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## Ask Us

Q—Is the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) refresher course which begins next Monday for beginners or experienced EMS personnel?

A—While beginners can take the course, it is primarily continuing education for experienced personnel. There is an EMT Basic course, more applicable to beginners, which begins April 26. For more information, contact the Continuing Ed department at Western Texas College, 573-8511, ext. 390.

## Local

## Coronation

Snyder High School coronation ceremonies will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday in Worsham Auditorium.

Coronation rehearsal is set for 4:30-6 this evening in the auditorium.

## Family supper

Snyder Healthcare Center will have a family supper at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Family members are asked to bring chili and crackers or cornbread and stew, salads and desserts. All families are urged to attend.

## No school

Ira ISD students will enjoy a holiday Thursday and Friday.

Hermleigh ISD students will be off Friday for teacher in-service.

Snyder ISD students will have a holiday on Monday, Feb. 21.

## 'Doctor'

"The Good Doctor," a Neil Simon comedy featuring the short stories of Anton Chekov, opens Thursday night at the Western Texas College Fine Arts Theatre.

The comedy runs nightly at 8 o'clock through Saturday. There is also a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee. Tickets are $5 for adults and $3 for students and senior citizens.

## Foster training

Scurry County area adults interested in training to be a foster parent or adopt children are urged to attend an informational meeting Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Texas State Technical College campus in Sweetwater. A second meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 28 at 6 p.m.

For information, contact Stan Trammell at (915) 245-8401 or Katalina Loya at (915) 672-6814.

## Weather

**Snyder Temperatures:** High Tuesday, 63 degrees; low, 31 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 31 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1994 to date, .58 of an inch.

**Snyder Area Forecast:** Tonight, increasing high clouds. Low 35-40. South wind 10-15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy. High in the lower 70s. Southwest wind 15-25 mph and gusty. Caution advised on area lakes.

**Almanac:** Sunset today, 6:32. Sunrise Thursday, 7:23. Of 46 days in 1994, the sun has shone 42 days in Snyder.

# Early voting begins for March primaries

Early voting in the Democratic and Republican Primaries began this morning at the county clerk's office.

Registered voters may cast a ballot anytime between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays through March 4. The clerk's office is located on the third floor of Scurry County Courthouse.

The actual election day is March 8, when polls will be open at various locations in the county from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

There are a number of offices up for election, including governor and state and district representatives and senators.

Locally, the primaries pose several contested races, among them, Republican candidate for county judge, where incumbent Bob Doolittle is being challenged by Ricky Fritz.

Bobby Goodwin, a former county judge seeking to regain the post, is unopposed on the Democratic ticket.

The judge's seat is the only locally contested race in the Republican Primary; however, there are several in the Democratic Primary. They include the Precinct 4 commissioner's race, where incumbent Jerry Gannaway is being challenged by Forrest Wemken. The winner will face Republican candidate Charles Henderson in November.

A similar situation exists in the race for county treasurer, where Republican Janet Merritt awaits the winner of the Democratic Primary race between Beverly Glasscock and incumbent Charlie Bell.

Democrats are the only candidates to seek the position of Precinct 1 justice of the peace. Charlie Reynolds is challenging incumbent Wanda Rushing.

No other local candidates are opposed in the primaries, but some will be in November. Precinct 2 Commissioner Roy Idom will face a challenge from Democrat Wayland Huddleston in the general election, while District Clerk Elois Pruitt, a Democrat, will be challenged by Polly Wadleigh Echols.

Running unopposed in the primary and general election are Frances Billingsley, incumbent for county clerk, and John Williamson, who is seeking to fill the vacated Precinct 2 peace justice's seat. Both are Democrats.

Jim Wilson is running on the Democratic ticket for Precinct 1 constable. He could be opposed in November by Bill Adams, who has announced his intention to run as an independent.

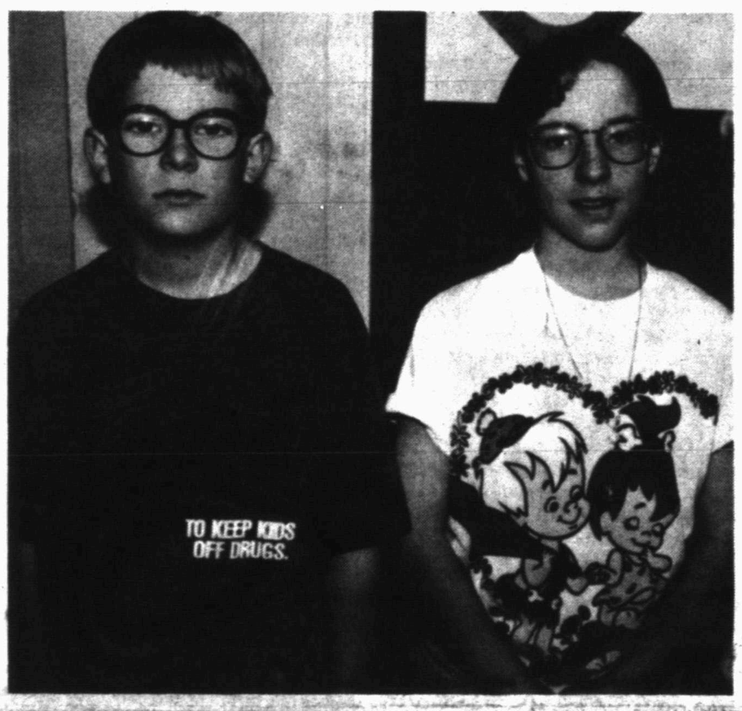
On a statewide level, Ann Richards is seeking a second term as governor. She is challenged in the Democratic Primary by Gary Espinosa. Running in the Republican Primary are George W. Bush, son of the former U.S. President, and Abilenian Ray Hollis.

A race which has generated a lot of interest is the U.S. Senator's post. The current senator, Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison, is being challenged in the primary by Tom Spink, M. Troy Mata, James C. Currey, Ernest J. Schmidt, Roger Henson and Stephen Hopkins. Running in the Democratic Primary are Jim Mattox, Michael A. Andrews, Richard Fisher and Evelyn K. Lantz.

U.S. Rep. Charles W. Stenholm, representing the 17th District, is unopposed in the Democratic Party. He will be opposed in November by either Roy Emerson Falls, Don Schmidt Jr. or Phil Boone, who are all seeking the Republican nomination.

District 30 State Sen. Steven A.

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TOP TWO — Jared Higgins and Randi Herrington emerged as the first and second place winners, respectively, in Hermleigh Elementary School's Spelling Bee Tuesday afternoon. Both are sixth graders. (SDN Staff Photo)

### Elementary spelling bee...

# Higgins, Herrington top two at Hermleigh

Two sixth graders captured the top two spots Tuesday in Hermleigh Elementary School's Spelling Bee.

Jared Higgins, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Higgins, correctly spelled "flatter" and then "formula" to win first place. The alternate is Randi Herrington, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Herrington.

Both will advance to the county bee on March 4.

Hermleigh Junior High's Spelling Bee is slated this afternoon.

Other spelling bees scheduled include:

—Northeast Elementary, 8:30 a.m. Thursday;

—West Elementary, 12:30 p.m. Thursday.

—Snyder Junior High School, 2 p.m. Friday.

Ira School is not participating this year.

The top two spellers at each campus will advance to the county bee on March 4. The spell-off will begin at 9 a.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre on the Western Texas College campus. The winner will advance to the regional bee slated to begin March 26 at 1 p.m. at Cavazos Junior High School auditorium, 210 North University in Lubbock.

# Jones accepts Midland post

Western Texas College women's basketball coach Ron Jones has been named to take over the newly-created women's program at Midland College, were he was once a former student and star athlete.

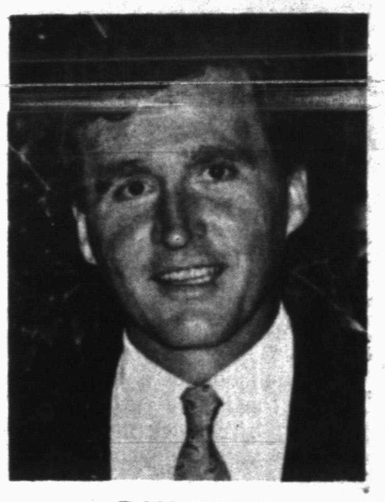
"Ron has come back home," said MC president David Daniel, who made the announcement Tuesday afternoon. "We're hiring one of our own."

Jones attended Midland College from 1976-78 and was a standout on the Chapparals' basketball team, earning all-conference honors in 1977 and a spot on the Region V all-star squad in 1978.

"Obviously, my family and I are very excited," Jones said this morning. "I look forward to the challenge of starting a new program."

Western Texas College board of trustees had attempted to hold onto the well-regarded coach by offering him a $6,000 salary increase, but Jones said there were other considerations.

"More than anything, that (the incentive offer) just confirms that they were happy with what I was doing," Jones said. "One of the big considerations in the decision to take the job at Midland was that UTPB (University of Texas-Permian Basin) is in Odessa, just 20 or so miles away. Melanie and I both want to continue our educations and having the school that close was a major part of us taking the job."



RON JONES

WTC Board President John Gayle said a search committee will begin immediately to seek Jones' replacement. This morning, he named trustees Carl Williams and Jay Kidd to serve on the committee, which will include as yet unnamed representatives of the WTC faculty and

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# Testimony underway in medical supply suit

Control and preservation of some $300,000 in medical supply inventory was focus of a hearing that began in 132nd District Court this morning.

District Judge Gene Dulaney today was hearing testimony related to a unwritten agreement that resulted in the establishment of a packaging and sales organization in Snyder last fall.

General Medical Products, a partnership composed of two Snyder men — Gaylon Boyd and Mike Kerley — have filed suit against MLC Geriatric Health Products, its owner, Ben O. Carroll, and other medical supply firms.

MLC Geriatric is seeking a permanent injunction to preserve the inventory which it claims is at risk of becoming of no value in its present location in Snyder Shopping Center where General Medical operated.

MLC Geriatric is asking the court to return possession of the inventory until the lawsuit is settled. Carroll testified that General Medical had told him it would sell the inventory to pay legal fees and other creditors.

The only testimony, after opening statements, has been by Carroll whose business address is Kissimmee, Fla.

Carroll testified that he stopped making payments to General Medical after repeated attempts to obtain inventory of products shipped to the Snyder firm for packaging and delivery.

Carroll said some 12 payments to General Medical totaling $262,000 were paid prior to his decision to stop payment. He said two of his employees were sent to Snyder in late December in order to obtain a proper inventory.

Carroll also testified that he advanced $70,000 to General Medical, and all but $10,000 had been paid back by deduction from com-

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# Snyder man sentenced to 10-year terms

A 20-year-old Snyder man was sentenced this morning to two 10-year terms in state prison after pleading guilty to two charges of aggravated assault.

Angel Vera Alvarado, of 1917 Coleman Apt. 2, was under indictment by a Scurry County grand jury for the Jan. 25 assault of Lubbock residents Eloy Guajardo and David Rodriguez.

According to police reports, Alvarado and another man, 22-year-old Donald Ray Vera of Sweetwater, allegedly beat the Lubbock men with a baseball bat and kicked them while they were at Alvarado's residence.

Vera has also been indicted on two counts.

132nd District Court Judge Gene Dulaney ordered that Alvarado's two terms be served concurrently.

# Japan shuns trade pressure

TOKYO (AP) — Wary of inflaming tensions, Japan reacted coolly today to U.S. charges that it broke promises to open its cellular phone market — the first volley in what could be a series of punitive actions on trade.

Chief government spokesman Masayoshi Takemura said Tokyo would wait for a U.S. decision on sanctions before responding to the U.S. trade representative's announcement Tuesday that he believed Japan had failed to fulfill a 1989 pact to give Motorola Inc. access to the cellular phone market.

Within 30 days, the United States will publish a list of Japanese products that could be subject to punitive tariffs of up to 100 percent if the dispute isn't resolved.

Takemura said Tokyo believed it had fulfilled its part of the bargain.

"We are concerned about the latest U.S. decision," he told Japanese reporters. "We expect them to act sensibly."

They say Tokyo is studying its options, which so far appear limited to appealing to the world trade body, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Since broader trade talks broke down last week, U.S. officials have turned up the heat on Tokyo, while Japanese officials have sought to cool speculation that the two countries are headed for a full-blown trade war.

The Motorola case was separate from the broader framework talks that collapsed Friday over Japan's refusal to accept a U.S. demand for numerical goals to measure success.

Japan continues to reject that demand. But Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa said today that Japan had the responsibility to take the initiative in trimming its nearly $60 billion trade surplus with the United States. On Tuesday, he asked Cabinet officials to draw up plans to do so.

Hosokawa said Japan would probably respond to any U.S. sanctions through international channels, a reference to the Geneva-based GATT.

Such threats have failed to impress U.S. officials, who say they believe they would prevail, and that they might take their own case against Japan to GATT.

With support for the increasingly tough stance against Tokyo gaining momentum in the U.S. Congress, the cellular phone market is one of many areas of potential conflict.

In Washington, congressional sources said they expected the administration to announce either today or Thursday that it was resurrecting a lapsed U.S. trade law providing for retaliatory tarriffs.

## The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A goal is a dream with a deadline."

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Now that the Snyder High School basketball season is history, the one endured in the high school gym, we hope that the board and administration will reconsider last fall's decision not to use the Scurry County Coliseum.

If we remember correctly, the rationale was to save some $4,500 in annual coliseum rental. We believe savings, if any, was at the expense of fans.

The Scurry County Coliseum simply is too good of a facility to abandon. It's perfect for watching basketball games, and we know of several fans who refused to endure the discomfort of bleacher seats in the high school gym.

But there is a greater issue than fan comfort, and that issue is community pride. Often the only time that outsiders get a look at our community is when they are in town for a sporting event.

The Scurry County Coliseum is one of Snyder's best assets — why not showcase it for visitors?

Again, we hope that the school board and administration will take a fresh look at using the coliseum in the 1994-95 school year.

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Basketball reminds us of the math teacher who was inspired by the game as a way of motivating students to learn fractions.

Fellow teachers wanted to know more about his idea.

He suggested that the solution to kids learning fractions quickly is to change the system of scoring in a basketball game.

For example, a free throw would be worth 11/16 points, a field goal 23/8 points and a three-point shot would net 31/15 points.

# Wound of Afghanistan fresh in Russia

MOSCOW (AP) — Five years after the last Soviet armored personnel carrier rolled across a bridge over the Amu Darya River, Russia still struggles with the physical and emotional fallout from its bitter experiences in Afghanistan.

Movies, books and newspapers are focusing increasingly on Afghanistan's hidden side. The veterans, along with tales of heroism, speak of drugs, torture, rape and killing that became a way of life.

Short stories published last year by Oleg Blotsky, a war veteran turned investigative reporter, depicted senseless violence and army corruption.

Many of the 320,000 veterans find it hard to adjust. The Soviet breakup left no legal base that could secure benefits for the veterans and their families, many of whom now are living in poverty because of the country's economic changes.

"The wound of Afghanistan is still bleeding," Col. Alexander Olyinik, a veteran of the fighting, wrote in the military daily Krasnaya Zvezda on Tuesday, the fifth anniversary of the Soviet withdrawal.

Feb. 15, 1989, was the ugly and humiliating end of a nine-year, 51-day military adventure launched by the Soviet Union under the declared goal of helping a friendly regime.

"It was always clear to me this was a grave political mistake of the leadership for which the soldiers had to pay with their blood and their lives," said former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev, who finally ordered the army to pull out.

More than 1 million Afghans reportedly were killed and about 5 million fled the Soviet occupation. The Soviet Union lost 14,454 soldiers, 13,883 of them on the battlefield.

But the bearded Afghan guerrillas, fierce Muslim fundamentalists backed by the United States in their "holy war," would not surrender.

"There was Vietnam. First a limited contingent, then a 500,000-strong U.S. army that crawled back in humiliation," Gorbachev said at Tuesday's Kremlin ceremony marking the anniversary.

"This was a lesson. But we did not learn it. We repeated exactly the same thing. The lessons must be drawn, however bitter they might be."

Deputy Defense Minister Boris Gromov, who supervised the pullout, argues the Soviets never lost the war. At a veterans' reunion Tuesday, he also said the continuing civil strife made many Afghans dream of a Russian return.

"Nobody ever ordered us to win a war," Gromov said. "Our task was to prevent bloodshed. We could decide the question of winning a war — at the expense of great blood."

But the book Gromov hoped to close as he walked over the Amu Darya bridge — the last soldier to leave Afghan soil — remains open.

Russians are still dying of Afghan bullets, as Russian border guards clash with Muslim guerrillas trying to infiltrate into Tajikistan, a Central Asian country with a pro-Moscow government.

Some, like a bereaved mother who addressed the veterans Tuesday, ask if Afghanistan was not enough.

"Our boys are still spilling their blood in those trouble spots," she said tearfully. "Who needs that?"

# Georgia Republican tours super collider

DALLAS (AP) — House Minority Whip Newt Gingrich says too much money and effort has been invested in the doomed superconducting super collider to let the project go to waste.

"If there are research assets and medical assets that already exist, let's not tear them down and destroy them. Let's find a way to use them in a practical common sense way," Gingrich said Tuesday at a news conference before departing for a tour of the Waxahachie site.

"In a time of tight budgets, I'd like to make sure we use common sense as much as possible," said Gingrich, who has supported the SCC.

Rep. Joe Barton, whose Ennis district encompasses the collider, escorted the Georgia Republican to "show Congressman Gingrich what $2 billion worth of federal and state money has created."

In 1993, Congress approved $640 million for the program's shutdown and the Clinton administration has requested $180 million more for 1995.

Last week, the Energy Department issued the first of its SSC termination reports, estimating the shutdown costs at $695 million.

Gingrich and Barton, also a Republican, said they hope the federal government would reimburse Texas for the $440 million-plus already spent on the giant atom smasher.

The Energy Department last week reaffirmed Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary's commitment to reimburse Texas. Gov. Ann Richards has been pressing the administration for a settlement.

But Republicans said the money's not coming soon enough. Barton says the DOE's statement is just talk.

"So far, the Clinton Administration has not honored its commitment to make that loss good to Governor Richards and the people of Texas," he said.

It's imperative that the administration swiftly decides what to do with the project, Barton says.

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## Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

### Your Birthday

**Thursday, Feb. 17, 1994**

Some influential contacts you've developed over the years might be in a position to help you in the year ahead. Do not dilute their efforts by modifying situations to suit your conceptions.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Just because you know your family will tolerate it, it doesn't give you justification for venting your frustrations on them today. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Today if you're inclined to read more into things people say than what was intended, you might create hard feelings and problems for yourself where none need exist.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** On your own assess the cost in time and money before committing yourself to a group involvement. If the figures are too heady, bow out gracefully.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** If things haven't been going too well for you recently, it could be due to poor timing on your behalf. Before rushing forward, be sure you have all your ducks in a row.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Persons with whom you'll be involved today will reflect your attitude towards them. If you find them likable, they'll respond graciously. If you view them unkindly, expect rejection.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** You'll not go unnoticed today, but just make sure you attract attention for the right reasons. Don't be self-serving or a showoff.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** An agreement you're trying to facilitate can be beneficial and enduring for all concerned if each makes minor concessions. Set the example.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Today you might have to work in close proximity with someone who, like yourself, has his/her own way of doing things. Don't lock horns.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Upon occasion your scales need adjusting to restore proper balance. This might be one of those days where you could come on a bit one-sided with others.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Before becoming overly agitated with your mate today, total up his/her pros and cons and you may discover there is more to praise than to condemn.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Your objectives must be clearly defined today if you hope to be successful. Fuzzy outlines could lead you to unproductive dead ends.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Today if you suddenly decide to take a holiday from your work, it might turn out to be an expensive recess when you miss an opportunity for which you've been waiting.

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## Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren



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# Creating Life and Character Gives Many Parents Joy

DEAR ABBY: I enjoyed your tongue-in-cheek column on "The Childless Couple." The author offered a "cup is half empty" version of parenthood. I respectfully submit a "cup is half full" version.

STEVE PARKER, CHICAGO

**DEAR STEVE: I'm sure many will thank you for your cleverly written rebuttal:**

PARENTS

What a pitiful lot parents are. How any soul can survive the daily monotony of nurturing a child from innocent infancy to flourishing adulthood is beyond me. It's a boring life.

Imagine actually experiencing a child's birth and then having to pretend the animalistic ritual was a breathtaking, unbelievable miracle never to be forgotten. Consider the shallow pride parents feign as junior becomes the spitting image of Dad, acts just like Mom and laughs like Grandpa. Meaningless, egocentric images.

Rather than putting in those extra productive hours at work, parents must spend nights and weekends at home with children. Oh, the burden of teaching them to take their first step, say their first word and throw their first ball. Can't someone throw these parents an 80-hour work-week lifeline?

While carefree adults enjoy fine dining, opera and exotic travel, parents are stuck with reliving their childhood. They tolerate building sandcastles at the beach, endure birthday parties of giggling children where "pin the tail on the donkey" is new and exciting, and survive camping outings that end with marshmallows and "Kumbaya" around the campfire. How juvenile! How childish!

Children tie you down. Rather than do what they want, parents spend most of their time on their children. They deal with their kid's overexcitement at scoring a goal, getting a part in the school play, or earning an "A" on a report card. They put up with the never-ending disappointments kids are bound to have knowing that consolation is only found in the warm arms of parents who love them anyway. Why would you want to weigh yourself down with the joys and emotions of a child when you could spend all your time concerned with yourself?

And the rigor of all the holidays. There is no civilized dinner for two or quiet tender moments by the fire. Where is the fun in a child's dropped jaw that Santa actually came, the Easter Bunny didn't forget, and Fourth of July fireworks really light up the sky? What a drag to be bothered by Halloween costumes, pumpkin carving and bobbing for apples. Better to leave family traditions in the past where they belong.

When the kids finally fly the coop, parents suffer the ultimate indignity. A little wearier. A little grayer. A few more laugh lines to show for the child-rearing years. Parents put on their best poker face and swear up and down that these physical side effects were a small price to pay for giving life, knowledge, character and faith to children who will sacrifice just as much for the next generation.

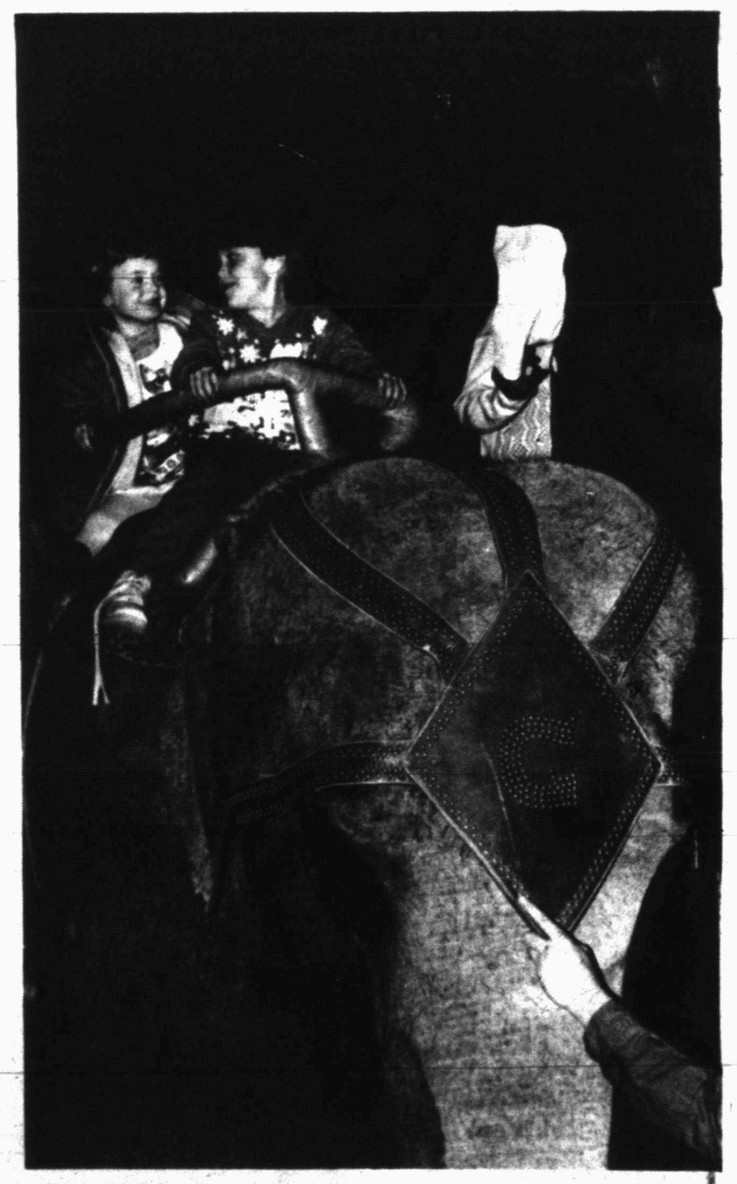
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DEAR ABBY: Just had to let you know "The Childless Couple" was excellent. I never laughed so hard in my life. I would sure like to know where the orthodontist lives who will handle those braces for 500 bucks. My son's were seven times that. Sign me ...

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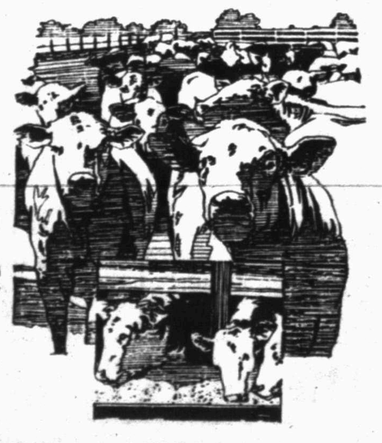
**ELEPHANT RIDES — Two Snyder girls, Carly Garrett, 7, (front) and Vivi Weaver, 4, get ready for a ride on one of the Circus Gatti elephants during the Monday afternoon performance at the coliseum. (SDN Staff Photo)**

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**ROYALTY CELEBRATED — Discovery School classes of Children's Day Out at First United Methodist Church had a Royal Banquet Thursday where Valentine ceremonies were held. In the top photo are queen and king Claire Morris and Kade Kruger, and in the bottom photo are prince and princess Gabriel Aguilar and Kaylee Lacik. (Contributed Photos)**

## Community Calendar

**WEDNESDAY**

Cosmorama Study Club; "We'll Add Jonquils" program, Classic Interiors; hostesses, Mmes. Frank Miller, Renal Rosson and Derwin Thompson; 4:15 p.m.

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

**THURSDAY**

Honey Do's TAFCE; home of Mary Vaughn, sack lunch; 9:30 a.m.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members are urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

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

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

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th St.; 7:30 p.m.

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

**FRIDAY**

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

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

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

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

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

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

# 2 astronauts prepare for year in Russia

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — They're pros at traveling light. But for this trip — a space program first — they want to be prepared.

When astronauts Norman Thagard and Bonnie Dunbar leave next week for a year of cosmonaut training in Russia, they'll be taking along some of the comforts of home.

For Thagard, 50, a physician who designs amplifiers in his spare time, that means a stereo, TV and VCR.

For Dunbar, 44, a biomedical engineer, that means a tool kit, batteries, film, and — oh yes — instant oatmeal.

"There are no 7-Eleven stores over there," Dunbar explained Tuesday.

Thagard and Dunbar are the first Americans assigned to Russia's cosmonaut training program. It's part of the same agreement that had Russian cosmonaut Sergei Krikalev flying last week on space shuttle Discovery.

Under the astronaut-cosmonaut exchange program, Thagard will be rocketed into orbit aboard a Russian Soyuz in March 1995 and will spend three months on Russia's space station Mir, conducting mostly medical experiments. Dunbar is his backup.

Neither volunteered to go. NASA asked them, and they happily obliged.

"Being the first American to fly in the Russian program offsets any disadvantages," Thagard said Tuesday.

"Since I'll have my family there, the thing I would miss most won't be missing," he added.

Only about a dozen or so of the 100 astronauts expressed a strong desire to go to Russia; many were reluctant for family reasons. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration announced its final selection on Feb. 3.

The Russian Space Agency is handling all the arrangements, just as NASA did for Krikalev and his backup, Russian cosmonaut Vladimir Titov, when the two arrived at Johnson Space Center in Houston in 1992.

Thagard and Dunbar, who plan to leave Monday, will have their own furnished apartments at the cosmonaut quarters in Star City just outside Moscow. That's quite a change from the early 1970s when the Soviet Union built a high-security hotel in Star City for occasional visits by the three American astronauts assigned to the 1975 Apollo-Soyuz docking mission and their NASA entourage.

Thagard will be joined by his wife, Rex, a teacher, and their youngest son, Daniel, 14, as soon as school is out. Dunbar's husband, astronaut Ronald Sega, who's just back from space, will visit as often as he can; they have no children.

Dunbar anticipates there will be "a lot of rough edges to smooth out just because it's a new program."

# State worker said jailed on prostitution charges

AUSTIN (AP) — A longtime Texas Department of Human Services employee was suspected of running a prostitution service on state time — even using an office computer — for at least two years, police say.

James Bunch was jailed today at Travis County's central booking facility in lieu of bail bond.

Police have records and computer disks that contain lists of escort service employees and customers who used the service, according to a search and arrest warrant affidavit.

Bunch, 45, was fired earlier Tuesday from his job with the state agency, which had furnished authorities with results of its investigation into suspicious telephone calls.

A municipal judge set bond at $5,000 for Bunch on a charge of aggravated promotion of prostitution, said sheriff's officer Susan Bonilla.

Mike Jones, a Department of Human Services spokesman, told the Austin American-Statesman that Bunch is a 23-year DHS employee who had held a $32,000-a-year job as a Medicaid program evaluator.

The DHS two weeks ago gave police a computer printout listing customer information and names of female employees of Aimes Escorts, said Senior Sgt. Jack Kelly of the Austin Police Department's vice detail.

Court documents show that police suspected Bunch of running the escort service at least two years. The state agency began suspecting some of Bunch's telephone calls about two months ago, said Jones.

Kelly said charges could be filed against escort service employees and customers discovered through the investigation. But authorities may ask them to testify against Bunch in exchange for not being charged.

The DHS officials also provided police with correspondence between Bunch and the woman he is believed to have bought the escort service from two years ago, said Kelly.

The correspondence was taken from DHS's mainframe computer, he said.

Two men recounted in a police affidavit how they paid $50 to Aimes Escorts and $120 and $150 to prostitutes for sex arranged through the escort service.

Another man told police he had paid for sex through the escort service between 50 and 100 times.

## Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 2-16-94
♠ 10 3 2
♥ K 6
♦ A 10 7 6 5
♣ A Q 6

WEST
♠ K
♥ A Q 9 5 4 2
♦ 8 4
♣ K 9 4 3

EAST
♠ A Q J 9 6
♥ 10 3
♦ Q J
♣ J 10 8 7

SOUTH
♠ 8 7 5 4
♥ J 8 7
♦ K 9 3 2
♣ 5 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: West

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 ♥ | Dbl. | Redbl. |
| 1 ♠ | Pass | Pass | Dbl. |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |

Opening lead: ♠ K

### Keep them pinned

By Phillip Alder

P.G. Wodehouse was an accomplished amateur pugilist. As he wrote, "In boxing, the right cross-counter is distinctly one of those things it is more blessed to give than to receive." And after you have given the right cross-counter, keep your opponent trapped on the ropes.

It is the same in bridge. When you are heading for a juicy penalty, don't slip up and let declarer escape — as West did on today's deal.

West, with his potentially useless singleton king, might have opened with a weak two-bid.

Whenever your partner makes a penalty double at a low level, lead a trump. East overtook the spade king with his ace and drew three more rounds of spades. West, with three discards to make, played high-low in hearts and then threw a low diamond.

East returned the heart 10, which declarer covered with his jack. How should West have defended?

At the table, he won with the ace and exited with a heart to dummy's king. Declarer, who couldn't misguess diamonds after West's discard, played on that suit. When East ruffed, he had to lead a club into dummy's A-Q ten-ace. Declarer won seven tricks: one heart, four diamonds and two clubs.

This redouble usually shows a misfit with partner's suit. In the hope that East started with a doubleton, West should have played the queen or a low heart at trick five. Then when East ruffs the third round of diamonds, he has a heart to lead to West's three winners. East-West are plus 500 instead of minus 160 (tournament scoring).

Fight to keep communication with your partner.

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# Pick 3

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

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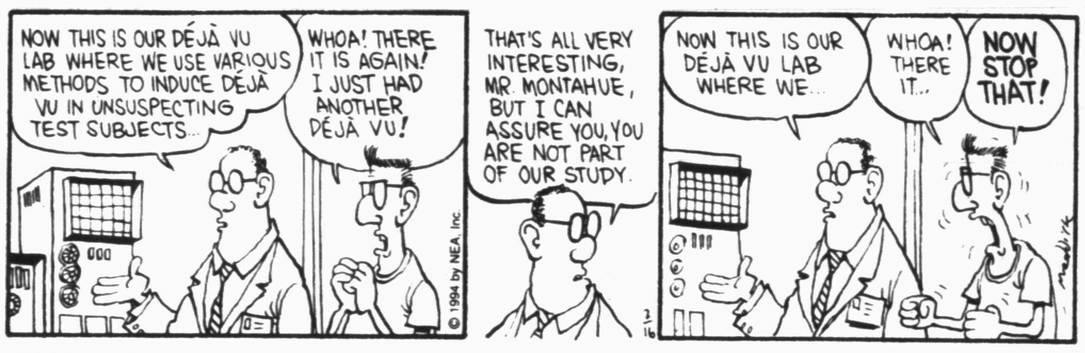

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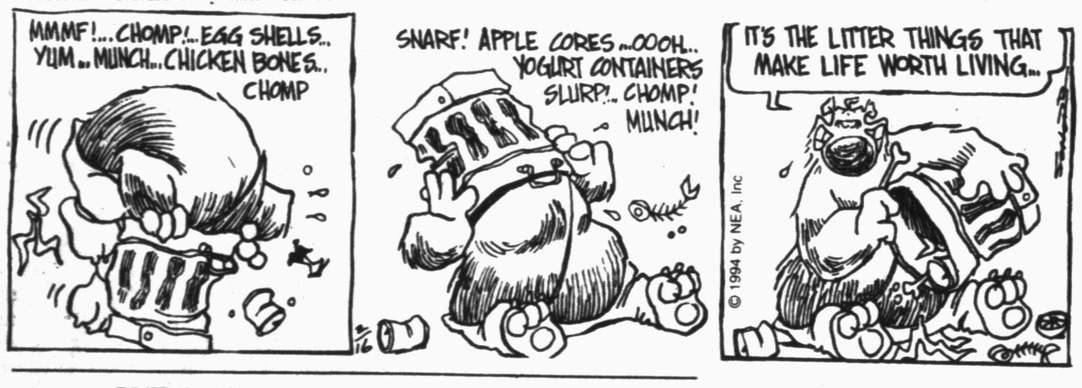
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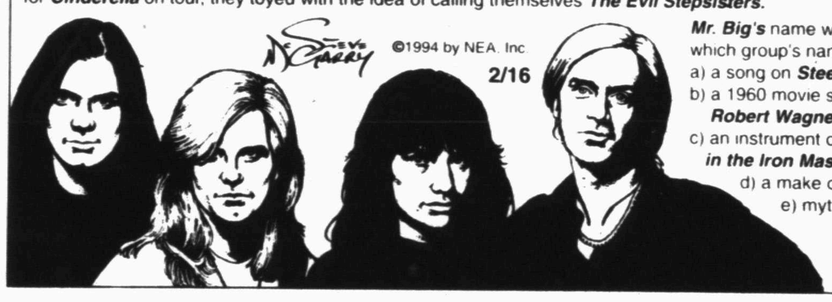

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When newly-formed ***Mr. Big*** signed a record deal, the four members still hadn't decided on a name. As they were going to open for ***Cinderella*** on tour, they toyed with the idea of calling themselves ***The Evil Stepsisters.***




***Mr. Big's*** name was inspired by a ***Free*** song – which group's name was inspired by:
a) a song on ***Steely Dan's "Aja"*** album
b) a 1960 movie starring ***Natalie Wood*** and ***Robert Wagner***
c) an instrument of torture from ***"The Man in the Iron Mask"***
d) a make of antique fire engine
e) mythological river of the dead

**Answers:** a) Deacon Blue b) Fine Young Cannibals c) Iron Maiden d) REO Speedwagon e) Styx

## NEA Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

1 Coffeehouse
5 Conspiracies
10 Lane
12 Carefree
13 Printing mistakes
14 Christian festival
15 Face of clock
16 Sow
18 Crafty
19 Copycat
20 — Picone
24 Western marsh plant
25 Aromatic herb
26 Of the past
29 Banishes
30 Turns inside out
31 Underground workers
32 Abounds
33 — Kong
34 African fox
35 Part of a bird
36 Freshwater fish
39 Not a soul (2 wds.)
41 Make a sweater
42 Cape —, Nova Scotia
45 Spruce up
47 Rectangular
48 Russian wagon
49 Crown
50 Architect — Saarinen

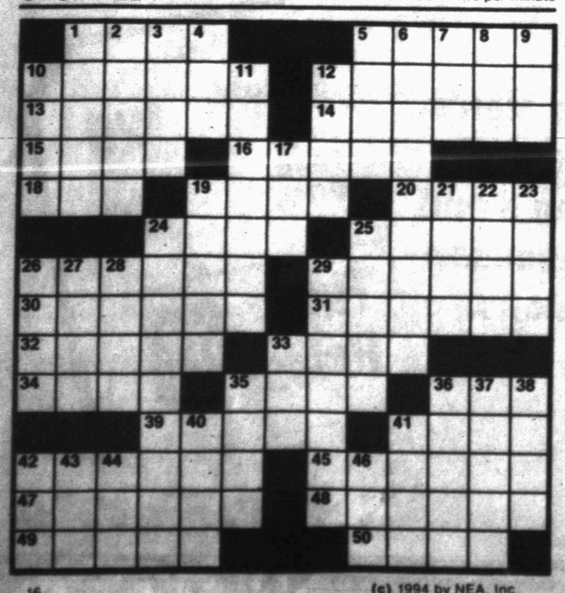
**DOWN**

1 Actor — Ritchard
2 Deck out
3 Young horse
4 Dine
5 Schedule
6 Paying attention
7 Baseball player Mel —
8 Over — hill
9 Indian weight
10 Articles of furniture
11 Animals with spots
12 Polar —
17 General Robert E. —
19 Female relatives
21 Loathsome
22 Jacob's son
23 Loch — monster
24 One who harasses
25 Cutting off
26 Type of videotape
27 Actor — Montand
28 Turns right
29 Famous
33 Relatives
35 The World of Suzie —
36 Bury
37 San —, Calif.
38 A volcano
40 Eugene O'Neill's daughter
41 Type of cabbage
42 Larva
43 Baseball stat.
44 Guido's high note
46 Wide shoe size

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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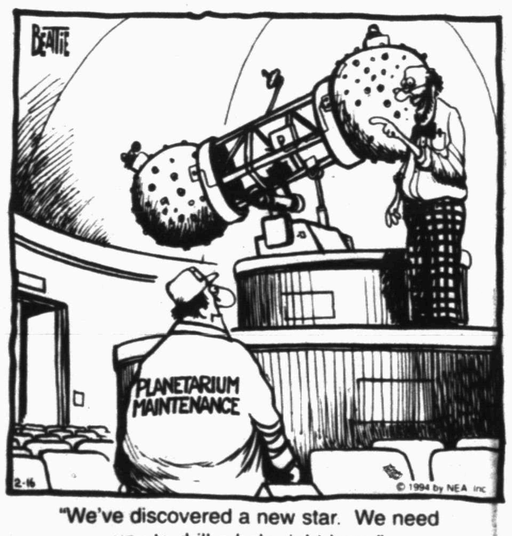



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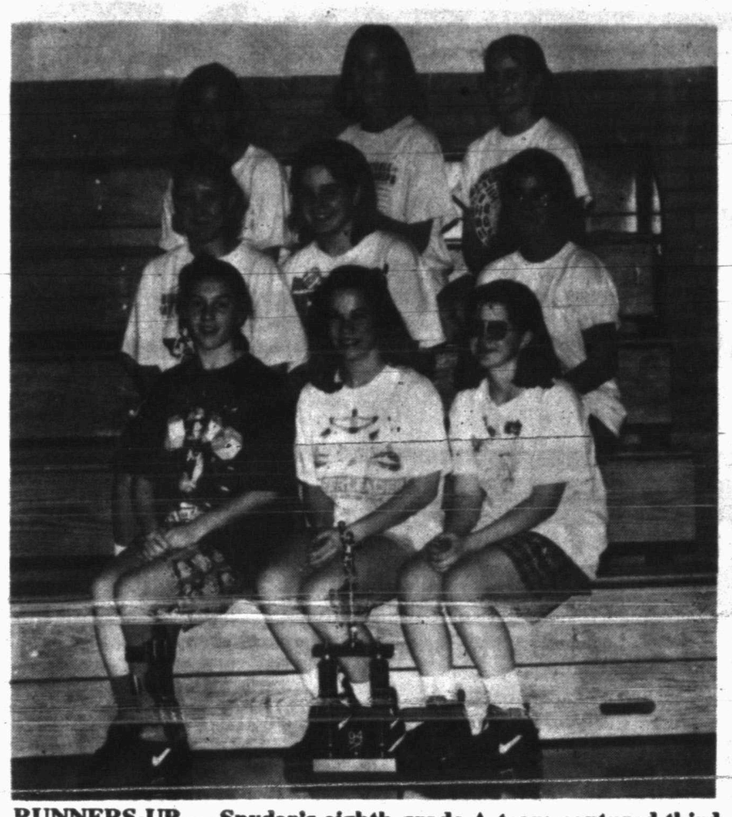



"We've discovered a new star. We need you to drill a hole right here."

**DENNIS THE MENACE**




"IF YOU DON'T LIKE SNOW, MR. WILSON, HOW COME YOU'RE ALWAYS OUT *PLAYING* IN IT?"



RUNNERS-UP — Snyder's eighth grade A team captured third place at the recent Andrews basketball tournament. Showing off the second-place trophy are back row from left Amanda Huff, Melanie Kidd and Traci Eicke. Middle row from left, Jamie Burleson, Halea Huestis and Crystal Lee, Front row from left, Haley Brown, Lila King and Erin Scott. (SDN Staff Photo)



THIRD PLACE — Snyder's eighth grade Lady Tigers finished third at the recent Andrews basketball tournament. Pictured with the third-place trophy are, back row from left, Renee Trevino, Elizabeth Beckham, Alicia Peoples, Leslie Daniell, K.K. McClain and Mandy Hess. Front row from left, Katie Cooper, Morgan Kelley, Keisha Gafford, Amber Rich, Jamie Burrow and coach Mechell Chrane. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Norwegians snag gold medals

LILLEHAMMER, Norway (AP) — Norwegians thrilled wildly cheering home crowds today by capturing gold medals in their premier Olympic sport — men's speedskating — and in one they're new at — women's freestyle moguls.

Johann Olav Koss, star of the Winter Games so far, smashed his second world record in four days and outskated previous record-holder Rintje Ritsma of the rival Dutch team in a frenzied Viking Ship arena. With a few skaters remaining, Ritsma and countryman Falko Zandstra had all but clinched the silver and bronze.

Stine Lise Hattestad won the women's moguls gold, a first for Norway in the relatively new event, ending the Americans' surprising early dominance on the ski slopes.

But Liz McIntyre of Winter Park, Colo., followed Alpine champions Tommy Moe and Diann Roffe-Steinrotter to the medals stand with the silver, picking up the slack from favorite Donna Weinbrecht who was a disappointing seventh.

A Canadian, Jean-Luc Brassard, took the gold in the men's moguls. Defending champion Edgar Grospiron of France was third.

Russia, after extending its reign in figure skating pairs with a sensational 1-2 finish the night before, got two moguls medals today — a silver from Sergei Shouplet-sov and a bronze from Elizaveta Kojevnikova. The Russians lead the medals race with 10.

Meanwhile, in a preview of coming distractions, Tonya Harding arrived in Norway. "I'm very excited to be here," the embattled skater said.

Hattestad pumped her fists and turned slowly in a circle to salute the 12,000 roaring spectators ringing the Kanthaugen moguls course after the final result was announced. She blinked away tears as the crowd celebrated another Norwegian gold medal; the hosts have four golds and seven overall.

The "Star-Spangled Banner" had a chance for its own third airing today. But McIntyre, the leader after Tuesday's qualifying and the final skier down the course today, couldn't match Hattestad's point total.

Weinbrecht, the defending champion from West Milford, N.J., who was coming back from a crippling knee injury, had won six straight World Cup races. But she was more than a second slower than Hattestad, and the final five skiers to run the course eclipsed her on style points in the event scored on speed, style and jumps.

"It's just one of those things, you're off," she said. "But I'm still very happy. I've' been in the lead for the whole year for the (World Cup) title."

## Medals race

By The Associated Press
Through 3 of 4 medals Wednesday, Feb. 16
Through 12 of 13 total medals

| | G | S | B | Tot |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Russia | 3 | 5 | 2 | 10 |
| Norway | 3 | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Italy | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| United States | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| Canada | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Germany | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Austria | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Finland | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| France | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Japan | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Netherlands | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

# Levelland earns playoff spot with 55-47 victory over SHS

LEVELLAND — The Levelland Lobos claimed the District 2-4A runner-up spot in the upcoming boys' basketball playoffs with a 55-47 win over Snyder Tuesday night.

The Lobos finish the regular season with a 26-6 overall record and a 7-3 slate against loop competititon.

Plainview, ranked No. 3 in the state, had already clinched its second district crown.

Snyder held a slim 9-8 advantage after the defense-oriented first period, but a 15-10 second-quarter advantage by the Lobos, followed by an 18-11 run in the third, left the Tigers down 41-30 with eight minutes to play.

Snyder's offensive attack was led by seniors Adrian Sneed and Jon Patrick, each hitting 12 points in their last start for the Tigers.

Levelland was paced by Sedric King, who scored a game-high 19 points in spite of spending part of the fouth quarter on the bench in foul trouble.

Teammate Todd Jones contributed 11 points and Levi Hayes added 10.

In other 2-4A games Tuesday, Frenship downed Lamesa, 61-57, and Plainview wound up its loop run with a perfect 10-0 mark with a 72-61 victory over Lubbock Estacado.

The District wound up with four teams over the 20-win mark including Plainview (27-3), Levelland (26-6), Frenship (24-7) and Estacado (20-9).

Plainview will play either Borger or Canyon Randall in the bi-district round of the playoffs, while Levelland will face state-ranked Pampa in its first-round contest.

Game times and sites will be announced later this week.

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Snyder | 9 | 10 | 11 | 17 | -47 |
| Levelland | 8 | 15 | 18 | 14 | -55 |

Leading scorers: Snyder — Sneed 12, Patrick 12; Levelland — King 19, Jones, 11, Hayes 10; Records: Snyder 15-14, 1-9; Levelland 26-6, 7-3; JV score: Snyder 53, Levelland 46.

## 2-4A basketball

Boys

| Team | Season | | District | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Plainview | 27 | 3 | 10 | 0 |
| Levelland | 26 | 6 | 7 | 3 |
| Frenship | 24 | 7 | 6 | 4 |
| Estacado | 20 | 9 | 5 | 5 |
| Snyder | 15 | 14 | 1 | 9 |
| Lamesa | 13 | 21 | 1 | 9 |

Tuesday, Feb. 15
Levelland 55, Snyder 47
Frenship 61, Lamesa 57
Plainview 72, Estacado 61
End of regular season

# LSU loses to Kentucky on record-setting rally

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Trailing by 31 points with 15 minutes left to play, Kentucky coach Rick Pitino had his doubts. Point guard Travis Ford never did.

Ford called the 11th-ranked Wildcats together during a timeout on Tuesday night and ordered them to rally. They responded with the biggest comeback in college basketball history, beating LSU 99-95.

"I pulled everyone together and I said, 'We're down 31 and we're not leaving this building without a win. We're going to win this game no matter what. I'll stay here all night,'" recalled Ford, who had 10 points and 12 assists.

# Red-hot Spurs down Indiana, 109-100

by The Associated Press

Add San Antonio to the lengthening list of NBA teams with 10-game winning streaks this season.

The Spurs joined Houston, Atlanta, Seattle and Chicago among the teams with double-digit streaks with a 109-100 victory over Indiana Tuesday night. The outcome ended the Pacers' team-record seven-game streak.

David Robinson just missed his fifth triple-double of the season with 34 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists as San Antonio tied its franchise-record winning streak and also won its 12th straight game at the Alamodome.

"It's nice to say 10 in a row," Robinson said. "But it's really nice to see our confidence building. It's nice to see us grow. We're executing 10 times better than at the start of the season. We just want to grow and continue to gain ground."

San Antonio, 21-3 since Dec. 26, ran off nine straight points during a 17-6 first-quarter run to take the lead for good.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was New Jersey 103, New York 83; Orlando 102, Boston 92; Cleveland 111, Denver 99; Detroit 100, Washington 93; Minnesota 97, Milwaukee 90; Portland 106, Dallas 103; Houston 103, Atlanta 99; Seattle 133, Philadelphia 105; the Los Angeles Clippers 100, the Los Angeles Lakers 89; and Golden State 123, Sacramento 113.

Reggie Miller scored 23 points for the Pacers. Dale Ellis scored 32 points and Vinny Del Negro and J.R. Reid added 20 each for San Antonio.

**Trail Blazers 106, Mavericks 103**

Portland snapped a four-game road losing streak and beat Dallas for the 13th consecutive time as Clyde Drexler scored 26 points and Clifford Robinson 24.

Robinson's off-balance 12-footer as the shot clock wore down gave the Trail Blazers a 103-100 lead with 26 seconds left. Rod Strickland, who had 22 points for Portland, sank one free throw with 9.1 seconds left, but Tim Legler's 3-pointer with 3.5 seconds remaining pulled the Mavs to 104-103.

Drexler's two free throws with 2.8 seconds left prevnned the Mavericks from compiling their first three-game winning streak since 1991.

**Rockets 103, Hawks 99**

Hakeem Olajuwon scored eight of his 28 points in the deciding final minutes, leading Houston over visiting Atlanta.

The Rockets trailed 53-48 at the half, but an 18-8 run to start the third quarter gave them a 66-61 lead, and they never trailed again.

**Clippers 100, Lakers 89**

The Clippers won at the Forum in Inglewood for just the third time in 27 meetings, beating the Lakers although leading scorers Danny Manning and Ron Harper sat on the bench for missing practice on Monday.

**Magic 102, Celtics 92**

Shaquille O'Neal grabbed 24 rebounds and scored 10 of his 36 points in the final 3:41, leading Orlando over Boston.

Dee Brown, Kevin Gamble and Dino Radja led Boston with 14 points each.

**Warriors 123, Kings 113**

Billy Owens scored a season-high 29 points as Golden State, after losing nearly all of a 19-point lead, recovered to hand Sacramento its 21st loss in 25 road

## NBA glance

By The Associated Press

| EASTERN CONFERENCE | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Atlantic Division** | | | | |
| New York | 34 | 15 | .694 | — |
| Orlando | 28 | 20 | .583 | 5½ |
| Miami | 23 | 24 | .489 | 10 |
| New Jersey | 23 | 24 | .489 | 10 |
| Boston | 20 | 28 | .417 | 13½ |
| Philadelphia | 20 | 28 | .417 | 13½ |
| Washington | 15 | 33 | .313 | 18½ |
| **Central Division** | | | | |
| Chicago | 34 | 13 | .723 | — |
| Atlanta | 34 | 14 | .708 | ½ |
| Cleveland | 25 | 23 | .521 | 9½ |
| Indiana | 23 | 24 | .489 | 11 |
| Charlotte | 22 | 25 | .468 | 12 |
| Milwaukee | 14 | 35 | .286 | 21 |
| Detroit | 12 | 37 | .245 | 23 |
| **WESTERN CONFERENCE** | | | | |
| **Midwest Division** | | | | |
| Houston | 35 | 12 | .745 | — |
| San Antonio | 36 | 14 | .720 | ½ |
| Utah | 31 | 18 | .633 | 5 |
| Denver | 22 | 26 | .458 | 13½ |
| Minnesota | 15 | 32 | .319 | 20 |
| Dallas | 6 | 43 | .122 | 30 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | |
| Seattle | 36 | 10 | .783 | — |
| Phoenix | 31 | 15 | .674 | 5 |
| Golden State | 28 | 20 | .583 | 9 |
| Portland | 28 | 20 | .583 | 9 |
| LA Lakers | 18 | 30 | .375 | 19 |
| LA Clippers | 17 | 29 | .370 | 19 |
| Sacramento | 15 | 33 | .313 | 22 |

**Tuesday's Games**
New Jersey 103, New York 83
Orlando 102, Boston 92
Cleveland 111, Denver 99
Detroit 100, Washington 93
Minnesota 97, Milwaukee 90
Portland 106, Dallas 103
Houston 103, Atlanta 99
San Antonio 109, Indiana 100
Seattle 133, Philadelphia 105
L.A. Clippers 100, L.A. Lakers 89
Golden State 123, Sacramento 113

**Wednesday's Games**
Houston at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

# Steers down Snyder, 5-0

Snyder was blanked by Class 4A regional favorite Big Spring, 5-0, in a baseball scrimmage Tuesday at Moffett Field.

"The guys played hard and did a good job," said SHS coach Albert Lewis. "Big Spring is just a little ahead of us right now."

Snyder slapped three hits in the game, including a first-inning triple by sophomore outfielder Bryant Roberson.

The Steers scored their five runs on six hits.

Curt Rinehart tossed the first four innings for the Tigers, followed by two innings from Gabriel Castillon and Jeremy House with the last three outs.

Snyder will scrimmage San Angelo Lake View and Early Saturday at LVHS.

The regular season begins Monday with a trip to San Angelo Central.

## College hoops

By The Associated Press

**EAST**
Army 95, Lehigh 87
Duquesne 82, Florida Atlantic 71
George Washington 64, Rutgers 60
St. Joseph's 81, Massachusetts 80
Syracuse 79, Providence 74
Villanova 64, Connecticut 63

**SOUTH**
Davidson 74, N.C. Charlotte 61
Kansas St. 71, W. Kentucky 68, OT
Kentucky 99, LSU 95
Marquette 55, Virginia Tech 48
Md.-E. Shore 90, Cent. Connecticut St. 75

**MIDWEST**
Bradley 79, Creighton 65
Illinois 80, Ohio St. 68
Tulsa 69, N. Iowa 63

**SOUTHWEST**
Texas 113, Baylor 91

# Harrison leads 'Sharks at Lubbock swim meet

LUBBOCK — Kara Harrison placed first in the 100-yard freestyle with an A time of 1:18.18 to lead the Snyder Tigersharks Swim Club in their appearance at the Texas Tech pool Saturday.

Harrison also placed second in the 200-yard freestyle, fourth in the 100-yard freestyle and fifth in both the 50-yard fly and the 100-yard breaststroke.

Teammate Kameron Harrison took second in the 50-yard freestyle, the 50-yard fly, the 100-yard freestyle and the 50-yard backstroke and Amber Schwertner was third in the 50-yard backstroke.

K.C. Harrison wound up fifth in the 100 back, the 100 free, the 100 fly and the 50 free.

Saturday's results came a week after the team's Feb. 5 competition at the YMCA Meet in Abilene.

There, Kallie Billingsley won the 50-yard backstroke event and took seventh in the 50-yard freestyle.

Snyder's Kraig Billingsley was third in both the 50 free and the 100 free and took fourth in the 200 breast.

Kameron Harrison was fourth in the 25 free, as well as in the 50 back, and finished fifth in the 25-yard butterfly.

K.C. Harrison's third in the 50-yard freestyle went with her sixth-place finish in the 100-yard freestyle, and a seventh in the 100-yard butterfly.

Other Tigersharks placing at Abilene included Marci Kruger, who took third in the 50-yard backstroke, Patrick Vincent, who claimed third in the 50 free and the 100 individual medley, and Schwertner, who was eighth in the 100 back and the 50 free.

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You are hereby notified that **Paymaster Gin Snyder** has applied for renewal of Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) Air Quality Permit No. 5113 to continue the operation of a **Cotton Gin in Snyder, Scurry County,** Texas. The location of the facility is **at the intersection of U.S. Highway 180 and F.M. 1611, 1 mile west of Snyder, Texas.** This facility will emit the following air contaminants: **particulate matter.**

A copy of all materials in the public file is available for inspection and reproduction at the **TNRCC Abilene Regional Office located in the Commerce Plaza Office Building, 1290 South Willis, Suite 205, Abilene, Texas 79605, telephone (915) 698-9674.** and at the TNRCC Central Office, Office of Air Quality, 12124 Park 35 Circle, Building C, Austin, Texas 78753, telephone (512) 239-1000. The facility's compliance file, if any exists, is available for public review in the regional office of the TNRCC. Inquiries about the permit application and any information concerning any technical aspect of this application can be obtained by writing **Mr. David J. Lusk,** TNRCC Office of Air Quality new Source Review Program in Austin or the TNRCC **Abilene** Regional Office. You may submit written comments concerning the permit renewal to the Office of Air Quality, New Source Review Section in Austin. All written comments received within 15 days after the second publication of this notice shall be considered by the Executive Director in determining whether to renew the permit. All written comments will be made available for public inspection at the TNRCC Central Office in Austin. This notice is to be published on February 15 and February 16, 1994.

Any person who may be affected by emissions of air contaminants from this facility may request the Commission to hold an informal public meeting and/or contested case hearing on the permit renewal pursuant to Section 382.056(d) of the Texas Health and Safety Code. The Commission is not required to hold a contested case hearing if the basis of a request is determined to be unreasonable. All requests for a contested case hearing must be received in writing within the 15-day comment period regardless of whether an informal public meeting has been held or scheduled on this matter. If you wish to request a public hearing, you must submit your request in writing. You must state (1) your name, mailing address and daytime phone number; (2) the permit number or other recognizable reference to this application; (3) the statement "I/we request a public hearing"; (4) a brief description of how you, or the persons you represent, would be adversely affected by the granting of the application; (5) a description of the location of your property relative to the applicant's operations; and (6) your proposed adjustment to the application/permit which would satisfy your concerns and cause you to withdraw your request for hearing. Requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted in writing to Bill Ehret, Assistant Chief Hearings Examiner, Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, Telephone (512) 239-1772.

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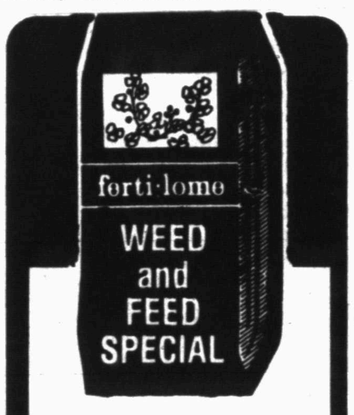
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**Country**, 3-2 with acreage.
**3725 Ave. V**, 3-1-1, $32T.
**4111 Eastridge**. 3-2-2, $34,500.
**Westridge**, 4-3½ , CP.
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**Cedar Creek**, 3-3-2.
**3205 Ave. A**, 4-2-CP, $25T.
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**3725 Sunset**, 2-1-1, 20's.
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Westridge, 4-3-3, liv. & den, pool.
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3700 Austin, 3-2, fpl. $40's.
3733 Avondale, 3-2, w/apt., $40's.
3505 Irving, 3 bd. gar. & shop.
2202 43rd, 3-2, det. gar. $40's.
109 Peach, 3-2-2, fpl, $40's.
Ira, 3-2, $29,500.
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Country Living, 3-2-2 and w/ fireplace, $60's.
4-3-2, pool, in the $90's.
302 34th ST., 2 bedroom, $16,000.
El Paso St., 3-2-2, $60's.
Country, 2-1½ , 14 acres.
West 30th, 3-2-2, 70's.
3505 44th, 3-2-2, covered patio.
2601 Ave. A, 3-2, 5 acres.
209 37th, 3-2-2, brick, $62,000.
40 acres, near Dunn, $20,000.
2212 41st St., 3-1½ , CH/A.
2202 43rd St., 3-2, den.
2215 42nd, 3-2-1, $34,900.
3406 44th, $32,000.
2211 27th ST., 4-2-2, $45,000.
4501 Denison, corner lot, brick.
Faye Blackledge 573-1223
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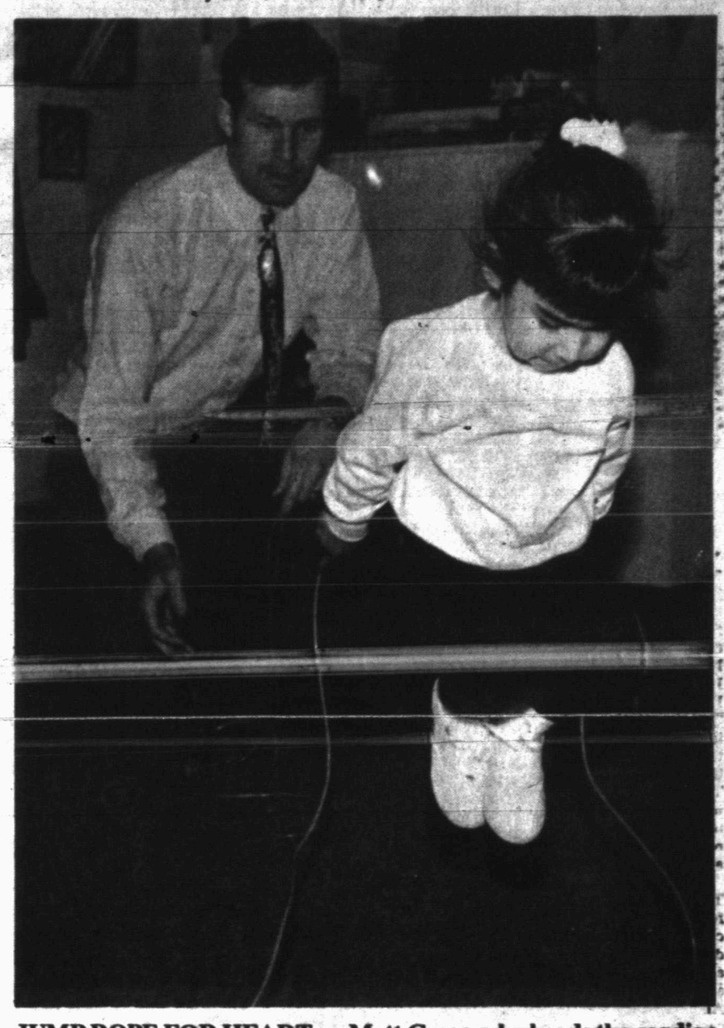

FOR SALE BY OWNER: Country living, close in, 1 acre, 3-2-2cp. Newly remodeled. By appointment only 573-0034.

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N. of Union, 3-1-2, 10A. 49.5T
Northside of square.. 46T
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2701 Ave. G, Duplex. 21T
Beauty Shop, Red. to sell.
3112 Ave. C, 4-1-2, w/w. 39T
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2200 40th, 3-1, ch/a, rd. 27.5T
E 3-2, ch/a, jac. & shop. 25.9T
Own. Fin., 1010 30th. 13.5T
3405 44th, 3-2-2. 55T
3007 40th, 2-1. 18.5T
Lg. strg. bldg., 3 doors. 30T
2 miles W., 4-2-2cp, red. 65T
9 mi. S., 3-2, 2.5A, s/s. 47.5T
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**JUMP ROPE FOR HEART — Matt Cross, who heads the cardiac rehabilitation department at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, helps four-year-old Jessicca Deleon at My Little Day Care learn to jump rope for a healthy heart. He also visited Mother Goose Day Care and Glenda Freeman's child care. The aerobic exercise event is to benefit the American Heart Association, sponsored by the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Students collect contributions by checks, and then jump rope for a set amount of time. They may qualify for prizes. Pre-K through the sixth grade will jump in the Snyder High School gym Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)**

# Kelso hopes retirement will end Tailhook incident

WASHINGTON (AP) — Adm. Frank B. Kelso II hopes his hastened retirement will mark "the end of Tailhook." But questions about the Navy's handling of the sex scandal are likely to dog the service, Congress and Kelso for months to come.

Kelso said Tuesday that he would retire as the Navy's top officer on April 30, two months earlier than planned, to rid the Navy of a "lightning rod" that continued to attract controversy over the infamous 1991 Tailhook convention.

Kelso's announcement came in exchange for testimonials from Defense Secretary William Perry and Navy Secretary John Dalton attesting to his personal integrity.

Pentagon officials said President Clinton is considering Adm. Jeremy M. Boorda, now running NATO's Bosnia operation, as the top candidate to replace Kelso as chief of naval operations. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., called Boorda "a truly excellent choice."

Perry said a Pentagon probe found "no credible evidence" that Kelso knew of the sexual misconduct at the Tailhook gathering of Navy fliers in Las Vegas. Nor did the probe find that Kelso sought to thwart investigations into the scandal.

With that vote of confidence, Kelso said he could retire with his reputation intact. Despite his own regrets at failing to anticipate the Tailhook scandal, he said, the Navy is "moving in the right direction smartly" on issues of sexual equality and women in combat.

But sexual harassment in the military is not a dead issue. The general question and Tailhook specifically could be raised when Kelso's request for retirement at the four-star rank is considered by the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Fourteen congresswomen are seeking a House Armed Services Committee review of the Tailhook investigation. And Rep. Patricia Schroeder, D-Colo., said she would urge the House Judiciary Committee to examine the entire military justice system, which she called an abomination.

A Senate subcommittee is investigating reports of widespread harassment of women at all three military service academies.

Schroeder, a member of both the House Armed Services and Judiciary committees, has questioned Kelso's insistence that while he attended Tailhook '91, he saw none of the lewd behavior that witnesses later said was rampant.

"The Tailhook scandal should have been investigated by an outside, non-naval authority," Schroeder said. Navy justice, she said, amounts to "government of the admirals, by the admirals, and for the admirals."

Last week, a Navy judge dismissed the last three court-martial cases growing out of Tailhook, meaning none of the 140 Navy and Marine Corps officers originally recommended for discipline in the case will face criminal charges.

Thirty admirals, including Kelso, were given administrative slaps on the wrist. [illegible] has not.

The judge, in dismissing the charges, accused Kelso of lying about his own knowledge of events and of manipulating the investigation to protect himself.

On Tailhook, Kelso acknowledged "we have certainly had some difficulties in the investigative process." Nevertheless, he maintained, "We've put into place the sort of procedures to make it clear to people that if they act that way they're not going to be in this man's Navy."

# Police work burglary case

Snyder police worked a burglary Tuesday and made an unrelated arrest this morning.

Susan Spires contacted police at 5:57 p.m. Tuesday in reference to some furniture taken from a vacant business and residence at 2905 College Ave. A report for burglary of a building was filed.

At 7:54 p.m. Tuesday, a woman contacted the sheriff's office in reference to her two sons running away. The boys were later located and released to their mother.

Officers responded to a family disturbance at 9:28 p.m. Tuesday at the California Apartments. A 12-year-old boy was taken into custody and later released to his aunt. A report for family violence was filed.

At 1:10 a.m. today, officers responded to a disturbance in the 3100 block of 41st Street where a 36-year-old man was arrested for Class C assault/family violence, a Howard County warrant for issuance of bad checks and a Callahan County warrant for theft by check.

# FD responds to two calls

Snyder Fire Department responded to two calls within a few minutes of each other Tuesday.

Fire officials were dispatched six miles west of Snyder on County Road 1611 at 3:33 p.m. where a storage shed owned by Vernon Stipe was burning. The shed sustained heavy damage. Cause of the fire is unknown.

Ten minutes after the first call, fire officials were dispatched to a grass fire near Hermleigh. The blaze was located along U.S. Highway 84 and the railroad right-of-way.

## Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

| | High | Low | Last | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AMR Corp | 663/8 | 66 | 66 | +1/8 |
| Albtsn s | 273/4 | 273/8 | 273/8 | -1/8 |
| Alldsignal | 805/8 | 791/4 | 80 | +1/4 |
| Alltel s | 281/2 | 281/4 | 283/8 | +1/8 |
| AmStores | 457/8 | 455/8 | 455/8 | -1/8 |
| Amer T&T | 55 | 545/8 | 543/4 | |
| Ameritech | 411/4 | 407/8 | 41 | -1/4 |
| Amoco | 537/8 | 531/2 | 535/8 | -1/4 |
| AndarkPtr | 455/8 | 451/4 | 453/8 | -1/4 |
| Arkla | 81/4 | 81/8 | 81/8 | |
| ArmcoInc | 61/4 | 61/8 | 61/8 | -1/8 |
| AtlRichfld | 1041/4 | 1037/8 | 1037/8 | -1/2 |
| ATMOS | 29 | 283/4 | 287/8 | -1/8 |
| Aviall n | 17 | 163/4 | 17 | +3/8 |
| BakerHughes | 195/8 | 193/8 | 191/2 | |
| BancTexas | 15/8 | 11/2 | 15/8 | +1/8 |
| BellAtl | 551/8 | 547/8 | 55 | +1/8 |
| BellSouth | 561/4 | 56 | 56 | -1/8 |
| Beth Steel | 223/4 | 221/8 | 223/4 | +1/2 |
| Borden | 151/8 | 15 | 151/8 | |
| Brit Pet | 651/2 | 65 | 651/4 | +1/8 |
| Caterpllr | 1073/4 | 1063/8 | 107 | 1/2 |
| CenSoWst | 267/8 | 263/8 | 261/2 | -1/4 |
| Chevron | 90 | 893/4 | 90 | +1/8 |
| Chrysler | 607/8 | 597/8 | 597/8 | -5/8 |
| Coastal | 317/8 | 311/4 | 313/8 | -5/8 |
| CocaCola | 413/8 | 407/8 | 411/8 | +1/4 |
| ColgatePalm | 645/8 | 635/8 | 64 | +3/8 |
| ComlMetl s | 267/8 | 263/4 | 263/4 | -1/4 |
| CooperIn | 387/8 | 381/2 | 387/8 | +1/8 |
| CyprusAmax | 295/8 | 291/4 | 295/8 | +5/8 |
| DeltaAirl | 517/8 | 511/2 | 511/2 | -1/2 |
| DigitalEq | 293/8 | 291/4 | 291/4 | +1/8 |
| Dillard | 347/8 | 343/8 | 341/2 | -1/2 |
| DowChem | 643/8 | 637/8 | 641/4 | +1/4 |
| Dresser | 223/8 | 22 | 223/8 | -3/8 |
| DuPont | 55 | 545/8 | 545/8 | -3/8 |
| EstKodak | 43 | 423/4 | 427/8 | -1/8 |
| Eaterch | 171/4 | 17 | 17 | -3/4 |
| Entergy | 343/4 | 34 | 341/8 | -1/2 |
| Exxon | 67 | 663/4 | 663/4 | +1/8 |
| FlowerInd | 187/8 | 185/8 | 185/8 | -1/4 |
| FordMotor | 667/8 | 66 | 66 | -1/4 |
| GTE Cp | 327/8 | 325/8 | 323/4 | |
| GnDyn | 95 | 94 | 943/8 | -3/4 |
| GenElct | 109 | 1081/8 | 1081/2 | -1/2 |
| GenMills | 583/4 | 583/8 | 581/2 | -1/4 |
| GenMotors | 621/2 | 615/8 | 615/8 | |
| GenMotors E | 327/8 | 32 | 323/4 | +5/8 |
| GaPacif | 733/4 | 73 | 731/8 | +1/4 |
| GlobalMar | 41/8 | 4 | 41/8 | +1/8 |
| Goodrich | 421/4 | 42 | 421/8 | -1/8 |
| Goodyear s | 477/8 | 471/2 | 471/2 | |
| GtAtlPac | 26 | 251/2 | 26 | +5/8 |
| Haliburtn | 311/4 | 303/4 | 307/8 | -1/4 |
| Hanson ADS | 211/4 | 21 | 211/4 | +3/8 |
| HoustInd | 431/4 | 421/4 | 421/4 | -7/8 |
| IBM | 551/4 | 545/8 | 545/8 | +1/8 |
| IntlPaper | 76 | 751/4 | 751/2 | |
| JohnsnJns | 421/8 | 411/2 | 415/8 | -5/8 |
| K mart | 195/8 | 191/4 | 191/2 | +1/4 |
| Kroger | 25 | 245/8 | 243/4 | -1/4 |
| Litton | 681/4 | 681/8 | 681/8 | -1/8 |
| vjLoneStar | 25/8 | 2 | 2 | -5/8 |
| Lowes | 581/2 | 581/4 | 581/4 | -1/4 |
| Lubys | 231/2 | 231/4 | 231/4 | |
| Maxus | 51/4 | 51/8 | 51/8 | |
| MayDS s | 397/8 | 391/2 | 395/8 | |
| Medtronic | 853/8 | 843/4 | 85 | +1/8 |
| Mobil | 82 | 811/2 | 815/8 | -1/8 |
| Monsanto | 797/8 | 791/2 | 791/2 | -1/4 |
| Motorola s | 103 | 1015/8 | 103 | +15/8 |
| Nationsbk | 491/8 | 485/8 | 485/8 | -1/8 |
| Navistar s | 251/8 | 247/8 | 247/8 | -1/8 |
| Nynex s | 377/8 | 373/8 | 375/8 | +1/8 |
| OryxEngy | 185/8 | 183/8 | 181/2 | +1/8 |
| PacTelesis | 563/8 | 56 | 561/8 | |
| PanhECp | 24 | 235/8 | 235/8 | -1/4 |
| PenneyJC s | 523/8 | 513/4 | 521/4 | +1/2 |
| Pennzoil | 553/8 | 55 | 551/4 | +3/8 |
| PepBoys | 273/8 | 7 | 27 | -3/8 |
| PhelpDodge | 543/4 | 541/8 | 541/2 | +1/8 |
| PhilipPet | 29 | 281/8 | 281/4 | -3/8 |
| PilgrmPrd | 81/8 | 81/8 | 81/8 | +1/8 |
| Polaroid | 315/8 | 311/4 | 311/2 | +3/8 |
| Praxair | 191/8 | 183/4 | 187/8 | |
| ProctGamble | 593/8 | 587/8 | 59 | +1/8 |
| PubS NwMx | 13 | 127/8 | 13 | +1/8 |
| RoyalDutch | 1091/8 | 1087/8 | 1087/8 | -1/4 |
| SFePacCp | 233/4 | 233/8 | 233/8 | -1/8 |
| SaraLee | 23 | 223/4 | 23 | +1/8 |
| SearsRoeb s | 467/8 | 46 | 461/8 | -5/8 |
| SherwinW | 351/4 | 345/8 | 347/8 | +1/8 |
| SmthBchADS | 301/4 | 301/8 | 301/4 | +1/4 |
| SmthBc eqt | 281/8 | 277/8 | 281/8 | +3/8 |
| Southern Co | 415/8 | 41 | 41 | -3/8 |
| SouthCo wi | 203/4 | 205/8 | 205/8 | |
| SwAirlines s | 37 | 365/8 | 367/8 | +1/8 |
| SwBell s | 381/4 | 38 | 381/8 | +1/4 |
| Sprint | 37 | 363/8 | 37 | +3/8 |
| SterlingChm | 6 | 57/8 | 6 | +1/8 |
| SunCo | 311/2 | 311/4 | 311/4 | -1/4 |
| TNP Ent | 187/8 | 185/8 | 183/4 | +1/8 |
| Tandy | 435/8 | 421/2 | 423/4 | -7/8 |
| TemptInl | 521/4 | 513/4 | 513/4 | |
| Tenneco | 581/8 | 573/4 | 573/4 | +1 |
| Texaco | 67 | 663/4 | 667/8 | -1/8 |
| TexasInd | 35 | 345/8 | 345/8 | +1/8 |
| TexasInst | 781/4 | 763/4 | 781/8 | +13/4 |
| Tex Util | 371/4 | 37 | 371/8 | -1/8 |
| Textron | 603/8 | 597/8 | 597/8 | -1/2 |
| Travelers s | 391/2 | 391/4 | 393/8 | +1/4 |
| Trinty s | 411/2 | 411/4 | 411/2 | +5/8 |
| TritonEngy | 301/8 | 293/4 | 293/4 | -1/4 |
| Tyler | 57/8 | 53/4 | 57/8 | +1/8 |
| US West | 413/4 | 411/4 | 411/4 | -1/2 |
| USX Delhi | 171/4 | 171/8 | 171/4 | +1/8 |
| USX-Marathn | 171/8 | 17 | 17 | |
| USX-USS | 431/4 | 427/8 | 431/8 | +1/2 |
| UnCarbde | 251/8 | 247/8 | 25 | +1/8 |
| UnPac | 621/2 | 617/8 | 62 | -1/4 |
| UnitedTech | 70 | 683/8 | 693/4 | +13/8 |
| Unocal | 287/8 | 285/8 | 285/8 | -1/4 |
| WalMart s | 271/2 | 271/8 | 271/4 | +1/8 |
| WstnGasRs | 325/8 | 321/8 | 323/8 | -1/2 |
| WestghEl | 15 | 147/8 | 147/8 | -1/8 |
| WinnDixie | 503/8 | 497/8 | 501/8 | +11/4 |
| Woolwth | 243/8 | 241/8 | 241/4 | -1/4 |
| Xerox Cp | 1013/4 | 993/4 | 1011/4 | +15/8 |
| ZenithE | 95/8 | 91/4 | 95/8 | +1/4 |

## Obituaries

### Noma Moore

1932-1994

BAIRD — Graveside services are set for noon Thursday in the Ross Cemetery for Noma Allene Moore, 61, who died Monday in an Abilene hospital.

She was the mother of Lea Ann Brickey of Snyder.

Born in Abilene, Mrs. Moore was a homemaker and a member of the Abundant Life Apostolic Ministries. Her husband, Robert Lee Moore Sr., preceded her in death.

Survivors include two other daughters, Dorothy Phelps of Abilene and Patti Garrett of Waco; a son, Robert Lee Moore Jr. of Abilene; two sisters, Willie Dee Williams and Imogene Munselle, both of Abilene; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

### Clifford Gaston

1917-1994

BIG SPRING — Services were set for 10 a.m. today in the Nalley-Pickle Chapel for Clifford Henry Gaston, 76, who died Monday in Big Spring. Burial was set for 3 p.m. today in the Blackwell Cemetery.

He was the brother of Margaret Cole of Snyder.

Born in Fisher County, Mr. Gaston married Viola Patterson on Nov. 23, 1937 in Sweetwater. A resident of Big Spring, he had owned and operated Gaston Gulf Station in Sterling City and was a retired rancher. He was a member of the Evangel Temple Assembly of God Church.

Survivors include his wife, Viola; five sons, Calvin Gaston and Kenneth Gaston, both of Big Spring, Van Gaston and Andy Gaston, both of Forsan, and David Gaston of Sterling City; six daughters, Jynette Suggs of Big Spring, Kathy Thompson of Andrews, Karen Duncan of Idalou, Diane Sebastian of Shallowater, Lynese Martin of Bastrop and Ramona McNutt of New Braunfels; a brother, G.K. Gaston of Blackwell; two other sisters, Marie Romine and Beulah Chapman, both of Blackwell; 31 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

# State keeps settlement amounts secret

DALLAS (AP) — Over the past three years, the Texas attorney general's office has settled out of court on more than 30 lawsuits in which it persuaded a judge to keep the terms secret, according to a published report.

The Dallas Morning News reported today that among them were suits alleging discrimination, civil rights violations, retribution against whistle blowers, sexual harassment and medical malpractice.

Settlements on two major cases were made public only after newspapers sued under the Texas Open Records Act.

The existence of the 32 other suits that remain sealed was gleaned from monthly budget reports by the attorney general of legal settlements over $5,000.

In 1990, after four months of legal wrangling by The Morning News, the state finally was forced to reveal that it paid a secretary $85,000 to drop a sexual harassment case against top prison administrators.

In the other case, the state of Texas finally revealed in 1993, after two years of legal battles by the Amarillo Globe-News, that it paid a professor $200,000 last year to settle his wrongful termination suit against then-West Texas State University, the newspaper said.

Attorney general's office spokesman Ron Dusek said the settlements are kept confidential to save taxpayers money.

He said that if the state is offering $50,000 in one discrimination case, it would be imprudent to divulge that someone in another case is getting $100,000. He also said that publicizing the settlements could prompt other suits.

"It's not to the benefit of the state to broadcast how much the state is willing to settle for. It's just not a smart thing to do."

The sealed suits are listed as "confidential." In some cases, it is impossible even to determine which state agency was sued.

One civil rights case, for example, is listed only as "Jacobs vs. Davis," the newspaper reported. There is no indication of the agency involved or the county where the suit was filed.

Advocates of open government say that the cost of sealed settlements could run into the millions of dollars and that taxpayers should know if a public employee or agency is engaged in negligent conduct.

Dallas lawyer Paul Watler, vice president of the Freedom of Information Foundation, said the argument that a plaintiff's attorney doesn't know what his or her case is worth "is very naive."

Watler and David Donaldson, general counsel for Texas Media, another reporters' advocacy group, said the Open Records Law and attorney general's opinions dating back 19 years hold state expenditures and legal settlements to be open to public inspection.

That law is superseded when a judge signs an order sealing terms of the settlement or portions of the lawsuit. Many times, the settlement terms are written and submitted to the judge by the attorney general's office.

"The deeper issue is, should these settlement agreements be sealed," Donaldson said. "The answer is that they shouldn't because we need to know what's happening to our dollars."

The problem becomes more acute when public officials seek to seal settlements in small towns where a large judgment could have an immediate impact on tax dollars and where the news media might not be able to afford a legal battle, he said.

"You're talking at least $5,000 to $15,000 in legal costs without any guarantee you'll get that money back. And that's too big a hurdle for some small dailies and weekly newspapers to handle," Donaldson said.

He said the other problem with sealing the settlements is, "We are protecting, to some extent, those people who messed up."

It took the Amarillo Globe-News took two years to unseal the settlement paid by then-West Texas State University to an assistant professor whose contract was not renewed.

The professor, Philip Isett, claimed in his suit that he was terminated for opposing the administration when it tried to dictate the editorial policy of the student newspaper.

# Opponents trade jabs in RRC race

AUSTIN (AP) — What's in a name? Robert Earley wants to change the name of the Texas Railroad Commission. He also wants to change the name of the commission's chairman.

But Commission Chairman Jim Nugent's campaign on Tuesday accused Earley of "desperate campaign tactics."

Nugent, 71, also a Democrat, has been on the commission since 1979. Earley, 33, of Portland, has served in the Texas House since 1984 and is chairman of the House Energy Resources Committee.

Early voting for the March 8 primary started today.

Mark Bell, a spokesman for Secretary of State John Hannah, said about 8.9 million Texans had registered by the Feb. 6 deadline and would be eligible to vote in the primary.

Bell said registrations had increased by about 15 percent over the past three years.

In the Democratic Railroad Commission race, Earley unveiled a proposal to "reinvent" the commission from its name on down.

"It's an archaic name, and the chairman of the Railroad Commission probably likes it that way," he said.

# Texas woman wins jackpot in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A Texas woman says she hopes her husband will "stop working so hard and go out fishing" now that she is a millionaire.

Delma Scasta of Bryan won $1.05 million on Valentine's Day on a Quartermania progressive slot machine at the Flamingo Hilton here.

Mrs. Scasta said she spent about $20 worth of quarters in the machine before hitting the jackpot.

Quartermania is a statewide slot system linking more than 1,300 machines in 139 Nevada casinos.

# Hearing

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missions and fees.

Under cross examination, plaintiff attorney Edward Watts of Austin introduced letters which Carroll said he had written to sales reps seeking their business.

Carroll said he had audited four nursing homes which were customers of General Medical. He said the audits reveal refunds due to Medicare of more than $20,000.

At the noon recess, Watts was about to question Carroll about specifics of the audit.

The lawsuit contends that defendants engaged in action that caused the loss of business by General Medical. Under terms of the agreement, reached last October, GMC would provide medical supplies in bulk that would be packaged by General Medical and shipped to nursing home customers. General Medical would be paid 30 cents for each kit as well as a commission after GMC bill and was paid by Medicare.

# Jones accepts MC post

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administration.

Jones, 36, has led the Lady Dusters to a 17-11 season record this year. The Dusters are currently tied for second place in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference with a 4-4 mark. He is a combined 32-26 in his two-year stint at WTC.

"Ron is the type of coach everyone's looking for," said WTC Athletic Director Milton Ham. "He works hard and instills a lot of confidence and a will-to-win in his players.

"In my opinion, he's done as good a job of coaching in the last two years that I've ever seen.

"I think people in Snyder realize he's done a good job," Ham continued. "In doing so, he has set the tone for what could happen here.

"He's an outstanding coach and that speaks well for our selection process. We'd have loved for him to stay, and we'll miss him, but we wish him well."

The Stillwater, Okla. native came to WTC from Guthrie, Okla., where he guided the GHS girls to a 69-9 record in three seasons, and three straight trips to the state tourney, winning in 1990.

He was named Oklahoma Coach of the Year and was a three-time conference Coach of the Year while at Guthrie.

As a player, Jones was the state's Class 4A scoring leader his senior season at Donart High School, earning all-state alternate status.

Jones beat out an impressive list of finalists to become the Lady Chaps' first coach, including Tyler JC women's coach Charlie Mancil, Jim Raughton, Midland High girls' coach, and Dale Blaut, coach of the Amarillo High Lady Sandies.

Howard College women's coach Royce Chadwick had been on Midland's short list before removing his name from consideration over the weekend.

Western Texas will accept applications to replace Jones until March 21. The selection committee will then review the resumes and narrow the field to a short-list. A recommendation is expected to be brought before the board in April.

# Vote

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Carriker is unchallenged in the Democratic Primary. He will face an opponent in the general election — either Tom Haywood or Doyle High, who are seeking the Republican nomination.

District 70 State Rep. David Counts, a Democrat, will face Republican Wilma Hogan in November.

## Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Lilly Hernandez, 2902 Ave. E; Shirley Jones, 2602 Ave. V; Joe Morin, 2300 Ave. M; S.W. Suther, 3204 Hill Ave.; N.R. Clements, 3005 Ave. U; Ralph Neal, 2311 Ave. G; Glenda Rivera, Colorado City; Frances Sizemore, 2307 33rd; Carl Tarter, 216 29th.

DISMISSALS: N.T. Lee, Reeda Thomas, Artie Thomason, Mildred Wilson, Retha Ainsworth, Donald Durham, Maria Herrera, Helen Midkiff, Ralph Neal, Manuela Ramos, Glenda Rivera, Naomi Roemisch, Carl Tarter, William Weaver.

Census: 55 (Med.-15, Long-Term Care-37, CCU-3).

# Sen. Hutchison suggests special session on ethics

TEXARKANA (AP) — U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison is suggesting a special legislative session to change the way state government ethics laws are enforced.

Mrs. Hutchison, a Republican who was found innocent last week after an eight-month investigation by the Travis County district attorney, said she believes ethics rules and their enforcement should be handled by a bipartisan commission.

Democratic Gov. Ann Richards says she won't call lawmakers back to Austin before their regular session begins in January "over anything but a major crisis."

However, she told reporters in Austin that a bipartisan panel to look into the ethics issue is a possibility.

"I think it's time just to let the dust settle. I think that we don't want to rush into any action," Richards said. "What we really want to do is to allow everyone to have a little time to absorb what's taken place here in the past six months or so."

Richards, whose office has been embroiled in a controversy over destroyed long-distance phone records, predicted there will be "a tremendous amount of discussion between now and the next legislative session on how we can clearly define (ethics requirements), so that there is no room for misunderstanding or misinterpretation."

Mrs. Hutchison, in a telephone interview during a Tuesday campaign swing through East Texas, said, "The Legislature should really change the laws for enforcement of ethics laws."

"The Legislature makes the laws, they're very vague, and they have delegated the responsibility to the district attorney of Travis County for the enforcement of those laws," she said.

Under state law, the Travis County district attorney's public integrity unit investigates alleged wrongdoing by state officials.

Mrs. Hutchison has said she believes the investigation of her was a Democratic plot sparked by her landslide special election victory last June.

She said she hopes state lawmakers would look at a bipartisan commission that would operate similarly to the U.S. Senate's ethics committee.

"That is three Democrats and three Republicans, and it takes four votes to institute and investigation. That takes the aura of politics out of it. And I think that's the way we should deal with public officials," she said.

Earlier in the day, Mrs. Hutchison told Austin radio station KLBJ that she would urge Richards to call a special session to consider such changes.

"She could call a special session and the Legislature could handle it right now," the senator said.

# Woman's rebuff sparks shootings in restaurant

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — A fast-food restaurant employee who shot and wounded three co-workers and three high school students began his attack on a woman who rebuffed him on Valentine's Day.

The gunman's first victim Tuesday was co-worker Ericka Osborn, 17, witnesses and police said. She had refused to date Marcus Muriel Thompson, 26, the suspect arrested in the Wendy's Old Fashioned Hamburgers restaurant parking lot after the shootings, according to her mother.

Thompson had asked out Miss Osborn several times, said her mother, Susan Davis. He was rebuffed on Valentine's Day only minutes before a dozen red roses arrived for Miss Osborn from her boyfriend.

"Jealousy got the best of him, and I guess he couldn't handle it," Ms. Davis told the Tulsa World newspaper.

Just before the shootings, Thompson argued with the restaurant manager, Doug Bowen, about whether he had to start work early, Sgt. Steve Emmons said.

"Then he came out in the seating area and had everybody lie down. He hesitated a bit, then just started firing" up to a dozen shots from a .38-caliber handgun, Emmons said.

# Who must file an income tax return

By George W. Smith, CPA

Whether or not U.S. citizens or resident aliens in the United States must file a tax return depends on their gross income, their filing status, and their age.

Generally, U.S. citizens or resident aliens will have to file a tax return for 1993 if their gross income for the year is at least as much as the amount shown in the following table.

| Filing Status 1993 | Gross Income |
|---|---|
| **Single** | |
| Under 65 | $6,050 |
| 65 or older | 6,950 |
| **Married filing joint return** | |
| Both spouses under 65 | $10,900 |
| One spouse 65 or older | 11,600 |
| Both spouses 65 or older | 12,300 |
| **Married filing separate return** | |
| All-whether 65 or older | $2,350 |
| **Head of household** | |
| Under 65 | $7,800 |
| 65 or older | 8,700 |
| **Qualifying widow(er)** | |
| Under 65 | $8,550 |
| 65 or older | 9,250 |

**Example:** Jeff and Joan intended to file a joint return for 1993. Jeff's income is all from wages. Joan receives no income subject to tax. Neither Jeff nor Joan is blind. Jeff is 67 years old, but Joan will not turn 65 until 1994. In 1993 their combined gross income subject to tax will be $12,200. They will have to file a return for 1993 because their gross income will be at least $11,600.

If Joan would have turned 65 by the end of 1993, they would not have to file a 1993 tax return because their gross income would be less than $12,300.

**Caution:** An individual who may be claimed as a dependent on another person's tax return may have to file a return even if the individual's gross income is less than the amount shown in the table above.

**ALWAYS SOME EXCEPTIONS**

— **Married Individuals.** The amounts shown in the table for married filing joint returns cannot be used if either spouse can be claimed on another person's tax return.

Generally, if spouses did not live together at the end of 1993, each must file a return if his or her gross income is $2,350 or more.

— **Self-employed persons.** An individual who is self-employed must file a tax return if net earnings from self-employment for the year are $400 or more.

— **Advance earned-income credit payments.** Any person who receives advance earned-income credit payments during the year must file a tax return regardless of the amount of gross income.

— **An often overlooked refund.** An individual who qualifies for the refundable earned-income credit can claim the credit only by filing a tax return. If you qualify, this is like an automatic refund of money. However, you have to file either Form 1040 or Form 1040A to receive the refund. There is no other way. The IRS will even help to prepare your tax return — free. You can't be that!

— **Other taxes owed.** Even if an individual's gross income is less than the amount shown in the table, he or she must still file a tax return if any other taxes are owed such as:

* Social Security tax on tips not reported to employer.
* Self-employment tax.
* Alternative minimum tax.
* Tax on an individual retirement account. File Form 5329.
* Recapture of investment credit. Use Form 4255.

— **Refund of income tax.** An individual who is not required to file a return, but had federal income tax withheld from earnings, should file a return to receive a refund of the tax withheld. There is no other way to get that money back.

— **Filing requirements for dependents.** An individual who can be claimed as a dependent on another person's tax return must file a tax return if that individual has:

* Earned income only, and his or her total gross income is more than the standard deduction that individual is allowed for the year, or
* Any unearned income and his or her total gross income is more than $600.

Earned income includes wages, salaries and commissions received as compensation for personal services rendered.

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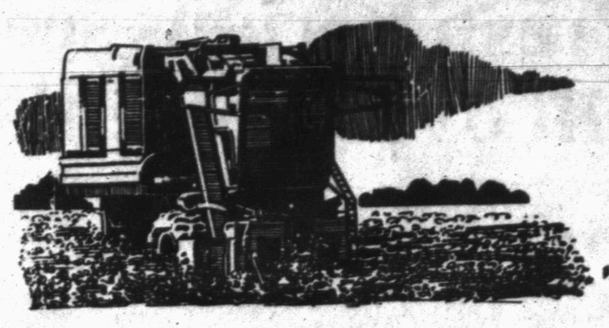
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# Scurry County Country





## SCS Notes

By Michael Squires, Range Conservationist

Paul W. Johnson has been appointed as the new chief of the Soil Conservation Service.

Prior to his appointment in January, he was an Iowa farmer and former state legislator well-known as an architect of environmental legislation.

As a representative in the Iowa General Assembly from 1984 to 1990, he was a major architect of Iowa's Groundwater Protection Act, a model used nationwide for its emphasis on research, education and voluntary approaches to water quality. He also authored the Iowa Resource Enhancement and Protection program, the Iowa Efficiency Act and the Iowa Integrated Farm Management Program.

He serves on the board of agriculture of the National Academy of Sciences where he has been involved in major studies in agriculture, forestry and conservation.

Johnson has been actively involved in conservation issues since he began farming in 1974. He raised corn, hay and Christmas trees, and had a dairy herd and sheep near Decorah in northeast Iowa. He served as an assistant commissioner for his local soil conservation district. He has been named conservation legislator of the year by several organizations in Iowa and was named to the Iowa Conservation Hall of Fame by the Wildlife Society.

Johnson believes one of the most important challenges of our time is to learn to live in harmony with the land.

He is a graduate of the University of Michigan where he received a bachelor's and master's in forestry and pursued doctoral studies in forestry. He taught forestry in Ghana for two years and has worked for the USDA Forest Service in the Pacific Northwest. He has been visiting professor of environmental policy at Luther College.

Studies and consulting work in other countries, in addition to Ghana, include Honduras and Costa Rica, where he studied tropical forest ecology; Sweden, where he studied agriculture, environment and energy policies on a grant from the Swedish government; and Russia, where he traveled in 1991 as a consultant for the Audubon Society Valdai Project on Sustainable Agriculture.

Johnson, 52, and his wife, Patricia Joslyn Johnson, have three grown children.



## Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

How do we know when it is time to quit driving and "hang up the keys?"

This is a question many older drivers are faced with. The independence that comes with driving is hard to give up. However, as responsible drivers we must each look for alternative ways to get around when we can no longer drive safely.

As we age, bodily changes occur which can affect our ability to continue driving safely. Aging can affect flexibility, hearing, vision, reaction time, strength, stamina and attention span. An aging adult in good health and good physical condition will have less influence from these changes. Therefore, age alone is not a determining factor on when a person should quit driving.

Another factor to consider is whether one can drive safely under some conditions and not in other conditions. If this is the case, one can make the adjustments and continue to drive with these limitations. An example is to avoid driving at night if you do not see well at night. Limit the duration of your driving time to what you can comfortably endure.

Medications can affect a person's driving ability. This is true of both over-the-counter and prescription medicines. Talk to your doctor or pharmacist and make sure you know about the side effects of all the medications you are taking, whether prescribed or not.

If you have chosen to drink alcohol, don't drive. Driving under the influence of alcohol can be deadly. Combining alcohol with medicines impairs driving skills even more than having either alcohol or medicines alone.

Select vehicles that contribute to your being a safer driver. White vehicles are more visible out on the road. Large side rear mirrors and rear view mirrors give you better vision on what's behind you. Check for adjustable features on the vehicle that can make it "fit" better. Check vehicle for blind spots before you purchase them.

If you have trouble evaluating your behind-the-wheel skills, a program is available. It requires a physician's referral form. People whose physical abilities are impaired by illness, injury, or age are eligible. A clinical evaluation is provided. Overall strength and body coordination, reaction time, and visual skills are tested by an occupational therapist. A behind-the-wheel evaluation in a car simulator is also provided. Check with your doctor if you or someone you know could benefit from this evaluation.

## Sweetwater cattle auction

The market was steady on a run of 877 head of cattle for the Feb. 9th sale. Lightweight steers and heifers 2-4 cwt higher with feeder cattle steady. Pairs and bred cows higher with packe cows and bulls 2 cwt higher.

**STEERS**
—300-400: 110.00-130.00.
—400-500: 95.00-110.00.
—500-600: 85.00-100.00.
—600-700: 84.00-88.00.
**HEIFERS**
—300-400: 95.00-110.00.
—400-500: 88.00-97.00.
—500-600: 82.00-90.00.
—600-700: 78.00-84.00.
**—BRED COWS**
—Good: 600.00-80000.
—Older and plainer: 400.00-550.00.
**Pairs**
—Good: 750.00-1000.00.
—Older and plainer: 550.00-650.00.
**PACKER COWS**
—Good: 48.00-56.00.
—Low yielding: 42.00-48.00.
**PACKER BULLS**
—Good: 62.00-68.00.
—Low yielding: 57.00-62.00.

## Colorado City livestock auction

COLORADO CITY — Most classes of cattle were higher on 816 head at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, Feb. 12.

Heifers: 200-400, 95-120; 400-600, 82-95; 600-800, 75-82.

Steers: 200-400, 105-130; 400-600, 85-105; 600-800, 78-85.

Bred cows good: 650-800; older bred cows: 450-525; pairs good: 750-900; older pairs: 550-625; good packer cows: 50-57; fat packer cows: 45-48; old shelly cows: 30-41; packer bulls: 55-68.

## SA Sheep

SAN ANGELO (AP) — Sheep auction Tuesday close and weekly summary:

Estimated receipts: 13000. Last week: 13238. Last year: 6923. Compared with last week: feeder lambs steady.

Slaughter ewes 1.00-3.00 higher. Slaughter lambs steady. Trading fairly active, demand good. Quality full range from plain to attractive. Supply included 55 slaughter ewes, 15 feeder lambs, 15 slaughter lambs, 1 ewe/lamb pairs, balance goats. This report compiled by the federal-state livestock market news service.

Feeder classes: Lambs: Medium & large frame No.1-2: 55-90 lb 71.00-79.00. Few new crop 50-90 lb 82.00-89.00. Medium & large frame No.2-3: 55-90 lb 60.00-70.00.

Slaughter classes, Lambs: choice, few prime 2-4 shorn, few wooled 95-135 lb 59.50-66.00, Few 67.00-68.00. Few new crop 95-110 lb 72.00-80.00. Choice 2-3 110-180 lb 50.00-58.50.

Slaughter ewes: Good and choice 2-4 44.00-49.50, few 49.75-51.00; utility 1-3 40.00-48.50; cull 30.00-40.00.

Bucks: 43.00-50.00.

Replacement ewes: Ewes and baby lambs 26.00-38.00 per head.

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# Beef checkoff 1992-93 report now available to producers and others

How the Texas Beef Council adjusted to the shrinking buying power of Texas beef checkoff dollars while maximizing promotion results is the message producers and investors will receive by reading the council's 1992-93 annual report.

The Texas Beef Council (TBC) collected $11,885,022 from Texas beef producers and importers in the last fiscal year. Fifty cents of each dollar collected goes to the Beef Promotion and Research Board to help fund national programs. Since 1988-89, total collection dollars in Texas have remained relatively constant.

Because of inflation, it took $1.30 in 1992-93 to gain the same media buys and the same consummer reach that the industry achieved with $1 in 1987. The declined buying power has meant development of fewer projects. It also has placed a more urgent emphasis on gaining a measurable return from each product.

"This year's annual report shows that beef checkoff dollars didn't go to physicians' seminars unless we could measure the number of patients that doctors reached after attending those seminars," said Anne Anderson, TBC executive president. "Instead, we focused on projects that would, for instance, increase the number of beef items on menus or increase the frequency with which those items are served."

The annual report reflects this results-focused emphasis throughout its sections. Highlights include:

•Six pages of TBC's audited financial statements.

•A month-by-month look at checkoff-funded promotion projects conducted in Texas along with measurable results.

•Letters from TBC Chairman Lucille Sterling and executive vice president Anderson that summarize TBC's philosophy of accountability to Texas checkoff investors.

•A summary of national checkoff expenditures.

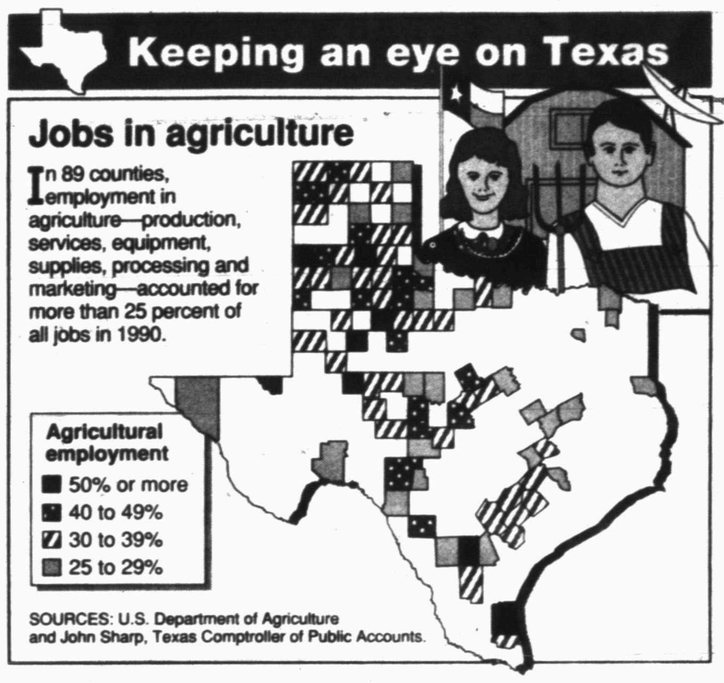
Beef producers will also find details on the expanded industry information function within the month-by-month look at projects.

TBC staff members have extended information about the National Beef Quality Audit (NBQA) to seedstock, cow-calf, stocker, auction market, feeder and packer segments. This information will help Texas producers achieve a consistent, quality beef supply in all production segments.

The TBC board authorized almost a half-million dollars for industry information in the past fiscal year and has authorized another increase for this year.

All checkoff collection sites — auction markets, order buyers, feedyards and packers — will receive a copy of the report that can be examined by producers. Copies are also available on request from TBC at 8310 Capital of Texas Hwy. N., Ste. 440, Austin, TX 78721, or by calling (512) 345-3531.

## Keeping an eye on Texas




# Texas crop report

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Springlike conditions for the rest of this month should make Texans forget last week's ice storm, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports.

The hard freeze and ice storm which hit much of Texas exacerbated some problems with keeping cattle well-fed, but caused few other problems beyond slowing field work.

A break in the winter weather should allow agricultural producers to get out and work in their fields, said Jon Zeitler, meteorologist at the Southwest Agricultural Weather Service in College Station.

"People may want to really take advantage of this weather, particularly given the poor conditions we've had over the past few weeks," Zeitler said.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: Soil moisture short. Extreme cold early last week; warmed toward weekend. Cattle good condition; some stressed by cold. Supplemental feeding continues. Wheat perked up by snowfall. Land preparation continues as weather permits.

SOUTH PLAINS: Soil moisture short to very short. Extreme cold last week, but very little moisture. Supplemental feeding of livestock continues due to extreme dry conditions. Wheat in need of moisture. Land preparation and some pre-irrigation continues. (more)

ROLLING PLAINS: Soil moisture short to adequate. Heavy supplemental feeding continues with limited wheat and declining range quality. Some counties reporting limited on weea gazing. Snow and showers improved conditions. Wheat growth slowed because of cold.

NORTH TEXAS: Soil moisture surplus to short. Livestock fair; some supplemental feeding. Pastures good to poor. Hay short. Ryegrass, grain growth slow. Onions planted. Too wet for much activity. Peach pruning continues; some budding.

EAST TEXAS: Soil moisture adequate. Livestock good. Native pastures poor. Heavy supplemental feedings; hay short. Wheat fair. Land preparation and early spring vegetable planting continue. Spraying and pruning peach trees; some budding.

FAR WEST TEXAS: Soil moisture very short. Livestock good to poor; supplemental feeding continues due to weather and poor forage quality. Moisture needed in many areas; pastures, ranges fair to poor. Onions making progress.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: Soil moisture short to adequate. Livestock good to fair; supplemental feeding continues. Wheat slowed by cold, dryness. Numerous greenbugs. Small grain growth inhibited. Spring calving in progress. Pruning, dormant oil applications continue.

CENTRAL TEXAS: Soil moisture adequate. Weight loss in cattle due to cold, wet weather; hay feeding continues. Cold weather slows garden activity. Spring vegetables being planted. No diseases reported.

## Tomatoes, potatoes belong in same genus

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tomatoes and potatoes don't seem to have much in common except a rhyme. But researchers say they actually are so much alike they belong in the same plant genus.

Agriculture Department and university scientists who collected wild potato and tomato plants and compared their genetic makeups say they both should be placed in the Solanum genus.

Originally, Swedish biologist Carl Linnaeus placed both vegetables in the Solanum genus, says a report in this month's issue of Agricultural Research magazine. But another scientist later moved tomatoes into the Lycopersicon genus.

David Spooner, a botanist with the service at its Vegetable Corps Research Unit in Madison, Wis., noted that most people don't think of tomatoes and potatoes as similar because the parts that are eaten appear to be so different.

## Dairy fees are higher

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department is increasing some fees for its voluntary grading and inspection services paid for by the dairy industry.

The dairy grading program, like other industry-solicited grading programs, is paid for by user fees and must balance its income against costs, said Lon Hatamiya, administrator of USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service.

The dairy fee increases, which became effective Feb. 9, included:

—From $44.60 an hour to $47.20 for intermittent grading and inspection services, with additional travel and per diem costs continuing to be charged.

—From $39.60 an hour to $42.20 for continuous resident grading and inspection — that is, for a grader-inspector permanently assigned to a plant.

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# Presbyterians seek to mend rift over women's confab

IRVING (AP) — Leaders of the Presbyterian Church are seeking to placate both sides of a dispute over attempts by some to present feminine images of God.

During a weeklong meeting here, the Presbyterian General Assembly Council has addressed several issues raised during an ecumenical conference on women. Critics of the conference last November in Minneapolis allege that its theological basis did not adhere to the Christian faith.

The Minneapolis "Re-imagining" conference invoked "Sophia, Creator God" and used other feminine references.

The feud has long been waged over attempts to modify pervasively male references to God as "He" or "Father" and to bring out biblical indications that God also has "motherly" qualities.

Christian theology has long held that God is not limited to male nor female, but transcends sexual limitations.

Bible readers differ over whether the "Sophia" texts merely use a literary device to personify the abstract idea of wisdom or whether SophiaWisdom is an aspect of divinity.

The four-day conference, which ends today, is not sponsored by any one denomination, but Presbyterians — with almost 20 percent of the 2,200 participants — have a plurality.

And facing a possible rift among its members, it is the Presbyterian Church that is attempting to placate both those who support the conference as an exploration in religious theology and those who view it as a threat to Christianity.

The General Assembly Council's executive committee presented it a nine-page report Tuesday. The report was adopted, 36-20, after several unsuccessful attempts to alter or substitute other responses.

There was about an hour of debate Tuesday afternoon and about 90 minutes more of debate Tuesday night before the report won approval. The okay came after one sentence was deleted.

The report reaffirms the council's commitment to the Christian faith and said it "stands firmly within the reformed theological tradition."

The deleted sentence, which opponents said could be read as criticism of the church's involvement in ecumenical activities, was: "When we reflect from this perspective on certain statements and rituals of the Re-imagining conference and some of the responses to it, we are clear that the boundaries of the Reformed faith have been stretched or exceeded."

However, the report acknowledged there is a certain freedom of conscience within the boundaries of traditional Christianity.

"This recommendation looks forward to evaluating those procedures and broadening the base of decision-making," said the Rev. Neil Weatherhogg, chairman of the General Assembly Council.

The report recommends there be no reprimands or discharges of council members who attended the conference.

Some council members, in a preliminary discussion of the report Monday, expressed dissatisfaction at its apparent middle-ground approach.

One council member asked whether they could "throw out the report and reaffirm our faith and see if we can distance ourselves from the views expressed in Minneapolis that are contrary to our Presbyterian beliefs."

Some council members expressed concern about a show of support for homosexuals that was displayed at the conference. During an unscheduled presentation to "celebrate the miracle of being lesbian," a member of Christian Lesbians Out Together called for the audience to stand in support of acceptance by the church of homosexuals.

One council member contended it was against church guidelines to have council members joining in such a show of support.

However, council member Emily Hessler said, "I see that in support of the church pursuing an inclusive community and welcoming people into the church no matter what their sexual orientation."

Presbyterian guidelines allow homosexuals as church members, but prohibit their service as officers.

## Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

# The trials of frequent blushing

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: How can I conquer the problem of blushing every time I talk to someone? I've been bothered by this for years and have missed out on many jobs because of the weakness. I'm considered intelligent but this is my downfall and I can't afford professional help.

DEAR READER: Blushing is caused by dilation of blood vessels in the skin of the face and neck, triggered by stress or embarrassment. Although everybody blushes once in awhile, some people seem to be exceptionally prone to this tendency.

I have heard of some blushing folks who were helped by counseling and support groups to increase self-confidence. However, there may be a quicker and more direct way to handle this problem.

Non-habit-forming beta-blocking drugs, such as Inderal, are used to treat heart disease and hypertension. The medicine also blocks the nervous impulses that cause extreme nervousness. This is the reason thousands of healthy people take low doses of Inderal before speeches, concerts, recitals, and so forth. Ten milligrams of Inderal taken an hour or so before a job interview might reduce your tendency to blush, without sedating you or affecting your intellectual capabilities.

Because Inderal is a prescription drug, you'll have to discuss your problem with your family doctor, who — I'm certain — would agree to a trial of the medicine.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I awaken with the back of my mouth and throat coated with bloody mucus. This has been going on for two years since I quit smoking. I've been to several specialists who have come up with negative findings. Can you offer any insight?

DEAR READER: The blood and mucus must be coming from somewhere. In an ex-smoker, of course, I'd worry about a tumor in the throat and surrounding area — or you could have a chronic sinus infection. You say that you've been checked out by specialists; I hope these included otolaryngologists.

If the ear-nose-and-throat doctors did, indeed, give you a clean bill of health, you can probably relax. The blood and mucus may have a trivial cause, such as an unusually raw throat caused by dry air or allergies, if you are a "mouth breather" at night. Nonetheless, before ignoring your symptom, make sure that the specialists have thoroughly investigated your problem, using CT scans and fiberoptic examinations.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Medical Specialists." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

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DR. GOTT



PETER GOTT, M.D.

# Haiti's poor population lives amid continual poverty, fear

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — It is the stench that assails you first when you enter Cite Soleil, the huge slum in Port-au-Prince. Burning garbage mixes with smoke from charcoal fires. The smell burns your nostrils.

Then the sheer volume of humanity stuns you.

Women balance big baskets of produce or what looks like garbage on their heads. A shirtless mother washes clothes in a sewer, her naked toddler splashing beside her in the mud. A man in green briefs bathes in a bucket of water in the middle of the road.

There's no escape from the squalor — or the fear. Jean-Bertrand Aristide, ousted as president in a 1991 army coup, seems farther than ever from returning to lead the people who elected him, many of them Haiti's poorest citizens.

Some of the most desperate have tried to flee to the United States in rickety boats, but U.S. policy mandates their return. The drowned bodies of four boat people washed up on Florida shores last week.

Military oppression has produced a spate of violence in recent weeks. The worst was the shooting deaths of at least 10 Aristide supporters Feb. 2 in a safe house where some had fled threats by an army-supported paramilitary group.

So most of Haiti's poor keep their heads down and drudge on.

Everywhere in Cite Soleil, people stand or crouch in front of shacks of aluminum, plywood, cardboard or cinder block, peddling wares or cooking food to sell.

It looks like a never-ending market, but it is not. People live in these hovels. Corrugated aluminum sheets cover some shacks. Others lack even a roof.

Everyone is an entrepreneur, peddling whatever they can get their hands on to scrape by.

The trouble is, no one has the money to buy.

"Sometimes we don't sell anything all week," said Margarete Saint-Hiler, standing at a bus stop waiting to go home after 12 hours of work.

She sells clothing at a market in downtown Port-au-Prince.

Eyes dull from exhaustion, she said she had sold nothing that day, and was depending on God and the generosity of friends to feed her three youngsters.

The world gasoline embargo, imposed to pressure Haiti's ruling military to restore Aristide to power, has driven fuel costs sky high. In turn, prices have soared for necessities such as food and public transportation.

But the poor in this poorest country in the Americas are accustomed to suffering.

## Berry's World



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## DATE BOOK

Feb. 16, 1994

*Today is ASH WEDNESDAY. It is the 47th day of 1994 and the 58th day of winter.*

S M T W T F S

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1959, Fidel Castro became prime minister of Cuba.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Henry Brooks Adams (1838-1918), historian; George Macaulay Trevelyan (1876-1962), historian; Edgar Bergen (1903-1978), ventriloquist; George F. Kennan (1904-), U.S. diplomat-historian, is 90; Patty Andrews (1920-), singer, is 74; Sonny Bono (1935-), singer-politician, is 59; John McEnroe (1959-), tennis player, is 35.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1984, Bill Johnson became the first American to win the Olympic downhill skiing event.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "Education has produced a vast population able to read but unable to distinguish what is worth reading." — George Macaulay Trevelyan

**TODAY'S WEATHER:** On this day in 1986, rare downslope winds of over 55 mph caused extensive damage in and near Hilo, Hawaii.

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**TODAY'S MOON:** Between new moon (Feb. 10) and first quarter (Feb. 18).

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