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MONDAY
Snyder Daily News

Ask Us

Q—Snyder elementary school children are selling items for a fund-raiser. What percent goes to the schools and what will the money be used for?

A—A District-Wide Parent Council representative said all elementary school children are raising the funds. Sixty percent of the funds will go back to the company and 40 percent will be retained. Those funds will distributed evenly back to the five elementary schools. The parent council at each campus will then vote as to how the money is to be spent at that campus.

Local

Hermleigh

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7:30 today in the high school library.

Committee

The Cancer Dance planning committee will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday at Reta's.

Ira boosters

Ira Booster Club will hold a general meeting at 7 this evening in the school cafeteria.

Cub Scouts

Parents of Cub Scouts are encouraged to attend a meeting at 7 this evening at the West Elementary cafeteria.

SHS boosters

Snyder All-Sports Booster Club will meet at 7 this evening in the high school student center.

SCMA

Scurry County Ministerial Alliance will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday at Willow Park Inn.

The meeting will be preceded at 9:30 a.m. by a prayer time for the City of Snyder and Scurry County.

Museum

A luncheon for Scurry County Museum volunteers will be held at noon Wednesday. Men and women who would like to give volunteer time are invited to attend.

There is no charge for the luncheon but reservations should be made by calling 573-6107 so that seating can be planned.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 95 degrees; low, 62 degrees; high Sunday, 89 degrees; low, 67 degrees; reading at 9 a.m. Monday, 67 degrees; .95 of an inch precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 22.87 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the mid 60s. South to southeast wind 5-15 mph. Tuesday, a chance of showers and thunderstorms, otherwise partly sunny. High in the mid to upper 80s. South wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:08; sunrise Tuesday, 7:20. Of 243 days in 1992, the sun has shone 223 days in Snyder.

FATAL ACCIDENT — This 1984 Chevrolet was involved in an accident Sunday which claimed the life of a 30-year-old Hermleigh man. Charley Garcia Jr. was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident in which his vehicle was struck by a freight train. (SDN Staff Photo)

Car-train crash kills area man

A 30-year-old Hermleigh man was killed here Sunday afternoon when his 1984 Chevrolet was struck broadside by a freight train.

Charley Garcia Jr. was pronounced dead at the scene about 2:50 p.m. by District Judge Gene Dulaney.

Witnesses told police that Garcia's vehicle was traveling north on Avenue B at a moderate rate of speed when it was hit squarely in the passenger side by a westbound Sante Fe freight train. The vehicle was carried down the track to Avenue E before the train was able to stop.

Police said witnesses told them that warning signals were operating at the crossing and the train was sounding its whistle. The engineer told police it appeared to him the vehicle was going to stop. The train's brakes were activated immediately prior to the impact.

Garcia was alone in the Chevrolet, police said.

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Rains sweep Snyder area

Strong winds cause some damage

Thunderstorms, accompanied by pea-size hail and winds up to 50 mph, dropped almost an inch of rain and caused some damage in Snyder Sunday, but the storm which hit about 6 p.m. apparently missed most of the county.

Several in-town residents reported broken or uprooted trees, and some signs were overturned by the gusting winds. A metal storage shed behind an El Paso Avenue residence was lifted into the air and wrapped around a tree on a vacant lot next to the house. There were also isolated reports of fences being down by the high winds.

Officially, Snyder received .95 of an inch of rainfall.

The city's .95 of an inch brings the total for the year to 22.87 inches.

The area from Ira through Dunn picked up from .85 to 1.2 inches, according to various reports. One county resident near Hermleigh reported half an inch. Loyd Mountain reported 1 inch. Out near Inadale, however, there was only a trace of rain.

Residents north of Snyder also reported just a trace, and Fluvanna reported no rain.

Lake Thomas received little rainfall. The Snyder intake took in .35 of an inch while the Big Spring/Odessa intake reported just two-tenths. Colorado River Municipal Water District officials reported that the lake had received only about .02 of a foot and was at elevation 3,557 this morning.

Partly to mostly cloudy skies are forecast across West Texas through Tuesday with a chance of showers and thunderstorms east of the mountains and in the Big Bend. Far West Texas will be mostly sunny during the days with fair nights.

Locally, there is a 40 percent chance of rain forecast for tonight with a low expected in the middle 60s. Scattered thunderstorms are possible Tuesday, with a high in the middle to upper 80s.

STORM DAMAGE — High winds and heavy rains during Sunday's thunderstorm caused damage to trees and buildings around the city. This storage building, owned by Doug and Kathy Scott, was lifted into the air and wrapped around a tree next to the couple's house. (SDN Staff Photo)

Murder trial begins today

Jury being selected

Jury selection began this morning in 132nd District Court in the capital murder trial of 32-year-old Christopher Maurice Thompson, charged in the New Year's Day beating death of Arnulfo Ronnie Hernandez.

Questioning of jurors continued at noon today, with 100 people called as potential jurors.

The state has elected not to seek the death penalty against in this case, District Attorney Ernie Armstrong said.

Thompson is accused of participating in the Jan. 1, 1991 assault and robbery of Hernandez, who died the following day in Saint Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock.

Hernandez was found lying by the road at 35th Street and Avenue J at 10:04 p.m. on New Year's Day. He was taken to Cogdell Memorial Hospital by Snyder EMS and later transported to Lubbock.

Also charged in the case were 33-year-old Melvin Riggins and 33-year-old Bruce Wayne Nelson.

Riggins was found guilty of aggravated robbery in July of 1991 and sentenced to life in prison. Nelson pled guilty on June 19 while a jury was being seated in his case. He was sentenced to one life term for aggravated robbery and a second life term in the beating and robbery of Paul Garcia, which also occurred Jan. 1, 1991.

District Judge Gene Dulaney will preside over the Thompson trial. Armstrong will be prosecuting the case. Thompson will be represented by local attorney Mike Brown.

Standoff continues in Idaho

NAPLES, Idaho (AP) — A white supremacist whose wife and son were shot to death during a standoff with federal authorities at his cabin asked for time to pray as he neared a decision on whether to give up, an intermediary said.

James "Bo" Gritz, a retired Green Beret lieutenant colonel and Populist Party candidate for president, said late Sunday he expected Randy Weaver to surrender today.

Weaver, a 44-year-old former Green Beret wanted on charges of selling sawed-off shotguns, remained inside the cabin overnight with his three daughters, ages 10 months, 10 and 16.

"Randall said he needed to pray about what he needed to do," Gritz said after meeting with Weaver. "I think Randall has made some very good decisions. I believe tomorrow you will see him and his daughters."

Kevin Harris, a friend of Weaver who is charged with killing a deputy U.S. marshal at the start of the standoff Aug. 21, surrendered on Sunday to get treatment for wounds he suffered in a gun battle with authorities.

Routine business handled by county

County commissioners attended to routine business at a brief meeting this morning.

Approval of minutes from the Aug. 24 meeting and the public hearing held in Hermleigh last week and approval of bills were the only items of business for the court.

County Judge Bob Doolittle told commissioners that a copy of the fiscal year 1993 budget has been placed in the county clerk's office for public inspection and reminded the court that the county's proposed tax is to be adopted during the court's Sept. 14 meeting.

Doolittle also reminded commissioners of the second public hearing 7 p.m. Tuesday concerning application for a Texas Community Development Program grant for improvements in the Hermleigh water system.

The next meeting for the court will be Tuesday, Sept. 8 due to the Labor Day holiday on Monday.

2 locals arrested on felony charges

Snyder police arrested four people over the weekend, including two on felony charges.

Samuel Villa Ruiz Jr., 19, was arrested at 11:52 a.m. Sunday on a county warrant for burglary of a coin-operated machine. He has been released on $500 bond. Police said the case is still under investigation.

Joe Earnest Luera, 34, was arrested for felony driving while intoxicated at 10:51 p.m. Saturday

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President to survey cotton crop damage

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — President Bush will survey the South Plains' devastated cotton crop Wednesday during a brief visit to West Texas, Republican campaign officials say.

Bush is expected to arrive in Lubbock at Reese Air Force Base Wednesday afternoon and discuss disaster relief for cotton farmers reeling from record rains in May, said Jane Anne Stinnett, regional coordinator for the Bush-Quayle campaign.

The 25-county area surrounding Lubbock produces a quarter of the nation's cotton annually. Heavy rains drowned the crop during planting season. Experts predict losses of more than $320 million with cotton-related businesses and local economies losing as much as $1 billion.

Gov. Ann Richards has asked Bush to issue a disaster declaration that would make assistance available to cotton workers and businesses in 12 counties.

The declaration would make employment assistance available to farm-related workers who have lost their jobs and would provide emergency or low-interest loans to businesses hurt by the disaster.

SDN Football Contest to feature $1,000 prize

The Snyder Daily News Football Contest begins Tuesday with a new top prize of $1,000 this year.

A thousand dollars will go to anyone who correctly picks all 20 winning teams and the exact score on the tie-breaker.

Anyone who correctly picks all 20 winning teams but does not get the exact score on the tie-breaker will receive $250.

As in the past, the total points of the tie-breaker will be used to determine first, second and third place winners in the event that two or more contestants tie.

The contestant who picks the most games correctly will be the first place winner and will receive $50. Second place will be awarded $25 and third place will receive $15.

The contest will run for 10 consecutive weeks. Should Snyder High School's Tigers qualify for the playoffs, the contest will continue as long as the team keeps playing.

ASB listed by Money magazine

American State Bank of Lubbock, which operates a branch in Snyder, has been named as one of the two strongest banks in Texas.

The selection was made by Money magazine which named two banks from each state in a list of strongest banks in the nation, based on a blue-ribbon rating by the Veribanc bank rating service.

The other Texas bank selected was First National Bank of Abilene.

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Board: public not always protected against physicians

HOUSTON (AP) — Three members of the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners say the public is not being protected from troubled doctors, a newspaper reported.

Board members Dr. Richard Stasney, Cindy Jenkins and Barbara June Coe place the blame on the board itself, which acts as judge, jury, stand-in parent and absolver for doctors whose personal and medical practices get them into trouble, the Houston Chronicle reported Sunday in a copyright story.

The board consists of nine medical doctors, three doctors of osteopathy and three members of the general public. It decides who will be licensed in Texas and who will lose those licenses.

Ms. Jenkins said if she were to rewrite the law that governs medical practice in the state, she would remove from its preamble the statement: "The current system relating to licensing physicians and surgeons is basically a sound, workable system and should be continued."

"It should not be part of the act at this time," she said. "It's not true."

A Chronicle survey of board orders, minutes of committee meetings and board statistics issued publicly during the past four years shows:

—At least seven convicted felons who came before the board or one of its committees were allowed to practice medicine with some restrictions.

—At least 19 physicians were convicted of felonies or plea bargained to felony charges and, according to board records, are practicing medicine in Texas at this time.

—Doctors who practice substandard care, abuse patients and use drugs and alcohol to excess continue to care for patients, sometimes with no board action and others after receiving little more than a slap on the wrist and a minimal monitoring by a skeleton board staff.

—Complaints against physicians who have been found to provide substandard care by federal, state and private agencies are routinely dismissed.

—Fewer than 8 percent of complaints filed actually result in disciplinary actions.

—Most physicians who are disciplined by the board are placed on probation for five years, during which time they appear at the board office once or twice a year and meet with probation officers no more than once or twice a year.

Perhaps the most critical issue is the board's lack of consensus about its role.

"We are not a disciplinary board," said Dr. Milam Pharo, a former board member. "We are actually a regulatory board.

"Discipline should be in the civil or criminal court. We don't discipline doctors. We are not a penal system. We are a regulatory system."

But Ms. Jenkins disagrees.

"Physician discipline should be about 90 percent of what we do," she said. "We don't regulate. Nowhere in the law does it say what a doctor can or can't do."

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR READERS: A Duluth reader sent me a column that appeared in the Duluth News-Tribune. The author is Jim Heffernan. I quote, in part:

"Our nationally syndicated columnist, Dear Abby, ran the following limerick, which speaks for itself:

"'There was an old maid from Duluth
"'Who wept when she thought of her youth,
"'Remembering the chances
"'She had at school dances,
"'And once in a telephone booth.'

"Then a reader wrote to Abby saying she thought the limerick was 'offensive, uncouth and perverted.'

"Abby responded that she thought it was entertaining enough to justify the possibility of offending a few readers, and she apologized.

"Allow me to respond as well:

"Dear Abby: Perhaps you would be interested in the origin of the limerick about the old maid from Duluth. It's an oft-repeated tale in Duluth, Minn., where I am from. Perhaps you've heard of Duluth. It's up in God's country.

"The basis for the limerick has been whispered in the neighborhoods of Duluth and passed on from generation to generation.

"Well, as that great American patriot and champion of 'the little guy,' millionaire Paul Harvey, often says, 'Here's the rest of the story':

"It seems that the old maid from Duluth — we'll call her 'Rosie' (not her real name) — was born at the beginning of the Great Depression, the daughter of Scandinavian immigrants. Her mother was Norwegian and her father was Swedish.

"At that time in Minnesota history, it was very unusual for Norwegians and Swedes to intermarry. It was a widely held belief that any issue of such marriages would be unable to reproduce (something like the mating of a horse and a donkey, which produces a mule, all right, but the mule can't reproduce) or turn Catholic when they grow up, not being able to decide which Lutheran (Norwegian or Swedish) church they should go to.

"Well, Rosie grew up to be an attractive young woman whose physical attributes drove boys nuts at high school dances. But she was so shy and withdrawn that whenever they asked Rosie to dance, she turned them down. She had many chances at those dances, but she passed them all up.

"Later in life, Rosie met a janitor named Jack. One rainy night on a date, the two of them squeezed into a telephone booth to stay dry, and Jack gave her the only kiss she ever experienced. Rosie was so embarrassed she fled, and spent the rest of her life regretting that she hadn't given Jack a chance.

"Here in Duluth, we are very proud of Rosie's story, and whenever the limerick is recited, we view it as a small claim to limerick fame. Most folks believe it is better to be an old maid from Duluth than a young girl from Cape Cod, or a young man from Kent.

"And that's the rest of the story. Almost. Later on, Rosie had a child out of wedlock, whom she named Alexander — after Alexander Graham Bell."

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DEAR ABBY: In response to your letter from "Overbooked," I'd like to report what our postmaster told me when we lived in North Dakota:

Do not open an unwanted package.

Mark it clearly: "Refused."

Draw an arrow pointing to the return address.

I have tried this system, Abby, and it works. While the sender paid only a special book rate to send it, he has to pay first class postage to send it back. I have never received a second package from an unwanted source.

PHILLIPS TODD,
HASTINGS, NEB.

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Want your phone to ring? Get Abby's booklet, "How to Be Popular" — for people of all ages. To order, send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.

Fort Hood's expansion tests capacity

KILLEEN, Texas (AP) — The gradual relocation of 33,000 troops from Fort Polk, La., to Fort Hood is a boon for Bell County, but officials say the area's infrastructure is struggling to keep up.

About 12,000 of the 5th Infantry Division troops being moved under the Base Realignment and Closure Act of 1991 are scheduled to begin moving to Texas this week.

"Right now the concern is, 'Where are we going to put all of the people?,'" said Bill Doss of the Killeen Building Department.

Doss said his office is running at "110 percent of capacity," issuing permits for new construction sparked by the relocation.

Killeen, which now has 68,000 residents, is expected to receive the largest largest share of 33,000 soldiers and their families arriving over the next year. Copperas Cove, Harker Heights and Belton also are preparing for growth.

Construction permits worth $45 million were issued from January through July in Killeen, compared with $9 million during the same period last year.

"We all welcome it because this time last year, with Desert Storm and the deactivation of the 2nd Armored Division here, there were literally hundreds and hundreds of vacant houses and businesses," Doss said. "It's either hamburger or steak here."

Killeen schools, which now have 24,000 students, are expected to get 3,500 more from Fort Polk. That's not good news for a district already operating at capacity.

"I have teachers with no rooms," said East Ward Elementary School principal Betty Robinson, who added that six temporary classrooms are being put up on her campus. "As soon as they're done, the children will move in."

Ward Hughling, a Killeen Independent School District planner, said construction on new facilities could not begin until the Pentagon approved the Fort Polk relocation on July 21.

Now that the move is finalized, a $28 million bond election is scheduled for Sept. 26 for two new secondary schools and two new elementary schools.

"With the bond issue, we are providing about half of the classrooms that will be needed in the next five years," said school board President Gordon Adams. "If the bond issue were to fail, it will be a very serious situation."

Killeen Mayor Raul Villaronga said the proposed city budget includes 17 new police officers, six new paramedics and two additional city staffers.

"I'd say we're at the front end of a boom and I hope it never stops," Villaronga said. "We hope economic development will come alongside and we continue to grow."

The state is even getting into the act, planning road expansions in the area.

Some officials are concerned that the Army could later relocate Fort Hood troops, leaving Killeen with a surplus of homes, schools and businesses.

More black, Hispanic loans turned down

HOUSTON (AP) — Blacks in poor areas of the city have complained about the difficulty in getting bank loans, and some have attributed the problem to racial discrimination.

Black and Hispanic applicants in the Houston area were nearly three times as likely to be turned down for a mortgage as whites, according to 1990 data collected under the federal Home Mortgage Disclosure Act.

Applicants from minority neighborhoods were twice as likely to be rejected, regardless of their income, The Houston Post reported Sunday. The data was the most recent available.

Ken Burrell, whose K&C Car Care Clinic is located in the poor Fifth Ward neighborhood, was turned down for loans for his garage by several institutions before getting one from Channelview Bank.

His six-employee garage sits on a section of Jensen Drive that once was a thriving part of Houston's African-American business community. Now, most of the surrounding buildings are empty.

"First of all, a lot of businesses in this area are black-owned," Burrell said when asked if lending bias has contributed to the area's decline. "And because they're black-owned, the banks aren't going to lend money, because they think it's going to be a waste. They think they're not going to get their money back."

Bankers say they are trying to lend in such areas a the Fifth Ward, but add that their lending efforts are complicated by social and economic problems.

"I'm not going to sit here and tell you that racism and bias have never been factors in Texas banking," said James Feild, community investment manager for NationsBank Texas. "But the biggest barriers today are some of the socioeconomic factors the minority community as a whole is dealing with."

Lending in such economically depressed areas as the Fifth Ward is difficult, especially for institutions that have honed the mortgage process to assembly-line efficiency.

Lenders also say it is unfair to cite the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act data without explaining that 52 percent of the black applicants were rejected because of poor credit histories, compared with 38 percent of Hispanics and 34 percent of whites.

But critics claim lenders have a double standard when it comes to credit records. For example, former Gov. John Connally got a mortgage for a luxury condominium even though he defaulted on millions of dollars in loans in the 1980s and later filed for bankruptcy.

"Lenders are willing to trust John Connally even though in the past he has proven not able to live up to his financial obligations. Minority loan applicants may not know how to sell themselves so well as good credit risks," said the Rev. Harvey Clemons, a local pastor who also is a Texas Department of Housing and Community Services board member.

But banking executives say minority applicants are mistaken when they think the lending process is discriminatory. Most major banks, they say, process loans in a central office, where loan officers have no idea of an applicant's race.

And major banks also have executives whose sole purpose is to monitor lending activity for compliance with the Community Reinvestment Act, which requires banks to lend in all neighborhoods of their market area.

Britain repealed the Stamp Act in 1766.

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Scurry County

Anadarko Petroleum Corp. will drill the No. 4-R-MA L.M. Wilson in the Diamond M field, 12 miles southwest of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 3,400 feet, location is in Section 183, Block 97, H&TC survey.

HAT Oil and Gas Inc. will drill the No. 2 Bad Bob unit in the Diamond M field, four miles northwest of Ira. Contracted for a depth of 6,569 feet, drill site is in Section 167, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Mitchell County

Grand Banks Energy Co. has completed the No. 508 Mill-Strain unit in the Sharon Ridge field, four miles east of Cuthbert. The well produced 24 barrels of 32.8 gravity oil and 12 barrels of water. Perforations were from 1,542-642 feet, and location is in Section 18, C.H. McGinnis survey.

Grand Banks Energy will drill the No. 804 Mill-Strain unit in the Sharon Ridge field, four miles east of Cuthbert. Planned depth is 1,700 feet, and location is in Section 18, C.H. McGinnis survey.

Parker and Parsley Development will drill the No. 276 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbook. Planned for a depth of 3,500 feet, drill site is in Section 17, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Parker and Parsley Development will drill the No. 279 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Also planned for 3,500 feet, location is in Section 17, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Parker and Parsley will drill the No. 280 Mary Foster in the same field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Planned depth is 3,500 feet, and location is in Section 16, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Garza County

Graham Royalty Ltd. has completed the No. 316-TS North Huntley unit in the Huntley field, five miles northwest of Post. The well was completed to produce 15 barrels of 37 gravity oil and 262 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 67-1 with perforations from 3,213-368 feet. Location is in Section 1,214, J.R. Galbreath survey.

J.M. Huber Corp. has completed the No. 1-19 Middleton in the Alienda-BLP field, 10 miles northeast of Post. The venture was finaled to produce 32 barrels of 37 gravity oil and 37 barrels of water.

Gas-oil ratio was 469-1 with perforations from 7,505-524 feet. Location is in Section 19, Block 8, H&GN survey.

Palmer Oil Properties has completed the No. 3-17-D J.F. Lott in the Coulter field, 12 miles southwest of Post. The well was finaled to produce 37 barrels of 39 gravity oil and 115 barrels of water. Perforations were from 5,363-389 feet, and location is in Section 17, Block 3, T7N, J.V. Massey survey.

Palmer Oil Properties has completed the No. 4-12-E J.F. Lott in the Coulter field, 12 miles southwest of Post. The well was completed to produce 25 barrels of 39 gravity oil and 25 barrels of water. Perforations were from 5,255-292 feet, and location is in Section 12, Block 1, Jasper Hays survey.

Rocker A Operating Co. will drill the No. 5-A C.D. Morrel in the Dorward field, 14 miles east of Post. Planned for a depth of 2,550 feet, location is in Section 137, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Rocker A Operating will drill the No. 2-B Morrel in the Doward field, 14 miles east of Post. Planned depth is 2,550 feet, and drill site is in Section 137, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Howard County

Lakewood Operating will drill the No. 1 Big Red in the Vincent north field, 22 miles northeast of Big Spring. Planned depth is 7,800 feet, and location is in Section 58, Block 20, Lavaca Navigation Co. survey.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Aug. 31, 1992

The aspects indicate greater stabilization in your financial affairs in the year ahead. You're now in a growth pattern that could prove to be interesting.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Material increases are indicated today — if you operate along traditional lines. But if you're inclined to take risks, this picture could suddenly change. Major changes are ahead for Virgo in the coming year. Send for Virgo's Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You have excellent leadership qualities today, but they might remain dormant — unless there is a specific need for you to assert yourself. And if you do, it will be with tact and grace.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You might become involved in something today that affects others more than it affects you. Thus, pull the strings from the background rather than let yourself be drawn into the middle of the issue.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You have a marvelous faculty today for being able to enjoy yourself, regardless of the hand you're dealt. It looks like you may capitalize on this gift in two situations.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Even though you may not be aware of all the ramifications, you are likely to be the center of attention today in involvements with peers. Your conduct will help enhance your image.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) One of your greatest assets is your ability to make friends with people from all walks of life. This enviable quality will be accentuated today and used to your advantage.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your probabilities for personal gain look good today, even though the rewards you reap may be due more to the efforts of another rather than yourself. Later, you'll balance the account.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try to keep all your involvements in proper balance today. Don't attempt more things than you can manage, but, on the other hand, don't idle away your time either.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you work on something you deem to be a labor of love today, successful results are in the offing. The secret to your success is to enjoy being industrious.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Seek fun activities today that are not only devoid of competition but merely bring you together with friends whose company you enjoy. You'll want to relax, not compete.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This is a good day to invite friends you're socially obligated to over to your place for a little get-together. Impromptu arrangements will prove enjoyable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You should be very competent today with projects that are more mental than physical. Give your brain a workout and your muscles a rest.

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A&M professor killed in accident

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — A poultry science professor at Texas A&M University and her graduate assistant have been killed and four others injured in a three-vehicle crash.

Pamela Stewart Hargis, 35, and Janet Lynn Greer, 26, originally of Beaumont, were both pronounced dead at the scene of Saturday's wreck on Farm-to-Market Road 60, west of College Station, said Peace Justice Antone Dobrovolny.

Billy Marshall Hargis, Ms. Hargis' husband, who is a Texas A&M veterinary science professor, was treated for internal injuries and released Saturday night from Humana Hospital-Brazos Valley. The couple's 10-month-old daughter, Jessie, suffered head injuries and was listed in stable condition Sunday.

Also injured were Amy Rachel Brackett, 16, and Nathan Leonard, 16, both of College Station. The two were treated and released for cuts and bruises, authorities said.

Department of Public Safety troopers said the crash occurred about 3 p.m., when the car driven by Billy Hargis was headed westbound on FM 60. When Hargis slowed to turn left, he was rear-ended by a car driven by Ms. Brackett. The collision pushed Harris' car into oncoming traffic in the eastbound lane.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; Morning Side Baptist Church fellowship hall; 7:30 p.m. For information call: JoAnn at 573-9839; Dorothy at 573-6712; Anne at 573-8322; or Shirley at 573-8881.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8626, 573-9924 or 863-2349.

TUESDAY

Ladies Golf Association; Snyder Country Club; 9 a.m. tee time.

"Preparing For Childbirth" for prospective mothers in the county; Saint John's Episcopal Church, 2214 42nd, ph. 573-3444; registered nurse will answer questions; child care available; 10 a.m. to noon.

Sparklers Chamber of Commerce Volunteers; The Shack; noon.

Scurry County Chapter of American Heart Association; The Shack; noon.

Weight Watchers; First Assembly of God; 5:30 p.m.

Parenting Support Group; 2513 College Ave.; for more information, call Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse at 573-1141.

Hobbs Co-Dependent 12-Step group; Hobbs school gym; call Sharon or Jimmy Frayton at 735-3640 (Rotan); 7 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

Snyder Police Auxiliary; Snyder National Bank Community Room; 7:30 p.m.

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-9924, 573-5867.

Al-Anon; 8 p.m.; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information, call 573-3956, 573-2101, or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

Christian Women's Club Prayer Coffee; home of Christy Thompson, 1797 Cedar Creek Dr.; 9:30 a.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961 or 573-8885.

THURSDAY

Scurry County Ministerial Alliance; Willow Park Inn; 10 a.m.; meeting will be preceded at 9:30 with a prayer time for the City of Snyder and Scurry County.

Snyder Garden Club; home of Billie Jean Sterling; "Meet Me At the Fair," program by LaVerne Hood and Gertrude League; 11:30 a.m.

Rotary Club; Martha Ann Woman's Club; noon.

Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.

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

Midwest Electric Cooperative's 54th Annual Membership meeting; registration at 6 p.m.; barbecue at 7 p.m. at Scurry County Colisum.

Deep Creek Chapter ABWA; Golden Corral; 6:30 p.m.

Snyder Fire Dept. Auxiliary; Central Fire Station; 7 p.m.

Volleyball for singles, divorced or widowed people; multipurpose building of First Baptist Church; 7 p.m.

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 7 p.m.

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

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-9924 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

Al-Anon; 8 p.m.; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information call 573-2101, 573-8626, or 573-3956.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9924. (Last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information call 573-2319, 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

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

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

Agency to protect state's most vulnerable to open

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's newest agency will open its doors Tuesday with a massive staff, $380 million budget and the goal of better investigating allegations of abuse.

The Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Service will draw its nearly 5,600 staff from the Texas Department of Human Services and the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

A federal court pact mandated the Legislature create the agency to better protect children, the elderly and disabled people. The mandate came in the settlement of a long-running lawsuit over the state's care of the mentally retarded.

The agency is intended to bring more impartiality to abuse investigations and more vigor to services designed to protect vulnerable people.

"If we can do anything to prevent or cut down on the amount of abuse that is occurring to children, elderly, disabled and other vulnerable Texans ... I will consider that a great accomplishment," said Camille Miller, PRS' interim executive director. "I won't consider it a success until we have significantly made an impact."

Ms. Miller and the agency's six-member governing board have been working in the wings, even though PRS does not officially open until Tuesday.

Last week they spent $1 million in unused DHS money to buy computers and software for abuse investigators. Several caseworker and direct supervisor positions were frozen so the agency can decide whether all jobs need to be refilled. And abuse investigators in MHMR institutions have moved into separate offices.

"We intend to be a pressing agency ...," Ms. Miller said. "We (have) that optimistic attitude that we are the ones who push to get things done."

Ms. Miller, 44, was the former director of policy and research for the past two Texas lieutenant governors, Bob Bullock and Bill Hobby. She was hired Aug. 7 at an annual salary of $82,500.

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Pollution rights market is considered

DALLAS (AP) — Texas companies would be allowed to save their rights to pollute or sell them under a plan being considered by the Texas Air Control Board.

A company could get credit from the state for making voluntary cutbacks in two important kinds of air pollution, volatile organic compounds and nitrous oxides, according to the proposal.

The company could save the credits for its own future needs, or it could sell them to another company that couldn't otherwise expand. Under the plan, the air control board would keep the records and verify the credits being claimed.

Advocates say marketing pollution rights, or "emissions banking," would help the environment while allowing companies the chance to continue expanding.

The air control board, which has the power to implement such a system on its own, last week took a step toward the plan, said Chairman Kirk Watson. The board agreed to hold public hearings on the idea early next year.

The plan was written by the Greater Houston Partnership, whose city has the nation's second-dirtiest air and faces the toughest new clean-air rules in Texas. The air control board has made one significant change at the request of the Sierra Club but has rejected others.

The Sierra Club suggested that each credit be worth 3 percent less pollution each year with the credits expiring after five years.

Still, some environmentalists are skeptical about the idea.

Environmentalists haven't raised any fundamental objections to the idea, but they are split over whether the plan as written is good enough. The Sierra Club still doesn't think it is.

"We are willing to accept the concept of marketing pollution credits," said George Smith, clean-air chairman of the state Sierra Club chapter. "The concept is fraught with problems, and we're real wary of it, but it can work if it is done properly."

Houston may have the most to gain from the banking system, but it also would help other parts of the state that are scrambling to meet pollution deadlines under the Clean Air Act of 1990.

As of Nov. 15 this year, any new source of air pollution in the Dallas-Fort Worth area must be accompanied by a bigger cutback in existing sources.

An advisory committee of business and industry representatives, environmentalists and state officials is also looking at other ways to use market incentives to protect the environment and the economy. Its report is due in March.

Man known as 'Mr. Bingo' charged with stealing funds

SAGINAW, Texas (AP) — Fire officials here are strapped for cash after an employee known as "Mr. Bingo" was arrested for stealing $27,000 from the volunteer department's coffers.

David Alan Starnes, 35, handled the department's financial records and made bank deposits. Starnes — who has since been fired — failed to deposit nearly $27,000 in receipts, said Saginaw police Detective Jim Ragle.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Sunday that Starnes has run bingo games for three years, despite a prior criminal conviction.

"He didn't just betray the department, he betrayed the whole city," said fire Chief James England. "I feel real hurt and ... more importantly, the department didn't deserve what took place."

Starnes has been charged with felony theft over $20,000, Ragle said. He has since been released on bond.

Starnes, who denies any wrongdoing, could receive up to 20 years in prison and a $10,000 fine.

He pleaded guilty in 1988 to a class B misdemeanor for passing a bad check. He paid $145 in fines and court costs and made restitution to the victim, according to records.

State records list him as a past or present worker for at least 13 area charity bingo operations, including several fire departments and churches.

But officials with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, which regulates bingo, say rules prohibit people with criminal records from participating in the game.

Fire department officials realized their money was missing when checks began to bounce in May, police say.

As a result, the fire department has had to extend payments on a $170,000 truck and get more time to pay a required 5 percent state tax on bingo proceeds, officials said.

TABC Licensing Supervisor Amy Harrison said she didn't know why background checks didn't catch Starnes or why routine audits didn't detect the missing money sooner.

"If would be difficult to uncover, the way our procedures are," she said. "It is bothersome, but we try to make it better as we can."

In 1909, Elmar Dessau of Denmark used a shortwave transmitter to converse with a government radio post about six miles away. It is believed to have been the first broadcast by a "ham" operator.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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Dealer: West

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4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

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Listen to the bidding

By Phillip Alder

Even if you are looking at a Yarborough and your partner is busy passing, pay attention to the opponents' auction. It will help you to build up a picture of their hands while the bidding is proceeding. Also, don't you find it irritating when the person on lead asks twice for a review of the auction? Don't let your concentration wander.

When you are declarer, it is even easier to imagine the other hands after an opponent has bid, as in today's deal. How would you play in four hearts against the lead of the heart two?

Holding five spades, South could have passed, converting his partner's take-out double of West's weak two-bid into a double for penalties. Best defense rakes in 500 points. However, South decided to go for the vulnerable-game bonus.

West guessed to lead a heart, selecting the textbook lower card from a doubleton in trumps.

If the ace and king of diamonds stand up, declarer has nine tricks: one spade, one heart, two diamonds, one club and four high trumps on a crossruff. That means declarer must score one low ruff. In which suit should it be taken? Obviously clubs. East is known from the auction to have started with a singleton spade and can surely overruff dummy's heart seven. And as East didn't bid three clubs, it is unlikely that he has seven of them.

The play should go: heart to the 10, A-K of diamonds, spade to the ace, club to the ace and a club ruff with the heart four. Then declarer can run for home with a high crossruff.

Always listen closely to the auction, even if you are only passing.

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Birds, bones cause problems for Lubbock

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Birds flocking to the landfill started the trouble, but now an archaeology dig really has city officials down in the dumps.

"I don't want to say it's comical, but it is. You've got to put it in perspective," said Rita Harmon, assistant city manager for public safety and services.

The Lubbock landfill encountered problems when the birds became a menace for flights at nearby Lubbock International Airport.

Then, when the city performed an excavation to win a state permit for landfill expansion, bones were found. One-quarter of the landfill was closed so archaeologists can examine bones found there.

Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Debra Myers said the FAA has recommended that the city quit the expansion effort.

She said the concern is that the airplanes could strike a bird or a bird could be ingested into the engine.

Fighting the agency would tie up the permitting process and could put the airport's federal funds at risk, Ms. Harmon said.

"That is not worth jeopardizing any future operation that the airport has," Ms. Harmon said. "So, long term, it's just better to consider another site."

She said the best case scenario has the city losing about two years of work and $150,000 to $200,000 in studies for landfill expansion. Those studies included the preliminary archaeological work that led to officials' other problem.

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

Aug. 31, 1992

Today is the 244th day of 1992 and the 73rd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1886, the first major earthquake in the recorded history of the eastern United States occurred. Centered near Charleston, S.C., the quake was felt up to 800 miles away.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Arthur Godfrey (1903-1983), broadcaster; William Saroyan (1908-1981), playwright-novelist; Buddy Hackett (1924-), comedian, is 68; James Coburn (1928-), actor, is 64; Frank Robinson (1935-), baseball star-manager, is 57; Richard Gere (1949-), actor, is 43; Edwin Moses (1955-), hurdling great, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, the Longest-Hole golf tournament, a 37-mile, par-400 hole across the South Nevada Desert, was inaugurated.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Good people are good because they've come to wisdom through failure. We get very little wisdom from success, you know." — William Saroyan

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1971, a high of 108 degrees and low of 84 degrees were the coolest high and low observed at Death Valley for the entire month. The average high was 115.7 degrees; the average low, 93.4 degrees.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Aug. 27) and first quarter (Sept. 3).

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BY PHIL PASTORET

Total the statistics you hear and read in a month, and you'll find that you're overweight, anorexic, delusional, accident-prone — and dead.

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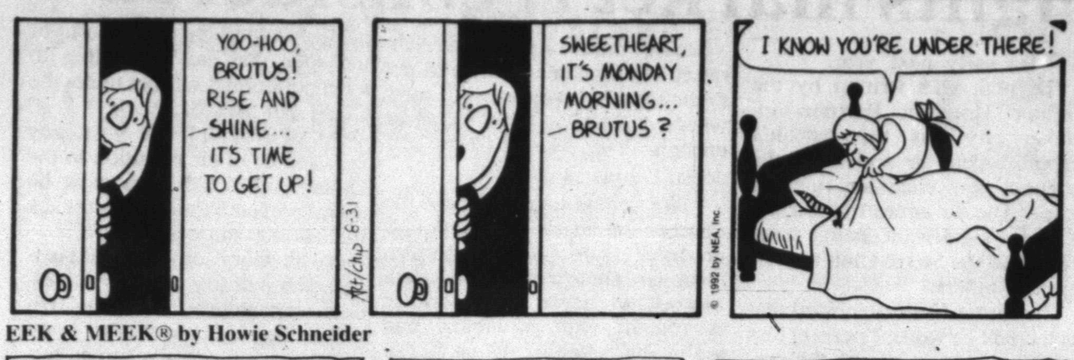

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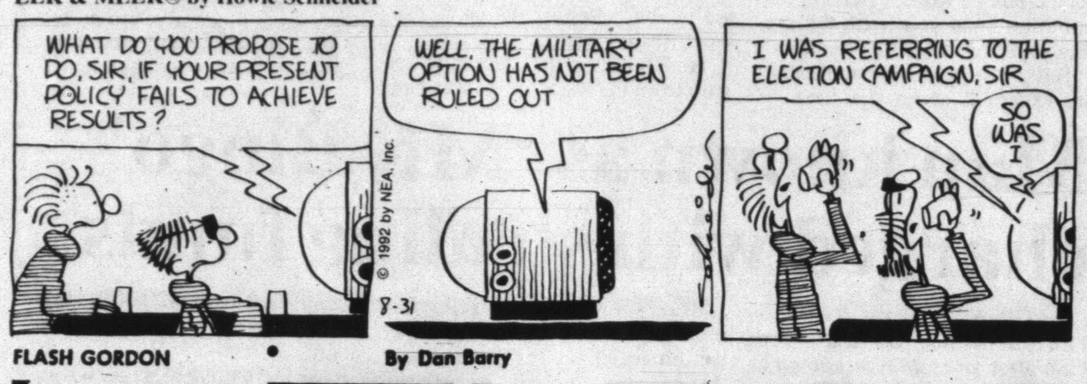

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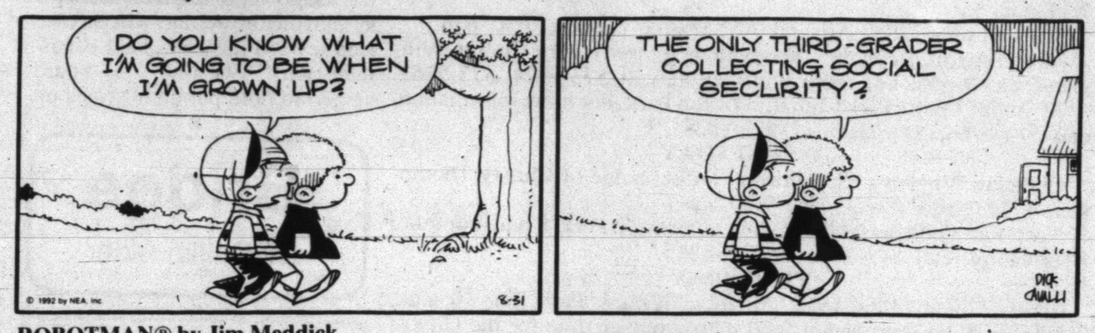

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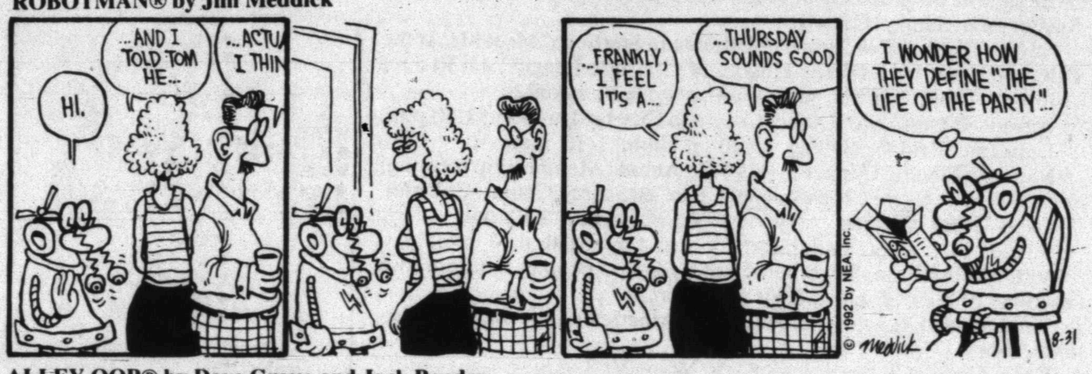

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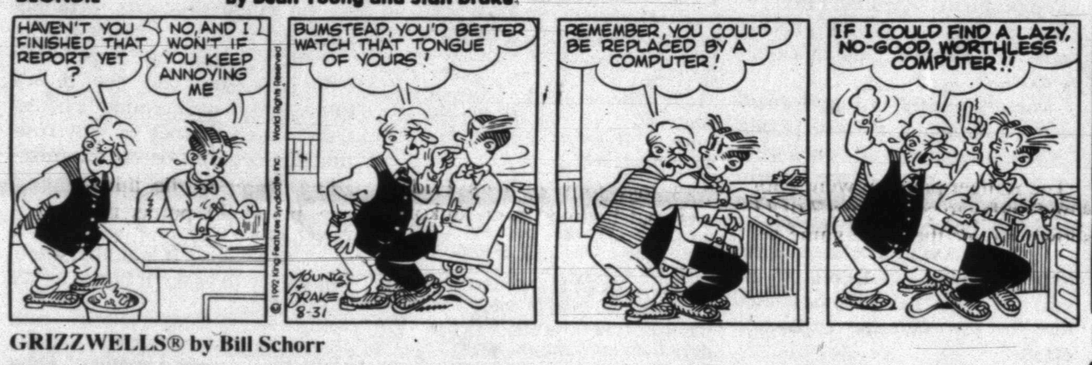

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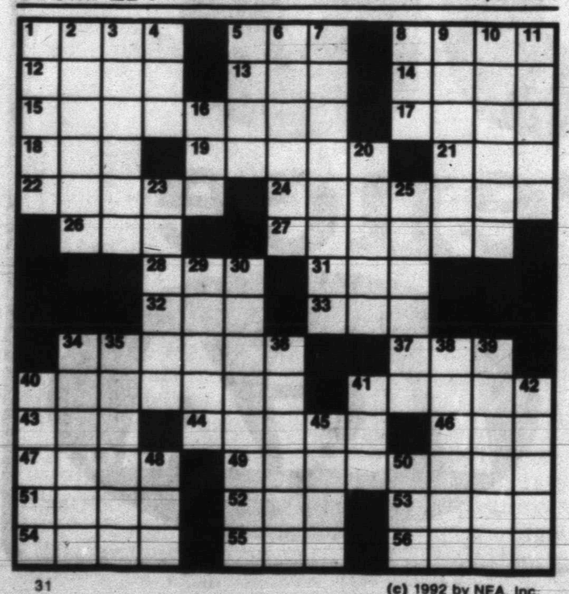

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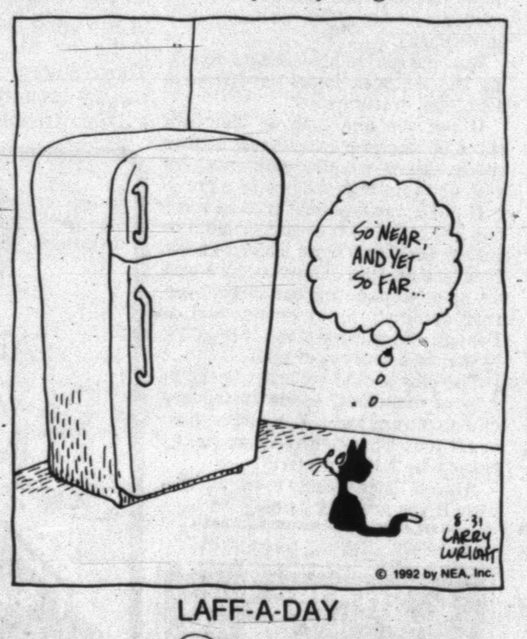

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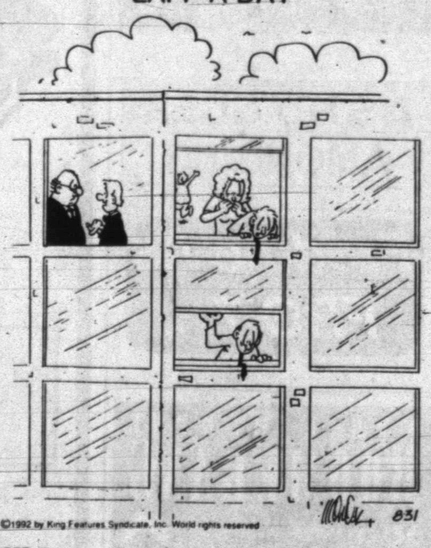

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DENNIS THE MENACE

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SHS netters win two matches

Tigers beat Pecos and Monahans in weekend tennis action

MONAHANS — After a shaky start in its season opener in Big Spring, Snyder's defending District 2-4A tennis team regrouped and claimed wins over Pecos and Monahans Saturday to move to 2-1 on the team tennis season.

Snyder posted a 14-10 victory over Pecos in Saturday's early match, including a sweep by the Tigers in eight boys' singles and four boys' doubles matches.

"It was excellent team play," said SHS coach Teri Hoerster simply.

The score wound up 12-12 in the afternoon match against host Monahans and Snyder took the win on the second tie-breaker, games won.

Each team won 27 sets but Snyder wound up taking 249 games to 238 for Monahans.

"It was some very competitive tennis and some great players," said Hoerster.

The Snyder boys' team led the charge against Monahans, as well, taking seven of eight singles matches.

Top seed Jason Warren started the day off winning, 6-1, 6-4 against Pecos' Brett Hollon. Warren teamed up with doubles partner Chris Gayle to blank Hollon and Jesse Riggins, 6-0, 6-0 in doubles play in the early match.

Other SHS winners against Pecos included No. 2 Sam Cain, a 6-1, 6-0 victor over Riggins, Gayle, who ran past Tim Policarpio, 6-1, 6-1, and Tracey Chavez, who took a 6-0, 6-2 decision over John Alba.

Cody Shields, Jeronimo Ruiz, Greg Jones and Dane Farley wound up the Snyder singles sweep.

Katie Thornton, Snyder's No. 8 girls' singles player, registered the only win in that division for SHS, beating Pecos' Suzanne Carrasco in twin 6-4 sets.

Snyder's No. 2 through No. 8 boys' singles entrants all won against Monahans. Only Warren's 6-3, 6-1 loss to Orlando Ortega kept the Tigers from a second straight sweep.

Warren and Gayle ousted Joseph Garza and Trent Gray in doubles, 6-0, 0-6, 6-3. Snyder's other doubles win against the Loboes came from Jones and Farley, who dominated the team of Bridge and Hix, 6-3, 6-1.

Jeri Lynn Tucker claimed wins for Snyder's girls in both singles and doubles. She topped Abbie Watts, 6-2, 7-6 (7-1) in head-to-head play, then teamed up with Michelle Spencer to hand Stephanie Bolin and Connie Vallie a 7-6, 7-5 defeat.

Snyder's net squad will make its home debut Saturday, hosting San Angelo Lake View at 9 a.m. and Sweetwater at 2 p.m.

District 2-4A play begins Sept. 19 when Frenship visits.

Saturday team tennis
at Monahans
Snyder players listed first
Snyder 14, Pecos 10

Boys' singles: Jason Warren def. Brett Hollon 6-1, 6-4; Sam Cain def. Jesse Riggins 6-1, 6-0; Chris Gayle def. Tim Policarpio 6-1, 6-1; Tracey Chavez def. John Alba 6-0, 6-2; Cody Shields def. Jesse Zuniga 6-3, 6-2; Jeronimo Ruiz def. Lewis Sparkman 6-0, 6-2; Greg Jones def. Steve Fierro 6-3, 6-1; Dan Farley def. Ray Muniz 6-0, 6-0.

Girls' singles: Leslie Sandoval lost to Annette Nichols 6-4, 6-3; Christina Gonzales lost to Liza Nichols 6-4, 6-2; Jaycie Wright lost to Monique Spencer 6-2, 6-4; Mendy Winter lost to Anissa Chavez 6-2, 3-6, 6-3; Amy Herrera lost to Jennifer Armstrong 6-2, 6-4; Michelle Spencer lost to Tracye Fowliles 6-2, 6-0; Jeri Lynn Tucker lost to Susan Motta 6-4, 6-3; Katie Thornton def. Suzanne Carrasco 6-4, 6-4.

Boys' doubles: Warren and Gayle def. Hollon and Riggns 6-0, 6-0; Shields and Chavez def. Policarpio and Policarpio 6-2, 6-0; Cain and Ruiz def. Alba and Zuniga 6-2, 6-3; Jones and Farley def. Matthews and Barrett 6-2, 4-6, 6-2.

Girls' doubles: Sandoval and Gonzales lost to Spencer and L. Nichols 1-6, 7-5, 7-5; Wright and Winter lost to A. Nichols and Chavez 6-4, 7-5; Spencer and Tucker lost to Fowliles and Armstrong 6-0, 6-2; Herrera and Thornton def. Castillo and Rodriguez 6-4, 7-6 (11-9).

Snyder 12, Monahans 12
Snyder wins match 249 games to 238

Boys' singles: Warren lost to Orlando Ortega 6-3, 6-1; Cain def. Stephen Bolin 5-7, 6-1, 6-4; Gayle def. Joseph Garza 6-2, 6-4; Chavez def. Harold Palmater 6-1, 6-1; Shields def. Trent Gray 4-6, 6-2, 7-5; Ruiz def. Oscar Marquez 6-4, 6-3; Jones def. Colby Youngblood 6-2, 6-3; Farley def. Erik Kittley 6-1, 6-1.

Girls' singles: Sandoval lost to Nancy Acosta 6-2, 4-2; Gnzales lost to Brandee Watson 3-6, 6-4, 7-5; Wright lost to Brenda Curbow 6-3, 2-6, 6-3; Winter lost to Michelle Collins 6-3, 7-6 (7-4); Herrera lost to Stephanie Bolin 7-6, 6-1; Spencer lost to Connie Vallie 6-3, 6-5; Tucker def. Abbie Watts 6-2, 7-6 (7-1); Thornton lost to Helen Rowe 4-6, 6-1, 6-1.

Boys' doubles: Warren and Gayle def. Garza and Gray 6-0, 0-6, 6-3; Chavez and Shields lost to Ortega and Bolin 6-2, 6-3; Cain and Ruiz lost to Palmater and Marquez 6-4, 6-4; Jones and Farley def. Bridge and Hix 6-3, 6-1.

Girls' doubles: Sandoval and Gonzales def. Watson and Curbow 6-0, 7-5; Wright and Winter lost to Acosta and Collins 6-3, 6-1; Spencer and Tucker def. Bolin and Vallie 7-6, 7-5; Herrera and Thornton lost to White and Ragland 7-5, 6-4.

s p o r t s

Lady Tigers finish 4th at tournament

DENVER CITY — Snyder's Lady Tigers captured fourth place in the weekend Denver City Volleyball Tournament, taking a quarterfinal win over Sweetwater and falling to Andrews in the semifinals after sweeping through Friday's pool-play round.

"It seems like every weekend we play, we get a little better," said SHS head spike coach Patty Grimmett. "And that's what these tournaments early in the season are for."

The Lady Tigers rolled over Tahoka, 15-1, 15-4, then dropped Plains, 15-2, 15-13, and drummed Estacado, 15-2, 15-4 Friday, to earn top seeding heading into Saturday's tournament round.

A 15-7, 15-10 victory over Sweetwater matched the Lady Tigers up against Andrews, who needed three games to eliminate SHS, 15-13, 9-15, 2-15 in the semifinals.

"We played well against Andrews," said Grimmett. "Even though the scores don't really show it, we played a pretty good match."

Lynette Sears, who served 38 points for Snyder during the tournament, had eight against Andrews. Sears was also the leading scorer in Friday's pool-play match against 2-4A opponent Estacado when she put in 13 points, including a whopping eight aces.

Stephanie Fambro drilled seven against Andrews followed by Joellen King's five, three by Melanie Duncan, two from Melody Sargent and Karri Blackledge's one.

Sargent's nine points and two aces led the Lady Tigers' attack against Sweetwater. Sears came in with eight points and four aces, Fambro nailed six and a pair of aces, Blackledge served two and Misty Roquemore lifted one.

Ruidoso, N.M. edged Snyder, 14-16 and 13-15, to claim third place at the tournament Saturday evening.

"We left here at 5:30 in the morning," said Grimmett, "and I think by the time we played Ruidoso, we had just run out of juice.

"We played well, offensively, and they didn't hit us really hard, we just made some errors that hurt us.

"We had the score tied in the first game, 14-14, and we missed two serves and that ended up hurting us."

King, who accounted for 20 points for the Lady Tigers in Saturday competition, was Snyder's leading scorer in the third-place game, hitting 11 points from the service line and punching three aces. Sears had four aces in her nine points and Blackledge got four points and an ace.

Fambro added two service points and Sargent knocked one.

The Lady Tigers, now 3-4 on the season, make their home debut Tuesday when they host Plains.

Ends holdout...

Novacek inks 3-year contract

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys prepared for today's roster cut by trimming the number of holdout starters.

Pro Bowl tight end Jay Novacek signed a contract Sunday as the Cowboys scrambled to plug a porous lineup one week before opening the season against the defending Super Bowl champion Washington Redskins.

"I think it takes a little bit of the worry off," coach Jimmy Johnson said. "But I wish we'd have had him in a long time ago."

Novacek signed a three-year deal for a reported $2.7 million. The Cowboys will ask for an exemption for Novacek today as they cut the roster to 47 players.

"We'll start working him in practice (today) and start working him into the lineup," Johnson said. "Without question I think he can contribute to the Washington ballgame."

Novacek said he'd be ready to contribute when the Redskins visit Texas Stadium next Monday night.

"I've been practicing every day," he said. "Physically, I haven't been here, but mentally I've caught a ton of balls.

"I've been practicing with Neil Lomax out in Phoenix when he's been around, and I've been working out. I'm in great shape."

The Cowboys' other Pro Bowl receiver, Michael Irvin, and starting center Mark Stepnoski remained holdouts.

"I can report no progress at all as far as Step and as far as Michael are concerned," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said.

Irvin has dropped his proposal from four years and $8 million to three years and less than $6 million. But Dallas hasn't budged from its three-year, $3 million offer.

Stepnoski was offered $1.8 million for three years, a deal that mirrors that of the team's highest-paid offensive lineman, Nate Newton.

But Stepnoski's agent, Ralph Cindrich, said Newton's contract began in 1991, meaning Dallas' offer is a year behind in terms of matching Newton's deal.

Cindrich has floated a one-year, $750,000 proposal and a trade request, both of which Dallas has rejected.

The Cowboys on Sunday also released kicker Brad Daluiso, a Plan B free agent from Buffalo, leaving Lin Elliott, a rookie free agent from Texas Tech as the lone placekicker on the roster.

"I felt that Elliott showed the consistency that we were looking for, and then he showed the leg strength," Johnson said.

Daluiso joined the Cowboys this summer with the reputation of having one of the league's strongest legs, but he missed a 39-yard field goal and an extra point in a 17-16 exhibition loss to Houston.

Elliott, a Dallas native, made both his field goal attempts in a 20-13 loss to the Bears Friday night and boomed four kickoffs deep into the end zone, three for touchbacks.

Defensive tackle Tony Casillas (sprained knee) and running back Curvin Richards (lacerated kidney) are the only Cowboys ruled out for the season opener. Several others, including defensive tackle Russell Maryland (dislocated toe) remain questionable.

Gonzalez hits 37th homer in 10-4 win

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — American League pitchers won't like what Texas Rangers manager Toby Harrah has to say about Juan Gonzalez.

"He still can get better," Harrah said after Gonzalez hit his 37th home run in the Rangers' 10-4 victory over the Chicago White Sox on Sunday. Gonzalez' third homer in two days left him just one shy of Mark McGuire's major league leading total of 38.

But Harrah says the 22-year-old hasn't yet reached his potential.

"A lot of pitchers have been feeding him off-speed stuff and he has a pretty big swing and generates so much power it's hard for him to hold back sometimes," Harrah said. "But he's learning and that's good."

Gonzalez was his usual shy self after his weekend performance.

"I'm happy, that's all I say," the outfielder said after driving in three runs in the Rangers' win.

The Ranger phenom went 2 for 4 on Sunday to complete a 7 of 11 showing over the three-game series. Gonzalez had two doubles, three homers and five RBI against the White Sox.

"He's learning," said hitting coach Tom Robson. "He's not going out of the zone for pitches; when he does that he's one of the best."

With Ruben Sierra out of the Texas lineup for at least a week with a case of chicken pox, Texas manager Toby Harrah is looking for Gonzalez to react with power and intelligence. So far, it's worked.

"He is taking the breaking ball down and away and laying of it for a ball," Harrah said. "Good things happen when he does that."

Chicago starter Alex Fernandez (6-8) hadn't lost since June 11, but Gonzalez singled home a run in the first and hit a 418-foot blast in the third to lead the Rangers' 12-hit attack. Fernandez lasted 2 1-3 innings, giving up six runs on six hits.

"I could not locate any of my pitches tonight," said Fernandez. "I can usually throw the ball wherever I want. This usually doesn't happen to me."

The Rangers scored four runs in the first on singles by Gonzalez, Kevin Reimer and Geno Petralli and a fielder's choice by Monty Fariss. Texas added runs in the sixth on a fielder's choice by rookie David Hulse and in the eighth on a single by Rafael Palmeiro.

Fariss matched Gonzalez's total with three RBIs and Palmeiro went 3 for 3 and scored three times.

QB Club sets planning meeting

Parents of Snyder High School freshmen, JV and varsity football players, as well as any interested fans, are invited to an organizational meeting for the SHS Quarterback Club, a football booster club, slated for Monday at 7 p.m. in the Directors' Room at West Texas State Bank.

Business at the inaugural meeting includes the election of officers, decisions on fund raisers, the formation of a decorating committee and the building of a homecoming float.

UT rules Hadnot ineligible

HOUSTON (AP) — Suspended Texas Longhorns running back Butch Hadnot is expected to decide today which of two out-of-state schools he will transfer to.

Hadnot says he has set his sights on Northeastern Oklahoma and Wisconsin-Superior. But he's still considering the University of Texas, where he has been ruled academically ineligible.

"Texas is a good school. I just made a mistake. Now, I'm going to learn from it," said Hadnot, who was suspended by Texas coach John Mackovic earlier this month.

"I wish them the best of luck this season. I hope they do well. And I wouldn't bet against my being back there someday."

Hadnot said he expects to play this season at one of the two NAIA schools, where his academic slate would be wiped clean.

If he transferred to another NCAA school, the 1990 Southwest Conference newcomer of the year would have to improve his grades and sit out the season.

Stadler nudges Pavin for World Series title

AKRON, Ohio (AP) — After beating Corey Pavin by one shot and darkness by a smaller margin, Craig Stadler offered a novel idea for pro golf's decision-makers:

Schedule starting times early enough to get the various tournaments finished in daylight.

"It just makes sense to me," Stadler said Sunday after his victory in weather-disrupted World Series of Golf.

Then he shrugged.

"But then, what do I know? I'm just a player," he said.

In darkness, Stadler dropped a 12-foot, par-saving putt on the final hole to complete a hard-won round of 70 and a 273 total, one ahead of Pavin who closed with a 65.

"I put as much pressure on him as I could, but he made a great putt on the last hole," Pavin said.

It was even better considering that it rolled into the cup at 8 p.m. (EDT).

Officials usually set times to provide a finish that coincides with the national network telecast of the tournament, usually ending late in the day.

But no leeway is made for weather which, PGA Tour Commissioner Deane Beman noted, has caused delays "in something like 70 or 80 percent of our tournaments this year."

As it was, the cameras ended their coverage with the leaders still on the front nine and the tournament very much unsettled.

Fred Couples, who won the Masters and two other titles early this season, got away to a birdie-eagle start and once was tied for the lead.

But he couldn't keep pace with Stadler down the stretch and was third at 275 after a 68.

SJHS sweeps Greenwood

GREENWOOD — Snyder junior high volleyballers swept Midland Greenwood in Saturday action, taking two seventh grade and two eighth grade wins over the Lady Rangers.

Cece Valadez was the SJHS seventh grade A team most valuable player in the 15-11, 15-6 win. Snyder seventh grade B dropped Greenwood, 15-12, 15-11 and Lisa McNair was named MVP.

Snyder eighth grade Gold won 15-8, 15-3 and Black claimed a 15-3, 18-16 victory.

Snyder's junior high spikers will return to the court Thursday against Lamesa. The seventh graders will play at 5 p.m. at Travis Gym and the eighth graders play at SJHS, also at 5 p.m.

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Baseball glance

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AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	74	57	.565	—
Baltimore	72	58	.554	1½
Milwaukee	69	61	.531	4½
Detroit	63	68	.481	11
New York	61	70	.466	13
Boston	60	70	.462	13½
Cleveland	59	71	.454	14½

West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Oakland	79	51	.608	—
Minnesota	72	59	.550	7½
Chicago	68	60	.531	10
Texas	65	68	.489	15½
California	59	72	.450	20½
Kansas City	58	71	.449	20½
Seattle	54	77	.412	25½

Saturday's Games
Detroit 12, Kansas City 1
Milwaukee 7, Toronto 2
Oakland 4, Cleveland 1
New York 6, Minnesota 3
Chicago 6, Texas 4
California 7, Boston 2
Baltimore 4, Seattle 0

Sunday's Games
Toronto 5, Milwaukee 3
Minnesota 5, New York 3
Kansas City 9, Detroit 4
Boston 4, California 2, 10 innings
Oakland 7, Cleveland 5
Baltimore 2, Seattle 0
Texas 10, Chicago 4

Monday's Games
Chicago (Hough 6-10) at Toronto (Stottlemyre 8-9), 7:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Smiley 14-6) at Detroit (Haas 3-1), 7:35 p.m.
New York (Kamieniecki 4-10) at Milwaukee (Bones 6-9), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Pavlik 2-1) at Kansas City (Haney 0-0), 8:35 p.m.
Boston (Viola 11-10) at Seattle (Johnson 10-12), 10:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 12-5) at Oakland (Downs 3-4), 10:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Nichols 2-3) at California (Blyleven 7-6), 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	74	56	.569	—
Montreal	70	59	.543	3½
Chicago	66	63	.512	7½
St. Louis	63	65	.492	10
New York	60	67	.472	12½
Philadelphia	53	75	.414	20

West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	75	52	.591	—
Cincinnati	71	58	.550	5
San Diego	69	60	.535	7
Houston	60	70	.462	16½
San Francisco	59	71	.454	17½
Los Angeles	53	77	.408	23½

Saturday's Games
Chicago 7, San Francisco 2
New York 6, Cincinnati 5
Atlanta 7, Philadelphia 6
Houston 8, Montreal 2
St. Louis 3, Los Angeles 2
Pittsburgh 3, San Diego 2

Sunday's Games
Philadelphia 10, Atlanta 2
St. Louis 3, Los Angeles 0
Chicago 3, San Francisco 1
Montreal 4, Houston 0
Pittsburgh 6, San Diego 3
New York 4, Cincinnati 3

Monday's Games
Atlanta (Avery 10-9 and P.Smith 3-0) at New York (Hillman 2-0 and Birkbeck 0-0), 2, 5:10 p.m.
Montreal (Nabholz 9-9) at Cincinnati (Bolton 2-2), 7:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Martinez 8-11) at Chicago (Maddux 15-10), 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Ashby 1-2) at Houston (Henry 4-9), 8:35 p.m.
San Diego (Lefferts 13-8) at St. Louis (Tewksbury 13-5), 8:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

SHS JV trips Trinity squad

Snyder's junior varsity Lady Tigers moved to 6-1 on the volleyball season Saturday with a 15-3, 12-15, 15-7 decision over Lubbock's Trinity Christian varsity team.

"The girls played real well," said SHS JV coach Matt Garrett of his squad. "It was good for the girls to beat a varsity team."

Leading Snyder in the win were Brandy Robertson, who served 11 points, Lindsay Daniell, who powered 10 and Dian Jones, who hammered nine. Each also had one ace.

The Snyder JV will return to the court Tuesday when they host Plains.

NFL preseason

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
N.Y. Jets	5	0	0	1.000	121	61
Miami	3	2	0	.600	102	99
Buffalo	2	2	0	.500	60	104
Indianapolis	2	2	0	.500	65	71
New England	1	3	0	.250	57	106
Central						
Houston	4	1	0	.800	127	79
Cincinnati	2	2	0	.500	78	57
Cleveland	2	2	0	.500	41	75
Pittsburgh	2	2	0	.500	85	81
West						
San Diego	2	2	0	.500	78	84
Seattle	2	2	0	.500	68	65
Kansas City	1	3	0	.250	58	72
LA Raiders	1	3	0	.250	79	96
Denver	1	4	0	.200	85	92

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Phoenix	3	1	0	.750	86	65
N.Y. Giants	2	2	0	.500	46	58
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	96	98
Philadelphia	2	3	0	.400	99	133
Washington	1	4	0	.200	76	106
Central						
Minnesota	4	0	0	1.000	140	6
Detroit	1	3	0	.250	90	90
Green Bay	1	3	0	.250	51	77
Tampa Bay	1	3	0	.250	60	105
Chicago	1	3	0	.250	85	95
West						
San Francisco	5	0	0	1.000	98	63
LA Rams	3	1	0	.750	75	66
New Orleans	3	1	0	.750	80	67
Atlanta	1	3	0	.250	69	84

Thursday's Games
New York Jets 22, Philadelphia 13
New Orleans 17, Miami 3
San Diego 30, Los Angeles Rams 19

Friday's Games
Cleveland 24, Tampa Bay 3
Cincinnati 34, Detroit 17
Buffalo 27, Atlanta 21
Chicago 20, Dallas 13
Indianapolis 21, Kansas City 10
San Francisco 24, Seattle 17
Phoenix 21, Denver 17

Saturday's Games
Los Angeles Raiders 30, Houston 26
Pittsburgh 24, New York Giants 3
Minnesota 30, Washington 0
New England 24, Green Bay 10
End Preseason

AP Top 25

The Top Twenty Five teams in the Associated Press 1992 college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Aug. 29, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote, and ranking in the preseason poll:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Miami (43)	0-0-0	1,516	1
2. Washington (9)	0-0-0	1,458	2
3. Notre Dame (5)	0-0-0	1,404	3
4. Florida St. (1)	0-0-0	1,274	5
5. Michigan (1)	0-0-0	1,260	6
6. Florida	0-0-0	1,241	4
7. Texas A&M (1)	1-0-0	1,163	7
8. Penn St. (1)	0-0-0	1,125	8
9. Alabama (1)	0-0-0	1,096	9
10. Syracuse	0-0-0	957	10
11. Nebraska	0-0-0	857	11
12. Colorado	0-0-0	798	12
13. Clemson	0-0-0	751	13
14. Georgia	0-0-0	727	14
15. Oklahoma	0-0-0	676	15
16. UCLA	0-0-0	553	18
17. Ohio St.	0-0-0	465	19
18. N. Carolina St.	1-0-0	434	—
19. California	0-0-0	379	20
20. Stanford	0-1-0	354	17
21. Mississippi St.	0-0-0	315	22
22. Tennessee	0-0-0	260	21
23. Iowa	0-1-0	155	16
24. Georgia Tech	0-0-0	143	23
25. Virginia	0-0-0	129	—

Others receiving votes: Brigham Young 116, Texas 111, Southern Cal 97, San Diego State 53, Texas Tech 38, Arkansas 32, Baylor 31, Michigan State 25, Tulsa 23, Illinois 16, Arizona State 14, Memphis State 14, Auburn 12, North Carolina 12, Pittsburgh 10, Boston College 9, Rutgers 8, Air Force 7, Iowa State 7, Arizona 5, Bowling Green 4, Indiana 4, Kansas 4, East Carolina 3, LSU 3, San Jose State 1, Vanderbilt 1.

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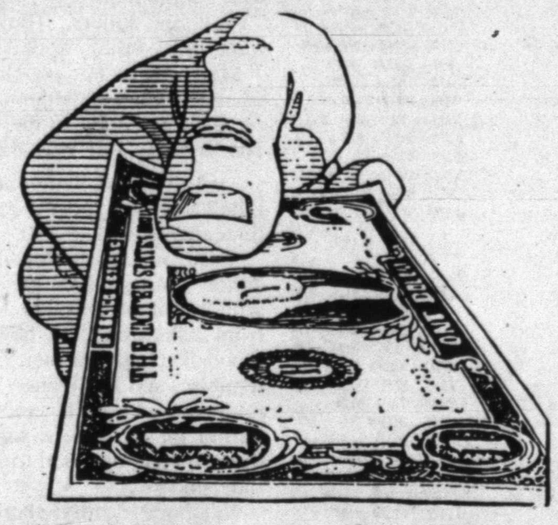

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Dan Quayle bashed as 'Murphy Brown' garners top Emmys

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — Hollywood's cultural elite showed Dan Quayle what's what by awarding "Murphy Brown" three Emmys, while "Northern Exposure," the offbeat show about a New York doctor in the Alaska boondocks, won six trophies.

CBS' "Northern Exposure," whose honors at Sunday's 44th annual Emmy Awards included best drama series, tied for most trophies with "The Simpsons," which won all technical Emmys for voice work.

"Murphy Brown" — attacked by the vice president as glorifying unwed motherhood — was named best comedy series, Candice Bergen won as best comedy actress for the second time, and Barnet Kellman was honored for directing.

"I would like to thank our sponsors for hanging in there when it was getting really dangerous," said Diane English, creator of the CBS series. To single parents, she said, "Don't let anyone tell you you're not a family."

Miss Bergen got in a few digs at Quayle for his "potatoe" misspelling, thanking the staff for "writing these great words and spelling them correctly."

ABC's "Roseanne" finally won an Emmy, for Laurie Metcalf for best supporting comedy actress. The three-year snub of Roseanne Arnold's No. 1-rated comedy prompted Metcalf to grab the envelope and read for herself.

"I had to make sure it really said that," she said.

Craig T. Nelson won the comedy actor trophy for his starring role on ABC's "Coach," and Michael Jeter of CBS' "Evening Shade" was named best supporting comedy actor. Jeter received a 1990 Tony Award as a supporting actor in the musical "Grand Hotel."

Dana Delany took the Emmy for best dramatic actress for her role as a Vietnam War nurse in ABC's canceled "China Beach." Christopher Lloyd won best dramatic actor for the Disney Channel's "Avonlea."

"Miss Rose White," about Holocaust survivors living in New York, was named best television movie. It also was recognized for directing and for best supporting actress, for Amanda Plummer.

Political speeches were not limited to Quayle-bashing during the 3½ -hour show, broadcast by the Fox Network from the Pasadena Civic Auditorium.

Beau Bridges won the miniseries actor award for his portrayal of presidential press secretary James Brady in Home Box Office's "Without Warning: The James Brady Story."

Brady was shot and seriously injured in 1981 by presidential assailant John Hinckley. Since then, he has campaigned for stronger gun control, and Bridges did likewise Sunday night.

"If Jim had a mike, he would remind you that 12 children die every day, killed by guns," Bridges said as Brady watched from his wheelchair in the back of the auditorium.

Valerie Mahaffey, who plays the hypochondriac Eve on "Northern Exposure," was named best supporting actress in a dramatic series, and writers Andrew Schneider and Diane Frolov were honored for scriptwriting. The series won three technical Emmys on Saturday.

Joshua Brand and John Falsey, who produce "Northern Exposure," earned a writing Emmy for the pilot of NBC's "I'll Fly Away." Eric Laneuville was honored for drama series directing in "I'll Fly Away."

NBC's "The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson" was named best variety, music or comedy program. Bette Midler's tribute to Carson on his next-to-last show won her an Emmy for individual performance in a variety or music program.

Richard Dysart won his first Emmy for his dramatic supporting role as the law firm's patriarch in "L.A. Law."

Gena Rowlands won best miniseries actress for "Face of a Stranger" on CBS. Hume Cronyn won best supporting actor in a miniseries or special for his role as Ben in "Neil Simon's "Broadway Bound"" on ABC.

The top miniseries was NBC's "A Woman Named Jackie," the soap opera saga of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.

The comedy writing award went to Elaine Pope and Larry Charles of NBC's "Seinfeld." ABC's "64th Annual Academy Awards" earned an Emmy for variety writing.

NBC led the performing Emmys with 10 Sunday. The network also won seven technical awards Saturday. CBS was the overall winner with 20 performing and technical Emmys, and ABC had a total of 17.

California considers budget

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — The state Assembly early today rejected deep cuts in education demanded by Gov. Pete Wilson, prolonging the 2-month-old deadlock that forced California to issue IOUs for the first time since the Depression.

The Assembly adjourned for the night, and was to reconvene at 9 a.m.

"The Assembly Democrats have virtually assured that the state of California will not have a budget on Sept. 1, and they should be prepared to explain that to the people of California," said Dan Schnur, Wilson's spokesman.

The Democratic-controlled Legislature had passed a $57 billion budget over the weekend, then got to work on bills to cut spending on welfare, aid to local governments and schools. Wilson, a Republican, had said he wouldn't sign the spending plan without those cuts.

The Senate approved the 12 bills Sunday and sent them to the Assembly.

There, lawmakers voted against considering the school funding proposal 45-1, with Republicans boycotting. The Assembly also approved a measure on aid to local governments, but changed it from the Senate version.

California has been without a budget since the fiscal year began July 1 because Wilson and the Legislature have been unable to come to terms over how to close an $11 billion deficit caused mostly by the recession.

The impasse has thrown state government into turmoil and forced California to issue IOUs to employees, vendors and taxpayers for the first time since 1936.

During the deadlock, Wilson and Republican leaders urged deep cuts throughout government, including welfare and education.

The Democrats, led by Brown, sought more moderate cuts in welfare, protection for school funding and deeper cuts in prison operations.

Democrats have majorities in both houses but lack the two-thirds margins needed to pass budget bills on their own.

With little spending authority or cash, the state has issued $3 billion worth of IOUs to pay bills, tax refunds and thousands of employees' wages.

During July, banks accepted the IOUs as regular checks, but earlier this month they stopped, putting pressure on lawmakers and the governor to act.

Some people — vendors who provide services or products to the state under contract, for example — received nothing at all.

Others received money only under court order, including about 155,000 minimum-wage workers who provide in-home care to the aged, disabled and others.

Among other things, the budget plan would cut welfare payments 5.8 percent — or $1.7 billion — and reduce aid to cities and counties by $1.3 billion.

The blueprint also would provide schools with roughly the same amount of money this year as they had last year. It would not provide extra money for an estimated enrollment increase of 200,000 students.

It would also allow school budgets to be cut in future years, even though voters in 1988 approved a ballot initiative to protect school funding.

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WIND DAMAGE — Sunday's storm caused damage to many portable signs, such as this one at 30th Street and College Avenue, which was overturned by high winds. (SDN Staff Photo)

Navy ships steam toward Miami with heavy-duty relief supplies

MIAMI (AP) — Navy ships arrived in Miami today with heavy-duty relief supplies, carpenters and electricians, as the governor increased the estimate of homes ruined by Hurricane Andrew to 85,000.

The Army's long-promised tent cities began going up, free buses rolled through jammed rush-hour traffic and authorities lifted their order to boil drinking water in the northern half of Dade County.

Health fears remained as uncollected garbage rotted in the open air, mosquitoes swarmed over the soggy ground, and about 150,000 people remained without adequate shelter a week after Andrew smashed through South Florida.

Adding to the chaos today, the Florida Supreme Court in Tallahassee said the results of the rest of the state's voting in Tuesday's primary cannot be sealed. The election is being delayed a week in Dade County, and some candidates hoped to keep secret any results that could affect that voting.

More than 100 tents arrived about midnight and today about 450 Marines had begun setting them up at a first site in Homestead. The military didn't know when people would be able to move in, saying that would be handled by city authorities.

"We're going to build more," said Marine Capt. John Hull. "This is the first one."

He said enough tents had been brought in to house 5,000 people, including 1,500 at the Homestead site.

On Sunday, residents ran to meet aid trucks on the lawn of a shattered elementary school in South Miami Heights, grabbing flashlights, baby formula and can openers.

"This really blows your dignity away," said Lee Taussig, carrying two-gallon jugs of water to her neighbor's house, where her family has lived since the storm peeled off their roof.

The USS Sierra, a destroyer tender from Charleston, S.C., carrying 15 tons of tools and a crew of 1,000, tied up at Bicentennial Park at 9:45 a.m. The USS Opportune arrived half an hour later. Two other Navy ships were expected later in the day, and a fifth was expected by Tuesday.

"The biggest value she has is all trade shops aboard — metal-working carpentry, electrical — and the majority of the crew is a complement of tradesmen," Navy Commander J.D. Van Sickle said about the Sierra. "They'll take them off and go help rebuild."

The ships were carrying 2,000 tons of relief supplies, including frozen, chilled and dried food, helicopters, construction vehicles, portable water tanks, generators, welding equipment, lumber, linen, heavy plastics, tools and an amphibious construction battalion of 120 people.

Many residents returned to work today for the first time since the storm. Miami's usually heavy rush-hour traffic was worsened by missing road signs and traffic lights broken or unsynchronized.

"It's extremely heavy in all areas," Walt MacDonald, director of operations for the traffic service Metro Traffic Control Inc., said early today. "Miamians are back to their normal driving."

Detective Donald Blocker of Metro-Dade police said Miami's rush hour is—"a minor disaster when everything is functioning. It's going to be a problem."

Returns say fundamentalists in Lebanon have more gains

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Muslim fundamentalists gained four seats in Parliament in the second round of voting in elections that are shifting Lebanon's traditional balance of power, official results showed today.

That increases the number of seats captured by the fundamentalists to 14. They could pick up more seats in next Sunday's voting in the country's south, which is dominated by Shiite Muslims.

The parliament has 128 seats — 64 for Christians and 64 for Muslims. Although the Islamic fundamentalist deputies will be a small part of the parliament numeriacally, their their potential power is feared by secular Muslims and by Christians.

Between 1943, when Lebanon gained independence from France, and 1972 when the last elections were held, Christians had a constitutionally guaranteed majority.

GED/ESL classes begin Tuesday at local college

Western Texas College will again be making GED (General Education Development) and ESL (English as Second Language) classes available beginning Tuesday under the direction of Geraldine Parker.

GED day classes are scheduled to run Monday through Friday from 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. and Tuesday afternoon from 1-4 p.m. Evening classes for both GED and ESL are scheduled Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-9 p.m.

Registration for GED and ESL is Tuesday at either 8:15 a.m. for day classes or 6 p.m. for evening classes.

All instruction is individualized and students progress at their own pace. Over the past two years, 119 individuals have received GED certificates.

There is no cost for either the GED or ESL class and further information can be obtained by calling the college at 573-8511, ext. 322 or 390 or by contacting Mrs. Parker at 573-0223.

Clinton opens 'air wars' today with promise of 8 million jobs

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Democrat Bill Clinton opens the air wars of the fall presidential race with a commercial pledging to create 8 million jobs, but Republicans say the spot lacks "truth in advertising."

Clinton's campaign released a 60-second commercial Sunday that is set to begin airing today in several targeted states. It pushes his achievements as Arkansas governor and says the Democratic nominee's economic strategy would create 8 million new jobs in the first four years.

Clinton was scheduled to work on state business today in Little Rock; running mate Al Gore had campaign stops in vote-rich California. President Bush was staying at the White House to keep abreast of Hurricane Andrew recovery efforts and Vice President Dan Quayle was headed South for a visit to a space facility in Alabama.

Campaigning Sunday in Monterrey, Calif., Gore said the White House could not be trusted on the environment because Bush has appointed people willing to "ravage and exploit" natural resources.

In another development, the Bush-Quayle campaign late Sunday charged that under Clinton's leadership, Arkansas for more than six and a half years taxed food stamp purchases by poor people.

"What made governor 'people first' stop taxing food stamps?" asked deputy campaign manager Mary Matalin. "He didn't want to. The federal government forced him to."

Clinton spokeswoman Avis LaVelle did not dispute the assertion, but charged the Bush campaign was trying to "mislead" voters and cast it as though Clinton had started the tax. All food in Arkansas fell under state taxes long before he took office, she said.

The Bush-Quayle re-election team said the Democrats' jobs pledge in the new broadcast advertisement "flies in the face of reality."

Arrests

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in the 3300 block of Avenue L. Luera is out on $2,000 bond.

Police also arrested a 41-year-old man for public intoxication at 4:47 a.m. Sunday in the 1800 block of 26th Street and a 40-year-old man for Class C assault at 3:58 p.m. in the 2100 block of O'Neal.

In other weekend activity, police began an investigation into the burglary of a home at 806 29th St. Saturday. Taken were VCR and cassette tapes.

A Class A theft report was filed at 1:40 p.m. Sunday in reference to a motorcycle stolen from 2001 KSNY Drive.

Police also filed reports of bicycles stolen from 2509 Avenue C at 4:03 p.m. Saturday and 400 28th St. at 2:05 p.m. Sunday.

Also filed were two reports of family violence at 2:21 a.m. Sunday in the 2300 block of 40th St. and at 11:06 p.m. Sunday in the 100 block of Milburn.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Bobbie Stokes, 400 33rd; Alfred Barbee, 501 N. Ave. T.

DISMISSALS: Shelly Beasley, Joe Muhle, Lenora Adams, Juan Hermosillo.

Census: 36 (Med.-7, CCU-1, Long-Term Care-28).

Snyder School Menu

TUESDAY
Apple Pancake Roll-Ups
Syrup
Orange Juice
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Biscuits w/Gravy
Pinepapple Juice
Milk

THURSDAY
Fruited Muffins
Apple Wedges
Milk

FRIDAY
Scrambled Eggs
Hot Biscuits
Apple Juice
Milk

LUNCH
MONDAY
Chili Dogs
French Fries
Fresh Apple Wedges
Choice of Milk

TUESDAY
Sloppy Joes
Buttered Corn
Chilled Pears
Brownie
Choice of Milk

WEDNESDAY
Tacos
Lettuce & Tomato
Pineapple Tidbits
"Happy Birthday Cake"
Choice of Milk

THURSDAY
Chicken Fried Steaks
Cream Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Hot Roll
Choice of Milk

FRIDAY
Beef-n-Cheese Nachos
Pinto Beans
Chilled Peaches
Choice of Milk

Special "Happy Birthday" cake on the menu to celebrate all students having a birthday this month.

Hermleigh School Menu

TUESDAY
Fruit
Biscuits, Gravy
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Juice
Toast & Jelly
Milk

THURSDAY
Fruit
Cinnamon Coffee Cake
Milk

FRIDAY
Juice
Dry Cereal
Toast
Milk

LUNCH
MONDAY
Pepper Steak
Steamed Rice
Fried Squash
Hot Rolls
Baked Apples
Milk

TUESDAY
Lasagna
Mixed Vegetables
Pickled Beets
Soft Bread Sticks
Fruit Jello
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Barbecued Franks
Whole New Potatoes
Cole Slaw
Hot Rolls
Chocolate Pudding
Milk

THURSDAY
Beef Stroganoff
Buttered Corn
Tomato Wedges
Hot Rolls
Peanut Butter Bars
Milk

FRIDAY
Taco Salad/Salsa Sauce
Refried Beans
Tortilla Chips
Chilled Pineapple
Milk

Obituaries

Anna Hernandez

1992-1992

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for four-month-old Anna Maria Hernandez of Snyder.

Anna Maria died at 9:30 p.m. Saturday at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

She was born on April 12, 1992.

Survivors include her mother and father, Nina Hernandez and Juan Hernandez, of Snyder.

Charley Garcia

1961-1992

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Charley Garcia, 30, of Hermleigh.

Mr. Garcia died of injuries sustained in an automobile-train collision at 2:10 p.m. Sunday at 25th St. and Ave. B.

Born on Oct. 20, 1961, in Sweetwater, he was married to Eneida Luna on Oct. 15, 1977, in Snyder. He had worked for Ray Ferris, Inc., of San Antonio.

Survivors include his wife of Snyder; two daughters, Stacey Lee and Dana Michelle of the home; one son, Charley III of the home; his parents, Charlie Sr. and Lucia Garcia of Loraine; three sisters, Mary Hernandez, Rosemary Martinez and Mary Victoria Preston, all of Snyder; two brothers, John of Big Spring and Ricky of Snyder; and paternal grandfather, Tom Garcia of Marlin.

T.E. Moore

1906-1992

MOXEE CITY, Wash. — Services were held at 11 a.m. today at West Hills Memorial Park in Yakima, Wash., for Talmadge Eugene Moore, 85, of Moxee City.

Mr. Moore died Thursday at 1:45 p.m. in the Yakima Nursing Home.

He was the grandfather of Jolene Caidez of Snyder.

Born Dec. 24, 1906, in Piggott, Ark., he was married to Alice Cowan on Jan. 14, 1934, in Oil Trough, Ark. Mr. Moore lived in Snyder during the late 1940s where he was a Baptist minister, plumber, carpenter, and worked in the oil field. He built several early homes in this area. Mr. Moore moved to Moxee City in 1953.

Other survivors include three sons, Donald of Iantha, Mo., Charles of Sacramento, Calif., and Neely of Moxee City; two daughters, Margo Moore of Winter Springs, Fla., and Evelyn Moore of Salt Lake City, Utah; two brothers, Tommy of Sacramento and Dodson of Southern California; 13 other grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Mary Reeves

1937-1992

IRVING — Services are set for 1 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church in Irving for Mrs. Mary Odessa Reeves, 54, of Irving who died Friday at an Irving hospital. The Rev. Claude Hunt and the Rev. David English will officiate.

Graveside services are set for 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Snyder Cemetery with the Rev. James McCormack, minister of the Assembly of God in Carlsbad, N.M., officiating.

Mrs. Reeves was born on Oct. 29, 1937, in Hermleigh and had lived in Irving the past seven years. She was a clerk in retail fabric sales and a member of the Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Frank Reeves of Irving; a son, James Rogers of Justin; and one grandchild.

Markets
Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	553/4	551/4	553/8	-1/8
Albtsn	425/8	423/8	421/2	-1/4
AlliedSignal	533/8	525/8	525/8	-1/2
ALLTEL Cp	411/2	411/4	413/8	+1/8
AmStores	363/8	361/4	361/4	-1/8
Amer T&T	423/8	42	421/8	-1/8
Ameritech	69	683/8	681/2	-1/8
Amoco	517/8	511/4	517/8	+3/4
AndarkPtr	31	301/4	31	+3/8
Arkla	113/8	11	111/4	+1/4
ArmcoInc	61/2	63/8	63/8	-1/8
AtlRichfld	1151/4	1141/4	1151/8	+13/8
BakerHugh	243/4	243/8	241/2	-5/8
BancTexas	13/4	15/8	15/8	-1/8
BellAtl	481/2	481/4	481/4	-1/4
BellSouth	533/4	531/2	531/2	
Beth Steel	121/8	117/8	117/8	
Borden	28	273/4	277/8	
Caterpllr	485/8	48	48	-3/8
Centel	301/4	297/8	30	-3/8
CenSoWst s	291/8	29	291/8	
Chevron	731/2	727/8	733/8	+5/8
Chrysler	193/8	19	191/4	+1/8
Coastal	285/8	281/8	281/8	-1/8
CocaCola s	433/4	431/4	433/8	
ColgP	56	553/4	553/4	-1/8
Cooperln	471/8	467/8	467/8	+3/8
CyprusMn	29	283/4	283/4	-1/4
DallSemicn	10	97/8	10	
DeltaAirl	491/2	491/8	491/2	+3/8
DigitalEq	37	363/4	363/4	+1/8
Dillard s	35	345/8	345/8	-3/8
DowChem	563/8	56	561/4	-1/4
DresserInd	21	203/4	207/8	+1/8
DuPont	501/8	491/2	495/8	-3/8
EstKodak	45	445/8	443/4	-1/4
EljerInd	10	97/8	97/8	
Enserch	155/8	153/8	151/2	
Exxon	645/8	641/4	641/2	+3/8
FtCtyBcp	11/8	1	11/8	
FlowerInd	19	187/8	187/8	
FordMotor	401/8	393/4	40	+1/4
GTE Cp	347/8	345/8	345/8	-1/4
GnDynam	77	765/8	765/8	
GenElct	733/4	733/8	735/8	+1/4
GnMill	693/8	687/8	687/8	-3/8
GenMotors	337/8	333/8	333/4	+1/4
GenMotrE s	287/8	283/4	283/4	
GaPacif	561/4	555/8	553/4	-1/2
GlobalMar	21/4	21/8	21/4	+1/8
Goodrich	417/8	417/8	417/8	+1/4
Goodyear	64	631/2	631/2	+1/8
GtAtlPac	273/8	271/4	271/4	
Gulf StaUt	16	157/8	16	+1/8
Haliburtn	351/2	345/8	347/8	-5/8
Hanson	191/4	19	191/8	+1/8
HoustInd	443/8	441/8	441/4	
IBM	871/2	863/4	863/4	-1/2
IntlPaper	625/8	623/8	621/2	+1/4
JohnsnJns s	501/8	495/8	495/8	-3/8
K mart s	237/8	235/8	233/4	+1/8
Kroger	117/8	115/8	113/4	
vjLTV Cp	5/8	9-16	9-16	-1-16
Litton s	451/8	447/8	447/8	-1/8
vjLoneStar	27/8	27/8	27/8	+1/8
Lowes s	183/8	181/4	181/4	
Lubys	161/4	161/8	161/8	
Maxus	73/8	71/8	71/4	
MayDSt	591/4	59	591/8	+1/2
Medtronic	827/8	823/4	827/8	-1/8
Mobil	653/8	651/8	651/4	
Monsanto	531/2	531/8	531/8	-1/4
Motorola	86	853/4	853/4	-1/8
Nationsbk	437/8	431/2	435/8	-1/4
Navistar	2	17/8	17/8	
Nynex	831/4	827/8	827/8	-3/8
OryxEngy	243/8	241/8	243/8	+1/4
PacTelesis	431/2	43	431/8	-3/8
PanhECp	183/4	181/4	185/8	+3/8
PenneyJC	681/2	681/8	681/8	-1/4
PepBoys	233/8	23	231/4	+1/4
PhelpD s	481/2	473/4	473/4	-3/8
PhilipPet	275/8	271/2	275/8	+1/8
PilgrmPrd	71/4	71/4	71/4	
Polaroid s	31	303/4	31	-1/4
Praxair n	161/4	161/8	161/4	+1/8
Primerica	407/8	401/2	401/2	-1/4
ProctGamb s	471/4	461/2	461/2	-3/4
PubS NwMx	133/8	131/4	131/4	-1/8
SFePacCp	111/2	111/4	111/2	+1/8
SaraLee	561/8	557/8	56	+1/4
SearsRoeb	421/8	413/4	42	+1/4
SherwinW	283/4	281/2	285/8	+3/8
SmthBek s	443/4	441/2	443/4	-1/8
SmthBc eqt s	403/8	397/8	397/8	-3/8
Southern Co	371/2	373/8	373/8	-1/8
SwAirl s	211/4	211/8	211/4	+1/8
SwstBell	667/8	663/8	661/2	-1/8
Sprint	231/8	227/8	231/8	
SterlingChm	4	37/8	4	
SunCo	253/4	255/8	255/8	
TNP Ent	201/4	201/8	201/4	
Tandy	24	233/4	233/4	-1/8
TemplInl	473/4	475/8	475/8	-1/8
Tenneco	387/8	381/2	385/8	+1/4
Texaco	653/4	651/2	655/8	+1/4
TexasInd	201/2	201/2	201/2	
TexasInst	387/8	381/4	381/4	-5/8
Tex Util	431/4	427/8	43	-1/4
Textron	37	363/4	363/4	-3/8
Tyler	43/4	43/4	43/4	
USWst	381/4	377/8	377/8	-1/8
USX-Marathn	19	187/8	19	+1/8
USX-USS	263/8	261/4	263/8	
UnCarbde	133/8	131/4	133/8	
UnPac s	523/4	523/8	523/8	+1/4
UnitTech	551/4	55	551/8	-1/8
Unocal	281/2	28	281/4	+3/8
WalMart	571/2	571/8	571/4	-1/4
WestghEl	161/2	161/4	163/8	+1/8
Woolwth	301/4	30	301/8	
Xerox Cp	751/2	751/8	751/8	+1/4
ZenithE	67/8	63/4	63/4	

Fighting delays convoy

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — U.N. officials say heavy fighting in the area has forced them to delay sending an aid convoy to the eastern Bosnian city of Gorazde, where Serbs are said to have lifted a five-month siege.

Downtown Sarajevo, by contrast, was relatively calm today for the first time in several days.

Flashes from falling rockets and mortars lit up the horizon in several directions during the night, however. Officials said at least six people were killed and 71 wounded in overnight fighting on the city's outskirts.

Hospital sources at the First Ambulance Department, which reported five dead and 35 wounded, said many of their casualties were Bosnian fighters wounded or killed in the western suburbs.

On Sunday, a howitzer shell crashed into a crowded marketplace killing at least 15 people and wounding dozens in one of the bloodiest single attacks during the Serbs' siege of Sarajevo.

Bosnian President Alija Izetbegovic, in an interview today with The Associated Press, threatened to boycott peace talks in Geneva beginning Thursday if the "murderous assault on the Bosnian people in Sarajevo does not cease."

He called Sunday's attack on Sarajevo a "premeditated act of murder."

"How is it possible to negotiate with people like this?" he asked. "They are killers. They don't want peace, they want blood."

More than 30 people were wounded when the 105mm howitzer shell exploded in the market. The casualty toll was the worst since May 28, when mortar rounds killed at least 20 people in a bread line and wounded 100.

That attack provoked worldwide outrage and the prompt withdrawal of Bosnian Muslims from talks aimed at halting the bloodshed in the former Yugoslav republic, and the United Nations retaliated with trade sanctions on Serbia for its role in supporting Serb fighters opposed to Bosnian independence.

Sunday's deadly shell attack came as Bosnian loyalists continued to try to break the siege of Serb forces in the hills surrounding Sarajevo.

The U.N. spokesman in Sarajevo, Fred Eckhard, suggested that Serb forces were to blame.

"It would be nice if we could turn ourselves into a police force and run up into the hills and grab those people and arrest them and bring them to justice," he said. "We would love to arrest the people in the hills that committed this atrocious act."

The deaths soured hopes that agreements reached last week in London at an international peace conference would reduce violence in the 6-month-old war.

Forty miles southeast of Sarajevo, an "extremely dangerous" and confusing situation reigned in Gorazde, Eckhard said.

Weekend yard sales attract Houstonians

HOUSTON (AP) — Sears is staggering and Macy's is stumbling, but retail at its grass-roots level is thriving.

Every weekend, thousands of Houstonians scramble out of bed to set up makeshift clusters of tables and blankets in front of their homes. Cars are out cruising shortly after dawn, seeking signs that bear the crude but unmistakable scrawl — Yard Sale.

"I try to go every weekend," said Scherene Gage, a Houston housewife and mother of two. "When my son was in preschool, they asked the kids what their parents' jobs were. Brian stood up and said, 'My mom does yard sales.'"

According to enthusiasts, the popularity and profitability of yard sales is growing rapidly. Retail experts and academics say yard sales are an unstudied phenomenon, but evidence of their popularity can't be missed.

"This past Saturday, I stepped out onto my front porch to get my morning paper," said Larry Gresham, associate director of the Texas A&M Center for Retail Studies. "It was seven in the morning, and there were 40 to 50 people out there standing in my neighbor's yard. They were there for a yard sale."

Yard sales are a meeting ground of the rich and poor, young and old, suburban and urban, ethnic majority and minority, all linked by the common love of a bargain. Some, like Gage, are there for fun. Others are there because of economic necessity.

"I am a single mother with three kids," said Elizabeth Bagby Qualman. "If I didn't have yard sales to go to, I would have to rely on thrift shops or ask people at church for hand-me-downs."

For her youngest son's back-to-school shopping, Qualman managed to find shirts selling for 25 cents and pants selling for 50 cents each.

"I spent eight bucks, and he's all set," she said. "You can't buy a shirt at Penney's for $8."

For Qualman, patrolling yard sales is part of a simple philosophy.

"You have to do what you have to do," she said.

Like the shoppers, the guerrilla merchants are spurred on by a variety of motives.

On a vacant lot on Alabama Avenue, volunteers from Milam House hold yard sales to raise money for AIDS victims.

"We hope to do $4,000 today," said sale organizer Ken Wilson. "Last month, we made $2,000 even though it rained all day."

Those who browsed the Milam House sale could pick up a surfboard encrusted with a scaly coat of board wax for $15. A beautiful antique English piano was a steal at $100. A cheesy painting of a nude woman was $35. For only five bucks more, you could have a framed Ansel Adams photograph.

As any yard sale shopper knows, no listed price is final. Fixing the value on any item, great or small, usually requires some haggling between merchant and customer.

"I am not too good at this bargaining, but I am learning," said Yvette Simmons, who held a yard sale to clear unwanted stuff out of her house. "It's like a game show for people. They want to get the lowest price they can."

William Mitts couldn't even sell a measly whistle without having to dicker.

"How much for the whistle?" a well-dressed man asked.

"Fifty cents," Mitts answered with a stern tone of finality.

"How about a quarter?"

"OK."

Lacking regular employment, Mitts pays his bills by holding yard sales in front of his apartment building. When he does work, he loads furniture onto moving vans. Most families leave a few odds and ends behind.

"They say, 'Take it if you want it,'" Mitts said. "I get enough stuff for about two sales every month."

The best-selling items, Mitts says, are kids' toys and clothing. Stuffed animals and baby outfits go for $1. Drinking glasses sell for a quarter. A brutally hard pair of crutches were a tough sell at $3.

Whirling dervishes in Istanbul, Turkey, perform a ritual dance each December in which their movements symbolize spinning planets revolving around God.

English poet Dame Edith Sitwell was born in Scarborough in 1887.

Corpus Christi wants to be new homeport

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Replicas of Christopher Columbus' ships could permanently dock here — with some help from the state to win the lucrative bid, city officials say.

They've asked Gov. Ann Richards to meet with them today.

Last March, the ships visited Corpus Christi for 10 days as part of a U.S. tour commemorating the 500th anniversary of Columbus' journey west.

Spain '92 Foundation, which owns the vessels, is taking bids from cities and corporations that want to permanently host them.

Spain '92 officials say the city that wins the bid won't have to buy the ships; Corpus Christi authorities say they have no intention to.

"We think we're in heavy competition with New York, Florida and Georgia," said Gary Bushell, president of the Corpus Christi Area Economic Development Corp. "This needs to be not just a Corpus Christi project. This needs to be a statewide project."

The city's economic agency recently put together a proposal to bring the ships back for the city's annual Bayfest and the Festival of the Americas. The ultimate goal of the proposal is to make Corpus Christi their permanent home.

Last year, the Legislature named Corpus Christi the state's official quincentenary city to celebrate the Columbus anniversary.

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HARDCOVER FICTION

		Last Week	Weeks on List
1	**Gerald's Game.** Stephen King. Viking, $23.50	1	6
2	**Waiting to Exhale.** Terry McMillan. Viking, $22	2	12
3	**The Pelican Brief.** John Grisham. Doubleday, $22.50	3	24
4	**Possessing the Secret of Joy.** Alice Walker. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich, $19.95	4	11
5	**Fatherland.** Robert Harris. Random House, $21	6	9
6	**Rum Punch.** Elmore Leonard. Delacorte, $21	11	2
7	**Colony.** Anne Rivers Siddons. HarperCollins, $20	5	7
8	**All That Remains.** Patricia Cornwell. Scribners, $20	–	1
9	**Vanish with the Rose.** Barbara Michaels. Simon & Schuster, $17	–	1
10	**Scruples Two.** Judith Krantz. Crown, $22	9	9

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HARDCOVER NON-FICTION

		Last Week	Weeks on List
1	**The Silent Passage.** Gail Sheehy. Random House, $16	2	12
2	**Truman.** David McCullough. Simon & Schuster, $30	3	10
3	**Diana: Her True Story.** Andrew Morton. Simon & Schuster, $22	1	8
4	**A Return to Love.** Marianne Williamson. HarperCollins, $22.50	4	27
5	**Earth in the Balance.** Al Gore. Houghton Mifflin, $22.95	7	7
6	**The Last Tsar.** Edvard Radzinsky. Doubleday, $25	8	3
7	**The Measure of Our Success.** Marian Wright Edelman. Beacon, $15	5	7
8	**How to Satisfy a Woman Every Time.** Naura Hayden. Bibli O'Phile, $14.95	6	29
9	**Lincoln at Gettysburg.** Garry Wills. Simon & Schuster, $23	12	8
10	**Sam Walton.** Sam Walton with John Huey. Doubleday, $22.50	9	9

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PAPERBACK MASS MARKET

		Last Week	Weeks on List
1	**A Time to Kill.** John Grisham. Dell, $5.99	1	9
2	**The Firm.** John Grisham. Island/Dell, $5.99	2	30
3	**The Sum of All Fears.** Tom Clancy. Berkley, $5.99	3	6
4	**Needful Things.** Stephen King. Signet, $6.99	4	8
5	**Outer Banks.** Anne Rivers Siddons. HarperPaperbacks, $5.99	6	7
6	**Me: Stories of My Life.** Katharine Hepburn. Ballantine, $5.99	5	5
7	**Duchess.** Jude Deveraux. Pocket, $5.99	8	5
8	**The Kitchen God's Wife.** Amy Tan. Ivy, $5.99	7	14
9	**The Wild Rose.** Doris Mortman. Bantam, $5.99	10	2
10	**Against the Wind.** J. F. Freedman. Signet, $5.99	13	2

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PAPERBACK TRADE

		Last Week	Weeks on List
1	**Life's Little Instruction Book.** H. Jackson Brown. Rutledge Hill, $5.95	1	51
2	**Daisy Fay and the Miracle Man.** Fannie Flagg. Warner, $7.99	2	12
3	**Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe.** F. Flagg. McGraw-Hill, $7.95	3	28
4	**America.** D. Barlett & J. Steele. Andrews& McMeel, $6.95	6	18
5	**7 Habits of Highly Effective People.** Stephen Covey. Fireside, $9.95	4	86
6	**Live and Learn and Pass It On.** H. Jackson Brown. Rutledge Hill, $5.95	7	17
7	**You Just Don't Understand.** Deborah Tannen. Ballantine, $10	10	55
8	**A Year in Provence.** Peter Mayle. Vintage, $10	9	46
9	**Disappearing Acts.** Terry McMillan. Washington Square, $10	5	3
10	**Toujours Provence.** Peter Mayle. Vintage, $10	–	6

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Gulf states help to better trade situation

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A serious bottleneck at the U.S.-Mexican border could possibly turn into gridlock once a new trade agreement goes into action, economic leaders say.

"My understanding is that you have delays of 72 hours in Laredo to get across the border," said Diego C. Asencio, executive director of Florida's International Affairs Commission.

Primitive roads and bridges and a lack of vehicles make it hard to get goods across the border at Laredo, Texas, a major crossing point, officials at the Association of Gulf States meeting said Saturday.

Asencio was one of 26 representatives to the meeting in New Orleans to work on a cooperative plan for the region.

Trade between the two countries is expected to double or even triple, hitting as much as $180 billion a year, once the North American Free Trade Agreement goes into action, Asencio said.

However, he said, the border can't handle that increase.

"Florida has 14 deep sea ports and the second-busiest airport in the country. ... This gives us an exceptional opportunity to integrate our lines of communication, to promote shipping, to promote joint ventures, to promote investment, and to promote trade," Asencio said.

The Port of New Orleans is looking for an increase in Mexican trade as well.

Both U.S. and Mexican ports are under used, said Larry Collins, Louisiana's director of international trade. "We have virtually ignored each other," he said.

The meeting produced a communique that was described as a first step toward making the region an economic unit.

Mexico is a leader in labor-intensive mass production, while goods or services requiring higher technology and higher investments are naturals for the United States, Asencio said.

The association is working on a database for the Gulf states. The system would theoretically compile economic, health, crisis management and environmental information to be shared, said Mexico's Consul General Raul Castellano.

Brazilian president denies corruption charges in speech

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — Claiming to be the victim of "lies, defamations and injustices," President Fernando Collor de Mello has attempted with a speech to the nation to dampen the popular clamor for his impeachment.

But Sunday's address, broadcast nationwide on television and radio, seemed unlikely to quell public outrage. Collor's support has crumbled around him and media reports say leading members of his Cabinet are preparing to resign.

"I come to the nation, with an open heart...to give all the needed explanations," Collor said, vowing he would not step down.

The speech was the president's first public response to a congressional report released last week that linked him to a wide-ranging influence-peddling network led by Paulo Cesar Farias, his 1989 campaign treasurer.

Farias, according to the report, used phantom depositors to place $6.5 million into a bank account used to pay Collor's personal expenses, bought the president a new car in 1990 and financed $164,000 of improvements at Collor's luxury apartment in the northeastern city of Maceio.

Collor, who in 1989 won Brazil's first democratic presidential election in 26 years on an anti-corruption platform, blamed aides for his problems, saying he "erred by trusting too much in people who later showed they were not worthy of my confidence ... "

"There was never fraud or bad faith in the errors I committed," he said.

On Tuesday, the Brazilian Bar Association is expected to present an impeachment bill to the 503-seat Chamber of Deputies, the lower house of Congress. A two-thirds vote to impeach would mean Collor's suspension for 180 days while the Senate decides whether to remove him permanently.

His replacement would be Vice President Itamar Franco, who is reported to be sounding out candidates for the next Cabinet.

An informal count by the press Sunday showed 337 lower house deputies, one more than the required majority, favoring impeachment.

Administration officials had expressed confidence that Collor's address would reverse his waning fortunes, but initial reaction to the speech appeared to be mostly unfavorable.

Emir Sader, a political scientist at the University of Sao Paulo, said the speech was "too little, too late. His credibility has been so badly damaged that no one believes him any more."

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Magazine stresses black traditions

DALLAS (AP) — Jill Louis had carefully paged through a pile of bridal magazines. The Washington, D.C., lawyer says she saw a handful of black models but zero ideas for ceremonies highlighting African or African-American wedding traditions.

So she and her fiance, Dallas lawyer Randy Bowman, started phoning friends. The friends referred the couple to black-oriented bookstores, a black baker and black-owned businesses where they could register for wedding gifts.

"You spend a lot of money on a wedding," Ms. Louis explains. "The wedding industry is huge, and it's an ideal way to put dollars back into the black community."

Her thoughts are shared by publishers of "BRIDES Today," a new magazine for "brides of color." The quarterly's editors hope to lure readers such as Ms. Louis and Mr. Bowman with black models and articles that emphasize black culture.

Bolstered by the annual summer wedding boom, the plan is working says editor/publisher Andrew Sawyer. The Illinois-based publisher says his magazine has exceeded its original circulation goal of 60,000 by 40,000. The glossy, full-color publication is selling as fast as newsstands can stock it.

"The consumer is buying the book like gangbusters," Mr. Sawyer says. "Apparently weddings are a recession-proof business."

The 9-month-old magazine, which costs $3.95, resembles such industry mainstays as "Bride" and "Modern Bride" with page upon page of flowing bridal gowns and crisp tuxedos.

Black designers created one-third of the featured dresses and tuxedos. Most of the freelancers who write for the magazine are black. Also, Mr. Sawyer adds, the magazine gives national exposure to black stylists, makeup artists and models who often face limited opportunities in the white-dominated magazine market.

The same issue offers a photo spread of African-inspired wedding gowns and menu suggestions for an African buffet.

"It's something today's African-American woman is interested in," Ms. Louis says approvingly. "You can't rely on majority-owned publications to help you play up your culture in the ceremony."

She says she and Mr. Bowman intend to highlight their culture by combining Western wedding customs with African and African-American traditions. They plan to "jump the broom." The act, which involves literally jumping over a broom, evokes African-Americans' historical struggle to establish and maintain families in a nation often hostile to that goal. Slaves, who weren't allowed to legally marry, developed the custom as a way to recognize their unions.

Ms. Louis also selected an African-inspired dress design for her bridesmaids. Although her October wedding is scheduled for the Hotel Crescent Court, the rehearsal dinner will be held at Clara's Kitchen, one of Dallas' most popular soul food restaurants.

About 2 billion birthday cards are given each year in the United States, according to Hallmark researchers.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please discuss Sjogren's syndrome.

DEAR READER: Sjogren's syndrome is a chronic, auto-immune (self-allergy) disorder, marked by inflammation of various body organs, causing dry eyes, dry mouth, poor digestion, arthritis, chest pain and kidney disease. The diagnosis is made by blood tests and special X-rays. Treatment relieves symptoms (with eye drops, for example); more severe cases require cortisone.

DR. GOTT: I am entering menopause and have many questions. Is it essential for a woman to take estrogen? How long does menopause last, and how can I tell when the risk of pregnancy has passed?

DEAR READER: Menopausal women do not need to take estrogen. However, hormone therapy will relieve the symptoms of menopause, such as hot flashes, fluid retention and moodiness. Also, many specialists advise women to use estrogen to prevent osteoporosis. At this point, most doctors leave the decision to the woman, depending on the severity of her menopausal symptoms and risk of osteoporosis.

Menopause may barely affect some women, who merely stop menstruating and have few symptoms. On the other hand, some women suffer the tortures of the damned: years of incapacitating mood swings, sweats and so forth. The majority of women fall within these extremes. The severity and duration of menopause are variable and unpredictable.

Once a woman has skipped 12 consecutive periods, she need not worry about pregnancy.

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

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Comptroller's report predicts changes

AUSTIN (AP) — The state comptroller has looked 34 years down the road and seen Texans growing older, urbanized and more Hispanic.

John Sharp's "The Changing Face of Texas" covers economic and demographic changes through the year 2026. What the new study shows has some people arguing that the state should be planning more activity centers for the elderly, and fewer classrooms for schoolchildren.

Texas communities will be challenged to provide the services that a large retired population will need — like banks and hospitals, the study said.

"The political power of the elderly population, already significant, will no doubt grow," Sharp's report states. "This will translate into calls for a greater share of government resources dedicated to programs for the elderly, such as income support and health care assistance.

"These demands may lead to political battles with younger age groups over limited government resources."

Among changes predicted are a population boost to 22.3 million, only 46.9 percent of whom will be white. More than 38 percent of Texans will be Hispanic; blacks will make up nearly 11 percent of the population.

The study also says 3.9 million people in the state will be 65 or older, compared with 1.7 million today.

"Those things are going to happen," said Andy Welch, a spokesman for Sharp. "The Hispanic population is going to grow. Baby boomers are going to start retiring.

"There is going to be a need for more financial services. There is going to be a need for more health services."

Welch said it's not too early to begin planning for the future.

Welch listed three items rural communities must develop to survive: educational opportunities so young people won't leave, jobs and access to health care.

"We will definitely become more urban and more suburban," he said. "For rural areas, the real challenge is to retain their viability."

International group to target disease

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) — Cattlemen from New Mexico, Texas, and Chihuahua, Mexico, will work together to eradicate the cross-border spread of tuberculosis and brucellosis in cattle.

Agreements signed this month by committee members urge the U.S. government to work closely with Mexico in surveillance, detection and reporting procedures along the U.S.-Mexico border.

The agreements also request a uniform system for the recognition of "free area" regions or states as the result of an eradication program.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture already has declared certain states free of brucellosis after years of work by the government and cattlemen to contain the disease, the New Mexico Agriculture Department said.

New Mexico state veterinarian Steve England said last week that New Mexico could be declared free of brucellosis within 18 months.

Under the agreements, New Mexico, Texas and Chihuahua will provide and disclose information about the progress of disease eradication programs in Chihuahua.

The agreements also ensure that any sanitary measures employed won't be used as unfair trade restrictions imposed in the name of disease control.

Signing the New Mexico agreement were Frank A. Dubois, director and secretary of the New Mexico Agriculture Department; Bob Porter, executive vice president of the New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau; Phil Harvey Jr., vice president of the New Mexico Cattle Growers Association; John Wortman, director of the New Mexico Livestock Board; and Oscar Prado, director of the Chihuahua Cattlemen's Association.

"The public will believe anything, so long as it is not founded on truth," according to Dame Edith Sitwell, the English poet.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRIAL NEWS

84 Truck & Trailer offers experienced general truck, oil field equipment repair

84 Truck & Trailer was first opened as Doyle's Engine Service in 1972. The business was formed by Doyle Chandler after he had completed one year in Western Texas College's Diesel Technology Program, graduating in 1973. He had driven trucks for 16 years prior to attending the school. His wife, Peggy, began working in the business in 1978 as a mechanic's helper, after being self-employed as a pet groomer for several years. She is now in charge of the parts department.

Don Chandler began working part-time in the evenings and on weekends at the age of 13. He joined the company after high school and is now a full partner.

Doyle's Engine Service began as a field mechanic service on diesel engines only, repairing engines on well service pulling units and drilling rigs. The present shop facility was built in 1981. Customers began calling for repairs on their trucks. Now the majority of their work is general truck repair.

As business became more truck related and after obtaining a Mack and Cummins Service dealership, the name was changed from Doyle's Engine Service to 84 Truck & Trailer, Inc. in 1988.

84 Truck & Trailer is a full service truck and equipment repair facility offering complete repair from front to rear of your trucks, trailers and oil field equipment.

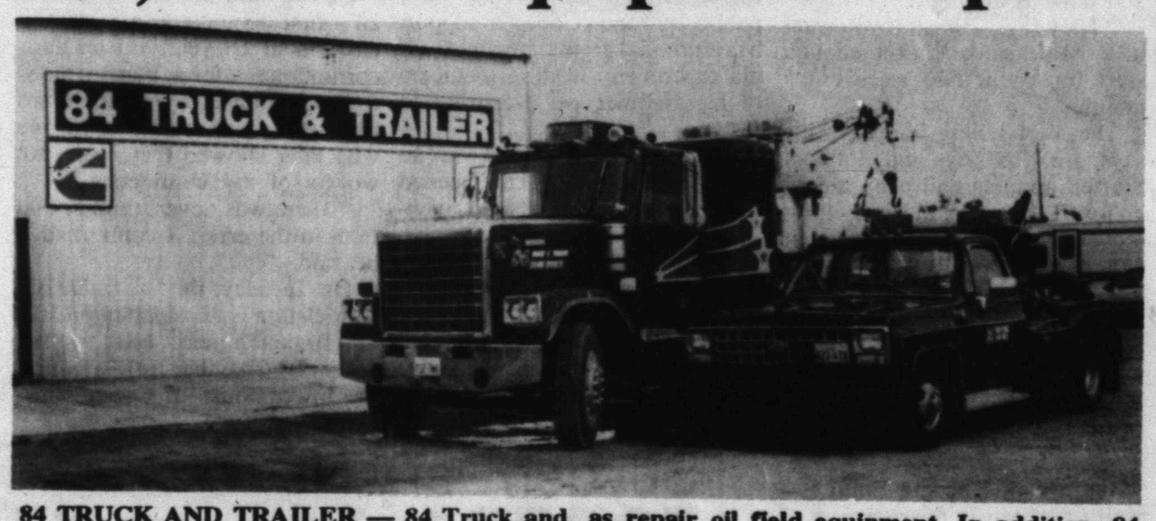
The shop is backed up by a parts department that is fully stocked. Repairs such as rebuilding brakes, truck and trailer springs and clutches can usually be accomplished in one day with a prior appointment.

They also do in-house drive line and PTO shaft repair with most parts in stock to repair, or build new drive lines. Alternators and starters are rebuilt, or exchange units are available. The state of Texas in 1990 adopted the rules and regulations of the Federal Department of Transportation (D.O.T.), governing trucks and drivers. Trucks must be inspected annually and must pass field inspections at any time during the year. 84 Truck & Trailer has personnel qualified to make inspections and supply needed certificates which must be in the vehicle.

Another area that will be regulated in January 1993 is R-12 freon used in automotive air-conditioning systems. All persons servicing air-conditioners must be certified and use freon recycling equipment. 84 Truck & Trailer now has the new machine and will have their technicians certified by January 1, 1993.

One more area of regulation is the disposal of used oil and grease. 84 Truck & Trailer offers complete oil and filter changes. Many would-be problems are found and repaired early during routine servicing.

84 Truck & Trailer is equipped to tow trucks and cars. In case of an accident, your vehicle can be towed and stored inside until you and your insurance company make a decision on what action to take. So whenever you need a wrecker or tow truck, call 84 Truck & Trailer, Inc.



84 TRUCK AND TRAILER — 84 Truck and Trailer, originally called Doyle's Engine Service, has been in business in Snyder since 1972. Mechanics specialize in general truck repair as well as repair oil field equipment. In addition, 84 Truck & Trailer is equipped to tow cars and trucks. (SDN Staff Photo)

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