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Ask Us

Q—Does the fire department do routine fire inspections and is anyone exempt from them?

A—Yes the fire department does about 12 fire inspections a month but state and federal buildings are exempt.

In Brief

Hersey dies

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — Pulitzer prize-winning author John Hersey, famous for his writings on World War II, died today. He was 78.

Hersey, a war correspondent, wrote "Hiroshima," the graphic and moving account of the world's first atomic bomb attack, and won the Pulitzer Prize for fiction in 1945 for "A Bell For Adano."

He was felled by a stroke a year ago, and also suffered from cancer of the colon and liver, said Barbara Hersey, his wife of 35 years.

His more than 20 books also include "The Wall" (1950), "A Single Pebble" (1956), "The War Lover" (1959), "The Child Buyer" (1960), "The Algiers Motel Incident" (1968), and "Aspects of the Presidency," (1980).

Local

Genealogy

Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the county library.

Visitors are welcome.

4-H sewing

A 4-H sewing class will meet Friday from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens Center.

Anyone age 9 to 18 is invited to participate.

CMH board

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will review the 1992 financial audit and consider approval for freezer shelving in a 7:30 a.m. meeting Thursday in the hospital board room.

85th year

The public is invited to help commemorate the 85th anniversary of Central Baptist Church in Hermleigh on Sunday, March 28.

Fellowship will begin at 10 a.m. with the morning worship service to begin at 10:30. Lunch will follow in the Hermleigh Community Center.

An 85th anniversary service will be held at 1:30 p.m.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Tuesday, 73 degrees; low, 33 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 52 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, 2.96 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, clear. Low in the mid 40s. South wind 5-15 mph becoming northeast late. Thursday, mostly sunny. High in the upper 70s. East to southeast wind 5-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:58. Sunrise Thursday, 6:41. Of 82 days in 1993, the sun has shone 75 days in Snyder.

Democrats rebuff GOP effort to kill Social Security tax

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate today rejected a Republican effort to kill President Clinton's proposed tax increase on many Social Security recipients, as Democrats rebuffed the stiffest challenge yet to the president's economic plan.

The Senate voted 52-47, mostly along party lines, to turn aside the GOP amendment, which was aimed at the most politically sensitive piece of Clinton's five-year deficit-reduction package.

With Vice President Al Gore sitting in the Senate president's chair in case his tie-breaking vote was needed, Democrats derided the Republican proposal as a shot that was really aimed at breaking Clinton's economic recovery plans apart.

"Our colleagues are now making an effort to derail President Clinton's momentum," said Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine. "Do we want to give President Clinton a chance, or do we want to torpedo President Clinton's program before it gets under way?"

But Republicans said they were trying to kill a tax that is unfairly aimed at people of only modest means.

"Let's not be fooled by this," the measure's sponsor, Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., said of his opponents. "You are voting for a Social Security tax increase on the elderly middle class and low-income Social Security recipients. That's wrong."

Clinton's Social Security tax proposal would raise $32 billion over five years, making it one of the biggest revenue raisers in his package.

Now, individual Social Security recipients pay taxes on up to half of their Social Security benefits once their income exceeds $25,000 for an individual or $32,000 for a couple. The president would raise to 85 percent the portion of benefits subject to the income tax, the same as for private pensions.

The tax is part of Clinton's $1.5 trillion fiscal 1994 budget, which envisions in its Senate form about $502 billion in deficit reduction over the next five years. The Senate plans to end debate and vote on the budget by noon Thursday.

Democrats on Tuesday defended the Social Security tax as a necessary part of the "shared sacrifice" Clinton has proposed to reduce the federal deficit and bolster the economy.

"This is a part of what we're going to have to do," said Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., perhaps the Senate's leading advocate of the Social Security program.

LAND JUDGING — Wade Vaughn of Lamesa FFA and Mendy Conder of Abilene Wylie FFA got down in the ground literally, as they competed in the Western Texas College land judging contest held Tuesday afternoon at the Bill Voss farm. See results on page 7. (SDN Staff Photo)

Yeltsin lashes out at opponents

Efforts to resolve Russian power struggle falter

MOSCOW (AP) — Efforts to reach a compromise in Russia's political crisis faltered today, and President Boris Yeltsin lashed out at his opponents for scheduling a parliamentary session to try to oust him.

The angry statement repeating earlier charges that his opponents want to bring back a totalitarian regime came after Yeltsin failed to find common ground with the parliament speaker and chief justice at a Kremlin meeting.

The meeting, which was arranged after lawmakers voted to hold a parliament session Friday, had raised hopes the sides would be able to resolve the power struggle that has paralyzed Russia's government for weeks.

But the statement issued by Yeltsin's spokesman held out little hope for an agreement.

"It is becoming more obvious that the goal of the leadership of the Supreme Soviet and the Congress is not to stabilize the situation in the country, but to use any means to remove the lawfully elected president and open the way to power for the forces of revenge and totalitarian restoration," spokesman Vyacheslav Kostikov said in a statement.

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For March...

Sales tax checks up 22%

March sales tax rebate checks for the City of Snyder totaled $90,693, an increase of 22 percent over rebates received a year ago.

According to the State Comptroller's monthly report, the year-to-date total for Snyder is $347,428, an increase of 48.70 percent for the city.

The high percentage of increase is a result of a ½ -cent tax increase, ¾ of which was implemented in June of 1992 and ¼ in November of 1992.

Scurry County's sales tax rebates totaled $39,468, for the month, down 18.15 percent from $48,218 received in March of 1992.

State Comptroller John Sharp sent a total of $101.7 million in March sales tax rebates to 929 cities and 109 counties, an 11.1 percent increase over the payments of one year ago.

Texas cities received $91.4 million in sales tax payments, up 11.3 percent from the $82.1 million they received last March. Counties received $10.2 million, a 9.4 percent increase over the March 1992 rebates of 9.3 million.

This month's sales tax rebates include taxes collected on January sales and reported to the comptroller in February by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

March rebates for area cities include:

•Abilene received $1,161,762, up 3.70 percent from the $1,120,312 received last year at this time.

•Andrews received $46,259, down 20.89 percent from the $58,477 rebate check received in March 1992.

•Big Spring received $182,405, down 20.29 percent from the $228,849 received last March.

•Colorado City received $23,168, down 22.14 percent from the $29,755 received in March of 1992.

•Lamesa received $40,975, up

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Area plays advance

Hermleigh one-act wins zone crown

Hermleigh one-act play was named co-winner in Tuesday's zone competition in Aspermont, sharing winning honors with Jayton.

Both schools will advance to district competition next Tuesday at Hamlin.

In addition to advancing to district, Hermleigh's "April Fish" cast also received individual honors. Heading the list of winners was Sheri Sandefur, who earned best actress recognition.

Other honors went to Charles Sweatt, all-star cast, and Monica Verdine and Bill Breitweiser, both honorable mention.

Mary Spieker is the director.

Ira one-act play claims zone victory

Ira's one-act play, "The Crucible," will advance to district competition next week, along with Trent. The competition will be held Tuesday in Hamlin.

Both schools won the right to advance Tuesday in zone competition held in Merkel. Both Ira and Trent compete in the South Zone in District 15A.

In addition to Ira's play advancing, several cast members garnered individual honors, including Misty Mathis, who was named best actress.

Other thespians, Cory Beltz and Chris Chance, were named to the all-star cast. Ociel Castelan received honorable mention.

Sue Parham is the director.

No teachers, no books, no money: school closes

KALKASKA, Mich. (AP) — It's the last day of school in Kalkaska, but almost no one is celebrating. Unable to pry more money from taxpayers and unwilling to slash programs, officials chose to send the 2,300 students home 10 weeks early.

Teachers are looking for part-time jobs, working parents are scrambling to arrange day care for children, and Kalkaska High School students are making plans for life after school.

"It stinks," said 17-year-old Travis Hansen, who will be installing carpets instead of helping the baseball team try for a third straight conference title.

Students at the district's high school, middle school and three elementary schools were to be dismissed at 11:30 a.m. today, at which time the teachers union called for a moment of silence in classrooms across the state.

Voters last week overwhelmingly rejected for the third time a 28 percent property tax increase that would have raised the typical bill by about $160, to $750.

Kalkaska is 225 miles northwest of Detroit. Many of its 13,497 residents are retired autoworkers, like Stanley Chisholm.

"We've just given, given, given until it hurts," he said.

District officials said staying open in light of a $1.5 million shortfall in an $8.8 million budget would have meant many teacher layoffs, drastic program cuts and classrooms jammed with 70 students or more.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "There may be no new taxes, but America is becoming the home of the brave and the land of the fee."

It could be a tossup as to which strikes the most fear into the heart of man - realization that he has forgotten his wife's birthday or a notice of an IRS audit.

As income tax time approaches, man probably most fears the Infernal Revenue Service. They never get mad, they just get even — and then some.

With taxes on our mind, we were reminded of the story about the small oilfield contractor who was working late one evening. It was near midnight when he decided to call it quits.

As he went to lock the front door, the businessman was jumped by robbers. They wacked him on the head, tied and gagged him, and tossed him into a small office.

The crooks took his wallet, his petty cash and were picking up office machines and equipment when the businessman regained consciousness.

"Murmph-h-h-h!" he called out while gagged.

He began kicking his feet, scrambling around on the floor and making all kinds of a fuss.

"Murmph-h-h-h!" he kept groaning.

One of the muggers looked at him, "Hey, Bubba, maybe this guy's having a heart attack or something. How about we pull the gag off and see what he wants?"

Bubba said it was okay with him, but not to waste any time.

With the gag off, the man pleaded with the robbers, "For gosh sakes, help me."

"We ain't gonna take them ropes off," said one of the crooks.

"Who said anything about the ropes?"

"Then watcha want?"

"Don't forget the books. Please, for heaven's sakes, take the books."

St. Elizabeth's slates 6th Sausage Festival

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church's sixth annual Sausage Festival kicks off Sunday at 11:30 a.m. at the Parish Hall. Serving and other activities will continue until 2:30 p.m.

In addition to the traditional homemade sausage meal, drawings will be held throughout the day for door prizes and other prizes to be given away.

The meal will consist of homemade sausage, sauerkraut, German potato salad, condiments, cobbler or German chocolate cake, tea, water and coffee.

Carry out orders will be available and homemade sausage — cooked and uncooked — will be sold by the pound. Meal tickets are $5 for adults, $3 for those 6-12, and $1 for five and under. They may be purchased in advance or at the door.

Those purchasing meal tickets will be eligible for door prize drawings. Tickets for other drawings are $1 each or six for $5.

Uncooked sausage will be $2.75 per pound. Cooked sausage will be $3 per pound. A special trailer will be set up on the grounds for sausage orders only.

A variety of items will also be sold through the Country Store, including homemade food items, baked goods, decorated T-shirts and more.

Texas RR commissioner opposes proposed tax

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration's proposed energy tax would harm Texas more than any other state, Texas Railroad Commissioner Barry Williamson says.

As the nation's largest consumer of energy and a leading producer, Texas would take a double hit from the broad-based energy tax package floated by the White House, Williamson told the House Ways and Means Committee Tuesday.

"Texas would bear 12.5 percent of the energy tax burden while having only 6.8 percent of the nation's population," said Williamson, a Republican elected last November to the agency that regulates Texas oil and gas production.

The tax also would discriminate against energy-intensive industries that thrive in Texas, such as the petrochemical, mining, construction and agricultural sectors, Williamson charged.

"By taxing the one chief feature that makes American, and specifically Texas, products competitive, you would be tying the hands behind our manufacturers' backs as they fight for competitive advantage in a global economy," he said.

Williamson was just one of many energy industry officials at the hearing who attacked the tax plan. They testified that the energy tax would harm domestic production, hurt U.S. competitiveness, hit some regions harder than others and disrupt an already shaky oil industry.

The levy also would hit the poor and middle class harder than the well-to-do, because lower income families spend a greater proportion of their income on utilities. Gasoline prices would rise an estimated 7.5 cents a gallon and an average home electric bill by $2.25 a month.

The energy tax proposal found little favor with Rep. Bill Archer of Houston, the ranking Republican on Ways and Means.

"When I first saw the Btu tax, I thought it was a proposal whose time should never come," Archer said. "It is going to drive our jobs overseas."

The administration last month proposed a broad-based energy tax that would be based on a fuel's British thermal units, or Btus. One Btu is the amount of energy required to raise the temperature of one pound of water one degree Fahrenheit. Administration officials say the tax could raise some $22 billion in revenue annually.

Oil producers contend the tax strikes a blow at their industry, since the tax on oil would be more than twice as high as that on other fuels.

"The Btu tax, as proposed, will subsidize foreign oil imports and will reduce domestic oil production further," said Eugene L. Ames Jr., president of Venus Oil Co. in San Antonio and chairman of the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

The concerns of the IPAA, which represents mostly small producers, was voiced by the American Petroleum Institute, which represents the major producers.

"The tax will create highly inequitable results across income groups and across regions of this country," said API board member Victor G. Beghini, who is president of Marathon Oil Co. in Houston.

When pressed by committee members, some of the industry officials said they would prefer a broad-based consumption tax, an oil import fee or a gasoline tax levied at the pump.

Dallas, Houston congressional districts wealthy

WASHINGTON (AP) — The seven congressional districts in Texas that were drawn to have majority-Hispanic populations are among the poorest in the state.

An Associated Press analysis of 1990 Census Bureau figures shows that one-quarter or more of those living in the seven majority-Hispanic districts in Texas live below the poverty line. Poverty is defined by the government as $13,359 in income or less for a family of four.

Nationwide, the five poorest congressional districts all have black or Hispanic majorities. There are 32 congressional districts with black majorities and 20 with Hispanic majorities.

Recording the highest poverty rate, with 37.5 percent of its households below the poverty level, was the 15th Congressional District, which stretches from Hidalgo County along the Rio Grande all the way up to Karnes County, southeast of San Antonio.

Thirty percent of residents lived below federal poverty rates in the 27th District, which runs from Cameron County along the Rio Grande north to Corpus Christi.

The 23rd District, which covers a huge expanse of West Texas from south of San Antonio practically all the way to El Paso, also reported 30 percent of its households living in poverty.

Twenty-eight percent of the households lived in poverty in the 28th District, which runs from San Antonio south to Starr County, on the U.S.-Mexican border.

Recording the fifth-highest poverty rate was the 29th District in the Houston area, with just under 28 percent of its households living below poverty lines.

Congressional districts in the Houston area, along with districts near Dallas, reported the fewest number of households living below the federal poverty line.

The 3rd District, which comprises a wealthy enclave of Dallas, had the lowest household poverty rate, with 4 percent of its households living in poverty.

That was followed by two other Dallas-area districts, the 6th and the 26th, which reported household poverty rates of 4.5 and 6 percent respectively.

Two Houston area districts, the 7th and the 22nd, had the fourth- and fifth-lowest poverty rates, with 6 and 8 percent respectively.

The average household income in Texas' congressional districts ranged from a high of $59,033 in the Dallas-area 3rd District to a low of $25,100 in the 28th District in South Texas.

Districts in the Dallas and Houston areas reported the state's highest household earnings. In addition to the 3rd District, the other districts reporting the highest household earnings was the 7th District, north of Houston, with $58,822; the 26th, near Dallas, with $51,959; the 6th, also near Dallas, with $49,555; and the 22nd, near Houston, with $49,006.

The districts reporting the lowest household incomes were scattered in South Texas, Houston and the Panhandle.

The lowest figure, $25,100, was in the 28th District in South Texas. The 15th District, also in South Texas, reported $25,110 in household income; followed by the 29th District in Houston, with $25,161. The 13th District, in the Panhandle, reported an average $27,316 household income; while the 20th District in San Antonio, had an estimated $27,517 household income.

Bullock opposes telephone proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock says he will do everything in his power to kill a proposal to loosen state control over telephone companies.

Media and consumer groups are among those blasting the plan by the Texas Telephone Association, which wants less stringent regulation over local telephone companies such as Southwestern Bell and GTE Corp.

"I am with the publishers of Texas on this issue," Bullock, the presiding officer of the Senate, said Tuesday. "I'm going to do everything in my power to see that that bill does not come out of the Texas Senate until such time as the publishers and others who are interested in this issue either agree on it, and if they can't agree ... then the bill won't come out."

Bullock discussed the proposal at an annual convention of the Texas Daily Newspaper Association, a group of executives from 97 daily newspapers in Texas. The association is among those against the plan.

Under the Texas Telephone Association proposal, companies would have the option of "alternative" regulation, which would regulate the price the public pays for phone service, but not the profits the companies could make.

The group's proposals are included in an amendment to a broader measure on the Public Utility Commission. The bill is pending in a House State Affairs subcommittee.

Tim Raven, president of the Texas Telephone Association, said Bullock's opposition means the group will have to work harder to get the proposal passed. He said the association will "try to work out all of the concerns of the parties."

Those concerns are being voiced by the newspaper association and other opponents, who say the measure would destroy competition among companies and strengthen a monopoly. They say it would also allow telephone companies to get a jump on the information services business.

Bullock said the proposal needed further study and that any action taken this session could "be detrimental to the future" of the newspaper industry.

"I personally have never run into a subject that is more complicated, that has more people involved in it, that involves bigger dollars than the issue for which Southwestern Bell is proposing," he said. "It would be an injustice for those of us who do not have adequate information ... to proceed in haste (on the measure)."

Special message being prepared

PHOENIX (AP) — Charles Barkley, basketball's Round Mound of Rebound, is reaching out to couch-potato kids in a public service message called "Don't Be a Spud."

The 6-foot-6, 260-pound Phoenix Suns player appears as an animated clay figure who pulls a TV-watching boy through the screen and onto the court for a game.

The message is for children to exercise more and eat better to prevent heart disease later in life.

"Charles Barkley, with his hero status among kids, is the perfect spokesperson," said Dr. Edward Diethrich, founder and medical director of the Arizona Heart Institute & Foundation, which helped create the announcement.

Completes course

DALLAS — Kevin Slaton, a service specialist in the Snyder Lone Star Gas office, has recently completed a training course at Lone Star's Distribution Training Center in Farmers Branch.

The course, advanced service training, is designed to provide basic skills and technical knowledge necessary for handling more advanced duties and responsibilities in the area of Customer Service Operations.

Kevin is a native of Paris and has been with Lone Star since May of 1983.

Sweetwater cattle auction

The market was active on a run of 655 head for the March 17th sale. Stocker and feeder steers $1-$2 higher with heifers steady. Packer cows and bulls $1-$2 higher. Bred cows steady with pairs $20-$30 higher.

—Lightweight stocker steers, 112-125.
—Mediumweight stocker steers, 100-110.
—Feeder steer yearlings, 88-97.
—Lightweight stocker heifers, 95-105.
—Mediumweight stocker heifers, 85-93.
—Feeder heifer yearlings, 78-84.
—Good bred cows, 600-700.
—Old and plain bred cows, 400-550.
—Good cow/calf pairs, 750-900.
—Old and plain pairs, 1000-750.
—Good packer cows, 48-55.
—Low-yielding packer cows, 42-48.
—Good packer bulls, 61-65.
—Low-yielding packer bulls, 58-61.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The Snyder Springers would like to thank all of the merchants who helped with the STAA (Southwest Tumbling and Trampoline Association) District II, Division I District Qualifier through their donations.

The meet could not be a success without you.

Thanks,

Snyder Springers
(Jennifer Jenkins)
Snyder, Texas

Dear Editor:

Imagine my surprise when I read about your "Talking Newspaper" in the weekend edition. Your system is identical to mine!

What a coincidence! Especially after I visited with you about it in June last year and you were very definite in explaining you wanted no part of it.

I have advertised the Scurry County Voice Mail/Voice Message Center in your newspaper several times since it went on line June 1, 1992, and visited freely with your staff when questioned.

Now, you advertise you are the first to offer this service here? And it features everything that I have advertised my system has available? I wager that I can tell you where you obtained the software and hardware as well.

I am now aware that visiting with you or your staff can be harmful to a young business. Not only do you report the news as you wish, you take advantage of it as well.

For your readers' information, and in the spirit of truth in news reporting, the Scurry County Voice Mail/Voice Message Center is in its 9th month of operation at 573-4961, and its cost continues to be much lower than yours.

Bob Hanks
BSH & Associates
2600 48th Street
Snyder, Texas

P.A.T.H. meeting slated in Abilene

ABILENE — Representatives from nine programs for children with disabilities will answer questions and provide information on their services at the Big Country P.A.T.H. Coalition's Spring Seminar on Resources. The seminar will be for parents of children with all types of disabilities and the professionals who work with them, and will be free to the public.

Registration is slated for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 1, with the program beginning at 7 p.m. in the All Purpose Room of the Johnson Building on the Hardin-Simmons University campus.

P.A.T.H., Partnerships for Assisting Texans with Handicaps, is the parent training and information program for Texas. Its purpose is to provide training, education, referral and one-to-one assistance to parents of disabled children.

The panel will include the Chronically Ill and Disabled (CIDC) program, MHMR's Child Placement and Children's Adolescent Programs, City Link Transportation, Abilene School District's Extended Year Services, the In Home and Family Support Program of the Dept. of Human Services, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Texas Rehabilitation Commission and Abilene Recreation Department's summer program.

For additional information, call Gail Pittman, 676-0145 or write to P.A.T.H., 901 Grape, Abilene, Tex., 79601.

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Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

Genes influence weight gain or loss

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a mother of three and have a problem with high metabolism. While most people have trouble losing weight, I have trouble gaining. One physician prescribed Periactin that allowed me to gain from 10 to 25 pounds, but once the medication was stopped, the weight fell. I'm 5'11" and weigh about 150 pounds.

DEAR READER: At 5'11" and 150 pounds, you don't sound underweight to me. Nevertheless, if you choose to put on a few pounds, eat more. I'd advise against using any drugs for weight gain because of side effects, such as fluid retention. Obviously, you should have blood tests to check your thyroid gland, among other things, because a mildly overactive gland will increase your metabolism without causing many other symptoms, such as nervousness and rapid pulse.

Some people are what I call "burners," others are "storers." By this I mean that each of us is born with a genetic heritage that governs the way we handle calories in our diets. We adults who are blessed by inheriting genes that allow us to burn calories for energy seldom gain much weight, despite our diets. Conversely, those persons who have a genetic tendency to store calories as fat must fight an ongoing battle against obesity, even if they markedly reduce their caloric intake.

You are obviously not emaciated, so why not thank your lucky stars that you don't have to contend with being overweight? Don't be influenced by our cultural norms of thinness, as exemplified by the typical female fashion model, and our preoccupation with the slimness of youth. You're tall and have three children to keep you in shape. Enjoy what you eat (and the fact that you can eat) — and don't get "hung up" on the weight issue.

To give you more information, I am sending you free copies of my Health Reports "Calorie-Wise Cooking" and "Eating Right For a Healthy Heart." Other readers who would like copies should send $1.25 for each report plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: As a business person, I have to wear a suit and tie most days. I've noticed that on the days when I don't wear a buttoned shirt with a tie, I am more active, productive, and less fatigued. It's almost as if the restriction on the neck reduces the flow of blood to the head. Could this be possible?

DEAR READER: No.

I'll bet that you're more productive and less fatigued on the days you shed your coat and tie because you're expe-riencing less stress. A tight collar may impede venous blood flow from the head to the heart, but it won't reduce arterial blood flow from the heart to the head because the arteries lie deep in the neck and are not affected by such mild external compression.

Probably, the days you are required to dress up are filled with more tension, expectations and demands, which can increase fatigue and reduce productivity. To test my theory, analyze your workdays. Let me know your conclusions.

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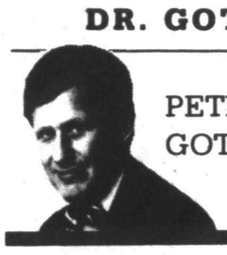

PETER. GOTT, M.D.

Black community angered by all-white jury's sentence

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Incensed leaders are blasting as racist the suspended sentence an all-white jury handed a teen-age skinhead for his role in the murder of a black man.

"It's ridiculous," said former state Rep. Reby Cary of Fort Worth. "It's the worst thing that can happen in America when we're supposed to have equal justice."

"Black folks' lives still ain't worth a damn in Texas," said Dallas County Commissioner John Wiley Price. "I'm mad as hell.

"Until black folks start taking to the streets, nothing is going to happen."

Jurors gave Christopher William Brosky 10 years' probation Tuesday for his role in the drive-by slaying of Donald Thomas. Brosky, who is white, was convicted Monday.

On its verdict form, the jury assessed Brosky a five-year prison term, but suspended that sentence and instead imposed probation. That means that if he violates the terms of his probation, Brosky must serve five years in prison.

"We just felt like this might be a man who might be able to turn his life around. ... If we had sent him to Huntsville, he might have come back in worse shape," said juror Richard Higgs.

Trial testimony showed that Brosky, 18, and fellow skinheads William George "Trey" Roberts III and Joshua Hendry, both 17, had planned a drive-by shooting the morning of June 7, 1991.

Defense lawyers argued Brosky was sitting in the back seat and was less involved in the shooting than his friends.

Roberts, who has admitted he fired the fatal shotgun blast, and Hendry have both pleaded guilty to the murder. Roberts was certified to stand trial as an adult and received a 40-year sentence in exchange for his testimony.

Hendry pleaded guilty in juvenile court and received a 15-year sentence t at will be reviewed in June when he turns 18. Hendry also testified against Brosky.

Prosecutors did not call any witnesses during the sentencing phase Tuesday.

"I don't know why he got what he got," said Carolyn Thomas, the victim's widow, said of the punishment.

"Yesterday I believed in the justice system. Now, I don't," Mrs. Thomas said. "It sends a dangerous message that if you kill someone because of their race, you can get probation."

Brosky faced punishment up to life imprisonment for the attack on Thomas, who was killed as he sat on a flatbed truck drinking beer with white friends in Arlington.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♦ 6 2
♣ A 4

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♣ 8 5

SOUTH
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Dealer: East

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The windy city on the lake

By Phillip Alder

Mention Chicago to someone and he or she thinks of the freezing winters, the El, the gangsters of old, the Bulls, the Bears and the Blackhawks. Or, if that person loves summer pastimes, the Cubs and the White Sox. But there is also a stock exchange in Chicago and, as in New York, many bridge experts trade there. One of the up-and-coming brigade is Barry Goren, who is no relation to Charles of that ilk.

He played today's deal while still in his teens. Do you see how, in his apparently hopeless six-heart contract, he gave the defenders a chance to slip?

Goren's strong, artificial and forcing two clubs isn't a textbook bid. Normally, the hand would contain not only offensive winners but also defensive tricks.

When the dummy came down, Goren thought he had no chance of winning 12 tricks. However, rather than give up meekly, he set a small trap for West. At trick one, he called for dummy's club *four*.

Obviously West should have switched to the diamond queen (or a spade), but without giving it much thought he exited with a club. Goren gave the defenders no second chance. He discarded the spade king on dummy's club ace, cashed the heart 10 and led the spade queen, ruffing out East's ace. He went back to dummy with a trump, and his diamond losers disappeared on dummy's spade winners.

When he saw the dummy, Goren thought that he had misjudged in the bidding. East was unlikely to find the heart lead that can defeat five spades. But when West misjudged in the play, Goren was exonerated.

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'Rising star' could be next prime minister of Canada

TORONTO (AP) — Kim Campbell has been flashing down the fast lane since the day she leapt into national politics a mere five years ago.

So it shouldn't surprise anyone that this feisty Vancouver lawyer with the scholarly mind and rapid style of speaking is the best bet to be Canada's next prime minister.

From the moment Feb. 24 when Brian Mulroney announced he would resign as prime minister and leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, the spotlight has focused almost exclusively on the 46-year-old Campbell, his minister of defense.

She is expected to announce Thursday whether she is interested in the job. The Conservative Party picks a new leader at a convention in June.

Campbell, a trilingual — English, French and Russian — former university lecturer in political science, was an outspoken junior minister for Indian affairs and also served as minister of justice before becoming minister of defense.

A tough politician with a disarming propensity for actually answering reporters' questions, she loves the clash of ideas.

She could match any stand-up comedian in a one-liner contest.

A cellist and pianist, her latest hobby is oil painting.

Campbell is refreshingly candid. She filed for divorce from her second husband earlier this year, and recently revealed she is lonely in the high-powered political world of Ottawa.

Appearing before a group of women journalists, she noted that one had described her in print as "crushingly ambitious."

"What is crushingly ambitious?" Campbell asked. "I find it extraordinary, because in the course of my life in Ottawa my marriage has ended and I'm very far from home. I find life here often unspeakably lonely and very difficult."

Polls indicate that not only is she the runaway favorite to win the party leadership in June, which would automatically make her prime minister, but she also could bring the Conservative Party back from the historic depths to which they have fallen and win a third consecutive mandate in the fall.

Why Campbell has sprung to such prominence so quickly is not altogether clear. Certainly, she is ambitious. Certainly she has worked hard. Certainly, Canadians are looking for fresh faces. And, some say, the time also is ripe in Canada for a woman. She would be the country's first female prime minister.

A widely circulated recent photograph raised some eyebrows, however: It showed Campbell holding a lawyer's robe with only bare shoulders visible behind it. Some of Canada's racier tabloids have called her "Canada's Madonna."

She was born Avril Phaedra Campbell on March 10, 1947, in Port Alberni, British Columbia, and grew up in Vancouver. At the age of 12, she announced Avril was out and Kim, henceforth, would be in.

She did postgraduate work in Soviet studies at the London School of Economics and was getting her law degree when she made her first dabble into politics: two terms on the Vancouver school board.

She worked for British Columbian Premier Bill Bennett, then ran for the leadership of the provincial Social Credit Party, a conservative organization. She was soundly defeated.

Campbell then switched to the Progressive Conservatives and was elected to the House of Commons in 1988. Since then, Mulroney has seemed anxious to move her along.

After less than a year, she leapt into two of the most high-profile portfolios in government — justice and defense.

So rapid and so roughshod was her sweep through the corridors of power that she had pushed several of the Conservative Party's heaviest weights out of the leadership race before she even declared her own candidacy.

The latest Conservative to back out was Tourism Minister Tom Hockin.

"I saw almost overwhelming warm and widespread strength for Kim Campbell in rural Canada and in urban Canada, in French-speaking Canada as well as English-speaking Canada," he said.

Garza Theatre to present play

POST — Garza Theatre will present "The Lillies of the Field" April 2-4, 9-11 and 16-18. Curtain times are 7:45 p.m. weeknights and 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Admission is $7 for adults and $4 for students 6-12.

Box office hours are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and noon to showtimes on Saturdays.

Jane Prince-Jones will direct. The cast includes Alison Hoefler, Brian Benitez, Patrick M. O'Connor, Ethel Lewis, Cherri Brooks, Sam Flores, Katie Gilbert and Raina Kennedy.

Rotan planning two-act comedy

ROTAN — Theatre on the Brazos will present Del Shore's two-act comedy, "Daddy's Dyin'," on April 9, 10, 16, 17, 18. Friday and Saturday performances will start at 7:30 p.m. The Sunday, April 18, matinee will be a 2 p.m. Prices are $5 for adults and $3 for children. Seats are limited.

Tickets will be available at the box office from 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Germany was admitted to the League of Nations in 1926.

Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club Luncheon-Game Day; reservations needed by 5 p.m. Monday by calling 573-3427; $6 per person; serving begins at 11:30 a.m., games follow.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal bldg. on W. 37th St.; hostess, Connie Key; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

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

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.

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

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308 or 573-1141.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave M, 8 p.m. For more information call 573-1141, 573-2101, 573-8626, or 573-3956.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-1141. (Last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information call 573-1141, 863-2348, 863-2349 or 573-8110.

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

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

DATE BOOK

March 24, 1993

Today is the 83rd day of 1993 and the fifth day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1980, Ted Koppel hosted the first regular edition of "ABC News Nightline."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Morris (1834-1896), craftsman-poet; Andrew Mellon (1855-1937), financier-philanthropist; Harry Houdini (1874-1926), magician; Edward Weston (1886-1958), photographer; Clyde Barrow (1909-1934), outlaw; Lawrence Ferlinghetti (1919-), poet-publisher, is 74; Steve McQueen (1930-1980), actor.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1936, the Detroit Red Wings defeated Montreal, 1-0, in a Stanley Cup game that lasted six overtimes.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I'd rather wake up in the middle of nowhere than in any city on earth." — Steve McQueen

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1983, a late March snowstorm set many heavy snow records for so late in the season, from east-central Alabama, across northern Georgia and into parts of the Carolinas.

SOURCE: THE WEATHER CHANNEL® 1993 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Day after new moon (March 23).

TODAY'S BARB BY PHIL PASTORET

Airbags in a car aren't much good if there's an airhead behind the wheel.

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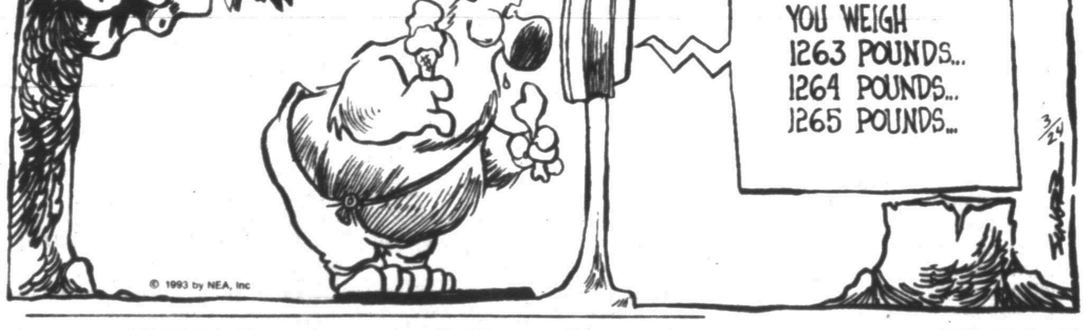

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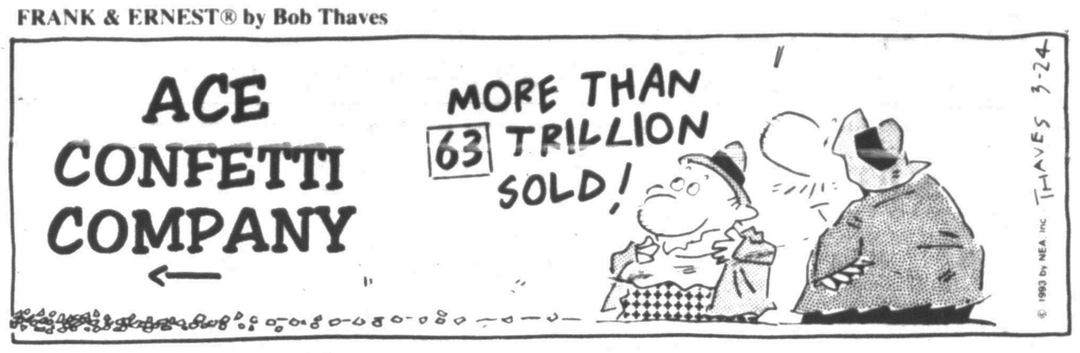

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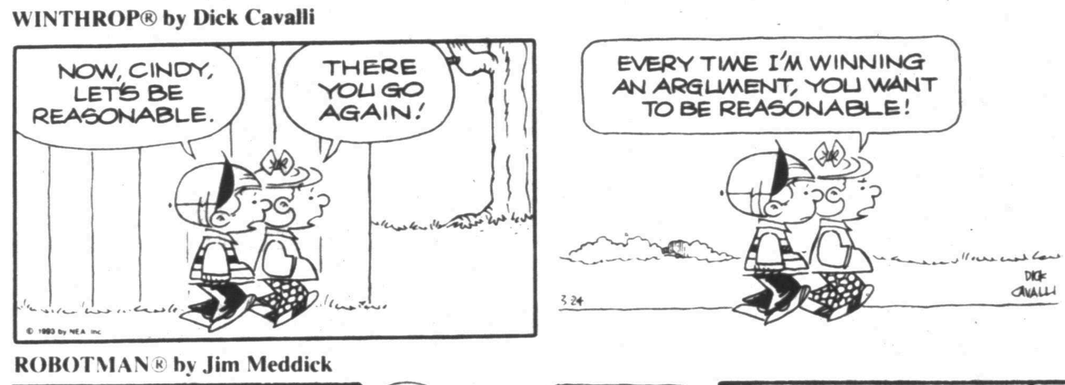

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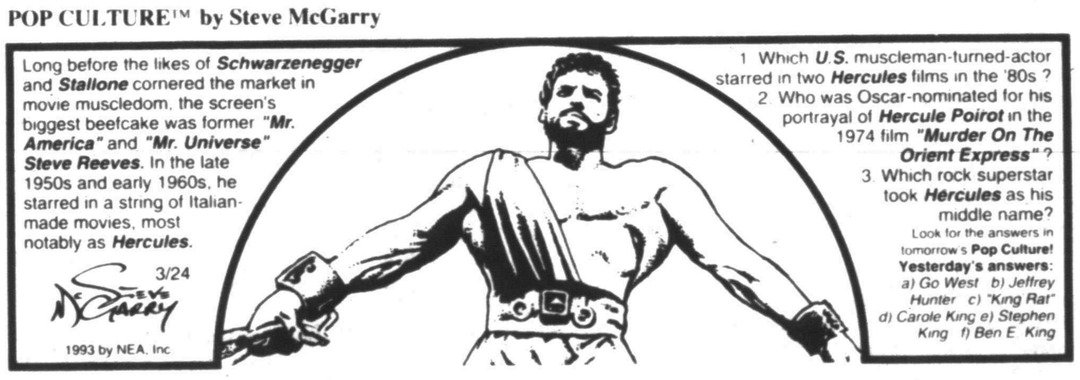

SNAFU® by Bruce Beattie

Some men climb mountains. For Leonard, life on the edge is getting through the express lane with more than 10 items.

NEA Crossword Puzzle

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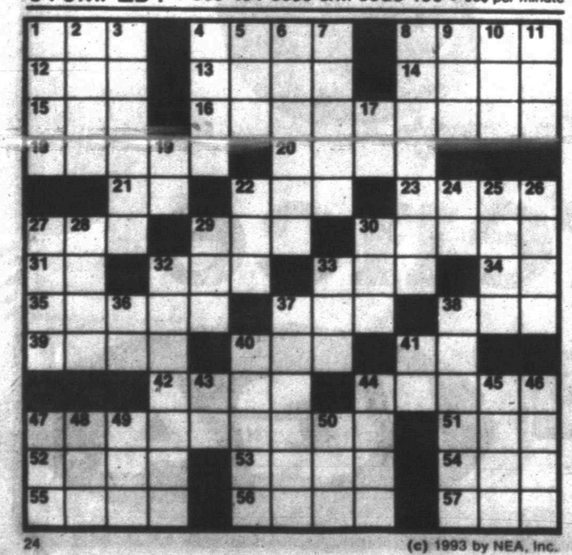

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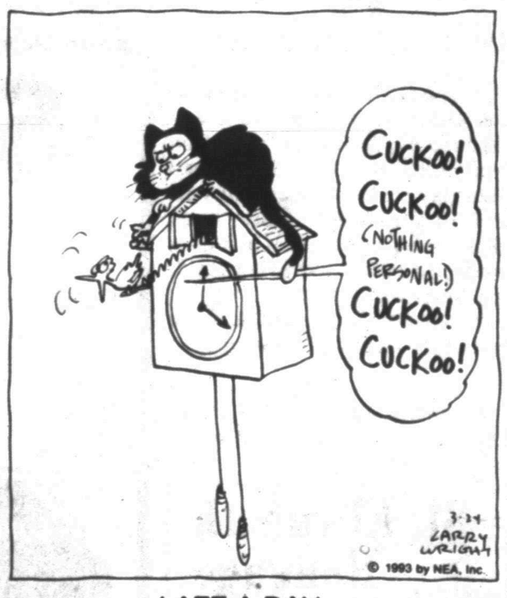

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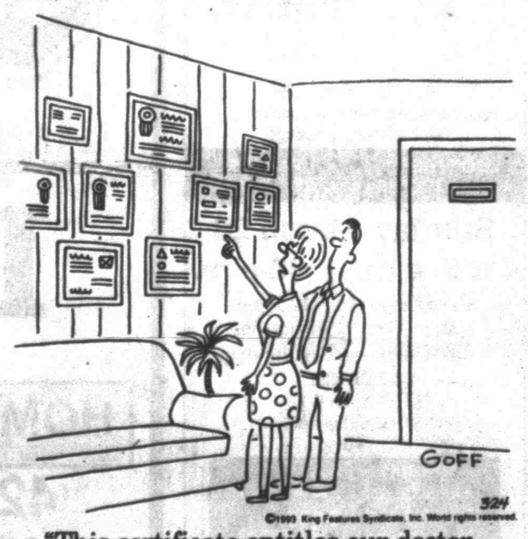

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Non-district baseball...

Tigers hold off Brownfield

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

Snyder Tiger pitchers combined for 10 strikeouts against the Brownfield Cubs Tuesday, but none was bigger than Reagan Key's fanning of Ivan Salazar in the seventh inning.

Key whipped a 2-2 fastball past Salazar to end the game and cut off a 2-out Brownfield rally that had loaded the bases.

The sophomore reliever preserved a 4-2 non-district home baseball win for SHS.

Brownfield's Ernest Jiminez grounded out to open the top of the last stanza. Javier Franco lifted a single into center field, but was caught trying to get to third on teammate Roger Muniz' base hit. Muniz moved to third on a double by D.J. Sanders and Robert Bryan walked to load the bases before Key whiffed Salazar to end the game.

The Tigers got out of the chute early in Tuesday's game, getting a pair of first inning runs on just one hit.

Leadoff hitter John Clinkinbeard, who was 2-of-3 on the night, walked to open the game, followed by Reagan Key, who was hit by a Sanders pitch.

Clinkinbeard moved to third on an error and Key swiped second base before DH Chris Mitchell slammed a single to drive them both home.

Craig Lang made it 3-0 in favor of the Tigers in the second. After his base rap, Brian Lickey, who wound up 2-for-2 against the Cubs, singled, followed by an RBI rip by Clinkinbeard.

Snyder added a run in the sixth when Clint Wilson, who had walked aboard, tagged the dish on Lickey's second hit.

In all, Snyder hammered out nine hits to six for the Cubs.

The Tigers' defense, which had been under scrutiny after 13 errors in the last three games, committed just one miscue Tuesday. In addition, SHS turned a fifth-inning double-play that killed a BHS rally.

Shortstop Raymond House scooped up a Muniz grounder and tagged second to get Franco, who had walked one hitter before, then made the throw to Lickey at first in time to retire Muniz as well.

Sophomore Curt Rinehart took the win for SHS, striking out four and walking two while giving up two hits and a run in 2 1-3 innings.

Starter Lee Idom went three frames, also fanning four and walking a pair.

Key got the save Tuesday, striking out two and allowing two hits in 1 2-3 innings.

Brownfield's Sanders was the loser. He was touched for seven hits and three runs in five innings of work.

The win lifts Snyder to 6-9 on the season and marks the third win in the last four games for SHS. Brownfield slips to 5-8.

The Tigers will wind up their non-district schedule Saturday with a double-header at Hobbs, N.M. Games are slated to begin at noon MST.

District 2-4A play starts April 2 at Lamesa.

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Idom, Rinehart, Key and Hart; Sanders, Perez and Muniz. WP: Rinehart. LP: Sanders. Records: Snyder 6-9; Brownfield 5-8.

OFF THE BAG — Snyder pitcher Lee Idom whirls and goes to teammate Brian Lickey at first, trying to pick off Brownfield base runner Robert Bryan in the early going of Tuesday's non-district battle at Moffett Field. The Tigers went on to take a 4-2 win over the Cubs. (SDN Staff Photo)

Antelopes top IHS Bulldogs

POST — The Ira Bulldogs looked like a team that had been forced out of workouts for over a week Tuesday when they committed nine errors in a 15-0 non-district baseball loss to Post.

"That was the worst licking I've ever taken," said Bulldog coach Lynn Cauley. "The effort was there, but the timing wasn't.

"We haven't been able to practice for about 10 days," the coach continued, "and it showed. We were real rusty. Hopefully, we can use it as one of those games you learn from."

Ira was limited to two hits, a pair of Cole Sterling singles.

Post jumped out early, scoring six runs in the first and nine in the second behind winning pitcher Scott Leininger, who went the distance for the Antelopes.

Ira starter Jason Hartley was replaced by Wyatt Webster in the first inning. Mike Hughes came on to pitch the last three frames for the 'Dogs.

The loss drops Ira to 0-3 on the season.

The Bulldogs' scheduled games with Tahoka and Coahoma on Friday and Saturday, have both been canceled.

They will face Rotan at 5 p.m. Friday at Moffett Field in Snyder in a late replacement game.

District 4-A play starts April 20 when the Bulldogs host Hermleigh.

NIT glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST
First Round
Wednesday, March 17
Minnesota 74, Florida 66
West Virginia 95, Georgia 84
Miami, Ohio 56, Ohio St. 53
Rice 77, Wisconsin 73
Oklahoma 88, Michigan St. 86
Southern Cal 90, UNLV 74
Thursday, March 18
Old Dominion 74, Virginia Commonwealth 68
Boston College 87, Niagara 83
Providence 73, James Madison 61
Clemson 84, Auburn 72
Alabama-Birmingham 58, Alabama 56
Southwest Missouri St. 56, St. Joseph's 34
Georgetown 78, Arizona State 68
Friday, March 19
Jackson State 90, Connecticut 88, OT
Texas-El Paso 67, Houston 61
Pepperdine 53, UC Santa Barbara 50

Second Round
Sunday, March 21
Providence 68, West Virginia 67
Monday, March 22
Miami, Ohio 60, Old Dominion 58
Minnesota 86, Oklahoma 72
Boston College 101, Rice 68
Alabama-Birmingham 65, Clemson 64
SW Missouri St. 70, Jackson St. 52
Southern Cal 71, Pepperdine 59
Tuesday, March 23
Georgetown 71, Texas-El Paso 44

Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 24
Providence (19-11) at Boston College (18-12), 7:30 p.m.
Southern Cal (18-11) at Minnesota (19-10), 9 p.m.
SW Missouri St. (20-10) at Alabama-Birmingham (19-13), 8:05 p.m.
Thursday, March 25
Miami, Ohio (22-8) vs. Georgetown (18-12) at Fairfax, Va., 8 p.m.

Semifinals
Monday, March 29
At Madison Square Garden
New York
7 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Finals
Wednesday, March 31
At Madison Square Garden
New York
Third Place
Semifinal losers, 6:45 p.m.
Championship
Semifinal winners, 9 p.m.

NBA roundup...

Suns win brawl-marred tilt

by The Associated Press

The New York Knicks took a nine-game winning streak and a reputation for roughness into their game with the Phoenix Suns.

The winning streak is over. The reputation is intact and growing following the NBA's worst brawl of the season.

"In my 27 years, I've never seen anything like that," Phoenix owner Jerry Colangelo said after the Suns routed the Knicks 121-92 Tuesday night.

Two confrontations between Kevin Johnson and the Knicks' Doc Rivers in the final minute of the first half escalated into a full-scale melee that saw injured New York guard Greg Anthony join the fray.

The ejections of Rivers, Anthony Mason and John Starks — plus Anthony — left New York with just eight eligible players. The Suns' Johnson and Ainge also were ejected from the game, which had 12 technical fouls.

Knicks coach Pat Riley closed the locker room, and security guards turned reporters away.

The melee seemed to take the wind out of the Knicks, with Patrick Ewing scoring just two of of his 24 points in the second half. Dan Majerle scored 14 of his 22 points in the third quarter.

Charles Barkley had 31 points and 11 rebounds, Cedric Ceballos 20 points and 12 rebounds and Tom Chambers 18 points for the Suns.

Elsewhere, it was Orlando 103, Miami 89; Houston 111, Charlotte 103; Atlanta 125, Dallas 107; Cleveland 127, San Antonio 90; Philadelphia 88, Denver 80; Chicago 107, Minnesota 100; Utah 119, Indiana 101; Portland 108, Seattle 99; and Sacramento 121, the Los Angeles Clippers 104.

Cavaliers 127, Spurs 90

Brad Daugherty scored 25 points and coach Lenny Wilkens moved into third place on the career victories list with 857.

Antoine Carr led San Antonio with 23 points, but All-Star center David Robinson was held to nine, just the fourth time in his NBA career he's failed to score in double figures.

Mark Price had a season-high 18 assists despite playing only 27 minutes for the Cavaliers. He made three foul shots and has now made 65 in a row, 13 shy of the NBA record by Calvin Murphy.

Rockets 111, Hornets 103

Hakeem Olajuwon scored 31 points and Kenny Smith 27 as Houston beat Charlotte and moved two games ahead of San Antonio in the Midwest Division.

Charlotte started the fourth period with a 14-4 run. Olajuwon then scored eight points in a 14-6 spurt that built Houston's advantage to 100-91 with 2:05 left.

Olajuwon limited Hornets rookie center Alonzo Mourning to 10 points and six rebounds. Kendall Gill led Charlotte with 21 points.

Hawks 125, Mavericks 107

Dominique Wilkins scored 28 points as Atlanta handed Dallas its 31st loss in 32 road games.

The Mavericks, who now have lost to every team in the NBA, were led by Sean Rooks with 23 points and Terry Davis with 20, all in the first half before he left with a sprained ankle in the third period.

Bulls 107, Timberwolves 100

Michael Jordan scored 19 of his 34 points in the second quarter, lifting Chicago to its fourth straight win.

Minnesota was led by Chuck Person with 31 points, Micheal Williams with 23 and Christian Laettner with 21.

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	W	L	Pct.	GB
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
New York	45	19	.703	—
New Jersey	39	27	.591	7
Boston	37	28	.569	8½
Orlando	31	33	.484	14
Miami	29	35	.453	16
Philadelphia	21	43	.328	24
Washington	19	45	.297	26
Central Division				
Chicago	46	20	.697	—
Cleveland	42	24	.636	4
Charlotte	35	31	.530	11
Atlanta	34	32	.515	12
Indiana	32	33	.492	13½
Detroit	29	36	.446	16½
Milwaukee	25	40	.385	20½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	43	23	.652	—
San Antonio	40	24	.625	2
Utah	38	29	.567	5½
Denver	26	40	.394	17
Minnesota	15	49	.234	27
Dallas	6	59	.092	35½
Pacific Division				
x-Phoenix	49	15	.766	—
x-Seattle	46	21	.687	4½
Portland	38	25	.603	10½
LA Lakers	33	31	.516	16
LA Clippers	32	34	.485	18
Golden State	27	38	.415	22½
Sacramento	21	44	.323	28½

x-clinched playoff berth.

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Wednesday's Games
Miami at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Phoenix at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Ex Dallas receiver jailed for forgery

WEST VALLEY CITY, Utah (AP) — Former Dallas Cowboy wide receiver Golden Richards has been sentenced to seven days in jail for forging his parents' checks to buy drugs.

Richards, 42, told a judge Tuesday that he was enrolled in his fourth substance abuse recovery program after three failed attempts, but had been drug-free since his arrest in December.

In February, he pleaded guilty to seven misdemeanor forgery charges that had been reduced from third-degree felonies accusing him of forging $664 worth of checks to buy painkillers and pay for office visits to a doctor who wrote the prescriptions.

"I'm here today because I'm guilty," Richards told 3rd Circuit Judge William Thorne. He said his arrest was a "horrifying experience" that nonetheless revealed the addiction that has been "killing me for a number of years."

Richards is now working as a laborer for a plastics manufacturer, and is engaged to one of his former drug counselors. He said he is enrolled in a substance abuse program and attends meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous.

Three of his brothers testified that while Richards had failed before to face his addiction, the arrest and his subsequent behavior demonstrated that this time he was serious about recovering.

"Brother to brother, I've noticed that change," said Randy Richards.

Some checks were written to the Family Medical Center for office visits with Dr. Robert Davis, who is accused of 130 instances of unprofessional conduct in cases unrelated to Richards'.

Davis faces a trial in federal court and hearings before the state professional licensing board later this year.

Thorne sentenced Richards to seven consecutive one-year jail terms on each of the counts and fined him $14,000, then suspended all but the seven days and $4,000 in fines. Richards also will have to pay $2,953 in restitution.

Thorne said Richards could work off the remaining $4,000 by speaking to school children about the perils of drug addiction.

Sport Shorts

WTC plans scholarship scramble

The Western Texas College Scholarship Association will sponsor a faculty golf tournament Saturday at the WTC course.

The 4-person scramble will tee-off at 9 a.m. Cost to enter is $20 per person with proceeds to benefit the WTC Scholarship Fund.

For more information contact the college pro shop at 573-9291 or Dr. Jim Durham at 573-8511.

Mayberry retires from SPC post

LEVELLAND — South Plains College men's basketball coach Ron Mayberry announced his retirement at a news conference at Texan Dome on the SPC campus Tuesday.

"Ending my basketball career has been a very hard decision," Mayberry said. "But, there comes a time when it's time to go in another direction."

Mayberry leaves a 31-year coaching career with a 626-242 record, including a 204-58 mark in eight seasons with the Texans.

The outgoing coach cited recent health problems as his reason for stepping down.

Athletic Director Joe Tubb said that the search for a new coach at SPC has already begun. The school will close applications by April 2 and name Mayberry's replacement shortly after that.

Mayberry will remain with the college as a full-time instructor in the physical education department.

Mayberry was an all-state cager at Amarillo High School before going on to Texas Christian University, where he earned three varsity letters and helped the Frogs to a pair of Southwest Conference titles.

He began coaching in Perryton Junior High in 1962. His career included high school jobs at Adrian, Hereford and Odessa Permian.

He began coaching in the college ranks in 1976 as an assistant at Midland College. He later spent four seasons running the Odessa College men's program.

Mayberry was named the Region 5 coach of the year last season after taking the Texans to a fifth-place finish at the NJCAA national tournament.

Owners vote to expand rosters

PALM DESERT, Calif. (AP) — NFL owners approved the expansion of rosters to 53 players from 47 and reduced the time between plays from 45 seconds to 40.

The increase in roster size was accompanied by a restriction on injured reserve prohibting any player placed on the list from returning during the season.

SDN sports week

Thursday, March 25

Baseball
Hermleigh at Colorado City Tournament.

Friday, March 26

Baseball
Hermleigh at Colorado City Tournament.
Rotan vs. Ira at 5 p.m. at Moffett Field in Snyder.
Golf
Snyder boys and girls at Levelland.
Tennis
Snyder at Lubbock Tournament
Track
Snyder girls at Abilene All American track meet.

Saturday, March 27

Baseball
Snyder varsity and JV at Hobbs, N.M. (DH). Games start at noon MST.
Hermleigh at Colorado City Tournament.
Tennis
Snyder at Lubbock Tournament
Track
Snyder girls at Abilene All American track meet.
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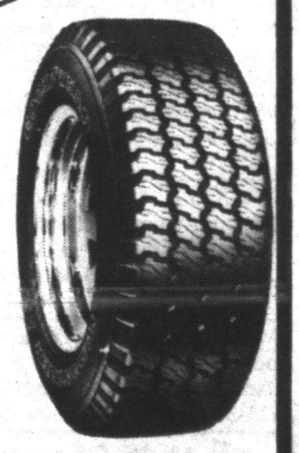

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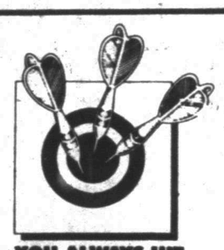

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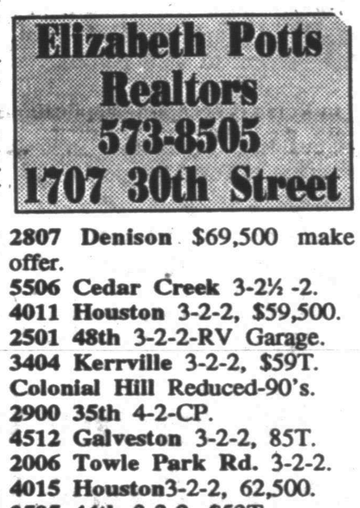

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Polls get jittery from Ross Perot's perpetual campaign

By Walter R. Mears
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chronic campaigners make officeholders jittery, which is just the way Ross Perot wants them.

And that's between elections. Perot and his organization, said to number a million members before his televised recruiting push, are an unpredictable force that could really put major party politicians on edge in 1994 or 1996.

AP analysis

Perot insists that he is working on issues, not candidacy. He spent more than $700,000 of his own fortune on a televised call for people to join him and send Washington a message about the kind of government they want.

While the agendas have nothing in common, the send-them-a-message theme is reminiscent of the non-stop campaigning of George C. Wallace a generation ago. So is the unease a relentless outsider can stir.

There hasn't been one quite like Perot. He can bankroll his own shows, he won 19 percent of the presidential vote in 1992, and he's set about making his United We Stand America into a permanent, mass membership force for change.

His Sunday night TV appearance, billed as a national referendum on reform, ended with a bid to recruit $15 members in the Perot organization.

That's the kind of political muscle that led the major party organizations into an awkward auditions for Perot's endorsement after he'd quit and before he re-entered the 1992 campaign.

Now they're keeping a wary eye on him. With an organization and a treasury like the one he's putting together, Perot could be a powerful factor in fielding, promoting or opposing candidates in special elections and in 1994.

He says, again and again, that he's not planning another campaign for the White House in 1996. "I'd rather have major surgery without anaesthetics than be a politician," Perot insists.

He also says his effort to force change will have failed "if we even have to have a serious discussion on that," because reform can't wait four years.

None of that is binding. And next time, there would be an organization in waiting, ready to mobilize from the start.

In his current speeches, Perot bears down hardest on Congress, but doesn't spare President Clinton in demanding more stringent government and sharper deficit cuts.

He points out, for example, that even if the Clinton economic plan is fully enacted and works as forecast, pruning deficits by $473 billion over the next four years, it still will add $1.15 trillion to the national debt.

"The average citizen has not figured that out because we just haven't grabbed him by the shoulders ...," Perot said as he set about trying.

He said "we the people" aren't interested in big spending increases now with vague promises of savings later, matching a Republican line in the debate on the Clinton plan. He also is critical of the Clinton economic stimulus plan.

But there are no complaints from the White House.

"Anything in support of real political reform and real change in Washington is something we welcome," President Clinton's spokesman, George Stephanopoulos, said of the Perot's Sunday TV message. "But the American people want action, and that's what we're working on."

Disputing Perot now would be pointless at best. At worst, a challenge from the White House can give a critic a platform.

That happened when President Lyndon B. Johnson coined the phrase "chronic campaigner" for Richard M. Nixon in 1966, intending an insult but providing a boost.

The label helped to identify Nixon with sweeping Republican victories that year, an important step on his path to the 1968 nomination.

Nixon then had his own problems with Wallace, who seldom interrupted the campaign he really began in 1964 until he was shot and partially paralyzed as he hunted votes in Maryland in 1972.

As a third-party candidate in 1968, he got 13.5 percent of the vote, holding Nixon to 43 percent and a narrow victory, then worrying the White House with the prospect that he'd do it again in the next campaign.

Now Perot is the outsider with staying power that could complicate the next campaign. Neither party wants to offend his supporters. Besides, when Perot gets mad, he tends to get even.

After a Democratic senator criticized him to his face at a congressional hearing, Perot told another audience the same man had begged endorsement for re-election in 1992.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.

WTC contest...

Guthrie FFA wins team livestock judging crown

Guthrie FFA totaled 1,609 points to win the livestock judging competition at the annual Western Texas College Livestock and Land Judging Contest, held here Tuesday.

Toby Dyer, representing Bovina FFA, won individual honors with 554 points. Paint Rock's Brian Lovell was second in the FFA competition with 546 points, followed by Stewart Wall of Wylie with 544.

Howard County won the 4-H livestock judging with 1,307 points. Second was Crosby County with 1,261, followed by Scurry County with 1,245.

High-point leaders in 4-H were Howard County's Michael Brooks with 453 points and Scurry County's Jenise Judah with 446.

Irion County won the land judging competition, which was co-sponsored by the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District. Lamesa placed second with 757 points.

Top individual in the land judging was Jason Tolbert of Westbrook with 272 points.

WTC assistant agriculture professors Jim Judah and Bob Doty directed the livestock and land judging, respectively. More than 250 students from 30 schools participated.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

Team FFA: 1. Guthrie FFA #1, 1,609; 2. Jim Ned FFA, 1,587; 3. Springlake-Earth FFA, 1,573; 4. Paint Rock FFA, 1564; 5. Stamford FFA #1, 1,559.

Individual FFA: 1. Toby Dyer, Bovina FFA, 554; 2. Brian Lovell, Paint Rock FFA, 546; 3. Stewart Wall, Wylie FFA, 544; 4. Carolyn Yost, Jim Ned FFA, 543; 5. Jimmy Burkett, Guthrie FFA, 541; 6. Clint Wade, Brownfield FFA, 541; 7. Derek Bozeman, Idalou FFA, 541; 8. Chad Davis, Slaton FFA, 539; 9. Lisa Materson, Guthrie FFA, 539; 10. Laurie Masterson, Guthrie FFA, 539.

Team 4-H: 1. Howard Co. 4-H, 1,307; 2. Crosby Co. 4-H, 1,261; 3. Scurry Co. 4-H, 1,245.

Individual 4-H: 1. Micheal Brooks, Howard Co. 4-H, 453; 2. Jenise Judah, Scurry Co. 4-H, 446; 3. Justin Jenkins, Howard Co. 4-H, 445; 4. Cody Purcell, Howard Co. 4-H, 444.

LAND JUDGING

Team: 1. Irion Co., 760; 2. Lamesa, 757; 3. Wylie, 720.

Individual: 1. Jason Tolbert, Westbrook, 272; 2. Jeremy Cloud, Wylie, 268; 3. Matt Marshall, Irion Co., 264; 4. Randall Edwards, Irion Co., 256; 5. Wade Vaughn, Lamesa #2, 255; 6. Clint Franklin, Lamesa #2, 254; 7. Brent Schmidt, Lamesa #1, 251; 8. Trista Woodal, Lamesa #2, 248; 9. Tiffany Walker, Sweetwater, 244; 10. Carey Fair, Lamesa, 241.

Iva Toguri D'Aquino, a Japanese-American suspected of being radio broadcaster "Tokyo Rose," was arrested in Yokohama in 1945. She served six years in prison for treason, but was pardoned in 1977 by President Gerald Ford.

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Cult Awareness Network sets up hotline

WACO, Texas (AP) — Cult Awareness Network has announced that it is setting up a hotline to help the cult members coming out of Mount Carmel.

"We have an obligation to do whatever we can to help those who have been affected by this cult in Waco," Cult Awareness director Cynthia Kisser said Tuesday.

Cult Awareness will provide cult members or their families access to lawyers and mental health professionals, at no cost, Kisser said.

"We talked to professionals who have an ongoing relationship with this organization, and they've agreed, if needed, to talk to these people," she said.

"They don't want them as clients because they're not trying to make money off this. But if the victims of this cult need advice or want to talk to someone to see if they need counseling, they can offer guidance."

Literature on cults also is available at no charge.

"Frankly, families and friends can have the most impact on cult members," Kisser said. "If they can get educated on mind control, they have the most influence as far as getting cult members to do the things that are good for them."

Branch Davidians have been holed up at Mount Carmel, 10 miles east of Waco, since Feb. 28, when a shoot-out resulted in the death of at least two cult members and four agents with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Kisser said Cult Awareness had a file on the Branch Davidians. It does consider it to be a cult.

Branch Davidians consider their leader Vernon Howell, also known as David Koresh, to be Christ.

Cult Awareness was formed in 1978. The year is important. On Nov. 18, 1978, more than 900 people belonging to a cult led by the Rev. Jim Jones died in Guyana by taking cyanide or were murdered.

Patricia Ryan's father, U.S. Rep. Leo Ryan, was one of the victims. He was assassinated by a follower of Jones shortly after he left Jonestown.

Ryan is now president of Cult Awareness.

"After Jonestown, neither my family nor the hundreds of others whose lives were forever marked by that violent turn of events knew where to find information and support," Ryan said. "I know firsthand how alone and confused many of Koresh's victims must feel right now, both the followers and their families."

Although time itself can be a healer, many people coming out of a cult need counseling, Kisser said.

"If they don't get help, they will often seek each other out and try to rebuild the group or they'll latch onto a group equally as manipulative," she said.

"Without counseling, they don't understand their needs, their attraction to such groups," she continued. "They don't know they're operating on programming the cult leader left behind or operating based on what they think he would want them to do. Not because they want. It's because they think they have to to stay in God's grace. They're still prisoners of a manipulative lifestyle."

Kisser said Cult Awareness is particularly concerned about the children coming out of the Branch Davidian compound. Some social workers have reported that they seem to be doing well, although cult members complained when they saw a video of the children eating candy bars and bouncing on furniture.

Children often have trouble adapting to life outside the cult, Kisser said.

"Once they realize they won't get beaten if they don't do what they're told, it can be a real problem," she said. "The threat of punishment often keeps them obedient. Once they figure out they won't be beaten, they test the limits like crazy.

"Cults often take pride in their children, in their being able to sit quietly through a 10-hour Bible study. They think it shows how good their kids are," she said. "But these kids have just learned that they better deny their needs, rather than demand their needs get met. Sometimes, their good behavior is just a defense mechanism."

The hotline number is (708) 382-9128.

Don't get angry, just say the magic words

WASHINGTON (AP) — If telephone solicitors are driving you to distraction, there's an easy way to keep them from calling. But the words "I'm not interested" won't stop the phone from ringing.

Just add the words, "Please put me on your no-call list," and legitimate telemarketers should stay away for five years.

It's the law.

Besides that, "legitimate telemarketers don't want to talk to people who don't want to talk to us because they won't buy anything," said Jon Hamilton, president of the American Telemarketing Association, which is meeting in Washington this week.

Nevertheless, the telephone connection is the lifeblood of the industry.

So if a consumer simply says, "I'm not interested," the telemarketer interprets that as, "You've called me at a bad time, I MIGHT be interested," said Hamilton, president of TCI Inbound, a telemarketing firm in Wilmington, Del.

Federal Communications Commission attorney Suzanne Hutchings agreed that the telemarketers have a good point.

"We don't want to get into the position that consumers have to say magic words," she told association's sixth annual conference on federal legislation.

But consumers who tell telemarketers, "Get lost," for example, are not being specific enough under the FCC rules that enforce the Telephone Consumer Protection Act.

The no-call rules apply only to commercial sales, not to telephone solicitations for non-profit or political organizations.

Telemarketers asked what if they are trying to contact a woman whose husband picks up the phone and says, "She's no longer interested, don't call back."

Heed the husband's warning and put the household's number on the no-call list, Hutchings advised.

"Trust that if the spouse wants to get back to you she will, rather than risk offending the household," she said.

She said the FCC will investigate consumer complaints on a case-by-case basis, but is intent on protecting people who do not want to be called.

Hutchings' answer didn't satisfy the telemarketers.

"How far is the FCC going in terms of extended families in the same household using the same number?" asked J. Steven Fishman, a Chicago lawyer who represents telemarketing firms.

He suggested that a grandmother, for example, might appreciate a call from an insurance company with a special offer for seniors. What if her son-in-law tells the telemarketer to stop calling? Is the government saying she should be denied access?

Hospital Notes

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DISMISSALS: Donald Gardner.

Census: 47 (Med.-11, Long-Term Care-36).

Births

Ray and Leana Darden of Eastland announce the birth of their daughter, Ashley, born at 2:47 p.m. on March 19 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are Sonny and Virginia Darden of Snyder and Cheryl Swain of Cumming, Ga. Great-grandparents are Marvin and Mary Evlyn Hanson of Snyder and Andy and Pat Kryworuchenko of Gainesville, Ga., and O.K. Davis of Snyder.

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Police note felony DWI

Snyder police made three arrests Tuesday, including one for felony driving while intoxicated.

Police arrested 33-year-old David Armon Bennett for felony driving while intoxicated and for driving with a suspended license at 12:47 p.m. in the 800 block of 25th Street. Also arrested was a 32-year-old man for public intoxication.

At 1:15 p.m., police arrested a 30-year-old woman in the 1900 block of 15th Street on a Howard County Sheriff's Office warrant for issuance of bad checks.

Police were called to Furr's at 2:42 p.m. where an individual was taken into custody for shoplifting and transported to the police department. The subject was released on his own cognizance. A report for Class C theft has been filed.

At 5:26 p.m., a man complained that someone had damaged his vehicle with a rock at 26th Street and College Avenue. A report for Class A criminal mischief was filed.

Police worked two mishaps Tuesday. At 7:54 a.m., officers worked an accident in the 1700 block of 37th Street. Involved was a 1985 Dodge pickup driven by Kelly Dwayne Kirkpatrick of Rt. 2 which struck a speed limit sign and a TU Electric wire.

Police worked a hit-and-run at 7:34 p.m. at 134 20th Place. An unknown vehicle struck a fence owned by Era Galyean and left the scene.

The Treaty of Portsmouth, which ended the Russo-Japanese War, was signed in 1905 in New Hampshire. President Theodore Roosevelt mediated the settlement.

Benchmark insurance rate will stay the same in state

AUSTIN (AP) — State insurance regulators have decided to keep the benchmark rate for personal auto insurance at the current level, but advise drivers to shop around for the best deal.

"Shop, shop, shop," said Insurance Board Chairwoman Claire Korioth after Tuesday's unanimous vote of the three-member panel.

"We've had actual experience of consumers who have saved as much as several hundred dollars on their automobile insurance rates by shopping."

The benchmark rate is a reference point used by insurance companies to charge rates within a range established by the board.

The Insurance Board set that range of 30 percent below to 30 percent above the benchmark. That maximum rate is 5 percent more than the current maximum. All the changes approved by the board take effect June 1.

Maintaining the current benchmark rate for another year was a blow to insurance companies, which had sought increases from 11.7 percent to 14.6 percent.

"These new rates will not be sufficient for us to break even on this business," said Clint Gardner, president of Texas Farmers Insurance Co.

But the state's insurance consumer representative praised the board's decision.

The plan currently charges 27 percent more than the benchmark rate.

Rebates

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2.91 percent from the $39,818 taken in last March.

•Lubbock received $1,164,720, up 10.16 percent from the $1,057,323 received last year at this time.

•Midland received $566,802, down 3.37 percent from the $586,563 received March 1992.

•Odessa received $474,631, down 4.40 percent from the $496,483 taken in last March.

•Post received $11,753, up 3.91 percent from the $11,311 received March of last year.

•Roby received $1,614, down 3.58 percent from the $1,674 received March 1992.

•Rotan received $8,928, up 26.97 percent from the $7,032 received last March.

•Sweetwater received $99,268, down 9.48 percent from the $109,666 taken in last March.

Yeltsin

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Despite the statement's tone, two days remained for negotiations before the scheduled session of the Congress of People's Deputies to debate removing the president.

Yeltsin had seemed to be inching toward a deal with his critics by agreeing to the meeting and softening his public statements on presidential powers pending a referendum he has proposed for April 25.

"The sides stuck to their positions," the ITAR-Tass news agency quoted Kremlin spokesman Anatoly Krasikov as saying after Yeltsin met with Congress speaker Ruslan Khasbulatov and Valery Zorkin, chairman of the Constitutional Court. Khasbulatov and Zorkin have accused of Yeltsin of violating the constitution and trying to usurp power.

Colorado City livestock auction

COLORADO CITY — All classes of cattle were higher on 616 head sold at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, March 20.

Heifers: 2-400, 95-110; 4-600, 85-95; 6-800, 78-85; Steers: 2-400, 105-125; 4-600, 90-105; 6-800, 82-90.

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Fed judge won't stay state fines in jail case

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal judge has refused to delay implementing stiff fines against the state next month for housing Texas prison inmates in the overcrowded Harris County Jail.

The fines, which would begin April 1 and could total more than $130,000 a day, were ordered last year by another federal judge.

U.S. District Judge James DeAnda, who is now retired, levied the fines against the state because the jail is crowded with inmates who are waiting to be transferred to Texas prisons.

"The county jail is barbaric and it has been barbaric for a number of years," said U.S. District Judge Norman Black of Houston, who denied the state's motion Tuesday to stay the fines.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said that faced with the federal ruling, the state may have to consider activating the controversial Prison Management Act, which has the effect of speeding up the parole eligibility dates, or potential releases, of hundreds of prison inmates.

The Prison Management Act was used several times by former Govs. Mark White and Bill Clements to keep the state in compliance with court-ordered population limits on the prison system in the early 1980s.

A few years ago, the Legislature gave the Board of Criminal Justice the authority to invoke the law.

Bullock said using the Prison Management Act should be "a last resort," and he admitted, "It may not be a popular thing."

Board of Criminal Justice Chairman Carol Vance, formerly a longtime Harris County district attorney, said he and Gov. Ann Richards were reluctant to take that step.

Black ruled the state's fines would be placed in the federal courts registry and used to ameliorate overcrowding problems.

Javier Aguilar, a special assistant attorney general, unsuccessfully argued before Black that the deadline should be extended to Jan. 1, 1994. The state penitenti-

Executed man's homeland objects to his death

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AP) — The government expressed its sadness that authorities in Texas executed a Dominican native despite homeland appeals to save his life.

"It's woeful," Fabio Herrera Cabral, deputy foreign minister, said of the execution early Tuesday of Carlos Santana by lethal injection.

Santana, 40, was convicted of killing a security guard in a $1.1 million holdup of an armored truck in 1981.

Like most of Latin America and the Caribbean, the Dominican Republic does not have the death penalty, and newspapers and electronic media harshly criticized the punishment.

"Each execution is an act of excessive cruelty. All the appeals of civic organizations and efforts of the Dominican government came to nothing," the afternoon newspaper Ultima Hora editorialized. "The state of Texas ... has well-earned fame for its toughness in applying the law."

Santana's execution was the 55th in Texas and the 196th nationwide since the U.S. Supreme Court in 1976 allowed states to resume capital punishment. Texas' total is the highest in the United States.

Last week, the government had appealed to Texas Gov. Ann Richards and Secretary of State Warren Christopher to save Santana's life.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	637/8	63	631/8	-5/8
Albertsons	553/4	55	555/8	+1
AlliedSignal	687/8	681/2	683/4	-1/8
ALLTEL Cp	487/8	481/2	487/8	+3/8
AmStores	413/4	415/8	413/4	+1/8
Amer T&T	573/4	571/8	573/4	+5/8
Ameritech	767/8	761/2	765/8	-1/4
Amoco	581/8	565/8	58	+11/8
AndarkPtr	363/8	353/4	361/8	
Arkla	8	73/4	77/8	
ArmcoInc	77/8	73/4	77/8	
AtlRichfld	1195/8	1187/8	1193/8	+1/2
BakerHughes	231/8	223/8	23	+3/8
BancTexas	23/4	25/8	25/8	-1/8
BellAtl	543/8	531/4	541/8	+3/8
BellSouth	555/8	533/4	543/4	+3/4
Beth Steel	181/2	181/4	183/8	
Borden	261/2	261/8	261/4	
Caterplr	597/8	595/8	593/4	+3/8
CenSoWst	321/2	321/8	323/8	+1/8
Chevron	81	801/4	807/8	+1
Chrysler	393/8	387/8	393/8	+1/2
Coastal	267/8	261/2	267/8	+1/2
CocaCola s	417/8	413/8	415/8	+1/8
ColgP	651/8	641/8	647/8	+1/8
ComlMetl	291/4	291/8	291/8	+1/8
CooperIn	53	521/8	53	+7/8
CyprusMn	327/8	323/4	327/8	+3/8
DallSemicn	141/2	141/4	141/2	
DeltaAirl	517/8	51	513/8	-1/2
DigitalEq	443/4	443/8	445/8	-1/4
Dillard s	433/8	423/8	431/4	+1/4
DowChem	525/8	52	523/8	+3/8
DresserInd	201/4	20	201/8	+1/4
DuPont	483/4	48	481/2	+1/2
EstKodak	56	553/4	553/4	
Enserch	181/8	18	181/8	
Exxon	651/4	643/8	651/8	+1/2
FlowerInd	181/4	18	181/4	-1/4
FordMotor	531/2	53	531/8	+1/8
GTE Cp	363/4	36	365/8	+1/2
GaDynam	1181/4	1173/8	1175/8	+1
GenElct	891/8	88	89	-7/8
GnMill	711/8	705/8	7	-1/8
GenMotors	401/4	393/4	401/8	+3/8
GnMotr E	303/8	30	303/8	+1/8
GaPacif	633/4	63	633/4	+3/4
GlobalMar	31/2	33/8	31/2	+1/8
Goodrich	471/2	473/8	471/2	+3/8
Goodyear	761/4	751/2	761/4	+5/8
GtAtlPac	231/2	223/4	231/2	+1/8
Gulf StaUt	173/4	175/8	173/4	+1/8
Haliburtn	371/4	361/2	371/8	+5/8
Hanson	177/8	173/4	177/8	
HoustInd	471/2	47	471/4	+1/8
IBM	533/4	531/4	531/2	-3/4
IntlPaper	661/8	651/2	66	+1/2
JohnsnJns s	40	391/8	397/8	-3/4
K mart s	243/4	243/8	243/4	+3/8
Kroger	193/8	191/4	193/8	+1/8
vjLTV Cp	9-16	1/2	1/2	—1-16
Litton s	543/8	527/8	541/4	+13/4
vjLoneStar	2	17/8	2	+1/8
Lowes s	321/4	315/8	321/8	+1/2
Lubys	22	22	22	+1/8
Maxus	91/4	87/8	91/8	
MayDSt	761/4	751/2	761/4	
Medtronic	721/4	703/4	721/8	—11/8
Mobil	691/2	69	691/2	+3/8
Monsanto	531/8	525/8	53	+1/2
Motorola s	643/8	63	633/4	+1/2
Nationsbk	551/8	543/4	551/8	+1/4
Navistar	21/2	23/8	23/8	
Nynex	903/8	893/8	901/8	+3/4
OryxEngy	23	223/4	227/8	-1/4
PacTelesis	487/8	481/8	483/4	+1/2
PanhBCp	227/8	225/8	227/8	+1/4
PenneyJC	873/8	861/2	871/4	+3/4
Pennzoil	565/8	557/8	561/2	+3/4
PepBoys	241/8	237/8	24	-1/8
PhelpD s	521/4	52	521/4	
PhilipPet	287/8	281/2	287/8	+1/4
PilgrmPrd	9	87/8	9	
Polaroid s	291/8	283/4	291/8	+3/8
Praxair s	18	173/4	173/4	-1/8
Primerica s	453/4	443/4	453/4	+7/8
ProctGamb s	511/8	505/8	505/8	-3/8
PubS NwMx	113/4	115/8	113/4	
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SaraLee s	287/8	281/2	281/2	-1/4
SearsRoeb	523/4	521/8	521/2	+1/8
SherwinW	331/8	321/2	33	+1/4
SmthBch s	305/8	30	305/8	—11/4
SmthBc eqt s	267/8	263/8	263/4	-7/8
Southern Co	42	413/8	413/4	+3/8
SwAirl s	361/2	353/4	363/8	-1/4
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Sprint	307/8	301/2	303/4	
SterlingChm	41/8	41/8	41/8	+1/8
SunCo	263/4	261/2	261/2	-1/4
TNP Ent	19	187/8	187/8	
Tandy	267/8	261/2	263/4	+1/8
TempleInl	49	483/8	483/4	+1/2
Tenneco	461/8	455/8	461/8	+3/8
Texaco	631/2	623/4	633/8	+7/8
TexasInd	25	25	25	-1/8
TexasInst	583/8	573/4	581/8	+1/8
Tex Util	443/8	441/4	443/8	+1/8
Textron	457/8	451/4	455/8	+5/8
Trinity	423/4	42	425/8	+5/8
TritonEngy	381/4	37	381/8	+1
Tyler	51/8	51/8	51/8	+1/8
US West	427/8	423/4	423/4	-1/8
USX Delhi s	181/2	183/8	181/2	+1/8
USX-Marathn	195/8	191/4	195/8	+1/4
USX-USS	403/4	393/4	393/4	-7/8
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UnPac	607/8	595/8	607/8	+7/8
UnitTech	471/4	463/4	471/8	+3/8
Unocal	291/4	281/2	291/8	+5/8
WalMart s	327/8	325/8	327/8	+1/8
WstnGasRs	313/4	311/4	313/4	+1/2
WestghEl	14	137/8	137/8	
WinnDixie	691/8	685/8	69	+3/8
Woolwth	313/8	307/8	31	-3/8
Xerox Cp	84	831/2	837/8	+3/4
ZenithE	63/4	65/8	63/4	-1/8

Obituaries

Joe Glass

1920-1993

SLATON — Services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church for Joe Glass, 73, of Slaton who died Tuesday in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital following a lengthy illness. Interment will be in the Englewood Cemetery.

Mr. Glass was born on March 2, 1920, in Pyron. He farmed in the Pyron Community before moving to Slaton.

He was preceded in death by four brothers.

Survivors include his wife, Oleta Glass of Slaton; five sisters, Mable Glass and Merle Glass, both of Hermleigh, Jane Bollinger of Roscoe, Daisy Borland of Midland and Geneva Smith of Lockney; and a sister-in-law, Dixie Glass of Snyder.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

March 25, 1993

Try to better comprehend the feelings and expectations of those you love in the year ahead. It might be necessary for you to adjust your thinking so you will bring happiness to both yourself and them.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You have yet to fulfill an obligation promised to someone you care about, and it might be brought to your attention today. Produce instead of making excuses. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Members of the opposite gender may find you more attractive than usual today. Relish this attention, but don't wander off the straight and narrow. An innocent flirtation could get out of hand.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you attempt to buy affection today instead of earning it, your gestures are likely to fall flat. Saying "I love you" and showing it will have more impact than a material gift.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be wary today of making unreasonable demands on the one you love. Possessive requests will push this person away from you instead of drawing him or her closer to you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) There's a possibility today that you might let someone down who was always there to assist you whenever you needed help. Thoughtlessness on your behalf could impair the relationship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you have a disagreement with your sweetheart today, the worst thing you can do is let your friends know about it. Resolve your differences in private.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Occasionally, we all feel we don't get the appropriate attention from those we love. Today this might happen to you, but don't wear your heart on your sleeve.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Continue to establish a good relationship with co-workers today, but don't let this lead to something romantic. If you do, it could cause unnecessary complications.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You, more than most signs in the zodiac, value your independence. You might step out of character today and put limitations on the freedom of one you love.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A loved one might not react to a given situation today exactly as you envision. Make allowances for his or her rights to freedom of expression.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Instead of being supportive of your mate today, you might focus on criticism instead. Your shortsightedness will not only hurt the one you love, it could ignite a heated argument.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) This is one of those days where you might be unduly generous to the undeserving, while being rather stingy toward someone whom you should be looking out for.

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SUPER KIDS AWARDS — Receiving February positive action super kids awards at Central Elementary are from left, first row, Cambron Benitez, Kimberly Henkell, Sergio Rodriguez, Martin Garcia, Brian Rodriguez, Arthur Alvarado, Kendall Tidwell, Nicolette Traylor and Manuel DePaz; second row, Katie Voss, Joshua Key, Philip Riddle, Kendra Nachlinger, Bax Cornelson, Jay Scott, Steven Crain; third row, Adrian Chavez, Lacie Green, Sara Potts, Courtney Farr, Angie Glover, Daniel Alvarado, Kristen Early and not pictured, Richie Rodriguez. Super kids are chosen by their teachers using the guideline, "managing yourself using positive actions." (SDN Staff Photo)

MORE SUPER KIDS — Other Central Elementary students receiving the positive action super kids awards are from left, first row, Alicia Wagner, Leslie Dean, Lupe Ferruzca, Christy Garcia, Miguel Castaneda, Maria Estrada; second row, Jamie Vaca, Kally Berkley, Brandon Lester, Michael Matthews, Tommy Gladden, Barbara Peacock, Crystal Gutierrez; third row, Gabriel Solis, Leticia Martinez, Heath Conner, Wade Pinson, Ty Runnels, Marcus Barboza and Jaci Tovar. Students, chosen by their teachers for "managing yourself using positive actions." (SDN Staff Photo)

Texas officials: state fund for victims is 'drying up'

AUSTIN (AP) — Escalating crime rates and word-of-mouth publicity are drying up a special state fund for victims of violent crime.

People who file claims with the Texas Crime Victims Compensation Fund can expect just 60 cents for every $1 approved, officials said Tuesday.

As of Monday, the fund, which paid $25 million last year, contained $3.8 million. But state officials said that for the first time, they must reduce the amount of compensation because of the number of claims.

"We're cutting back to 60 percent of what they're asking for," said Ron Dusek, a spokesman for Attorney General Dan Morales. "Based on our calculations, we will have to cut back to 60 percent in order to have enough money to help as many people as possible."

State law allows the attorney general to adjust payments to keep the fund solvent.

Tuesday's announcement means that victims of crimes such as sexual assault, aggravated robbery and drunken driving might have to pay their own expenses for doctors' bills, counseling or funerals.

Ann Hutchison, director of victim services for the Austin Police Department, criticized the move.

"The problem I have is that there are people so poor that they won't be able to go for help at all for two months," Hutchison said. "People have suffered enough. They don't deserve to be victimized twice — once by the criminal and once by the system."

Most of the money for the fund comes from people convicted of crimes. They must pay $20 for felony convictions, $15 for Class A and B misdemeanors and $5 for Class C misdemeanors, excluding parking and pedestrian violations.

VISIT POLICE STATION — Children's Day Out's Discovery School visited the police station recently. Students shown at left with Corporal Luis Villarreal are, from left, Camille Cloudt, Katie Morrell, Brett Partain, Monte Crooks, Gabriel Aguilar, Cale Lancaster, Ashly Pavlovsky, Tyler Hogan, Andri Nussey, Gena Dooley, Paige Gunset and Kara Edwards. Students shown at right with Villarreal, are from left, back row, Landry Matthies, Seth Cooper, Derek Wood, Nicholas Brozovich, Austin Lyle and Jeremy Reed; front row: Heather Fields, Jessica Taylor, Lindsey Alvarez, Nikki Howell, Kaitlyn Greenlee, Kayla Hartzog and Tara Kesner. (Contributed Photo)

President Clinton faces risks by sticking with Boris Yeltsin

By Tom Raum
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, forced to focus on foreign policy by the turn of events in Russia, is plotting a course of high-stakes support for Boris Yeltsin that could backfire if the Russian president falters.

Clinton criticized then-President Bush during last year's campaign for supporting Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev for too long. And now, Clinton risks making the same mistake as he walks a difficult tightrope in his first major foreign policy initiative.

Some Russia experts say Yeltsin's days are numbered.

Clinton is banking on the opposite view.

"He is after all, the first elected president in a thousand years," Clinton said Tuesday at a news conference at which he offered "an aggressive and quite specific plan" of aid for Russia at his April 3-4 summit with Yeltsin.

Clinton even signaled he would consider moving the summit from western Canada to Moscow if necessary. The meeting is not expected to be moved. Clinton's saying he would consider a venue change shows the lengths to which he would go in supporting Yeltsin.

"Basically, President Clinton cannot save Yeltsin. Yeltsin was a lame duck before these most recent events ... Going to Moscow would be a mistake, a very big mistake," said Robert Sharlet, a political scientist at Union College who specializes in Russian affairs.

There is little question that Clinton must deal with Yeltsin so long as he remains the head of government. The question is how much support to offer, especially if impeachment proceedings are begun.

"Clinton has no choice but to support Yeltsin," said Dimitri Simes, a Russian policy expert at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace who generally agrees with Clinton's moves so far.

"For one thing, to sell his aid package to Congress will be difficult under the best of circumstances. It would be even harder if he distanced himself from Yeltsin," Simes said. "At the same time, he has to be very careful not to create the impression that he's tying his political fortunes to Yeltsin."

AP analysis

The end of the Cold War and the breakup of the Soviet empire has generated some interesting new political dynamics in Washington.

Clinton now finds himself deeply involved in internal Russian politics.

And, although questions on the crisis didn't dominate Clinton's first formal news conference of his presidency, it generated the most questions.

To be sure, in the past day or so, administration officials have sought to put some distance between themselves and Yeltsin.

Clinton himself alluded to the risk of repeating the mistake made in offering near-exclusive support to Gorbachev, saying he'd "tried to be supportive of reformers throughout Russia and, indeed, throughout all the former communist countries ...."

Then he noted that Yeltsin "has the mandate of having been voted on in a free and open election where people were free to vote and free to stay home."

That sidestepped the fact that the Russian vice president was also elected, as were members of the Russian parliament.

That there are two schools of thought on the subject is no better dramatized by the conflicting advice being offered by former President Nixon and former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger.

Nixon says Clinton could make a lasting mark in history by offering the strongest possible support to Yeltsin. Kissinger argues that the United States is on the brink of making the same mistake with Yeltsin that it made with Gorbachev and "must not tie itself to any one leader."

"There is a risk of getting tied to Yeltsin excessively," said Helmut Sonnenfeldt, a foreign policy analyst at the Brookings Institution. He added, "there really isn't any alternative...and who knows how things in Russia are going to turn out?"

EDITOR'S NOTE: Tom Raum covers the White House for The Associated Press.

Lawmaker says he is innocent

AUSTIN (AP) — State Rep. Sergio Munoz, D-Mission, says he's innocent of federal drug-related charges and that his indictment won't keep him from carrying out his legislative duties.

"I'll be an effective lawmaker because this thing I'm putting in the back of my mind, and saying we're going to deal with it when we come to it, because we've got the facts on our side of the story," said Munoz, a freshman lawmaker who represents House District 36, which includes parts of Cameron and Hidalgo counties.

"I feel very confident that we are going to be found not guilty. We're innocent," he said Tuesday.

A federal grand jury last week returned an indictment against Munoz in connection with the 1992 theft of marijuana seized by the Palmview Police Department. Munoz is former Palmview city administrator.

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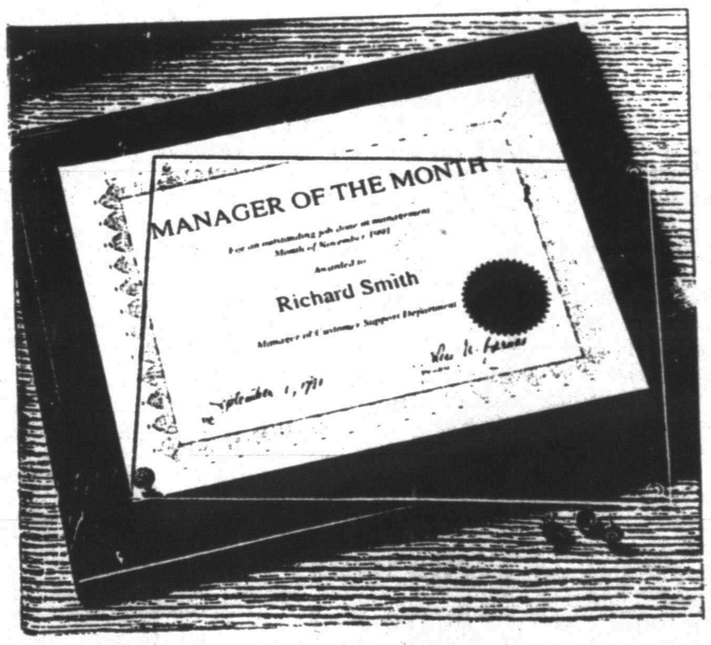

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Dear Abby

Tightest Ship in Shipping Has a Few Leaks to Plug

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: When I read about the letters regarding UPS shipments, I had to write.

Because I am disabled, I am on a number of medications. The medical plan I am insured under uses a mail-order pharmacy. When I order drugs, I am required to order a three-month supply at a time. The value of my last order was $1,200. It was delivered by UPS. The driver rang my doorbell one time and threw the package on my porch. Before I could see who was there, his truck was halfway down the street. He didn't bother to get a signature — or even ask for one.

Had I not been home, that $1,200 package would have been on my front porch in plain view to anyone who would have had the inclination to steal it. So much for UPS' unwritten law!

MIKE HOFFMAN,
PORTLAND, ORE.

DEAR MIKE: Wow! Do you ever have company! Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I wasn't surprised by the letter complaining about UPS; you should receive a truckload more.

When I moved from Massachusetts to Oregon several years ago, I shipped a personal computer to myself via UPS. It was packed as it had been by the manufacturer, and I was informed that the shipper would be liable if there was any damage.

The parcel arrived — the packaging was mutilated and my computer was in pieces! After my phone call, UPS sent a representative out to see whether the computer had been packed correctly; I was told he would have to take the parcel to Portland for more investigation.

Several weeks later, I phoned UPS and was told that my computer was on its way back to Massachusetts in its mutilated packing so it could be inspected by the sender. I explained that I was the sender and I was not in Massachusetts!

Many phone calls and letters to UPS representatives brought promises that my computer would be returned promptly, but no admission that the computer was damaged or that anyone in particular, much less UPS, was responsible.

Several weeks had passed when a UPS truck drove up my street. My wife and I watched it pass by our house. I was still cursing UPS when the neighbor boy came over to show us something he had in a wheelbarrow. It was my computer. He said it had been dumped in their garage and he wondered if it was ours!

After that, UPS representatives continued to answer my complaints by promising much, but delivering nothing, so I concluded that the only way I could get compensation was to take them to court.

I did. And now I can happily sign myself ...

A SATISFIED UPS CUSTOMER

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DEAR ABBY: Here's a funny follow-up on your UPS delivery article: Some years back, I baked up a storm of cookies for our daughter who was living out west. I sent them by UPS.

She was not home when the delivery person delivered them, so the large, carefully packed box of cookies was left with a neighbor. The "neighbor" turned out to be a fraternity house, so you can well imagine the end of the story!

UPS put a tracer on the package and, upon discovering the interception, was prompt and pleasant about the reimbursement.

MARY WESTHEIMER,
CINCINNATI

DEAR MARY WESTHEIMER: Those who have lived in a fraternity house will relate to that story. An equally hungry bunch of young people can be found in a sorority house.

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Officials plan for influx of cult members

WACO, Texas (AP) — As talks teeter back and forth between federal agents and cult leader David Koresh, justice officials are preparing to detain an onslaught of cultists if the standoff ends peacefully.

"I think we have a very good plan," U.S. Marshal Bill Jonas said Tuesday.

Jonas said the 14 adult cultists Koresh has allowed out of his armed compound haven't strained the legal system, but authorities have been planning for larger releases sought — so far unsuccessfully — by FBI negotiators.

Meanwhile, helicopter pilots have been making practice runs for another possibility — the evacuation of dead and wounded.

If the standoff ends without casualties, current plans would send the 78 adults remaining in the compound to the McLennan County Jail.

Adult cultists have been held at the jail as material witnesses in the Feb. 28 shootout that left four federal agents and an unknown number of cultists dead.

But the jail already was about 50 inmates over its regular capacity of 431 on Tuesday, said Lt. Johnny Mynar, assistant jail administrator.

Mynar said many inmates will have to share cells to handle the potential influx of cultists, who must have initial appearances and detention hearings before a federal magistrate soon after they are jailed.

"We can handle it if we have to," Mynar said. "It would be temporary. We couldn't go on for a long time."

Jonas, marshal for the 68-county western district of Texas, said he's prepared to transfer the cultists to other county jails once the hearings are held.

"Bell County would be a reasonably close facility of substantial size," Jonas said.

He added that deputy marshals from other districts were ready to descend on Waco if the stalemate breaks.

San Antonio-based U.S. Attorney Ron Ederer declined to discuss plans to handle the prosecution, other than to say that the size and complexity of the case required special measures.

"The U.S. attorney's office will be prepared for whatever happens," Ederer said. "We don't want to say anything to create news that could have any effect on the situation."

Scientists expose guilty gene in deadly Huntington's disease

BOSTON (AP) — A decade-long scientific dragnet has found the gene that causes Huntington's disease, a breakthrough that could someday help researchers conquer the fatal illness that relentlessly destroys mind and body.

A scientific report due out this week identifies the genetic defect that somehow kills off brain cells in adults.

"Suddenly we can start talking about what can be done," says Marilyn Seichter of Hartford, Conn., a Huntington's patient. "This is not hope for those who are afflicted. It is life."

The discovery was made by the Huntington's Disease Collaborative Research Group, which consists of more than 50 scientists largely from six institutions. They've been tracking the gene for 10 years.

They found the disease is caused by a "genetic stutter," the rampant copying of one fragment of code inside a single gene, according to the report appearing in Friday's issue of the journal Cell.

"It's a fascinating discovery. A new world of genetic exploration is opening up in front of our eyes," commented Dr. Murray Goldstein, director of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke.

Team members hope the insight will eventually lead to a cure for Huntington's, whose symptoms include involuntary jerky movements, unsteady gait, mood swings, personality changes, slurred speech and impaired judgment. Its best-known victim was folk singer Woody Guthrie, who died in 1967.

"It may be possible to develop effective treatments to slow or stop the progression of this frightful disorder," said Dr. James Gusella of Massachusetts General Hospital.

But many mysteries remain: What role do healthy copies of the gene play inside the body? How do they destroy specific parts of the brain when they become defective?

"This raises a lot more questions than it answers," said Dr. Francis Collins of the University of Michigan, another team member. "That's exciting, because without the gene we had run out of questions to ask."

About 25,000 Americans have Huntington's disease, and 125,000 more are at risk for it. Guthrie's affliction drew attention to the disease, and his widow had crusaded for more Huntington's research until her death in 1983.

"I'm sure wherever she is, she is smiling right now," singer Arlo Guthrie, 45, said of his mother, Marjorie.

Children of people with Huntington's have a 50-50 chance of inheriting the bad gene. Those with the gene invariably get the disease if they live long enough. Arlo Guthrie has refused to be tested for the gene.

The researchers checked 75 Huntington's disease families and found that all carried the defective gene.

Every gene in the body contains code for assembling proteins. Inherited diseases occur when this code is garbled. The researchers found that Huntington's occurs when three units of code somehow get stuck in the body's gene-copying machinery, repeating themselves over and over.

In healthy people, the code segment is repeated between 11 and 34 times. Those with Huntington's have at least 42 copies.

At least three other inherited diseases result from similar repeats of genetic code: fragile X syndrome, a leading cause of mental retardation, and the muscle disorders myotonic dystrophy and spino-bulbar muscular atrophy.

A separate research effort in Canada produced a paper due in Thursday's edition of the journal Nature that proposes a different mutation as a cause of the disease.

Berry's World

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Protest started over run of brothel musical

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — A woman's attempt to keep the musical "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" from being shown this summer at Galveston Island State Park has gained the support of a state lawmaker.

Julia Koen said the R-rated musical should not be performed at the park's Mary Moody Northern Amphitheater because the park is public land and the theater is funded by local, state and federal money.

"Personally, I don't find the play offensive," Ms. Koen said. "I do find it offensive at this facility and at this time. A state park in Texas is not the appropriate place to show R-rated material."

State Rep. Mike Martin also opposes the musical, saying it sends the wrong message to children.

"It's not a good idea to be showing this play when it's about prostitutes," he said.

The award-winning musical is a satire of the early 1970s scandal about La Grange's Chicken Ranch, a notorious bordello. Media scrutiny eventually pressured politicians into shutting down the ranch.

Ms. Koen has spent the last month writing and calling state officials, asking them to pull the plug on the musical's performance.

"I think this play is out of style for today's viewing audience," Ms. Koen said. "When this play was written and first produced, we didn't have AIDS. Since this play has come out, we have an AIDS epidemic. We are trying to promote safe sex and trying to instill family values."

The Galveston Island Outdoor Musicals production of the musical is scheduled to open June 17 at the amphitheater. The other productions on the Galveston Island Outdoor Musicals summer schedule are "Ain't Misbehavin'" and "My Fair Lady."

Denton Yockey, executive director of the Lone Star Performing Arts Association, said he does not believe the show will be canceled. The musical was chosen because it was the most requested show from audience surveys, he said.

Yockey said warnings were printed on all brochures about the show's subject matter. However, subscription ticket sales have been the highest in the theater's history, he said.

"We wouldn't have done it if we thought people didn't want to see it," Yockey said. "We want to sell tickets."

Martin said it may be too late to cancel the musical for this year, but plans could be made to squelch future musicals with questionable content.

"Next year, we'll be able to put a lid on it," he said. "This one slipped through the cracks of the evaluation process."

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