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House GOP sends tax cuts to wary Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — With the central promise of their "Contract With America" fulfilled, House Republicans are basking in triumph after ramming through a five-year, $189 billion tax cut Democrats say will rob from the poor to give to the rich.

The glow may be short-lived. It's unclear which provisions of the huge package will survive a skeptical Senate and President Clinton's veto pen.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., declaring the moment "a truly historic and at the same time truly personal experience," shrugged off Democrats' criticism.

With victory in hand Wednesday night, Gingrich struck a conciliatory tone after a day of unusually acid debate. He thanked in advance of the vote the 27 Democrats who bolted to support the final chapter of the GOP's extraordinary 100-day juggernaut to reduce the size and reach of federal government.

"The American people can be proud of the United States House for what we have done together," he declared.

As midnight approached, Democrats ran out of procedural ploys and the bill Gingrich calls the "crowning jewel" of the "contract" passed 246-188. Republicans permitted no amendments and decisively rejected a $32 billion Democratic alternative.

White House press secretary Mike McCurry said the bill was unacceptable because "it skews the benefits of tax-cutting legislation disproportionately to the wealthy." He said Senate Republicans "have already indicated they have no appetite for this extreme legislation."

The GOP plan offers a $500-per-child tax credit for families earning up to $200,000, a

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Ask Us

Q-Is the distance between home plate and the pitcher's mound the same at Moffett Field as in major league parks?

A-Yes, both are 60-feet, six-inches.

Local

Model trains

Snyder Model Train Club will meet at 7 this evening at Snyder Savings & Loan.

EA meeting

Scurry Lodge 706 will have an EA meeting at 7 this evening.

Beautification

Snyder Beautification Committee will meet at 6 this evening at City Hall. Visitors are welcome.

Lodge 706

Scurry Lodge 706 will have an awards banquet Friday. Supper will begin at 7 p.m.

Snyder FFA

Snyder FFA alumni and parent group will meet at 7:30 this evening in the high school ag building. Everyone is invited.

MAWC sale

Martha Ann Woman's Club will have a garage sale as a fund-raiser from 3-7 p.m. Friday.

Model planes

Snyder Area Model Airplane Club will meet at 7 this evening at the club flying field, 2½ miles south of Western Texas College on Round Top Road. Visitors are welcome.

Morningside

Morningside Baptist Church will hold its spring revival with services at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 6 p.m. Sunday. Evangelist Fred Morrow will speak. The public is invited.

Ratite meet

The Rolling Plains Ratite Association will meet at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Northeast Community Center. The public is invited. For more information, call Pat Day at 573-0971 or Jeannie Jackson at 573-4789.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 70 degrees; low, 49 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 49 degrees; .02 of an inch precipitation; total precipitation for 1995 to date, 2.71 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Thursday, patchy morning fog, otherwise mostly sunny. High near 80. South wind 10-15 mph. Thursday night, clear. Low 50-55. Friday, mostly sunny. High in the mid 80s.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:06. Sunrise Friday, 7:25. Of 95 days in 1995, the sun has shone 84 days in Snyder.

WTHA...

History buffs meeting here

About 100 people are expected to take part in the 75th meeting of the West Texas Historical Association, which takes place Friday and Saturday on the Western Texas College campus.

The public is invited to attend a wide range of programs, including such topics as Military on the Texas Frontier, Education and NAFTA, West Texas and War, Finding Your Way in West Texas, Life in West Texas, Life and Work in the Big Bend, Documenting History in a Visual Form and Ranchers, Romance and Heros.

Registration will be held at 1:30 p.m. Friday in the foyer of the Fine Arts Building. A $15 registration fee allows individuals to attend as many sessions as they wish. Individuals are also welcome to attend the Friday evening banquet or the Saturday luncheon. An additional charge of $9.25 is required for the banquet or $8.25 for the luncheon. For reservations, call 573-8511, ext. 202.

Leon Metz will be the guest speaker for Friday's 7 p.m. banquet in the student center. Metz has written numerous books in the field of western history and has received the Border Regional Library Award, the T.R. Ferenbach Award, the Texas Writer's League Award, the Saddleman award from the Western Writers of America and has been inducted

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SHS 'sweeps' 'em at contest

Snyder High School choir students were a sweeping success at the UIL Concert and Sight Reading Contest, held Wednesday at Texas Tech University.

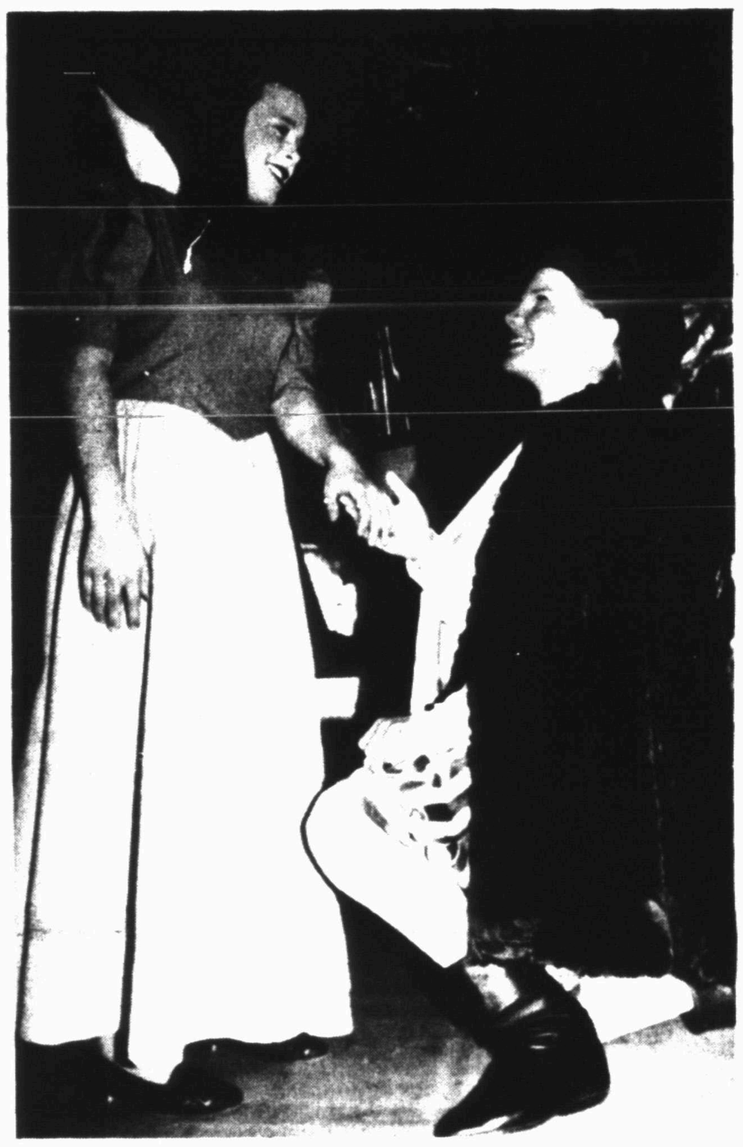
Snyder's varsity mixed choir, non-varsity choir and varsity women's choir all received sweepstakes — the highest marks attainable.

The varsity men's choir received a I in concert and a II in sight reading while the non-varsity mixed choir took a II in concert and a I in sight reading.

"They just all performed so well, under pressure and everything," said Melanie Smith, SHS choir director. "I'm very proud of them."

Choir students leave April 12 to sing at Disney World in Orlando, Fla. They will perform on April 14 at the Magic Kingdom.

"We're real excited about this opportunity," said Smith.



SJHS DRAMA — The presentation of "Snow White," by the drama department at Snyder Junior High School, will open tonight at 7 in the SJHS auditorium. Snow White is played by Janette Allen and the part of Prince Florimond is played by Kevin Taylor. (SDN Staff Photo)

Classic to debut at jr. high

Tickets are going quickly for the Snyder Junior High School drama department production of "Snow White," which opens a three-night run this evening.

Tickets, $3 each, may be reserved by calling 573-6356. Curtain times are 7 o'clock tonight, Friday and Saturday.

This original version, first performed in 1912, still includes the seven dwarfs. Although they are not exactly the same, the dwarfs are still like the Disney dwarfs in that they have the same personalities. The seven dwarfs' names are Blick, Flick, Glick, Snick, Plick, Whick and Quee.

Members of the cast include Janette Allen as Snow White, Lori Marshall as Queen Bangomar, Kevin Taylor as Prince Florimond, Amy Brooks as Witch Hex, Starla Davis as the Pedlar Woman, Jennifer Mayer as Blick, Jason Almquist as Flick, Andy Parker as Glick, Amanda Smith as Snick and Kade Kubena as Plick.

Others members are Laura Canada as Whick, Reid Johnson as Quee, Allison Bowden as Rosalys, Lesha Derrick as Ermigarde, Jennifer Salmon as Guinvere, Brittany Canada as Ursula, Lena Alvarez as Lynette, Amanda Gentry as Christabel, Andrea Robinson as Amelotte, Thomas Bishop as Sir Dandiprat Bompas, Corey Knipe as Page and Juan Arizmendi as Berthold.

Other cast members are Jared McMillian as Valentine, Rebecca West as Vivian, Tommy Wilson as Long Tail, Tommy Gorden as Short Tail, Josh Halverson as Lack Tail, and Jacob Medrano, Adrianne Smith, and Michelle Munoz as extras.

Janeen Patterson is the director.

Crew members are Amanda Hicks, assistant director; T.J. Whetzel, stage manger; Nick Means, technical director; Katy Cooper and Marci Irvine, makeup; Holly Goebel, publicity; and Seth Wood, prompter.

Varied agenda for SISD board this evening

A number of action items are on the agenda for the Snyder ISD board of trustees when they meet tonight at 6 o'clock in the library at Northeast Elementary School.

Business includes an agreement with the accounting firm of Davis, Kinard & Co. for audit services for the school district for the year ending Aug. 31, 1995.

Trustees will also consider appointing Phyllis McGinnis, June McGlaun, Georgene Galloway, Francene Allen-Noah and Franklin Pruitt as election clerks for the May 6 trustee election.

Bids will be considered for athletic equipment and for asbestos abatement at Central, Northeast, West and East Elementary Schools and the Administration Building.

Trustees will also consider proposals for an energy conservation project within the district.

At museum...

Windmill exhibit opens Friday

"Blades in the Sky," a traveling exhibit on windmills, will open Friday in the Scurry County Museum and remain on display until May 12.

The exhibit is sponsored by the Museum of Texas Tech University, the Ranching Headquarters Association and the Texas Tech University Press, with the assistance of historian T. Lindsay Baker.

Shown with the traveling exhibit will be photographs, paintings and models of windmills from the museum collection and on loan from Snyder residents. Two signed prints by Western artist Charles Pruitt will be for sale.

Included in the traveling display are 13 black and white photographs made by B.H. "Tex" Burdick between 1923 and 1942 as his company, Burdick & Burdick of El Paso, crisscrossed the Southwest to set up windmills.

"Water has always played a major role in the Southwest," a narrative panel accompanying the exhibit points out. "The availability of water permitted settlement and land use. Until the development of the windmill, pump and tank, the cattle industry that flourished after the Civil War was confined to river valleys and the occasional watering hole.

"The introduction of the windmill opened up large tracts of land previously unusable as pasturage. With the windmill came the men and companies to erect and maintain them. B.H., (Tex) Burdick Sr. and the Burdick & Burdick Company of El Paso were one such man and one such company. Burdick spanned the transition from wood to metal mills, and during the days of the Great Depression, Burdick & Burdick Company covered the ranchlands of the Southwest. These windmillers were a breed of men set apart by rugged work, often working seven days a week, battling blazing sun, gritty dust and dizzying heights..."

Baker used 48 of Burdick's photographs in a book titled "Blades in the Sky," published by the Texas Tech University Press.

The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Progress...in the ole days, motorists would slow down to read roadside signs. Now, they speed up to read bumper stickers."

Remember Texan Lloyd Bentsen? He was the state's senior senator for many years, was Democratic candidate for vice president, and until just a few months ago, was Secretary of the Treasury in the Clinton Administration.

Bentsen is retired from public service, not that he ever had to work. But don't feel too sorry for Bentsen, he's staying busy — speaking and still going to the bank.

However, don't expect him anytime soon at the local Lions or Rotary Club since his normal fee for a speaking engagement is $40,000.

California, home of Kato, O.J. and other strange things...

A university in that state reports progress on an electric car that will serve most commuting needs.

The Davis Institute of Transporation at the University of California says it is now possible to market an electric car that will run 50 to 100 miles between recharges.

As nice at it may sound, the California researchers obviously haven't driven the wide open spaces of West Texas. Somebody going to Lubbock might have to spend the night waiting for a recharge or have a heck of a long extension cord.

The highway department might consider installation of electrical outlets every 25 miles or so.

It brings to mind the old joke about the cost of an electric car. It costs only five thousand dollars: $500 for the car and $4,500 for the extension cord.

SHS will host 4A, 5A one-act play contests

Snyder High School hosts one-act play Area contests over the next two days at Worsham Auditorium.

Class 4A competition will be held Friday; the Class 5A contest will begin Friday evening and continue Saturday.

Canyon High School will open the 4A contest at 2 p.m. Friday with "Midsummer Night's Dream." Randall High School will follow with "Diary of Anne Frank" at 3 o'clock.

Snyder High School drama students take the stage at 4 o'clock to put on their production of "Midsummer Night's Dream." Sweetwater High School will present the final 4A play, "To Gilliam On Her 37th Birthday," at 5 o'clock.

Class 5A competition begins at 8 p.m. Friday with Coronado High School's production of "Othello." At 9 p.m., Keller High School will present "Female Transport."

The Class 5A contest will continue at 8 a.m. Saturday with "The Children's Hour," performed by Marcus High School. At 9 a.m., Abilene High will present "A Shayna Maidel."

Amarillo High will perform "Passing Through" at 10, followed by Central High School in "La Bete" at 11.

The top two plays in each class will advance to Regional competition.

Industrial park on board agenda

Development Corporation of Snyder board members will convene at 5 o'clock today to consider items pertaining to industrial park development.

The board recently approved the purchase of 313 acres of land at the northeast corner of U.S. Highways 84 and 180 for an industrial park. Today, the board will review closing papers for the land and consider the go-ahead to purchase the property. In one other item, the board will consider an agreement between the DCOS with Midwest Electric to provide electrical service to the site.

IRA ONE-ACT CAST, CREW — Ira's one-act play, "Arsenic and Old Lace" will compete in the area contest slated Saturday at Sterling City. Crew members seated on the floor are Theresa Crosby, left, and Machea Chaney. Those seated in chairs are, from left, Jay Nettles, Jennifer Rigsby, Misty Chance, Stacey Taylor, and Todd Collom. Standing, from left, are O'Ciel Castelan, Heath Mathis, Marcie Avila, Adam Davis, B.K. Box and Judd Rogers. Sue Parham is the director. Previous wins were at the zone and district levels. (SDN Staff Photo)

Bob Dole, war hero, says he is ready for 'one more mission'

NEW ROCHELLE, N.Y. (AP) — Fifty years ago, young Lt. Bob Dole went down in a hail of Nazi bullets on a rocky field in Italy. His sergeant, frightened and crying, crawled out into the line of fire and edged toward the severely wounded officer.

German machine gunners, hiding in a stone house surrounded by a mine field, had pinned down units of the Army's 10th Mountain Division as they tried to advance on Hill 913 in the waning days of World War II.

Dole's platoon was trying to get close enough to the house to throw in grenades and take out the machine gun nest.

"They had a perfect field of fire," Sgt. Frank Carafa said of the Germans. "They could have killed every person that went out on that field."

In an emotional interview at his home, Carafa, 74, recalled how the fallen Dole called out his name. So Carafa inched onto the unprotected field as the Nazi guns opened up again. He scrambled to four other downed soldiers, finding only one alive. Finally, he reached Dole and grabbed his right arm below the shoulder that had been shattered by machine gun fire.

"I was so scared, and crying," said Carafa, who wept quietly as he remembered the events of April 14, 1945. "I could have sworn I felt the heat of the gun. But it was me. I was just plain scared."

He dragged Dole 50 yards back to American lines, where Dole was given a shot of morphine. Carafa's assistant platoon sergeant, Stan Kuschik, used Dole's own blood to trace an "M" on his forehead, a signal to medics not to give him a second, fatal dose.

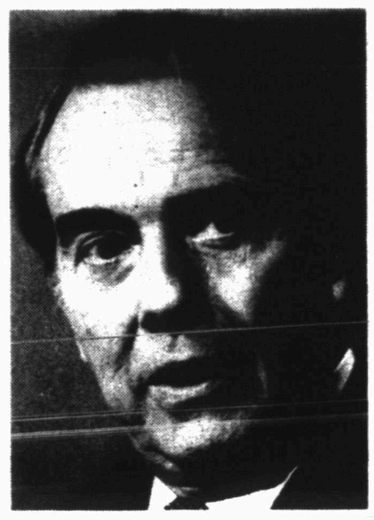
No other presidential candidate can match the war hero record of Dole, who is timing his entry into the 1996 race to the anniversary of his brush with death. The Senate majority leader will officially announce his candidacy for the Republican nomination in Topeka, Kan., on Monday.

At Dole's campaign events, there are frequent references to his war years and the uncompromising personal test he endured. His Washington campaign headquarters displays a large photo of young soldier Dole grinning beneath his helmet.

Dole, who was awarded a Bronze Star with oak leaf cluster and two Purple Hearts for his service, often describes his presidential campaign as "one more mission" for the aging World War II generation and says last year's D-Day anniversary heightened his interest in running.

"When I'm asked questions, I respond, but I'm not out talking about my war injury," he said. But he added: "If somebody evades the service, I wouldn't look kindly on that. But not everybody has to go get shot at." GOP candidates Lamar Alexander and Phil Gramm both had Vietnam-era student deferments, as did President Clinton.

For most people, the only visible sign of Dole's injury is the permanently clenched right fist, in which he clasps a pen. He can barely move that arm, which is noticeably shorter than his left, and he keeps the pen there to discourage people from shaking his right hand.



BOB DOLE

"Everything he does is with one hand," said his wife, American Red Cross President Elizabeth Dole. "Putting on a pair of socks. Tying a tie."

Being forced to confront disability and fears of being an invalid left a permanent mark on Dole's personality, his wife said.

"It builds an inner strength, an ability to deal with tough problems and move on," Mrs. Dole said. "He also has compassion, a sensitivity to the needs of other people."

FCC clears way for new and improved cordless phones

WASHINGTON (AP) — The static that annoys cordless telephone users may soon be gone.

The Federal Communications Commission on Wednesday more than doubled the amount of the public airwaves reserved for cordless telephones.

That means less interference and improved privacy. But you'll have to buy a new phone to reap the benefits, FCC officials said.

New phones will have the capacity to operate on all 25 channels being made available by the FCC.

The nation's largest telecommunications company, AT&T Corp., plans to have new cordless phones in retail stores by late June or July, said spokesman Herb Linnen.

Cordless phones now use just 10 channels, five of which are also used by baby monitors. That's why cordless phone owners often overhear sounds from baby monitors, said Anthony Serafini, an electronic engineer at the FCC.

The additional channels being made available for cordless phones are less congested, Serafini said.

There are 60 million cordless phones in the United States. Sales generate $1 billion a year, the FCC said.

"Use of the new channels for cordless telephones appears to be the most reasonable means for ensuring that consumer demand for these low-cost products continues to be met," the FCC said.

We've got that hometown spirit and we're passing it around!

A Bright Spot In Our Hometown! Dot Stokes

Dot Stokes has never won a sweepstakes, but she could easily be a millionaire, especially if she were actually paid for her volunteer hours.

A retired bookkeeper, Dot Stokes transformed her working years experience into an almost full-time job of community service — especially during tax season.

Mrs. Stokes was a long-time bookkeeper for Jay Rogers Men's Store and for the Snyder Daily News. She retired in 1988.

She now volunteers her time and services, free of charge, to help senior citizens and low-income persons prepare their income tax returns.

She spends the entire day at the Scurry County Senior Citizens Center on Thursdays helping with tax forms and providing information. To stay abreast of changes in tax laws, Mrs. Stokes also attends training seminars in Abilene.

Her volunteer efforts don't stop with tax issues. She also regularly advises seniors on how to file insurance claims and to seek other services available to senior citizens.

Mrs. Stokes also helps with commodities certification and distribution each month. She also helps deliver meals, prepared at the center, to shut-ins.

But her work has only just begun. Dot Stokes also is active in May Day preparation, the annual fundraiser for the Senior Center. She makes crafts to sell and spends many hours piecing, quilting and trimming quilts that are sold to raise funds. She also helps by working in May Day booths.

At the center, Dot Stokes works in the serving line at noon, carries trays for the handicapped and then helps clean tables. She further volunteers by assisting with general office work at the center.

In 1994, Dot and her husband Carl were elected Valentine King and Queen at the Senior Center, a tribute from appreciative fellow members.

Dot's helping hand doesn't stop here. She is also an active volunteer at the Snyder Healthcare Center on the Big Spring Highway where her uncle is a resident. She also serves on the nursing home's family council.

She is an active member of the Northside Baptist Church. Dot and Carl have a daughter, Kathy Fowler of Snyder; three sons, Larry Stokes of Shreveport, David Stokes of Snyder and Daryl Stokes of Estes Park, Colo.; and 11 grandchildren.

Snyder National Bank is pleased to recognize Dot Stokes for April's Community Spirit Award, a true bright spot in Our Hometown.

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First Bapist sets musical for Easter

The music and drama ministries of the First Baptist Church will present the dramatic Easter musical, "Messiah, True and Faithful," at 7 p.m. Saturday and again at 6 p.m. Sunday.

Through music and drama, the events surrounding Jesus' last days on Earth and his triumphant resurrection will be portrayed.

Admission is free and the public is cordially invited to attend.

First Baptist Church is located at 1701 27th St. For more information, call 573-2631.

The IRS receives about 1 billion documents, 204 million returns and 65 million telephone calls per year.

Pick 3

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

8-5-3

(eight, five, three)

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Lotto Texas winning numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

6-11-17-27-35-41

(six, eleven, seventeen, twenty-seven, thirty-five, forty-one).

Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $11 million

Snyder Jr. High Drama Department presents

SNOW WHITE

And The Seven Dwarfs

April 6, 7, & 8
Snyder Jr. High
7:00 P.M.
Tickets $3.00

RESERVED SEATS CALL 573-6356

DATE BOOK

April 6, 1995

Today is the 96th day of 1995 and the 18th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1748, Cavaliere Alcubiere discovered the city of Pompeii, which had been buried since A.D. 79 under volcanic ash from Mt. Vesuvius.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Raphael (1483-1520), artist; Lowell Thomas (1892-1981), journalist; Andre Previn (1929-), composer-conductor, is 66; Merle Haggard (1937-), singer-songwriter, is 58; Billy Dee Williams (1937-), actor, is 58; Michelle Phillips (1944-), actress, is 51; Marilu Henner (1952-), actress, is 43.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, Lucy Wardle of the United States set the women's world record for the highest dive by plunging 120 feet, 9 inches in Ocean Park, Hong Kong.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Tonight, the bottle let me down." — Merle Haggard

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1936, two tornadoes collided in Gainsville, Ga., causing 203 deaths. At least 70 died in the Cooper Pants Factory, the greatest U.S. tornado toll in a single building.

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

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (March 30) and first quarter (April 8).

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Earth tip: Many detergents contain phosphates — chemical compounds containing phosphorus. These compounds cause algae bloom which chokes streams and lakes. Switch to a brand with less or no phosphates — most liquid detergents are mostly phosphate-free — and remember not to overdo it on the detergent.

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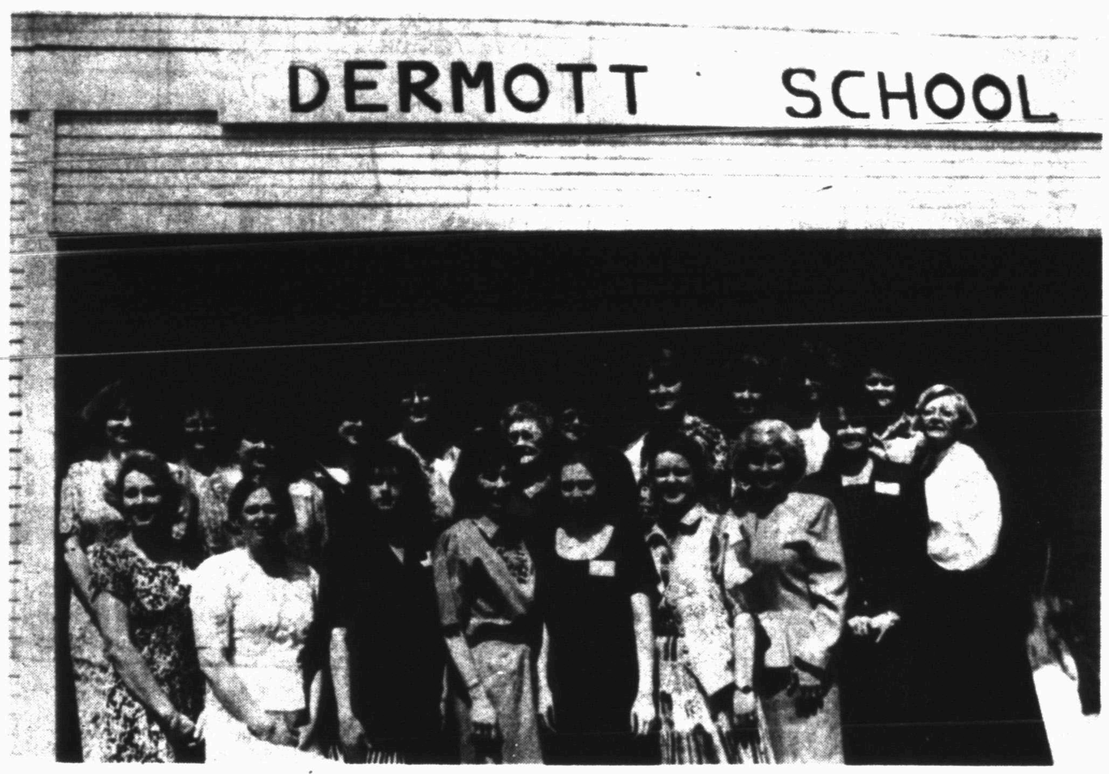
TOP VOLUNTEERS — Scurry County Senior Center's 16th annual volunteer recognition banquet was held on March 31 in the Scurry County Coliseum. Cindy Nix and Donna Fowler presented entertainment and awards were presented by staff members Norma Laywell, Pam Fenton, Carla Thompson and Angela Fields. The "top 15 volunteers" for the year, pictured above from left, are Margaret Johnston, Dessie Harvel, Mattie Morris, Frances Black, Benn Nachlinger, Thadine Harless, Maxie McNew, Sue Trice, Bobbie McKinney, Betty Boyd, Ruby Anderson, Gloria Browning, Betty Kellum, and not shown, Opal Wigington and Estelle Gary. (SDN Staff Photo)



FRIENDSHIP LUNCHEON — Beta Sigma Phi Chapter, Xi Alpha Alpha Theta held its annual friendship luncheon on March 25 at the Dermott Schoolhouse. Entertainment was vocal selections by Ellen Strayhorn and Sterling Cave. Pictured from left are, front row, Vicky Kelley, Miriah Worthen, Brandi Ubano, Lois Cave, Sterling Cave, Ellen Strayhorn, Mickey Baird; back row, Patricia Warren, Loretta Worthen, Carla Allen, Rhonda Haire, Lea Ann Bell, Vicky Bell, Jackie Buckland, Veta Minor, Norma Cumbie, Marie Boone, Wynola Early, Wanda Early, Donna Simpson, Barbara Bills, Vena Strayhorn and June McGlaun, docent for the historical schoolhouse. (SDN Staff Photo)

Spring seminar

MIDLAND — A spring seminar has been planned by the Midland Genealogical Society on Saturday, April 22, in the First United Methodist Church at 305 North Baird Street.

Robert S. Davis Jr. of Hanceville, Ala., will lead the session to begin at 8:30 a.m., break for lunch, and end at 4 p.m.

His topics, researched in Georgia, will include "My Grandmother Was a Full Blood Cherokee Princess," "Following a Tradition of Eastern Cherokee Indian Heritage," "What Your Mother Never Told You About the Federal Census," "People Finders of the Old South: From Virginia to Alabama" and "Exotic Sources for Alabama Research."

Pre-registration is $17 and at-the-door cost is $20. Lunch at the church is $8 and may be included with the registration fee; lunch reservations are necessary by April 15 and seminar registrations will be accepted until April 20. This should be sent to Doris Williams, Midland Genealogical Society; 301 W. Missouri St.; Midland, Tex. 79701.

The exposed checkered cloth at the top and bottom of most books' bindings is called the "headband."

Fashion: casual remarks

By The Associated Press

The line between casual and dress clothing becomes ever more indistinct, with makers usually associated with roughwear offering pieces that can pass muster as business wear and fashion lines drawing more from the sport-casual world.

Would you buy a linen-cotton blazer from Timberland, the people famous for their heavy roughwear boots? You might, for the company has a simple basic boxy jacket for women with a convertible collar, patch pockets and bound seams that works well over a summer dress or with separates. The line even includes a few of the summer dresses in question, such as a short A-line skimmer in a linen-cotton batik print. There also are dozens of shirt blouses, sweaters, T-tops and vests more likely to be found in schoolroom or office than on the trails.

Likewise, Sasson, known for its jeans, is marketing pretty dresses and jumpers, like a floral-print jumper-dress with tiers of ruffles. The line also includes a blue-and-white checked dress trimmed in white eyelet and a denim apron dress. Big little items on the agenda at Sasson are what it calls Tiny Tees, a collection of short-sleeved rib-knit T-shirts meant to be worn close to the body. Lengths are long or cropped, and the shirts are destined for pairing with overalls, jumpers or as layers over other pieces.

Coming from the other direction is Liz for Liz Claiborne, offering a knit pin-stripe vest and super-short wrap shirt in tiny checks, an outfit that would look quite at home on the tennis courts. The Liz Collection also has plenty of pantsuit separates, too, like the three-button jacket, matching double-breasted vest and cuffed, pleated pants, all in apricot chambray linen.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.

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

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

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

Bridge By Phillip Alder

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	♥K Q 7 6 2	
	♦A 3	
	♣K 8 2	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

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

Opening lead: ♣6

And in the blue corner

Despite the praiseworthy efforts of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD), drunk driving is still a bane in our society. Drinking before or during a bridge session isn't recommended. (I remember playing extremely well one afternoon after two pints of beer with lunch. But it caught up with me in the evening and we plummeted out of the frame.) This led me to thinking about bridge acronyms, and I have come up with JABB — Journalists Against Bad Bridge.

In this column, try to stay on your feet, running rings around your opponents. Round one!

Moving smoothly into the middle of the ring is Crusher Carter. He jabs one heart with his 19-point powerhouse. After partner's response of one spade, he uppercuts to two no-trump. Partner raises to game.

West, Weasel Watkins, leads his fourth-highest club. East, Stoat Soames, punches in the queen. The Crusher, not pausing for breath, wins with the club king, cashes his diamond ace and plays a diamond to dummy's jack. The Stoat's heart discard lands like a particularly powerful blow to the solar plexus.

The Crusher staggers, realizing he doesn't have five diamond tricks. He turns to spades, but they don't break either. He takes his remaining diamond tricks before trying a heart, but the Stoat takes the ace and the Crusher is out for the count, only eight tricks won.

The Crusher should have tried the spades first, just in case the jack fell in one or two rounds. Then, with this layout, he could have won on points by way of four spades, four diamonds and one club.

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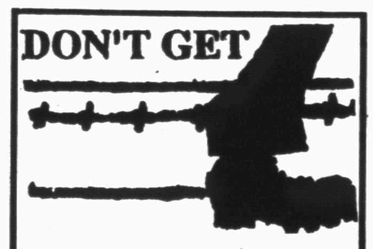

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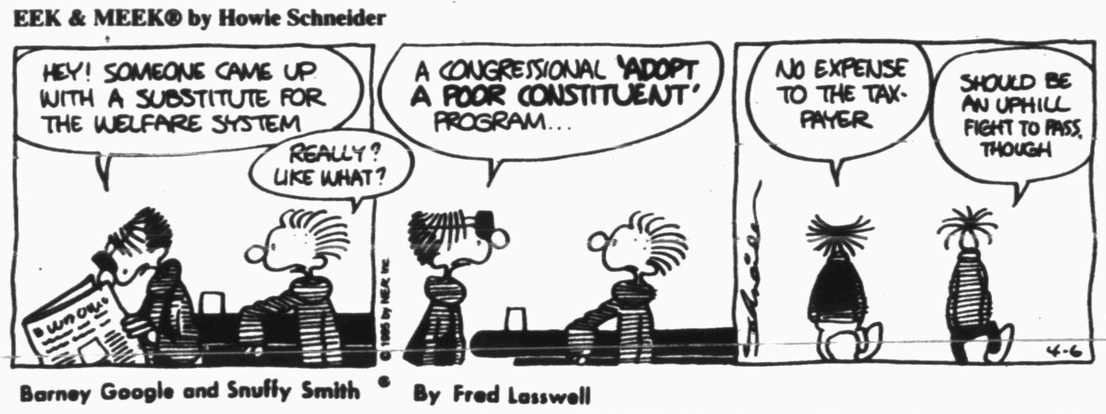

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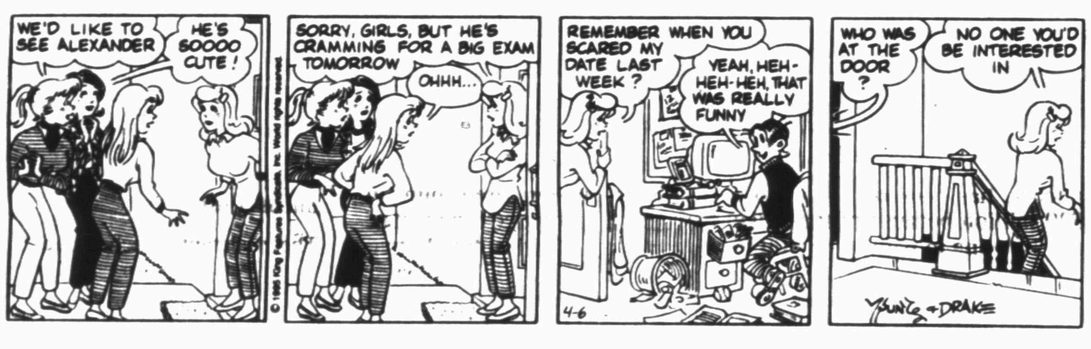

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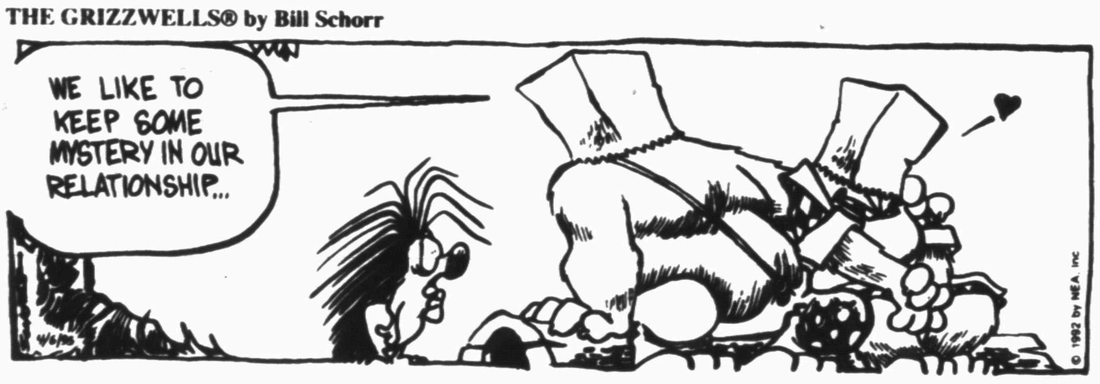

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 North Atlantic bird
5 Pace
9 Rodent
12 Mild
13 Instrument
14 — Town
15 Narrow opening
16 Comfort
17 Genetic material (abbr.)
18 Type of flu
20 Cove
22 Slash
23 — degree
24 Grain
27 Haul
29 Luxury boat
33 Dancer — Duncan
35 Chop —
36 Son of Jacob
37 Respirator
40 Build
42 Aunt in Spain
43 Middle East org.
44 Compass pt.
46 Boxing-victory abbr.
48 City in Utah
50 Revolutionary
53 Actress Charlotte — O'Hara
54 O'Hara mansion
56 Author — Wiesel
58 Table scrap
59 Rabbit tail
60 Distort
61 Type of curve
62 Diminutive suffix
63 Anglo-Saxon slave

DOWN

1 Draft agcy.
2 Bitter nut
3 Flying saucers (abbr.)
4 Storage place
5 Person with a loud voice
6 — — tee (exactly)
7 Chemical dye
8 Enough
9 Took the bus
10 Uncle's wife
11 Singing syllable
19 Car
21 Capital of Tibet
24 Irritate
25 River in Belgium
26 Roof edge
28 — table (serve food)
30 Actor Robert —
31 Foot part
32 Beginner
34 Cut in cubes
38 A fertilizer
39 Marine fish
41 Sleeping-sickness fly
45 Ordain
47 Fat
48 Wooden poles
49 Catches
51 Antlered animals
52 Hold on property
53 Fish eggs
55 Wheel track
57 Female sheep

Answer to Previous Puzzle

G	U	L	P		E	L	L		G	L	E	E
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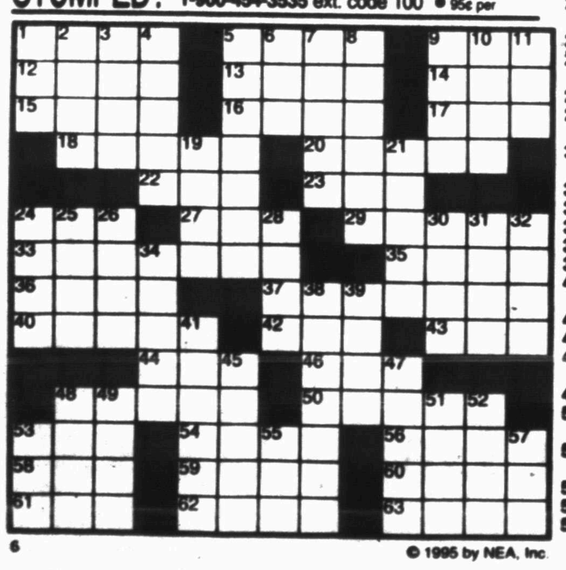

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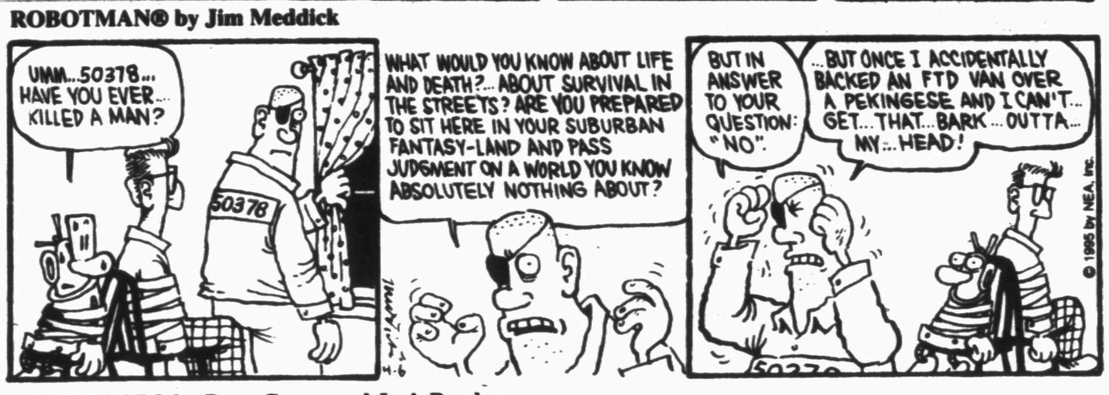

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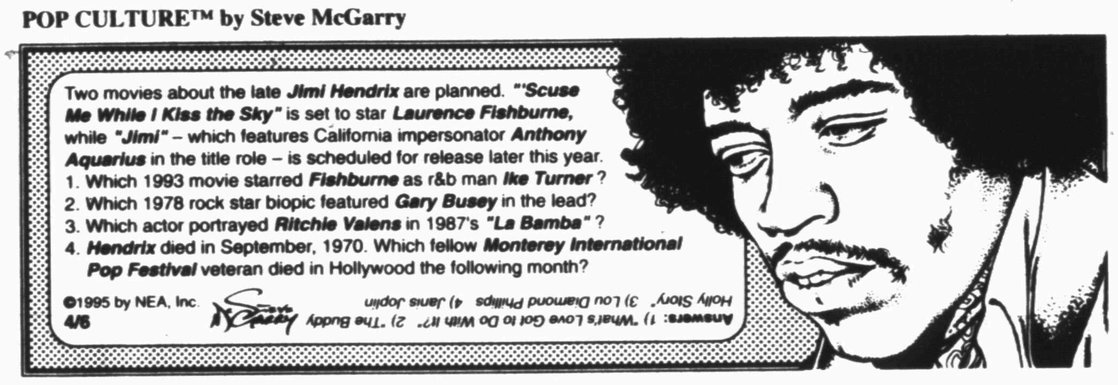

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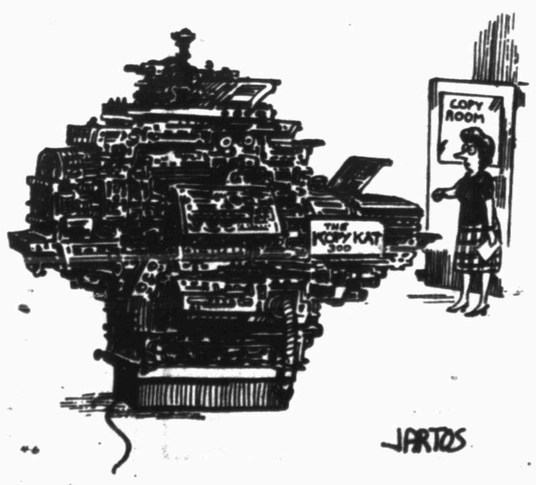

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DENNIS THE MENACE

Masters field contends for the green jacket

Early tee times open with light rain, chance for increasingly heavy showers this afternoon

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — A light rain — with the threat of heavier weather later in the day — fell on early starters today in the first round of the Masters.

Old champions Gene Sarazen, 93, Sam Snead, 83, and Byron Nelson, 83, led the 86-man field off the first tee as honorary starters. A light drizzle was falling and the temperature was in the 50's when they got away at 8 a.m., EST.

The drizzle turned into a shower by the time Rick Fehr and Mike Heinen teed off as the first competitors at 8:15 a.m.

The forecast called for a 90 percent chance of rain later in the day as American stars sought to end foreign domination of the Masters and pro golf itself.

Coming into the first of the year's Grand Slam events, non-Americans have won the last four majors and nine of the last 12.

In the Masters, the most American of all tournaments, foreign-born players have won six of the last seven.

Some American players, Davis Love III among them, have gone into a form of denial.

"If a guy comes to Augusta from Florida, where he has his home and where his family is, a guy who plays the American tour, I don't really consider him a foreigner," Love said.

THE 59TH MASTERS

WHEN: Thursday-Sunday
WHERE: Par-72, 6,925-yard Augusta (Ga.) National Golf Club
FIELD: 86 players
DEFENDING CHAMPION: Jose Maria Olazabal
TV: USA Cable and CBS. Thursday-Friday: 3-5:30 p.m. live, USA; 8-10:30 p.m. taped, USA; 10:30-10:45 p.m. highlights, CBS; Saturday: 2:30-5 p.m. CBS; Sunday: 3-6 p.m., CBS.

That description, of course, fits Nick Price of Zimbabwe and Australian Greg Norman, Nos. 1 and 3, respectively, in the Sony world rankings and two of the principal reasons American hopes of breaking the foreign string are less than bright.

Neither has won the Masters, and neither has won this year, facts that are highly deceptive. Norman is a two-time runner-up in this tournament and Price holds the course 18-hole scoring record.

As for this year, Norman lost at Doral with a 72nd hole water ball and has to be considered a threat simply because this is the Masters and he is Norman.

Price, the American tour's Player of the Year each of the last two seasons and easily the outstanding player in the game, has won the last two majors, the 1994 British Open and PGA.

He has had an indifferent start this year. But that's not all bad. He has been spared the overwhelming media attention of the past two years when he came into this tournament as the favorite.

"The heat is off me this year," he said.

Price insists his game is all in order and Nick Faldo suggested "he may have just been saving it all for Augusta."

Faldo, who moved his playing base to the United States this season to better prepare himself for the majors, ranks as the man to beat.

Faldo, who scored consecutive Masters victories in 1989-90, has won once this year, was runner-up the following week and appeared relaxed and highly confident after his practice rounds.

Defending champion Jose-Maria Olazabal of Spain does not figure to repeat. He is still limping from surgery on his right big toe and missed the cut in his last start.

Former Masters title-holders Bernhard Langer of Germany and Ian Woosnam of Wales are among other likely contenders, as is Vijay Singh of Fiji, a winner earlier this season in Phoenix.

The principal American contenders appear to be Peter Jacobsen, Lee Janzen, Love, Loren Roberts, Fred Couples and Phil Mickelson.

U.S. Amateur champion Tiger Woods, 19, had a back spasm during a practice round Wednesday but was expected to be in the first group to tee off, along with Olazabal and the British amateur champion.

Local Events

Snyder Softball benefit tourney

The Snyder Girls Softball Association will hold its first annual men's slow pitch benefit tournament April 21-22 at Winston Field. Proceeds from the SGSA tournament will be used for the District 11 ASA Pixie Tournament to be held June 17-18.

The entry fee is $100 per team with trophies going to the top three teams and T-shirts going to the top two.

For more information contact Dalvin Alexander at 573-5362 or Darrell Robertson at 573-3044.

SCC MGA to begin play

The men's golf association at Snyder Country Club will kickoff its 1995 golf season Saturday at 12:30 p.m.

Members must sign up before 11:30 a.m. Saturday morning. Food and refreshments will be served following play.

For more information contact Rick Mammolite at the pro shop (573-7101).

WTC MGA play results

The men's golf association at Western Texas College competed Saturday in a skins game format.

Skins game winners from each foursome were Mike Carter, John Bane, Juan Hernandez, Ricky Hunter, Kenneth Parker, Robert Scott, Pete Rios and Strick Posey.

In the first regularly scheduled play of the 1995 season, MGA members competed in a four man scramble Monday.

A-B flight winners were Ernie Armstrong, Tommy Baker, Joe Medrano and Duane Hood, who finished with a score of 30. C-D flight winners were Raymond Drury, Nolan von Roeder, Gene Hall, Bud Coonrod, Mike Ford (30); Tracy Lammert, Blaine Long, Steve Stansell, Tommy Wright (33); and the team of Ray Atkinson, Don Campbell, Strick Posey, Isreal Ortegon (33).

Snyder Baseball clinic Saturday

There will be a baseball clinic Saturday at Moffett Field from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Anyone interested in becoming an umpire or wanting to learn more about baseball is welcome. Current and prospective managers and coaches are urged to attend. For more information, call Bobby Foust at 573-7865.

Great West Texas Shootout

The third annual Great West Texas Softball Shootout will take place April 22-23 at the Berl Huffman Softball Complex in Lubbock.

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WTC rodeo team hopes to ride into the postseason

By Todd Stanley
SDN Sports Editor

BIG SPRING — The goal for the Western Texas College rodeo team is to get to the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association Finals in Bozeman, Mont., June 12-18.

In order for the Westerners to realize that goal they must continue to gain ground in the regional point standings, as they begin competition at the Howard College Rodeo today.

Currently, the women's team holds a 35 point lead over Howard in the race for second place behind first place Vernon Junior College. Vernon sits atop the women's standings with 850 points through six rodeos.

In the men's division, WTC remains behind West Texas A&M in a bid for the second and final national rodeo berth.

The Westerners trail the Buffaloes by just 55 points, while Vernon J.C. leads with a whopping 1,920 points.

"We can't expect to do as well as we did last week in every rodeo we compete in," Snyder head coach Todd Danley said. "What we need to do is have good solid performances the rest of the way. If we can do that, we'll be right in there at the end."

Coach Danley said he plans to have the same cowboys and cowgirls competing this week as he did last week in Amarillo. Team members competing for the Westerners are: Mandy Harsh, Shawna Davidson, Chasity Rickman, Pete Ellis, Shawn Minor, Cleve Schmidt, Davey Shields, Gary Smith and Blake Thomas.

"We did a great job last week," Danley said. "I figured I'd better not change anything."

WTC and the rest of the 15 teams are slated to compete beginning today and continuing through Saturday.

The Westerners will host the next stop on the conference rodeo circuit starting April 13.

Free agent signings abound as season nears

By The Associated Press

While the Florida Marlins and Los Angeles Dodgers were changing opening day, the Montreal Expos changed the nucleus of their team.

Los Angeles will play at Florida at 7:35 p.m. EDT in an early opener on April 25, baseball officials announced Wednesday after an agreement with ESPN and the players association.

The American League schedule, barring rainouts, would see Cal Ripken tie Lou Gehrig's consecutive-games record on Sept. 5 at home against California. He would break it the following day at home against the Angels.

When Ripken would reach the record was calculated with help from a source who has Baltimore's schedule. The full schedule will be released this week when all teams have finalized their adjustments.

There were several signings, most notable among them pitcher Fernando Valenzuela joining the San Diego Padres for $200,000 and reliever John Franco returning to the New York Mets for $5 million over two years.

Dave Winfield, traded to Cleveland during the strike on Aug. 31, signed with the Indians, reportedly for $600,000.

And Baltimore owner Peter Angelos showed no hurt from the strike, agreeing on a $17.25 million, 5-year deal with catcher Chris Hoiles.

Montreal, meanwhile, began its salary purge, dealing closer John Wetteland to the New York Yankees and No. 1 starter Ken Hill to the St. Louis Cardinals. The Expos already have lost outfielder Larry Walker to free agency.

"This is not a fire sale," Expos general manager Kevin Malone said. "A fire sale is when you're giving guys away."

The Expos didn't give 'em away for free, but they didn't exactly break the banks of the Yankees and Cardinals. For Wetteland, who had 25 saves in 52 appearances last season, the Expos got Fernando Seguignol, a 20-year-old outfielder; a player to be named later and cash.

For Hill, 16-5 with a 3.32 ERA last year, the Expos got outfielder Darond Stovall and pitchers Bryan Eversgerd and Kirk Bullinger.

Expos management, which probably would have had to pay in excess of $4 million to each pitcher, has claimed it will lose $20 million because of the strike and is trying to pare its payroll to about $12 million — a drop of $6 million.

Malone said an undisclosed amount of cash from the trade with the Yankees, combined with the $2,225,000 from Wetteland's 1994 salary and the $2.55 million Hill made, would enable the team to sign some free agents later this week.

Outfielder Marquis Grissom, who made $3.56 million last season and also is eligible for arbitration, could be dealt by Friday, Malone said.

Kansas City dumped payroll, too, trading outfielder Brian McRae to the Chicago Cubs for minor-league pitchers Derek Wallace and Geno Morones.

NHL Glance

Wednesday's Games
Hartford 8, Pittsburgh 4
N.Y. Rangers 5, Florida 0
St. Louis 6, Toronto 4
New Jersey 2, Ottawa 0
Montreal 6, Quebec 5
Winnipeg 4, Chicago 1
Detroit 5, San Jose 3
Anaheim 4, Edmonton 3, OT
Thursday's Games
Buffalo at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at Quebec, 7:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

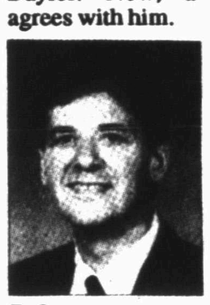
NBA Glance

Wednesday's Games
Chicago 108, New Jersey 101
Orlando 128, Detroit 125
Charlotte 84, Philadelphia 66
Atlanta 96, Cleveland 87
Dallas 130, L.A. Lakers 111
Indiana 102, Washington 90
New York 114, Milwaukee 94
Thursday's Games
Phoenix at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Denver, 8 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Former Baylor coach acquitted of 7 charges

Assistant coaches found guilty of fraud

WACO (AP) — Darrel Johnson always said he had nothing to do with helping five recruits cheat so they could play for him at Baylor. Now, a federal jury agrees with him.



Johnson

Instead, jurors Wednesday pinned the blame on Johnson's assistants and convicted three of them while acquitting the former head coach of seven charges.

The federal jury found that although Johnson was responsible for the basketball program, he was unaware of improper help his assistants gave to enable the recruits to pass classes they needed to enroll at Baylor in 1993.

Johnson, who was indicted one day after Baylor fired him in November, was found innocent of four counts of wire fraud, two counts of mail fraud and one count of conspiracy.

Ever since the allegations were first raised, Johnson has maintained his innocence without speaking much about the case. He remained silent after the verdicts were announced and he left the courtroom with a solemn expression.

"All I can tell you is that ... Darrel Johnson was innocent, and the jury worked for Darrel Johnson," said his attorney Jim Darnell of El Paso. "I don't want to say anything about anybody else other than Coach Johnson."

After more than 17 hours of deliberations, however, the jury found Johnson's assistant coaches guilty of various charges:

—Gary Thomas was convicted of three counts of wire fraud and one count of conspiracy. He was acquitted on three counts of wire fraud and one count of mail fraud.

—Troy Drummond was convicted of three counts of mail fraud, one count of wire fraud and one of conspiracy. He was acquitted of three counts of wire fraud.

—Kevin Gray was convicted of two counts of wire fraud and a count of conspiracy.

The assistant coaches face up to five years in prison and fines of up to $250,000 on each of the wire fraud and mail fraud counts. U.S. District Judge Walter Smith Jr. has not set a date for sentencing.

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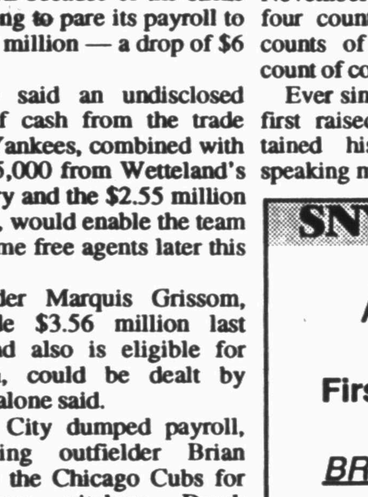
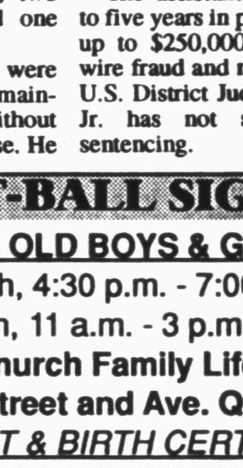


Page Patterson
Snyder Golf
Page, a junior, tied for medalist with teammate Carl Strelecki at Sweetwater. He is currently second in the district standings.



Adrienne Bailey
Snyder Softball
Adrienne, a junior, went 2 for 3 in a 9-4 win over Granbury. She has a .370 batting average and has driven in 19 runs.

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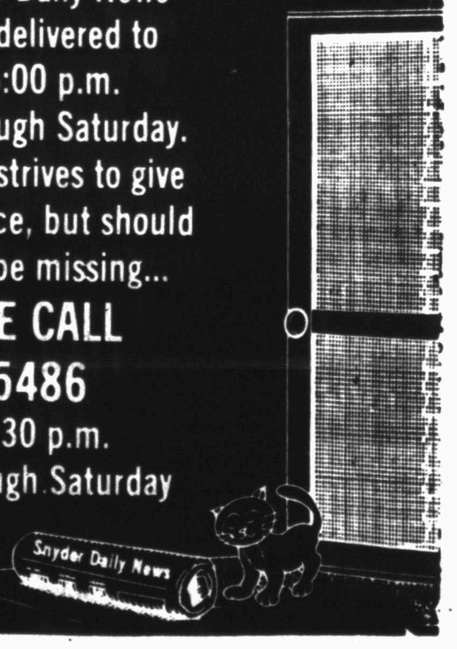

Texas Penal Code revisions approved by House members

AUSTIN (AP) — The House has tentatively approved a bill fine-tuning penal code revisions passed by the Legislature two years ago, but alcohol and abortion took center stage in the debate.

The House added to the bill amendments to prohibit open alcoholic beverages in automobiles and to establish a criminal penalty for assaulting a pregnant woman if the assault results in a miscarriage.

The entire penal code revision was tentatively approved Wednesday by a voice vote. It faces a final vote of the House before it can be sent to the Senate, which passed a similar bill Tuesday.

At the heart of the bill are provisions increasing penalties for nonviolent "state jail" felonies, a new category of felonies created by the Legislature in 1993 that couples jail time with rehabilitation programs.

But the crime debate swiftly turned into an abortion dispute over an amendment to create a first-degree felony offense for assaulting a pregnant woman if the assault results in a miscarriage.

Reps. Steve Ogden and Pete Gallego, the proposal's authors, said it aimed at trying to protect pregnant woman.

"What this will say is if you beat up a pregnant woman in Texas, there's going to be a greater penalty for that than if you punch me in the nose," said Ogden, R-Bryan.

But abortion rights advocates said the bill would be a step toward restricting a woman's legal right to an abortion.

"Are you at all concerned that ... if you set up pregnant woman in this special class that there could be all kinds of future restrictions on those women?" said Rep. Sherri Greenberg, D-Austin.

Rep. Eddie De la Garza, D-Edinburg, questioned whether a doctor who performs an abortion would be committing a crime under the amendment.

Gallego said the amendment excludes abortions.

"This is not a pro-choice, pro-life argument," said Gallego, D-Alpine, adding that he supports abortion rights. "All this is is an attempt to ... put a (pregnant) woman in a special class."

The House overwhelmingly adopted the amendment.

A proposal to prohibit open containers of alcoholic beverages in automobiles also was added to the bill.

Under current law, a police officer must see someone drinking from an open container to issue a citation. Under the amendment by Rep. Fred Hill, R-Richardson, an officer would simply have to see an open container.

Rep. Allen Place, D-Gatesville, who sponsored the penal code revisions, said the bill aims to crack down on repeat state jail offenders.

Under the measure, the maximum community supervision term for felons who receive probation would increase from five years to 10 years for state jail offenders with two or more felonies.

The bill also would increase "up front" jail time from 180 days to one year.

Grand jury to hear evidence against suspect in shooting

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — With an attorney appointed to represent her, Yolanda Saldivar now faces a grand jury, which will decide whether she should be indicted for the murder of Grammy-winning Tejano music star Selena.

Prosecutors were scheduled to take the case this morning to the Nueces County grand jury. They intend to prove that Ms. Saldivar, 34, should be tried for murder.

State District Judge Mike Westergren appointed Corpus Christi attorney Douglas Tinker to represent Ms. Saldivar. Tinker met with her for the first time Wednesday but said they discussed few details of the case.

Tinker said he considered the issue of personal safety for both his client and himself before deciding to take the high-profile case.

"I'm concerned about that (safety)," said Tinker, who added that he expects crank calls from Selena fans. "All of my friends tell me I'm crazy for accepting the appointment. My secretaries this morning said, 'What you oughta do, Douglas, you oughta call a press conference and announce that you have refused to represent her. You would be very popular.'"

But Tinker, 60, said he believes his client has the right to be defended.

"I always feel like the public really is understanding that somebody's got to represent her," he said. "I like to think that."

Ms. Saldivar, who founded Selena's fan club and ran a San Antonio boutique and salon owned by the singer, was arrested and jailed last Friday night following a 9½-hour standoff with police that started when Selena was gunned down. Ms. Saldivar remains jailed in an isolated cell under suicide watch at the Nueces County Jail in lieu of $100,000 bond.

District Attorney Carlos Valdez had asked that Ms. Saldivar's bond be raised to $500,000 but Westergren has not acted on the request.

On Wednesday, police revealed that Ms. Saldivar was examined in an emergency room the day before Selena was killed.

Corpus Christi police have subpoenaed the records of Ms. Saldivar's March 30 visit to Doctors Regional Medical Center, just a day before she met Selena Quintanilla-Perez in a budget motel room.

"They were emergency room records, an examination the day before (Selena's murder)," said Commander U.B. Alvarado.

Alvarado declined to explain why Ms. Saldivar was taken to the emergency room, saying only that the examination was done in connection with "an allegation of an offense."

Poor children lack access to programs for preschoolers

WASHINGTON (AP) — A majority of poor, preschool-age children lack access to the health, nutrition and education services they need to get ready for elementary school, congressional investigators say in a report today.

"Disadvantaged children, who are most likely to face difficulties upon entering school and who would benefit most from attending early childhood centers, are the least likely to attend them," the General Accounting Office said.

According to the GAO, the congressional watchdog agency, more than a third — 2.8 million — of the country's 3- and 4-year-olds were from low-income families in 1990, an increase of 17 percent since 1980.

These children, the GAO said, often live in homes that provide little intellectual stimulation and inadequate health care and nutrition. Consequently, their development, including their preparation for elementary school, is undermined.

The GAO's analysis of the 1990 census showed that only about 35 percent of low-income children attended an early childhood program in 1989.

By contrast, 60 percent of children in high-income families — those that earned more than $63,370 for a family of four — attended an early childhood program, such as a preschool, nursery school or child-care center.

Rallies conducted for targeted bases

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — As base closure commission members toured Brooks Air Force Base this morning, hundreds of citizens began rallying outside in hopes of keeping the base open.

"We want to keep the base open," said 76-year-old retiree Louis Smasal. "We're going to try."

Approximately 500 people wearing blue and white "Keep Brooks Working" t-shirts lined both sides of the street in front of Brooks to cheer as members of the Base Realignment Enclosure Commission departed.

Brooks and two other Texas installations — Reese AFB in Lubbock and the Red River Army Depot in Texarkana — are targeted for closure by the Pentagon.

Other commissioners were scheduled to arrive in Texarkana this afternoon.

Lubbock got its turn to show off Wednesday, when residents put on a patriotically festive face for the visitors.

Several thousand flag-waving residents honked horns and cheered at a motorcade through the city.

Yellow ribbons blazed from street signs and shrubs along the commissioners' route to downtown. Teen-agers got out of class to release balloons; drivers turned on their headlights.

At the rally site, those gathered tried to maintain a festive atmosphere despite the gloomy situation. Sporadically, the crowd broke into a group wave while many passing vehicles honked their horns.

"Anything to make a statement," said Marsha Laney, who brandished a styrofoam airplane.

The commissioners said they wanted to measure for themselves Reese's value to Lubbock.

"We need to be grounded in what is real and what is fictitious," said commissioner Benjamin Montoya of Albuquerque, N.M. "And so for me, to meet the people puts in perspective a particular base, and it puts data next to a face or next to a discussion that I will remember."

Earlier, the commissioners stopped at Reese to talk with pilots and step into a T-1A Jayhawk.

The commission, known as BRAC, has several months to tinker with a list of bases the Pentagon has recommended for closure. A final closure list goes to President Clinton by July 1.

For Lubbock leaders, it was a chance to extoll Reese assets: abundant airspace, mild weather, modern facilities and a pioneer record in several aspects of pilot training.

The Pentagon made some mathematical errors and used flawed analysis in targeting Reese over other bases with similar missions, the city argued.

Reese provides about 1,700 jobs and a $163 million economic impact annually.

Clinton administration documents show changes are planned for the FDA

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration is preparing to allow private organizations to review whether certain medical devices are safe and effective enough to offer American patients, Clinton administration documents show.

The move is part of a package of FDA reforms announced by the White House today that could save medical industries $500 million annually in regulatory costs.

FDA critics, who say the agency takes too long to approve new treatments, have clamored for the United States to copy Europe. There, new medical devices from X-rays to heart valves are reviewed by government-accredited firms that decide whether they can be sold.

The FDA won't go that far, according to documents obtained by The Associated Press.

In an experiment set to begin early next year, FDA will accredit private firms to review certain low-risk medical devices such as the cholesterol and drug-abuse tests performed in doctors' laboratories and electronic stethoscopes for measuring heartbeats.

Those firms will decide whether the devices work properly and are safe. The FDA retains the final say, but is expected to quickly follow the outside reviewers' decision unless it finds evidence that the devices shouldn't be used on patients.

The two-year pilot program will demonstrate whether critics are right in contending that outside scientists can do the medical testing and safety review faster than the government. If so, private firms might be allowed to review other FDA-regulated products, the reform plan says.

Man charged with murder of his family

PALATKA, Fla. (AP) — The man who survived a shooting spree that killed his wife, mother-in-law and three daughters was charged today with five counts of murder.

Detectives said Kingkhamvong "King" Phimmachack admitted Wednesday that he had shot himself after his family was killed, that he owned the guns used in the slayings and that there were no intruders in the house. He did not admit killing his family.

Phimmachack, a Laotian immigrant, remains hospitalized at University Medical Center in Jacksonville, where he was in fair condition recovering from gunshot wounds to the chest.

After the shootings were discovered early Tuesday, investigators found three brief handwritten notes in Phimmachack's writing inside the house, Putnam County Sheriff Taylor Douglas said at a news conference today.

"These notes indicated he was apologizing to members of his wife's family and expressing marital discord within his own marriage," Douglas said.

A total of 15 shots were fired inside the rural lakeside house from a .22-caliber semiautomatic rifle and a 20-gauge double-barreled shotgun, the sheriff said. Phimmachack said he shot himself with the shotgun.

The dead were Phimmachack's wife, Frances, 23; her mother Anna Bacon Morrow, 61; and the couple's daughters Amma, 2, Ayla, 4, and Lisa Ann, 7.

Phimmachack will remain under guard at the hospital until he is recovered enough to return to Putnam County.

Howard Stern apologizes for making fun of Selena

NEW YORK (AP) — Howard Stern told listeners today in Spanish that he meant no harm when he made fun of the killing of Mexican-American singer Selena.

Stern said on his morning radio program that his comments Monday, the day the 23-year-old star was buried, were not meant to hurt the victim's loved ones.

"As you all know, I'm a satirical person. My comments about Selena's tragic death, without a doubt, were not made with the intention of causing even more pain to her family, friends and those who loved her," Stern said in his statement, which was translated by The Associated Press.

In his broadcast Monday, Stern poked fun at the star, who was dubbed the queen of Tejano music, and portrayed her work as silly and shallow. He and his sidekicks also played excerpts of Selena's music with the sound of gunfire in the background.

"This music does absolutely nothing for me," Stern had said. "Alvin and the Chipmunks have more soul. ... Spanish people have the worst taste in music. They have no depth."

Stern also parodied weeping mourners and made disparaging comments about Mexico and Mexican-Americans.

Hispanic leaders called the remarks disrespectful and racist, and threatened to boycott businesses that advertise on the shock jock's radio show.

On Wednesday, the League of United Latin American Citizens said it would try to get Stern's nationally syndicated morning program off the air, either through Federal Communications Commission or by pressuring advertisers.

"The man has no scruples," said Hector Flores, the 100,000-member group's regional director in Dallas. "He hides behind his constitutional right to free speech and freedom of the press. But I don't think that our forefathers intended for these rights to be abused in this manner."

Selena was shot and killed on Friday at a motel in Corpus Christi, Texas. A former employee charged in the killing.

WTHA

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into the Texas Institute of Letters.

He has a weekly 30-minute talk show about history and has also served as commentator for a televised series on A&E entitled The Real West.

Speaking at Saturday's luncheon will be Jack Loftin of Windthorst, on A Twentieth Century Chase For The White Buffalo. Loftin is a long time member of the West Texas Historical Association (TWHA). He became a member of the Archer County Historical Commission in 1966 and has served as chairman for the past 29 years.

He is responsible for the creation of the Archer County Museum and marking more than 350 historical sites across North Texas. He has published a five-county historical map in which he has marked 400 historic sites and published *Trails Through Archer: A Centennial History*, which contains more than 800 photographs.

He is president of the WTHA.

The programs will be presented by more than 20 individuals. Included are noted historians, university professors and others. They include Mildred Sentell and G.A. Parks of Snyder, who will present Abolishing the Absolute Law and Historic Houses of Snyder, respectively.

WTHS sessions

Friday

Registration (1:30, FAT foyer)

Session I (2:15-3:30, Rm. 101) Military on the Texas Frontier.

Session II (2:15-3:30, Rm. 105) Education and NAFTA.

Session III (3:45-4:45, Rm. 101) West Texas and War.

Session IV (3:45-4:45, Rm. 1051) Finding Your Way In West Texas.

Reception (6-6:45, Scurry County Museum)

Banquet (7-8 p.m., Student Center)

Saturday

Board of Directors meeting (7 a.m., Willow Park Inn)

Session V (9-10:15, Rm. 105) Life In West Texas.

Session VI (9-10:15, Rm. 101) Life and Work in the Big Bend.

Session VII (10:30-11:45, Rm. 105) Documenting History in a Visual Form.

Session VIII (10:30-11:45, Rm. 101) Ranchers, Romance, and Heros.

Presidential Address (noon, Student Center) followed by luncheon.

Minute Man award goes to David Counts

AUSTIN - State Rep. David Counts (D-Knox City) has received the Minute Man Award during the Texas National Guard's annual convention in Houston.

The Minute Man Award is the highest honor bestowed in recognition of recipients' service to the Guard.

Major Gen. Sam Turk presented the award, citing Counts' 42 years of service to the military forces of Texas. Counts served 32 years of active service in the Guard, having achieved the rank of colonel. He previously was recipient of the Major General K.L. Berry Award for heroism.

Rep. Counts has served as a charter member of the Guard's legislative task force. Counts currently is author of House Bill 534 which provides a tuition exemption for Guard members in Texas colleges.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Billy Massey, 7111 W. Highway 180; Regina Harlin, 4004 Austin; Carol Schattel, 3474 S. Highway 84; Lawana Tillotson, 300 26th; Ora Westmoreland, 2007 37th Apt. 8.

DISMISSALS: Arvill Cox, Regina Harlin, Carol Schattel.

CENSUS: 43 (Med.-14, Long-term Care-29).

Peace officers respond to variety of complaints

DPS troopers arrested a 28-year-old male at 5:37 p.m. Wedesday on Highway 208 South for several outstanding warrants.

The warrants included two for no driver's license, speeding, public intoxication, two for failure to maintain financial responsibility, operating an unregistered motor vehicle, failure to identify and several for failure to appear.

Tax cuts

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reduction in the so-called marriage penalty on two-earner couples, tax breaks for retirees, expanded Individual Retirement Accounts, a credit for adoptive parents and a list of business-backed measures headed by a sharp reduction in the capital gains tax on profits from selling securities and real estate.

Now it goes to the Senate, where senior Republicans such as Budget Committee Chairman Pete Domenici of New Mexico and Finance Committee Chairman Bob Packwood of Oregon have wondered aloud how they can cut taxes deeply and simultaneously eliminate the budget deficit.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., considered the front-running GOP presidential hopeful for 1996, assured reporters, "We're going to have a tax bill." But he warned, "We didn't get elected just to rubber-stamp everything the House did."

The tax-cut bill will join in the Senate many other House-passed components of the "Contract With America" — welfare, crime, changes in the civil justice system among them — facing extensive changes.

In other action Wednesday, officers were called to the Video Depot in reference to videos being rented but not returned.

Officers responded to five calls between 11:47 a.m. and 3:10 p.m. of persons selling magazine subscriptions without permits.

A woman came to the police department at 2:55 p.m. in reference to a theft of a bicycle from the 200 block of Birch.

A report of criminal mischief was reported at 5:31 p.m. in reference to a car being scratched while it was parked at Wal-Mart. An offense report for Class A criminal mischief was filed.

Officers were notified at 5:49 p.m. that employees of the Movie Stop had detained a juvenile shoplifter. Officers notified the parents of the juvenile.

Officers were called to the Lota' Burger on South College Avenue at 6:59 p.m. Wednesday in reference to neon tubing being taken.

Three minor accidents were investigated by city officers Wednesday.

An accident was reported at 3:03 p.m. at 42nd and College Avenue involving a 1976 Toyota pickup driven by Jose Ornelas, Box 72, Colorado City and a 1991 Cadillac driven by Valerie Drum, County Road 69, Hermleigh.

At 3:06 p.m., officers were notified of an accident in the 3800 block of Austin Avenue. Involved were a 1978 Pontiac driven by James Caldwell of 4010 Irving and a 1987 Oldsmobile driven by Maria Hernandez of 1303 18th St.

A report of a hit and run accident was made at 5:15 p.m as a parked and unoccupied 1987 Oldsmobile owned by Elaine Soliz, 801 N. Tyler Ave., Rotan, was struck by a vehicle which left the scene.

Obituaries

BESS E. FISH

Bess Fish

1900-1995

Graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Friday in Hillside Memorial Gardens for Bess E. Fish, 94, who died at 8:20 p.m. Wednesday in Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Born in Snyder, she married Walla D. Fish in Snyder, and he died on March 4, 1980.

A life-time resident of Scurry County, Mrs. Fish owned and operated beauty salons in Snyder for many years. She was a long-time member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, David and Dawn Fish of Snyder; two grandchildren, Daniel and Dustin Fish of Snyder; and a niece, Mariwyn Abbott of Oregon.

She was preceded in death by two sisters and three brothers.

Local arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Rev. White

1930-1995

PASADENA - Service was held Wednesday in the Pasadena Funeral Home Chapel for the Rev. George E. White, 64, who died Friday. Burial followed in Grand View Memorial Park.

Rev. White was pastor of Northside Baptist Church in Snyder from 1972 to 1978.

A Houston resident since 1986, Rev. White had formerly lived in Pasadena. He was minister of Hope Missionary Baptist Church and owner of White's Printing.

He was a member of the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce, Odd Fellows and board member of the ABA Credit Union.

Survivors include his wife of 45 years, Mary Frances White of Houston; two sons, Larry Paul White of Houston and Jerry Wayne White of Spring; a daughter, Brenda Kaye Ivy of Pasadena; three brothers, Ellis White of Springfield, Ore., Doyle White of Altoga and Temor White of Midland; a sister, Corine Clenney of Midland; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a son, William Edward White in 1950, and a daughter, Mary Elizabeth White in 1958.

Carl R. Lloyd

1930-1995

WENDELL, Idaho — Funeral service is set for 11 a.m. Friday in the St. Anthony's Catholic Church for Carl Ray Lloyd, 65, a former resident of Snyder.

Mr. Lloyd died Tuesday at his home in Wendell of an apparent heart attack.

Graveside service in Snyder is pending with Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Jan. 11, 1930 in Big Spring, he was a 1948 graduate of Snyder High School. He married Janice Houston of Stanton. An army veteran, he was a retired farmer and rancher, and he and his family had lived in Colorado and Idaho for the past several years.

He moved to Wendell in 1971 where he did custom hay work in addition to farming and ranching in the area.

His father, Raymond Lloyd, preceded him in death in 1980.

Survivors include his wife, Janice of the home; his mother, Leta Lloyd of Snyder; three daughters, Elizabeth Knutson of Twin Falls, Angela Crawford of Midland and Rebecca Braun of Gooding; four sons, Dan Loyd of LaJunta, Colo., Martin Lloyd of Twin Falls, Michael Lloyd and George Lloyd, both of Hagerman; five brothers, Billy Joe Lloyd of Dalhart, Jerry Lloyd of Gooding, Keith Lloyd of Colorado City, Weldon Lloyd and Jimmy Lloyd, both of Snyder; three sisters, Eltine Bines of Coleman, Pat Cornett and Dorothy Beatty, both of Snyder; an aunt, Lorena Gibson of Snyder; seven grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cook charged

LEBANON, N.H. (AP) — A breakfast cook at a Denny's was charged with assault for allegedly spiking two Vermont state troopers' eggs with Tabasco sauce.

Michael Towne, 20, could get up to two years in jail and $4,000 fine.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	66¼	66	66¼+ ½	
AT&T Corp	52¼	52	52¼+ ¼	
AirTouch	27¾	27	27¾+ ¼	
Albertsons	32¼	32	32 — ¼	
Alldsignal	39¼	38¾	39 + ¾	
Alltel	29¼	29	29¼+ ¼	
AmStores	25¼	25	25 — ¼	
Ameritech		43	42¾ 42¾	
Amoco	63¼	62¾	63¼— ¼	
AndarkPtr	42¼	42¼	42½— ¾	
ArmcoInc	7¼	7	7 — ¼	
AtlRichfld	114¾	114¼	114¾— ¼	
ATMOS Egy s	18⅝	18⅛	18⅝— ½	
Aviall	7	6¾	7 + ¼	
BakerHughes	20¼	20¾	20½+ ½	
BancTexas	1⅛	1⅛	1⅛+ ⅛	
BellAtl	54¼	53¾	53¾— ½	
BellSouth	61¼	60¾	61 + ¼	
BethSteel		15¾	15½ 15¾	
BritPet	83	82¾	82¾— ¾	
Caterpillar s	56¼	55¾	56¼+ ¼	
CnaSoWst	25¾	25	25⅛+ ⅛	
Chevron s		47	46¾ 46¾	
Chrysler	41	40¼	40½— ½	
Coastal	29	28¼	28¾— ½	
CocaCola	58¼	58	58 — ¼	
ColgatePalm	68¼	67¾	67¾— ¾	
ComclMetals	26¼	26¼	26¼+ ¼	
Cooperin	38¼	38¼	38¾+ ¼	
CyprusAmax	28⅝	28	28 — ⅝	
DallSemicn	17⅞	17⅛	17⅛— ¼	
DeltaAirl	62¼	62¼	62¼+ ½	
DigitalEq	39 7-16	39	39⅛+ ⅛	
Dillard	27¼	26¾	27¼— ¼	
DowChem	72⅝	71¼	72¼+ ¼	
DresserInd	21⅛	21⅛	21⅛— ¼	
DuPont	66¼	64	65¼+2	
EastmanChem	57¼	56¾	57 — ¼	
EstKodak		52¼	52¼ 52¼	
ElPasoNG	6	5¾	5¾— ¼	
Emerson		15¼	15 15¼	
Entergy		21¼	21⅛ 21⅛	
Exxon	68	67¼	67¾— ¼	
FlowerInd	18	17¼	17¾— ¼	
FordMotor s	26¼	26¼	26¼— ¼	
GTE Cp	34¼	34	34 — ¼	
GenDynam	48	47¾	48 + ¼	
GenElec s	55¼	54¼	55 + ¼	
GenMills		61¼	60¾ 61	
GenMotors		43¾	43¼ 43¾	
GenMotors E		39¾	39¼ 39¼	
GaPacif	81¼	80¾	80¾— ¼	
GlobalMar		4¾	4¼ 4¾	
Goodrich		45¾	45¼ 45¼	
Goodyear s	38¼	37¼	38¼— ¼	
GtAtlPac		23¾	23¼ 23¼	
Halliburta		37¾	37 37¼	
Hanson ADS		19	18⅝ 18⅝	
Houstind	39¼	39⅛	39¼+ ⅛	
IBM	84¼	83¼	83¾— ½	
IntlPaper	75¾	75¼	75¾— ¼	
JohnsnJns	59¼	59¼	59¼—17-32	
K mart	15¼	14¼	14⅜— ⅛	
Kroger	26¼	25¾	25¾— ¼	
Litton	36¼	36⅛	36⅛—1-16	
Lowes Cos	35¾	35¼	35¼+ ⅛	
Lubys		20½	20 20¼	
Maxus	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛+ ⅛	
MayDeptStrs	37⅛	37⅛	37⅜— ⅛	
Medtronic s		70⅛	69⅛ 69⅛	
Mobil		91⅛	90⅝ 91	
Monsanto	81	79⅝	81 +1⅛	
Motorola	55⅜	54⅝	55¼+ ⅛	
Nationsbk	52¼	51⅛	52 + ⅜	
Navistar		13⅛	13⅛ 13⅛	
NoramEngy	5⅜	5⅛	5⅜— ⅛	
Nynex	40¾	40⅜	40⅝+ ⅛	
OryxEngy		13	12⅝ 13	
PacTelesis		30⅛	30⅛ 30⅛	
PashECp	23¾	23⅜	23⅜— ⅛	
Penney JC	45	44⅛	44⅜— ⅛	
Penzoil	49¼	48¾	49¼+ ⅜	
PepBoys		30¼	30 30¼	
PepsiCo	40	39⅝	39⅞— ⅛	
PhelpDodge	57⅜	57	57¼+ ⅛	
PhilipPet	35⅝	35¼	35¼— ⅛	
Polaroid	33¾	33⅜	33⅜— ⅛	
Praxair	23¼	23¼	23⅜— ⅛	
ProctGamble	68⅜	68¼	68¾+ ⅛	
PubSNwMx	12⅜	12⅛	12⅜— ⅛	
RoyalDutch	121	120⅛	120⅝— ⅛	
SPcPacCp s	22⅛	22⅛	22⅜+ ⅛	
SaraLee	27⅞	27⅝	27⅞— ⅛	
SearsRoeb	53¼	52⅜	52⅜— ⅛	
SherwinW		33¾	33⅜ 33⅜	
SmthBchADS	40⅜	40⅜	40⅜+ ⅛	
SmthBc eqt	39⅜	39⅜	39⅜+ ⅛	
SouthernCo	21⅛	21	21 — ⅛	
SwstAirlines		18⅛	18⅛ 18⅛	
SwBell	42⅜	42⅛	42⅜+ ⅛	
Sprint	32	31⅛	31⅜— ⅛	
SterlingChm	12⅜	12⅛	12⅜+ ⅛	
SunCo		28¼	28¼ 28¼	
TNP Ent	15⅜	15⅛	15⅜+ ⅛	
Tandy	49⅞	49⅜	49⅝+ ⅛	
Tempinl	46	45⅜	45⅞+ ⅛	
Tenneco		46¼	46⅛ 46⅜	
Texaco	65⅞	65¼	65⅜— ⅜	
TexasInd		37⅛	37⅛ 37⅛	
TexasInst	91⅛	89⅜	90⅜— ⅛	
TexUtil	32⅝	32½	32⅝— ⅛	
Textron	57⅛	57	57 + ⅛	
Travelers	39⅛	38⅜	39¼+ ⅛	
TrinityInds	38⅛	37⅞	38 — ⅛	
TriconEngy	39	38⅝	38¾+ ⅛	
Tyler	3⅜	3⅛	3¼— ⅛	
US West		41⅛	40⅞ 40⅞	
USX Delhi	9⅝	9⅜	9⅝+ ⅛	
USX-Maratha		18⅜	18 18⅛	
USX-USS	33⅛	32⅝	33 + ⅛	
UnCarbde	31	30⅝	30⅞+ ⅛	
UnPac		55⅝	55⅝ 55⅝	
UnitedTech	69	68⅝	68¾— ⅛	
Unocal	28⅛	28⅛	28⅛— ⅛	
WalMart	25⅛	25⅛	25¼— ⅛	
WstnGasRs	22⅝	22⅛	22⅜— ⅛	
WestghEl	15⅛	14⅞	15 + ⅛	
WinnDixie		57	56¼ 56½	
Woolworth	19⅝	18⅜	18⅝— ⅛	
XeroxCp	116¼	115⅜	116 + ⅛	
ZenithE	7⅜	7⅛	7⅛+ ⅛	

Provisions of welfare reform bill being studied by House

AUSTIN (AP) — Provisions of the welfare reform bill being considered in the Texas House:

Family Cap

— The Department of Human Services would be prohibited from providing additional benefits for children born to a welfare recipient more than 10 months after the recipient became eligible for aid. An excluded child still could receive Medicaid and other social services.

— If an employed welfare recipient has another child, the department would exempt $30 a month of the recipient's earnings when calculating the amount of the family's grant.

Time Limits for Benefits

— Cash benefits would be limited based on a recipient's education and work experience according to the following categories:

Group One: six months of cash benefits and six months of transitional benefits for people who have a high school education or degree from a college or vocational school AND have at least 18 months' work experience.

Group Two: 12 months of cash benefits and six months of transitional benefits for people who have a high school education or degree from a college or vocational school OR have at least 18 months' work experience.

Group Three: 24 months of cash benefits and 12 months of transitional benefits for people who have completed three years of high school or have six to 18 months' work experience.

Group Four: 36 months of cash benefits and no transitional benefits for people who have completed less than three years of high school and have less than six months' work experience.

Responsibility Agreement

— Welfare applicants would be required to sign a responsibility agreement with DHS that would require the recipient to: ensure that each dependent child attends school; not use, sell or possess illegal drugs; provide children under age 5 with immunizations and medical checkups; participate in an activity to enable the recipient to become self-sufficient.

Mandatory Work Program or Job Training

— DHS could require that an adult with no children under age 6 work at least 30 hours per week or participate at least 20 hours per week in a federal work training program.

Child Support Enforcement

— The attorney general's office could suspend the professional, occupational, motor vehicle, hunting or fishing licenses of people who are behind in child support payments equal to or greater than the total amount due for 90 days.

Fraud

— A Public Assistance Fraud Oversight Task Force would be created to advise and assist DHS in fraud investigations and collection.

— DHS would develop a program for preventing welfare fraud by using electronic fingerprint imaging or photo-imaging of applicants and recipients.

— The department also would develop a computerized matching system with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to prevent inmates from illegally receiving public assistance.

NURSES DAY - Cogdell Hospital staff members Susan Birkenfeld, left, and Becky Hicks recently presented a program for the Joy School at East Side Church of Christ during "Nurses Day" at the school. Students shown, from left, are Shawn Thompson and Allen Jones. (SDN Staff Photo)

Dear Abby

Living Will Is a Dead Issue Without Doctor's Compliance

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Grieving Widow, Edgewater, Fla.," concerning Living Wills brought back some painful memories.

My husband died of a heart attack a year ago. When I discovered him, he had already started to turn blue. I called 911. The police arrived quickly and began administering CPR. After what seemed like a long time, I finally said, "Please stop; my husband has suffered with pain for years, and lately he's been talking about suicide — let him go! He has a Living Will."

They said they were under standing orders to apply CPR until the emergency medical technicians arrived. When they got there, the police told them about the Living Will, but they insisted on contacting his doctor. I was grateful that the doctor instructed them to discontinue CPR. This illustrates that only the doctor's decision counts — not what the patient wants.

Later the police officers, who were very comforting, told me that my husband was already gone when they arrived.

It angers me when doctors who oppose the right to die insist they can keep patients free from pain. My husband tried for years to get some relief from constant pain.

Doctors are not gods, and we should stop putting them in that position.

WITHOUT FREEDOM OF CHOICE

DEAR WITHOUT: Your letter underscores the importance of stating one's wishes in writing. That is why I urge readers to have a Living Will. Also, it is imperative that physicians agree to honor it.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: I was shocked by the report of the grieving widow in Edgewater, Fla., whose physician refused to honor her husband's Living Will. His refusal was contrary to federal law.

The Patient Self-Determination Act became effective on Dec. 1, 1991, and established without question that medical personnel and health-care institutions must respect and comply with Living Wills executed by mentally competent persons. Failure to abide by those instructions may lead to malpractice suits.

It is also now well-established by law and by court decisions that a mentally competent patient may accept or reject any recommended treatment. If the patient has signed a Living Will and should become unable to communicate, the "next of kin" is authorized to make decisions on behalf of the patient.

Even now, it may not be too late for the grieving widow to take action.

ROY TORCASO, PRESIDENT, HEMLOCK SOCIETY OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL AREA, MCLEAN, VA.

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DEAR ABBY: You tell old people it's all right for them to hug, touch and kiss, but what about getting between the sheets for a little sex once in a while?

We are both 85 years old, in good health, and we are very good friends. Is this an unpardonable sin?

H.B. IN ILLINOIS

DEAR H.B.: I am not authorized to pardon sins, but if I were, I would worry less about what two old lovers did between the sheets and more about man's inhumanity to man.

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'Heroes' urge youngsters to be great

WASHINGTON (AP) — Snowy-haired country star Kenny Rogers stood before an audience of young people from the city's housing projects Wednesday and recalled his own childhood at the Allen Parkway Village in Houston.

The singer said what few people think about public housing today: "It was a wonderful experience for me."

At a time when housing projects are associated with violence and drugs, and the federal housing agency is attacked in Congress and elsewhere as wasteful and mismanaged, the Clinton administration held out its six "Heroes of Public Housing" as an inspiration.

When 57-year-old Rogers was a boy, "these housing buildings were so safe — or certainly not dangerous — all the kids would sleep out in the front yard on blankets and towels," he said.

"There would be 35 kids out in the front yard. It was like going to camp every day when we were there."

Warm weather marks severe allergy season for Americans

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two words may explain the sneezing, stuffy noses and itchy, watery eyes you may have been experiencing lately: warm winter.

The second-warmest winter in the past 100 years has caused trees to begin releasing their pollen a bit earlier than normal.

Pollen counts usually begin to build about now, but high counts are being recorded nationwide because of the mild weather, said Sarah Kaluzny-Petroff of the American Academy of Allergy Asthma and Immunology in Milwaukee.

"It's kind of everywhere," she said. "Mild winter, with the real nice pop of weather that we had, really just jump-started all the trees."

Kaluzny-Petroff declined to forecast the severity of the 1995 allergy season, but said "indications are that it's going to be an active one."

"This year we're seeing high levels overall, so a lot of people aren't feeling good if they haven't started their medications up," she said.

Some 35 million Americans suffer from seasonal allergies.

The academy has about 70 stations across the country that count pollen, and only six cities had low readings last week for tree pollen, she said.

Grass pollen is also on the rise in parts of the South as well.

"It's not just trees out there; it's grass too," Kaluzny-Petroff said.

Trees generally pollinate in the spring, grass in the summer and weeds during the fall, Kaluzny-Petroff said.

But the situation could be helped by an unseasonable arctic blast of air that forced temperatures to record lows Wednesday from Illinois to Maine and southward into Kentucky and West Virginia, she said.

Kaluzny-Petroff said sufferers should take advantage of new allergy medications that are available, as well as antihistamines and nasal sprays.

When medicine fails, people should avoid exposure between 5 a.m. and 10 a.m., when the pollen is most active, use air conditioning in automobiles and in the home and get someone else to mow the lawn, she suggested.

T-shirt sales banned at mall

WASHINGTON (AP) — The National Park Service is banning the sale of T-shirts on federal parkland in the Washington area in an effort to rout hundreds of booths that have sprung up along the Mall and around the national monuments.

New regulations taking effect May 7 were being outlined today at a ceremony at the Jefferson Memorial.

George Frampton Jr., an assistant secretary of the interior, said it took almost a year to work out the regulations because of the need to balance "park values and First Amendment values."

The issue started bubbling several years ago when protestors near the Vietnam [illegible] Memorial started selling [illegible] to raise money and promote their cause.

Third 'fortune cookie' winner gets lotto check

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Lottery Commission has presented the third check from the March 25 Lotto drawing to Nealy Lahair of Mesquite.

Ms. Lahair received one-third of the jackpot, splitting evenly with Scotty and Barbara Turnbull of Nocona. Each received $814,473.

Ironically, all three used Chinese fortune cookies to select their winning numbers: 10, 24, 27, 29, 40 and 46.

Ms. Lahair bought her ticket at the One Stop Shoppe in Mesquite, which will receive a winning ticket bonus of $14,830.57, the commission reported Wednesday.

Ms. Lahair requested minimal publicity.

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Get another opinion on stomach pain

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 77-year-old female who has been fairly healthy until a couple of years ago, at which time I began to have stomach pain. X-rays and an upper GI were negative. My doctor has now prescribed Prilosec once a day. It helps as long as I watch my diet; no iced cream, chocolate, coffee, or spicy foods. How can I get rid of the pain? It feels as if there is a fire in my stomach.

DEAR READER: The fact that your abdominal discomfort is worsened by certain foods and lessened by Prilosec (a drug to reduce the formation of stomach acid) suggests that your problem is in some way related to hyperacidity.

X-rays of your stomach would probably have shown an ulcer or hiatal hernia if you had these conditions, but X-rays are notoriously unreliable in diagnosing gastritis (inflammation of the stomach lining) and other subtle abnormalities in the upper gastrointestinal tract.

Therefore, I believe you would be best served by consulting with a gastroenterologist. Ask your family physician for a referral.

I am certain that the specialist will be able to diagnose your condition during endoscopy, a special test that enables him to examine your upper intestine through a lighted fiberoptic tube.

At this point, the ministrations by your doctor have been ineffective. You need a specialist.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has a 50-year habit of beer drinking. He has experienced abdominal pain and indigestion. Is the beer to blame?

DEAR READER: Probably. Alcohol affects virtually every organ in the body. It is especially toxic to the liver, in which chronic inflammation (hepatitis) and scarring (cirrhosis) may cause abdominal pain.

Also, alcohol produces stomach inflammation (gastritis), ulcers, and pancreatic irritation, which can lead to severe indigestion and intestinal bleeding.

Your husband should see a doctor for two reasons.

First, the physician, using blood tests and X-rays, needs to diagnose the cause of your husband's symptoms and offer appropriate therapy.

Second, if your husband is an alcoholic (based on his history and the results of his tests), this problem must be addressed as well, with counseling, a detoxification program and referral to a self-help group, such as Alcoholics Anonymous.

Your husband should not delay seeking medical help, because if he is suffering the consequences of alcohol abuse, they could be fatal.

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

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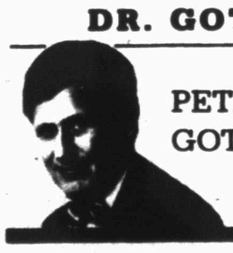

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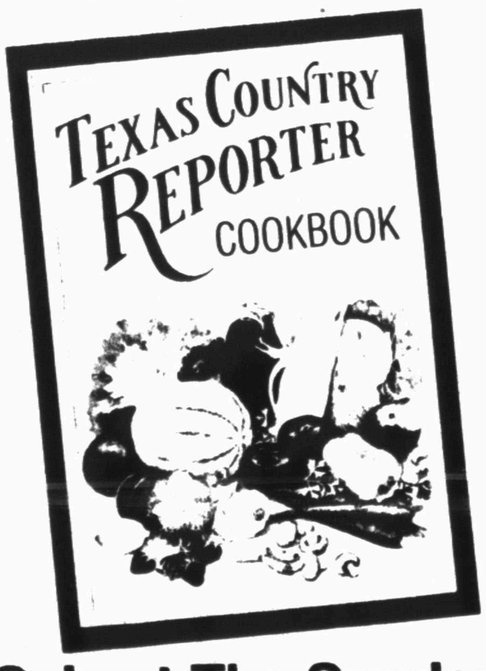

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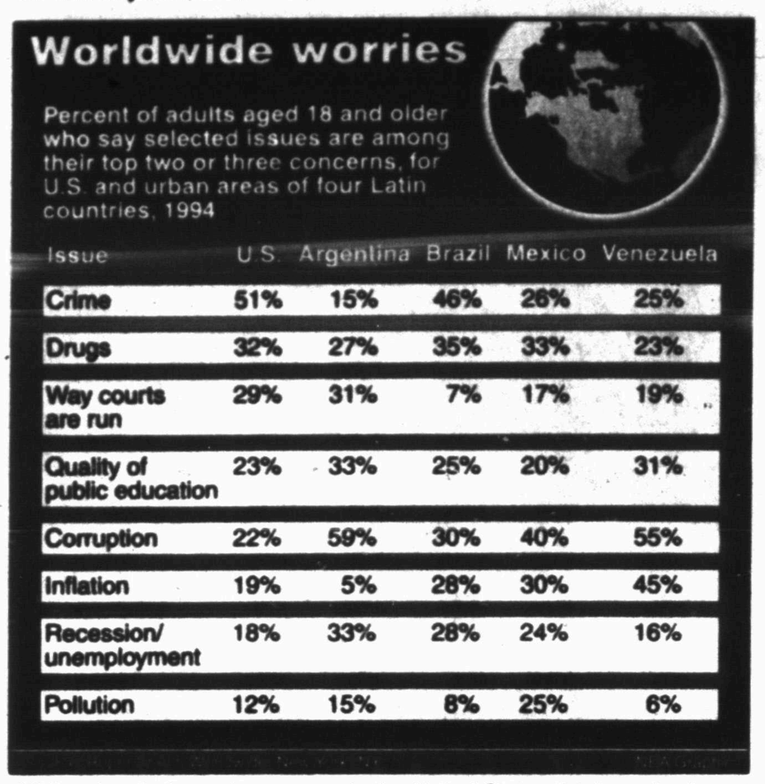

While crime is the major concern in the United States, it takes a back seat to corruption as the major concern in Argentina. In Mexico, pollution is among the top two or three concerns for one-quarter of the population.

Fewer Americans reading papers, watching the news

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fascination with O.J. Simpson's televised murder trial is apparently cutting into the time Americans spend reading newspapers.

That's one explanation for poll results that show only 45 percent of adults say they read a newspaper "yesterday."

The poll, released Wednesday by the Times Mirror Center for the People and the Press, found a substantial drop from last year, when 58 percent said they had read a newspaper the previous day. The percentage who watched a television news show also slipped, from 74 percent last year to 61 percent now.

"The O.J. trial has clearly disrupted previous news consumption patterns around the country," the center said in a statement accompanying its poll results.

Newspaper readership has been slipping for a number of years, and a long list of possible reasons has been offered:

—There are new places to find news, including the Internet and computer services.

—There are more alternatives to news, including videotapes, computer games and a bumper crop of magazines and cable channels.

—With more two-income families, fewer people have time to pick up the paper or turn on the television.

—The end of the Cold War and the resulting easing of world tensions made daily news consumption less necessary.

And now, said center director Andrew Kohut, "Along comes O.J. and really mucks it up."

The poll found that some 40 million people — one of every four adults — admit that they watch all or most of the live trial coverage. Sixty-three percent are women.

"There are an awful lot of well-educated, middle-class people who are hooked on this stuff," Kohut said.

Reese Cleghorn, dean of the University of Maryland's journalism school, said he isn't worried about the impact on newspapers of disappearing readers, saying, "They will continue to have a very vital role and a very profitable role" in educating and entertaining people.

"The larger question that concerns me is how well informed are people going to be" if they don't follow the news, Cleghorn said. He said the move of large numbers of people away from traditional news sources may be "a part of the dumbing down of the American public, which I think is taking place."

Other findings from the poll:

—Nine percent of American adults said they get their news only from newspapers; 21 percent said television is their sole news source.

—Only 28 percent of those under 30 years old said they read a newspaper in the past day, compared with 55 percent of those 50 and older.

—Political ideology plays little role in readership habits. Fifty-four percent of Republicans said they did not read a newspaper in the past day, along with 56 percent of Democrats and 56 percent of independents.

The poll is based on telephone interviews with 1,819 adults from March 22 to March 26. The margin of error for results based on the full sample is plus or minus 2.5 percentage points.

Death row inmate killed following stay

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A death row inmate who has said he wants to die quickly was being investigated today for killing another condemned prisoner during an altercation in a prison recreation yard.

Jermarr Arnold, 36, was confined in a special area away from other inmates after he fatally stabbed fellow inmate Maurice Andrews late Wednesday, prison officials said.

Andrews, 39, was found fatally wounded on the ground in an outdoor area outside a death row wing at the Ellis I Unit northeast of Huntsville. A prison-made shank — a sharp piece of metal — was imbedded in his left temple, prison spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said.

Just one month ago, Andrews received a reprieve — his fifth — only hours before he was scheduled to receive lethal injection.

Both Arnold and Andrews were on death row for killing someone during a jewelry store holdup — Andrews in Beaumont in 1982 and Arnold in Corpus Christi in 1983.

"A disturbance broke out, and it could be anything — an argument, disrespect. Any number of things could have set it off," Fitzgerald said. "They're not left unsupervised, but I don't know if any guards witnessed the attack."

About 12 to 15 other death row inmates were with Andrews in the recreation area, which Fitzgerald described as about half the size of a basketball court.

He said prison officials hoped to wrap up their investigation today and turn over their findings to the Walker County District Attorney for filing of charges.

Fitzgerald said authorities have characterized Arnold as a trouble-maker since he arrived on death row in December 1990 but had no specifics.

In a 1991 interview, Arnold told The Associated Press he was incapable of feeling sympathy for anyone and had few emotions.

"If someone were to walk up to me and stick a knife in my chest, when I go back to the wing, when we go to the rec yard, I wouldn't feel much regret if that happened to myself," he said. "So how could I feel any sense of regret or be sorry if that happened to someone else?

"I've been desensitized and depersonalized in prison."

Arnold had asked that all appeals be dropped on his behalf and that he be put to death. He has not had an execution date.

It was not immediately certain if an additional murder charge against Arnold would affect any execution.

"It's an interesting question," Fitzgerald said.

Arnold said he killed Christina Marie Sanchez because she reached into a drawer for a .357 Magnum pistol after he demanded jewelry from a display case at her Corpus Christi store.

"I didn't want to have any more time with her. I thought it would be more efficient to kill her," Arnold said.

Arnold was in California, serving time for armed robbery, assault, attempted escape and weapon possession when he confessed in 1988 to the Texas slaying.

Wednesday's death row homicide is the first since Aug. 26, 1990 when condemned inmate Calvin Williams was strangled in a recreation yard.

Andrews had been on death row since Oct. 22, 1982.

He and an accomplice, Elliott Rod Johnson, robbed Granado's Jewelry Store in downtown Beaumont on April 8, 1982, then fatally shot the owner, Joe Granado, and employee Arturo Melendez as they lay on the floor.

Granado's widow, Lena Granado, found the news of Andrews' death hard to believe Wednesday night.

"What? You're kidding me," she said. "Well, I guess that takes care of that, doesn't it? It's been a long time, it really has. I hate to see it, but I'm glad maybe it will all come to an end now for us. We've had a hard time getting all of this behind us, especially since we've had to keep reading about it in the paper and watching it on TV."

At the time of the shooting, Andrews was on parole from Florida after an assault conviction.

Parolee convicted in Good Samaritan death executed

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — A former oilfield roughneck was executed early today by Texas authorities for fatally stabbing a Good Samaritan who agreed to help him with a disabled car.

Noble Mays, 41, had no final statement and little reaction as the lethal drugs flowed into his arms beginning at 1:34 a.m. CDT. Eight minutes later, he was pronounced dead.

The execution — the eighth this year in Texas — came after the U.S. Supreme Court rejected several 11th-hour appeals.

A final appeal went to the high court just before midnight, a few moments before the execution normally would have been carried out. About an hour later, the justices — with no vote announced — rejected the request.

Earlier Wednesday evening, the court, in a 7-2 vote, also refused to halt the punishment.

When arrested a week after the April 7, 1979 death of 34-year-old Jerry Lamb, Mays was on parole for about 16 months after serving five years of an 18-year sentence for robbery. He had previous convictions for robbery and burglary.

Mays insisted he was innocent of the killing but in interviews expressed little anxiety about his punishment.

"I've never been very concerned about it," he said. "If it was possible to execute a man, it would be just because of the system. And you just can't do anything with the system."

Mays' attorneys contended he should be spared because trial lawyers failed to raise an insanity defense and because they believed the jury knew about the outcome of Mays' previous trials.

Mays went to trial four times for the slaying. The first was declared a mistrial in its early stages and the next two, which resulted in convictions, were reversed on appeal.

Trial testimony showed Mays and an accomplice, James Moore, confronted Lamb at a Wichita Falls park and asked that he drive them to their car that stalled in a remote area. Once inside the car, Mays pulled a knife and ordered Lamb to surrender his jewelry, keys and wallet. When Lamb, manager of the Sheppard Air Force Base officers club, tried to run away, he was caught and stabbed by Mays.

Lamb's body, strapped under the hood of an abandoned pickup truck, was discovered by a Texas Ranger.

Mays, who said he ran away from home at age 11, was arrested in Dallas a week after Lamb's death and in possession of Lamb's Lincoln Continental.

Moore testified against Mays and received a 45-year prison term. State records show he no longer is imprisoned.

Mays gained notoriety on death row for slithering through a tiny air vent in 1989 in an unsuccessful attempt to escape.

A year earlier, he had offered to drop all appeals in exchange for a $10,000 payment to his wife. The offer never was considered by authorities and Mays later said he made it merely to play games with the criminal justice system.

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By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Friday, April 7, 1995

Before launching any new endeavors or enterprises in the year ahead, finish what you've already started. Your best chances for success will come from things that already have a good foundation.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Outsiders are apt to find you easy and forgiving today, but this might not be true of family members. If they anger you, there will be trouble. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $2 and a SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Beware of inclinations today to overreact when you others offend you. There is a strong possibility that you'll read more into things than is intended.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Financial conditions could be subjected to big swings today. Through carelessness or extravagance, losses might overpower any gains you make.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Plan all of your moves carefully today, because if you don't, you might do things the hard way and your ambitions could go unfulfilled.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today you might have difficulty distinguishing between a fresh affront and an old grudge. For your peace of mind, forgive and let go.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Do not let your curiosity get the better of you today and impel you to poke your nose into an affair where it doesn't belong. It might be regrettable.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Partners or companions could be more of a hindrance than a help today when it comes to getting important things done. Operate on your own.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today you might spend more time talking about your intentions than doing anything about them. Produce first and let the results speak for themselves.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It is best not to become involved in situations where others have more control than you do. You weren't meant to play second fiddle.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your mate might be just as determined as you are today to have his/her own way. An impasse will result if both parties are unyielding and stubborn.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Co-workers might not perform up to your expectations today. Instead of coming down on them and stirring up more trouble, set an example for them to follow.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do not put something you value in jeopardy today. This could pertain to relationships, as well as material possessions.

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