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Ask Us

Q—How many bills are sent out each month for city utilities, including business and residential, and what is the amount of the average bill?

A—There are approximately 4,500 bills sent out every month with the average bill being $47.70 for water, sewer and sanitation.

In Brief

Camp costs

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon says it will cost roughly $20 million a month to run an expanded Cuban refugee camp at Guantanamo Bay Naval Station, and it may have to call up reserve forces if the Caribbean island exodus continues.

The U.S. military on Thursday scrambled to transport the huge amounts of equipment and supplies needed to expand the detention camps at Guantanamo Bay from the current 20,000-person capacity to between 40,000 and 60,000.

Some 7,000 to 9,000 extra U.S. soldiers are expected to be sent to Guantanamo to help the 3,000 soldiers already there, officials said.

Pentagon spokesman Dennis Boxx estimated it would cost $100 million to set up expanded camps for the Cubans, assuming their numbers do not exceed 45,000.

Local

FFA sets feast

A watermelon feast for Future Farmers of America (FFA) members and supporters is planned for 6:30 p.m. Saturday at Towle Park.

Revival

The First Assembly of God Church will be in revival services from Sunday through Friday, Sept. 2. Pastor Rick Earp will lead Sunday services at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services Monday through Friday will be at 7 p.m. with Dan Parker, evangelist.

Registration

Western Texas College has scheduled a special placement testing and registration early next week.

Placement testing, required for all new students who do not have ACT or SAT scores on file with the college, will be administered at 6 p.m. Monday in the Student Center.

Registration will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the Learning Resource Center. Advisors will be present to assist students. Space is available in a variety of academic classes as well as day and evening classes in several vocational programs.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Thursday, 97 degrees; low, 71 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Friday, 72 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1994 to date, 6.09 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Friday, mostly sunny. Highs 95-103. Friday night, mostly clear. Lows around 70. Saturday, mostly sunny. Highs in the upper 90s to around 100. Saturday night, fair. Lows, mid 60s to lower 70s.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:14. Sunrise 7:16. Of 237 days in 1994, the sun has shone 230 days in Snyder.

Senate passes the crime bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Climaxing a partisan election-year struggle, a $30 billion crime bill is headed for President Clinton's desk. The measure promises money for more police officers and tougher terms for criminals.

"This crime bill is going to make every neighborhood in America safer — and the bipartisan spirit that produced it should give every American hope that we can come together to do the job they sent us here to do," Clinton said in a written statement shortly after the Senate gave final approval to the bill.

The vote was 61-38 as lawmakers responded to voter anxiety about crime. But it also belied an intense battle waged over the measure for months in both houses, and particularly in the past two weeks.

Fifty-four Democrats and seven Republicans voted for the bill. Thirty-six Republicans and two Democrats voted against.

Shortly before final passage, the Democratic-controlled Senate choked off a National Rifle Association-backed effort to kill the measure because of opposition to a ban on many assault-style weapons.

Hours earlier, Senate Democrats, bolstered by six Republicans, prevailed over a GOP attempt to open up the measure to last-minute changes. The vote was 61-38, one more than the 60 needed.

"There is no doubt about it," Senate GOP leader Bob Dole said as he tried unsuccessfully to force votes to reduce spending and toughen minimum sentencing requirements. "I know of nobody who does not want a tough crime bill. But I think this has become a big, big spending bill."

Signaling that the issue would resurface in the fall election campaigns, Dole said "we'll have some examples in the 30-second spots," an apparent reference to campaign commercials.

Democrats said the measure was plenty tough as written. Sen. Joseph Biden, D-Del., chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, called it "a tough bill, a straightforward bill that the cops want, the prosecutors want and the people need."

In the final words of debate, Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell said "77 percent of the American people favor an assault weapons ban — the very thing that for six years has been the driving force in opposition to this bill right to the very moment."

The bill aims to put 100,000 more police officers on the streets, build more prison cells and ban 19 assault-style firearms and numerous copycat weapons. The weapons ban becomes effective with Clinton's signature.

The measure also expands the federal death penalty and imposes mandatory prison terms on third-term violent and drug offenders in federal cases.

GAME OF HASHMARKS — Augie Garcia, a full-time ground maintenance employee for SISD, applies white hashmarks to the field at Tiger Stadium. (SDN Staff Photo by John McMillan)

Officials are ready to approve '95 budget

After meeting briefly Thursday afternoon, Scurry County commissioners now appear settled on a $5.4 million budget for 1995 and a tax rate of just under 55 cents per $100 valuation.

Approval of the budget and tax rate is expected during Monday's regular session of the court.

Auditor Eddie McHaney presented commissioners with the final general fund figures Thursday, after the court had instructed all department heads to cut out another 1 percent from their individual budgets. The general fund budget totals $4,243,367 now, some $50,000 less than before the 1 percent across-the-board cuts.

An additional 1 percent was also taken from the road and bridge budget of about $1.1 million. Commissioners did not cut an extra 1 percent from the hospital or Board of County Development budgets.

The proposed $5.4 million budget includes the general fund, road and bridge and BCD.

Commissioners will be considering a tax rate of 54.98 cents, a little more than 5 cents above last year's tax rate of 49.87, but 3.25 cents below the effective rate of 58.23.

The effective rate is the rate necessary to bring in the same amount of tax dollars as the previous year. That rate rose sharply, due to a decline in mineral and oil valuations.

The proposed tax rate of 54.98

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Western Region...

Burk is Windham teacher of the year

By JOHN McMILLAN
SDN Staff Writer

To Donnie Burk, an instructor at the Price Daniel prison unit's Windham school, the ultimate measure of his students' performance lies in their ability to remain free after they are released from prison.

Burk's success at inspiring his students gained him recognition last week when he was named Academic Teacher of the Year for the Western Region of the Windham School system. Burk, who received a plaque from Windham administrators, was selected for the honor by a panel of Windham educators from throughout the region.

"...It's gratifying to know that other people...think I'm doing a good job," said Burk, 39, a 1973 graduate of Snyder High School and resident of Snyder for 25 years. "...However small the effect is on the recidivism rate, I believe I am having some small impact on it."

The Price Daniel unit's Windham School, one of a half-dozen such schools in the region, employs about 15 full-time instructors. The unit's school has a student enrollment of approximately 200, Burk said.

Burk, noted for his creatively interdisciplinary, multi-media style of instruction, estimated that over the five-year period in which he has taught at the Daniel unit, he has succeeded at inspiring 10 percent of his students to take the necessary steps after they are released from prison that would allow them to remain free.

"Every teacher is able to point to at least one or two students (in

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DONNIE BURK

Gov. Richards declines visit to Scurry County

Gov. Ann Richards has announced that she will not be able to attend the Sept. 22-24 Scurry County Fair.

In a letter dated Aug. 23, an assistant of Richards informed the chamber of commerce that "she would like very much to be with you, but we have already scheduled her for another event. We regret she will be unable to attend."

"Governor Richards asked me to express her gratitude to you for your invitation and to send you her best wishes," added Erika Archer, scheduling assistant to Richards.

In late July, Richard's opponent in the November gubernatorial election, Republican George Bush, canceled a trip to Snyder that had been scheduled for Aug. 2.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Resistance usually increases at a slightly greater rate than accomplishments."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors:

Gene Dow, former Snyder resident who now lives in Seminole, had a golf story sent in which was attributed to Dr. James Pucker, Presbyterian minister in Ruidoso. The preacher wrote:

"It is my belief that humor is both healthy and theologically correct. I commend laughing at oneself as not only the best therapy for what ails you, but also as good theology because, as the Bible says, 'God sits in the heavens and laughs..."

The minister asked his congregation for material on golf and patriotism, and he was flooded with material from the links.

"By the time one can afford to lose a golf ball, he can't hit it that far.

"Golf is like taxes — you drive hard to get to the green and then wind up in the hole.

"One of the world's quickest ways to meet new people is to go around the course picking up the wrong ball.

"Then there was the preacher who got his recompense for calling in sick one Sunday morning so he could play golf. He made a hole in one and couldn't tell anybody.

"Speaking of a hole in one, isn't it funny that we blame fate for almost all accidents, but feel personally responsible if we make an ace?

"Asked by his wife why he didn't play golf with George anymore, the husband responded by asking the wife if she would want to play with a guy who moves the ball to improve his lie when nobody is watching and has trouble writing down the right score.

"'No,' replied the wife.

"'Neither does George.'"

Speedy Nieman, in the Hereford Brand, explained how one minister let off steam when he missed a shot.

"I just repeat the names of some of the members of my congregation...with feeling!"

Health reform...

If bill is passed this year, it won't be comprehensive

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell joined other key Democrats today in conceding that comprehensive health reform is not possible this year. But he said Congress still may pass a worthwhile bill.

"It clearly will not be a bill as comprehensive as I would prefer, but there's much that can be done that would represent progress," Mitchell said today before meeting with leaders of a self-styled "mainstream" group pushing a modest package of subsidies and insurance reforms.

The majority leader, who was scheduled to meet with President Clinton later today, rejected contentions by Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, that health reform is dead for the year.

"He said that about the crime bill. And he said that about the president's economic plan last year," Mitchell said with a grin. "On two for two he's been wrong and I hope that it will be three for three."

The White House is hoping a two-week break in Congress' work on health care will help cool tempers strained by the rancorous crime debate and foster a better climate for compromise.

"I don't think the recess will kill it," Clinton said Thursday. "I think we just have to let this thing develop a little bit and see what happens."

Chief of Staff Leon Panetta acknowledged that the White House would have preferred that Congress work straight through August to rescue the centerpiece of Clinton's domestic agenda.

But as the Senate made plans Thursday to beat a quick retreat after finishing work on the crime bill, Panetta jokingly admitted he "wouldn't want to stand at the exit door" blocking their escape.

"It's been a long, hard summer," he said. "They're exhausted and, frankly, I think all of us are not sure that the best product would be produced in that atmosphere."

With the House already in recess, the White House believes the two-week break will give the bipartisan "mainstream" group more time to negotiate toward a compromise with Democratic leaders.

Clinton said he wanted to see how the senators' talks progress and added that in the meantime, "I think the less I say about it, the better."

Indicted congressman's FEC reports do not list donations

WASHINGTON (AP) — The AFL-CIO's political fund gave $2,000 to Rep. Mel Reynolds of Illinois in the fall of 1992, but that contribution was never reported to the government.

A canceled check, dated Aug. 31, showed the money was deposited into an account at the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank in Chicago with the notation "deposit only — Mel Reynolds," said a spokesman for the AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education.

The contribution was never listed on the Chicago Democrat's report with the Federal Election Commission, and that bank has never been registered with the FEC to handle the freshman lawmaker's campaign accounts.

A review of election records found that campaign reports for Reynolds, who was indicted last week on sexual charges, fail to list thousands of dollars in contributions since 1991 as required by law.

A spot check of the unreported political action committee donations turned up some that were deposited at Amalgamated and a second Chicago-area bank that at the time were not registered with the FEC.

Reynolds' campaign finances are being investigated by federal authorities. State officials last week charged him with child pornography and sexual assault of a 16-year-old campaign volunteer.

The government imposes strict rules requiring campaigns to disclose donations and spending quickly to ensure no political money is misused.

Federal law imposes penalties up to $5,000, or 100 percent of the campaign money involved, for failure to disclose donations. The FEC can double those fines and also recommend criminal prosecution if the violations were knowing and willful.

Reynolds and his former campaign treasurer, who has filed a complaint against the congressman with the FEC alleging campaign irregularities, differ on who is at fault for the finance problems.

Reynolds said he believes any unreported PAC contributions were spent on the campaign. He blamed former treasurer Earl Worthington.

"If it wasn't on the report, that means that either Mr. Worthington deliberately didn't put it on or it was an oversight," Reynolds said. He said he is reviewing all campaign records and would file amended reports to disclose any donations not previously recorded.

Several unreported donations have occurred since the congressman's wife, Marisol Concepcion, took over as treasurer.

Concepcion was first listed on FEC records as treasurer for her husband on Jan. 30, 1992. But Reynolds said Worthington still did all the reporting and managed the campaign's money until April 1993 and his wife just signed the reports.

Worthington, however, said he was "just a ghost treasurer" who simply followed Reynolds' instructions.

Worthington said he believed the congressman frequently converted all or portions of contribution checks into cash instead of depositing the entire donations and writing out checks to cover bills.

"He just used my name as the treasurer. ... He probably just wanted to use my name so that if anybody caught on ... he would use me as a fall guy. And that's what he's trying to do," Worthington said.

"I would always bring all the cash back to him and he would make the decisions," Worthington said. "He would either keep the cash and do whatever or he would delegate" someone to pay the bills with it.

Reynolds said records would show "every single dime" he has raised for his campaign has been used for "campaign purposes."

PACs are the political arms of special interest lobbies and a primary source of election funds for members of Congress. They can contribute up to $5,000 to a candidate per election.

Since he was elected to office in 1992, Reynolds has received more than half of his re-election funds from political committees — $242,209 of $407,458 through July 15 of this year, according to FEC records.

PACs and candidates are required to report campaign financing information to the FEC.

Church will open center for rehab

HOUSTON (AP) — The Northwest Community Baptist Church is taking up a front-line position against substance abuse by operating a 100-bed rehabilitation center this fall.

One state official calls it an unprecedented move, but the Rev. Timothy Dixon calls it taking action against the drug and alcohol abuse in the church's neighborhood.

"The need has been there all along, but we've been taught that this is not our area of concern," says Dixon, who directs outreach programs at the 2,000-member church.

"The problem is, we've been confined to the four walls while the world around us is collapsing. We've made a decision to deal head-on with this crisis."

This month, the church purchased the former Watkins Care Center for $469,000. The facility had been a convalescent home and later a drug rehabilitation center before closing because of financial difficulty.

Dixon said the facility is expected to reopen as Visions of Hope in October.

"Everyone knows the drug epidemic has created serious blight upon this culture," said church pastor James Dixon II, Timothy Dixon's brother.

"The need for this facility is obvious. Every residential treatment facility in this city is plagued with waiting lists, and so this 100-bed facility — once it is up and running at its full capacity — will serve a great need."

Terrence White, the newly hired center director, said he is seeking a license change from the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse. The facility can operate minimally until that change.

White, a former hospital administrator who has directed other rehabilitation programs, said the building needs about $250,000 in repairs, which the church hopes to have completed in time for an Oct. 22 grand opening.

White said the center will serve a range of clients but will likely receive state assistance in treating individuals with no insurance. For now, it is holding support meetings for about a dozen clients who had been in the Watkins program.

DATE BOOK

Aug. 26, 1994

Today is the 238th day of 1994 and the 67th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1345, the cannon was first used in battle, as England's Edward III defeated France's Philip VI at the Battle of Crecy.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Prince Albert (1819-1861), consort of England's Queen Victoria; Christopher Isherwood (1904-1986), writer; Albert Sabin (1906-1993), microbiologist; Ben Bradlee (1921-), journalist, is 73; Irving R. Levine (1922-), broadcast journalist, is 72; Tom Heinsohn (1934-), basketball star-coach-broadcaster, is 60; Branford Marsalis (1960-), musician, is 34.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1947, the Brooklyn Dodgers' Don Bankhead became the first black pitcher to play in the major leagues. He also hit a home run in his first major-league at-bat.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I am a camera with its shutter open, quite passive, recording, not thinking." — Christopher Isherwood

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1992, Hurricane Andrew made its second U.S. landfall, near Morgan City, La.; total U.S. damage by the storm was up to $30 billion.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Aug. 21) and last quarter (Aug. 29).

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Pick 3

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

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Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Overcoming diabetes-related itching

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has diabetes and takes insulin daily. As a result, he suffers from severe itching and a burning on his body. Atarax and Periactin have provided minimal relief. Do you have other suggestions?

DEAR READER: Diabetes can lead to itchy skin conditions that are usually relieved by the drugs you mention, as well as cold compresses and moisturizing lotions. Should these methods be ineffective, your husband should be examined by a dermatologist.

I am particularly concerned when I see diabetics with itchy rashes because standard insulin injections are derived from animal sources, and diabetics can often experience allergic reactions to this type of medication. The use of genetically engineered human insulin, such as Humulin, solves the problem of insulin-allergy. Your husband should ask his doctor about this.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please discuss the progression of Takayasu's disease.

DEAR READER: Takayasu's arteritis is a rare inflammatory disease of unknown cause that typically strikes women between the ages of 15 and 30. It leads to inflammation of the aorta (and its branches), with accompanying malaise, fever, sweats, weight loss, joint pains, fatigue, and anemia.

The initial phase eventually subsides, leaving patients with poor circulation to the head and upper body, fainting, stroke-like symptoms, loss of strength, visual difficulties, hypertension, and heart failure.

The diagnosis is made by X-rays and blood tests. Cortisone therapy almost always neutralizes symptoms, reduces inflammation and prevents complications. Sometimes, surgery to remove the arterial blockages may be necessary.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I had a complete hysterectomy because of severe pain due to endometriosis. Since the surgery, I've been cauterized eight or nine times. I then spot old-looking blood. Is this normal or could something else be causing the problem?

DEAR READER: Cautery, the therapeutic burning of tissue using a chemical or an electric device, is a handy and safe way to stop minor bleeding or cure small infections. The procedure itself may cause some temporary bleeding — or the old blood you are passing may be due to the original condition that necessitated cautery.

Ask your surgeon about this. I am certain he will be eager to explain the situation and allay your fears.

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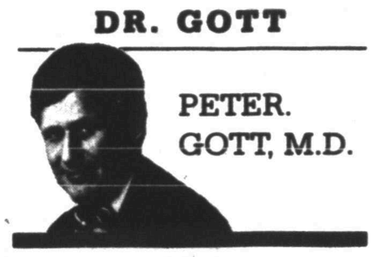
DR. GOTT



PETER. GOTT, M.D.

Dealer of insurance benefits for victims of AIDS faces suit

WASHINGTON (AP) — A company that turns life insurance policies into cash for dying AIDS victims and other terminally ill patients faces a lawsuit charging it with breaking federal securities laws.

In a lawsuit filed Thursday in U.S. District Court, the Securities and Exchange Commission charged that the activities of Life Partners Inc. of Waco, Texas, and its president, Brian D. Pardo, amount to selling unregistered securities to investors.

The SEC accuses Life Partners of making significant false and misleading statements in its promotional materials. It asks a federal judge to freeze the Texas-based firm's assets, direct it to refund ill-gotten gains and order it to leave the business.

Pardo, who claims Life Partners is the largest player in this unusual market, vigorously denied the SEC's charges and accused the agency of "overstepping" its authority.

The issue concerns the growing business of viatical settlements, in which the terminally ill sign over parts of their life insurance policies at a cut rate to investors who receive the proceeds when the patient dies. The name of the business derives from the Latin word viaticum, the Eucharist given to a dying person.

As morbid as the industry sounds — some have described the business as "death futures" — the $300 million market allows severely ill people a source of much needed cash to pay for rent, additional medical care and other needs.

The SEC suit said Life Partners and Pardo purchase the rights of death benefits from a terminally ill person's life insurance policy. Life Partners then repackages these death benefits and sell them to investors.

When the insured person dies, Life Partners collects the death benefit paid from the insurance policy and distributes it to the investors.

"Through their sale efforts, LPI and Pardo have sold millions of dollars worth of such unregistered securities to hundreds of investors in the United States and abroad," the SEC charged.

Pardo, in a telephone interview, accused the SEC of incorrectly stating that the company's dealings in insurance agreements are akin to securities transactions. He noted that the settlements are regulated as insurance in several states, including New York and California.

Pardo also denied charges that he and his company made false and misleading statements in the course of their business. He said his business simply acts as agents on behalf of investors and his firm does not acquire a financial interest in the policies.

"In our view, is there is no substance to the SEC's allegations in regard to this and they are overstepping their regulatory authority," Pardo said. "This does have a potentially profound affect on the AIDS community."

Will Bacon, a staff member of AIDS Benefits Counselors in San Francisco, said he recommends viatical settlements as an option for patients seeking income.

"I think it's a great way to supplement their social security if they have it, especially if you have little or no long-term disability insurance," Bacon said. Bacon and several other AIDS activists in San Francisco and New York said they had not heard of Life Partners.

'Black Panther' leader is planning revolution

MILWAUKEE (AP) — An outspoken radio talk show host and former city alderman who wants to improve conditions for blacks is talking about a revolution — by next year.

Michael McGee says he'll recruit blacks around the country to cut phone lines, burn tires on freeways and attack other institutions unless the government creates jobs, improves education and housing, and takes other steps against urban poverty by January 1.

McGee calls himself the leader of the "Black Panther Militia." He says his revolution would be a war on property, not people, because wealth is what whites in power value most.

"Most Americans are so easy to inconvenience, you just block the line at McDonald's and they would be upset," McGee said.

"It's aggressive nonviolence," he said. "It's not aimed at people, but it's aggressive because you're hitting the people that really matter, like say in New York, you put Wall Street out of business for a while.

"You can murder 100,000 people and it wouldn't have the impact that inconveniencing a certain group of Americans would have," said McGee, who has a call-in show on WNOV in Milwaukee.

The protests McGee envisions would owe more to the militant Black Panthers of the 1960s and 1970s than to the mainstream civil rights organizations that took up Martin Luther King Jr.'s methods of nonviolent protest.

McGee, 44, hasn't reached out to former Black Panthers such as Bobby Seale, Elaine Brown or David Hilliard, who continue their activism today using less radical means.

He has no affiliation with the Black Panthers organization, which dwindled from 5,000 members to a few hundred in the mid-70s after arrests, violent deaths and manipulation by police and FBI agents. The group still operates as a social service organization in Oakland, Calif., where it was founded in 1966.

Now McGee says it's time to take up the Panthers' militant legacy.

"People are dying. In terms of priorities, America is so messed up," said McGee, who plans a "call to arms" meeting in New York in February.

In the past, McGee has disrupted a live broadcast of ABC's "Good Morning America," started a sausage scare by telling a company that militant blacks had spiked its products with rat poison and disrupted speeches by blowing whistles.

McGee has appeared with about two dozen uniformed members at demonstrations in Milwaukee. But he claims to have 1,200 supporters in the city, and similar militias in Indianapolis, Dallas, New York, Detroit, Chicago, Atlanta, Washington, Los Angeles, Jacksonville, Fla., and Minneapolis.

In 1948, President Harry S. Truman signed the Marshall Plan, which allocated more than $5 billion in aid for 16 European countries.

Women's Day Missionary Services set at New Hope

New Hope Baptist Church will celebrate its annual Women's Day Missionary Services this Sunday at 3 p.m.

The Rev. Mrs. Gloria Moore, associate minister of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Tahoka, will be the guest speaker.

The lesson will be: "The Elect Lady" from II John 1:1-6.

The public is invited. Refreshments will be served following the service.

Rev. Raymond Dunkins is the pastor, and the church is located at 3305 Ave. L.

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

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

Government may forgive handicap pension fakers

ROME (AP) — The government may be willing to forgive, but the citizenry is vengeful when it comes to the three million Italians suspected of pulling pensions for disabilities they don't suffer.

Struggling with a $100 billion deficit, Premier Silvio Berlusconi's government has taken aim at Italy's bloated pension rolls.

But how far the government will go to stem the fraud remains to be seen.

The National Alliance, a member of Berlusconi's governing coalition, is proposing amnesty for individuals who admit they've been faking it, and go off the dole. In return, they wouldn't have to pay back the money, and the government would be spared the expense of investigating.

A second coalition partner, the Northern League, indicated Wednesday it might go along with the proposal.

But citizens are taking matters in their hands. They are worried that sparing the fakers might mean the government will turn to other pension reforms, like raising the retirement age or cutting old-age checks.

Government offices in Milan have been deluged with calls from citizens reporting cases of suspected fraud, the Milan daily Il Giornale reported.

"Yesterday a lady told me about her neighbor who pulls a disability check for blindness but drives his car perfectly fine," the newspaper quoted Luigi Rivetti, an official in the city's pension office, as saying.

Government-paid doctors also were implicated.

"The doctors checked my vision without even looking me in the eyes," 57-year-old Zenoide Tedeschi told the newspaper.

Every so, often a faker gets caught without a tip.

One 51-year-old municipal employee in the Umbrian town of Spoleto lost his monthly payment of more than $600 for blindness when officials learned his driver's license had been renewed, the Italian news agency AGI reported.

153 schools in Texas would have been low-performers

AUSTIN (AP) — Republican gubernatorial candidate George W. Bush is renewing attacks on Democratic Gov. Ann Richards over education in the wake of the release of new figures on low-performing schools.

The Texas Education Agency on Wednesday released numbers showing 153 Texas schools would have been ranked low-performing this year if the state had used last year's rating system.

Under this year's system, 55 were labeled low-performers.

The difference appears to be due in large part to a law requiring more grades to be tested on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, the reading, writing and math test that forms the basis for the school rankings.

The number of low-performers still is down significantly from last year's 326, out of more than 6,000 schools in Texas.

But Bush took issue with the different numbers that have been released by the agency.

"We need a rating system that focuses on education, not politics," he said. "The people of Texas are entitled to openness and honesty in state government, yet Ann Richards' education bureaucracy is giving lessons in stonewalling and double talk.

"The governor faces a spreading credibility crisis,' said Bush, who has contended school ranking standards were changed in an election year to try to make Richards look better.

Education Commissioner Lionel "Skip" Meno has said changes were not made for political reasons but to give a more accurate view of school performance.

Richards' campaign spokesman Chuck McDonald said students are doing better on state and national tests, citing a recently announced rise in Texas students' combined score on the national SAT college entrance exam. Students' scores went up on the math section of the test and down on the verbal part, but there was a net increase.

"George W. sees a giant conspiracy everywhere. Everyone's out against him, trying to make Ann Richards look good," McDonald said.

"The simple fact of the matter is by all measures, including national measures, Texas students are doing better," he said. "It's time for George W. Bush to put this behind him."

This year's school rankings were based on scores from TAAS tests given in grades three through eight and 10. Last year's figure was based just on grades four, eight and 10.

In addition, the standard changed.

Last year, for a school's performance to be considered acceptable, 20 percent of the students had to pass all the TAAS exams taken.

This year, the state looked individually at the exams. The new standard requires that 25 percent of the students pass each exam, but a different group of students might pass reading than math or writing.

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Computerized-control causes glitches

SEATTLE (AP) — Six Washington state ferries outfitted with computerized controls by a Texas firm have had a "nagging number of malfunctions," and twice as many breakdowns as the other 19 vessels in the fleet, records of the past year and a half show.

The ferries experienced repeated breakdowns in the computerized steering and propulsion controls installed by Ross Hill Controls of Houston, according to files obtained by the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

The Elwha hit a dock early this year, causing $500,000 in damage after a gear designed and installed by Ross Hill Controls failed.

Another ferry, the Tillikum, has been unable to return to service for weeks after undergoing a $17 million overhaul because of similar problems.

A third, the Nisqually, drifted without power in the San Juan Islands for a couple minutes in July after a lug nut broke on a Ross Hill control. A second ferry that happened to be nearby held the Nisqually until a tugboat arrived.

Those boats and the Quinault, Evergreen State and Illahee have had at least 22 "major control system problems" in the past 18 months, the newspaper reported Thursday.

No injuries have been linked to the problems.

Installation of the computerized controls on the six boats cost nearly $3 million. Four more ferries — the Klahowya, Kahleetan, Yakima and Hyak — are being equipped with Ross Hill controls at a projected cost of nearly $4.2 million over the next four years.

Don Wilkes, vice president of Ross Hill's marine division, said the problems were normal for the shakedown phase in complex control systems and denied there were any inherent defects or safety risk.

"Part of the situation may be the fact that this is a set of equipment that is custom-designed to meet requirements of the state, as well as the requirements of a marine installation," Wilkes said.

Paul Green, chosen in February to take the helm of the ferry system, discussed the problems with Ross Hill executives in Texas last month.

"If you look back over the history with Ross Hill, there have been a nagging number of malfunctions," Green told the P-I. "I want to as quickly as we can get into this stuff to make sure we don't let this develop into a safety problem."

Green agreed with Ross Hill that some problems were from equipment that was bought years ago, then sat in a warehouse as the ferry overhauls fell behind schedule. In some cases, newer gear had to be ordered.

In addition, each ferry has different equipment, requiring each set of controls to be customized.

Washington's ferry system is the nation's largest with more than 23 million riders a year.

The $1.2 million installation of digital controls for the Elwha, initially slated to be equipped with analog computer controls, was part of an overhaul that cost $25 million — twice the original estimate — in 1991.

In the last 18 months the ferry has had four major control-system problems. The worst was in January, when power to both engines was lost and the boat hit the dock in Anacortes.

"Ross Hill knew about this problem several months prior to the Elwha hitting the dock at Anacortes, they did not tell us!!" senior port engineer Ben Davis wrote in an internal memo obtained by the newspaper.

Wilkes denied that company officials knew beforehand of control problems that caused the Elwha accident. The state never sought to recover the $500,000 cost of repairs from Ross Hill.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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NORTH
♠K J 8 6
♥A J 10 4
♦A Q 10
♣A K

WEST
♠5
♥2
♦J 5 4 2
♣Q J 10 8 7 5 2

EAST
♠Q 10 4
♥Q 8 6 5
♦K 9 7 3
♣6 4

SOUTH
♠A 9 7 3 2
♥K 9 7 3
♦8 6
♣9 3

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	3♣	Dbl.	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♥	Pass	6♠	All pass

Opening lead: ♥2

Finesse only when you must

By Phillip Alder

Here are a couple of signs spotted in Canada. In Vancouver, "For your added convenience, this Post Office will be closed on Saturdays." And on Highway 11 in Ontario, "You are now halfway to the North Pole." That reminds me of the famous two-liner:

"Do you know the way to Town X?"

"Yes, but you can't get there from here."

Today's deal was played in a Canadian event, and South showed that he could circumnavigate the apparently unavoidable diamond finesse.

After a takeout double of a pre-emptive opening bid, the advancer — as the doubler's partner is called — is assumed to hold six points. He makes a simple response unless holding noticeably more than this. However, after North cue-bid to show a very strong hand with spade support, South was happy to cue-bid his top heart card. North needed no more encouragement.

Maybe West should have led a diamond, which kills the contract. But he led his singleton, optimistically hoping his partner had the heart ace.

After East allowed dummy's 10 to win the first trick, declarer cashed dummy's spade king (hoping West had a singleton honor) and followed with a trump to his ace, getting the bad news.

South continued with a heart to dummy's ace, ran the heart jack and played a heart to his king. He cashed dummy's top clubs, eliminating the rounded suits, as hearts and clubs are known.

With his preparations complete, declarer cast adrift with a trump. East won with the queen and had to lead a diamond away from his king into dummy's A-Q tenace.

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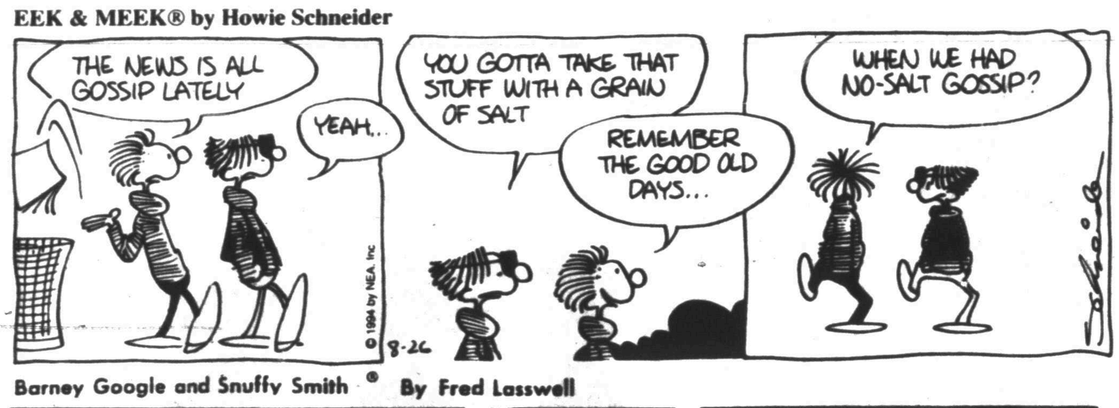

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1 Belonging to the guy
4 Formerly Persia
8 — La Douce
12 JFK listing
13 Italian money
14 Debt letters
15 Orgy behavior
17 Leave — — Beaver
18 Gravel ridges
19 As far — — know
21 — Lingus (airline)
22 — -daisy
25 Noun suffix
27 Casual top
30 Picks up the tab
33 Wide shoe size
34 Every
36 Spanish river
37 Muslim prayer leader
39 — in the USA
41 Astronaut's ferry
42 Tiers
44 Decadent
46 Two peas — — pod
47 Brazilian soccer star
48 German "one"
50 Roman 12
52 Nobleman
56 Angers
58 Sharpnesses
61 Ascend
62 Precious metal
63 Actress Farrow
64 Actual being
65 Director Preminger
66 Swift aircraft (abbr.)

DOWN

1 Type of sandwich
2 How sweet — —!
3 W. Indies island
4 Indisposed
5 Disencumber
6 Elegant attire
7 Negative votes
8 Roman 3
9 Revolvable
10 Speechless
11 Hebrew lyre
16 Wild sheep
20 Comparative ending
23 Before (pref.)
24 Pierces
26 Society-page word
27 Lime tree
28 Ornamental pattern
29 Massiveness
30 The — R's
31 Allowance for waste
32 Indefinite amount
35 With (pref.)
38 Males
40 Cowboys' org.
43 Careless
45 Yard parts
47 Decorative loop
48 Ireland
49 Flower
51 Character in Othello
53 Goals
54 Old Portuguese money
55 Future attys.' exam
57 Observe
59 Maximum (abbr.)
60 Wedding vow

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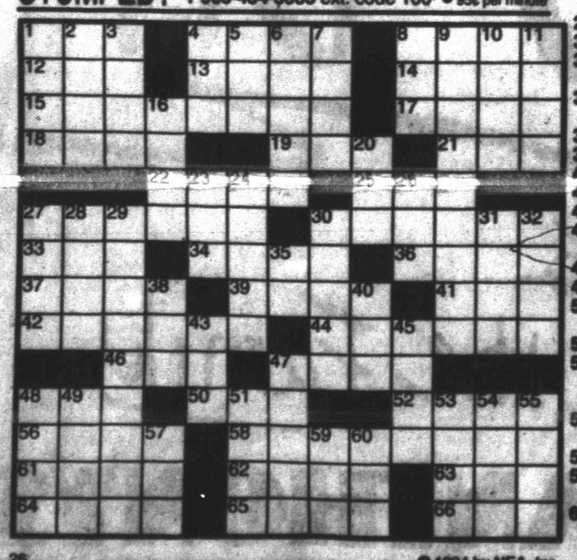

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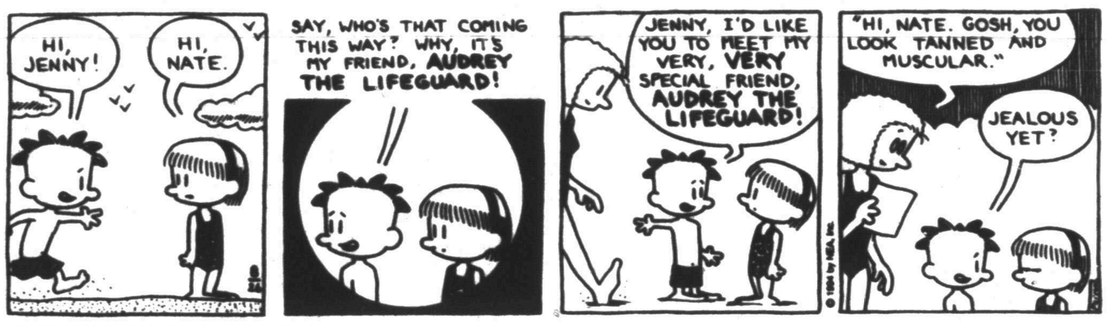

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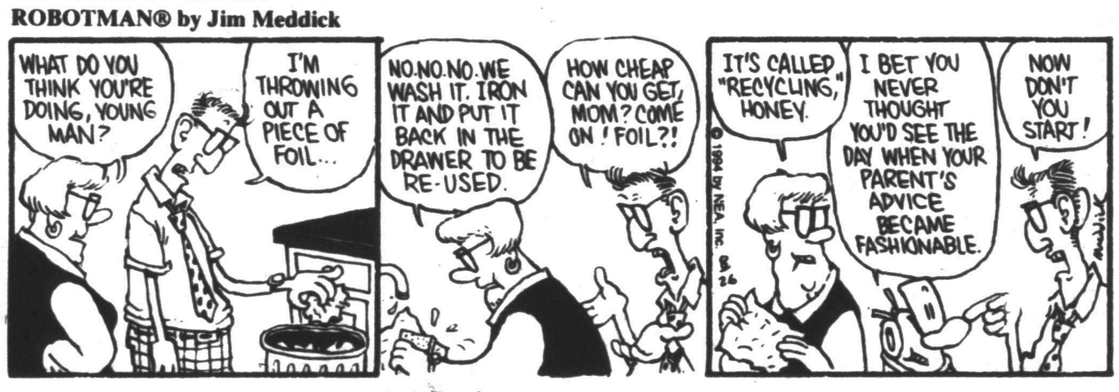

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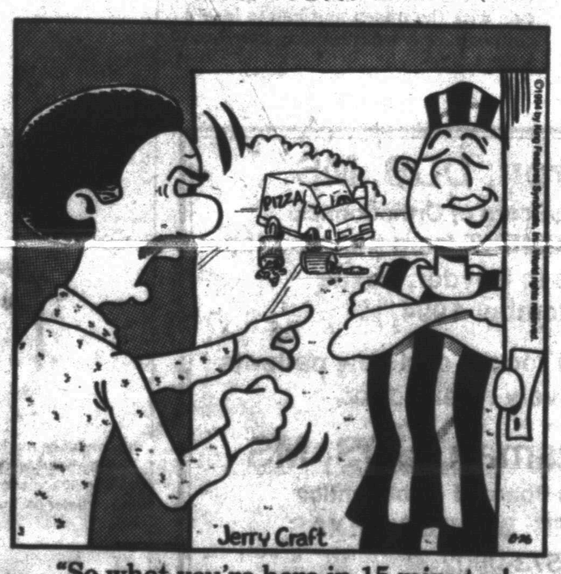

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Sports

New Orleans marches by Dallas 28-10

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The man who signs the Dallas Cowboys' paychecks wasn't ready to pack it in.

Owner Jerry Jones was as ebullient as ever after his two-time defending Super Bowl champion Cowboys lost 28-10 to New Orleans, finishing the preseason at an anemic 2-3.

"We won two of five in 1992 and one of five in 1993," Jones pointed out after Thursday night's game.

"We've played 50 games in the past two years, counting the preseason, and we've lost just one starter (to injury). I'm pleased with our continuity. I'm also very pleased with how the leadership has helped (first-year coach) Barry Switzer with this football team."

The Saints (1-3) were pleased, too. The victory averted just the second winless preseason in the team's history.

It was won in the trenches. Two fumbles and an interception produced the Saints' first three touchdowns, and New Orleans' running game won kudos from Dallas' defenders.

Rookie Mario Bates ran for one of the Saints' touchdowns and second-year back Derek Brown ran for another. New Orleans' other two touchdowns came on a 49-yard pass from Jim Everett to Torrance Small in the Saints' 14-point second period and on a 51-yard bomb from Wade Wilson to rookie Steve Rhem.

Dallas seized an early 3-0 lead on a 26-yard field goal by Louisiana Tech rookie Chris Boniol and on guard Ron Stone's fumble recovery in the end zone with the Saints leading 28-3 with 11:13 left in the game.

New Orleans safety Sean Lumpkin forced the fumbles that helped New Orleans to a 14-3 halftime lead. He said the defense was hyped.

"This was a little special just because they're the defending world champions. We hadn't won a preseason game yet, so we really wanted to win this one," Lumpkin said, adding, "I think you saw a little bit of what our defense is going to be out there."

The offense was pumped, too, gaining 212 yards passing en route to 333 net total yards. Starter Jim Everett completed 10 of 14 passes for 150 yards and had one intercepted; Wade Wilson went 4-for-4 for 71 yards in the second half.

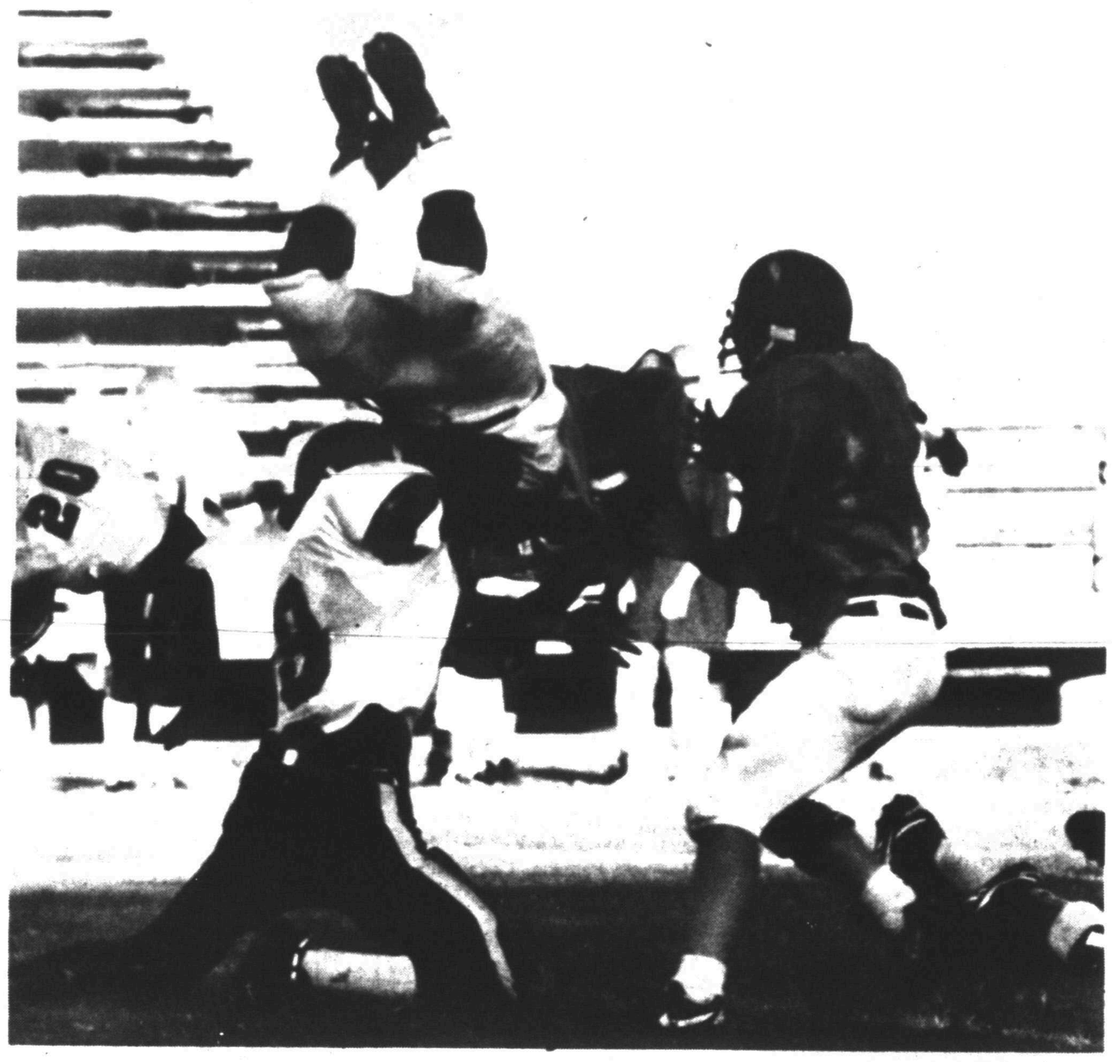
"A lot of things went right for us tonight," Everett said. "We could tell we've improved. It's a good way to go into the season."

Troy Aikman and Emmitt Smith had lackluster performances, but each only played the first period. Aikman finished with four completions in six attempts for 29 yards; Smith carried five times for 10 yards.

"I'm disappointed. I'm embarrassed. I think we should have played better with the opportunities we had when I was in there," Aikman said.

Switzer agreed.

"The disappointing thing about this game was that our first unit, when it had its opportunities in the first quarter, didn't take advantage of them," he said.



FLYING TIGER—Snyder running back L.S. McClain goes head over heels after a hit incurred in Thursday night's 13-6 scrimmage win over Slaton at Tiger Stadium. (Photo by Paul Gilbert)

Tigers escape Slaton 13-6

Late interception return by Clinkinbeard keys win

By Todd Stanley
SDN Sports Editor

A slow start by both teams transformed into a barn-burning finish as Snyder scorched Slaton 13-6 in the season's final scrimmage.

In a game marred by penalties, turnovers and sloppy play, the last two series of the game turned out to be the most important.

With the ball on the Snyder 30, the game tied at six and only 1:35 remaining on the scoreboard, Peppers crouched under center, surveyed the Slaton defense and took the snap. He dropped back, quickly made his defensive reads and threw the ball.

His defensive read was wrong.

Peppers' pass hit a Slaton defender right between the numbers. The defender promptly pulled the ball in and returned it 12 yards down to the Snyder 18-yard line.

What happened next could have only been dreamed up at Disneyland.

After an unsuccessful first attempt at the end-zone, Slaton elected to throw the ball to the strong side flat on second down.

Big mistake, considering the fact that there is an all-district cornerback in John Clinkinbeard perched and waiting for a wayward pass.

Clinkinbeard stepped in front of the receiver and proceeded to race 93 yards down the sidelines for the go-ahead touchdown.

Snyder coach David Baugh felt that the win was important for his players as they look ahead to their first game versus Andrews on Sept. 2.

"I think that had Slaton pulled off the win, our guys would have hung their heads a little," he said. "As it turned out, they can feel better about themselves."

Albeit, Slaton is one of the top 3A schools in the state and they looked strong, but Snyder will have to play better next week in order to challenge Andrews.

Baugh says the key to next week will be keeping Andrews' offense off the field.

"They run the wishbone offense and that means they can burn up a lot of clock," Baugh said. "They are also capable of the big play."

Baugh also added that next week is when the games really count.

"Up until now, everything has been fun and games," he said. "Not anymore."

Defending champs receive kind draw at U.S. Open

Sampras, Graf open as top seeds

NEW YORK (AP) — The ailing defending champions of the U.S. Open, Pete Sampras and Steffi Graf, could rest easier on their training tables after the draw Thursday.

Though they would each rather be playing to get in shape for the year's final Grand Slam event next week, they could take solace in the kindness of a draw that pitted Sampras against a qualifier and Graf against a novice in the first round.

Sampras, winner of the Australian Open and Wimbledon, hasn't played a match in more than a month but he probably could walk his way through his first few matches. If his inflamed ankle joint doesn't worsen, he'll be favored to go on to his third U.S. Open title.

Graf could do the same, despite back spasms that are one more in a series of nagging injuries. She starts against Anne Mall of La Mesa, Calif., in the first round, but could face a tough opponent in Zina Garrison Jackson in the third round.

One of the casualties of the absence of Martina Navratilova, along with Monica Seles and Jennifer Capriati, who have been out since last year, is that there are no glamorous early matches among the women. There may be upsets, but nothing that stands out as particularly exciting.

No. 2 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario opens against Linda Ferrando, and No. 3 Conchita Martinez, the Wimbledon champion, plays Veronika Martinek.

Former men's champion Mats Wilander, who got a wild-card entry, meets another unseeded but dangerous floater in Guy Forget in what could be the best first-round matchup.

The winner of that might meet Andre Agassi, also unseeded, in the second round. Agassi opens against a qualifier.

Jim Courier, who wasn't sure he wanted to play the Open after losing recently, decided to stay in. He drew Aaron Krickstein in the first round and could meet Stefan Edberg in the fourth round.

Cedric Pioline, a surprise finalist last year, has a tough opening match against No. 16 Petr Korda. Whoever wins that could wind up facing Sampras in the fourth round.

Michael Chang, No. 6, has a difficult draw, facing Andrei Cherkasov in the first round and, perhaps, MaliVai Washington in the second round. That's the same quarter of the draw with Agassi, No. 12 Wayne Ferreira, Jared Palmer, Forget and Wilander.

Boris Becker, who has been impressive lately and is a serious threat to win, opens against Richey Reneberg. Becker could face unseeded David Wheaton in the third round.

No. 2 Goran Ivanisevic, recovering from a hip injury, opens against Markus Zoecke.

Nebraska, W. Virginia set to battle in opener

By The Associated Press

This year's college football opener almost was last year's closer.

Nebraska and West Virginia, the only major teams that didn't lose a regular-season game in 1993, play Sunday afternoon in the Kickoff Classic at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J.

Some people thought the Cornhuskers and Mountaineers should have met for the national championship last New Year's night in the Orange Bowl. But once-beaten Florida State was invited to play the Cornhuskers, and the Seminoles won the national title with an 18-16 victory.

West Virginia settled for a Sugar Bowl showdown against Florida, which routed the Mountaineers 41-7.

Now, instead of playing for the national championship, the No. 4 Cornhuskers and No. 24 Mountaineers will play the first game of college football's 125th season.

Both teams have key players returning, but Nebraska has more of them.

Thirteen Cornhusker starters are back, including option QB wiz Tommie Frazier, four offensive linemen, leading receiver Abdul Muhammad, All-Big Eight defensive tackle Terry Connealy and standout linebacker Ed Stewart.

Frazier, a junior who has started 19 straight games, is an elusive runner who has worked hard to improve his passing.

"He's a great player," said West Virginia coach Don Nehlen. "He could easily be the Heisman Trophy winner."

Quarterback is a question mark for Nehlen, who must replace 1993 starter Jake Kelchner and backup Darren Studstill. Sophomore Chad Johnston, who threw only 15 passes last season, will make his first college start against Nebraska.

"He'll have to grow up quick," Nehlen said.

Much of the offensive burden will fall on junior tailback Robert Walker, who rushed for a school-record 1,250 yards last season. However, the Mountaineers may not have to score too many points if their veteran defense lives up to expectations.

"They've got a lot of size and strength," said Nebraska offensive tackle Rob Zatechka. "They look a lot like us."

Not quite. Had they played last year, it probably would have been a close game. But this year Nebraska has a big edge, especially at quarterback.

The second game of the season takes place Monday night, when No. 20 Ohio State plays Fresno State in the Pigskin Classic at Anaheim, Calif.

Ohio State lost All-American defensive tackle Dan Wilkinson and leading rusher Raymont Harris from last year's 10-1-1 team that tied for the Big Ten title. But the Buckeyes still have a lot of talent, including all-league selections Joey Galloway (receiver), Korey Stringer (offensive tackle) and Lorenzo Styles (linebacker).

Fresno State has a huge gap to fill at quarterback, where record-setting passer Trent Dilfer left for the NFL after his junior year. Sophomore Adrian Claiborne is slated to start against 13-point favorite Ohio State.

"It seems like they're going to put pressure on me whether I want it or not," Claiborne said.

The Bulldogs, who went 8-4 last season and shared the Western Athletic Conference title, upset Southern Cal 24-7 in the 1992 Freedom Bowl at Anaheim Stadium. Their next trip to the stadium won't be so successful.

NFL Preseason

By The Associated Press

One thing the Denver Broncos won't have to worry about this season is whether they've found a capable backup to John Elway.

It was a question that was open to debate when Denver decided to part company with Tommy Maddox, but Hugh Millen appeared to answer it Thursday night.

Millen completed 22 of 32 passes for 290 yards, including two touchdowns 29 seconds apart late in the first half, leading Denver over the Arizona Cardinals 30-21 Thursday night in the preseason finale for both teams.

"Hugh Millen is a guy we can win with if the situation arises," Denver coach Wade Phillips said. "We answered some questions there tonight. What I liked was seeing him bounce back from that early interception.

"He took some hits and made a lot of big plays for us. In light of recent events, I was hoping he would. You can see he is a tough quarterback."

Colts 24, Browns 7

At Indianapolis, the biggest play of Marshall Faulk's young NFL career came on a 72-yard pass to start the Colts (4-0) on the way to their first unbeaten preseason since 1989.

Faulk, who rushed for only 26 yards on nine carries, caught a second-quarter pass from Jim Harbaugh and outraced linebacker Pepper Johnson, tying it 7-7.

Chargers 24, Rams 6

At San Diego, the Chargers (1-4) avoided their first winless exhibition season while the Rams (0-4) lost their ninth straight preseason game dating to 1992. The Rams scored only three touchdowns in four exhibition games.

Stan Humphries threw touchdown passes to wide receivers Mark Seay and Shawn Jefferson, and San Diego's defense provided two turnovers.

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Local Events

Soccer tryouts

Soccer tryouts for boys and girls ages eight and under and ten and under will be held Saturday, at 9 a.m. at the soccer fields. Late registrations will also be accepted at this time.

WTC boosters meet Monday

WTC booster club will meet at noon Monday, at the Golden Corral. Everyone interested in WTC athletics is welcome to attend. For more information contact Milton Ham at 573-8511.

Meet the Tigers Monday night

Snyder High School's All-Sports booster club presents "Meet the Tigers" Monday, at 7 p.m. at Tiger stadium.

Traditionally, parents are asked to bring covered dishes for everyone. This year, parents and boosters are asked to bring a dozen prepared hotdogs with condiments. Drinks and potato chips will be provided. Raffle tickets are currently being sold by the booster club for a 1994 Chevrolet S-10 pickup truck. The truck will be raffled at the end of the night.

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010 LEGAL NOTICES

BID NOTICE

For Sale a Branick Model #HD/BTC-G tire spliter with a trailer. Bids are to be sent to: City of Snyder, Solid Waste Department, P.O. Drawer 1341, Snyder, Tx. 79550.

BID NOTICE

The City of Snyder is accepting bids for the remodeling of the Fire Station. Plans will be picked up at the City Hall in the office of the Purchasing Agent. The opening will be on Friday, September2, 1994 at 11:00 a.m. The City of Snyder reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Patricia Warren
Purchasing Agent

BID NOTICE

The City of Snyder is accepting bids for Fuel System Modifications. The specifications may be picked up at the City Hall in the office of the Purchasing Agent. These will be available August 26, 1994. The opening will be on Friday, September 2, 1994 at 11:00 a.m. The City of Snyder reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Patricia Warren
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BID NOTICE

The Hermleigh I.S.D. is accepting bids on the following items for the current school year. Cafeteria supplies and food, school supplies, cleaning supplies and fuel. Interested persons should contact: Supt. of Schools, Jerry Church, Hermleigh I.S.D., P.O. Box 195, Hermleigh, Texas 79526, 915-863-2772.

070 LOST & FOUND

FOUND house key on key ring, 3400 block of 44th Street. Call and describe. 573-2516.

080 PERSONAL

LOVING California Couple seeks to adopt bi-racial infant. Please call anytime 1-800-901-2367. Ask for Sharon.

Classified — The link between buyer and seller

090 VEHICLES

91 Baretta, excellent condition, auto, a/c, powerlocks, $200 equity and take up payments. 573-1562.

1989 Chevrolet Beretta, excellent condition with Alpine am/fm/CD sound system. Can be seen at Davenports Auto Clinic, 405 26th St., 573-0495.

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FOR SALE: 1984 Dodge Daytona, fuel injection, turbo-z, 5 spd., Would make good school car, $1,200. 573-2254.

FOR SALE: 1959 6 cyl. Ford pickup, 1991 Suzuki RM 80 dirt bike, like new. 573-0842.

GOOD USED Cars. We do our own financing. Peiper Auto, 4738 N. Hwy. 208, Colorado City, TX 79512. 915-728-3502.

'76 Olds, runs good, 69,000 miles, $1,000 OBO. 573-6130.

PLAY IT SMART... GET INTO THE CLASSIFIEDS 573-5486

110 MOTORCYCLES

FOR SALE! 1990 Suzuki RM125, great condition. Best offer, 573-0621 after 4 p.m.

140 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

EASY WORK! EXCELLENT PAY! Assemble Products at home. Call Toll Free! 1-800-467-5566 ext. 7063.

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150 BUSINESS SERVICES

NEW HOME Sewing Machines. Quality Service All Machines. Stevens, 1101 James, Sweetwater, Tx. 1-235-2889.

160 EMPLOYMENT

AVON wants individuals interested in earning $8-$14/hr. No Door to Door. 1-800-827-4640.

EXPERIENCED maid needed. Apply in person at Great Western Motel.

INTERIM HEALTH CARE is now recruiting RN's, Physical Therapist, Speech Therapist, Occupational Therapist for PRN status. Excellent pay plus mileage. Come join our growing team today. 4608 College Ave. 573-9646.

NEW HERBAL ENERGIZER: Increases energy! Controls appetite! Lose weight! Feel Great! Contains mineral. Velda 573-2755.

PART TIME SECRETARY 7:30-1:30, 5 days. Must be mature 28 or older. Excellent typist, sharp math minded, self starter. Fun job for right outgoing gal. Send short, hand written resume to: Part Time, P.O. Box 949M, Snyder, Tx. 79550.

POSTAL JOBS start $11.41/hr. + benefits. For application and info, call 1-216-324-2102, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. 7 days.

PART TIME Dept. Store Merchandisers needed. Must live within 15 miles of Snyder. Work your own daytime hours, no weekends. Car needed. No experience necessary. Call Dept. 891-4, 24 hrs. a day, 1-800-444-1870.

SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD: Hours 7:30-8:30 a.m. and 2:30-4:00 p.m. during the school year. $4.25 per hour. Apply in person at TEC, 1902 37th Street, EOE Employer paid ad.

SNYDER (pop 12,700) is seeking an Engineer for the administration and direction of Engineering, Water Production, Water Distribution, Sewer Line Maintenance, Wastewater Treatment, Traffic and Street Maintenance, Sanitation Collection and Landfill, with 31 employees. Must have BSCE, Texas P.E. registration. Prefer three year's supervisory and engineering experience in municipal public works. Minimum of Tx Class "C" certificate in water and wastewater. Excellent fringe benefits. Send resumes, references etc. to: City of Snyder, Personnel, Box 1341, Snyder, Tx. 79550.

THE CLASSIFIEDS 573-5486

The Scurry County ASCS Office will be accepting applications for temporary employment. On call tour of duty. Very limited work hours per week. Extensive field work. Knowledge of aerial photography, farming practices, and measurement techniques, very little office. Must furnish own vehicle. Apply 8/25/94-8/31/94 at ASCS, 5309 Big Spring Hwy. EEO Employer.

190 FINANCIAL

NOW MAKING VACATION LOANS. Loans up to $400. Phone applications welcome. Credit starter loans available. Fast, friendly service. Call 573-1761 or come by 2604 Ave. R, Snyder, TX, 79549 at Security Finance we like to say yes.

210 WOMAN'S COLUMN

PROFESSIONAL ALTERATIONS and sewing for Men and Women. Bernina Sewing Center. 2503 College, 573-0303.

SCHOOL STARTING! Christian woman would like to clean your house, apartment or business. 573-8682 after 4 p.m.

DAYCARE in my home. 2 openings, ages 2-3 years. Monday-Friday. References. 573-7253, 2400 42nd St.

220 FARMER'S COLUMN

Charolais & Limousin cross bull for sale. Call Buck Logan 573-5189.

FOR SALE: 2 horse gooseneck trailer with large dressing/tack room. Call 573-1679 after 5:30 p.m.

FOR SALE: Registered Limousins breeding age bulls, cow-calf pairs. Kenneth Wilson, 573-5868.

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270 FARM EQUIPMENT

BRUTON Trailer - gooseneck, 6'x16,' full nose, hard top, horse sides, rubber floor mats, 1 year old floor. Good condition! $3,500. 573-5254 after 6 p.m.

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251 BOATS

15' Fiberglass boat w/ 75 hp Evinrude. Needs work. Boat motor & trailer go, $500. Call 573-9961 after 5 p.m.

1994 XP Sea Doo $5,800; 1994 Kawasaki X2 $4,750; 1994 dual trailer $750. Call 573-9001.

260 MERCHANDISE

$1.00-A-Day Melts the Fat Away New, all natural dietary supplement lets you lose weight without diet or exercise. Satisfaction 100% guaranteed. The Herbal Energizer Available at Snyder Drug, 573-9333.

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Whirlpool Dryer	$100
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Whirlpool Stack W/D	$300
Gas Range	$150
Side By Side Refrig.	$250
Eureka Vacuum Cleaner	$45

USED FURNITURE

LR Chair	$15
Recliner	$30
Sofa	$30
Game Table	$50
5 pc. Dinette	$175

REPO MDSE

4 pc. BR Suit HD-BD Dresser, Mirror, Chest	$285
Queen Size Mattress & Foundation	$175
Sofa-Love	$299
19" RCA TV	$95
Ent. Ctr. (TV-Stereo)	$175
2500 CFM Air Cond.	$150

Lowrance Western Auto
2510 Ave R. Snyder, TX 573-4911

General Electric washing machine, 2 speed, $125. Call 573-7629 after 5 p.m.

PAIN DOCTOR: Fast pain relief cream. Pharmacist discovers amazing new breakthrough for arthritis, backache, neck, shoulder, knee pain, sore muscles. 100% satisfaction Guaranteed! Available at Snyder Drug, 573-9333.

RETA'S CAKE SHOP AND TEXAS BAR-B-Q open Tuesday-Saturday nightly until 9:00 p.m. Check out our new menu!

Refrigerator/freezer side by side, good condition, walnut, priced right. Charles & Margie Anderson 2903 32nd St. 573-9406.

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ALL BREEDS GROOMING. Boarding, Collars, Leashes, Harnesses. Hill's Science Diet Dog Food. Scurry County Vet Clinic. 573-1717.

FREE 1-7 month old full blood male Border Collie. 573-5604.

310 GARAGE SALES

BACKYARD SALE
3304 Ave. A
Saturday 8-5
Rocker recliner, ratan love seat, fishing equipment, exercise equipment, and lots more.

BACKYARD SALE
2704 35th St.
Saturday 8-12
Antique table, crochet items, music box and more.

BIG BACKYARD SALE
4508 Fredonia
Sat. & Sun. 8-6
NO EARLY SALES
Tons of nice clothes (infant girls to ladies), toys, nicknacks and misc.

5 FAMILY GARAGE SALE
903 14th St.
Saturday 8-?
Tools, clothes, toys, TV, VCR, pictures, household & kitchen items, lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE
1907 18th St.
Saturday 8:30-?
Clothes, luggage, TV, stereo, tupperware, whatnots, bedding, baby items, exercise bike, CB radios.

GARAGE SALE
4700 Ave. R
(behind Whataburger)
Saturday 8-5
Lots of clothes (men's, women's, boys & girls), lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE
2904 Ave. M
Friday evening
Saturday morning

GARAGE SALE
23rd & Ave. L
Saturday 9-12
Rocky Mountain jeans, boots, shoes, coats, men's suits, household items, bedspreads, exercise bike, stair stepper, pet carrier, 35mm camera, and lots more.

GARAGE SALE
2906 Ave. Y
Saturday 9-1
Dining room table and 5 chairs, sandwich maker, twin size comforters, lg. men's clothes, lg. women's clothes, kids clothes, girls bike, toys, stuffed animals, dishes, odds and ends.

GARAGE SALE
3206 Irving Ave.
Saturday 8-?
2 queen size waterbeds, ladies golf clubs, maternity clothes, lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE
3725 Ave. V
Saturday 8-?
NO EARLY SALES!
Brass bed frame, clothes (men-women), lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE
1002 31st St.
Sat. & Sun. 8:30-?
Little bit of Everything!

GARAGE SALE
1806 22nd St.
(next to Spanish Inn)
Saturday 8-5 Only
TV, Grandma's old glassware & furniture, clothing (of all types), odds & ends, Video tapes (movies), lots of mics.

GARAGE SALE
2700 35th St.
Friday 6 p.m.-?
NO EARLIER!
Ladies designer dresses, clothes, little girls clothes, household items, wood swing set, king size mattress set.

GARAGE SALE
4103 Midland Ave.
Saturday 7:30-12
Girls clothes & misc.

GARAGE SALE
309 N. Ave. Y
(old Lubbock Hwy., turn right on Peyton)
Saturday 8:30-2
Auto parts, household items, lots of misc.

GARAGE SALE
3605 Hill Ave.
Saturday 8-2
Bedspreads, curtains, dishes, nicknacks, sheets, silverware, jewelry, mower.

GARAGE SALE
311 31st St.
Saturday 8-?
Clothes (men's, women's, Jr. sizes), craft items, tupperware, time card clock, misc.

GIANT GARAGE SALE
3401 Kerrville
Saturday 8-?
Books, good clothes, linens, picture, etc.

GARAGE SALE
SATURDAY ONLY!
308 20th Street
quilts, old dishes, lots of good furniture, antique furniture, tools, phones, typewriters, speakers, VCR, saws, & lots, lots more.
NO EARLY BIRDS!

GARAGE SALE
Saturday 8-2
Go on Lamesa Hwy. turn right on 1611, go to 264, 1st trailer on left. Furniture, tools, clothes, and misc.

INSIDE SALE
2506 Ave. F
Sunday 12-4
Everything must go!
Jeans all sizes $1, shirts & sweaters .25, nice dresses $2, formals $5, 2 hide-a-beds, baby clothes, boys & girls (0-5) .25 to $3.

WESTRIDGE 2 FAMILY GARAGE SALE
2704 28th St.
Saturday 8-4
Guns, camper shell, tool boxes, headache rack, trailer, desks, adult & childrens clothes and treasures galore!

BACKYARD SALE
3002 39th St.
Saturday 8-?
Children's clothes, furniture misc.

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320 RENT OR LEASE

KEY MOBILE HOME PARK on West 37th St. Large Lots. Now Locally Owned. 573-2149.

Two Commercial Buildings. One very large shop/office/yard. One shop/office. 573-1956, 573-2442, 573-5627.

325 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

FOR RENT: 1 bedroom furnished apartment. Damage deposit required. No utilities paid, no children, no pets. 573-9047 or 573-1101.

Windridge Village Apts.
*Large 1 & 2 Bedroom
*G.E. Appliances
*Frost-free Refrigerator
*Swimming Pool
*Laundry Facilities
573-0879 5400 College Ave.

I'LL MOVE IN WITH YOU. Do you rent or own a multi-bedroom apartment or home and want a non-smoking, non-drinking, responsible, cheerful, youthful, friendly, professionally-employed gentleman roommate? Please send your name and telephone number to John McMillan, P.O. Box 1392, Snyder, Tx. 79550.

PONDEROSA MOTEL. Quiet, clean, co-ed rooms, daily, weekly, HBO, ice. Lamesa Hwy. 573-4373.

RESPONSIBLE, cheerful, non-smoker sought, College student acceptable, for my modern CH/A, furnished, 2 bd. apartment in Field Crest Apartments. $175 month, $50 deposit, all bills paid. Please send name & phone number to John McMillan at P.O. Box 1392, Snyder, Tx. 79550.

330 HOUSES FOR RENT

FOR RENT: 3 bd., 1 bth., 300 20th, $295/mo., $150 dep. 573-2219 or 573-5331 after 6 p.m.

FOR RENT: 4103 Avondale, 3 bd., 2 bth., fenced yard, $400 month. Call 573-7222 after 5 p.m. for appointment.

FOR RENT: 2 bd., 1½ bth., appliances, fenced yard. $300 month plus deposit. 573-5542 after 5 p.m.

FOR RENT: 3 bedroom, 2 bath, brick, double carport, ¾ acres, fruit, pecan trees, CH/A, across from airport, appliances, water softoner, 2 storage buildings. 573-9702.

3 bedroom, 1½ bath, RA, fenced yard, 1806 39th St. 573-9702.

Small 2 bd., 1 bth., no pets, $200 month, $100 deposit, 416 31st St. 573-8015 after 5 p.m.

SMALL 1 bdrm., furnished house for rent. $125/mo., $100 deposit. You pay utilities. 2704 Ave. J. Call 573-5117 daytime or 573-4728 nights and weekends.

DIAL IT TO THE CLASSIFIEDS 573-5486 THEY'RE BUZZIN' WITH ACTION

340 MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE

AUGUST SALE! Mobile Home Doors, Windows, Tubs, Floor vents, Faucets. All on SALE! Abilene Mobile Homes. 915-672-1961.

BUYING OR SELLING used mobile homes. We offer financing. Refinancing available. Green Tree, 1-800-292-7413.

$1,250 Down & $240.09 per month on 95 Model 16X80, 3 bd., 2bth Clayton. FREE Delivery & Setup. Free Skirting with Home Purchased this month. Bell Mobile Homes, 806-894-7212. 5% DN*11.5 APR*240 Months.

DOUBLE WIDES, 95 models, 3bd., 2 bth. Only 264.05 per month. FREE Delivery & Setup, FREE Skirting with Home purchased this month. Bell Mobile Homes, 806-894-7212. 10% DN*10.75 APR*240 month.

$165.89 MONTHLY. 1986 Palm Harbor S/W, 16x60, 3 bedroom/2 bath mobile home, 10% down, 10.75 APR, 180 mo. Free delivery and set to your location. Call 915-520-5850 or 1-800-456-8944.

REPO 1990 Oak Creek D/W, 28x60, 3 bedroom/2 bath, new carpet, new appliances, this home will not last long. Call 915-520-5850 or 1-800-456-8944.

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360 REAL ESTATE

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FOR SALE: 3 bd., 1 bth., large rooms, older house, work shop. 573-4414 after 6 p.m.

FOR SALE: 4 pieces of land. 2 lots 150x150; 1 lot 125x150; 1 lot 50x150 in the Grayum & Nelson Addition. Call 573-6166 for more information.

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4 choice lots in the "Garden of Christus" Hillside Memorial Gardens. Call Greg Graves for information, 573-5251.

2 Lots For Sale: 2101 Gilmore, all utilities for two mobile homes, $7,000. 817-447-3602 for details.

4 bedroom, 2 bath, triple garage, 3,000 sq. ft. chain fence, well, trees, 4 acres, metal barn, new roof, 19 miles from prison. 1-915-776-2322 (Roby).

STEVENSON REAL ESTATE
4102 College
WEEKDAYS
573-5612 or 573-1755

2201 43rd, 3-1, ch/a. 45T
202 Birch, lg. 4b, own fin.
313 33rd, owner finance.
212 36th Pl, 3bd., den. 19.9T
4116 Eastridge, 3-2-2. 40T
2807 Ave. U, 2-1, O.F. 27.5T
2313 42nd, 3-1, 2 liv. 29.9T
3-2-2, Ira. 75T
2207 43rd, 3-1. 46.5T
3728 Austin, 3-2-1. 40T
3200 Ave. H, lg. 3-1. 30T
Own. Fin., 3bd., 3011 39th. 25T
304 20th, 3-1. 9.9T
40th Pl., 3-2, ws, lg. m/b. 57.5T
2201 43rd, 3-1, CH/A. 45T
2018 37th, 2 stry, 3-3-2, sep. apt.
2225 Sunset, lg. 2b., ch/a, 2 liv. areas, sunrm. Red. to sell.
Lg. Country Home, 5 ac. 110T
114 Peach, 3-1. 40T
Claudia Sanchez 573-9615
Bill Dryden 573-9739
Frances Stevenson 573-2528

JACK & JACK Realtors
611 Coliseum Dr.
573-8571 573-3452

New Listing, Bassridge 3-2-2, formal living & dining, oversized rooms, $90's.
2302 Sunset, 4-2-2, $45T.
102 Elm, c/h, r/a, 2-1-2cp, $25T.
Beautiful country home, with small acreage, lovely yard, many extras!
Room Galore! 3-2, living, den, basement, office or 4th bedroom, also 30'x40' shop, plus 16 acres. Very close in.
Investment Property priced to sell! 3-1, *just painted*, 26,500.
Mitchell County, 80 acre Farm with large custom home.
Dunn Area, 2-1-1cp w/9 acres, assummable loan.
Highland Park, 3-2-2cp, landscaped, fireplace, neat and clean.
Ave. U, 3-2-2, large dining, sunken den w/ fireplace, open and bright.
Park Place, 3-2-2, shop, $60's.
115 Acres, lovely 4-3-2cp, SE.
3305 40th Pl, 3-2-cp, shop, $50's.
We have several more commercial bldgs. at reduced prices.
Wenona Evans 573-8165
Doris Beard 573-8480
Faye Blackledge 573-1223
Dolores Jones 573-3452

Elizabeth Potts Realtors
573-8505
1707 30th Street

4507 Garwood, 3-2½-2, $97.5.
4008 Irving, 3-2-2, $45T.
3110 Crockett, 3-2-2, $61T.
2705 48th, 3-2-2, pool, $95T.
Townhouse, 2-2-2, $85T.
2808 47th, 3-2-2, $64T.
2715 48th, 3-2-2, $98.9.
3001 Crockett, 4-2½-2cp.
3113 Ave. T, 3-2-2, $39.5.
3908 Eastridge, 3-1-2, $35T.
By Prison, 2-1-2, $32,500.
Ira, 3-2-2, 1A, $59.5.
3732 Austin, 3-2, $38.5.
3406 44th, 3-1, $32T.
3401 Irving, 3-2, Apt., $50T.
123 Peach, 3-1, $27T.
Beauty Shop for sale.
2200 21st, 2-1-1, $30T.
3901 Muriel, 3-2-cp, $30T.
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3-2-2cp, Country, 1A. in $90's.
3718 Highland, 3-1, good condition.
3-2-2cp 102 Elm & 2-1-1cp, 3009 Ave. T.
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In weight control...

Prevention works better than cure

TORONTO (AP) — An ounce of prevention IS worth more than a pound of cure: People who avoid gaining weight as they approach middle age dramatically lower their heart disease risk and may entirely prevent diabetes, researchers said Thursday.

Young adults who are not overweight and who keep their weight constant — simply by not overeating — can avoid these curses of age, said Barbara Hansen, a physiologist at the University of Maryland.

The findings, which Hansen reported at the Seventh International Congress on Obesity, were the product of a 10-year, $1 million government-funded study of rhesus monkeys.

Monkeys were used for two reasons, she said. One is that they get heavier during middle age in precisely the same way humans do. The second is that because of their shorter life spans, a 10-year study in monkeys is equivalent to a 30-year study in people.

Many studies have shown the value of losing weight, but this is one of the first to conclusively demonstrate the value of preventing weight gain, she said.

"People are not paying attention to their weight until they get to a point where they feel uncomfortable, unattractive or they've had a heart attack," Hansen said. The time to take action is much earlier, she said.

People typically eat more as they age and begin to gain weight. To keep weight stable, people don't have to diet; they merely have to avoid overeating. "This is not starvation or restriction," Hansen said.

And exercise, while it has other health benefits, was not a factor in this result; the researchers did not monitor the amount of exercise that the monkeys got during the study.

"The study really is fascinating," said Dr. Richard Atkinson of the University of Wisconsin in Madison. "It's a lot easier to keep weight off than to lose it."

Earlier studies had shown that restricting food intake in rats could increase lifespan, but it wasn't clear whether that would apply to humans, Hansen said.

The elimination of diabetes and the dramatic reduction in heart disease risk may lengthen the lives of the monkeys — and could do the same in humans, Hansen said. "We suspect these monkeys are going to have a long lifespan," she said.

Hansen and Noni Bodkin, also a physiologist at the University of Maryland, studied 27 monkeys whose age of about 10 when the study began made them roughly equivalent to 25-year-old humans.

Eight of the monkeys were given constant diets to keep their weight steady. Nineteen others were allowed to eat whatever they wanted. Like their human counterparts, the monkeys who ate whatever they wanted gradually gained weight during five to nine years of observation.

Of the 19 who gained weight, 4 had developed diabetes and 6 were on the way to developing it by the time they reached an age equivalent to about 50 in humans.

Meanwhile, the monkeys whose weight was kept constant showed no sign of diabetes or of the changes that precede it.

Furthermore, the monkeys whose weight was held steady had lower levels of triglycerides than the other monkeys and higher levels of the so-called good cholesterol, otherwise known as high-density lipoprotein.

That meant tht their risks of hardening of the arteries and heart disease were far lower, Hansen said.

Girlfriend pleads not guilty in perjury, tampering case

LUBBOCK (AP) — Authorities won't say how a radio-controlled boat figures into the investigation of a possible murder.

Leisha Gwen Hamilton pleaded not guilty Thursday to a charge she lied to a grand jury looking into her boyfriend's disappearance. Her alleged perjury involves the boat.

Ms. Hamilton's arraignment, furthermore, was closed to reporters.

"We've got very limited space in the room over there," State District Judge Cecil Puryear said.

Puryear said Ms. Hamilton pleaded not guilty to aggravated perjury and tampering with evidence. She remained in Lubbock County Jail on two bonds of $50,000 each.

Ms. Hamilton, 32, was living with Roger Scott Dunn when he disappeared. Police believe he was murdered — but they haven't found his body.

Dunn, 24, was last seen May 15, 1991, by a friend who drove him home from MGM Electronics. Dunn was sick, leaving his car and tools at work.

Police became involved two weeks later when James Dunn, who lives in Yardley, Pa., reported that his son's friends hadn't seen Scott Dunn lately and were concerned.

Officers found blood in Dunn's apartment. A Dallas psychic and the Vidocq Society, an international group of investigators, joined the search for his body.

"It's been kind of frustrating, but we've just constantly worked on it," police Detective Tal English said Thursday. "We've handled it just like a murder."

Ms. Hamilton was indicted for allegedly lying earlier this month when she told county grand jurors that the radio-controlled boat was in the possession of a friend. The boat was actually in her custody, according to the indictment.

Ms. Hamilton also is accused of trying to conceal the boat from the investigation.

Criminal District Attorney Travis Ware has said the boat is significant, but he won't say why.

Video camera led to Meza's arrest

AUSTIN (AP) — A major factor that led to the arrest of convicted child-killer Raul Meza earlier this week was a convenience store camera, officials say.

It wasn't that Meza was seen doing anything wrong on the videotape; it was that he wasn't seen at all.

Terms of Meza's release from prison required him to be at home by 7 p.m. each day and to stay there until 6 a.m. But Meza was not in his motel room when a parole officer checked up on him at 12:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Early Wednesday, after Meza returned, he claimed he had left his room just to buy a pack of cigarettes at the neighborhood store after having a bad day, said Carl Reynolds, general counsel for the State Board of Criminal Justice. He said he was gone only 15 minutes.

The officer drove to the convenience store to check out Meza's story, Reynolds said.

"The clerk didn't remember anyone fitting Meza's description or a car like his being there," Reynolds said. "The officer then watched the store's video and Meza didn't turn up on the video. So there was no corroboration that he had been there and a warrant for his arrest was issued."

Meza was released from prison last year after serving 11 years for the rape and murder of 8-year-old Kendra Page of Austin. Residents of six different cities forced him out of their towns each time parole officials tried to find a home for him.

He finally wound up back in Austin, his hometown and scene of the crime, where he quietly worked construction and bakery jobs.

Meza, 33, was held Thursday in Travis County Jail without bond pending parole board action.

Peace officers note 3 arrests

Snyder area peace officers made three arrests Thursday and early this morning and investigated a burglary and traffic accidents.

A DPS officer arrested a 27-year-old man on a warrant for Class A theft at 9:17 p.m. Thursday.

At 11:22 p.m., Linda Jarnagin reported the burglary of an apartment at 1912 Coleman #2. Among the items taken were clothing and jewelry.

At 10:54 p.m. Thursday, a sheriff's deputy arrested a 29-year-old man for amendment of probation.

Snyder police arrested a 23-year-old man for driving with a suspended license at 12:02 a.m. today in the 1400 block of 30th Street.

Bertha Deere contacted police at 11:25 a.m. Thursday in reference to someone damaging the tires on a 1992 Chevrolet. A report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

Police worked a hit-and-run at 2:56 p.m. Thursday in the Western Texas College parking lot. A parked 1994 Nissan pickup owned by James Franco of Colorado City was struck by a vehicle which left the scene.

Police investigated an accident at 4:52 p.m. in the 1100 block of Coliseum Drive. Involved were a 1985 Mercury driven by Odie Milton Wall of 5024 Longhorn Lane and a 1990 Chevrolet van driven by Audrey Fern Johnson of 2200 Towle Park Road.

At 5:14 p.m., police investigated an accident in the 3700 block of Houston Avenue. Involved were a 1987 Chevrolet driven by Amber Dawn Duncan of 3407 44th St. and a 1985 Ford pickup driven by David Leroy Green of Rt. 2, Box 320.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	583/8	575/8	58	+5/8
AT&T Corp	545/8	543/8	541/2	+1/8
AirTouch n	273/8	271/8	273/8	+5/8
Albtsn s	281/8	273/4	28	+3/8
Alldsignal s	371/4	367/8	367/8	
Alltel	277/8	273/4	273/4	-1/8
AmStoress	245/8	241/8	241/2	+1/2
Ameritech	413/8	41	411/8	+1/4
Amoco	577/8	571/2	571/2	+1/8
AndarkPtr	46	453/4	453/4	+1/8
ArmcoInc	63/8	61/4	61/4	-1/8
AtlRichfld	1043/8	1037/8	1041/4	+1/2
ATMOS Egy s	17	163/4	167/8	-1/8
Avisli n	11	103/4	103/4	-3/8
BakerHughes	187/8	185/8	183/4	
BancTexas	11/8	1	1	
BellAtl	551/8	543/4	547/8	+3/8
BellSouth	597/8	583/4	59	-5/8
BethSteel	213/4	211/2	211/2	
Borden	12	113/4	117/8	+1/8
BritPet	763/4	763/8	763/8	-1/8
Caterplr	1135/8	113	1133/8	+13/8
CenSoWst	221/4	217/8	217/8	
Chevron s	427/8	421/2	425/8	
Chrysler	487/8	421/4	481/2	+1/2
Coastal	311/8	307/8	31	
CocaCola	463/4	463/8	461/2	+1/4
ColgatePalm	573/8	571/8	573/8	+1/4
ComMetl s	261/4	261/8	261/4	+1/8
Cooperin	383/4	381/2	383/4	+1/4
CyprusAmax	293/8	29	291/4	+3/8
DallSemicn	161/8	153/4	157/8	-3/8
DeltaAirl	493/4	491/4	493/8	+1/4
DigitalEq	247/8	241/4	243/4	+1/2
Dillard	281/8	277/8	277/8	
DowChem	711/2	705/8	71	-1/8
DresserInd	193/4	193/8	193/4	+3/8
DuPont	593/8	59	593/8	+1/4
EastmnCh n	521/8	52	521/8	
EstKodak	491/2	49	491/8	+1/4
EljerInd	73/8	73/8	73/8	
Enserch	155/8	153/8	153/8	-1/4
Entergy	25	243/4	247/8	+1/8
Exxon	591/2	59	591/8	
FlowerInd	173/8	171/8	171/4	+1/8
FordMotor s	305/8	301/4	301/2	+5/8
GTE Cp	323/8	317/8	317/8	+1/8
GenDynam s	441/8	437/8	44	+1/4
GenElec s	501/4	497/8	501/4	+5/8
GenMills	551/8	547/8	547/8	
GenMotors	513/4	511/4	513/8	+1
GenMotcrs B	37	363/4	367/8	+1/4
GaPacif	711/4	705/8	71	+5/8
GlobalMar	4	37/8	4	+1/8
Goodrich	465/8	461/4	465/8	+5/8
Goodyear s	35	341/4	341/4	-1/4
GtAtlPac	221/8	215/8	221/8	+3/4
Haliburtn	297/8	291/2	295/8	+3/8
Hanson ADS	201/8	197/8	20	
HoustInd	343/8	34	341/8	+3/8
IBM	693/4	691/8	691/4	-1/8
IntlPaper	741/2	733/4	741/8	+3/4
JohnsnJns	491/8	481/2	485/8	-3/8
K mart	175/8	171/4	171/2	+1/4
Kroger	251/8	25	25	
Litton	371/2	371/8	371/2	+1/4
Lowes s	357/8	351/2	357/8	+3/8
Lubys	235/8	235/8	235/8	+1/8
Maxus	5	47/8	47/8	-1/8
MayDeptStrs	411/8	403/4	407/8	+3/8
Medtronic	971/2	961/2	973/8	+11/8
Mobil	831/8	823/4	83	+1/4
Monsanto	837/8	83	833/4	+1/2
Motorola s	543/4	543/8	545/8	+1/2
Nationsbk	55	543/4	55	+3/8
Navistar	161/8	157/8	157/8	
NoramEngy	61/8	6	6	
Nynex	381/8	375/8	381/8	+3/4
OryxEngy	145/8	143/8	145/8	+1/4
PacTelesis	321/8	317/8	32	+1/8
PanhECp	22	213/4	217/8	
Penney JC	515/8	51	511/2	+13/4
Pennzoil	51	505/8	505/8	-3/8
PepBoys	351/2	343/4	351/4	+3/4
PepsiCo	341/4	337/8	341/8	+1/4
PhelpDodge	611/8	603/4	611/8	+5/8
PhilipPet	327/8	321/2	323/4	+1/2
PilgrmPrd	91/4	9	9	
Polaroid	341/4	337/8	341/4	+5/8
Praxair	225/8	221/4	221/2	+1/4
ProctGamble	591/8	587/8	59	+11/8
PubSNwMx	123/8	123/8	123/8	
RoyalDutch	1115/8	1111/4	1111/4	+1/2
SFePacCp	193/4	191/2	195/8	
SaraLee	227/8	223/8	223/8	-1/8
SearsRoeb	47	463/4	47	+1/4
SherwinW	323/4	321/2	321/2	-1/4
SmthBchADS	355/8	351/2	351/2	+1/8
SmthBc eqt	313/4	315/8	315/8	+1/4
SouthCo s	187/8	185/8	187/8	+1/4
SwstAirlines	261/2	261/8	261/4	+1/8
SwBell	417/8	413/4	413/4	+1/4
Sprint	387/8	385/8	383/4	+1/4
SterlingChm	111/8	11	11	+1/8
SunCo	273/4	273/8	271/2	
TNP Ent	141/2	143/8	143/8	-1/8
Tandy	401/8	397/8	40	+1/8
TempleInl	511/2	513/8	513/8	+1/8
Tenneco	475/8	471/4	473/8	+3/8
Texaco	613/8	611/8	613/8	+1/8
TexasInd	34	337/8	[illegible]	[illegible]
TexasInst	813/4	81	81	-5/8
TexUtil	331/4	327/8	331/8	+3/8
Textron	547/8	545/8	545/8	+1/8
Travelers s	365/8	361/8	361/8	
TrinityInds	331/2	325/8	33	-1/2
TritonEngy	301/8	30	301/8	-3/8
Tyler	47/8	47/8	47/8	-1/8
US West	401/8	393/4	393/4	+1/8
USX Delhi	145/8	143/8	145/8	
USX-Marathn	175/8	173/8	171/2	+1/8
USX-USS	401/8	393/4	397/8	+1/4
UnCarbde	325/8	323/8	321/2	+3/8
UnPac	571/8	563/4	571/8	+1/4
UnitedTech	623/4	623/8	621/2	+1/4
Unocal	273/4	275/8	275/8	
WalMart s	243/4	243/8	243/8	+1/4
WstnGasRs	213/8	211/4	213/8	+1/8
WestghEl	131/4	13	131/4	+1/4
WinnDixie	517/8	515/8	515/8	+1/8
Woolworth	153/4	151/2	153/4	
XeroxCp	1065/8	1061/4	1063/8	+3/8
ZenithE	97/8	95/8	93/4	+1/8

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Glenn Foster, Hermleigh; Eva Mills, 2401 41st; Patty Lester, 109 E. 35th; Penni Mayes, P.O. Box 545.

DISMISSALS: Clifton Griffin, Pete Jalomos, Edward Presley.

Census: 37 (Med.-5, Long-Term Care-30, CCU-1, OB-1).

Fat dogs

A comparison of hot dogs that derive 80 percent or more of their calories from fat

Brand	Calories per ounce	% calories from fat
Hebrew International Quarter Pound Dinner Frank	87.5	87
Oscar Mayer Cheese Hot Dog	93.7	84
Nathan's Famous Beef Frank	80.0	84
Kahn's Beef Frank	93.7	84
Wampler Longacre Chicken Frank	60.0	83
Boar's Head Beef Frankfurter	75.0	83
Oscar Mayer Big & Juicy Quarter Pound Beef Dog	87.5	82
Ball Park Beef Frank	90.0	80

Source: Environmental Nutrition NEA Graphic

According to figures published by Environmental Nutrition, on average each American eats 60 hot dogs per year. Unfortunately, most of the franks we consume are heavily laden with fat. The USDA recommends that a healthful diet should derive no more than 30 percent of its calories from fat.

Japanese leader wrapping up first ever Hanoi visit

HANOI, Vietnam (AP) — Japanese Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama wrapped up his groundbreaking visit to Vietnam today after hearing more pleas from Hanoi leaders for Japanese aid.

Murayama paid respects this morning at the Soviet-style mausoleum of Vietnamese revolutionary leader Ho Chi Minh, then met President Le Duc Anh and Communist Party Secretary General Do Muoi.

"We are working hard to build the country that Ho Chi Minh wanted: an affluent nation, an affluent people," Anh told Murayama, according to Japanese officials who attended the meeting.

Muoi asked Murayama whether he thought generous Japanese aid was responsible for economic booms in Southeast Asian nations such as Thailand and Malaysia.

Murayama did not answer directly, but Muoi drove the point home, saying Japan should increase its $600 million in annual aid if it wants to see a prosperous Vietnam. Japan is already Vietnam's largest aid donor.

Murayama is only the second Japanese leader to visit Vietnam and the first since the end of the Vietnam War in 1975. Prime Minister Eisaku Sato stopped briefly in South Vietnam in 1967.

Murayama next heads for Malaysia and Singapore, the final two stops on his four-nation tour of Southeast Asia. In the Philippines, he also heard pleas for more business investment.

As a member of the Soviet bloc, communist Vietnam stood against U.S.-allied Japan in the Cold War.

Denver may go to jail

ASPEN, Colo. (AP) — The bad news: John Denver faces up to a year in prison if convicted of his second drunken driving offense in the past year.

The good news: It's a heck of a nice prison.

Famous former inmates give a five-star rating to the Pitkin County Jail, which boasts million-dollar views of Red Mountain, site of some of Aspen's most fashionable homes.

"We'll give him the Dewi Sukarno suite," said jailer Billy Tomb.

Sukarno, the widow of the former Indonesia dictator, spent 24 days in the jail for slashing the face of a rival jet-setter with a wine goblet at a soiree.

Upon her release, she said, "I will treasure it the rest of my life. I liked it immediately from the first day."

Other famous inmates have included Claudine Longet, who shot to death her lover, Spider Sabich. Serial killer Ted Bundy was held briefly there.

Denver, known for his hit "Rocky Mountain High," crashed his 1963 yellow Porsche into a tree near his home Sunday, police said. He suffered minor injuries.

Robbery-slaying suspect received early parole

DALLAS (AP) — One of the men arrested this week in connection with a bank robbery and murder was released from prison last year after serving just eight months of a seven-year drug sentence, a television station reports.

WFAA-TV of Dallas reported Thursday that Anthony Coleman was sentenced to prison in mid-1992 on cocaine charges. He was released just six weeks after his arrival in prison, the station reported.

FBI agents said they put on a "full-court press" Thursday to find more Houston gang members believed to be involved in the crimes.

Nine suspects have been arrested in connection with Tuesday's robbery of the Normangee State Bank and the slaying of an elderly woman at a rural cemetery during their flight.

Another suspect, accompanied by his attorney, surrendered to FBI agents Thursday afternoon, said Jim Conway, the agency's spokesman in Houston.

Conway said the search continued for three others, including two men who are believed to be associated with a Houston street gang known as "VCV." They ranged in age from 18 to 23.

Agents also sought a federal warrant for a juvenile gang member, he said.

Conway said a majority of the 12 suspected bank robbers were associated with the gang and targeted Normangee for the crime rampage because they knew people there. At least two suspects are from the town, which sits on the Leon-Madison county line about 130 miles north of Houston.

The band of robbers held up the bank Tuesday and fled with $170,000. Officials believe they met up at the Hopewell Cemetery outside Normangee, where 82-year-old Ruby Bottoms Parker was visiting the graves of her husband and parents.

Authorities say Mrs. Parker was shot through a window of her car and then was run over as the assailants drove away in her vehicle.

The gang also barrelled through a Department of Public Safety roadblock, shooting a state trooper in the shoulder. The officer has been released from a hospital.

Thursday, Mrs. Parker was buried next to her husband, close to where she was slain.

Honored

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his classroom) whom he believes he's reached," Burk noted.

Bill Moss, principal of Daniel's Windham School, said Burk was selected by his peers for the teaching award "because of his dedication and because of his wanting to see his students make something of their lives and become more productive citizens."

Burk described his attitude toward teaching by saying, "I think it's very important that the teachers remain calm at all times and not get angry."

Burk is currently serving as one of two computer lab managers at the school, having been appointed to that position two months ago. He previously taught high school graduation equivalency-degree preparation courses for about three years, and a pre-release course for a few years that provided job-hunting and other life-skills training to inmates.

Mastery of skills at finding and holding a job are essential for keeping a former inmate out of prison, Burk noted. "If they can't keep a job, they're not going to make it. They're going to go back to prison."

A native of Shreveport, La., Burk received a bachelor's degree in music from Texas Tech University in 1980 and an elementary teaching certificate in 1988 from Angelo State University.

Prior to joining the Windham School at the Daniel unit, Burk taught fourth grade for one year at Big Spring Independent School District.

Burk is married to Darlene Burk and the couple have four children, ages 4 through 12.

Budget

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cents would bring in $3,386,703 in tax dollars. McHaney noted that of those funds, $2,464,758 would go to the county general fund, $477,800 to road and bridge, $395,000 to Cogdell Memorial Hospital, $42,000 to the BCD and $6,645 to the CJC work program.

Commissioners said Thursday that the budget has been "cut and cut again." They noted that compared to the 1994 budget, the general fund is down $30,000, the road and bridge fund down $115,000 and BCD down $6,000 — a total of about $151,000.

"That's despite increases in juvenile probation, utilities and the jail," said Commissioner Jerry Gannaway. "We are really, severely impacted in this budget by crime."

The sheriff's office, jail and juvenile probation department budgets are up almost $70,000 combined over 1994. Those three budgets add up to roughly $870,000, commissioners noted.

Present for Thursday's workshop were commissioners Gannaway, C.D. Gray Jr., Roy Idom and Ralph Trevey, County Judge Bob Doolittle and McHaney.

Dear Abby

Funeral Flowers Cause Grief When It's Thank-You Time

by Abigail Van Buren

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(EDITOR'S NOTE: Dear Abby is on a two-week vacation. Following is a selection of some of her favorite past letters from the early 1970s.)

DEAR ABBY: Will you please do a tremendous service for many, and remind those who send flowers to a funeral to please request that their full names and addresses be written on their cards?

I have spent days trying to find out who some of the folks are who sent flowers to my mother's funeral. (One card said, "My deepest sympathy, Betty." No last name, no city. Just "Betty.")

You would think that when a florist takes an order for flowers, he or she would insist that all cards be signed with full names and addresses, since he is the one the family will pester later when trying to track down the senders to thank them.

STILL HUNTING

DEAR STILL: Not only should flowers for funerals have cards with full names and addresses, but all gifts should have *two* such cards to identify the sender: one on the inside, which invariably gets thrown out with the tissue paper; and one on the outside, which is sure to be illegible due to water damage or rough handling.

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DEAR ABBY: When my girl and I started going together, I asked her to please get her teeth fixed, as she needed it badly. I even offered to pay for it. She agreed to see a dentist, but she never did. I know she hasn't been to a dentist in a good many years.

We are planning to be married in a few months. Last night I reminded her of her promise and told her to start right away so she would look nice for our wedding. She turned very cold on me and said she didn't want to discuss it.

Abby, she's a very pretty girl, but her teeth are ugly. When she smiles, it spoils her looks.

She's a wonderful person in every other way. But her teeth are so bad, I would even postpone our wedding until she gets them fixed. What should I do?

THE GROOM

DEAR GROOM: The only logical reason for your fiancee to duck the dentist is fear. She needs to be assured that dentistry has come a long way since she was a little girl. Offer to go with her and let the dentist examine her mouth and explain exactly what must be done. A neglected mouth is not only unsightly, it's unhealthy. She may be a wonderful girl, but she needs to grow up and face reality. Help her.

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DEAR ABBY: In the summer of 1944, I met and fell in love with a wonderful Marine. I knew he loved me, too, but for reasons I won't go into, we didn't marry then.

I tried hard to forget him, but I guess I never really did. I still have his letters, and when I read them and play all those tunes, "I Walk Alone," "I'll Be Seeing You," "Saturday Night Is the Loneliest Night in the Week," etc. I feel he is near.

I know he is still living in the Northeast and I would love to see him again.

While trying to forget him, I married a guy I'd known all through school, but it lasted only five years. I guess I didn't love him enough.

Abby, I am told I'm too nice-looking to stay alone, but I think I am one of those women who can love only once. I've never met a man who can measure up to my Marine. Any suggestions?

SEMPER FIDELIS

DEAR SEMPER: Quietly investigate and find out if he's married or single. If he's single, maybe you can pick up where you left off. It's worth a try. Good luck.

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Opposition candidate has fraud proof

RIO BRAVO, Mexico (AP) — An opposition candidate says inflated figures for the ruling party tainted the vote-counting in the northeastern state of Tamaulipas.

"It surprises me that President Clinton calls the election in Mexico a clean process with he's not familiar with the process," Juan Antonio Guajardo, a Democratic Revolutionary Party candidate for senator, said Thursday.

He spoke at La Mansion Hotel shortly after a winning candidate from the ruling party held a news conference there.

Only three reporters stuck around to listen to Guajardo accuse the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, known as the PRI, of changing vote tallies in its favor in areas where no election observers were working.

As an example, Guajardo pointed to a polling place in Valle Hermoso that reported 268 votes for the ruling party senatorial candidate but only 235 total votes cast among nine parties.

He also showed copies of tallies from a Rio Bravo polling site that had variances between the number of votes counted at the site and the number entered into the election computer.

"Maybe the magician David Copperfield came into the PRI office and helped them to their work," Guajardo said. "It is surprising what they are capable of in Mexico."

Nearly complete results from Mexico's semi-autonomous Federal Election Institute indicate a resounding victory for PRI candidates in Sunday's presidential and congressional balloting.

Officials from President Carlos Salinas de Gortari on down hailed the election as the most open, competitive and democratic in the ruling party's 65 consecutive years in power.

President Clinton telephoned his congratulations from the White House to the PRI's winning presidential candidate, Ernesto Zedillo.

Mexico's government allowed independent election observers and passed several other unprecedented reforms aimed at fulfilling the buzzword of electoral "transparency."

Many independent observers agreed that it was the cleanest election in Mexican history.

But Guajardo and others from the two main opposition parties claim that fraud occurred in areas where election monitors weren't in place.

"How is it possible that they put down a total of 235 votes and the PRI received 268 votes?" Guajardo asked, pointing to a photocopy of the tally in a Valle Hermoso voting site.

Guajardo presented copies of vote tallies from the polling site in Rio Bravo, showing 135 votes for the PRI senatorial candidate, 50 for the center-right National Action Party, or PAN, and 93 for Guajardo.

But the preliminary results sent to central election computers had it 150 for the PRI, 77 for the PAN and only 54 for Guajardo.

Guajardo, the mayor of Rio Bravo, is still waiting official results due Sunday to learn whether he or the PAN candidate will take Tamaulipas' third senatorial seat. PRI candidates won the first two senate seats, according to unofficial results.

Opposition parties launched other accusations of ballot-stuffing across Tamaulipas.

Authorities question validity of self-help firm's divorces

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — People in seven states who got divorces through the aid of a North Charleston self-help legal firm might still be legally married, officials said after arresting the man who ran the firm.

Gary W. Ridge, 46, of Charleston was charged Wednesday with practicing law without a license. He was being held in Charleston County Jail on $15,000 bail.

He said he helped about 200 people file for bankruptcy and more than 1,000 people obtain divorces in South Carolina, Georgia, North Carolina, Texas, Florida, Virginia and Tennessee.

Ridge, who did business as Pro Se Legal Corporation, was arrested Wednesday after an investigation by the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, the 9th Circuit Solicitor's Office and the Charleston County Sheriff's Office.

Ridge, a former Navy chief petty officer who retired in June, insists his business is legal in South Carolina. "Some of the lawyers are mad at me because I'm taking business away from them," Ridge said.

He sold divorce clients a package that includes a booklet about divorce laws and he types up the paperwork. "They go to the courthouse and file it. They pay me $95 instead of paying a lawyer $1,000," Ridge said.

Joe Masciale, a special agent with the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, said the agency is investigating a number of divorces obtained by Navy personnel through Ridge to determine if they are valid.

Authorities are also questioning hundreds of other cases, including bankruptcies. Solicitor David Schwacke has set up a 24-hour telephone line to handle inquiries from Ridge's present or former customers.

"We have nothing against individuals acting pro se (for themselves) but when they act and rely on information that might be incorrect, there could be long-term problems," Schwake said.

The purpose of a statute banning the practice of law without a license is to protect the public from people who give erroneous legal information and from the bad results that can arise from incorrect application of that information, Schawke said.

Haley will be replaced on ballot

LUFKIN (AP) — A committee will meet Saturday in Lufkin to discuss finding a candidate to replace state Sen. Bill Haley on the November ballot.

Haley, D-Center, is resigning his position representing part of East Texas to become president of the Texas Motor Transportation Association on Monday.

The senator called a press conference Thursday to let his constituents know he has enjoyed serving the 17 counties in his district.

"I've been campaigning in this area for 22 years," he said. "It was finally just exhausting."

Haley said his offices in Lufkin, Center and Austin will remain open to assist the public. He said he will continue to refer his constituents to other legislators for assistance.

Drew Nixon of Conroe is the GOP senatorial candidate.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Saturday, August 27, 1994

Lots of changes are indicated for the year ahead, both in your social life and where your career is concerned. These will be welcomed alterations from which you might derive unique benefits.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You are now in a cycle where you could receive unusual advantages through persons you know socially. Keep trying to add new names to your growing list of friends. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A complicated matter that has caused you concern looks like it is going to be resolved to your satisfaction today through a mysterious chain of circumstances. Keep hoping.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Persons who meet you for the first time will be duly impressed today, especially if they are members of the opposite gender. Your charm and charisma are very strong at this time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Financial conditions continue to trend in your favor. Gains are a possibility through individuals who are closely involved with your work or career.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) In a situation where you have a leading role, someone might attempt to usurp some of your authority today. Fortunately, his/her efforts may be futile.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Two associates might go out of their way to do favors for you today that they wouldn't do for others. The only condition they may request is that their deeds be kept confidential.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If there is someone you met recently to whom you are attracted, don't disguise your feelings. This person has been waiting for an explicit signal from you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Probabilities for success look hopeful in an area where you're motivated to look out for others, as well as yourself. Luck is enhanced where unity is stressed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Try to exchange ideas today with individuals whose intelligence you respect. Each could contribute to a larger mosaic.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your thoughts and concepts could be rather ingenious today, especially where making money is concerned. Don't be afraid to make small experiments.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Although you might play the lesser role in a partnership arrangement today, you should come out as well as your counterpart in whatever transpires.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your material ambitions have an excellent chance of being fulfilled today, especially two matters which are very closely related. Each will possess a definite distinction, however.

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Legislative leaders OK financing for prisons

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Lottery has made many Texans richer. Now, it may help make them safer.

On Thursday, state legislative leaders took $25.5 million in cost savings from the Texas Lottery Commission and shifted it to pay for an ongoing emergency prison expansion program.

"We made some tough spending cuts to speed up the prison expansion program, and we've sliced some fat in the process," said Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock. "The taxpayers are getting a real bang for their buck."

Before anyone could resurrect the debate about how lottery proceeds are spent, Bullock pointed out that the $25.5 million from the Lottery Commission came from unused money budgeted for administrative services — not proceeds.

After the lottery began in 1992, there was a misconception among some members of the public and some state officials that proceeds generated from the sales of instant-win scratch games and Lotto Texas would go solely to education.

They don't. They go to the state's General Revenue Fund, which pays for numerous state programs including health and human services, education and criminal justice.

"The law that created the lottery provided (money) for administration, but it hasn't cost that much to administer and that money was just sitting there," Bullock said. "What we did was use the money for the ... administration of the prisons."

The state earlier this year embarked on an emergency program to add 15,000 prison beds and build temporary facilities for 7,500 prisoners. The action is aimed at alleviating a backlog of more than 22,000 state prisoners in county jails.

The unanimous vote by the Legislative Budget Board on Thursday was the third time in four months that money from cost-savings in other agencies has been transferred into prison construction.

The board shifted $102.7 million in April and $114.6 million in July. The $25.5 million approved Thursday marks the final payoff for the program at a pricetag of $267.1 million, Bullock said. Other funds came from savings within the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

The board also approved the transfer of $10.6 million of surplus funds in the attorney general's workers' compensation budget to the Juvenile Probation Commission.

Bullock said the money will be used to make room for an additional 1,000 juvenile offenders. The money will pay for community-run correction programs serving 500 juvenile offenders, freeing up space in Texas Youth Commission facilities to incarcerate more violent youths, Bullock said.

None of the money will go toward a state school for juveniles being built by the Youth Commission in a former rice field near Beaumont. The Golden Triangle State School has been rocked by cost overruns.

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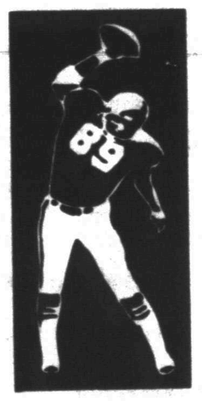

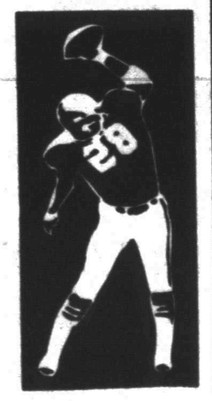

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