to quiet the crisis regarding the president's alleged relationship with a White House intern. "Nobody can expect the president to say anything more publicly," Mrs. Clinton said.

Clinton's former chief of staff, Leon Panetta, arrived at the U.S. Courthouse where a grand jury has begun hearing testimony on whether the president had an affair with former intern Monica Lewinsky and asked her to lie about it.

Mrs. Clinton told ABC's "Good Morning America" that the president was getting on with the nation's business, and "because there's an investigation going on nobody can expect the president to say anything more publicly."

Prosecutors are still weighing whether to give Ms. Lewinsky immunity from possible perjury and obstruction of justice charges in exchange for her testifying about her relationship with the president.

Ms. Lewinsky started her internship by working in Panetta's office. Panetta has said in the past week that he never knew Lewinsky but that he recognized her photo when he saw it in the newspaper. He also has said he was not aware of any improper relationship between the president and an intern.

On Tuesday, prosecutors brought the president's personal secretary before the federal grand jury while vigorously disputing Mrs. Clinton's accusation they were allied with right-wingers to get her husband.

Ms. Lewinsky's lawyer, William Ginsburg, also is now dealing with questions about an affair that she had with a former drama instructor, a married man.

That man, Andy Bleiler of Portland, Ore., held a news conference just minutes before Clinton's State of the Union address Tuesday night, alleging that Ms. Lewinsky had referred in telephone conversations to a "high-ranking White House official."

Terry Giles, Bleiler's lawyer, said Ms. Lewinsky also claimed she was having oral sex with this official and was "frustrated and agitated" that that was all the official wanted to have.

Giles said his client had documents and photographs that Ms. Lewinsky had sent him.

# DWI puts area man in prison

Daryl Ryan Waisner, 26, of Midland was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and fined $2,000 following his conviction Tuesday of driving while intoxicated.

An eight-man, four-woman jury returned the verdict around 11:35 this morning after deliberating almost two hours. It took the jury less than 20 minutes Tuesday to find the man guilty of the July 23, 1997 offense.

Waisner had been convicted of driving while intoxicated two times in Midland County and had also been arrested in Midland for driving with license suspended and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Among those testifying Tuesday was Scurry County deputy Delwyn Davis. Davis had arrested

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## ASK US

**Q—When is the UIL scheduled to release realignment information for the next two school years?**

**A—Monday, Feb. 2 at 9 a.m. It will be on the UIL web page at http://www.utexas.edu/admin/uil/.**

## FORECAST - ALMANAC

**Snyder Temps:** High Tuesday, 72 degrees; low, 27; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 45; no precipitation; total for 1998 to date, .05 of an inch.

**Area Forecast:** Tonight, fair. Low 35-40. Light wind. Thursday, mostly sunny. High near 70. E-SE wind 5-15 mph.



Regina Martinez
Mostly sunny

**Sunset:** 6:15 p.m.
**Sunrise:** 7:38 a.m.
**Of 27 days in 1997, the sun has shone 27 days in Snyder.**

## TODAY'S THOUGHT

**It took me a long time not to judge myself through someone else's eyes.**

**Sally Field**

# SHS speech students win at Monahans, Tech

Snyder High School speech students won awards at tournaments hosted by Monahans and Texas Tech University.

On Jan. 16-17, they competed against 21 schools at Tech and last Saturday they faced 29 schools at Monahans. Next competition will be Tascosa High School in Amarillo on Feb. 6-7.

The following students won at Tech: Brady Collier, second in novice extemporaneous and quarter finals in solo parliamentarian; Traci Eicke, semi-finals in poetry.

At Monahanas the following students won: Kate Maguire, semi-finals poetry; Traci Eicke, semi-finals poetry and fifth place in prose; Dusty Ashby, semi-finals in poetry; Katy Cooper, semi-finals in prose; Rebecca West, Michael Hensley, Jenise Judah and Dallas Jones, all semi-finals in extemporaenous; Lyndell Lee and Nickolas Means, third in brown bag.



SPEECH WINNERS — Snyder High School speech students competed at contests held at Texas Tech University and Monahans. Back row, from left, Jenise Judah, Thomas Bishop, Nickolas Means; front row: Lisa Moore, Kate Maguire, Suzanne Bogard, Katy Cooper. Not pictured: Traci Eicke, Michael Hensley, Dallas Jones, Rebecca West, Brady Collier, Dusty Ashby, Lyndell Lee. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

# Asbestos fears prompt recall of Hostess snacks

SCHILLER PARK, Ill. (AP) — HoHo's and Twinkies are among more than a dozen types of Hostess snacks being recalled in 21 states because they may have been contaminated by asbestos.

Consumers were warned not to eat snacks made at the Schiller Park plant of Interstate Brands Corp., which was voluntarily closed Monday night during an investigation by state and federal authorities.

Illinois health officials said the company has estimated the individual snacks made at the plant and distributed number more than 1 million.

"We are taking this extremely seriously and want to make sure that the public knows about it, and it is taken from the shelf immediately," Tom Schafer, a state health spokesman, said Tuesday.

The recall covers 13 Hostess products plus Dolly Madison cupcakes, almost all of which have expiration dates from Jan. 22 through Feb. 6. The HoHo's have expiration dates from Jan. 29 to Feb. 13.

Ray Sutton, general counsel for Interstate Brands, called the product safe.

"Number one, we don't think the product got contaminated, and number two, if it did, we don't think that it will have any health effects on anyone," Sutton said. "But as a safety precaution, we made a voluntary recall of the product."

The company said there were concerns the snacks "may have been affected by asbestos fibers in insulation removed from a boiler" at the Schiller Park plant Jan. 11. Sutton said the worker removing the insulation did not realize it contained asbestos.

"If we'd known it was asbestos we would have had a licensed person in there to do it," Sutton said.

Asbestos, once widely used in insulation because it is fireproof, is a fibrous substance known to cause cancer and other health problems when inhaled.

Not much is known about the health risks of eating food contaminated with asbestos, Schafer said. But he said studies have linked repeated consumption to cancer in the esophagus and the gastrointestinal tract.

Illinois State Police and the state attorney general's office are investigating to see if the company broke the law. Dan Curry, spokesman for the attorney general, said the office is likely to ask a judge to keep the plant closed until it has been cleaned up.

## To visit Israel

JERUSALEM (AP) — Jordan's Queen Noor will visit Israel next month, accepting an invitation from the wife of the leader of a powerful religious party, Israel radio said Tuesday.

The queen will participate in a dinner in Tel Aviv honoring a charity led by Yaffa Deri, wife of Arieh Deri, who heads the ultra-Orthodox Shas Party. Shas is a partner in Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's government.

Relations between Netanyahu and Jordan's King Hussein have been strained over the deadlock in the Mideast peace process and Israel's botched assassination of an Islamic militant in Jordan last fall.

Queen Noor, 46, a Princeton University graduate who was born Lisa Najeeb Halaby in New York, married King Hussein in 1978.

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# Critics questions motive of Putting Children First group

AUSTIN (AP) — A group that has backed taxpayer-funded private tuition for students who can't otherwise escape low-performing public schools is contacting principals and may take out ads promoting a transfer program.

Critics, however, are questioning the motives of the group Putting Children First.

The group mailed letters Tuesday to principals at 575 public campuses.

Those schools were either rated low-performing in the state accountability system in one of the last three years; or at which fewer than half the students passed the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills in two of the last three years.

The 522,796 students at those campuses are eligible to transfer to another public school under the Public Education Grant program — if they can find a school to take them.

Legislation backed last year by Putting Children First would have allowed such students to get a state-paid voucher to attend private school, if they were rejected for a public-school transfer.

That idea failed. But lawmakers approved other changes to the PEG program, including financial incentives for school districts and notification of parents that their children are eligible to transfer.

Jimmy Mansour of Putting Children First said in the letter to school principals that the group worked hard for the current legislation.

"We realize the notification requirements ... mean additional work for the dedicated people in our public school system and we want to offer our assistance in that notification process," says the letter, a copy of which was provided to The Associated Press.

"Putting Children First ... is working to provide all Texas children with the opportunity to the best possible education. In this case, we believe we can be of assistance helping parents choose the best possible schools for their children."

The letter includes a telephone number for those seeking more information. It says principals should feel free to make the number available to parents or teachers.

Louann Martinez of the Texas Association of School Administrators was skeptical.

"I think that this is nothing more than a grandstanding ploy by this special-interest group to draw attention to their narrow political agenda," she said.

Cecile Richards of the Texas Freedom Network, which opposes private-school vouchers, said principals should be wary. She suggested that Putting Children First may be trying to obtain parents' names for its lobbying efforts.

"They (Putting Children First) have never been a group out there working to improve public education in any way in the public arena," Ms. Richards said. "It doesn't pass the smell test to me."

Mansour said his group wants the PEG program to succeed because it's one way to achieve school choice.

"It seems like what public education needs is for private organizations and businesses and parents to get involved to help and make this a partnership for learning," he said. "It's disappointing someone would scoff at our helping to make this a successful program."

Mansour said besides the letter, the group may take out ads, which it did last year in San Antonio; and will speak to parents, teachers and the media.

In 1996-97, the latest figures available from the Texas Education Agency, 43 students transferred through the PEG program. That was out of 490,316 who were eligible at 650 schools.

TEA doesn't have the number of students who tried to transfer but were refused, said agency spokeswoman Debbie Graves Ratcliffe.

Mrs. Ratcliffe said the agency has received calls from parents interested in transferring their children under the program. She said her impression is that not many districts are accepting the transfers, mainly because they're already full.

Students also may use other means to transfer, such as seeking to enroll in a magnet school.

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Eds: The Putting Children First telephone number is 1-888-539-KIDS.

## Dad gets 6 months for killing baby

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Family members criticized the six-month jail term issued for a father convicted in the death of a newborn baby slammed into a car seat in a fit of rage.

Matthew Oravits, 24, was convicted Tuesday of causing serious bodily injury to one of his 10-week-old twin sons nearly two years ago.

Jurors sentenced a weeping Oravits to six months in the Bexar County Jail and 10 years of probation.

Oravits was accused of slamming Austin Oravits into a car seat because the child wouldn't stop crying. Austin, who went into a coma June 1, 1996, suffered a cracked skull and brain damage and was taken off life support three months later.

Defense attorney Paul Goeke had argued that Oravits accidentally injured the baby because he didn't know how to handle stress.

## David Word SDN winner

David Word of 3615 40th St. is the January winner of a free year's subscription to the Snyder Daily News. Each month a drawing is held from the names of those who either subscribe or renew for six months or more.

## On Dean's List

LUBBOCK — Marci Foster of Snyder has been named to the Dean's List at Lubbock Christian University for the fall semester of 1997.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be taking a minimum of 12-semester hours and achieve a 3.5 grade point average or better for the entire semester. Foster earned a perfect 4.0 average.

## 3 get degrees

SAN ANGELO — Three Snyder students at Angelo State University are among 296 students to receive degrees during the fall commencement at the university.

Joe Wayne Gordy received a bachelor of science degree, with a major in kineseiology; Jean McMillon received a master of education degree, with a major in school administration; and Sharon K. Nachlinger received a bachelor of science degree, with a major in early childhood.

## 3 on honor lists

ABILENE — Hardin-Simmons University announces that Jeffrey Hobbs has made the President's List and Salvador Aguirre and Brook Baldridge have made the Dean's List for the fall 1997 semester.

They are Snyder residents.

Students named to the President's List must take at least 12 semester hours and complete all courses with a perfect 4.0 grade point average. The Dean's List requires at least a 3.75 average on all courses taken with a minimum of 12 semester hours.

## Area students on Dean's List

SAN ANGELO — Area students attending Angelo State University are listed on the Dean's List for the fall semester.

Those listed include: Kimberly Denise Bridges, Donnis R. McHaney, both of Hermleigh; Patsy Nadine Sterling,of Ira; Cela Ashby, Shannon Joann Canada, Tracy Chavez, Julie J. Clinkinbeard, Laura N. Collins, Pam Foster, Scott A. Hall, Katie Jean Henson, Sarah Jean Knowles, Jean McMillon, Jonathan Dane Patrick, Emily M. Rice, Charles R. Richardson, Jennifer L. Rigsby, Kathryn Leigh Robbins, Suzanne Sweeney, Joe Wayne Gordy and Jan McClain, all of Snyder.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be enrolled as a full-time student and have at least a 3.25 grade point average.

## Cher to produce

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Cher will be the executive producer of a TV movie about a whistleblower at the government's Oak Ridge, Tenn., nuclear weapons installation.

"Oak Ridge" is the story of a real-life toxicologist, Ann Walzer, who suffers mysterious ailments she blames on radiation exposure, Variety reported last week. It did not say who would get the starring role.

The film is expected to air on NBC next season.

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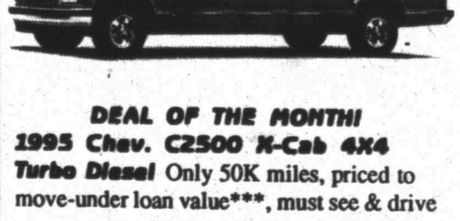


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## News Briefs

### Sacramento DA won't prosecute

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The Sacramento County prosecutor grudgingly confirmed Tuesday that California will not prosecute Theodore Kaczynski because he has already confessed to being the Unabomber in a federal court.

District Attorney Jan Scully said she would have liked to pursue a death penalty case against Kaczynski, but was barred by law from prosecuting him for a crime he has already been convicted of.

Kaczynski, 55, pleaded guilty Jan. 22 to 13 federal charges, admitting that he had been responsible for all 16 of the Unabomber attacks that killed three people — two in the Sacramento area and one in New Jersey — and injured 29.

Kaczynski faces sentencing on May 15. Under the terms of the plea agreement, he faces life in prison without the possibility of parole.

New Jersey authorities have said previously that a similar law prevents them from pursuing charges against Kaczynski. California officials had said the same thing, but wanted to check all avenues before giving up on the idea altogether.

### Blaze damages historic mission

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A fire that swept through part of a 300-year-old Spanish mission once defended by Texas independence fighters James Bowie and James Fannin caused only minimal damage to its sanctuary.

District Fire Chief Timothy Connally said the blaze started in the attic of the Mission San Francisco de la Espada. Two priests who live in the mission noticed smoke about 8:30 p.m. Monday.

By the time firefighters arrived, flames had spread to the historic mission's ground floor. The original church pews were not damaged despite burning debris that fell near the sanctuary.

But heat and smoke damaged wooden statues of Jesus, the Virgin Mary and St. Francis. They are believed to be as old as the chapel.

An apparent electrical short in the small church's ceiling triggered the blaze, authorities said Tuesday.

Mission Espada is still used as a church. More than a dozen parishioners bundled in sweatshirts and coats gathered across the street from the mission as the fire burned and smoke billowed past its steeple.

"I was married there when I was 16," said Ernestine DeWitt, 66, who was married 48 years until her husband died recently. "They've fixed it a little bit, but it's stayed the same."

Most of the parishioners live in the area and have been attending services at the mission for years.

# Americans see reassurance in Clinton

By The Associated Press

Americans who watched President Clinton's speech were seeking reassurance, not only about the state of the union but the state of the presidency. And for many, it was there.

"I think he looks ultra-confident. He's pausing, he's got a direct gaze," Betsy Frost, a 32-year-old silversmith, said as she watched Clinton's speech Tuesday night at her health club in downtown Boston. "I think the average American is watching to see how he's acting under all this pressure."

Ray Kramer, a 43-year-old architect, went further.

"It was amazing," said Kramer, who watched the address at his home in Boulder, Colo. "You have to admire someone who would get up and make a speech in those circumstances."

But Americans saw other things in Clinton, too — fatigue, cockiness, worry, hogwash, inspiration, even a great suit.

"I'm disgusted with him," said Matt Davis, leaning back in his recliner in his Milford, N.H., home while his two children slept upstairs. The 36-year-old jail guard wanted the president to address accusations he had sex with with a White House intern and then pressured her to lie about it.

"I'd respect him if he apologized. I'd say, 'There's a man with a backbone,'" Davis said.

In 72 self-assured minutes, Clinton talked about everything from a balanced budget to saving Social Security and a higher minimum wage. There was nothing about the allegations that have dominated headlines for days.

Everywhere, Americans were looking and listening. In a Manhattan diner. A bowling alley in Cleveland. An apartment building in Montgomery, Ala., a condominium in Sun City, Ariz., and in the living room of a house in Pikeville, Ky.

Many speech-watchers lauded Clinton for avoiding the topic of 24-year-old Monica Lewinsky, something they said is relevant to his life, not those of most Americans. But even as they spoke of the content of Clinton's speech — child care, the conflict with Iraq — they turned the talk to the controversy surrounding him.

"From education to grants to reducing the class size, he's wonderful, I think," said Gerald Marete, 40, a civil engineering student at Sacramento State University in Sacramento, Calif. "If you ask me about the scandal, it's doing a disservice to the American people — distracting the president with this kitchen table discussion."

In one suburban New Jersey household, one family was trying to focus on the president as a leader.

Steve Fabian, 36, a chemist from Carteret, N.J., claimed his attention was on Clinton's words about the country's future, not on "all those accusations." The president appeared clearly in control, not "like he was trying to hide anything."

"He looked real confident, very strong, very handsome ... I wish I had his suits," Fabian said.

## Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



### Planned Parenthood Keeps Its Clients Fully Informed

DEAR ABBY: Until recently, I knew very little about Planned Parenthood. I thought of the organization as mostly performing abortions. I recently learned how wrong I was when a friend shared the experience her family had with Planned Parenthood.

My friend's daughter, "Suzy," was pregnant, and even though she and her husband wanted a family, they were unprepared to start one just then. Suzy was adamant about wanting to end her pregnancy.

Suzy's mother tried her best to convince her to have the baby, but to no avail, so she suggested Suzy make an appointment with a counselor at Planned Parenthood.

Several days passed before Suzy phoned her mother with the good news. The counselor had spoken with Suzy about her decision as well as other options, explaining the ramifications of each. Suzy went home and discussed them with her husband, and they decided together that she should *not* terminate the pregnancy.

I'm not sure whether Suzy will keep the baby or place it for adoption, but I was pleased to learn that the counselor took the time to see that Suzy was fully informed so she could make the right decision for herself and her family.

I hope you will agree that this is important enough to share with your readers. Please don't use my name, since I was told this in confidence.

PLEASED IN THE SUNSHINE STATE

**DEAR PLEASED: I do agree. Among the many low-cost, high-quality health-care services Planned Parenthood provides: screening for sexually transmitted diseases for both men and women; contraceptive counseling and services; sterilization consultation and procedures for men and women; instruction in testicular self-examination; prenatal care, which covers pregnancy and childbirth; and postpartum care, child-rearing and nutrition.**

**Suzy's experience was not unusual. However, due to hysteria and misinformation, Planned Parenthood's mission — to promote individual reproductive rights, information, counseling and medical services without regard to age, race, income or marital status — is sometimes misunderstood.**

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DEAR ABBY: My niece is pregnant with her first child. She and her husband have three indoor cats, one of which weighs 20 pounds. Our whole family is worried about this because she keeps saying, "Oh, my cats won't even bother with the baby. They don't care what's going on around them."

But, Abby, the cats have been her "babies" for years, and we're all afraid that they will get jealous of the new baby and smother it. Please help us to convince her how wrong she is.

CONCERNED

**DEAR CONCERNED: I consulted my animal expert, Dr. Erwin David. He tells me that in his many years of veterinary practice, he has not once come across a cat smothering a baby. That's a myth which should be put to rest.**

**However, he also urged that an infant should never be left unattended with *any* pet.**

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**CONFIDENTIAL TO MY ASIAN FRIENDS: It's the Year of the Tiger, and I'd like to take this opportunity to wish you a Happy New Year. In years past, I have said, "Gung Hay Fat Choy," but several individuals wrote to say that is not correct for all Chinese. They suggested that I convey my wishes as follows: "Kung Hsi Fa Tsai," "Kung Ho Hsin Hsi," "Hsin Nien Kuai Le" and "San Ni Fei Lo." This year, to my Vietnamese readers, I'd like to add: "Chuc Mung Nam Moi."**

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# Stolen plastic explosives are found in abandoned car

CLUTE (AP) — About 3½ sticks of stolen C-4 plastic explosives has been found in a small, green bag in a junked vehicle, authorities say.

According to serial or lot numbers on the wrappers, the explosives were stolen about a year ago from a munitions storage area at Fort Hood, police said Tuesday.

The explosives, found Sunday evening in the hatchback of a junked car, had a total force equivalent to a 500-pound bomb, Clute Assistant Fire Marshal Billy Mariam said.

Two agents with the Army's Criminal Investigation Division were expected in Clute today.

C-4 is a commercial grade explosive that appears similar to putty or clay and requires a blasting cap to ignite. No blasting caps were found.

The C-4 apparently comprised only about half of the goods stolen from Fort Hood last year, Clute fire marshal Merle Duhon told the Brazosport Facts.

U.S. Army officials "told us they had six sticks missing out of that lot. We found three and a half," Duhon said.

"There's two and a half sticks floating around somewhere else — maybe, We don't know. Somebody may have used it for whatever they were going to use it for."

Officials in Fort Hood's Criminal Investigation Division declined comment Tuesday, saying they were not authorized to talk to the media.

The explosives was found Sunday night after a former owner of the car towed the vehicle to his residence.

The man, who had previously sold the car, but still possessed the title, had been receiving warnings from Clute's code enforcement officer to remove the junked car from a vacant house, where it was parked in the yard.

Police said the vehicle had apparently gone through several people's hands by the time it was retrieved. The vehicle was said to be in poor condition, with much of its inside equipment ripped out, wires dangling and its steering column busted.

## Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 01-28-98
♠ A K Q 4 3
♥ 8 6 5 3
♦ J 7 5
♣ A

West
♠ 9 8 7 5
♥ 10 7
♦ K Q 8
♣ J 9 6 4

East
♠ J 10
♥ K J 9 4
♦ A 4
♣ 10 8 7 3 2

South
♠ 6 2
♥ A Q 2
♦ 10 9 6 3 2
♣ K Q 5

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1 ♠ | Pass |
| 2 ♦ | Pass | 2 ♥ | Pass |
| 2 NT | Pass | 3 NT | All pass |

Opening lead: ♣ 4

### Variations on a theme

By Phillip Alder

In which book does the following appear? "Give me a condor's quill! Give me Vesuvius' crater for an inkstand! To produce a mighty book, you must choose a mighty theme."

There are many themes in bridge. The more you have stored on your cerebral hard drive, the easier the game will often be. However, some deals have a well-known theme hidden behind a facade of one or two red herrings. For example, how would you plan to make three no-trump after West has led a low club to dummy's ace?

You start with seven top tricks: three spades, one heart and three clubs. The club lead has annoyingly removed dummy's side entry. Also, it doesn't leave you time to play on diamonds. So, thinking the contract depends on finding the missing spades divided evenly, you cash dummy's three top honors. When the suit breaks 4-2, though, you have to admit defeat.

Then you notice that the heart finesse was winning. Perhaps you tell your partner that you should have ducked a spade at trick two, which works here. However, he will probably point out that if the spades are 3-3 and the heart finesse is wrong, this line wouldn't win any plaudits.

This leads to a third thought. How about taking the heart finesse immediately? If it wins, you can duck a spade and go after four spades, two hearts and three clubs. Or if the heart finesse loses, you can hope for a 3-3 spade split.

Study all the possibilities before putting quill to parchment.

The quotation is from chapter 104 of "Moby Dick" by Herman Melville.

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## Community Calendar

**WEDNESDAY**

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

**THURSDAY**

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag. Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 6:30 p.m.

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

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

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

**FRIDAY**

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

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

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

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

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 p.m.).

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

**SATURDAY**

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

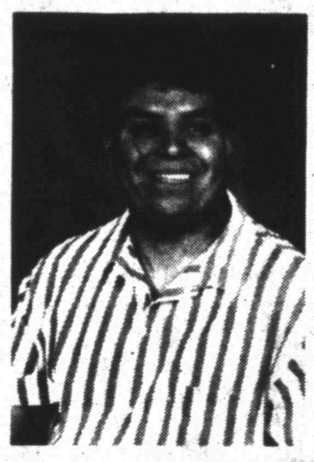
**SUNDAY**

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 5 p.m.

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



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## NEA Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

1 Excessive affection
7 Of medicine
13 Type of engine
14 Like a he-man
15 In dreamland
16 Beginning
17 Cry of affirmation
18 Timetable abbr.
20 Used a bench
21 Tried
25 — Man March
28 Flavor
32 Take for — —
33 Barter
34 Hereditary factors
35 Skylit interiors
36 I.e., in full
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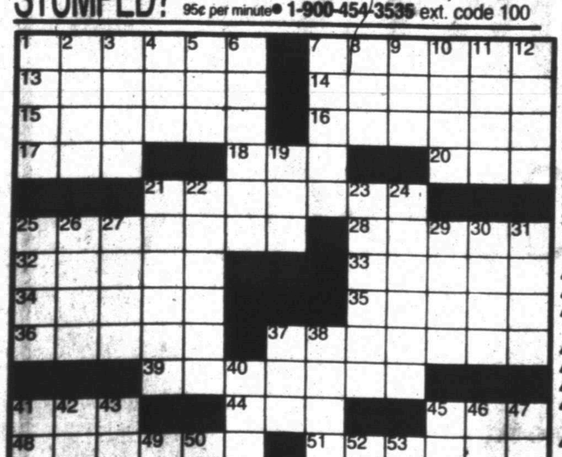
**DOWN**

1 1944 invasion date
2 River in France
3 Layer of tissue
4 Enzyme
5 Gosh!
6 Texas city (2 wds.)
7 Type of tower
8 Tune
9 Prefix for pod
10 Fixes
11 Hipbones
12 Small coin
19 Raced
21 Earliest born
22 Midday rest
23 Real — agent
24 Freshwater fish
25 Gift of the —
26 Angered
27 Type of drawing
29 Young salmon
30 Dog in Garfield
31 — and write
37 Type of bean
38 Fabric-coloring method
40 Rolls —
41 Leave
42 Hooklike parts
43 Fragrance
45 Iwo —
46 Verve
47 Camp housing
49 Actress Merkel
50 Jar top
52 Above, to a poet
53 Heart

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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**"Are you going to look at those bills through the ophthalmoscope, darling?"**




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# SPORTS

## Disaster strikes Tigers in quadruple overtime

By Eric Drennan
*Sports Editor*

LEVELLAND — Ouch! This one hurt.

Levelland's Lobos erased a 15-point deficit in the final five minutes of the contest Tuesday night, before outlasting the Snyder Tigers, 65-62 in quadruple overtime.

The Tigers, who controlled the first three and a half quarters, tumble to 2-3 in district play.

"This one hurts us bad," Snyder coach Bud Birks said. "This puts us in a huge hole. Now we're in a position where we have to upset some people to make the playoffs."

The Tigers, who never trailed until midway through the second overtime, controlled the first three and a half quarters.

But then disaster struck.

After Jimmy Taylor put back an offensive rebound for a 47-32 Snyder lead with 5:58 remaining in the fourth period, the Lobos began their run.

Three Tiger turnovers led to as many Levelland buckets, trimming the margin to nine points at the 4:50 mark.

Taylor then picked up his third and fourth fouls on back-to-back trips down the floor, followed by two more Snyder giveaways.

A short Lobo jumper with 3:05 left on the clock left the Tigers up by only four at 49-45.

Then at the 2:13 mark, Taylor was called for his fifth foul, leaving the game with 24 points and 12 rebounds.

Two Alvin Fabre free throws pushed the Snyder advantage back to six with under two minutes remaining.

But in the final 90 seconds, the Tigers committed two more turnovers and missed the front end of a one-and-one, giving the Lobos the opportunity for the last shot.

Levelland put up two shots which were off the mark in the final six seconds, before Justin Hesse got the ball to fall as the buzzer sounded.

The Tigers were forced to head into overtime at 51-51 without Taylor and Toby Delce, who left the game in the first half due to an injury.

Following a frantic final five minutes of regulation, the four-minute overtime periods would be exactly opposite, as both teams were content to hold the ball.

The Tigers collected the tip to start the first extra frame.

But once again the Tigers turned it over, this time on a back-court violation 90 seconds into the period.

Snyder did manage to get a shot off as time expired, but couldn't find the mark.

The Lobos registered two empty trips to begin the second extra stanza.

But the Tigers couldn't capitalize, missing four free throw attempts.

Levelland's Ricky Ochoa made them pay, draining a three-pointer for the Lobos' first lead of the night at the 1:21 mark.

Snyder would answer though, as Justin McNair returned the favor with a long-range bucket of his own to level the tally at 54-54 with 50 seconds showing on the clock.

Levelland held the ball for the rest of the period, putting up an errant shot as time expired.

Compared to the first two, the third and fourth overtimes were offensive explosions.

Chad Carter garnered a 56-54 advantage for the Tigers with a basket in the paint.

The Lobos followed suit, knotting the score with three minutes left.

Another Snyder turnover led to two Levelland free throws for the Lobos' second lead of the contest.

Trailing by two, Tyler Warren nailed a jumper from 14-feet to even things at 58-58.

Levelland had the chance for a final shot but put it up too early, as the ball glanced off the rim with six seconds left.

Snyder's Cory Mandrell got off a three-point attempt as the clock showed 0:00, but couldn't get it to fall.

The decisive final overtime had a hectic pace.

The Lobos opened up a three-point advantage with a bucket and a free throw.

Then Carter answered for the Tigers with another layup for a 61-60 score at the 2:11 mark.

Levelland posted another basket down low, followed by a Fabre 12-foot jumper for Snyder.

The final points of the night came with 37 seconds left, as Lobo Richie Stansifer made good on two attempts from the charity stripe.

The Tigers' put up an errant shot with 22 ticks remaining on the clock, but Levelland gave it right back with a turnover.

Down by three points, Fabre and Carter both attempted shots from behind the arc in the final six seconds.

However, both clanged off the rim and Levelland held on to a 65-62 victory.

Both squads move to 2-3 in district competition.

Snyder will continue its 2-4A schedule Friday, when it hosts Frenship at 8 p.m.

SNYDER — Delce 2 0-0 4, Fabre 2 2-3 6, Warren 3 0-2 7, Smith 1 0-2 2, Taylor 9 6-10 24, McNair 2 0-0 6, Mandrell 1 0-0 2, Carter 5 1-2 11. Totals 25 9-19 62.

LEVELLAND — Stansifer 3 6-7 12, R. Ochoa 4 4-5 13, McNeely 2 5-6 9, G. Ochoa 2 2-2 7, Jordan 2 3-5 7, Johnson 1 0-0 2, Lynn 1 0-0 2, Hesse 1 1-2 3, Hayes 3 4-6 10. Totals 18 25-33 65.

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| Sny | 16 | 14 | 11 | 10 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 4 — 62 |
| Lev | 13 | 7 | 9 | 22 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 7 — 65 |

Three-point goals: Snyder 3 (McNair 2, Warren), Levelland 4 (R. Ochoa 3, G. Ochoa 1). Rebounds: Snyder 32 (Taylor 12), Levelland 30 (Jordan 8). Total fouls: Snyder 26, Levelland 16. Fouled out: Snyder — Taylor; Levelland — McNeely.

### 2-4A Boys

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lamesa | 5 | 0 | 1.000 | - |
| Estacado | 3 | 2 | .600 | 2 |
| Plainview | 3 | 2 | .600 | 2 |
| Snyder | 2 | 3 | .400 | 3 |
| Levelland | 2 | 3 | .400 | 3 |
| Frenship | 0 | 5 | .000 | 5 |

**Tuesday's Results** — Levelland 65, Snyder 62, 2(OT); Lamesa 61, Estacado 57; Plainview 80, Frenship 36.

**Friday's Games** — Frenship at Snyder; Levelland at lamesa; Estacado at Plainview.

## Lady Cardinals mark major victory

LORAINE — So far, so good for the Lady Cardinals.

The Hermleigh girls moved one step closer toward defending their district title with a 62-43 victory Tuesday night over Loraine.

The Lady Cardinals improve to 2-0 in 25-A play, heading into Friday's match-up with Blackwell at 6:30.

It was just another day at the office for Jennifer Roemisch, pouring in 29 and garnering 23 rebounds.

Hermleigh got off to a slow start, posting only seven points in the opening quarter.

But Brandy Wood nailed a three-pointer in the second, as the Lady Cardinals began to pull away.

Wood finished with two long-range buckets and 10 points, while Kendra Dacus added 10 more.

Melissa Brasuel was hard at work on the defensive end for Hermleigh, picking the pockets of the Loraine players 13 times and registering nine assists.

**Hermleigh 62, Loraine 43**
**Hermleigh:** Roemisch, 29; Wood and Dacus, 10; Brasuel, 8; Jackson, 3; Callaway, 2.

## Hermleigh Cards drub Loraine, 90-37

LORAINE — District play is exactly what the Cardinals needed.

Hermleigh improved to 2-0 in 25-A competition Tuesday night with 90-37 trouncing of Loraine.

The Cardinals registered the rout thanks to an overall team effort.

Hermleigh managed to post 90 points without having a single player score more than 20.

Larry Lambaren led the Cardinal charge with 18, while Johnny Garza poured in 17 and hauled in 10 rebounds.

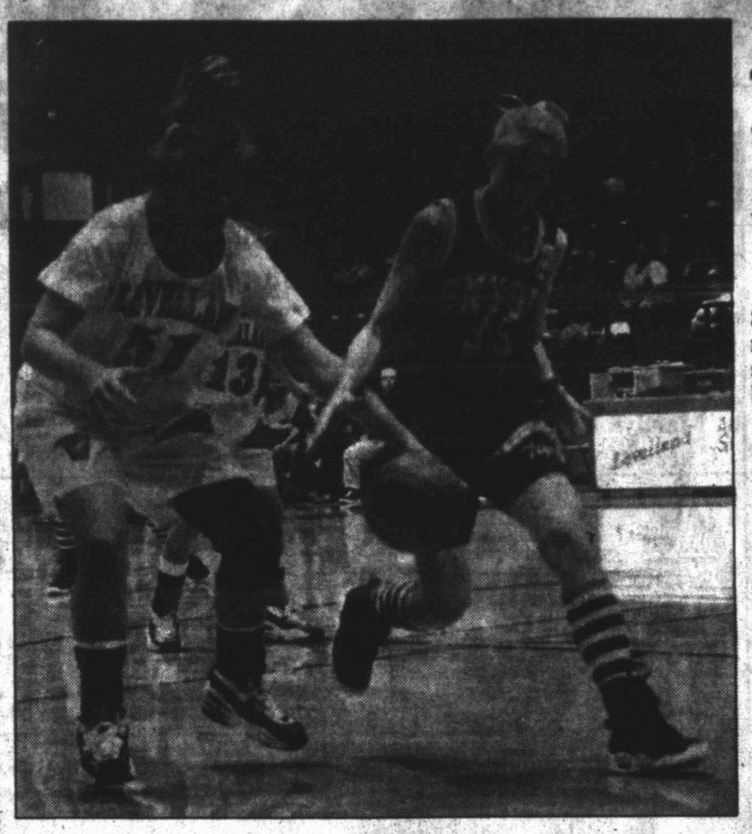
Hermleigh totalled 55 five points in the opening half alone, before registering third and fourth quarters of 27 and 18 respectively.

Andy Luna nailed a trio of three-pointers and 13 total points.

On the defsensive end, Jason Hernandez frustrated Loraine shooters, chalking up five steals.

Hermleigh continues its district schedule Friday, when it hosts Blackwell at 8 p.m.

**Hermleigh 90, Loraine 37**
**Hermleigh:** L. Lambaren, 18; Johnny Garza, 17; J. Hernandez and A. Luna, 13; Joey Garza, 8; Callaway, 6; R. Hernandez and Digby, 4; Higgins, 3; R. Luna and B. Lambaren, 2.



FIND THE HANDLE — Snyder's Melanie Kidd and Levelland's D'Nae Wilson struggle for a loose ball during their contest Tuesday night at Levelland. The Lady Tigers fell to the Loboettes, 49-30. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Defending champions top Lady Tigers, 49-30

LEVELLAND — The Levelland Loboettes' experience paid off Tuesday night.

The Snyder Lady Tigers battled the defending state champions for most of the contest, before Levelland pulled away for a 49-30 victory.

The setback levels the Lady Tigers' mark at 12-12 on the season, but drops Snyder to 2-5 in district play.

"I thought our girls hustled and battled all night," Snyder coach Rick Archer said. "We're just such a young team and we're making youthful mistakes."

Levelland put together runs to open each half, forcing the Lady Tigers into playing catch-up basketball.

The Loboettes held a 10-point advantage at the 4:11 mark of the first quarter, after starting with a 12-2 streak.

But as would happen many times, Snyder answered.

Ashley Delce posted five consecutive points and Brooke McGuire nailed a six-foot jumper to close the period with a 12-9 tally.

Defense dominated the next eight minutes, as both squads combined for only 12 points.

Following two buckets from the Loboettes, Shannon Hall drained a three-pointer to trim the deficit to four.

Levelland wasn't to be outdone though, as it posted its own long-range basket for a 19-14 halftime tally.

Trailing by five to open the third quarter, the Lady Tigers watched as the Loboettes strung together another short run.

Levelland outscored Snyder five points to one over the first four minutes to grab a 24-15 lead.

"We let them make those runs at the start of each half that really hurt us," Archer remarked. "We have to be the ones taking control during those times, not the opponent."

Levelland continued its strong play later in the third, pulling away for a 34-22 advantage, heading into the final eight minutes.

But down by 14 points midway through the fourth, the Lady Tigers started reeling in the Loboettes.

On consecutive trips down the floor, Delce posted buckets and drew the foul.

The freshman post player drained both free throws, slashing the margin to 38-30.

But Delce's final foul shot at the 3:34 mark wrapped up the scoring for Snyder.

Levelland clamped down on the Lady Tigers, allowing only one shot attempt each offensive possession.

The Loboettes added 11 more points down the stretch for the 49-30 final.

Delce led the Lady Tigers, representing more than half of their offense. She finished with 16 points and four rebounds.

Snyder has three contests remnaining on its 2-4A schedule.

The Lady Tigers will be back on the court Friday, when they host Frenship at 6:30.

SNYDER — McGuire 2 0-0 4, Hall 1 0-2 3, Delce 4 8-11 16, Kidd 1 2-2 5, Kallemeyn 0 1-2 1, Peoples 0 1-2 1. Totals 8 12-18 30.

LEVELLAND — Hernandez 1 7-9 9, Helmbeck 3 0-0 9, Brashear 1 4-6 6, Whitfield 5 1-2 11, Wilson 0 2-2 2, Bayer 6 0-0 12. Totals 16 14-19 49.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Snyder | 9 | 5 | 8 | 8 | — 30 |
| Levelland | 12 | 7 | 15 | 15 | — 49 |

Three-point goals: Snyder 2(Hall, Kidd), Levelland 3 (Helmbeck 3). Rebounds: Snyder 33 (Peoples 6), Levelland 25 (Whitfield 7). Total fouls: Snyder 16, Levelland 12. Fouled out: Levelland — Bayer.

## Junior cage teams split with Lobos

It was share and share alike as Snyder and Levelland each nabbed a victory when the two schools squared off in junior high basketball action.

Snyder's 8th grade squad decided the outcome early on in its contest, as the Tigers built a 16-5 first quarter lead.

Led by 19 points from Wade Pinson, Snyder added to the margin in the second period to hold a 17-14 advantage at the half.

Jamaal Pruitt also finished in double digits with 15, as the Tigers kept working on the offensive end over the final two quarters to preserve the 60-44 win.

In 7th grade action, Snyder had to play catch-up the entire game thanks to a 16-point first quarter from the Lobos.

Trailing 30-16 as the final frame began, the Tigers tried to mount a comeback.

Snyder managed to trim the deficit to 10 points, but could get no closer as Levelland held on for the 38-28 victory.

Chris Sorrells paced the Tigers' effort, pouring in 11 points.

Snyder Jr. High will be in action again Monday, when it hosts Lamesa at 5 p.m.

**Snyder 8th 60, Levelland 44**
**Snyder:** Pinson, 19; Pruitt, 15; Landes, 6; Thompson and McGuire, 5; McLeod and Franks, 4; Nunley, 2.

**Levelland 38, Snyder 7th 28**
**Snyder:** Sorrells, 11; Pollard and Davis, 5; Lyons, 4; Green, 2; Driggers, 1.

### 2-4A Girls

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Levelland | 6 | 1 | .857 | - |
| Plainview | 5 | 2 | .714 | 1 |
| Frenship | 4 | 3 | .571 | 2 |
| Lamesa | 3 | 4 | .429 | 3 |
| Snyder | 2 | 5 | .286 | 4 |
| Estacado | 1 | 6 | .143 | 5 |

**Tuesday's Results** — Levelland 49, Snyder 30; Frenship 51, Plainview 43; Lamesa 60, Estacado 51.

**Friday's Games** — Frenship at Snyder; Levelland at Lamesa; Estacado at Plainview.

### SDN Sports Week

**Thursday**

**WTC at South Plains, Levelland, 5:50.**

**Snyder 7th and 8th girls at Andrews tourney.**

**Friday**

**Frenship at Snyder JV and varsity girls, 5 p.m., 6:30.**

**Frenship at Snyder JV and varsity boys, 5 p.m., 8 p.m.**

**Blackwell at Hermleigh varsity girls and boys, 6:30, 8 p.m.**

**Ira varsity girls and boys at Sands, 6:30, 8 p.m.**

**Saturday**

**Snyder 7th and 8th girls at Andrews tourney.**

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Atlantic Division** | | | | |
| Miami | 26 | 15 | .634 | - |
| NewYork | 24 | 17 | .585 | 2 |
| NewJersey | 24 | 19 | .558 | 3 |
| Washington | 22 | 22 | .500 | 5½ |
| Orlando | 20 | 23 | .465 | 7 |
| Boston | 19 | 23 | .452 | 7½ |
| Philadelphia | 14 | 26 | .350 | 11½ |
| **Central Division** | | | | |
| Indiana | 29 | 12 | .707 | ½ |
| Chicago | 31 | 13 | .704 | - |
| Charlotte | 26 | 17 | .605 | 4½ |
| Cleveland | 25 | 17 | .595 | 5 |
| Atlanta | 26 | 18 | .591 | 5 |
| Milwaukee | 21 | 22 | .488 | 9½ |
| Detroit | 20 | 22 | .476 | 10 |
| Toronto | 9 | 33 | .214 | 21 |
| **WESTERN CONFERENCE** | | | | |
| **Midwest Division** | | | | |
| Utah | 28 | 13 | .683 | ½ |
| SanAntonio | 30 | 14 | .682 | - |
| Minnesota | 24 | 17 | .585 | 4½ |
| Houston | 20 | 21 | .488 | 8½ |
| Vancouver | 13 | 31 | .295 | 17 |
| Dallas | 8 | 34 | .190 | 21 |
| Denver | 3 | 39 | .071 | 26 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | |
| Seattle | 33 | 10 | .767 | - |
| L.A.Lakers | 31 | 10 | .756 | 1 |
| Phoenix | 27 | 14 | .659 | 5 |
| Portland | 24 | 18 | .571 | 8½ |
| Sacramento | 18 | 26 | .409 | 15½ |
| L.A.Clippers | 10 | 34 | .227 | 23½ |
| GoldenState | 8 | 33 | .195 | 24 |

**Monday's Games**
Boston 94, New York 85
Toronto 91, Philadelphia 87
Cleveland 94, Miami 93
Phoenix 96, Atlanta 91
San Antonio 115, Houston 90
Sacramento 111, Seattle 92

**Tuesday's Games**
Indiana 85, Washington 84
Charlotte 120, Phoenix 113, 2OT
Milwaukee 83, Detroit 81
Minnesota 113, Atlanta 96
Houston 115, L.A. Clippers 109
Dallas 84, Cleveland 77, OT
New Jersey 120, Denver 87
Golden State 82, Portland 78
Chicago 103, Vancouver 85

**Wednesday's Games**
Washington at Boston, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
New York at Miami, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Utah, 8 p.m.
New Jersey at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**
Milwaukee at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Denver, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Portland, 9 p.m.
Golden State at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

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| EASTERN CONFERENCE | W | L | T | Pts | GF | GA |
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| **Atlantic Division** | | | | | | |
| NewJersey | 31 | 15 | 4 | 66 | 148 | 102 |
| Philadelphia | 28 | 12 | 9 | 65 | 147 | 105 |
| Washington | 25 | 17 | 9 | 59 | 144 | 129 |
| N.Y.Rangers | 16 | 21 | 14 | 46 | 129 | 139 |
| Florida | 16 | 25 | 11 | 43 | 128 | 149 |
| N.Y.Islanders | 16 | 28 | 7 | 39 | 128 | 148 |
| TampaBay | 9 | 33 | 8 | 26 | 88 | 162 |
| **Northeast Division** | | | | | | |
| Pittsburgh | 27 | 15 | 9 | 63 | 142 | 116 |
| Montreal | 26 | 18 | 7 | 59 | 153 | 124 |
| Boston | 22 | 19 | 9 | 53 | 128 | 122 |
| Ottawa | 21 | 23 | 8 | 50 | 119 | 128 |
| Buffalo | 19 | 21 | 9 | 47 | 120 | 125 |
| Carolina | 19 | 27 | 6 | 44 | 127 | 147 |
| **WESTERN CONFERENCE** | | | | | | |
| **Central Division** | | | | | | |
| Dallas | 33 | 11 | 8 | 74 | 160 | 104 |
| Detroit | 29 | 13 | 10 | 68 | 160 | 117 |
| St.Louis | 26 | 20 | 8 | 60 | 156 | 137 |
| Phoenix | 23 | 20 | 8 | 54 | 145 | 139 |
| Chicago | 20 | 21 | 9 | 49 | 121 | 117 |
| Toronto | 17 | 25 | 7 | 41 | 118 | 143 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | | | |
| Colorado | 25 | 12 | 16 | 66 | 155 | 127 |
| LosAngeles | 21 | 19 | 9 | 51 | 139 | 136 |
| SanJose | 19 | 24 | 7 | 45 | 124 | 134 |
| Edmonton | 18 | 24 | 9 | 45 | 130 | 145 |
| Anaheim | 17 | 26 | 9 | 43 | 126 | 156 |
| Calgary | 13 | 28 | 10 | 36 | 128 | 160 |
| Vancouver | 12 | 31 | 8 | 32 | 131 | 184 |

**Monday's Games**
Pittsburgh 4, St. Louis 2
Ottawa 2, Tampa Bay 1
Washington 2, N.Y. Rangers 2, tie
Philadelphia 3, N.Y. Islanders 1
Dallas 5, Toronto 1
Colorado 2, Edmonton 1, OT
Phoenix 4, Vancouver 2

**Tuesday's Games**
St. Louis 3, Buffalo 3, tie
Florida 3, Carolina 0
Boston 6, Ottawa 1
San Jose 4, Anaheim 2

**Wednesday's Games**
Pittsburgh at Washington, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Islanders, 6:30 p.m.
Carolina at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Colorado, 8 p.m.
New Jersey at Edmonton, 8 p.m.
Calgary at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**
Pittsburgh at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
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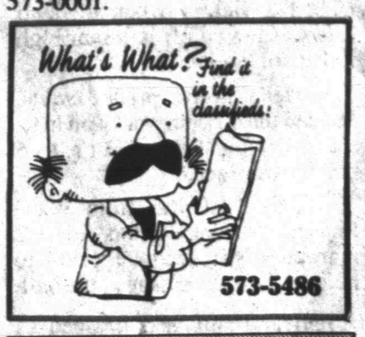
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# Allegations against Clinton cloud speech

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton and Congress tried hard to concentrate on the course of the nation while the attention of many throughout the country remained riveted on sex allegations and the fate of Clinton's presidency.

On the surface, Clinton's State of the Union address to reopen Congress Tuesday night followed the annual ritual: Clinton, without mentioning the allegations, outlined his policy goals to the ardent approval of Democrats and a tepid if polite hearing from Republicans.

But the White House sex affair cast a long shadow over the proceedings. Many Republicans sat stone-faced through much of the speech, clapping sporadically and with little enthusiasm. "It was pretty cynical," said Rep. Mark Souder, R-Ind. "The Democrats are trying to cheer and bolster him, focused on the issues — fixing Social Security, tax cuts and education programs — the immediate issue was whether any of it mattered in the context of allega- and the Republicans were trying not to be obnoxious."

Democrats insisted their applause, cheers and standing ovations were genuine. "This was an agenda that many of us think is very important," said Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn.

Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., said the president's speech "provided a tremendous morale boost for his friends in the Congress who genuinely needed to hear it.

"The fact that it was a compelling, activist agenda reminded people th's there is work to do in this Congress besides dealing with the personal and legal conflicts of the week," Torricelli said.

While leaders of both parties urged their members to stay focused on the issues — fixing Social Security, tax cuts and education programs — the immediate issue was whether any of it mattered in the context of allegations that Clinton had sexual relations with a White House intern.

House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, in one of the few pointed references to the scandal, said Clinton's speech "sounded like a series of applause lines strung together to paper over the atmosphere in Washington."

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., said the allegations diverted attention from the issues Clinton broached in his speech.

"The president's message was important on Social Security, education, crime and Iraq, but most people were thinking about the subject he did not discuss," Specter said. "It's going to be hard to focus on America's problem until the president's problems are resolved one way or another."

"This is going to greatly weaken his ability to deliver on what he wants to accomplish," said Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa.

House Democrats came out of an afternoon meeting determined to dispel doubts about their support for Clinton and his policies. "We are united behind him in trying to get that agenda done," said Minority Leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri.

"The president has denied" the charges, said Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass. "Now let's get out there and talk about substance."

# Hillary stands by Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton today said she believes her husband has told her the full story of his relationship with a former White House intern and expressed confidence the controversy will not distract Clinton from "his duties as president."

As she appealed to the public to "sit back" and wait for the facts, the first lady also said President Clinton's stern public denial this week would be his last comment.

"You won't hear any more from (Clinton confidant) Vernon Jordan, you won't hear any more from my husband because they have to abide by the rules that they operate under when they have these investigations," Mrs. Clinton said in a White House interview on ABC's "Good Morning America."

Whitewater investigators are looking into allegations that Jordan urged Monica Lewinsky, 24, to lie and deny she had sexual relations with the president.

Mrs. Clinton said the expanded Whitewater investigation must not be allowed to hinder Clinton's ability to handle any crisis or "tragedy that has to be responded to right away."

"You know, if it's not this matter it will be another. People have been harassing my husband for, gosh, I don't know, ever since I've known him, but certainly since he started running for president.

"I don't think that anything will distract him from doing his duties as president."

Pressed to say whether she believes Clinton told her the full truth of his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky, Mrs. Clinton said: "I know he has, and I know the American people will eventually know the story. I have talked to my husband about everything. I can state unequivocally that, as my husband has said, these are false allegations."

# Mischief reports keep area law officers busy

Six reports of criminal mischief kept city officers busy Tuesday.

Lawton Taylor reported at 7:40 a.m. that a window on a vehicle in the 2700 block of 36th had been broken. Officers filed an offense report for Class B criminal mischief.

Nicole Canales reported at 11:49 a.m. that her vehicle in the 3700 block of Beaumont had been damaged. Officers filed a report for Class C criminal mischief.

Around noon, Garret Griswold told officers that someone had damaged his vehicle while it was parked in the 2600 block of 32nd Street. An offense report for Class C criminal mischief was filed.

Jim Sartor of Best Buy Motors reported at 12:41 p.m. that three vehicles on his lot had been damaged by vandals. Offense report for Class A criminal mischief were submitted.

Another Class B criminal mischief offense report was filed at 1:11 p.m. as R.L. Benson reported a vehicle damaged while parked in the 4600 block of El Paso.

Tony Scott told officers shortly after 4 p.m. that somone had broken out a window on a vehicle that was parked in the 4700 block of El Paso. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted.

An officer was requested in the 1800 block of 28th Street at 9:19 p.m. as Jean Malone reported a window broken on a vehicle. A Class B offense report was filed.

Deputies investigated a complaint at the Ira Masonic Lodge around 8 a.m. as people riding four-wheelers had damaged some property. An agreement was made with the parties involved to repair the damage.

Officers also investigated complaints that juveniles were going through mailboxes in the 2800 to 3000 block of Avenue U and that crossing lights at 13th Street and Avenue I had been spray-painted.

Two arrests were made Tuesday, including one around 10 p.m. at Torch Energy. Officers took a 47-year-old man into custody after a caller reported an intoxicated person at the plant.

One other person was booked into jail as a 19-year-old man chose to lay out his fine for speeding.

Officers cancelled a runaway report on a 16-year-old male that was made Sunday. The boy's father advised around noon that the youth had returned home.

The fire department responded to a report of a grass fire around 4 p.m. on CR 395.

Shortly before midnight Tuesday, dispatchers were advised by a Pennzoil representatives that a valve was leaking gas at a location some nine miles west of Snyder near Highway 180. Deputies and the Department of Public Safety were prepared to divert traffic if necessary, but the valve was repaired without incident. The location was about one-half mile south of the highway, said Deputy Brian Peterson.

# Married instructor: I had five year affair with Monica Lewinsky

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Monica Lewinsky twisted the truth and was obsessed with sex, a lawyer for a former lover — her married former high school drama instructor — said today.

Terry Giles made his comments a day after his client Andy Bleiler, 32, revealed the affair at a news conference with his wife, Kathy.

Bleiler worked in the drama department at Beverly Hills (Calif.) High School, which Ms. Lewinsky attended. He said their affair started in 1992, a year after Ms. Lewinsky graduated from another high school and a year after he was married, and continued until last spring.

In an interview with CNN today, Giles said Ms. Lewinsky was "a young lady obsessed with sex who went to Washington, D.C., with an agenda." He said Ms. Lewinsky had a "tendency sometimes to twist facts in order to enhance her own self-importance."

Ms. Lewinsky told Bleiler she was having oral sex with a "high-ranking White House official," Giles said at Tuesday's news conference with Bleiler.

The president has denied allegations that he had sex with Ms. Lewinsky, a former White House intern, and then told her to lie about it.

At the news conference, Giles portrayed Ms. Lewinsky as a manipulative liar who refused to break off her affair with Bleiler and wormed her way into the family's confidence.

"Kathy and Andy would both describe Monica as having a pattern of twisting facts, especially to enhance her version of her own self-image," said Giles, of Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

Ms. Lewinsky's lawyer, William Ginsburg, confirmed his 24-year-old client had an affair with Bleiler but dismissed its importance.

"She has had relationships with men. That is neither shocking nor is it surprising," Ginsburg said.

"This is a former schoolteacher having sex with a teen-ager," Ginsburg told CNN today. "He's saying she was the vixen who could not be resisted, the sirens on the rocks. That's unbelievable."

Bleiler said the affair continued during the two years Ms. Lewinsky attended Lewis & Clark College here, and after she graduated in 1995 and left for Washington.

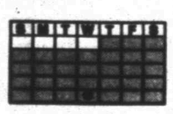
Bleiler, now a theater technician at the Vancouver (Wash.) School of Arts and Academics, said the relationship ended last April after his wife found out about it. That happened when she learned Ms. Lewinsky had bragged about the affair to college acquaintances.

Ms. Lewinsky told Bleiler she was "frustrated and agitated" that oral sex was all the "high-ranking White House official" wanted to have, Giles said.

The attorney added that Ms. Lewinsky confided in the couple long after she went to work at the White House. He said she never mentioned Clinton specifically, but referred to the White House official as "the creep."

## Datebook

Jan. 28, 1998



*Today is the 28th day of 1998 and the 39th day of winter.*

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1547, King Henry VIII died.

On this day in 1878, the first commercial telephone switchboard began operating in New Haven, Conn.

On this day in 1948, television's first Emmy awards were given.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Henry Morton Stanley (1841-1904), journalist-explorer; Jose Marti (1853-1895), Cuban poet-patriot; Colette (1873-1954), writer; Auguste Piccard (1884-1962), physicist; Arthur Rubinstein (1887-1982), pianist; Jackson Pollock (1912-1956), artist; Claes Oldenburg (1929-), sculptor, is 69; Alan Alda (1936-), actor, is 62.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1958, Dodgers catcher Roy Campanella was seriously injured in an automobile accident.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "A grain of poetry suffices to season a century." — Jose Marti

**TODAY'S WEATHER:** On this day in 1922, the roof of the Knickerbocker Theatre in Washington, D.C., collapsed from snow and caused 100 deaths.

SOURCE: 1998 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

**TODAY'S MOON:** New moon.

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## Markets

**Midday Stocks**

NEWYORK(AP)

| | High | Low | Last | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMR Corp | 126 | 15-16 | 124⅞ | 126⅛+3 3-16 |
| AT&T Corp | 63 | 9-16 | 62 9-16 | 62⅝— ⅛ |
| AirTouch | | | 44 1-16 | 43¾ 44 |
| Albertsons | | | 47 13-16 | 47 47 — ¼ |
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| Alltel | 42 | 7-16 | 41 13-16 | 42 3-16— 3-16 |
| AmerOnline | | | 93 | 91¼ 92 3-16+ ¼ |
| AmStoress | 21 | 13-16 | 21 9-16 | 21 13-16+ ⅛ |
| Ameritech s | | | 44⅜ 43 | 13-16 44 —11-16 |
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| ATMOS Egy | | | 26⅜ | 26⅛ 26⅜— 1-16 |
| Aviall | | | 13 | 12⅝ 12⅝+ 9-16 |
| BakerHughes | | | 38⅛ | 37⅞ 37⅞+ 9-16 |
| BellAtl | | | 92⅝ | 92 1-16 92⅝+ 1 |
| BellSouth | | | 62 9-16 | 62¼ 62⅛+ ⅛ |
| BethSteel | | | 9 | 8⅝ 9 + ⅛ |
| BritPet s | | | 78 | 77⅛ 77⅛+ ⅛ |
| BurlNoSFe | 85 | 1-16 | 84⅛ | 84 7-16—13-16 |
| CBS Corp | | | 29 9-16 | 28¾ 29 — ⅜ |
| Caterpillar s | | | 47⅛ | 46⅜ 47 1-16+11-16 |
| CenSoWst | 27 | 1-16 | 26⅜ | 26 15-16— 1-16 |
| Chevron | | | 76⅜ | 75 3-16 75 3-16— 1¾ |
| Chrysler | | | 34 5-16 | 34⅛ 34⅛+ 1-16 |
| Coastal | | | 57 11-16 | 57⅛ 57⅛+ 5-16 |
| CocaCola | | | 64⅛ | 63¼ 63 5-16+ 1-16 |
| ColgatePalm s | 71⅛ | 70 | 11-16 | 70 15-16+ 5-16 |
| ComclMetals | 29 | 11-16 | 29 7-16 | 29 11-16— 1-16 |
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| DeltaAirl | | | 113¾ | 111 113⅜+ 3 |
| DigitalEq | | | | 57 56⅜ 56⅜ |
| Dillards Inc | | | 36⅜ | 35⅞ 35⅞+ ⅜ |
| DowChem | | | 91⅞ | 90⅜ 91½+13-16 |
| DresserInd | | | 36 1-16 | 35½ 35⅝+ 7-16 |
| DuPont s | 57⅛ | 56 | 3-16 | 56 11-16+11-16 |
| EastmanChem | | | 58⅜ | 57⅛ 57⅜— 7-16 |
| EstKodak | | | 64⅜ | 63⅛ 63 9-16— ⅛ |
| EDS Corp | 43 | 5-16 | 42 15-16 | 43⅛+ ⅜ |
| Entergy | 28 | 11-16 | 28 7-16 | 28 11-16+ ¼ |
| Exxon s | | | 60⅞ | 59⅜ 59⅛— ½ |
| FstBksAm | | | 21 5-16 | 21 5-16 21 5-16 |
| Flowers s | 23 | 9-16 | 23 1-16 | 23 9-16+ 5-16 |
| FordMotor | | | 50 | 49 11-16 50 + 9-16 |
| GTE Cp | | | 55⅛ | 54 9-16 54⅝—11-16 |
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| GenlElecs | | | 76⅞ | 76 5-16 76½+ ¼ |
| GenMills | | | 74¾ | 74 1-16 74 3-16 |
| GenMotors | | | 57⅞ | 57 5-16 57⅜+ ⅜ |
| GaPacGP s | 55 | 1-16 | 54 11-16 | 55 1-16+ 7-16 |
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| Goodrich | | | 42⅛ | 41 15-16 42 — ⅜ |
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| Halliburtn s | | | 44 7-16 | 43¾ 44⅛+ ⅜ |
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| HomeDepot s | 61 | 1-16 | 60 7-16 | 60⅜+ 5-16 |
| HoustonInds | | | 26¼ | 26 26 1-16+ ⅛ |
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| IntlPaper | | | 46⅛ | 45⅛ 45½— 3-16 |
| JohnsonJn | 68 | 3-16 | 67 11-16 | 67⅛+ 7-16 |
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| Kroger s | | | 37 9-16 | 37 7-16 37 7-16—11-16 |
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| OryxEngy | | | 23⅛ | 22⅞ 22⅞+ ⅛ |
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| Pennzoil | | | 63⅜ | 63 5-16 63 5-16— 3-16 |
| PepBoys | | | 22 7-16 | 22⅛ 22¼+ 1-16 |
| PepsiCo | | | 36⅜ | 35¾ 36 9-16+ ½ |
| PhelpDodge | 64 | 13-16 | 64⅝ | 64 13-16+ 7-16 |
| PhilipPet | 45 | 1-16 | 44 9-16 | 44⅜— 3-16 |
| PilgrmPrd | | | 15 11-16 | 15⅜ 15⅝— ⅛ |
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| Praxair | | | 41 | 40 9-16 40 15-16+ ⅛ |
| ProctGamb s | 81 | 78 | 13-16 | 79 5-16—1 9-16 |
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| SearsRoeb | | | 46⅜ | 46⅛ 46 7-16— ⅜ |
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| SmthBc ADS s | 63 | 15-16 | 63⅜ | 63 11-16+1 3-16 |
| SouthernCo | | | | 25⅜ 25 25⅛ |
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| TexInd s | | | 48⅞ | 48⅜ 48⅜+ ¼ |
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| UnitedTech | | | 79⅜ | 79⅛ 79⅛+ 5-16 |
| Unocal | | | 34½ | 34 3-16 34 3-16+ 3-16 |
| WalMart | | | 40 1-16 | 39⅛ 40 +11-16 |
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| WinnDixie | | | | 47⅛ 47 1-16 47 5-16 |
| Woolworth | 20 | 5-16 | 19 13-16 | 20⅛+ 7-16 |
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# Scurry County Country

## TPWD Report

By Jim Lionberger, Wildlife Biologist,
Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

Now is the time for landowners and land managers to begin planning their bobwhite quail management practices. Practices such as discing and spot grazing can stimulate the growth of forbs that quail and other wildlife species prefer as food. This is achieved by creating a soil disturbance, resulting in a backward swing of the plant succession process.

In addition to providing food in the form of seeds and greens, forb production is also advantageous to the production of insects that are very important in the diet of nesting hens and quail chicks. Quail chicks depend heavily upon insects as food during their first eight to ten weeks of life. Practices such as half-cutting can provide quality loafing cover for quail by increasing the cover value of mesquite.

Discing should be performed by mid-March prior to the beginning of the growing season. The soil disturbance caused by discing can stimulate the growth of forbs or "weeds" that are preferred good items for quail and other wildlife species. Disc in strips near existing woody cover such as brushy field border or timbered creek. Using a tandem disc at a depth of three to six inches should work well.

Different soil types will result in different forb response to discing. Forbs such as annual sunflower and giant ragweed may be produced by discing on bottom land soils. Discing on upland soils may produce croton, partridge pea, Western ragweed and broomweed.

"Spot" or flash grazing is another practice that can stimulate forb growth. This practice involves heavy, short duration grazing of small enclosures such as waste areas or traps. Forb growth is stimulated as a result of soil disturbance created by the hoof action of the grazing animals. "Spot" grazing should be completed and cattle removed by mid-March, prior to the growing season.

Half-cutting is best performed on smooth barked, multi-trunked mesquites. A "living brush pile" is created by cutting halfway through the top side of the outer trunks approximately 3 feet above the ground. The trunks or limbs should be pulled outward, away from the center, allowing the tops to lie on the ground forming a wagon wheel pattern. Half-cutting should be performed in late spring or early summer when the sap is flowing. Half-cut mesquites should be spaced approximately 75 yards apart.

Free technical assistance with your wildlife management efforts is available through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Private Land Enhancement Program. For technical assistance in the Snyder area, contact Jim Lionberger, wildlife biologist at 915-863-2755. For technical assistance in the Panhandle, contact Danny Swepston, district wildlife biologist at 806-655-3782, for the wildlife biologist in your area.

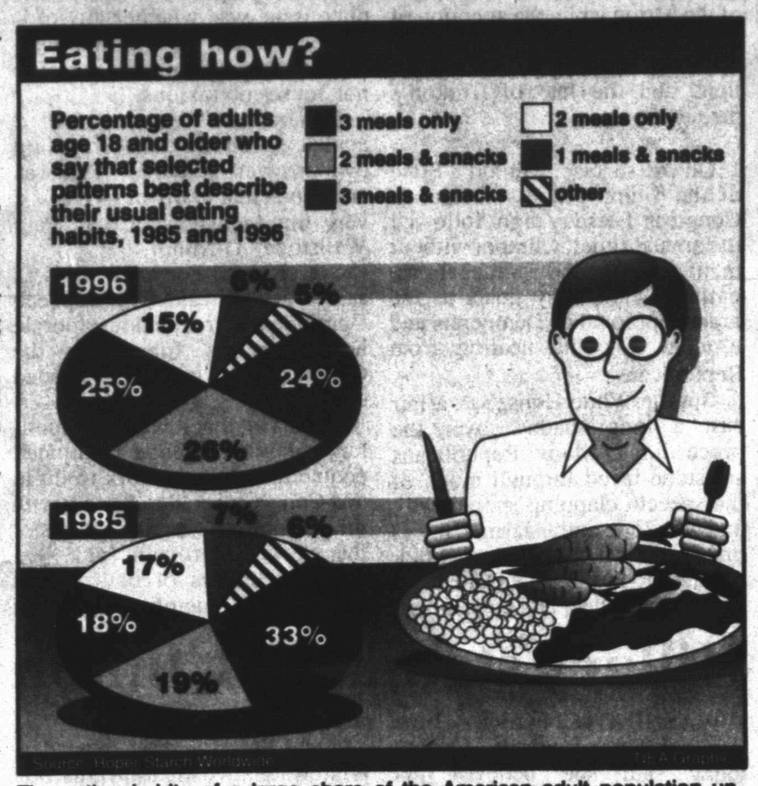
## Cotton futures

NEW YORK (AP) — Cotton futures No. 2 were higher in midday dealings today.

The average price for strict low middling 1 & 1-16 inch spot cotton advanced 10 points to 61.76 cents a pound Tuesday for the seven markets, according to the New York Cotton Exchange.

Midday prices were 70 cents to $1.10 a bale higher than the previous close. Mar 65.35, May 66.58, Jul 67.84, Oct 70.00, Dec 71.33, Mar b72.30, May b72.75, Jul b73.40, Oct b72.79 and Dec b72.50.

## Eating how?




The eating habits of a large share of the American adult population underwent a change between 1985 and 1996. Whereas in '85 about one third of those surveyed regularly ate three meals a day and didn't snack, that number was much decreased by '96.

## Elevator workshop set Thursday in Amarillo

AMARILLO — Weed, insect and disease control pose concerns for farmers as preparations for the coming crop year begin. To meet the needs of the farming community, a consolidated effort between the Tri State Chapter of FEAPS and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service will sponsor the annual Texas High Plains Grain Elevator Workshop. The conference will be held Thursday, Feb. 5 at the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center, 6500 Amarillo Blvd. West beginning at 8 a.m. and will continue through 3:45 p.m.

This year's workshop has been accredited by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) to award five continuing education units. CEUs will be one unit for laws and regulations and two units given in integrated pest management. Registration is $25.

Topics to be addressed include developing changes in state and federal laws and regulations, obtaining effective non-crop weed control and the growing concern of sorghum ergot in the High Plains, The workshop will also focus on how to produce a high quality grain and maintaining it by using storage management practices through fumigation and insect control.

To receive registration information, contact Dr. Carl Patrick, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, at 806-359-5401.



## Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts,
County Extension Agent

**Resolving to lose weight**

One of the hardest things about losing weight around the holidays is all the foods that are available to us at different events. But even on a daily basis, we struggle with over eating, or difficulty in cutting back.

Most of our snack attacks are not because we are hungry, but rather it is the result of an eating cue. An eating cue is a signal that prompts a person to feel hunger.

There are two kinds of hunger — 1) physical hunger — involves symptoms such as a stomach pain, or a headache. Physical hunger comes from within you and almost any type of food will satisfy it. 2) Psychological hunger usually does not bring on physical symptoms. It comes from outside yourself and you usually want something specific to satisfy it. Additionally, you don't always feel relieved or satisfied after you've eaten it.

Other eating cues that may bring about psychological hunger include the sight of food, smell of food, specific locations, or the time of day and mood changes. We can deal with psychological hunger and eating cues by following a few hints:

—don't eat alone

—if you eat when you are blue, call a friend to confide in

—If you eat when you arrive at home, do something active so you won't eat.

—If you eat when you are angry, try confronting the person or being more assertive in the situation.

We are all going to be trapped by eating cues occasionally. The important thing is to avoid it as often as possible, and not let one bad eating event lead to another.

**Eating Out**

Eating out at restaurants or others' houses can be difficult when we're trying to cut back on fatty, high calorie foods.

Try these tips at restaurants:

—ask for salad dressing on the side

—ask for reduced-calorie dressing or make your own with lemon wedges or vinegar.

—order an appetizer as your main dish, instead of a large entree.

—cut calories by asking for luncheon-sized portions or limiting the amount of the entree you eat.

—ask for a take out bag at the beginning of the meal. If you wrap up the half you shouldn't eat at the beginning, you're less likely to unwrap and eat it.

—split your meal with a friend.

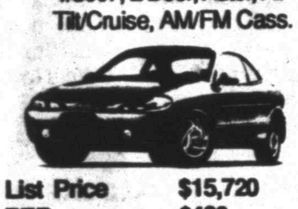
## Roping for Rehab slated Feb. 7-8 in Taylor County

The West Texas Rehabilitation Center annouces the first annual Team Roping for Rehab will be Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 7-8 at the Taylor County Horse Barn. All proceeds will benefit the Rehab - Abilene and San Angelo. Ropers will compete for cash prizes along with Ryon's saddles for the high money winner of each roping. Buckles will be given to the first place average winners of each roping.

Books open at 8 a.m., Saturday for 3½ and 2½ ropers. Cost for 3 head is $30. Roping begins at 9. On Sunday at 8 a.m. the books open for 6 and 5 ropers. Cost is 3 head for $40, and roping begins at 9. All ropings are progressive after one. The numbering systems are by Coors, Bud Light and ¼ USA negative Coggins test is required.

For more information please call the West Texas Rehabilitation Center at 915-793-3507 or Ray Douglass at 915-993-4503.


January Price MELTDOWN SALE

1998 Escort ZX2
#8007, 2 Door, Auto., Air Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM Cass.

List Price $15,720
PEP $430
Dealer Disc. $900
Rebate $1000
$13,390 Sale*
Save $2330 *Plus TT&L

1998 Contour GL
#7034, 4 Door, Auto., Air Tilt/Cruise, Keyless Entry

List Price $18,810
PEP $1295
Dealer Disc. $1245
Rebate $750
$15,520 Sale*
Save $3290 *Plus TT&L

1997 Taurus GL
#7038, 4 Door, Auto, Air, Tilt/Cruise, AM/FM Cass.

List Price $20,985
PEP $750
Dealer Disc. $1466
Rebate $2000
$16,769 Sale*
Save $4216 *Plus TT&L

1997 Ford F250 Reg. & Supercab Pickups
$1250 Rebate or 4.9% to 48 mos., 5.9% - 60 mos.

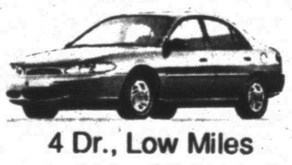
USED CARS AND TRUCKS

97 Linc. Town Car

4 Door, Low Miles, 2 to choose from, Nice
$25,995

96 Chev. 1/2 T. X-Cab

V8, Auto., White, All Power, Nice, 25K
$16,995

97 Escort LX

4 Dr., Low Miles Auto, Cruise
$10,995

96 Ford Taurus GL

V6, White, Auto 29K, Great Car
Reduced $12,495

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## Crop Report

COLLEGE STATION, Texas(AP) — Fruit and nut producers in the state are taking advantage of cooler weather to apply dormant oil to fruit and nut trees in order to control insects, reports the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

In West Central Texas, Extension agronomist Dr. Billy Warrick of San Angelo said dormant sprays will be applied to peach trees in the next four to six weeks.

He said dormant oil is a highly effective spray that is generally applied to control scale insects.

"The dormant oil basically suffocates the insects," Warrick said. "This works very well, particularly with scale insects."

Warrick said fruit and nut trees in West Central Texas are currently being treated with dormant oil. He said the general condition of the trees is good, although some counties have not received enough rainfall.

"Many counties have received rain but some remain very dry," Warrick said. "Some trees may be stressed due to this lack of soil moisture."

Dr. Nancy Roe, Extension horticulturist in Stephenville, said organic growers prefer to use dormant oil instead of pesticides. She said homeowners can use dormant oil on their trees as well. However, it is not necessary for fruit and nut producers to use dormant oil every year.

"Commercial orchards have problems with scale insects so they often use dormant oil," she said. "Homeowners don't have to spray every year, though."

She said dormant oil is best used around the end of the season, as the weather gets warmer. Roe said as the temperature rises, insect respiration speeds up as well; therefore, dormant oil can be more effective if used in warmer temperatures.

However, Roe warns users not to use dormant oil if the weather is too hot or too cold because it can damage plants.

"Some sprays call for temperatures around 60 degrees for several days," Roe said.

In North Texas, Randy Upshaw, Extension director in Dallas, reported high yields in the pecan crop.

"Pecans have excellent production on most trees in Franklin County," he said. "Although, weevils are more abundant than normal."

PANHANDLE: soil moisture adequate. Ranges, pastures fair to good. Cattle in fair to good condition; supplemental feeding continues. Low hay supplies reported. Wheat fields are fair to good; some trampling of stands because of wet conditions.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture adequate to surplus.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures, ranges improving. Cattle in fair condition and supplemental feeding continues. Cotton harvest nearing completion. Wheat is making some growth. Greenbugs present in most fields.

NORTH TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures are very poor to good. Cattle good; supplementation continues. Hay supplies good. Wheat poor to fair; need dry weather in Rains County. Pecans have excellent production on most trees.

EAST TEXAS: soil moisture surplus. Winter pastures extremely wet, providing little to no grazing. Cattle good with supplemental feeding. Little vegetable activity due to wet conditions. Dormant oil spraying and pruning active in fruit trees.

FAR WEST TEXAS: soil moisture very short to adequate. Pastures, ranges in poor to good condition. Livestock conditions remain stable. Cotton harvest nearing completion; boll weevils persist. Pecan harvest under way; quality appears good.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture short to adequate. Pastures showing some winter greening due to rains. Livestock good with supplemental feeding under way. Pecan harvest almost complete; quality fair to good. Dormant sprays to be applied to peach trees.

CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture surplus. Excellent winter pasture growth due to warm, moist conditions. Cattle experiencing increasing lice population.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Small grain pastures growing rapidly. Limited grazing on permanent pastures. Cattle feeding continuing. Some pruning and dormant oil spraying of fruit and nut trees.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: soil moisture adequate. Forage availability above average. Small grains show excellent improvement after recent rains. Livestock remain in good condition. Excellent quality yields, markets reported for winter vegetables.

COASTAL BEND: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Forage limited due to wet conditions. Some supplemental feeding of cattle. Oats and wheat showing good growth. Some pruning of peach trees. Some native pecans remain to be harvested.

SOUTH TEXAS: soil moisture adequate. Range grasses remain dormant with some winter green grasses. Livestock conditions remain fair to good. Cabbage, spinach and carrots harvest in full swing. Sugarcane harvest continues.

## Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 967 head of cattle for the Thursday, Jan. 22 Sale. Cows were steady to $2 better. Calves and yearlings were $2 better. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows: 37 to 44; canners and low cutters: 28 to 36; slaughter bulls 48 to 55.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 90 to 112; 400 to 500; 90 to 105; 500 to 600, 80 to 92.50; 600 to 700, 76 to 84; 700 to 800, 74 to 80.

Feeder heifiers choice: 300 to 400, 80 to 94; 400 to 500, 75 to 82.50; 500 to 600, 70 to 77.50; 600 to 700, 68 to 75; 700 to 800, 65 to 72.50.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 75 to 88; 700 to 800, 65 to 72.50.

Cow and calf pairs, good: 600 to 950; grade, 400 to 550.

Springers: 300 to 660; baby calves: 75 to 175; doodlers: 140 to 200.

## Colorado City cattle auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 1,161 head of cattle for the Saturday, Jan. 24 Sale. Feeder steers and heifers under 600 pounds were $2 to $5 higher. Steers and heifers over 600 pounds werre $1 to $3 higher. Slaughter cows were $1 higher. Slaughter bulls were $2 higher. Bred cows were $25 to $50 higher. Trade was active and demand very good.

Steers:
200 to 400: 100 to 114
400 to 500: 94 to 105
500 to 600: 87 to 97
600 to 700: 77 to 82
700 to 800: 73.50 to 77
Heifers:
300 to 400: 85 to 99
400 to 500: 75 to 91
500 to 600: 75.50 to 87.50
600 to 700: 70.50 to 76
Young bred cows: $440 to $640
Medium age to older bred cows: $350 to $460
Young cows and calves: $630 to $810
Medium age to older cows and calves: $600 top $620
Packer cows: 28 to 41.25.
Packer bulls: 44 to 53.50

When preparing to throw out the first pitch of the 1969 baseball season, President Richard Nixon dropped the ball.

Of the first 23 U.S. astronauts to fly into space, 21 were either first-born sons or only children.

# Texans focus on Clinton policy, not scandal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Depending on who's doing the assessing, President Clinton's list of legislative priorities for the coming year is an affordable family-friendly blueprint or a budget-busting set of big government programs.

Predictably, Democrats and Republicans were split in their reactions to Clinton's State of the Union address Tuesday night.

For the most part, however, politicians of all stripes touched only lightly on the presidential scandal that has riveted the nation in recent days.

"After a week of nothing but allegations and sensationalism, it was refreshing to hear about issues such as education, health care, Social Security and a balanced budget," said Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Waco.

Clinton's call for billions of dollars in new spending for education, child care and other social programs drew protests from Republicans, who chided him for his unwillingness to use expected budget surpluses to cut taxes.

"It all sounds wonderful. But the first question you have to ask yourself is how are you going to have to pay for it? I think that he has not thought out exactly how to pay for some of the social spending that he's proposing," said Rep. Henry Bonilla, R-San Antonio.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, dismissed Clinton's agenda as "a prescription for government growth."

Some in both parties, however, expressed satisfaction at the president's willingness to earmark expected budget surpluses to shore up Social Security rather than spend the money elsewhere.

"I really particularly was pleased with his emphasis on balancing the budget," said Rep. Jim Turner, D-Crockett. "I was glad to see him ask the Congress to use any surpluses that we have to reduce the debt and (help) Social Security."

Signs of GOP discord over what to do with any budget surpluses were evident Tuesday night.

"I'm quite clear that what we must do is have a middle-class tax cut," said Rep. Pete Sessions, R-Dallas.

Others, including Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, cited a preference for using any budget surpluses to shore up Social Security and Medicare, and in some cases reduce the national debt.

There was no disagreement over Clinton's implied threat of force against Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein. In recent days, Republicans have sought to make it clear that Clinton's legal and political troubles at home will have no bearing on the nation's foreign policy.

"When it comes to world aggression by despots with weapons of mass destruction, there is going to be a unity that you're going to see that Saddam had better not underestimate," said House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Irving. "I don't know how Saddam could miss that unless he just lives in fantasy land over there."

On the day when Clinton appeared before Congress, a federal grand jury convened to investigate allegations that he was indiscreet with a White House intern, urged her to lie about it and then denied it himself while testifying under oath in a legal deposition.

Clinton, who on Monday emphatically denied any impropriety with Monica Lewinsky or asking her to lie about their relationship, made no mention of the allegations Tuesday night.

"He did a tremendous job with all the pressure that he had on him," said Rep. Ciro Rodriguez, D-San Antonio.

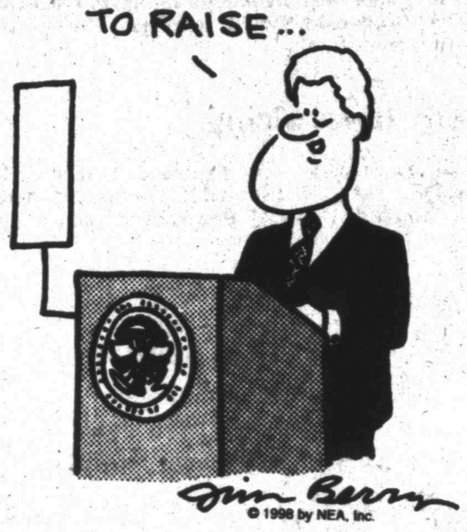
Armey, for his part, termed Clinton's address "flat" and "uninspiring."

Leery of adding a partisan tint to the crisis — which Hillary Rodham Clinton has laid at the feet of a "vast right-wing conspiracy" — Republicans mostly held their fire. "I think everybody is trying to give the president the benefit of the doubt, waiting for him to give his side of the story," Gramm said.

The controversy is taking a toll on Clinton's political capital, some Republicans ventured.

"My viewpoint is it would be very difficult for the White House to get its programs through the Congress right now," said Rep. Sam Johnson, R-Plano.

## Berry's World




## Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



**Your Birthday**

Thursday, Jan. 29, 1998

People for whom you've done favors in the past will do what they can to square accounts in the year ahead. In some cases, you're likely to get more than you gave.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Things should go as you hope today pertaining to an enterprise that requires your personal touch. Instead of delegating, handle critical developments yourself. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Sincerity and thoughtfulness will make a greater impression on others than being assertive or throwing your weight around. Use the tender touch.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Trends are developing that could give you something big about which to be hopeful. Early indications might be heralded by a friend.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** If you get caught up in a challenging development today, don't let what transpires intimidate you. Your stronger, inner stuff will come to the forefront.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Sometimes your insights as to the outcome of events are rather startling. Today is another one of those days when your assessments could be right on target.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Your most substantial advantages are likely to be gained today from joint endeavors or through matters you manage for others. Operate from your strengths.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** A wise selection of a partner could enhance your luck today in an involvement where a unified effort is required. Be extremely picky.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** People who are in a position to give your career a boost are viewing you in a favorable light. Keep performing well to maintain this good impression.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** You are likely to be luckier today dealing with big shots instead of bit players. Start at the top and work your way down if necessary.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** A family matter that has been concerning you should work out satisfactorily for all participants. Keep focusing on a positive result.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Your chances for success will be enhanced today if you visualize your goal in a positive manner. If you see yourself doing the right things, you will.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Something that is working out rather well for you can be improved upon even more. Use your ingenuity to better what you've already begun.

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## New solar activity said discovered

LONDON (AP) — British astronomers have discovered sporadic explosions on the surface of the sun that they say may help explain some of its mysteries.

The flashes, each of them about the size of the Earth, erupt across all parts of the sun's surface like a kind of disease, say scientists from the Royal Astronomical Society.

"It's like water bubbling in a pan," said Peter Bond, space science adviser at the Royal Astronomical Society.

A team of astronomers, led by Richard Harrison of the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory in Oxfordshire, southern England, first noticed the flashes, which scientists call "blinkers," last year.

## Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



### Can vitamins cure schizophrenia?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: There is a new treatment for children who are schizophrenics. It involves large doses of niacin and vitamins C and B6. Could you give me some more information on this?

DEAR READER: Although reports in the popular press have endorsed the use of "megavitamin" therapy to treat mental illness, no reputable scientific studies have proved that this therapy is useful. In fact, the American Psychiatric Association has stated that megavitamin therapy is not useful in the treatment of mental illness.

Until megavitamins are proven to be beneficial, this approach should be labeled as quackery and avoided by the public.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: How can I get rid of mold? I live in an underground house, and the mold is driving me crazy. Can it affect my health?

DEAR READER: Molds are a form of fungus that is ubiquitous in our environment. Most molds shun daylight, preferring instead cool, wet, dark surfaces on which to grow. In other words, exactly the situation in an underground house.

You have a problem that is even bigger than you realize, because the molds are also growing unseen in your rugs, upholstery, bathroom drains, and any nook or cranny in the house. Moreover, even if you could eradicate the molds — a daunting and virtually impossible task — they would grow right back in a matter of weeks. Finally, molds can cause disease. Inhalation of spores may lead to asthma and other pulmonary problems, for example.

If you really want to decontaminate your house, you have to be ready to spend a lot of money. The walls, ceilings and floors have to be cleaned with an anti-mold solution. Then, the rooms should be repainted with a mold-resistant marine paint. Drains and cracks must be sprayed. All rugs and upholstery should be replaced or thoroughly and professionally cleaned. All this is the easy part.

Following the cleanup, you've got to make the inside of your house less hospitable to molds. This will entail the installation of dehumidifiers and large fans to dry out the house. You also have to let in more light, in the form of windows and skylights. (Artificial light won't do.) Finally, you must seal the outer walls of the house to prevent moisture from leaking through the foundation.

Probably the most suitable solution is also the most obvious: Sell the house and move to a more traditional above-ground abode.

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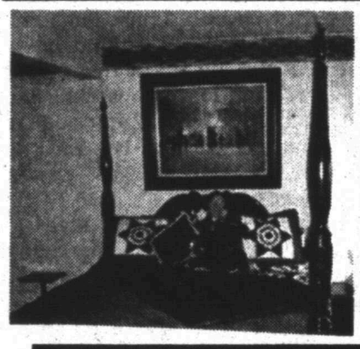
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# IRS proposes new modernization plans

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service today proposed a major modernization aimed at providing taxpayers a clearer path for dealing with the sprawling agency.

"The IRS must shift its focus away from its own internal operations and think about its job from the taxpayers' point of view," IRS Commissioner Charles O. Rossotti told a Senate Finance Committee hearing.

Rossotti in his prepared remarks proposed to organize the agency into four units to serve individual taxpayers, small businesses and the self-employed, large corporations, and pension plans, nonprofit organizations and state and local governments.

No longer would a taxpayer have to deal with one division on an audit, another on collections and yet another to appeal a decision.

The Clinton administration is pushing the plan before Senate Republicans begin reworking an IRS overhaul bill that passed the House in November.

"Like every taxpayer, I am outraged by the reports of abuses by the IRS," President Clinton said Tuesday night in his State of the Union speech. He called for new citizen advisory panels, a stronger taxpayer advocate, 24-hour telephone service for taxpayers, relief for innocent taxpayers — and swift Senate action on IRS reforms.

"Tonight I challenge the Senate: As your first order of business, pass our bipartisan package of IRS reforms — now," Clinton said.

Next week, the National Performance Review, Vice President Al Gore's "reinventing government" group, will release a detailed report on IRS restructuring.

A key principle of the effort, billed as "modernizing America's tax agency," would have the IRS better "understand and solve problems from a taxpayer's point of view," according to an IRS briefing paper. Rossotti emphasized the plan is conceptual, and that "much study is required to validate this concept and to decide on hundreds of details."

"There are a lot of sleepy bureaucrats who will be upset about this," said Jeffrey S. Trinca, a former chief of staff of the National Commission on Restructuring the IRS, a congressionally appointed panel that proposed ways to overhaul the agency.

Rossotti also summarized several actions the IRs has taken since he became commissioner last November: monthly "problem solving days" in district offices to handle difficult taxpayer cases; internal audits of agency's management; and closer review of property seizures.

"I want to assure the committee that it is a new day at the IRS," Rossotti said.

Also testifying today was Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin, who described in prepared remarks Clinton administration efforts over the last two years to improve technology and the agency's telephone help lines.

"Despite the many, far-reaching problems, and fully recognizing the immensity of the challenge, I think there is good reason to expect substantial progress in the years ahead," Rubin said.

"It makes a lot of sense, and it is consistent with the new customer orientation at the IRS," said Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, co-chairman of the IRS restructuring commission.

## Reappointed board members to take oath

Swearing in of reappointed board members and approval of monthly reports are items Cogdell Memorial Hospital's board of managers will address in a meeting set for 8 a.m. Thursday.

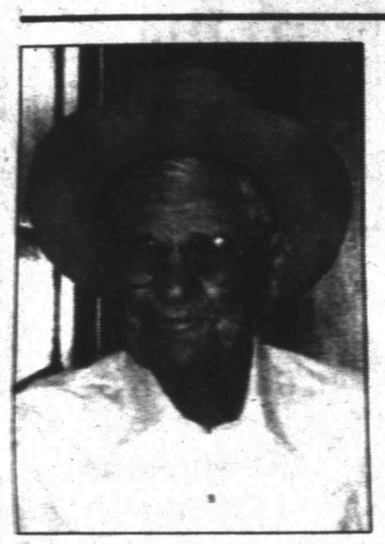
J.B. Tate Jr., Stanley Martin and Jim Bob Cave were all reappointed to the board by Scurry County Commissioners Court earlier this month. They will be given the oath of office Thursday.

Election of officers is not on the agenda, and is anticipated next month, hospital officials said.

Approval of the medical staff report, financial report, accounts receivable report and nursing report are also on the agenda.

Following those items, the board will adjourn to executive session to discuss litigation.

# Obituaries



Mack Gray

## Mack Gray

**1911-1998**

Funeral service for Mack Wesley Gray, 86, is set for 10 a.m. Friday in the Ira Baptist Church. The Rev. Doug Shelly, pastor of Eastside Baptist Church in Big Spring, will officiate, assisted by the Rev. Larry Van Hook, pastor of the Ira Baptist Church.

Burial will follow in the Ira Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Gray, a retired minister and longtime resident of Ira, died Tuesday, Jan. 27, in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital following a brief illness.

Born Aug. 11, 1911 in Shackleford County, he married his first wife, Margie Hargrove on Jan. 6, 1931 in Jones County. She died in 1974. He married Addie Boatright on Dec. 15, 1976. She died in 1996.

Mr. Gray moved to Ira from Albany in 1974. He farmed for many years and had retired after 23 years with the Texas Highway Department and was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1957.

He was also preceded in death by his parents, five sisters and two brothers.

Survivors include two daughters, Marjorie Helm of Ira and Faye Helm of Coahoma; a sister, Artie Burge of Potosi; three grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

## Patsy Ann Martin

**1942-1998**

Patsy Ann Martin, lifetime resident of Snyder, died at 1:05 a.m. Wednesday at her residence after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mrs. Martin, 55, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 31, in the Faith Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Officiating will be the Revs. Larry White and Darrell Martin. Services are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

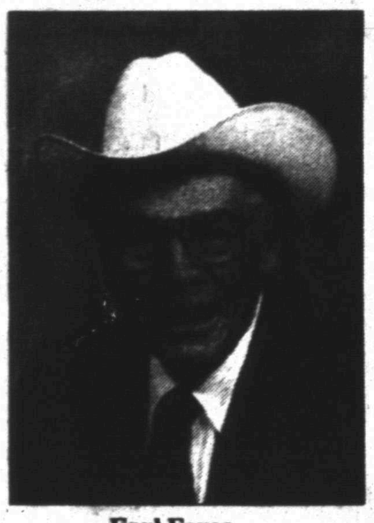
Born on April 27, 1942 in Snyder, she married Kenneth Martin on Jan. 7, 1963 in Snyder. She was a secretary at Western Texas College for 15 years, retiring five months ago. She was pianist for Faith Baptist Church for 28 years.

Survivors include her husband, Kenneth Martin of Snyder; a daughter, Sheila Sorrells of Snyder; a son, Randall Martin of Snyder; a sister, Bonnie Jean McDonald of Leslie, Ark.; a brother, Bobby Joe Nolan of Snyder; one granddaughter, Jessica Danielle Martin; and one stepgrandson, Christopher Todd Sorrells.

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Earl Foree

## Earl Foree

**1914-1998**

Service for Earl Foree, 83, of Snyder is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church Chapel. Dr. Marty Akins, pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Foree, longtime Snyder resident, died Wednesday, Jan. 28, at 10:50 p.m. after a lengthy illness.

Born on Oct. 2, 1914 in Williamson County, he married Verna Price on Sept. 4, 1940 in Snyder. Moving to Snyder in 1933, Mr. Foree had worked for Magnolia Oil Co. for 18 years and retired from the Texas State Highway Department after 19 years. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of Scurry Masonic Lodge 706 and the Scottish Rite.

Mr. Foree was preceded in death by one sister, Louise Rogers.

Survivors include his wife, Verna Foree of Snyder; a son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Linda Foree of Lexington, Ky.; a daughter and son-in-law, Jane and Ronnie Goode of Pampa; two brothers, Carl Foree of Snyder and Marvin Foree of Sweetwater; two sisters, Mildred Permenter of Big Spring and Earlene Wilson of San Angelo; and six grandchildren.

## Singer James Brown arrested

AIKEN, S.C. (AP) — Soul singer James Brown is in trouble again, this time on gun and marijuana charges.

Less than a week after leaving a hospital where his agent said he was treated for an addiction to painkillers, Brown surrendered Tuesday and was charged with marijuana possession and unlawful use of a firearm.

Brown, 64, who was freed on bond, said he smoked a small amount of marijuana for medicinal purposes.

"I have bad eyes," he told The Chronicle of Augusta, Ga. "It was just a little tiny bit. It wasn't even a misdemeanor — it should've been in recorder's court."

Brown, who served three years in prison for 1988 convictions on weapons and assault charges, said he keeps guns at his Beech Island home and doesn't plan to stop.

"I got to have protection," Brown said. "I have guns and I'm going to keep on having guns. Thank God it's a free country."

Jeff Allen, Brown's agent, has said the singer became addicted to painkillers that he had begun taking after he was injured on stage.

Brown has denied that he was addicted. He said his daughter hospitalized him against his will after he became upset while watching a television program about poor children in South America.

"My daughter made a mistake," he said. "She should have just called me and asked if she could come over and check on me, but she called the police. Then they came and asked me if I would go to the hospital, and I didn't want to say no."

## Guilty verdict

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the man for the offense just inside the Snyder city limits on Highway 350 on July 23.

Also testifying Tuesday were city officer Dennis Young and deputy Brian Peterson.

Deputy Jerry Cowin testified in the punishment phase of the trial.

The trial was held in District Judge Ernie Armstrong's courtroom and was prosecuted by District Attorney Dana Cooley. Waisner was defended by court-appointed attorney Issac Castro.

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DISMISSALS: Jan. 26-Frank Pinkerton, Celia Feinsod and baby, Susan Miller; Jan. 27-Misty Graham and baby, David Harlin.

CENSUS: 51 (Med., Surg.-18, Long-term Care-27, CCU-2, OB-2, Nursery-2).

# Births

Tamara Ford of Hermleigh announces the birth of her seven-pound, 15¾ ounce son at 1:06 p.m. on Jan. 26 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Beatrice Garza of Hermleigh announces the birth of her son. He was born, weighing seven pounds and seven ounces, at 3 p.m. on Jan. 27 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Rene and Sonya Morin are parents of a son, Clayton Lane Morin, born at 5:54 p.m. on Jan. 25 in St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock. He weighed five pounds, 14 ounces.

Grandparents include Tommy and Sandra Galyean and Lupe Jr. and Maggie Morin, all of Snyder. Great-grandmothers are Dominga Morin of Carnes City and Margaret Browning of Snyder.

Sunny and Stephanie Ruiz of Snyder are parents of a daughter, Jordan Kay Ruiz, born at 4:22 p.m. on Jan. 24 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces.

Hanna Feinsod welcomes her cousin, Taylor Victoria Feinsod, who was born on Jan. 22, 1998 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital to Celia Feinsod of Snyder. She weighed eight pounds, 10 ounces and was 22½ inches long.

Grandparents are Helen Feinsod of Snyder and Art Feinsod of Florida; and her aunt and uncle are Virgil and Melinda Feinsod of Big Spring.

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# WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

## Pancake supper set

Snyder High School Senior Class will sponsor a pancake supper at McDonald's from 6-8 p.m. Thursday. Tickets are $2.50 and available from any senior or by calling 573-1400 and leaving a message.

## DECA fund-raiser set

DECA students are selling coupon booklets, a $250 value, for $12 each. All coupons are from local merchants. Booklets can be purchased from any DECA student or by calling Lisa Williams at 573-6301. The deadline to purchase a booklet is Friday.

## Windbreak trees

The deadline for ordering windbreak trees is Saturday. A variety of evergreens and hardwoods is available. The district is also offering evergreens in one-gallon yearling size for fill-ins. For more information, contact the Upper Colorado SWCD at 573-6317 or go by 5309 Big Spring Highway.

## Bible study tapes airing

The "Key to the Kingdom" video tapes and "Getting to Know God" series air weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The next set of tapes, "You Can't Keep A Good Man Down," followed by "Getting to Know God's Presence," will begin at 7 p.m. Monday.

## WTC boosters to meet

Western Texas College Booster Club will meet at noon Monday at Rudy's. Everyone is invited.

## Deadline to order SHS yearbooks

Tuesday is the deadline for ordering 1998 Snyder High School yearbooks. The cost is $40. No extra books will be ordered; this will be the only time to purchase them. Call 573-6301, ext. 35.

## Student Valentine Dance

Snyder High School softball team will sponsor a Student Valentine Dance from 8 to midnight Feb. 12 in the student center. Admission is $3 per person or $5 a couple.

## Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval by the American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ACS Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

## Tiger banners for sale

Snyder Girls Hoops Club is selling Tiger banners for $25. Call 573-1769 or 573-4283. They will deliver.

## Adult basic education

Adult basic education classes are underway at Western Texas College for those seeking their GEDs.

Classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays are held from 8-11 a.m.

ESL (English as a Second Language) and GED courses are offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8:30 p.m. ESL classes are only offered at night. For more information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

## Circus Gatti

Scurry County Sheriff's Posse will be sponsoring the annual Circus Gatti production Feb. 18. Representatives from the production will work on ticket sales in the coming weeks.

## Support group ministry

Three support groups for divorce recovery, cancer/grief and caring for aging parents will meet every second Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. Please enter on the east side, which faces the Family Life Center. Everyone is welcome; child care will be provided. For more information, call 573-2631.

## College games free

Western Texas College has announced that there will be no admission charge during the remainder of the Lady Westerners' home basketball games.

## Financial aid information

Texas Association of Financial Aid Administrators, with assistance from EducationFirst, will conduct a financial aid information line Feb. 7-8 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The toll free number is 800 323-3961. Two $500 scholarships will be awarded from the names of people who call.

## Pick 3

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

2-3-7

(two, three, seven)

## Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Monday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 16-23-27-31-38.
Number matching five of five: 2.
Prize per winner: $62,817.
Winning ticket(s) sold in: Amarillo, Plano.
Matching four of five: 298. Prize: $633.
Matching three of five: 11,209. Prize: $28.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Tuesday night.