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HAYWOOD VISITS ROTARY — State Sen. Tom Haywood spoke to local Rotarians Thursday. Pictured prior to the meeting are, from left, Gayle Lomax, SISD superintendent and Rotary board member; Sen. Haywood; and local president, Jack Gorman Jr. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Tom Haywood...

Senator attributes bi-partisan leadership to legislative success

State Sen. Tom Haywood, speaking to the Snyder Rotary Club Thursday, attributed success of the last legislative session to bi-partisan state leadership.

The Wichita Falls Republican praised Gov. George W. Bush for "knowing when to put his party credentials in his pocket."

He said Bush's ability to work with the Democratic legislative leadership, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and House Speaker Pete Laney, meant state government was working for Texas.

Sen. Haywood also had high praises for Bullock and Laney and their willingness to work with the Republican governor.

Highlight of the session, Haywood said, was the overhaul of the education code which calls for less bureaucracy and more local control as well as a teacher pay raise.

He said tort reforms now mean that the law works for Texans, not just for plaintiffs' lawyers. The first-term senator said lower insurance rates are resulting because of tort reform legislation.

Haywood said another significant piece of legislation was juvenile justice reform, giving authorities more options in dealing with youthful offenders.

"Because of the non-partisan approach, we have a criminal justice bill fully-funded, a teacher pay raise — all with no new taxes," Haywood added.

He said disappointments with the session included the failure of term limits to pass as well as initiative and referendum. Haywood said he has pledged not only to support, but to co-sponsor initiative and referendum in the next legislative session.

Haywood spoke to high school students Thursday afternoon.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It may be impossible to choose what we go through, but we do decide how we go through it."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors.

The Vernon Daily Record reported a city personnel dispute over residency.

A police officer filed suit against the city, claiming that a city policy requiring residency within the city limits as a condition of employment violates state law.

We wonder if the officer thinks the city isn't safe enough?

Everybody is commenting on the new, higher speed limits. It reminded Andrews publisher James Roberts of an old story concerning a speeding motorist and a DPS officer.

"A highway patrolman took out after a motorist who was barreling down the highway at 85 miles an hour.

"Despite the flashing lights and wailing siren, the motorist continued his high speed down the highway.

"Finally, the patrolman pulled along side and forced the motorist to the side of the road.

"Why didn't you stop when I pulled up behind you?" the trooper demanded. "Didn't you see my flashing lights?"

"Yep, but I had to wait until you got close so I could see if you had a woman in the car with you," the driver answered.

"What's that got to do with you speeding?" queried the angry patrolman.

The driver explained, "Last month my wife ran off with a highway patrolman and I wanted to see if you were the one."

"But that doesn't explain you ignoring my flashing lights and sirens," continued the trooper.

"But I was afraid you might be bringing her back," answered the driver.

The Hood County News reported that two thristy men entered a Kroger supermarket on New Year's eve and attempted to purchase a 12-pack of beer.

The supermarket manager explained he couldn't sell the beer since the store was already closed. The two threatened the manager with a box cutter and tried to leave the store with the merchandise.

The two were arrested and charged with aggravated robbery. We can hear their defense now, "But we offered to pay..."

McLeod will join SNB as vice president, officer

Joe Jackson, president and chief executive officer of Snyder National Bank, announced today that Helen McLeod will join the bank as a vice president and loan officer.

Helen McLeod

McLeod, a vice president of the American State Bank Snyder branch, will assume her new duties Feb. 1.

McLeod is a graduate of Colorado City High School and the Stenograph Institute of Texas in Abilene. She was a court reporter in Amarillo and Odessa before moving to Snyder in 1980. She began her banking career in 1991 with First National Bank, which in May of 1994 became American State Bank.

She is also a graduate of the Texas Tech School of Banking.

McLeod is a member of the City Board of Adjustment, Snyder Gold Coats, the Western Texas College Foundation Scholarship Board and First Baptist Church.

GRAND CHAMPION HOG - Trey Roemisch's cross bred hog won Grand Champion honors at the Scurry County Jr. Livestock Show Thursday night. Shown with the winner is, on the left, judge Kenny Strube and on the right, Richard Harris of the Hermleigh FFA. (SDN Staff Photo)

Convicted area resident sues defense attorney, DA

A 54-year-old Scurry County man, serving a 10-year sentence in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, has filed a civil suit seeking unspecified damages against three persons — including the prosector and defense attorney in his case.

Don Vineyard, convicted on Jan. 19, 1994 for possession of child pornography, entered the TDCJ on Jan. 3 following an appeals court ruling that upheld the conviction. Vineyard currently is being held in the TDCJ's Middleton Unit in Abilene.

Named as defendants in Vineyard's suit were Ernie Armstrong, then district attorney, who in 1995 was named judge of the 132nd District Court in which Vineyard has twice been convicted; and local attorney Mike Brown, who represented Vineyard in his first trial. Also named was Samantha Cunningham, then a secretary in Brown's law office.

The petition seeks both actual and punitive damages from the individual defendants, plus court costs and attorney's fees.

The petition was signed "Cecil Don Vineyard" by his wife, Pat Vineyard.

Vineyard claims in the suit that his constitutional rights were violated. Vineyard cites lack of preparation and planning on behalf of his defense counsel.

Vineyard further claims that Brown acted negligently and that the defense attorney and co-defendants conspired to violate due process as well as his right to privacy by publicly "disclosing constitutionally protected material seized from his home."

Vineyard claims Armstrong, as district attorney, was overzealous in his prosecution and conspired

See Suit, Page 10

Annual stock show begins

Roemisch's entry garners grand champion at hog show

Trey Roemisch showed the grand champion hog Thursday as the Scurry County Junior Livestock Show got underway here.

Some 281 pigs were entered in the competition, held in a frosty Scurry County Coliseum annex. Outside, temperatures were in the teens.

The show continues tonight with judging of the steers at 6 o'clock and the lambs at 8. Saturday's events include the buyer's meal at 11:30 a.m., crowning of the queen at about 12:50, and the sale at 1 p.m.

Roemisch represents Hermleigh FFA. His championship hog was a light weight Cross.

Jeremy Howard, representing Ira FFA, showed the reserve champion hog, a medium weight York.

Showmanship honors went to Amy Church, representing Snyder FFA.

Showing breed champions were Kendra Nachlinger of Hermleigh FFA with a heavy weight Hamp, Lori Sanders of Snyder FFA with a medium weight Duroc, Roemisch and Howard.

Tonight, the steer judge is J.D. Ragland of Dimmitt. Judging the lambs will be Billy Reagor of Ozona. Jim Robinson of Snyder is the lamb supervisor.

Snyder's Tommy Marricle is the auctioneer for Saturday's sale.

Queen candidates are Dana Stribling, Scurry 4-H; Donnis McHaney, Hermleigh FFA; Celeigh Sterling, Ira FFA; and Monica Roberson, Snyder FFA.

SCURRY COUNTY JR. LIVESTOCK PIG SHOW RESULTS

Grand Champion of Show: Trey Roemisch, Light Weight Cross, Hermleigh FFA.

Reserve Champion of Show: Jeremy Howard, OPB, Medium Weight York, Ira FFA.

Showmanship: Amy Church, Snyder FFA.

HAMPS

Grand Champion: Kendra Nachlinger, Heavy Weight, Hermleigh FFA.

Reserve Champion: Will Collier, Light Weight, Snyder FFA.

Light Weight: 1. Will Collier, Snyder FFA; 2. Austin Rinehart, Snyder FFA; 3. Jodi White, Snyder FFA; 4. Andrea Rodriguez, Hermleigh FFA; 5. Richard Wilkins, Ira FFA; 6. Jenise Judah, Scurry 4-H; 7. Jenise Judah, Scurry 4-H; 8. Bryant Roberson, Snyder FFA; 9. Garret Griswold, Snyder FFA; 10. John Rasmus, Scurry 4-H.

Medium Weight: 1. Kendra Nachlinger, Hermleigh FFA; 2. Amy Church, Snyder FFA; 3. Janet Eckert, Hermleigh FFA; 4. Carla Smith, Ira FFA; 5. Adam Roemisch, Hermleigh FFA; 6. Eric Roberson, Snyder FFA; 7. Justin Stribling, Snyder FFA; 8. Ricky Barry, Snyder FFA; 9. Brad Hinton, Snyder FFA; 10. Jacinda Judah, Scurry 4-H.

Heavy Weight: 1. Kendra Nachlinger, Hermleigh FFA; 2. Connie Payne, Snyder FFA; 3. Banyan Winkler, Snyder FFA; 4. Shauna Huddleston, Snyder FFA; 5. Lori Sanders, Snyder FFA; 6. Banyan Winkler, Snyder FFA; 7. Brian Gordon, Snyder FFA; 8. Cody Cribbs, Snyder FFA; 9. Sarah Carpenter, Snyder FFA; 10. Genevia Capetillo, Snyder FFA.

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Grand Champion: Lori Sanders, Medium Weight, Snyder FFA.

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ASK US

Q—I know our local Kmart building sold, have any others in the state been sold?

A—So far, buildings in Arlington, Gainesville, Houston, Lake Jackson, Orange and Uvalde have either been sold or Kmart was able to terminate their lease agreement.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 35 degree; low, 13; 7 a.m. reading Friday, 14; no precipitation; total for 1996, .21 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low 30-35. S wind 10-20 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy. High, mid 60s. S-SW wind 10-20 mph, becoming W-NW in the afternoon.

Sunset: 6:06 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:16 a.m.

Of 18 days in 1996, the sun has shone 16 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

All the days of the afflicted are bad, but a cheerful heart has a continual feast.

Proverbs 15:15

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Paul and Trish Jackson

Nazarene sets appearance by Paul and Trish Jackson

Jetstream Ministries, Inc. will present Paul and Trish Jackson at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 21, at the Snyder Church of the Nazarene.

The Jacksons are recording artists on the Pinebrook and Clarion labels and have a varied musical style.

Puppetry is also a part of the program of this Kansas-based team. "THE KIDS" always have something to say to young and old alike.

Speaking, drama, writing and music composition are other avenues of the ministry.

Since 1976, the Jacksons have traveled from coast to coast in the United States, Canada and overseas sharing in concerts, revivals, camps, retreats, crusades and service clubs.

Snyder Church of the Nazarene is located on the Colorado City Highway. M. Fats is the pastor.

'Blizzard of 1996' caused damage

NEW YORK (AP) — The four-day "Blizzard of 96" caused an estimated $585 million in insured-property damage, bad enough for only fifth-worst in the last 30 years of winter storm losses, insurers said Thursday.

The Jan. 6-9 storm rampaged through 17 states in the Ohio Valley; the mid-Atlantic states and the Northeast, dumping record amounts of snow. The president designated nine states as disaster areas.

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Fall Semester Awards

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten: Angel Arguillas, Antonio Silva, Mayra Estrada, Rosa Padron.

First grade: Joshua Blackwell, Pamela Bradshaw, Nicholas, Salazar, Raymond Cortez, Ricky Silva, Lisa Rivera, Antonio Rodarte.

Third grade: Marisa Munoz, Kevin Valdez, Corie Hernandez, Taren Knipe, Brent Tyler, Rebecca Aguirre, Jarrod Fletcher, Heather Polk, Sandra Alfaro, Lupe Ferruzca, Aldo Herrera, Juan Rivera, Jessica Rodriguez, Vanessa Rodriguez, Adilene Segura, Amanda Alaniz, Christopher Fisk, Stephanie Parmer, Rusty Smith.

Other third graders: Amanda Ballard, Tanner Bloom, Joedy Costilla, Amanda Covington, Jessica Hines, Brandon Bragg, Zachary Garcia, Conor Johnson, Nikki Timora, Jesus Cosio, Adam Sauceda, Heather Thomas, Abel Martinez, Luis Silva, Jessica Guerrero, Richard Guerrero, Lico Castillo, Alan Gray, Paul Haines, Rachel Redman.

A HONOR ROLL

Jessica Davis, Jessica Hallford, Marisa Munoz, Kelsey Shaw, Kevin Valdez, Kayla Guerrero, Meggan Minor, Cindy Morin, Cade Owen, Whitney Warner, Clinton Cooper, Jamai Dabney, Matthew Kerr, Emily Pinkston, Kalli Wesson, Hope Cole, Esmeralda Estrada, Jarrod Fletcher, Cori Fouts, Justin Hertel, Heather Polk.

Others include: Tara Gilliland, Eric Guadarrama, Thomas Hefner, Heather Holmes, Stephanie Parmer, Blake Robertson, Rusty Smith, Karen Taylor, Logan West, Tanner Bloom, Lesli Jackson, Matthew Qualls, Brandon Bragg, Nathaniel Clarady, Ashley Edwards, Zachary Garcia, Jason Hook, Patrick Jones, Lacey Kincaid, Tony Pena, Nikki Timora, Joshlyn Tovar, Melissa White, Chelsea Wood, Heather Zajicek.

Also, Jesus Cosio, Courtney Cox, Jessica Gutierrez, Hadley Flirt, Paul Jackson, Jessica Guerrero, Daniahu Akins, Joey Bercaw, Briana Burk, Lico Castillo, Casey Flanagan, Alan Gray, Traci Jordan, Rachel Redman, Kirisa Torres.

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Sheila Hicks, Logan Martin, Kendra Martinez, Casey Newby, Colton Robertson, Courtney Stanley, Martin Garcia, Brian Lee, Neel Patel, Micaela Quiros, Crystal Rodriguez, Jacob Sargent, Jessica Stansell, Abby Foree, Jake Guzman, Corie Hernandez, Joshua Hernandez, Taren Knipe, Matthew Morris, Carol Tavarez, Brent Tyler, Rebecca Aguirre, Rigo Gonzalez, Thomas Henderson, Casey Lozano, James Sutton, Raul Olvera, Jessica Rodriguez, Adilene Segura.

Others include: Amanda Alaniz, Dustin Babcock, Kolter Bartels, Dannielle Wright, Adam Booker, Joedy Costilla, Amanda Covington, Larissa Early, Jessica Hines, Brooke Jackson, Russell Lee, Eric Munoz, Andrea Rios, Eric Torres, October Wells, Lee Ann Benitez, Rose Crowder, Erica Medrano, Roel Ruiz, Ryan Ward.

Also, Clint Blume, Krista Chaidez, Casey Crain, Kala Elkins, Leslie Nesmith, Cody Pechacek, Adam Sauceda, Bradley Barry, Sarah Carpenter, Phillip Rice, Luis Silva, Jeffrey Stanfield, Adrian Brooks, Christy Essery, Cassie Gordon, Nathan Graves, Richard Guerrero, Chadd O'dell, Jennifer Schwoerer, Christopher Smauley, Justin Souder, Jodie Stewart, Stacey Williamson, Carlos Guerrero, Devin Gutierrez, Paul Haines, Shaina Kerr, Jose Velasquez.

ACCLERATED READER RECOGNITION

The following students earned 30 plus points: Hadley Hirt, 31.0; Heather Zaijecek, 31.5; Traci Jordan, 32.8; Rusty Smith, 33.5; Stephanie Parmer, 37.3; Patrick Jones, 43.3; Karen Taylor, 43.7; Blake Robertson, 53.3.

Technical college gets hard look

AUSTIN (AP) — Before lawmakers decide to change the Texas State Technical College system, a student says they should think about people like her.

Deana Jensen, 26, told the Senate Education Committee that she's been on welfare since she was 17; has two children and an ex-husband who doesn't pay child support; and recently lost her job as a $5-an-hour receptionist.

But by this time next year, she plans to be working for a plastics manufacturer and earning at least $25,000 a year.

"I couldn't have done that at our community college," said Ms. Jensen, who attends TSTC in Marshall.

She was one of five TSTC students who testified before the committee Wednesday. All said they expect to find jobs right out of college and gave the school high marks for its training program.

The education committee is reviewing TSTC's role in Texas' higher education system. The state's only publicly financed technical school, it has 7,600 students at its campuses statewide.

By comparison, there are 50 community college districts where 400,000 mostly part-time students take both academic and technical courses.

Critics say TSTC is spending too much time and money teaching academic courses that might be better provided by local community colleges. Some legislators want to know whether the system's two-year degree programs live up to the school's stated goal of teaching "advanced and emerging" technological vocations.

TSTC Chancellor Cecil Groves and Ed Adams, chairman of its board of regents, defended the school's contributions to higher education under tough questioning from Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo.

Abrego to plead innocent

McALLEN (AP) — Reputed drug kingpin Juan Garcia Abrego will plead innocent to drug trafficking and money laundering charges, his attorney told The Associated Press Thursday.

"He will enter a plea of not guilty at arraignment," McAllen attorney Robert Yzaguirre said. "Other than that, I have absolutely no comment."

The attorney overseeing the prosecution's case, meanwhile, traveled to the opposite end of the Rio Grande Valley to give Brownsville police $58,000 in proceeds from an Abrego-related drug seizure.

Garcia Abrego was arrested in Mexico this week and deported to Houston, where he is named in a multicount indictment accusing him of distributing 13½ tons of cocaine into the United States and illegally transferring $8.6 million.

He is being held without bond in the Harris County Jail pending his arraignment Feb. 6.

Yzaguirre, who has represented Garcia Abrego and one of his alleged lieutenants in past cases, said he met with his client Tuesday and Wednesday.

"He's OK. He looks OK," he said.

Both Yzaguirre and U.S. Attorney Gaynelle Griffin Jones, whose office is prosecuting Garcia Abrego, refused to discuss details about the case.

"The specific evidence will be brought out at trial," Ms. Jones said during a news conference at the Brownsville Police Department.

Asked whether prosecutors would consider a plea bargain, she said, "Anything's possible, but that's not something that's being discussed at this time."

About the case, Yzaguirre would say only, "It's a very complex matter." However, he criticized his client's swift deportation from Mexico.

"I think they treated him very unjustly in Mexico ... because they brought him over here without a hearing," he said.

Mexican authorities arrested Garcia Abrego Sunday night at a home outside of Monterrey. He was flown to Houston the following day.

Some Mexicans contend Garcia Abrego should not have been sent to the United States because he is a Mexican citizen, but U.S. authorities said he was born in La Paloma, a farming community outside of Brownsville.

Yzaguirre said he did not know whether Garcia Abrego is a Mexican citizen. Ms. Jones said the issue was moot.

"He was expelled, and that's not an issue we are dealing with or have to deal with at this time," she said.

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Date Book

Jan. 19, 1996

Today is the 19th day of 1996 and the 29th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1840, Charles Wilkes discovered Antarctica.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: James Watt (1736-1819), inventor; Robert E. Lee (1807-1870), Confederate general; Edgar Allan Poe (1809-1849), writer; Paul Cezanne (1839-1906), painter; Jean Stapleton (1923-), actress, is 73; Phil Everly (1939-), singer, is 57; Janis Joplin (1943-1970), singer; Dolly Parton (1946-), entertainer, is 50.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1898, Brown defeated Harvard 6-0 in the first college hockey game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "From childhood's hour I have not been / As others were — I have not seen / As others saw." — Edgar Allan Poe

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1892, the temperature at old Fort Assinaboine, Mont., rose 43 degrees in about 15 minutes.

SOURCE: 1996 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Day before new moon.

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East Elementary School

Fall semester perfect attendance

Fifty-one East Elementary School students received perfect attendance recognition for the fall semester. These students are being treated to a pizza lunch today, courtesy of the Parent Council and Pizza Hut Express.

Recipients are: Aleida Arellano, Thomas Baldwin, Andrew Bane, Justin Boyd, Stacey Bradshaw, William Brasher, Desiree Braziel, Mandy Burns, Garick Clayton, Justin Cox, Ashley Darnell, Alexis Dupree, Brad English, Israel Franco and Blake Grimmett.

Others include: Isidro Gutierrez, Justin Guynes, Matt Hale, Steve Hembree, Melissa Jerome, Joshua Kemp, Hollie Lammert, Erica Lee, Emily Long, Casey Martinez, Ray Martinez, Joseph McGough, Barrett Munson, Rebecca Pavlovsky, Jennifer Pena and Jose Perez.

Also included: Tanner Reed, Brian Rios, Ricky Rios, Maresha Rivera, Rachell Scott, Joel Silva, Chance Squiers, Justin Squires, Justin Stoker, Jeremy Stout, Shawn Thompson, Sara Thornhill, Brock Tyrell and Matthew Vasquez.

Other recipients: Melissa Vasquez, Marcus Villarreal, Colton West, Amanda Whisenhunt, Jonathan Terrell and Trey Woolsey.

Lisa Marie Presley reveals decision to divorce Jackson

NEW YORK (AP) — The King of Pop's marriage has gone bust.

Surgically altered superstar Michael Jackson was dumped Thursday by his wife of 20 months, Lisa Marie Presley — a sudden reversal of marital fortunes for a couple that had proclaimed their bliss on national television just seven months ago.

Jackson

The couple had no children but shared a very large menagerie. It was the second marriage for Presley, 27, and the first for the increasingly odd Jackson, 37.

Why has Presley metaphorically left the building? In papers filed in Los Angeles, Elvis' only daughter cited irreconcilable differences — no real surprise when the husband's closest pre-wedding pals were Bubbles the chimp and serial wife Liz Taylor.

"Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley have mutually agreed to go their separate ways. However they remain good friends," said Jackson's publicist, Lee Solters.

In the three-page divorce filing, Presley listed their date of separation as Dec. 10, 1995 — four days after Jackson's on-stage collapse during rehearsals for a TV special in New York.

The good news for Jackson: He was shacked up with a good-looking, incredibly wealthy woman for almost two years. The bad news: He's still a very, very weird dude.

What made this marriage different?

Well, Presley had a deeper voice, a darker complexion and less makeup than her husband. They appeared on national television together twice: Once for a creepy kiss at the MTV Awards, again to announce they were having sex. Both appeared topless in one of Jackson's videos.

Sensing a theme?

Presley's first marriage, to musician Danny Keough, ended in divorce after six years. They have two children. The announcement of her May 1994 marriage to Jackson in the Dominican Republic was greeted with the kind of skepticism usually reserved for Bigfoot sightings.

One poll showed 41 percent of Americans predicted divorce. Gossip columnists and Jackophiles reported cracks in the marriage within six months. Some called it a corporate merger of Graceland and Neverland; others said it was a publicity stunt aimed at righting Jackson's tarnished image.

The jokes were flying soon after news of the pending divorce.

"This hit Hollywood like a brick," Jay Leno said in his Thursday night monologue on his TV show. "What a shock! Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie are divorcing. What could have happened? Well, you know what that means ... kids, he's available."

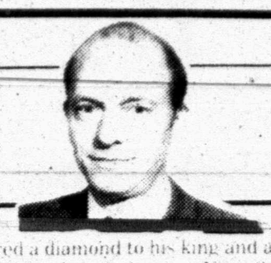
Leno didn't stop there: "And this is going to get ugly. Oh man ... according to divorce lawyers, you know, Lisa Marie is entitled to half of all the noses Michael acquired."

Presley's lawyer, John P. Coale, wouldn't say whether the couple had a prenuptial agreement, but as sole heir to Elvis' $100 million estate, she's hardly wanting for cash.

"It's going to be a very simple and clean divorce," Coale said.

The city of La Paz, Bolivia, is located 12,000 feet above sea level. Despite the fact that there are several fire engines in the city, there has yet to be a major fire. At that altitude, the oxygen is so thin that flames are quickly extinguished.

Bridge By Phillip Alder



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Talking of communication

By Phillip Alder

Thomas Carlyle, the Scottish writer, claimed, "Men that can have commu-

nication in nothing else can sympathetically eat together, can still rise into some glow of brotherhood over food and wine."

It is true that [illegible] and dominoes [illegible] deal features a different use for the word "communication." How would you play in five diamonds after a Spade lead?

North's response of three diamonds showed a maximum pass with, probably, at least five diamonds. It also denied a four card major. Now South tried to get into three no trump, showing his heart strength. However, when North indicated values in spades, the club weakness became apparent. With his useful singleton, South was happy to jump to five diamonds.

After winning the first trick with dummy's spade queen, declarer played a diamond to his king and a diamond to dummy's ace. Now South called for a low club, but East defended well. He went in with the king and cashed the diamond queen. When the spades were [illegible] and the defense had only four tricks: three spades, two hearts, two top diamonds, two ruffs in the dummy and one ruff in hand.

The contract had looked easy. And it was, if only South had led a club after one top trump (or at trick two). The communications are opened for a happy little crossruff.

Suppose West wins and plays another spade. Declarer wins, cashes his second top trump and goes about his business, playing off his major suit winners and ruffing dummy's two low clubs in his hand.

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Fire damages home

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (AP) — Fire damaged a 100-year-old farmhouse owned by musician Bruce Hornsby's family.

The two-story frame house was pictured on an early Hornsby video, "The Valley Road," and Hornsby spent a lot of time in the house in the late 1970s and early '80s when his brother, Bobby, lived there.

"It's filled with memories," said Ann Hornsby, Bobby's wife.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY

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

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or573-8929; (last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

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

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

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Saturday, Jan. 20, 1996

In the year ahead you will have greater opportunities to operate in an independent manner than you have had in the past. Impediments that hampered your progress will decrease as you become a stronger person.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Something you hope to receive will have a splendid chance of becoming a reality at this time. Do not lose faith in yourself or in the other persons who are trying to bring this about. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your efforts could be more successful today if you do what needs doing without talking about it first. Keep a low profile.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Luck may be in store for you today. If so, this wave of good fortune may produce long term, favorable effects.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Dedicate as many hours as possible to objectives of the greatest importance to you at this time. Your luck will favor critical concerns.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) People who like you will be eager to help you today, but you must lay all of your cards out on the table. If you are frank and forthright, they will be too.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Material motivation is a powerful factor that you can channel to your advantage today. Focusing on things you want could inspire you to succeed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you have to operate independently today, by all means do so, but team up with competent allies whenever possible.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A big shift in conditions might occur today. This could produce new career opportunities for you. Try to spot these opportunities before your competition does.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today and tomorrow you could be luckier than usual in situations that offer progressive ideas, methods or products. Think of the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In this cycle, things will have a way of ending up to your advantage. However, this doesn't mean you should leave important matters to chance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Before making any important decisions today, re-evaluate your alternatives. You might have greater advantages at your disposal than you realize.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Concentrate your efforts on developments that can offer you some form of personal gain today. Your probabilities for acquisition look quite good.

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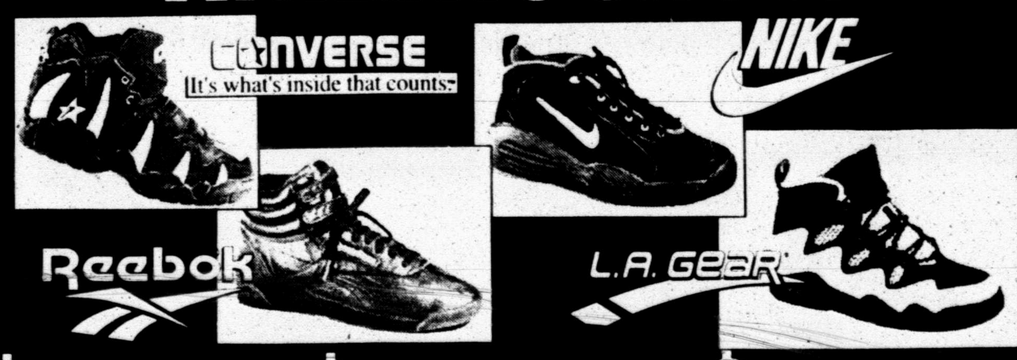

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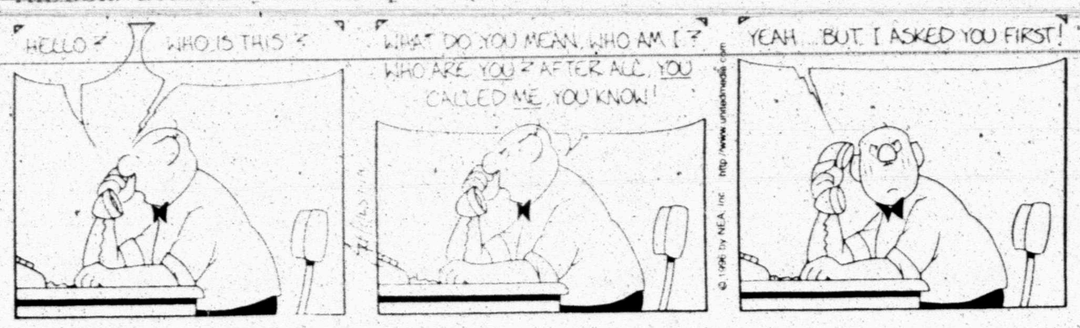

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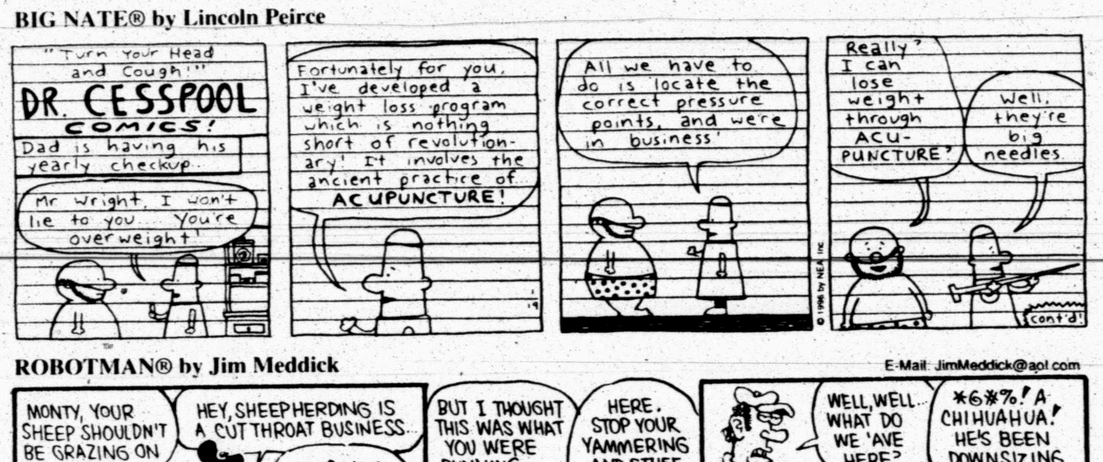

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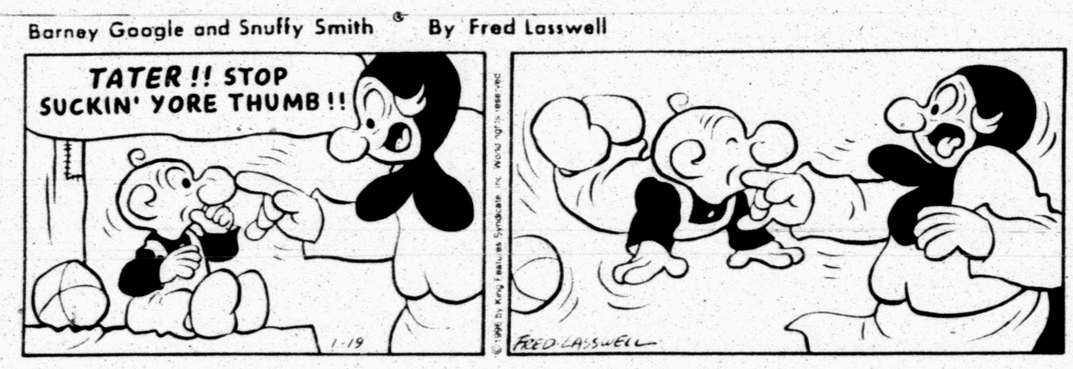

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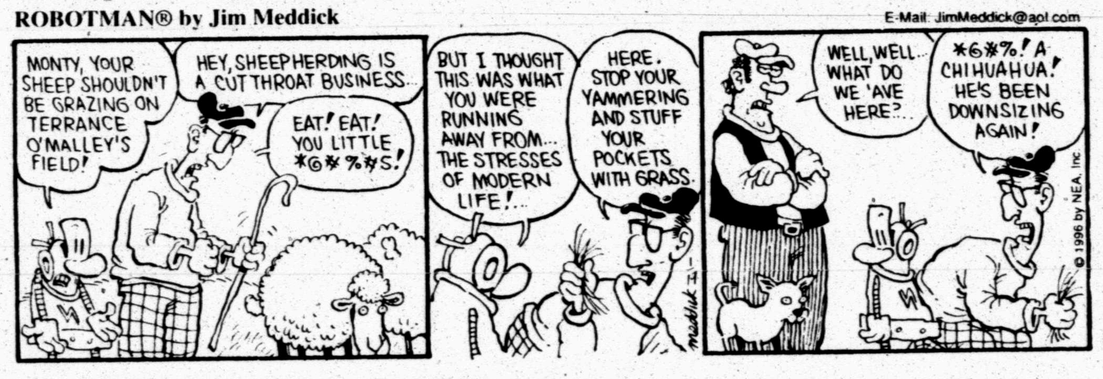

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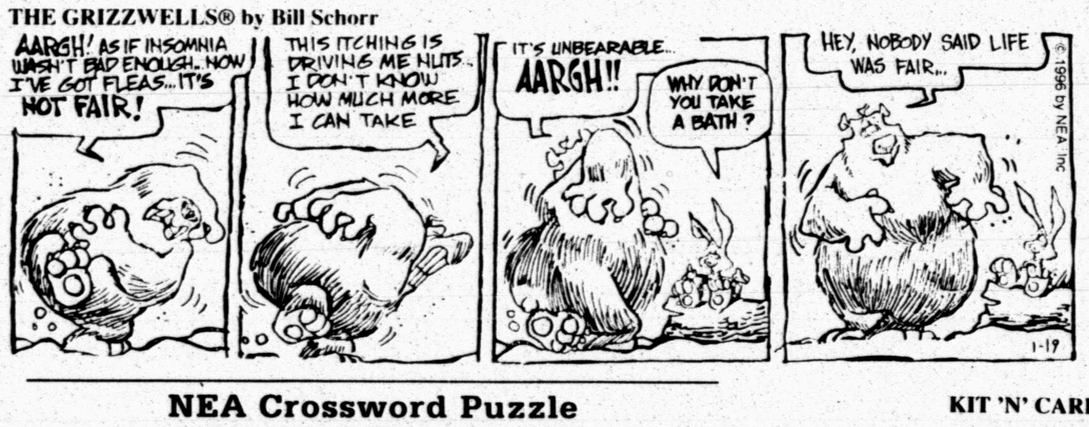

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14 ... a man — — mouse?
15 Without joy
17 Baseball's Hodges
18 Sounds raucously
19 — — ear and ...
21 Over (pref.)
22 Takeout-order words
24 Wonderland visitor
26 — Churchill
30 Ceremony
31 Feel poorly
32 Author — Levin
33 As far — — know
34 Elevations (abbr.)
35 Flying creature
36 Concise
39 Cousin's father
40 Whip
41 Negative word
42 Mary — Moore
45 Affectedly shy
48 Debt initials
49 Upholstered anew
52 Unit of light
53 Sheeplike
54 Chemical suffix
55 Wooden tub
56 Easily molded
57 Offspring

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1 Poetic foot
2 Send
3 Living on other creatures
4 Stick together
5 — well that ends well
6 Shelter
7 — Angeles
8 Appoint
9 Type of dancer
10 Actress Moran
11 Man or boy
16 Armistice
20 Denials
22 Spasm
23 Lubricates
24 — Sea of Asia
25 — Marie Presley
27 Alcohol solutions
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29 Basketball player Archibald
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35 Folklore creature
37 Bullfight cheer
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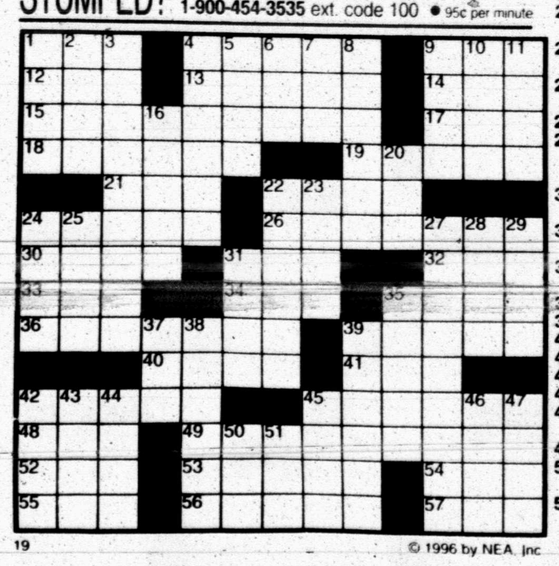

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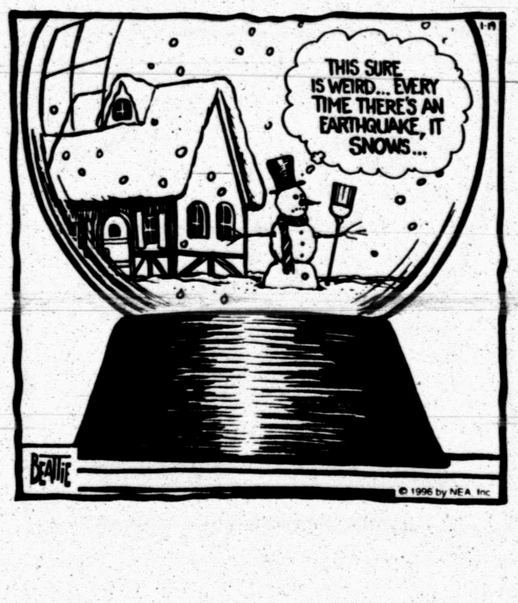

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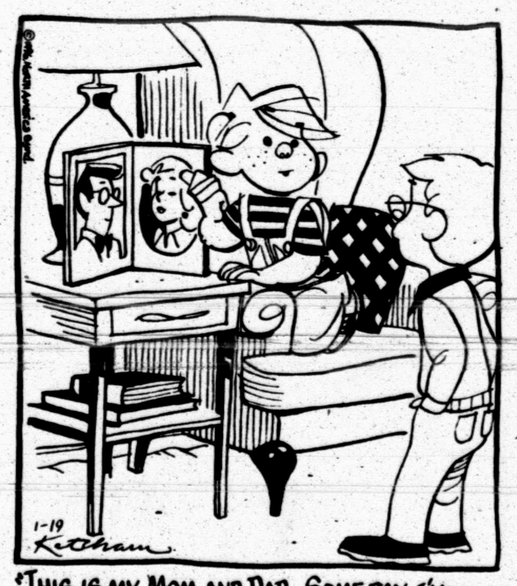

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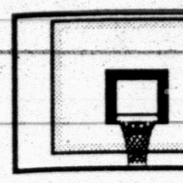

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Sweetwater	2	0
Frenship	2	0
Levelland	2	0
Snyder	**0**	**2**
Estacado	0	2
Lamesa	0	2

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Sweetwater	2	2
Lamesa	1	3
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SPORTS

Snyder, Lamesa tonight

It doesn't matter what it is, when Snyder and Lamesa get together, you can count on a war.

The annual rivalry continues tonight in Lamesa as the Snyder High School round-ballers will take on the Golden Tors.

The Lady Tigers (11-12, 2-2) will take on the Lady Tors (10-11, 1-3) at 6:30 in the Lamesa Middle School gym. The Tigers (15-6, 0-2) will tangle with the Golden Tors at (8-12, 0-2) at 8.

The JV games will be played at 5.

The Lady Tors are coming of a 57-48 loss to Levelland while the Lady Tigers were defeated by Frenship, 49-36.

The Tigers will be looking for their first district win. Snyder was knocked off by Frenship, 72-42, Tuesday night while Lamesa lost to Levelland, 57-48.

KOREA EAGLES—The Korea Tae Kwon Do Eagles demonstration team was in Snyder Tuesday putting on three demonstrations for all of the elementary school students. The team is made up of 27 kids ages eight to 11. The students are on a U.S. tour including Lubbock, Houston and Chicago. (SDN Staff Photo by Brent Taylor)

DISTRICT 5-4A STANDINGS

MEN

	District			Season		
Team	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**W**	**L**	**Pct**
Sweetwater	2	0	1.000	20	1	.952
Frenship	2	0	1.000	21	4	.840
Levelland	2	0	1.000	17	7	.708
Snyder	**0**	**2**	**.000**	**15**	**6**	**.714**
Estacado	0	2	.000	12	12	.500
Lamesa	0	2	.000	8	12	.400

Tuesday's games: Frenship 72, Snyder 42; Levelland 57, Lamesa 48; Sweetwater 71, Estacado 53.
Friday's games: Snyder at Lamesa, Frenship at Estacado, Sweetwater at Levelland.

WOMEN

	District			Season		
Team	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**W**	**L**	**Pct**
Frenship	4	0	1.000	17	6	.739
Levelland	3	1	.750	18	5	.782
Snyder	**2**	**2**	**.500**	**11**	**12**	**.478**
Sweetwater	2	2	.500	14	12	.538
Lamesa	1	3	.250	10	11	.476
Estacado	0	4	.000	5	17	.227

Tuesday's games: Frenship 49, Snyder 36; Levelland 57, Lamesa 48; Sweetwater 54, Estacado 50.
Friday's games: Snyder at Lamesa, Sweetwater at Levelland, Frenship at Estacado.

NBA AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press
National Basketball Association
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic Division				
Orlando	28	9	.757	—
NewYork	23	13	.639	4½
Washington	18	19	.486	10
Miami	17	19	.472	10½
NewJersey	15	21	.417	12½
Boston	15	22	.405	13
Philadelphia	7	28	.200	20
Central Division				
Chicago	33	3	.917	—
Indiana	22	14	.611	11
Cleveland	20	16	.555	13
Detroit	19	16	.543	13½
Atlanta	19	17	.528	14
Charlotte	17	19	.472	16
Milwaukee	15	22	.405	18½
Toronto	10	28	.263	24
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
SanAntonio	25	10	.714	—
Houston	27	12	.692	—
Utah	22	13	.629	3
Denver	16	22	.421	10½
Dallas	11	24	.314	14
Minnesota	10	26	.278	15½
Vancouver	7	30	.189	19
Pacific Division				
Seattle	26	10	.722	—
Sacramento	21	13	.618	4
L.A.Lakers	20	17	.540	6½
Portland	18	19	.486	8½
GoldenState	16	22	.421	11
Phoenix	14	20	.412	11
L.A.Clippers	15	22	.405	11½

Thursday's Games
Chicago 92, Toronto 89
Detroit 100, San Antonio 98
Milwaukee 100, Golden State 96
Boston 108, Houston 106
Cleveland 98, Vancouver 90
Sacramento 105, Portland 100

Friday's Games
Atlanta at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Washington at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Miami, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Boston at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Utah, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Portland, 10 p.m.
New York at Seattle, 10 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Minnesota at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Denver, 9 p.m.
New York at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Clippers at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.

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Western Texas takes win over Odessa, 77-67

By Brent Taylor
Sports Editor

ODESSA—In a game that almost wasn't, the Western Texas College Lady Westerners came out on top of Odessa, 77-67, here Thursday night.

In a game scheduled for 7:30, the Lady Westerners arrived at 5:45 and were told they were to play at 6. It seems no one told coach Brenda Nichols and the Lady Westerners that Odessa's men were going to play New Mexico Military at 7:30 following the women's game.

"We were told if we were not ready by 6, we would have to forfeit," said Nichols. After making a few calls and doing some heavy- duty arguing, Nichols, with the help of NMMI coach Reggie Franklin, were allowed extra time to get ready.

"They told me if NMMI would agree to start their game late, we could have more time." Franklin told Nichols she could have all the time she wanted.

The game finally started at 6:20 with the Lady Westerners literally warming up and playing at the same time. The added pressure must of worked as according to Nichols, "We played great."

The Lady Westerners ended with four girls in double figures and three of the four had double-doubles.

Shanna Gathwright was high point with 21. She also had 10 assists. Toot Smith and Katrina Turner each had 15 points. Smith had 18 rebounds and Turner 10 boards. April Reves hit four three-point shots and ended the game with 16.

After trailing 30-24 at halftime, the Lady Westerners put together a good second half. "Our defense was good and we were moving the ball up and down the court," Nichols said.

The Lady Westerners were 24 of 29 from the free throw line, shot 42 percent from the field and hit 50 percent from three-point territory. WTC had 48 rebounds, 23 assists and 14 steals.

The Lady Westerners will be back at home Monday for a 7:30 start with Howard College. The Lady Hawks, ranked third in the latest NJCAA poll, will bring an 18-1 record, 6-1 in conference play to the Scurry County Coliseum.

Howard suffered its first loss of the year Thursday to Midland, 78-72. The Lady Westerners are now 7-12 for the year, 2-6 in conference play.

WESTERN TEXAS 77, ODESSA 67
Western Texas: Smith 6 3-4 15, Jeffrey 1 2-2 4, Brooks 2 2-2 6, Gathwright 4 10-13 21, Reves 0 4-4 16, Turner 6 3-4 15, Totals 19 24-29 77.
Odessa: Caldwell 4 3-6 11, Phillips 5 1-2 11, Deanda 2 1-2 5, Bibles 4 2-4 11, Owensby 3 2-4 8, Aleman 1 3-4 5, Lovejoy 3 2-3 8, Hood 3 0-1 6, Totals 25 14-28 67.
Halftime score: Odessa 30, WTC 24. 3-Point goals: WTC 5 (Gathwright, Reves 4); Odessa 3 (Deanda, Lovejoy, Bibles). Records: WTC 7-12, 2-6; Odessa 6-13, 1-6.

NFL sued again

ATLANTA (AP) — NFL owners knew they were likely to get sued no matter where they decided the Browns should play next season. Baltimore couldn't wait even that long, filing a federal antitrust lawsuit on the same day owners scheduled a vote on the controversial issue in three weeks.

The Maryland Stadium Authority, miffed that the owners didn't vote on the Browns' proposed move from Cleveland to Baltimore during three days of meetings in Atlanta, filed a lawsuit Thursday seeking at least $36 million in damages from the NFL.

Jim Moag, chairman of the Maryland stadium authority, said the lawsuit showed that Baltimore's "patience has worn thin."

The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer and The (Toledo) Blade reported today that Browns owner Art Modell told fellow owners that he would consider selling the team to allow it to stay in Cleveland if he received an expansion franchise in Baltimore. The newspapers cited sources they did not identify.

It was the first time Modell had indicated he might be willing to give up the Browns instead of transferring them to Baltimore. However, The Blade said its source emphasized that there is little support for expansion among NFL owners.

Modell spokesman David Hopcraft said that the discussion "went beyond that and you must remember, Art's not selling," The Plain Dealer reported.

The newspapers said the possibility of selling the Browns to keep the team in Cleveland was raised by Wayne Weaver, owner of the Jacksonville Jaguars and a member of the NFL stadium committee.

Messages seeking comment were left today for Weaver and for league spokesman Greg Aiello, at his Super Bowl headquarters office in Arizona.

Most speculation has centered on Modell agreeing to leave the Browns name and colors in Cleveland, with the NFL committing to bring another team to the Ohio city now that it has put together a $175 million deal to renovate its aging, 80,000-seat stadium.

Olajuwon scores 51 in Rockets loss

HOUSTON (AP) — Hakeem Olajuwon got Boston coach M.L. Carr's vote for MVP, but it didn't help the Houston Rockets get a victory.

Olajuwon put up MVP numbers with a season — and almost career high — 51 points, and 14 rebounds but that didn't stop the Celtics from beating the Rockets 108-106 Thursday night on 23 points from Dino Radja and clutch fourth quarter shooting.

It snapped a Rockets winning streak at three games.

"Our game plan was to let Hakeem do his thing and hopefully wear him down, and at the end we doubled him," Carr said. "I was trying to help make him MVP again. He got my vote."

Boston also took advantage of Houston's weakened lineup. It seemed more Rockets players were wearing suits on the bench than uniforms.

Robert Horry (right knee tendinitis) and Sam Cassell (shoulder) were on the sidelines with injuries and Mario Elie underwent surgery earlier Thursday to repair broken bones in his right wrist.

Pittsburg -- changing its name to support Cowboys

PITTSBURG, Texas (AP) — On Monday, this East Texas community is changing its name for a week in support of the Dallas Cowboys, who on Feb. 28 will play the Pittsburgh Steelers in this year's Super Bowl.

"It's all in fun," Pittsburg (Texas) city manager Ned Muse told the Longview News-Journal on Thursday. "We just want everyone to know how we feel (about the Cowboys)."

The official name change — to Cowboys, Texas — will come at a ceremony at 11 a.m. Monday on the city's southern city limits on Texas 271 when Mayor D.H. Abernathy will read a proclamation. The change will be effective for the week of Jan. 22-29.

The city of 3,635 is 108 miles east of Dallas.

Following the ceremony, a group of local Dallas Cowboy fans will observe the changing of the town's city limits sign with one bearing the new, though temporary, name.

The idea isn't entirely original. The town of Buffalo, Texas, changed its name to Blue Star each time the Dallas Cowboys played the Buffalo Bills in the 1993 and 1994 Super Bowls.

For those trying to get mail to the East Texas town, the zip code might get a letter to the right destination, but better safe than sorry, according to postmaster Jerry Huffman.

"If you're really serious about getting your letter to Pittsburg, you better put Pittsburg on it," he said.

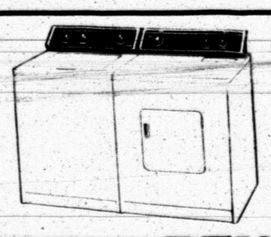
Pistons take two-point win over Spurs

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — For years, Theo Ratliff had been studying David Robinson, waiting for his chance.

He got it Thursday. And when it counted, he came through.

Ratliff's defense forced Robinson to pass up a possible game-tying shot, and when Chuck Person missed a 3-pointer, the Detroit Pistons had a surprising 100-98 victory over the San Antonio Spurs.

"Ever since I can remember, I taped every game that he played on TV, because that's the guy I wanted to be," Ratliff said. "I had never played against him before tonight, but I knew what to expect, and I just hoped my quickness would help me stay with him a little."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Mom thinks Michael should choose his words more carefully

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer

She can't spank him, send him to his room or wash his mouth out with soap. Still, Pearl Irvin thinks she can make her famous son do what the NFL and the Dallas Cowboys could not: choose his words more carefully.

Michael Irvin created an uproar last weekend during the presentation of the NFC championship trophy. Addressing a Texas Stadium crowd and a live national TV audience, Irvin slipped a four-letter word into an emotional defense of oft-criticized coach Barry Switzer.

Asked Wednesday whether he wanted to apologize, Irvin instead faced the battery of TV cameras at the Cowboys' Valley Ranch training facility and repeated the same word five times in the next few minutes. Then he defied anyone to stop him from expressing himself any way he wants.

His mom planned to take up the gauntlet.

"I almost fell through the floor the first time he said it," Pearl Irvin said Thursday from her home in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. "I have never in my life heard Michael talk that way.

"He told me, 'Mama, I'm sorry.' And I said, 'Michael, you know that's no way to talk, especially not when you're speaking in public. And especially when you've got a little brother coming up who listens to everything you say. You wouldn't want him speaking like that.'

"Now," she added, "I've got to remind him one more time."

Pearl Irvin chuckled softly through much of the conversation. Raising 15 of her own kids and two more taught her patience. She said Michael was a sweet kid who spent most days playing pickup football in the street with his older brothers. The only time he yelled, she recalled, was when the quarterback wouldn't throw him the football.

"I don't need to tell you," she said, "that he didn't learn to speak that way in this house."

If Pearl Irvin wants to remind him of that in person, she will have to wait until next week. That's when she catches up to Michael at the Super Bowl in Phoenix. But she expects to find a changed man there.

"My sister called me up the first time he said that on TV, and she said she was going to write him a letter," Pearl Irvin said. "I'll bet if he got that in the mail, he's being careful about what he says already."

Goydos gains recognition besides book

PALM DESERT, Calif. (AP) — Paul Goydos' claim to fame as a golfer came from being one of the players featured in a book about daily life on the PGA Tour.

Goydos, one of many relatively obscure pros who toil week in and week out in the shadows of better-known players, appreciates the added attention that the book, "A Good Walk Spoiled," brought him. But he wants to be recognized for something else.

"A lot of people have gotten to know me a little, tell me they read about me in the book," Goydos said Thursday after his 8-under-par 64 gave him a 1-shot lead in the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic. "Hopefully someday my golfing will be the way I'm recognized; not the book."

Goydos, who hasn't won since joining the tour in 1993 and almost lost his tour card last year, is 11-under-par through two rounds of the Hope, a five-day, 90-hole tournament.

The 64 was his best round on the tour, and he said the lead was his first.

"Am I leading? I've never done that before," he said with a smile. "Having 11-under leading surprises me; I thought there would be somebody lower than that."

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Deadly winds sock state last two days

By The Associated Press

After being teased by mild weather earlier in the week, much of Texas has been socked the past two days by deadly powerful winds, reported tornadoes and even snow flurries in some areas.

Two people were reported dead after a store in Anthony partially collapsed, while two other wind-related fatalities were reported in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, across the border from El Paso.

On Thursday, many people were still without power in El Paso after spending the night without electricity because high winds toppled utility polls and pulled down electrical lines.

A strong low-pressure system developed over the Plains states Wednesday, and the accompanying cold front sliced through Texas, buffeting the state with 110-mile-and-hour winds in some places.

Southerly winds gusted to 128 mph at Guadalupe Pass and 51 mph at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

"It's winter time, and just like the big (snow) storm that hit the East Coast, these systems will produce wild weather," said Skip Ely, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Fort Worth. "The good news is that the winds will be subsiding by Friday. But the bad news is it's going to get colder — especially in North and West Texas."

Snow fell in the two regions with no significant accumulation.

A wind chill advisory was in effective Thursday for the Panhandle and South Plains of West Texas. In North Texas, where wind child factors dropped to near zero, a wind advisory was in effect.

Temperatures plunged to below freezing over most of the state Thursday night.

A day earlier, Soccoro Barron, 33, of Anthony, N.M., was killed when the roof of La Feria store in Anthony, Texas, partially collapsed. Another victim, Gilbert Cabral, 21, a store employee, died later at Thomason General Hospital in El Paso.

Two other people were transported to El Paso hospitals.

In North Texas, roofs were torn off buildings in Burleson on Wednesday night. An apartment complex was evacuated as the storm moved through, triggering electric transformer fires in the town just south of Fort Worth.

And witnesses said a tornado hit a building and flipped over an 18-wheeler in Lancaster, located in southern Dallas County.

"I've been hit twice in the past 19 months, but in different locations," said Lancaster businessman Richard Scaney, adding the twister leveled about one-quarter of his building, containing a law office and a retail clothing outlet.

Another reported twister in Lancaster caused widespread damage in 1994, gutting the downtown square.

City officials said 12 businesses and 25 homes were damaged in Thursday's storm.

Other tornados were reported in southern Dallas County, but weather service officials said they had not determined if any tornadoes actually touched down.

At one time Wednesday night, a tornado watch was in effect for 52 counties in North and Northeast Texas.

High winds left behind damage in East Texas. Roofs were blown off, trees were uprooted and power lines were down in Tyler and Longview. Counties reporting damage included Smith, Gregg, Henderson, Wood and Harrison.

An estimated 2,000 people were without power Thursday in the region.

Out west, El Paso Electric Co. spokesman Henry Quintana said utility crews worked throughout the day to repair the broken poles and severed lines. About 800 households were still in the dark as of late Thursday morning.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	73	70¾	72⅞	+2
AT&T Corp	66⅛	66	66¼	— ⅜
AirTouch	26⅛	26¼	26¼	— ⅛
Albertsons	32⅝	32¼	32¼	+ ⅜
Alldsignal	48⅛	48¼	48¼	— ¼
Alltel		30⅛	30¼	30⅛
AmStores		25¼	25¾	25¼
Ameritech	59⅜	58¼	58¾	— ⅛
Amoco	69¾	69⅜	69½	— ¼
AndarkPtr	49⅛	48¾	49¼	+ ¼
ArmcoInc	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛	+ ⅛
AtlRichfld	112¼	112	112¼	— ⅛
ATMOS Egy		22¼	22¼	22¼
Aviall	9⅛	9	9	— ⅛
BakerHughes	23¼	22¼	22¼	— ¼
BellAtl	69¼	69¼	69½	— ⅜
BellSouth s	43	42½	42¾	— ½
BethSteel	13⅛	13⅛	13⅛	+ ⅛
BritPet	97⅛	96⅞	96⅞	—1⅛
BurlNoSFe	76	75⅛	76	+ ⅛
Caterpillar	59⅛	58⅜	58⅞	— ⅛
CenSoWst		27¼	27⅛	27¼
Chevron	53⅛	53¼	53⅜	+ ⅛
Chrysler	54⅛	53⅛	54⅛	+2
Coastal	36⅜	35¼	36⅜	+ ⅛
CocaCola	73⅛	72¼	73¼	— ¼
ColgatePalm	71⅛	70⅝	71	— ⅛
ComclMetals	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛	+ ⅛
CooperIn	35	34¼	34¼	— ½
CyprusAmax	25	24¼	25	+ ⅛
DallSemicn	20⅛	20¼	20⅛	+ ⅛
DeltaAirl	71⅛	70	71⅛	+1⅛
DigitalEq	65⅛	62¼	65⅛	+2⅛
Dillard	27½	27¼	27½	— ⅛
DowChem	68¼	68¼	68¼	— ⅛
DresserInd	24¼	23¾	24⅛	+ ⅛
DuPont	70⅛	70¼	70⅜	— ⅛
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GTE Cp	45⅜	45	45	— ⅜
GenDynam	60¼	59⅞	60	+ ⅛
GenElec	73⅞	72½	73¾	+1¼
GenMills	55⅛	54½	54½	— ⅜
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GaPacif	66½	66¼	66⅜	— ⅜
GlobalMar	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛	+ ⅛
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Hanson ADS	15	15-16	14⅞	15⅛
HarteHanks s		22⅞	22¼	22½
HoustonInd s	25⅛	24½	25⅛	+ ⅛
IBM	99⅜	96½	99¼	+3
IntlPapers	38⅛	37¾	38	+ ⅛
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Kroger	36⅛	35	36¼	+ ⅜
Litton		47¼	47½	47⅜
Lowes Cos		29	28¾	29
Lubys		21¼	21	21¼
MayDeptStrs	42	41½	41⅞	— ⅛
Medtronics	52⅜	51⅞	52⅜	— ⅛
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PepsiCo	57¼	56¼	56¼	— ⅛
PhelpDodge	59	58¼	59	+ ⅛
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SterlingChm	8¼	8⅛	8⅛	+ ⅛
SunCo	26	25½	25¾	— ⅛
TNP Ent		19⅛	19¼	19⅛
Tandy	37¾	37½	37½	— ¼
TemplInl	40¼	40	40¼	— ⅛
Tenneco	47¾	47¼	47⅜	— ⅛
Texaco	79⅛	78¼	79¼	+ ½
TexasInd	52	51¼	51¾	+ ½
TexasInsts	47½	46¼	47½	—1½
TexUtil		41	40¾	40¾
Textron	76¼	75¼	76⅛	+ ⅜
Travelers	60½	59¾	60½	— ⅜
TrinityInds	32¼	32½	32¼	+ ⅛
TritonEngy	53¾	52½	52¾	— ⅜
Tyler		2¾	2¾	2¾
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USX-Delhi		10⅜	10⅜	10⅜
USX-Marathn		19⅜	19	19⅜
USX-USS	30¾	30	30¼	+ ⅛
UnCarbde	38 9-16	37⅞	38	+ ⅛
UnPac	66¼	66½	66¼	+ ⅜
UnitedTech	93½	92	93½	+1¼
Unocal		29¼	28¾	29
WalMart	19⅜	19⅛	19½	+ ⅛
WstnGasRs	14⅛	13¾	13¾	— ⅛
WestghEl	19	18¾	18¾	— ⅛
WinnDixie s	36¼	35¾	36¼	— ¼
Woolworth	9¼	9⅛	9⅛	— ⅛
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Hiring criteria restored

The affirmative action fight that made it back onto the agenda of University California regents didn't stay there long.

Six months after voting to drop affirmative action in hiring and admissions, the regents postponed action Thursday on a proposal to restore race and gender considerations.

"Some people didn't want to confront the issues at hand," said student regent Ed Gomez. "The board of regents solidified its disrespect for the university."

After a two-hour presentation from faculty and a public comment session that produced 11 student arrests, the committee voted 12-4 to postpone indefinitely any discussion of Gomez's proposal to rescind the July 20 vote.

A second proposal that would have put a one-year freeze on the policy changes was postponed at the request of its sponsor, regent Judith Levin. She said the vote was clearly headed for defeat, and "taking another negative vote produces no goodwill."

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Don't take chances with edema

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 71-year-old sister suffers from edema. Her legs swell to twice their size. Her heart and blood pressure are OK. She's on Lasix. Can you give me any hints on this?

DEAR READER: Leg edema (accumulation of excess fluid in the tissues) has two common causes. Either the blood is deficient in protein or the veins, for a variety of reasons, allow fluid to escape.

In the first instance, blood proteins are the key factor. Composed of heavy molecules, protein tends to attract fluid. If a person is protein-deficient, the blood tends to release fluid to the denser surrounding tissues. Protein deficiencies are common in parts of the world where malnutrition is the rule.

Unfortunately, protein deficiency is also prevalent among the elderly — even in industrial societies — because the aged sometimes fail to consume a healthful diet. Your sister should have a serum albumin determination. This simple and inexpensive blood test will indicate whether or not her blood protein level is normal. If the level is low, an increase in dietary protein may correct the abnormal loss of fluid from the blood.

In the second instance, edema results when veins are no longer able to contain the fluid in the blood, despite a normal serum albumin. Sometimes the veins merely stretch and become too thin (varicose veins).

Or the pressure of blood in the veins can rise, forcing fluid through the walls of the blood vessels. Such a pressure increase can result from pregnancy (because the enlarging uterus blocks the return of venous blood to the heart), tumors (which similarly block venous return), thrombophlebitis (clots that also impede venous flow), and congestive heart failure (because a weakened heart cannot accept and expel the venous blood).

Diuretics, such as Lasix, often reduce edema because the drugs stimulate the kidneys to excrete more water.

I do not know the reason for your sister's edema, but she certainly needs blood tests, X-rays and a cardiogram to investigate the causes that I mentioned. Her family doctor can coordinate the testing and call upon specialists, such as cardiologists, as needed.

In the meantime, your sister should elevate her legs when possible, avoid salt in her diet and continue the Lasix therapy.

Because heart disease is such a common cause of leg edema, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Understanding Heart Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

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Teen accused of killing brother

LOCKPORT, N.Y. (AP) — The Poss brothers went into the family barn as a young tandem who shared a stable upbringing and the daily headaches of junior high school.

Bryan, 11, was taken out with a bullet in the back of his head and died four hours later. Adam, 14, went to bed that night in a juvenile hall, charged as an adult with murder.

Bryan was to be buried today. Adam could spend the rest of his life behind bars if convicted.

"There's nothing that can be any worse," said Verna Poss, their grandmother. "This is nothing more than a tragic, tragic accident."

But police say Adam, a straight-A student in the 8th grade, intended to kill his little brother and admitted as much when he called 911 to report the shooting.

Police did not immediately release the transcripts of the call and a motive was not clear. Niagara County sheriff's deputies said Adam never claimed the shooting was an accident.

Adam pleaded innocent and was sent to the Monroe County Children's Detention Center in Rochester.

The slaying shocked and puzzled many in this rural community 20 miles from Buffalo.

"It has really hit the congregation and the community like a ton of bricks," said the Rev. Mary Ellen Larson of the First English Lutheran Church of Lockport.

"None of us can conceive either of the boys hurting anything let alone murder," Larson said. "We're trying to make sense of what has happened knowing full well that no one knows except for Adam."

The boys had planned to take a snowmobile ride near their rural home, one of many activities they enjoyed together over the years.

Both attended the same school, Starpoint Junior-Senior High. Bryan was in the school band. Adam was in the bell choir, volunteered his time in Bible-study classes and was known as one the church's best helpers.

"They were very much together," Verna Poss said. "I can't tell you how much they did. Because of their ages, they had separate friends, but they were together a lot."

Adam was charged with second-degree murder, criminal use of a weapon and criminal possession of a weapon in Monday's slaying. A .22-caliber handgun, registered in his father's name, was found near the scene. Bryan was shot once at close range.

Adam quickly called police after the shooting, which happened around dinnertime while his mother, Linda Poss, was in the house and his father, Kevin, was working.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Divorce Separates Woman From Family and Friends

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DEAR ABBY: Four months ago, I divorced my husband after I discovered he was having an affair. We had been married for many years. Since that time, my life has changed considerably, but there is one thing for which I was totally unprepared. I have been abandoned by my husband's family and our so-called friends.

I'm in a divorce-support group and have learned that abandonment is a common experience for divorced women. For some reason, this rarely happens to divorced men. Their social life flourishes.

Women in the process of divorce are often avoided for a variety of reasons: Friends may feel awkward because they don't know what to say; they may be embarrassed by the circumstances of the divorce, or may have known about the events which led to it and sided with the husband.

The point I want to make is this: If you know someone, especially a woman, who is going through a divorce, please don't avoid her. Even if you can't rush to her aid, a phone call, a note or a visit can make an enormous difference in her life. Sympathy can be conveyed without taking sides or becoming a party to mudslinging.

Please print my letter. If it helps even one person avoid some of the pain I have suffered, you will have performed a great service.

RECENT DIVORCEE,
NAUVOO, ALA.

DEAR DIVORCEE: With a large percentage of marriages ending in divorce in this country, men are also forced to make major social adjustments when a split occurs. Not all breakups are caused by infidelity.

Yours is a common problem; however, there are ways of turning the heartbreak from negative to positive. You now have the opportunity to make new friends and to begin building a new life for yourself. I wish you good luck and all the best.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: It wasn't my fault that I didn't get to serve on a jury panel. We were in the box waiting for the final question.

The lawyer asked me if there was any question he should have asked the other members of the panel or myself.

I said, "Yes, there is."

And he asked, "What's that?"

I replied, "You didn't ask if anyone could read lips."

His reply was rather curt, "And I suppose *you* can?"

My answer was equally brief: "Shall I repeat the conversation you just had with your client?"

His response was to say, "We respectfully ask that Juror No. 6 be excused." And excused I was. No one else knew what he had said to his client, and I wouldn't tell anyone because I was afraid I might cause a mistrial. Sign me ...

WOULD HAVE BEEN A GOOD JUROR, CARSON, CALIF.

DEAR WOULD HAVE BEEN: Your integrity is commendable. I'll wager the lawyer includes that question in future jury selections.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: Those letters about cigarettes being thrown from moving vehicles gave me a good laugh recalling other objects thrown from moving cars — such as a soda can that hit the helmet of a motorcycle cop. It was my head inside that helmet.

Although the incident was unintentional and the young man involved was very apologetic, the citation was easy for me to write.

Feel free to use my name.

OFFICER J.A. CHESTER,
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Retrial set in repressed-memory case

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. (AP) — As she has done so many times before, a woman will recount the faded memory that put her father in prison for the 1969 murder of one of her playmates.

Only this time, Eileen Franklin-Lipsker's testimony will come under much more scrutiny than it did during the trial that lead to the nation's first conviction based on repressed memories.

Prosecutors said Thursday they had enough evidence to retry George Franklin Sr., whose 1990 conviction and life prison sentence were overturned last year.

Franklin, 56, a retired firefighter, was convicted of the September 1969 murder of 8-year-old Susan Nason in a trial that became the focus of a debate on repressed or recovered memory, the belief that a traumatic event can be stored in the unconscious mind for many years and then recalled.

Franklin remains in prison on $1 million bail.

In overturning the conviction, U.S. District Judge D. Lowell Jensen said the trial judge made two major errors: allowing jurors to find a confession in Franklin's silent response to a jailhouse accusation, and barring defense evidence of news reports his daughter might have read.

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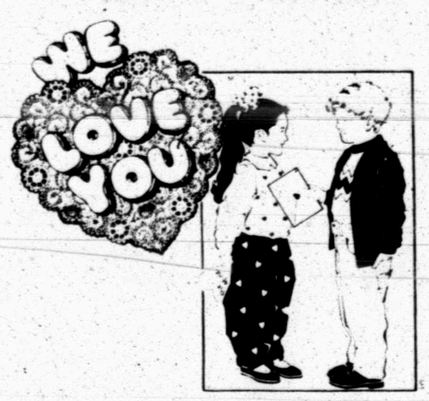

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THE CIVIL MAGISTRATE, OR JUDGE GOES BACK TO THE TIME OF MOSES. ON THE ADVICE OF HIS FATHER-IN-LAW JETHRO, MOSES ORGANIZED THE JUDICIARY OF ISRAEL--AND ONLY IN MATTERS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE DID MOSES MAKE DECISIONS. TRIBAL HEADS WERE KNOWN AS PRINCES AND ELDERS WHO POSSESSED CIVIL AND RELIGIOUS AUTHORITY. IN THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM THAT HE ORGANIZED MOSES INCLUDED THESE OFFICIALS AND THEY RETAINED UNDER NEW REGULATIONS, THEIR HEREDITARY FUNCTION OF JUDGING.(DEUT.1:15-17) BEFORE HIS DEATH MOSES GAVE DIRECTIONS THAT THE ISRAELITES, ON SETTLING IN CANAAN, SHOULD APPOINT JUDGES AND OFFICERS IN ALL THEIR TOWNS WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO REFER MATTERS TOO DIFFICULT FOR THESE MAGISTRATES TO THE PRIESTS. THIS BECAME A TRADITIONAL CUSTOM AND WAS USED BY SAMUEL IN LATER YEARS WHEN HE BECAME TOO OLD TO JUDGE AND HE MADE HIS OWN SONS JUDGES OVER ISRAEL (I SAM. 8:1)

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

INTERNATIONAL GUEST — Tom Holmberg, president of the Rotary Club in Rebild, Denmark, attended Snyder Rotary Club Thursday at noon at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. His club is hosting Snyder exchange student Jeff Levens Jr., son of Mike and Marsha Levens and grandson of Jack and June McGlaun. Holmberg is pictured visiting with Jack Gorman Jr., local president; Roy Baze; and Marvin Sentell, incoming district governor. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Obituaries

Willie Womack

1899-1996

Funeral service for Willie Mae Womack, 96, has been set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the First Baptist Church in Colorado City. Dr. Ted Spear will officiate, and burial will be in the Handley (Teeville) Cemetery under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Womack, who died Wednesday, Jan. 17, in Snyder Oaks Care Center was the aunt of Jean Richardson of Snyder.

She was born on Feb. 28, 1899 in Bowie and married William Womack on Dec. 26, 1919 in Fields, N.M. He preceded her in death in 1980. Mrs. Womack had lived in Colorado City most of her life and was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church.

Other survivors include one sister, Beatrice Bilberry of Lockney; one grandson, Patrick Womack of Fort Worth; and several other nieces, nephews and cousins.

James Davis

1930-1996

ABILENE — Graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in Central Cemetery in Jones County for James Howard Davis, 65, of Abilene. The Rev. Mike Bradford will officiate. Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

An employee of the City of Abilene Water Department from 1953-93, Mr. Davis was the brother of Jan Jinkins of Snyder.

Mr. Davis was born in Hawley where he attended school, moving to Abilene in 1958. He married Mary Frances Wood in 1958 in Merkel and was a member of North Side Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Frances Davis of Abilene; two sons, Russell Davis of Fort Worth and Robert Davis of Abilene; two daughters, Sandra Kay Wilkins and Linda George, both of Weatherford; one brother, Russell Davis of Abilene; another sister, Juanita Borders of Macon, Ga.; and six grandchildren.

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Mr. Christenson

1907-1996

KERMIT — Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Zion Lutheran Church for Emroy Christenson who died Wednesday, Jan. 17, in Kermit Memorial Hospital. The Rev. Mel Herring will officiate and burial will be in the Kermit Cemetery.

Mr. Christenson, 88, was the father of Wallace Christenson of Snyder.

A self employed oil field contractor, Mr. Christenson was a member of the Zion Lutheran Church. He married Loraine Fellers on Sept. 1, 1940 in Cranfills Gap. She survives.

Other survivors include his daughter, Thelma Chenault of Las Cruces, N.M; another son, Dan Christenson of Clearfield, Utah; a daughter, Sue Fisher of Lubbock; three brothers, Burton Christenson of Seymour, J.B. Christenson of Dallas and Leldon Christenson of Arlington; and three sisters, Marie Reesine of Clifton, Claris Witte of Grand Prairie and Ann Wrenn of Deland, Fla.

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with co-defendants to deprive plaintiff "of the pursuit of happiness with plaintiff's wife and also to deprive plaintiff of financial assistance provided by wife of plaintiff."

Mrs. Vineyard, a registered nurse, submitted her resignation as a nurse to the state board. The petition claims defendants conspired to coerce the resignation in exchange for not seeking an indictment against Mrs. Vineyard.

The appeals court overturned the second conviction, returned on June 22, 1994. Vineyard was given a second 10-year sentence which was stacked by then District Judge Gene Dulaney.

The appeals court cited double jeopardy, but local prosecutors have sought to have the case considered again by court of appeals.

A.G. Gaston dies

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP) — A.G. Gaston, a slave's grandson who became the state's leading black businessman and who once bailed the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. out of jail, died today at age 103.

He had a stroke earlier this week and was hospitalized when he died about 2 a.m.

What's Up?

Dance at Snyder Oaks

The Benny Benitez Band will perform at Snyder Oaks from 7-9 tonight. Everyone is invited.

Staff development day

Monday will be a staff development day for Snyder and Hermleigh ISDs. Students will not attend school that day.

WTC Booster Club

Western Texas College Booster Club will meet at noon Monday at the Golden Corral for a dutch treat lunch. All WTC fans are invited to attend.

Video series continues

A video series "Getting to know God" by Glenn Owen, is airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The second tape, "Getting to know God's Person and Problem," will be shown at 7 p.m. Monday.

Dare to Live meeting set

An informational meeting on becoming a foster or adoptive parent will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday at East Elementary. For more information, call 573-1161, or 915 672-6814 in Abilene.

Pick 3

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

9-2-4

(nine, two, four)

Man's family dies in suspicious fire

LUEBECK, Germany (AP) — Jean-Daniel Makodila returned to Luebeck today to find everything he loved was gone: The Zairian man's four children, wife and three of her siblings had perished in a suspicious blaze while he was out of town.

Neo-Nazis are suspected of setting the fire that raced through the immigrant shelter in the northern port city of Luebeck on Thursday, killing five children and five adults. But police and government officials say an electrical fire has not been ruled out.

If the fire was an arson attack, it would be Germany's deadliest assault on foreigners since World War II.

Police today freed three suspects detained Thursday, saying they had no strong evidence on which to hold them, and that the three had an alibi. The three men had criminal records, but not for right-wing violence, state Justice Minister Klaus Klingner said.

African mourners held a vigil throughout the night in an immigrants shelter like the one destroyed Thursday. It was to that home that friends brought the sobbing Makodila.

Makodila had been out of town Thursday, having gotten a message that a cousin in another town had died. He returned before dawn today to be met by friends who told him his whole family was dead.

The Zairian man's sobs silenced the mourners gathered outside the vigil house, and several men carried the broken man upstairs to a living room. His arrival set off cries from women and children on the upper floors.

A few hours later, Makodila left the building, sobbing and leaning on a woman who sagged under his weight. Another man helped and they stopped every few steps as Makodila broke down moaning. Other immigrants lined the stairwell, dabbing tears from their eyes and weeping in unison with the broken man.

Makodila went to City Hall, where 300 Luebeck residents had gathered to mourn the dead. Sobbing throughout the mayor's speech, he broke down and was helped out by other Africans.

2 arrested on Thursday

Two people were arrested Thursday as local law enforcement agencies handled fewer than the average number of complaints.

Officers arrested a 39-year-old male at 9:59 a.m. at the C&W store for possession of marijuana, less than 2 ounces.

Officers arrested a 21-year-old male at 11:24 p.m. at 36th Street and College Avenue on outstanding city warrants for speeding, failure to wear a seatbelt and for failure to appear.

In other activity Thursday, John Fair requested a deputy at 8:21 a.m. in reference to someone damaging a 1986 Ford pickup in the 1200 block of Smith. An offense report for criminal mischief was submitted.

A person notified deputies at 10:32 p.m. that a person was illegally dumping trash beside the Clairemont Highway.

A minor accident was reported at 3:50 p.m. in the 700 block of 37th Street. Involved were a 1993 Toyota driven by Martha Dillard of 3100 Crockett and a 1989 Chevrolet driven by Dossie Cribbs of 3905 Eastridge.

At 5 p.m. Wednesday, officers investigated a hit-and-run accident at 2900 College Ave. Involved were a 1993 Mercury driven by Magdalena Fajardo of 2605 Ave. W and a vehicle which left the scene.

At 7:49 p.m. Wednesday, officers investigated an accident involving a 1990 Ford van driven by James Kenny of Albuquerque and owned by the U-Haul Co. and an awning at the American Motor Inn.

Hijackers of ferry surrender

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — Gunmen who hijacked a Black Sea ferry surrendered peacefully to Turkish authorities today, ending a four-day hostage ordeal, Turkish television reported.

The gunmen sympathetic to Chechen rebels in Russia were picked up by police from the Avraysa-Eurasia ferry, where they had been holding 240 hostages, several television stations reported.

There were no reports of casualties.

"We have reached our goal. We are ending this action," an unidentified gunman told the private ATV network shortly before the hostage drama ended. "We will surrender to the Turkish authorities."

Before they gave themselves up, the hijackers had sounded alternately hard-line and conciliatory in their talks with the Turks, who refused to let the ferry enter the Bosporus straits, one of the world's busiest shipping lanes.

"We've stopped the ferry boat from entering Istanbul," Prime Minister Tansu Ciller said earlier today. "The most immediate threat has been overcome."

Before giving up, the hijackers anchored their vessel just outside the northern end of the straits.