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Court bans burning of uncontained material

Dry conditions prompt resolution

Recognizing the dry conditions that exist in Scurry County, commissioners court members this morning passed a resoution banning the burning of any material outside of an enclosure designed to contain flame or sparks.

Fire Chief Terry Don McDowell told the court that the burning of trash in a barrel is permissible as long as a spark arrestor such as a window screen is placed over the barrel.

"Chicken wire or expanded metal won't do the job," said McDowell.

He also urged welders using cutting torches or other machines which might produce sparks to be extremely careful.

The resolution passed by the court states that the "dry conditions pose the threat of large, fast-moving wild fires and such fires have the potential of endangering lives and damaging property on a wide scale."

Actions specifically prohibited include the burning of any combustible material outside of an enclosure which serves to contain all flames and/or sparks, or orders the burning by others.

Also, a person violates the order if he/she engages in any activity outdoors which could allow flames or sparks that could result in a fire, or orders such activities by others.

Violating the order could result in prosecution and a fine up to $1,000 and/or up to 180 days in jail.

This order may be enforced by any duly commissioned peace officer.

McDowell added that persons cooking outside on a pit should have a covering on the cooker to keep the sparks from getting out.

He also said the three main causes of grass fires are the burning of trash, welding and the careless throwing down of lit cigarettes.

In other business this morning, Department of Public Safety trooper Joe Salinas addressed the court concerning speed limits on federal, state and county roads.

Salinas said there has been some confusion about the speed limits on county-maintained roads.

"If it is a county-maintained, county-named road such as Round Top Road, Blockline Road, Gary Brewer Road — the speed limit is 60 mph in the daytime and 55 at night," said Salinas.

"This includes both paved and caliche-topped roads," he said.

Salinas added that all federal and state highways and farm-to-market roads have a daytime speed limit of 70 and 65 at night.

He said all vehicles pulling trailers — regardless of the size of the trailer — have a speed limit of 60 mph in the day and 55 mph at night.

"If you're pulling a boat trailer, a stock trailer or even a small utility trailer, you operate with the same speed limit as an 18-wheeler," said the trooper.

The court also approved a budget amendment in the amount of $10,000 to pay for expenses for drilling test wells and other expenses relating to an underground gasoline storage tank at Winston Field which was first discovered leaking in 1989.

County Judge Ricky Fritz said the testing was ordered by the Texas Natural Resource Conser-

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NAACP ANNUAL BANQUET — Members of the Scurry County NAACP held their annual banquet celebrating Black History Month Saturday at Rudy's. Pictured are guest speaker Anthony Brooks, associate pastor of the St. James Baptist Church in Colorado City, and Floyda Collins, local NAACP president. (SDN Staff Photo by Joyce May)

Positive community influence message to banquet attendees

African-Americans attending the annual NAACP banquet Saturday night were urged to join together to have a positive influence in the community around them.

"We must come together to fight against a well-organized army of evil by getting to know God and the knowledge of the spirit," Anthony Brooks, associate pastor of St. James Baptist Church in Colorado City and guest speaker at the banquet, said.

Brooks also urged guests and members to get out and do their part by voting.

"Don't sit back and not vote," Brooks said. "In order for you to make a change in the community, register to vote and if you see a person who you think will get the job done, vote that person in."

Brooks spoke on the theme "Where are We Going From Here: Do the Little Things That Help Make Dreams Come True."

He emphasized that spiritual growth in the word of God was the key to moving forward.

Chaplain Mark Smith introduced the speaker.

Saturday's banquet opened with a prayer by Stanley Peppers, followed by everyone singing "We've Come This Far by Faith."

Mayor David Holt then welcomed everyone to the banquet.

Songs and readings were performed by Gloria Peppers, Felsha Biggers, Sedalia Malone and Ella Boone.

Floyda Collins, president of the Snyder branch of the NAACP, presented officers.

Following remarks and announcements, the banquet closed with everyone joining hands and singing "We Shall Overcome."

Court to hear patent dispute

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today agreed to clarify a key element of patent law — just how similar a new invention must be to an existing patent to be deemed an infringement.

The court said it will review a $3.5 million patent-infringement award won by one food dye manufacturer against another.

The justices were told, in a friend-of-the-court brief submitted by the American Intellectual Property Law Association, that their decision would be of "fundamental importance ... in virtually all patent litigation."

In other cases, the court:

—Let more than 2,000 people pursue claims that they were harmed by radiation released during the 1979 accident at the Three Mile Island nuclear plant in Pennsylvania. The court rejected the plant owners' appeal that even though the radiation release was above federal limits, no one actually was exposed to excessive radiation.

—Turned away an unusual challenge — filed on behalf of a frozen human embryo — to a federal panel that recommended federal financing of medical research on embryos. The court rejected arguments that a human embryo is a person who can file a lawsuit.

—Let stand a Florida law that makes it a crime to burn a cross on someone else's property.

The nation's highest court already has an important patent dispute under review and is expected to announce its decision in it by iate June. In question is what issues must be decided by juries, and not judges, in infringement lawsuits.

The case acted on today focuses on the so-called doctrine of equivalents.

In a series of decisions, the Supreme Court has said new inventions violate patent protection for similar inventions if the differences are only cosmetic or "insubstantial."

Courts traditionally have tried to determine whether an accused product or process includes substantially the same function, way and result as one protected by a patent.



Bill Wilson Jr.

Wilson won't seek another WTC term

Bill Wilson Jr., one of the founders of Western Texas College and an original member of the board of trustees, announced this morning that he will not seek another term on the board.

"It's been my love," Wilson said of the college, where he has served as a board member since 1970.

In July of 1957, Wilson began working with Wayne Boren to bring a college to Scurry County.

"It took 12 years and a lot of trips and bus loads of people to Austin," said Wilson.

By a 10-1 margin, voters approved on Nov. 22, 1969 creating the college district. Trustees were elected in 1970 and the first classes began in the fall of 1971.

"It's been very, very good for the area and particularly for Scurry County. I hate very much to turn my suit in, but I guess if Tom Landry and Don Shula can quit, I can too."

Wilson's decision will leave R.C. Patton as the only member of the original board still serving. Wilson's term will end immediately following the May election.

There are two trustee positions up for election on the board: Wilson's Place 1 seat, and Place 2, held by Carl Williams. As yet, no one has filed for either place.

Today began the second week of filings in WTC, city council and Snyder, Hermleigh and Ira ISD elections. Filing runs through March 20 with all five elections set May 4.

As yet, there is only one contested race. City councilwoman Vernest Tippens is facing a challenge from the Rev. Caiaphas Cain for Place 1.

Currently running unopposed on the council are Jerry Webb, Place 2; Kenny Gambrell, Place 3; and I.E. Martin, Place 4.

Also unopposed are Snyder ISD and Ira ISD incumbents. Running for re-election on the Snyder ISD board are Glenn Clarady for Place 1; Mark McCormick, for Place 4; and Janet Stribling, for Place 5.

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Clinton considers sanctions against Cuba

WASHINGTON (AP) — Promising swift response to the downing of two civilian airplanes, President Clinton met with his foreign policy team today to explore a series of sanctions against Cuba.

His senior aides also planned high-level briefings for the Cuban-American community, hoping to temper a political storm just two week's before Florida's presidential primary.

In Havana, Cuban officials suggested they captured one of the downed pilots. U.S. officials said they doubted anyone aboard the planes could have survived the attack. The head of the group that operated the downed planes said the pilot in question may be a Cuban spy who has returned to Cuba.

At the United Nations, Cuba asked the Security Council to delay any action until its foreign minister arrives to explain Cuba's side of the incident.

Clinton gathered his top advisers in the White House's Roosevelt Room to discuss the memo they delivered to him Sunday night. It outlined a range of options, including tougher restrictions on travel, communications and some financial transactions that Clinton had eased last fall.

He also is reconsidering his opposition to a bill in Congress that would punish companies that do business with Cuba, aides said. The administration has previously expressed concerns with the measure.

With tight economic sanctions already in place, there are not many ways Clinton can punish Cuba on his own. And officials said the president is still concerned that any actions he took could hurt the Cuban people — not Castro.

Two planes flown by a Cuban exile group were blown from the sky by MiG-29 fighter jets Saturday. One plane returned safely to the United States.

U.S. intelligence officials said the air traffic control tower in Havana had warned the pilots they were in danger. The officials said at least one plane ventured into Cuban airspace.

The administration argued that the shooting violated international law because the Cuban aircraft made no effort to warn the Cuban-American pilots or escort them from the area.

Republican presidential rivals used the incident to question Clinton's Cuba policies. The White House, knowing Florida could be a swing state in the presidential elections, was sensitive to the criticism.

"The president was swiftly responding to these events before any Republicans opened his ... mouth," press secretary Mike McCurry said.

Shortly before Clinton's meeting, U.S. officials speaking on condition of anonymity said they doubted the pilots survived the attack.

Russia expressed regret over the loss of life but suggested flights near Cuban airspace may be provocative.

Area playoff set Tuesday in coliseum

Scurry County Coliseum will be the site of a Class 3A Area playoff Tuesday night.

The Tulia Hornets (22-7) will take on the Graham Steers (29-4) at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are $3 for adults and $2 for students.

ASK US

Q—Can the IRS keep your income tax refund if you have a past-due student loan?

A—Yes. If you have a deliquent student loan, are behind on child support or owe the government, the IRS can use your refund to pay off those debts. The IRS will notify you, after the fact.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 68 degrees; low, 38; high Sunday, 79; low, 50; 7 a.m. reading Monday, 50; no precipitation; total for 1996, .21 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Turning colder late. Low 35-40. W-NW wind decreasing to 10-20 mph, gusty. Tuesday, becoming mostly cloudy, colder. High, mid to upper 50s. N wind 10-20 mph.



Becoming Colder

Sunset: 6:39 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:49 a.m.

Of 56 days in 1996, the sun has shone 53 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

In the light of a king's face is life, and his favor is like a cloud with the spring rain.

Proverbs 16:15

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Pursuit of legend yields storehouse of brains

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — With so many great minds at Yale University, the last place Christopher Wahl expected to find 600 of them was in dusty old jars beneath his dormitory.

As a first-year medical student, he listened keenly as upperclassmen told him the eerie legend of a cache of bottled brains located deep within the subbasement of Edward S. Harkness Hall.

Then, his curiosity got the better of him.

Sometime after midnight — and after a few drinks — he and four other students descended to the former bomb shelter. Their voices hushed so as not to be detected, they picked the lock using a piece of wire. They passed a dimly lit collection of boxes, old furniture, a gurney and other flotsam long since forgotten.

Then they found them: On dirty shelves, rows and rows of brains. Each floated in a gallon jar of formaldehyde, yellow, brown and gray.

Wahl had no idea that they had found a meticulously gathered collection that chronicled the scientific beginnings of neurosurgery. He was just worried about getting caught.

"I could just see telling my parents I got thrown out of medical school for this," said the 28-year-old Wahl, who graduates in May.

Wahl made his discovery in 1991. For a year, he kept it secret but remained haunted by the photographic negatives that accompanied the specimens: the faraway look in the eyes of a little girl in agony, a bony woman with a massive brain tumor seeping out of her skull.

"This is not like finding canned fruit in the basement," he said. "It was almost harrowing finding them because you realize these were people. The photos are riveting, compelling, very emotional."

Through some research, Wahl learned that the specimens were collected by Dr. Harvey Cushing, a pioneer in brain surgery and, at his death in 1939, Yale's Sterling Professor of Neurology.

When Wahl finally approached faculty with the discovery, he did not face expulsion. The discovery was hailed as a momentous historical find.

"I thought this was a wonderful thing," said Dr. Dennis Spencer, Yale's chief of neurosurgery. "Many of the faculty knew they were there, but the outside world really forgot."

Wahl said he was relieved that "no one really asked, 'What were you doing skulking around the bottom of the dorm?'"

Cushing's brain tumor registry contains more than 2,000 case studies, including whole brain specimens and tumors, more than 50,000 pages of records, notes, journal excerpts, and some 15,000 photographic negatives. The material dates from the late 1800s to 1936.

Cushing was responsible for transforming brain surgery from a bizarre novelty to a legitimate science, even as some of his grossly disfigured patients were relegated to freak shows and institutions.

When he began performing surgery before the turn of the century, Cushing's mortality rate was more than 90 percent. By the time he last used a scalpel in the 1930s, the rate was down to 10 percent because of innovations, many of which he developed.

His use of equipment to monitor a patient under anesthesia and surgical tools that he invented to stop bleeding during operations were considered revolutionary.

Cushing followed his patients' cases for years, and they usually gave him permission to perform their autopsies and use their bodies to help science, Wahl said.

Many of the deformities are not seen in the United States today because of early diagnosis and modern technology. Cushing's photographs provide some of the only images of such afflicted people outside of the Third World.

Wahl became so absorbed in the archive that he took a year off from his studies to collate Cushing's slides and photographs with the medical histories, drawings and notes. Although he is writing his thesis on Cushing's work, he plans to enter another field: orthopedic surgery.

Because of Wahl's efforts, Cushing's pictures, surgical tools, a narrative history and one of the brains are on display at the Yale Medical School for the first time.

But Wahl has higher goals. He is trying to raise a $150,000 endowment, create a Cushing database and find a place to preserve the entire collection at Yale. Most of the brains remain in the basement where they were found.

Controversial DIA marks first year

DENVER (AP) — Like a gawky teen-ager on a first date, Denver International Airport has fumbled through its first year with an image pimpled by gaffes.

Officials insist the majestic, $4.9 billion airport has operated efficiently since it opened Feb. 28, 1995 — 16 months late and $3.2 billion over budget.

But it has stumbled time after time: parking lot blues, a barely avoided collision of an airliner with a truck on a snowy runway, malfunctioning radar, roof leaks, lawsuits, an unintentionally unlisted phone number and, always, the infamous automated baggage system, which only last week mangled a $7,500 computer inside a heavy-duty case that had survived extensive international travel.

"Even after a year, I feel there were a lot of mistakes made in the planning stages that have detracted from the beautiful airport it is now," Ruth Skerjanec, a Denver accountant, said on a recent trip to DIA. "I wish things could have been handled a little bit better."

"Obviously, there have been glitches in the system," acknowledged Mayor Wellington Webb. "On balance, has the airport done what it was scheduled to do and fulfill the technological need of why it was built? I think the answer is yes."

Rising above the rolling prairie 25 miles northeast of downtown, DIA is the first all-new airport built in the United States since 1974. It raised eyebrows, and blood pressures, from the moment it hit the drawing board.

DIA's opening, originally set for October 1993, was delayed by construction setbacks and problems with the $322 million high-tech baggage system, shown on national television chewing up and spitting out bags in early tests.

Originally intended to move bags around the entire airport, the system now serves only United Airlines gates. Other airlines stick to common tug-and-cart systems to deliver luggage.

Since it opened, DIA has cut flight delays to about three aircraft per 1,000 takeoffs and landings from a 1994 delay rate of 14 per 1,000 at Stapleton International Airport, DIA's predecessor.

Aviation Director Jim DeLong said DIA's revenues are $15 million more than expected, but he refuses to release a profit-loss statement, citing an ongoing investigation of DIA by the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The city has also resolved early overcrowding problems in parking lots and long delays at exit toll booths, and it estimates concession revenues at $101.2 million, including $44.4 million in parking fees.

Development is under way on the vast, surrounding prairie. The first hotel in the area opened Friday.

On the flip side, Continental Airlines closed its Denver hub, discount carrier MarkAir Inc. filed for bankruptcy and closed, and passenger traffic fell 6 percent.

Moreover, ticket prices rose 20 percent to 38 percent.

United, by far the largest airline left at DIA, handling 70 percent of its traffic, said the increases were due to higher operating costs. The per-passenger costs — based on fees for leasing gates and for takeoffs and landings — rose from $5.85 at Stapleton to an average $18.80 at DIA.

United recently cut its prices, however, because of strong competition from discount carriers flying out of Colorado Springs, just 70 miles away.

Several civil investigations continue into alleged wrongdoing in DIA's construction.

One by the SEC is looking into allegations that Denver failed to properly disclose DIA's problems when it sold airport bonds. The city denies the charges.

DIA's biggest hurdle has been its problem-plagued image. The early attention to its radical design and laughable baggage system has guaranteed steady national media coverage.

During DIA's first major blizzard, on Oct. 22, for example, snow and rain leaked through the FAA tower's roof. One plane took a wrong turn and got stuck in a snowdrift. Another aborted a landing at the last second because a truck was on the runway.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



How much food is enough?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: When a medication comes with instructions to "take with food," what constitutes food? If between meals, is a cracker, for instance, sufficient?

DEAR READER: Some medications are absorbed more completely when taken on an empty stomach; others enter the body more readily when combined with food. The question is how much food.

As a general rule, it's easiest to take the latter drugs with a meal. In this way, it isn't necessary to debate how much food is appropriate. I doubt that a single cracker fills the bill. Would two do? Maybe, depending on the medicine.

If you really can't take your prescription with food, I suppose a snack — such as a sandwich or a few crackers and some juice — would suffice. However, as I mentioned, it depends on the drug. Ask your family physician or pharmacist for specific instructions.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband was diagnosed with high blood pressure four months ago. He was put on Prinivil and, ever since, he has stopped snoring. He's now so quiet that I check on him when he's sleeping to see if he's breathing. Is there a connection?

DEAR READER: Prinivil is a drug commonly prescribed for hypertension. To my knowledge, it has no effect on snoring, which is usually caused by flaccid tissue at the back of the throat that interferes with breathing. Can your husband's doctor, after appropriate examination, shed some light on your interesting observation?

To give you more information on the two conditions discussed, I am sending you free copies of my Health Reports "Hypertension" and "Sleep/Wake Disorders." Other readers who would like copies should send $2 for each report plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 26-year-old female. For the past year I've suffered from interstitial cystitis. At times the pain gets so bad that I have to remain in bed. I'm under the care of a urologist and have had numerous procedures performed by him. I've already received a second opinion. I will do anything to be able to live pain-free. Can certain foods or behavior upset my condition?

DEAR READER: Interstitial cystitis is a non-infectious bladder irritation, probably due to an auto-immune phenomenon (self-allergy), which causes ulcers of the bladder lining, painful urination, diminished bladder capacity and blood in the urine.

The condition usually responds to repeated, mechanical stretching of the bladder, in conjunction with cautery of the ulcers. However, as you've discovered, the procedure must be repeated, because the ulcers tend to recur.

Foods and behavior will not affect the bladder problem.

In really severe cases, the urologist may have to consider an operation called cystectomy, which diverts the urine from the bladder into part of the intestine. Because such surgery is so radical, it is only used as a last resort, if bladder dilation fails to control symptoms.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Tuesday, Feb. 27, 1996

In accordance with the laws of nature, nothing is actually wasted. Painful lessons from the past can be utilized effectively in the year ahead.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You are the kind of person who usually treats guests warmly and cordially, but today you might not be your usual hospitable self. Mind your manners. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You might become involved with an individual who operates in a manner that makes you uncomfortable today. Do not let this person patronize you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Open your heart as well as your purse strings today if an old friend needs financial assistance. Make sure to offer only what you can afford.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your ambition will be aroused easily today, but you might focus on the wrong objective. Try not to waste time on something of little real value.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Guard against the inclination to suppress things that bother you today. Try to bring them out into the open instead so that they can be discussed and resolved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you poke your nose into a situation where it doesn't belong today, a friend who has kept to herself recently might dump her problems on you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) An associate who cooperated with you previously might be reluctant to do so today because he or she will feel that past efforts were not acknowledged properly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A negative attitude will not only make your tasks more difficult today, but also your co-workers' performance may suffer as well.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Someone with whom you're closely affiliated might make unfair demands on your resources today. Know your limits and stay within them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Try to avoid making a major decision today if you haven't had enough time to evaluate all of the pros and cons. Hasty judgments will only invite problems.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Prepare to fend for yourself today. You will not have the capacity to get others to do your bidding. Why court rejection?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In an attempt to improve your lot in life today, you might be tempted to take a foolish gamble. Do not lose your grip on reality.

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Date Book

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Today is the 57th day of 1996 and the 67th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1919, the Grand Canyon National Park was established.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Christopher Marlowe (1564-1593), writer; Victor Hugo (1802-1885), writer; Honore Daumier (1808-1879), artist; Buffalo Bill Cody (1846-1917), Western scout-hunter; Grover Cleveland Alexander (1887-1950), baseball great; Tex Avery (1908-1980), animator; Jackie Gleason (1916-1987), comedian; Tony Randall (1920-), actor, is 76; Fats Domino (1928-), musician, is 68; Johnny Cash (1932-), singer-songwriter, is 64.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1925, billiards player Joe Schaefer ran off 400 consecutive balls in 70 minutes for a 400-0 win over his opponent.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Accurst be he that first invented war." — Christopher Marlowe

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1645, John Winthrop's journal noted that the Boston area received a blizzard that blocked roads for three weeks.

SOURCE: 1996 Weather Guide Calendar, Accord Publishing, Ltd

TODAY'S MOON: First quarter.

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Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Sharp Image Energy Inc. will drill the No. 1 Sterling in the Sharon Ridge field, four miles southwest of Ira. Planned for a depth of 7,900 feet, location is in Section 122, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Halvey Energy Co. will drill the No. 1 Echols in the Mirage field, two miles east of Dunn. Planned for a depth of 7,700 feet, location is in Section 3, Block 65, H&GN survey.

Borden County

Wynne Petroleum Co. has completed the No. 1 Eicke Ranch in the Eicke Ranch field, 14 miles north of Gail. The well was finaled to produce 233 barrels of 38 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 8,306-349 feet, and location is in Section 24, Block 30, T6N, T&P survey.

Mitchell County

WJC Inc. will drill the No. 11 L.A. Strain in the Sharon Ridge field, 10 miles northwest of Colorado City. Planned for a depth of 1,700 feet, location is in Section 3, Block 27, T&P survey.

Fisher County

Oryx Energy Co. will drill the No. 707 Claytonville unit in the Claytonville field, 10 miles southwest of Roby. Planned for a depth of 6,400 feet, location is in Section 183, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Erin Oil Exploration Inc. will drill the No. 2-B Neversuch in the Royston field, five miles northwest of Hamlin. Planned for a depth of 4,800 feet, location is in Section 203, BBB&C survey.

Erin Oil will drill the No. 3-B Neversuch in the Royston field, five miles northwest of Hamlin. Also planned for 4,800 feet, location is in Section 203, BBB&C survey.

HGN Operating will drill the No. 1 Birdia Hendley, a 4,200-foot wildcat located three miles north of Roby. Location is in the Bastrop CSL survey.

Nolan County

Clear Fork Inc. has completed the No. 1 Patterson, a wildcat located eight miles southwest of Maryneal. The venture was finaled to produce 80 barrels of 40 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 6,620-663 feet, and location is in Section 21, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Van Operating has completed the No. 1 Paleface Cottonwood in the Estaban northwest field, four miles north of Roscoe. The well was completed to produce 75 barrels of 40.5 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 6,699-708 feet, and location is in Section 20, Block 23, T&P survey.

Howard County

J. Cleo Thompson will drill the No. 1 Shell-Alexander in the Zebulon north field, seven miles northwest of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 11,000 feet, drill site is in Section 24, Block A, Bauer and Cockrell survey.

Although David Brewster patented his invention of the kaleidoscope before it hit the market in 1816, it was so popular and so simple to produce that he was soon overrun with competitors. Since he was unable to sue them all, the only money he made from his invention was during the first few days.

Berry's World



"Here's a bit of good news. The Misery Index is at a low 8.3."

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Pentagon alters handling of MIA cases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hardly noticed in the 1996 defense bill is a provision that could force the Pentagon to reconsider thousands of cases of missing American servicemen whom the government declared dead as far back as the 1940s.

Pentagon officials tried to kill the measure, saying it requires "far reaching changes" in the handling of MIA cases and will hinder battlefield operations. They also contend it will prolong the agony of families of missing servicemen and impose unnecessary money and work burdens on the Pentagon.

But to some relatives of men unaccounted for from the Korean and Vietnam wars and from Cold War missions, the first major change to the Missing Persons Act since World War II offers new assurance that the missing will not be forgotten.

"It better protects the active duty military now and in the future," said Ann Mills Griffith, executive director of the National League of Families of American Prisoners and Missing In Southeast Asia. Her brother is unaccounted for in Vietnam.

It has been the military's practice since World War II to review the status of an MIA after one year. But if there is no evidence by then that the serviceman survived, a presumptive finding of death can be made, and the matter generally is not revisited unless new information comes to light. In the past, case files often were not kept active and could not be reviewed by family members.

The revised act, as contained in the 1996 defense authorization bill signed into law by President Clinton on Feb. 10, makes several changes. Among them:

—For missing service members known or suspected of being alive at the time of disappearance, a board of inquiry must be convened every three years for as long as 30 years. The Pentagon argues that inquiries should be made only when new information comes to light.

—No more than 16 days after someone is reported missing the commander with jurisdiction over the MIA must certify to defense secretary that "all necessary actions" are being taken and "all appropriate assets" are being used.

In a Jan. 18 letter to Sen. Strom Thurmond, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, Deputy Defense Secretary John White wrote that the certification requirement would "severely tax" battlefield commanders and "divert their attention" when they should be leading those who are "still in the fight."

—Cases of men unaccounted for from as long ago as 1945, which the legislation marks as the start of the Cold War, may be reopened under certain circumstances.

Of the missing — 8,100 from the Korean War, 2,170 from the Vietnam War, and 100 or so from Cold War missions, it is estimated that 3,000 or more cases may be eligible for reopening.

—The Pentagon must establish a special "Office for Missing Personnel" to set policy and oversee the handling of all aspects of missing persons cases.

—The Defense Department must assign a government lawyer to represent missing persons who are covered by a board of inquiry convened by the defense secretary. Currently there is no requirement that missing persons have counsel.

—Anyone who withholds from the file of a missing person any information about the disappearance or whereabouts of that person shall be fined or imprisoned.

Pat Dunton's father, Air Force Lt. James S. Wilson Jr. of Memphis, Tenn., was shot down in a B-29 bomber and declared "presumed dead" at the end of the Korean War.

Boy killed

BALTIMORE (AP) — A 9-year-old boy was found strangled to death Sunday in a vacant apartment in a public housing building, and a man staying in the complex was charged with murder, police said.

Marvin Wise was found by a security guard in a 12th-floor apartment of the city-owned Flag House Courts, said Sam Ringgold, a police spokesman. Authorities have not determined when the boy was killed.

Shawn Brown, who was staying with his sister at the complex, was charged with murder. He had befriended Marvin and other children in the building, Ringgold said.

There were no signs the boy was molested, Ringgold said.

Brown, 27, was released last June after serving nine years in a New York prison for attempted murder, Ringgold said.

'Apollo 13,' 'Friends' win best honors at SAG awards

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The cast members of NBC's life-or-death drama "E.R." got the award they wanted: outstanding ensemble performance from the Screen Actors Guild.

"This is what we do every week — work together," said Anthony Edwards, in accepting the award on behalf of his fellow cast members.

Edwards himself won best male actor in a TV drama series at the 2nd annual SAG awards on Saturday.

NBC's sitcom smash, "Friends," won outstanding cast performance for a sitcom series.

The outstanding cast award in a movie went to "Apollo 13," already nominated for nine Academy Awards, including best picture.

Robert Redford received the guild's highest honor, the Life Achievement Award.

More than 84,000 members of the guild were eligible to vote for the awards. The show was broadcast live from the Santa Monica Civic Auditorium on NBC.

The winners of the 2nd annual Screen Actors Guild Awards on Saturday were:

MOTION PICTURES

PERFORMANCE BY A CAST IN A THEATRICAL MOTION PICTURE: "Apollo 13."

FEMALE ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE: Susan Sarandon, "Dead Man Walking."

MALE ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE: Nicolas Cage, "Leaving Las Vegas."

FEMALE ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE: Kate Winslet, "Sense and Sensibility."

MALE ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE: Ed Harris, "Apollo 13."

TELEVISION PROGRAMS

ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCE IN A DRAMA SERIES: George Clooney, Anthony Edwards, Eriq LaSalle, Julianna Margulies, Gloria Reuben, Sherry Stringfield and Noah Wyle, "E.R."

ENSEMBLE PERFORMANCE IN A COMEDY SERIES: Jennifer Aniston, Courteney Cox, Lisa Kudrow, Matt LeBlanc, Matthew Perry and David Schwimmer, "Friends."

FEMALE ACTOR IN A COMEDY SERIES: Christine Baranski, "Cybill."

MALE ACTOR IN A COMEDY SERIES: David Hyde Pierce, "Frasier."

FEMALE ACTOR IN A TELEVISION MOVIE OR MINISERIES: Alfre Woodard, "The Piano Lesson, Hallmark Hall of Fame."

MALE ACTOR IN A TELEVISION MOVIE OR MINISERIES: Gary Sinise, "Truman."

FEMALE ACTOR IN A DRAMA SERIES: Gillian Anderson, "The X-Files."

MALE ACTOR IN A DRAMA SERIES: Anthony Edwards, "E.R."

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'Rumble in the Bronx' takes top spot from 'Broken Arrow'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Rumble in the Bronx," the martial arts film starring Hong Kong star Jackie Chan, knocked "Broken Arrow" from the top of the box office by grossing $10 million in its weekend debut.

"Broken Arrow," a military thriller starring John Travolta, fell to second place in its third week with estimated ticket sales of $8.3 million, industry sources said Sunday.

Two other debuts made the Top 10: "Before and After," starring Meryl Streep and Liam Neeson as parents whose son is charged with murder, placed seventh, followed by "Mary Reilly," a Jekyll-Hyde tale with Julia Roberts.

The top movies at U.S. and Canadian theaters, based on estimated ticket sales Friday through Sunday. Final figures were due out today.

1. "Rumble in the Bronx," $10 million.
2. "Broken Arrow," $8.3 million.
3. "Muppet Treasure Island," $6.6 million.
4. "Happy Gilmore," $6.4 million.
5. "Mr. Holland's Opus," $5.3 million.
6. "City Hall," $4.4 million.
7. "Before and After," $4.1 million
8. "Mary Reilly," $3 million.
9. "Mr. Wrong," $2.9 million.
10. (tie) "Sense and Sensibility," $2.3 million.
11. (tie) "Dead Man Walking," $2.3 million.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



NORTH 02-26-96
♠ 6 4 3
♥ Q 6 5
♦ 5 4
♣ K 7 6 5 3

WEST
♠ Q 10
♥ K 10 8 4 3
♦ J 9 6
♣ J 8 2

EAST
♠ K 9 8 5
♥ 9 2
♦ Q 10 8 3
♣ Q 10 9

SOUTH
♠ A J 7 2
♥ A J 7
♦ A K 7 2
♣ A 4

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 4

Don't kill the contract

By Phillip Alder

The British author Sir Arthur Quiller Couch, wrote "If you require a practical rule of me, I will present you with this: Whenever you feel an impulse to perpetrate a piece of exceptionally fine writing, obey it — wholeheartedly — and delete it before sending your manuscript to press. *Murder Your Darlings.*"

Whatever you think of that, don't do the same at the bridge table: Keep your contracts alive. The declarer in today's contract murdured his darling very quickly.

Against three no-trump, West led the heart four. East did the best he could, putting up the nine, and South won with the jack. Declarer continued with three rounds of clubs. After winning the last of these with the queen, East returned his remaining heart. However South maneuvered now, he couldn't come to more than his seven top tricks.

"I feel as if a dagger has pierced my heart," said North melodramatically. "The clubs were 3-3, yet you still went down."

"What was I supposed to do?" asked South.

"Play less impulsively. After establishing the clubs, you need a dummy entry. And there is only one candidate, the heart queen. You must win the first trick with the heart *ace*."

"But how do I know West has the king?"

"West led the heart four, which we will assume is his fourth highest. Subtracting four from 11, you know there are seven cards higher than the four in the other three hands. And you have seen all seven: three in the dummy, three in your hand and East's nine. So, West must have the heart king."

With that, North mailed his bridge manuscript to the publisher.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-9458, 573-8626 or 573-8929; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity Methodist Church (south wing); noon; for more information, call 1-800-359-3131.

American Cancer Society; board room in Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 5 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Genealogical Society; Scurry County Library; program will be on "unlocking secrets of old photographs;" 7 p.m.

Dialogue, cancer support group; board room in Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 7 to 8 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge, Snyder Country Club, 7 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club Luncheon/Game Day; reservations needed by 5 p.m. Monday by calling 573-3427; $7 per person; serving begins at 11:30 a.m.; games follow.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

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Saturday, March 2, 10:00-4:00
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5 Comic — Johnson
9 Use a straw
12 Indian nurse
13 Jelly —
14 Last mo.
15 Prefix for dynamic
16 — — arms
17 Guido's high note
18 Entice
20 Directs
22 Have lunch
23 Band instrument
24 Bro's sib
27 Old soldier
29 Electron tube
33 Roguish act
35 I cannot tell — —
36 Tennis pro Nastase
37 Writer Garrison —
40 Mary — Moore
42 Fowl product
43 Year (Sp.)
44 Sleep stage
46 Joyous sound
48 Induction motor inventor
50 Entourage
53 Sen. Nunn
54 The King — —
56 South African Dutch
58 Snow runner
59 Urges
60 Virginia willow
61 Asian holiday
62 RBI or ERA
63 Small pie

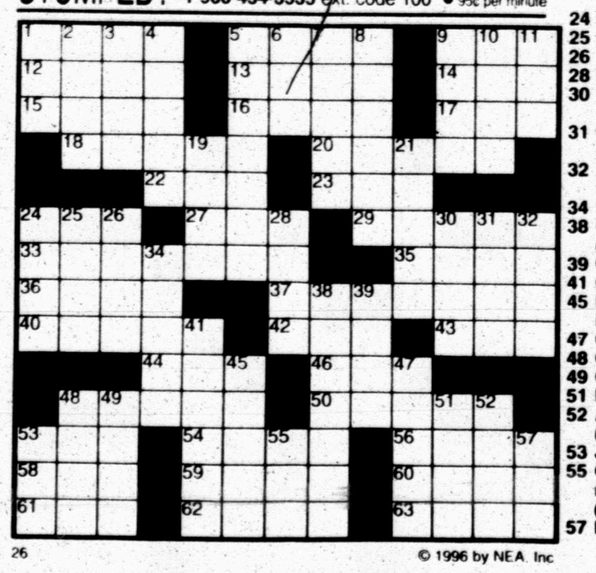
DOWN

1 Drivers' gp.
2 Soviet refusal
3 Challenge
4 — — where the buffalo roam
5 Owner of an adjoining property
6 Agt.
7 Follows
8 Group of nine
9 Took to court
10 Infirmities
11 School gp.
19 Cover with concrete
21 Along a central line
24 Brief act
25 Not outwardly
26 Type of boat
28 Playful child
30 Earthenware vessel
31 — & the Belmonts
32 Architect — Saarinen
34 Swerves
38 Conceited one
39 Opera prince
41 Certain races
45 French impressionist
47 Custom
48 Grab
49 Give off
51 Merest bit
52 At no time (poet.)
53 JFK sight
55 Genetic material (abbr.)
57 Rodent

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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NBA AT A GLANCE

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	40	15	.727	—
NewYork	32	21	.604	7
Miami	26	29	.473	14
NewJersey	24	30	.444	15½
Washington	24	30	.444	15½
Boston	19	35	.352	20½
Philadelphia	10	43	.189	29

Central Division

Chicago	49	6	.891	—
Indiana	34	20	.630	14½
Cleveland	31	22	.585	17
Atlanta	30	24	.556	18½
Detroit	27	25	.519	20½
Charlotte	27	26	.509	21
Milwaukee	20	33	.377	28
Toronto	14	39	.264	34

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
SanAntonio	36	17	.679	—
Utah	36	17	.679	—
Houston	36	20	.643	1½
Denver	22	31	.415	14
Dallas	18	35	.340	18
Minnesota	16	37	.302	20
Vancouver	11	41	.212	24½

Pacific Division

Seattle	42	12	.778	—
L.A.Lakers	33	20	.623	8½
Phoenix	27	26	.509	14½
GoldenState	26	28	.481	16
Sacramento	24	27	.471	16½
Portland	25	30	.455	17½
L.A.Clippers	17	37	.315	25

Saturday's Games

Indiana 104, Charlotte 90
Cleveland 103, New Jersey 74
Houston 96, L.A. Lakers 94
Denver 99, Utah 90
Seattle 104, Sacramento 91
Golden State 86, L.A. Clippers 80

Sunday's Games

Washington 111, Milwaukee 103
Chicago 111, Orlando 91
Phoenix 113, New York 105
San Antonio 95, Vancouver 84
Atlanta 92, Minnesota 76
Detroit 93, Portland 81
Miami 108, Philadelphia 101
New Jersey 111, Boston 105
Dallas 105, Toronto 98
Seattle 106, L.A. Clippers 101

Monday's Games

Indiana at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Utah, 9 p.m.
New York at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Detroit at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Miami at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Golden State at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Toronto at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 9 p.m.
San Antonio at L.A. Clippers at Anaheim, Calif., 10:30 p.m.



FULL COURT PASS—The Western Texas College Lady Westerners will be back in action tonight when they travel to Borger to take on Frank Phillips in a 6 p.m. game. April Reves (in white) makes like a football wide receiver in last week's game against Howard. (SDN Staff Photo by Brent Taylor)

Sharrock-Medlicott win Ground Hog

The team of David Sharrock and John Medlicott captured the championship flight in the Snyder Country Club 1996 Ground Hog golf tournament held Saturday and Sunday.

The twosome fired a two-day total 125 (60-65).

Finishing second in the top flight was Ernie Armstrong and brother David Armstrong with a 127 (62 65). Billy Brock and Paul Talley were third, carding a 128 (64-64).

Another brothers team, Kelly and Shawn Ragland won the President flight with a combined score of 135 (68-67). Second place went to Joe LaRoux and Johnny Powell with a 137 (66-71), and third to R.T. Henderson and Don Stoker with a 139 (71-68).

In the first flight, Roe Patterson and Randy Stumbo fired a 139 (71-68) to win the flight. Rod Waller and Jene Steakley finished second with a 145 (75-70) and David Harrell and David Weaver were third with a 148 (77-71).

A 138 was good enough to take first in the second flight. Barry Blackmon and Randy Glasscock shot a 71-67. Wes Key and Jerry Owen shot 141 (71-70) for second place and Mackey Mandrell and Giles Kemp were third with a 143 (72-71).

The father-son team of Ted and Scott Crenwelge won the third flight with a 154 (75-79). Freddy Everton and Delores Gonzales were second with a 154 (78-76) and Tom Burton and Bud Fagin shot a 156 (79-77) for third place.

In the closest to the hole compition Saturday, Stoker was the closest on three, Ernie Armstong on five and Brock on nine.

GIRLS' STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

AUSTIN (AP) — Pairings for the University Interscholastic League girls playoffs:

Semifinals

Conference 1A

Nazareth (34-2) vs. Round Top-Carmine (25-3) 8:30 a.m. Thursday, Frank Erwin Center

Celeste (35-2) vs. Zephyr (28-7) 10 a.m. Thursday, Frank Erwin Center

Conference 2A

Gunter (34-1) vs. Edgewood (33-2) 9:30 a.m. Friday, Frank Erwin Center

Ozona (35-2) vs. Poth (32-5) 11 a.m. Friday, Frank Erwin Center

Conference 3A

Lindale (33-3) vs. Slaton (25-7) 2 p.m. Thursday, Frank Erwin Center

Groesbeck (34-2) vs. Liberty Hill (28-4) 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Frank Erwin Center

Conference 4A

Canyon (30-0) vs. Crosby (22-10) 7 p.m. Thursday, Frank Erwin Center

Cedar Hill (34-4) vs. Waco Midway (29-8) 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Frank Erwin Center

Conference 5A

Austin Westlake (34-2) vs. Amarillo (29-8) 3 p.m. Friday, Frank Erwin Center

Alief Elsik (38-0) vs. Georgetown (34-2) 7 p.m. Friday, Frank Erwin Center

Finals

Nazareth-Round Top-Carmine winner vs. Celeste-Zephyr winner 9 a.m. Saturday, Frank Erwin Center

Lindale Slaton winner vs. Groesbeck-Liberty Hill winner 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Frank Erwin Center

Gunter-Edgewood winner vs. Ozona-Poth winner 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Frank Erwin Center

Canyon-Crosby winner vs. Cedar Hill-Waco Midway winner 4 p.m. Saturday, Frank Erwin Center

Austin Westlake-Amarillo winner vs. Alief Elsik-Georgetown winner 8 p.m. Saturday, Frank Erwin Center

BASKETBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Pairings for the University Interscholastic League's Region I boys playoffs:

Class 5A
Quarterfinals

Abilene Cooper (23-9) vs. El Paso Eastwood (25-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Midland's Chaparral Center

Keller (21-11) vs. Euless Trinity (27-3), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Haltom City's Thomas Coliseum

Lubbock Monterey (29-6) vs. El Paso Irvin (24-5), 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, Midland's Chaparral Center

Fort Worth Dunbar (27-4) vs. Fort Worth Paschal (18-11), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Worth's Daniel-Meyer Coliseum

Class 4A
Region I Semifinals

Pampa (29-3) vs. Sweetwater (28-3), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lubbock Municipal Coliseum

Canyon Randall (21-13) vs. Wolfforth Frenship (28-7), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Plainview High School

Class 3A
Region I Area

Tulia (22-7) vs. Graham (29-4), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Snyder's Scurry County Coliseum

Seminole (22-10) vs. Clint (12-17), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Pecos

Dalhart (23-9) vs. Jacksboro (21-12), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Shallowater

Class 2A
Region I Area

Gruver (25-6) vs. New Deal (29-4), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo Palo Duro

Tuscola Jim Ned (21-9) vs. Haskell (23-6), 7:30 Tuesday, Abilene Cooper

Stratford (17-10) vs. Tahoka (24-6), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon

Stanton (20-6) vs. Cisco (25-5), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Abilene's McMurry

Class A
Region I Bi-District

Adrian (15-12) vs. Shamrock (16-4), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo Caprock

Miami (20-8) vs. Nazareth (24-6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo Tascosa

Lorenzo (25-5) vs. Smyer (22-9), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Lubbock Cooper

Ackerly Sands (18-4) vs. Balmorhea (15-5), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Odessa High School

Claude (24-6) vs. Groom (16-10), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo Caprock

McLean (13-10) vs. Sudan (16-6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon Randall

Petersburg (13-15) vs. Plains (21-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Levelland

Lamesa Klondike (21-0) vs. Tornillo (19-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Odessa College SportsCenter

WTC golfers finish fourth at NMMI

The Western Texas College golf team finished fourth in the Bronco Invitational Tournament played at the New Nexico Military Institute golf course.

WTC fired a three-day total of 895. The tournament was also a conference match where WTC finished third.

NCAA Division 1 University of New Mexico won the tournament after a score card playoff with Midland. Both schools fired a three-day total of 884.

As a team, WTC shot the second lowest round of the tournament on Saturday with a five under par 283. University of New Mexico had the lowest round of the tournament with an eight under par 280.

In the medalist race, WTC golfer Morten Vildhoj was second with a 214, four shots behind the medalist.

"We are playing a lot better," said coach Milton Ham. "This spring should be exciting for us."

Next action for the linksters will be at the New Mexico Junior College Invitational Tournament in Hobbs, N.M. The tournament will begin Sunday at the Ocotillo Country Club.

WTC Individuals

Morten Vildhoj	73-70-71—214
Harry Hernandez	75-76-73—224
John Mark Ferrel	87-70-70—227
Matt Clements	88-75-69—232
Bryan Hawkins	87-82-73—242
Ryan Swagar	86-82-82—250

SHS track teams competes at ABC Tiger relays

The Snyder High School track teams finished sixth and 10th in the first track meet of the year.

The ABC Tiger Relays held at Frenship High School saw the Lady Tigers score 43 points for sixth and the Tigers 16 points for a 10th place finish.

Placing for the girls were, Jina Miller, second in high jump with a leap of 5'0". She was actually tied with Krissi McWherter of Big Spring, but McWherter won a jump off clearing 5'1".

In the triple jump, Edwina Brooks took first with a leap of 33'8". Brooks finished second in the long jump behind teammate Devon Reed. Reed jumped 16'7" while Brooks went 16'5".

In the 100 meter dash, Kelly Clay finished fourth with a time of 12.91. Brooks was sixth with a 13.05.

The 200 meter dash saw Reed finish sixth with a 27.98. Reed was also sixth in the 400 meter dash with a time of 73.37.

Only two Tigers placed in the meet.

Matthew Fambro was third in the 110 meter hurdles with a time of 15.29. Joey Medley won the shot put with a throw of 47'1¾".

Both track teams will be in Andrews Saturday to compete in the Mustang Relays.

Tiger baseballers 7th in San Angelo tourney

The Snyder Tigers finished seventh in the San Angelo baseball tournament over the weekend by defeating San Angelo Lake View by the 10-run rule, 14-3.

In the seventh inning, Snyder put six runs on the scoreborad. The Tiger bats were hot as they collected 18 hits off Lake View pitching.

Patrick Cumbie had a grand slam home run in the top of the fifth, knocking in four runs.

Kevin Hildebrand picked up three singles, Jeremy House two singles and a double, DH Gene Pollard a single, Bryant Roberson a double, and David Smith, Richard Canas and Ty Estes all had singles.

Clay Berryman picked up the win on the mound for Snyder. Berryman gave up three runs on four hits.

In action Saturday afternoon, it was El Paso Bel Air coming out on top of Snyder, 9-4. Earlier in the day, San Angelo Central came out on the winning side over Snyder, 10-8.

In the opening round Thursday, Lubbock Coronado came away with a 6-1 win over Snyder.

SNYDER 14, LAKE VIEW 3

Snyder	200 051 6—14	18	0
Lake View	100 020 0— 3	4	2

BEL AIR 9, SNYDER 4

Snyder	201 100 0—4	11	6
Bel Air	303 300 X—9	7	1

SA CENTRAL 10, SNYDER 8

Snyder	000 008— 8	10	4
Central	112 402—10	11	2

CORONADO 6, SNYDER 1

Snyder	000 001 0—1	6	4
Coronado	020 130 X—6	11	2

Kentucky back on top in AP top 25

By JIM O'CONNELL
AP Basketball Writer

Kentucky, the preseason choice at No. 1, is back on top today.

The Wildcats (24-1) had been second to Massachusetts for the Minutemen's entire nine-week run at No. 1. They were the overwhelming choice of the national media panel to replace the Minutemen, who lost their first game of the season Saturday.

All but two of the 66 first-place votes went to Kentucky, which has won 23 straight, and the Wildcats had 1,648 points. Massachusetts (26-1), the only team to beat Kentucky, got the other two No. 1 votes and 1,563 points.

The Minutemen's first loss was to George Washington (18-5) and it got the Colonials into the rankings for the first time since midway through the 1993-94 season.

Massachusetts was far from alone as a ranked team that lost last week. Fifteen Top 25 teams lost a total of 16 games from Monday through Sunday with Boston College, the team George Washington replaced in the rankings, losing twice.

Kansas, the only other school to be ranked No. 1 this season, moved from fifth to third this week and was followed by Connecticut, Purdue, Villanova, Cincinnati, Georgetown, Texas Tech and Utah.

Arizona led the Second Ten and was followed by Penn State, Wake Forest, memphis, Syracuse, Virginia Tech, UCLA, Georgia Tech, North Carolina and Iowa.

The last five ranked teams were Louisville, Wisconsin-Green Bay, Iowa State, George Washington and Stanford.

Boston College (16-8) was ranked 20th, its highest perch in seven weeks in the poll. The Eagles lost to West Virginia and Georgetown last week.

Memphis and Georgia Tech tied for the week's biggest jump at five places.

The Tigers (20-5) won three games last week, the last a 57-54 victory over Louisville. The Yellow Jackets (18-10) won both its games last week and took over first place in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

The biggest drop was Virginia Tech's fall from 12th to 16th after spliting two games in Philadelphia, a close win over La Salle and a 16-point loss to Temple.

Kentucky was No. 1 in the preseason poll and held the top spot for the two polls of the regular season. When Massachusetts beat the Wildcats in the Great Eight, Kansas moved in and held on to No. 1 for three weeks until losing to Temple in the Jimmy V Classic.

Massachusetts moved in and held it until this week, the longest run at No. 1 since Duke was there for the entire 1991-92 season.

NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL TOP 25

By The Associated Press

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Feb. 25, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Prv
1.Kentucky(64)	24-1	1,648	2
2.Massachusetts(2)	26-1	1,563	1
3.Kansas	23-2	1,496	5
4.Connecticut	25-2	1,469	3
5.Purdue	23-4	1,327	7
6.Villanova	23-4	1,272	4
7.Cincinnati	21-3	1,265	6
8.Georgetown	23-5	1,185	11
9.TexasTech	24-1	1,174	9
10.Utah	22-5	949	8
11.Arizona	21-5	944	13
12.PennSt.	19-4	881	14
13.WakeForest	18-5	869	10
14.Memphis	20-5	719	19
15.Syracuse	20-7	682	15
16.VirginiaTech	20-4	644	12
17.UCLA	19-7	530	16
18.GeorgiaTech	18-10	450	23
19.NorthCarolina	19-8	381	17
20.Iowa	19-7	357	18
21.Louisville	19-8	349	21
22.Wis.-GreenBay	24-2	289	25
23.IowaSt.	19-7	245	22
24.GeorgeWashington	18-5	232	—
25.Stanford	17-7	111	24

Other receiving votes: Mississippi St. 95, Boston College 86, New Mexico 32, Coll. of Charleston 28, E. Michigan 24, Fresno St. 24, Duke 21, Marquette 21, Texas 16, Tulane 16, Bradley 11, Arkansas 8, Tulsa 7, Georgia 6, Davidson 5, Ark.-Little Rock 4, Illinois 4, Drexel 3, Temple 3, California 2, Coppin St. 1, Michigan 1, Montana 1.

Irwin wins American Express Invitational

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — More than competitive when he left the PGA Tour last June, Hale Irwin is striking it rich on the Senior PGA Tour.

His $135,000 payday Sunday in the American Express Invitational pushed the three-time U.S. Open winner over the $1 million mark in a senior-record 16 events. With $1,066,100, he's averaging $66,631 per start.

Playing three rounds without a bogey, Irwin closed out his third senior title with an 8-under-par 64 at the TPC of Prestancia for a five-stroke victory over Bob Murphy.

"I did a lot of things very well," Irwin said. "My execution was not my very best, but the results were. I don't think I could have done any better. I didn't leave anything out there. I got everything out of it."

Irwin's 19-under 197 was the lowest Senior PGA Tour score since last July's Ameritech Senior Open, also won by Irwin at 21-under. He broke the 54-hole course record of 13-under 203 set by Tom Weiskopf in the 1993 Chrysler Cup and was one off the 18-hole mark set by George Archer in 1994.

Beginning Sunday's final round tied for the lead with Murphy and Dave Stockton, Irwin quickly took command, with birdies on two of his first three holes on his way to a front-nine 33.

"The thing I felt was important with the logjam we had was to strike early," Irwin said. "I did that. I got some birdies early and kept the intensity level high.

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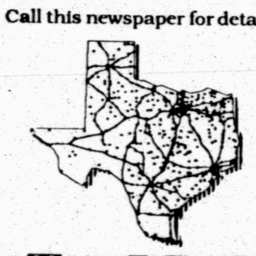
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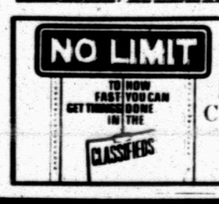
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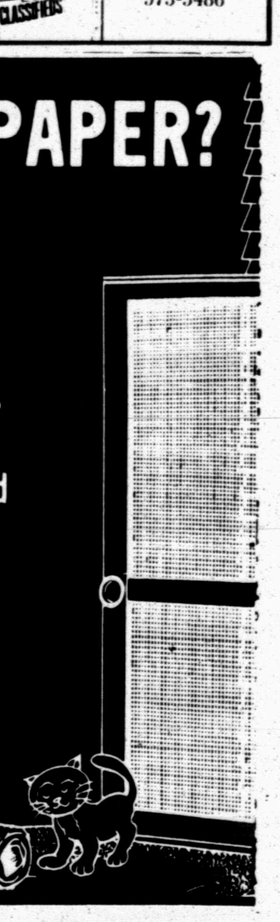


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Dole replaces top strategist, pollster

PHOENIX (AP) — Suddenly battling for survival in the Republican presidential race, Bob Dole today replaced his top strategist and pollster in an urgent effort to rejuvenate his campaign and blunt the early success of conservative firebrand Pat Buchanan.

"We're getting into a very important month here. I think we need to make a few changes," Dole said during a campaign stop today in Marietta, Ga. "The changes have been made and we're moving on. That's it."

Deputy Dole campaign chairman William Lacy will surrender control of strategy and advertising to GOP consultant Don Sipple, the Dole campaign announced.

Lacy has offered to stay on in a reduced capacity, but decided to leave the campaign, campaign manager Scott Reed announced.

The Dole campaign's lead polling firm, Public Opinion Strategies, was replaced. Tony Fabrizo, a conservative GOP pollster who has been doing some work for Dole, will take over the polling operations.

GOP pollster Fred Steeper will also join the campaign as an adviser.

Reed called the changes "a normal development in a long campaign" and said that Sipple, Fabrizo and Steeper would bring "fresh ideas and strategic insight to our campaign."

Dole told reporters: "I'm more worried about issues than staff. I feel good about our campaign....I want to start winning."

The moves come after weeks of internal turmoil in the Dole campaign, a period that coincided with Buchanan's startling surge into contention in the GOP race. After winning Louisiana, placing a close second to Dole in Iowa and then upsetting Dole in New Hampshire, Buchanan now has momentum on his side heading into Tuesday's primary in Arizona.

Dole was in Arizona on Sunday but left after two events to head to Georgia, where he was campaigning today before heading on to South Carolina, which holds its primary next Saturday.

Several Dole aides, speaking on condition of anonymity, said polling indicated Dole was in a dead heat with Buchanan in Arizona, with publishing heir Steve Forbes also in contention. But the Dole camp says a win here would be a surprise, and says Buchanan has the momentum, a point reinforced by the large and enthusiastic crowds that greeted Buchanan throughout the weekend.

"If I win Arizona, I win that nomination," Buchanan said at one stop Sunday. "If I win that nomination, I am the next president of the United States."

So for Sipple, the first order of business are new, positive television ads promoting Dole in South Carolina, a critical gateway to the South in any event and perhaps a giant Dole-Buchanan showdown if Buchanan wins Arizona.

Sipple joined the Dole campaign after California Gov. Pete Wilson quit the race last year. Sipple has been frustrated for months as his advice was ignored or overruled by Lacy. Media consultant Stuart Stevens will remain a member of the Dole team but report to Sipple instead of Lacy, the sources said.

Doctors say more minorities, poor seek asthma treatment

HOUSTON (AP) — Asthma, a chronic breathing disorder with complex genetic and environmental links, is puzzlingly on the increase here, especially among children and people in low-income and minority groups.

The latest official estimates indicate it afflicts about one in 20. More than a third are children, and health experts say the growing costs for individuals and for society are considerable.

"My sense is that the biggest issue for the inner cities ... is that asthma is not in control," said Dennis Perrotta, epidemiology chief for the Texas Department of Health and an asthmatic himself.

"These people are always on the brink of an attack," he said, "and the littlest thing — a virus, allergens, air pollution or stress — kicks them into an attack and they're back into the emergency room."

Doctors and other health experts say living in poverty or near-poverty can magnify those burdens — reducing access to medical care and medications, and increasing the exposure to allergens, irritants and other asthma triggers.

Doctors view asthma as a chronic condition, and say the stream of patients to hospital emergency rooms is costly and largely preventable.

In financial terms, medical treatments for asthma in a three-county Houston area cost more than $78 million in 1991, including $14 million for children, according to calculations made at the request of Mayor Bob Lanier's office.

However, that total doesn't reflect indirect costs because of school absences and lost wages.

For the young, asthma's impacts can include limits on normal childhood activities and numerous school absences that hamper educational advancement.

"It's now recognized that poorly controlled asthma can lead to reduced lung function by early adulthood," possibly including a chronic, emphysema-like condition, Brown said.

Efforts to reduce the demand for asthma-related hospital care in Houston have increased in the last few years. Pediatric programs featuring self-management education have been started at Texas Children's and Hermann hospitals, for instance.

Baylor slates first dance in 150 years

WACO (AP) — The Macarena, the Tootsie Roll and the Creep will debut at Baylor University on April 18.

Students will slide, dip and step — but not gyrate — to those dance favorites for the first time on campus. The occasion: a street dance wrapping up the school's "Diadeloso," or Day of the Bear festival.

Outside an occasional ballroom or square dance, cutting the rug has been against the rules on the 12,000-student Baylor campus since the school was founded 151 years ago. Last month, university president Robert B. Sloan Jr. lifted the ban.

"There will be some students who disapprove, but those who want to dance will have a good time," said Stan Madden, Baylor's director of marketing. "The ones who don't will still enjoy the good music."

Baptists' views on dancing vary, but some people of strong convictions see it as possibly morally harmful.

Several years ago, Baylor regents voted to let the school's president decide whether to lift the ban.

When Sloan did so, he said dancing can be a "very wholesome activity." He also reiterated rules against alcohol and "any obscene or provocative kind of dancing." Not allowed: lewd gyrations, excessive closeness or inappropriate music. The Macarena, for example, may have to be modified to eliminate hip movements.

Of course, Baylor students who want to dance have had opportunities. Waco has several dance clubs, and sororities, fraternities and other organizations have sponsored off-campus events sometimes referred to as "foot functions."

Some of the student body's would-be waltzers say people are making too big a deal of the change.

"Baylor students have more important things to worry about than dancing on campus," said Jennifer McCampbell, a senior psychology major.

Steve Edmondson, a senior and a bartender at a bar near campus, agreed.

"It was just one of those things on the books," he said. "I don't think people really cared. The only thing it did was give other people something negative to say about Baylor: 'They don't even allow dances.'"

Arrests, complaints keep law officers busy

Snyder area peace officers made eight arrests and investigated a number of complaints during the weekend.

Police were notified of a disturbance in the 3700 block of Avenue V at 8:10 p.m. Saturday. One subject, a 22-year-old male, was taken into custody for exhibition of acceleration.

James Bishop contacted police at 8:24 p.m. Saturday in reference to the burglary of his 20th Street residence. A report of burglary of a habitation was filed in reference to an undetermined amount of cash being taken.

Officers were called to a disturbance in the 1900 block of Coleman at 11:11 p.m. Saturday. No report was filed.

Sheila Fowler called 9-1-1 at 11:18 p.m. to report that her 1981 Chevrolet was on fire one mile west of Union. The fire department extinguished the fire. The vehicle suffered extensive damage to the engine compartment and interior.

Officers arrested four people after being called to a disturbance at the American Legion at 11:37 p.m. Saturday. Taken into custody were a 40-year-old female, a 37-year-old male, a 38-year-old male and a 55-year-old male, all for public intoxication.

A subject contacted police at 12:29 a.m. Sunday in reference to a fight in the 600 block of 30th Street. The fight had broken up before police arrived. One man apparently suffered a broken arm in the incident, according to police reports, and at 5:10 p.m. Sunday, officers took a report for assault in the matter.

Police arrested a 20-year-old female at 1 a.m. Sunday in the 400 block of 28th Street on city warrants for failure to appear and allowing an unrestrained child, and Lubbock DPS warrants for minor in possession and failure to appear.

Vicki Renshaw called police at 4:38 a.m. Sunday in reference to someone stealing some property from her residence. A report for felony theft was filed in reference to miscellaneous household items being taken.

At 10:13 a.m. Sunday, a report for Class C assault was filed in reference to a domestic dispute.

An offense report for family violence was submitted at 11:10 a.m. Sunday but neither party chose to file charges.

A woman contacted sheriff's deputies at 11:38 a.m. Sunday in reference to her vehicle being stolen. The vehicle had broken down and she thought it was four miles south of Snyder on Highway 350. Deputies did, however, locate it some 10 miles south of the city.

A clerk at Rip Griffin's advised officers of a gas drive-off at 12:16 p.m. Sunday. The vehicle was located six miles west of Roscoe and the subjects returned and paid for the gasoline.

Natalie Dolliver contacted police at 12:29 p.m. Sunday to report damage to her vehicle. A report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

At 8:10 p.m. Sunday, officers were notified of a small child left unattended in a vehicle in the IGA parking lot. Upon investigation, officers discovered the child was a life-like doll in an infant seat.

A 19-year-old female was arrested at 12:15 a.m. today in the 2700 block of Avenue O on outstanding city warrants for no liability insurance and failure to appear.

At 12:28 a.m. today, police arrested a 25-year-old man in the 1900 block of College Avenue for driving while intoxicated.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's in Hermleigh at 6:35 a.m. today.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	88⅛	88⅛	88⅛	— ⅛
AT&T Corp	66⅛	66⅛	66⅛	— ⅛
AirTouch	33¾	32¾	32¾	— ¼
Albertsons	36¼	36¼	36¼	+ ¼
Alldsignal	55½	55	55⅝	— ½
Alltel	33¾	32¾	32¾	— ¼
AmStores	29¼	28¾	28¾	— ¼
Ameritech	59¼	59⅛	59⅛	— ⅛
Amoco	71¼	70⅛	70⅛	— ⅛
AndarkPtr	54	53¼	54	— ¼
ArmcoInc	5⅜	5⅜	5⅜	— ⅛
AtlRichfld	114¼	113¾	113¾	— ⅜
ATMOS Egy	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛	+ ⅛
Aviall	7⅜	7¼	7¼	— ⅛
BakerHughes	27	26¼	26¼	+ ½
BellAtl	67¼	67	67¼	— ⅛
BellSouth s	40¼	39½	39¾	— ⅛
BethSteel	14¼	14¼	14¼	— ⅛
BritPet	98¼	98	98	— ⅛
BurlNoSFe	81¼	80⅞	81	— ⅛
Caterpillar	70	69⅛	69⅛	— ⅛
CenSoWst	27⅛	27⅛	27⅛	— ⅛
Chevron	57¼	56¾	56¾	— ¼
Chrysler	53¾	53¾	53¾	— ¼
Coastal	38¾	38¼	38¼	— ¼
CocaCola	82¼	81⅞	82	—1⅛
ColgatePalm	79	78⅛	78⅛	— ⅛
ComclMetals	26⅞	26½	26½	— ⅛
CooperIn	39¼	38¾	38¾	— ¼
CyprusAmax		26⅛	26⅛	26⅛
DallSemicn	21	20⅞	20⅞	— ⅛
DeltaAirl	79¼	78¾	78¾	—1⅛
DigitalEq	74⅛	73¼	73¼	—1⅛
Dillard	31⅛	30¼	30¼	— ⅜
DowChem	79⅛	78¾	79	— ⅛
DresserInd	28½	28¼	28¼	— ⅛
DuPont	80¼	79¼	79¼	— ⅛
EastmanChem	72⅞	71⅜	71¾	+1⅛
EstKodak	75¼	74⅛	74⅛	— ¼
EljerInd	11¼	10⅞	10⅞	— ⅛
Enserch		15¼	15	15
Entergy	29	28¾	28¾	— ⅛
Exxon	82¼	81⅛	81⅛	— ⅛
FstBksAm s		10¾	10¾	10¾
Flowers s		14	13¾	13¾
FordMotor	30⅜	30¼	30⅜	+ ⅛
GTE Cp	44¼	43¾	44	— ⅛
GenDynam	62¾	61¾	61⅞	— ¼
GenlElec	79¼	78¾	78¾	—1⅛
GenMills	58¾	58	58¾	— ½
GenMotors	51½	50¾	51	+ ⅛
GenMotors E	56¾	56¼	56½	— ¼
GaPacif	68¼	67½	67½	— ¼
GlobalMar	9½	9	9	— ⅛
Goodrich	76	75¼	75¼	— ¼
Goodyear s	48¾	47⅞	48¼	— ⅛
GtAtlPac	22½	22¼	22½	+ ⅛
Haliburtn	56¼	55¼	55¼	— ½
Hanson ADS	14¼	14½	14¼	— ⅛
HarteHanks s	21¼	21¼	21⅛	— ⅛
HoustonInd s	22¾	22¾	22¾	— ¼
IBM	125¼	123¼	124¼	— ⅜
IntlPapers	37¼	37¼	37¼	— ⅛
JohnsnJns	94⅜	93½	94¼	+ ⅛
K mart		7¼	7	7⅛
Kroger	37¼	37¼	37¼	— ¼
Litton	50	49¼	49¼	— ½
Lowes Cos	34¼	33¼	33¾	— ¼
Lubys	21⅛	21	21⅛	+ ⅛
MayDeptStrs	48¾	47¾	47¾	—1⅛
Medtronics	61½	60¾	61¼	— ⅜
Mobil	114¼	112¾	113	—1
Monsanto	137½	135½	136¾	—1½
Motorola	58¼	57½	57⅞	— ½
Nationsbk	75½	74½	75½	+ ⅛
Navistar		10¾	10¾	10¾
NoramEngy		9¾	9¾	9¾
Norwest	36¾	36¼	36¼	— ¼
Nynex	52	51¾	51¾	— ½
OryxEngy		12¾	12¾	12¾
PacTelesis	29¾	29	29¼	— ⅛
PanhECp		30¾	30¾	30¾
Penney JC	48¼	47¾	47¾	— ⅛
Pennzoil	39¾	39¼	39¼	— ⅛
PepBoys		30¼	30	30¼
PepsiCo	65¼	65	65¼	— ⅛
PhelpDodge	62¼	61¼	62¼	+ ¼
PhilipPet	35¼	35	35¼	— ¼
PilgrmPrd	7¼	7	7¼	+ ⅛
Polaroid	46¼	45¼	46	+ ⅛
Praxair	35¼	35½	35¼	— ⅛
ProctGamble	84¼	83	84¼	+ ¼
PubSNwMx		18¼	18¼	18¼
RoyalDutch	140¼	139¼	139¾	— ⅛
SBC Comm	56¼	55¼	55¾	— ⅛
SaraLee	34	33¼	33¾	— ⅛
SearsRoebs	47¼	47	47	— ⅛
SherwinW	44¼	44¼	44¼	— ⅛
SmthBchADS	55¼	55¼	55¼	— ⅛
SmthBc eqt	55¼	55½	55½	— ½
SouthernCo		25¼	24¾	25¼
SwstAirlines	30¾	30¼	30¼	+ ⅛
Sprint	44¼	43¾	43¾	— ¼
SterlingChm	12	11⅞	11⅞	— ⅛
SunCo		30¼	29¾	29¾
TNP Ent	20⅝	20½	20½	— ⅛
Tandy	44¼	43¾	43¾	— ⅛
TempleInl	41⅞	41¾	41¾	— ⅛
Tenneco	55¾	55	55⅛	— ⅛
Texaco	82¼	81¼	81½	— ⅛
TexasInd	61¾	61¾	61¾	+ ⅛
TexasInsts	53¾	53	53¾	— ⅛
TextUtil	40¾	40	40¾	— ⅛
Textron		81¾	81¾	81¾
Travelers	69¾	69¼	69½	— ⅛
TrinityInds	33⅜	33¼	33⅜	+ ⅛
TritonEngy	50¼	49	49½	— ⅛
US WestCm s	33¾	33¾	33¾	— ⅛
USWstMda n	22⅜	22	22⅜	— ⅛
USX Delhi		10¾	10¾	10¾
USX-Marathn	19	18¾	18¾	— ⅛
USX-USS	34¼	34	34¼	+ ⅛
UnCarbde		45¾	45¾	45¾
UnPac	68	67⅞	67⅞	— ⅛
UnitedTech	109⅛	109	109⅜	— ⅛
Unocal	30¼	30¼	30¼	— ⅛
WalMart	22¼	21¾	22	— ⅛
WstnGasRs	13¾	13¾	13¾	+ ⅛
WestghEl		19¼	19¼	19¼
WinnDixie s	37	36¾	36¾	—1¼
Woolworth	12¼	12	12⅛	— ⅛
XeroxCp		133¾	133¾	133¾
ZenithE	6¼	6¼	6¼	— ⅛

Hospital

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CENSUS: 48 (Med.-8, Long-term Care-38, OB-1, Nursery-1).

Most Americans are not ready for scrapping tax plan

NEW YORK (AP) — Most Americans are dissatisfied with the federal income tax system and the amount they pay, but fewer than three in 10 favor replacing the system entirely, according to an Associated Press poll.

Sixty-three percent say they personally pay too high a rate. They are more than twice as likely to want to scrap the current system than are the 32 percent who rate their tax bill as "about right."

Seventeen percent say the tax system works pretty well, 28 percent think it should be replaced, and 51 percent support some tinkering.

"People favor more graduated changes, slight changes, because they want to make sure whatever changes take place don't adversely affect them," said Mark Luscombe, an analyst at CCH Inc. of Riverwoods, Ill., a tax-law information provider.

The poll taken Feb. 14-20 also asked about a flat-tax proposal like the one proposed by Republican presidential candidate Steve Forbes. It would take away all or most deductions, including the home mortgage interest deduction, to provide one low tax rate for all taxpayers.

Under those conditions, 32 percent support the flat tax, 50 percent are opposed and 18 percent not sure.

"The majority of people like the idea of a flat tax, but when you start talking about the particulars people maybe think that our system right now is not all that bad," said Fred Daily, a San Francisco tax lawyer.

In fact, 51 percent in the poll say the system is not too complicated for them personally. That may reflect efforts by the Internal Revenue Service to provide clearer forms and instructions to the vast majority who do not need to itemize deductions.

Of the 47 percent who say the system is too complicated, only half are willing to give up some deductions to simplify tax laws.

Each question in the poll was posed to a cross-section of more than 1,000 adults by ICR Survey Research Group of Media, Pa., part of AUS Consultants. Results have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The poll came at a time when people were confronting their own tax returns, the tax-help industry's annual marketing blitz and media attention to criticism of Forbes' plan.

Interest in the flat tax and other simplification plans has come and gone for years and "is really a cry from taxpayers and voters that they want a tax cut," said Sandra Shaber, a consumer economist at the WEFA Group, an economic forecasting firm in Bala Cynwyd, Pa.

Another proposed reform, a national retail sales tax applied to consumption rather than income, has only 28 percent support and is seen as less fair than either a flat tax or the current graduated income tax.

A change the public does support involves the way investment income is treated. Fifty-five percent think it should be taxed less than wages, including 29 percent who think it should not be taxed at all.

Dividends and interest are currently taxed just as much as wages, and only high-income taxpayers get a break on the rate for long-term capital gains.

Luscombe, an accountant and lawyer, expressed surprise that a break for investment income is favored even by most Democrats and lower-income people.

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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Couple on Party's 'B' List Have a First-Class Beef

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I were invited to a party at the home of some old friends. They are very social, always attending parties — but we have never entertained them, so we were surprised to receive their invitation.

The invitation read "4 to 6 p.m." My wife and I arrived around 5 o'clock. We thought we'd see many of our old friends who are also friends of theirs. They have a huge home, and we were surprised to find only 10 other guests. They served hot cider and non-alcoholic punch — that's all.

Well, the next day I ran into one of those old friends who told me that he had attended the party and wondered where we were. I told him that we were there and had been one of the last to leave around 6 p.m. My friend said, "We didn't get there until 7:30," and went on to describe the open bar, the fine wine, etc. — none of which was offered when my wife and I were there.

Can you believe how tacky? There were two different party lists, and my wife and I were placed on the dull and, yes, "cheap" one.

I'd like to let the hosts know that we know about their slight and did not appreciate it, but we don't know how to do it without totally ruining the friendship. We'd appreciate your thoughts on this.

TICKED OFF IN GEORGIA

DEAR TICKED OFF: There is nothing to be gained by confronting your hosts to complain about having been placed on their "B" list. Just make a mental note of where you stand with them and file it under "sadder but wiser."

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DEAR ABBY: The "I remember your name but can't think of your face" solution to forgetting someone's name reminds me of an experience I had at my 50th class reunion at DePauw University in Indiana.

"Fred Anderson!" a fellow classmate greeted me after having obviously partied too long and too well. "You sure have changed. You used to be kind of fat and not as tall."

"I am not Fred Anderson," I replied. "I'm Jack Runninger."

"Oh, you changed your name, too, eh?"

I remember a true story from many years ago about the danger of pretending to know who someone is.

A lady couldn't remember the name of someone she ran into on the street one day. As she racked her brain, the other lady finally mentioned something about her brother.

"Oh, yes ... your dear brother ... what is he doing these days?" she asked, figuring this might give her a clue to the lady's identity.

"Oh, he's still the president of the United States," she replied. (She was Calvin Coolidge's sister.)

JACK RUNNINGER, ROME, GA.

DEAR JACK: Speaking of Coolidge, he was a man of few words and was nicknamed "Silent Cal."

It was reported that Coolidge was seated next to a lively woman at a dinner party. She turned to Coolidge and said with a smile, "Someone bet me $10 that you wouldn't say three words to me all evening," to which Coolidge replied (with a straight face), "You lose."

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DEAR ABBY: Regarding "Devastated in Long Island," I thought you would get a kick out of this:

Some years ago in a New England city, many members of a certain Jewish temple were becoming active with the Religious Society of Friends, also known as the Quakers.

When asked if he was aware of the situation, the rabbi came back with this classic: "Oh, yes. Why, some of my best Jews are Friends!"

CHUCK EVANS, ERIE, PA.

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DEAR ABBY: Like the lady in Arlington, Va., whose husband lived at the gym lifting weights, I am also alone.

My husband, "Paul," is 50 and wants the body of a 20-year-old. He consumes protein drinks and energy bars, pops vitamin pills, and reads body-building magazines every day. His gym equipment amounts to several thousand of dollars. Paul is constantly after me to get into exercising with him, but I'm really not interested. Besides, I still have a pretty good figure after five kids.

Now that the kids are grown, you'd think we would spend more time together, but Paul is in the recreation room working out four nights a week, so I find myself alone. He can find the time to exercise, but no time to paint the house. I told him painting would be good exercise, but he says, "It's the wrong kind."

Abby, after 30 years of marriage, I still love Paul, and I'd never leave him, but he's really overdoing the physical fitness routine. All in all, if it were up to me, I'd prefer a husband with love handles to no love at all.

BARBELL WIDOW

DEAR WIDOW: Perhaps I'm jumping to a wrong conclusion, but if you are literally getting no love at all, you should insist that Paul join you in some sessions with a marriage counselor.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: I never thought I'd be writing to you, but a family problem has gotten out of hand and I need the help of an objective party.

My older brother, "Victor," who is 28, attempted suicide two years ago after a messy breakup with his wife, with whom he was still in love. He now regrets the act and realizes that they married too young (at 21).

Since suicide is a crime in our religion, my parents and my younger sister, "Sarah" (who is still in college), refuse to speak to Victor.

In a few months, I plan to marry a wonderful man. We had planned to include both Victor and Sarah in the wedding party. However, each has said he/she will not attend if the other does.

My parents predict that my marriage will end as Victor's did if I allow him to come. Victor says our parents will disown me, too, sooner or later, so it may as well be sooner. My husband-to-be just rolls his eyes.

Whom should I choose, Sarah or Victor?

DISTRAUGHT MIDDLE CHILD

DEAR DISTRAUGHT: It is your right to invite whomever you want to your wedding; furthermore, it's unfair to be put on the spot as you have been.

Anyone who says, "If you invite so-and-so, I'm not coming," deserves to be excluded. I would exclude *both* of them.

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DEAR ABBY: My mother always used to say, "The shoemaker's family goes barefoot." Well, she was right. I married a plumber, and every faucet in our house drips.

I have begged my husband to fix them, but he keeps putting me off. I tried to repair them myself and almost lost my thumb. What should I do?

PLUMBER'S WIFE

DEAR WIFE: The biggest "drip" in your house is your husband. The plumbing in a plumber's house should be perfect, so tell your husband you'll give him one more chance before calling his competitor with instructions to put your plumbing in first-class condition, and send the bill to your husband.

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Buchanan labeled extremist, just like Reagan, Goldwater

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Let Republican history be your guide: today's extremist often becomes tomorrow's mainstream.

Today's target, Pat Buchanan, reminds audiences that "Barry Goldwater was called all those terrible names. Ronald Reagan was. Pat Buchanan is."

They are company he'd like to keep, a historical trend he'd like to join. Buchanan's protectionist rhetoric is a break with the GOP mainstream. But so was Reagan's anti-abortion stand in 1980.

Republicans who remember how the party has changed, including some Bob Dole supporters, are urging the Senate leader to cool his attacks on Buchanan. He's already cooled it somewhat, now calling Buchanan's positions extreme rather than calling Buchanan himself an extremist.

David Keene, chairman of the American Conservative Union and a Dole supporter, said the senator is "waving a political red flag" at conservatives who still remember the days when they were "dismissed as an irrelevant, dangerous bunch of nuts by an establishment that didn't want them in the door."

Goldwater, 87, the GOP conservative patriarch, jokingly pronounced himself and Dole "the new liberals of the Republican party" on Sunday and called Buchanan "a good Democrat." When Dole made a pilgrimage to Goldwater's hilltop home near Phoenix in advance of Tuesday's Arizona primary, Goldwater gave Dole his blessing and predicted a victory for him.

When Goldwater captured the Republican presidential nomination in 1964 and declared at the convention that "extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice," he gave the party's conservative wing a sense of its power. They had defeated the party establishment: Nelson Rockefeller, William Scranton, Henry Cabot Lodge.

As GOP moderates feared, Goldwater suffered a crushing defeat in November at the hands of Democratic President Lyndon Johnson. The Arizona senator carried hundreds of Republicans down to defeat with him.

Even as the old establishment was reclaiming control of the battered GOP, new, more conservative figures were emerging, Reagan among them.

In a bitter Republican primary fight in 1976, President Ford beat back Reagan's challenge by portraying him as an extremist.

The Ford campaign ran a radio commercial which stated, "Governor Reagan couldn't start a nuclear war. But President Reagan could."

Four years later, Reagan captured the Republican Party and defeated the incumbent Democratic president in the general election.

"Reagan dragged the party rightward," said Lyn Nofziger, who was Reagan campaign press secretary and then became White House political director. A Dole supporter, Nofziger acknowledges how far Buchanan has come since his unsuccessful challenge to President Bush in the 1992 GOP primaries.

"The last time he was a token with about 3 million votes," said Nofziger. "This time he's a serious factor out there. If Bob Dole or Lamar Alexander think they're going to get anywhere by calling him names and demonizing him, they're out of their minds. They need to debate the issues."

But Nofziger isn't certain of the strength of Buchanan's claim to be direct heir of the trend set by Goldwater and Reagan.

"Pat isn't dragging the party rightward, he's dragging it backward," he said.

William Kristol, former chief of staff to Vice President Dan Quayle, and now editor of the conservative journal the Standard, says Buchanan could end up not as the GOP's Reagan, but as its McGovern, a comparison to how Sen. George McGovern moved the Democrats to the left when he captured the 1972 presidential nomination.

Another item to consider: today's attacker can just as easily become tomorrow's fringe.

"I consider myself to be a mainstream conservative and I think there's a difference between mainstream and being extreme," Dole says.

The difference may not be as clear as the Kansas senator would like. And what better place to consider that than Arizona, the next big Republican primary battleground and the home of that one-time extremist, Barry Goldwater.

AP analysis

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By JANET AUSBURY
Big Spring Herald

BIG SPRING — Can one man change the way the entire world measures time? Mark Silen of Big Spring is trying to find out.

In November, Silen developed a 13-month calendar based on the cycles of the moon. "One marketing company in Dallas said, 'It must have taken you two years to come up with this,'" he said. "Actually, it took me about 30 minutes."

Silen said the idea for the calendar just struck him one day. He doesn't like the difficulties of the Gregorian calendar much of the world uses. He wants to eliminate the problems of some months having more days than other months, leap days, leap years, leap seconds and other quirks.

Silen's Universal Calendar retains the 12 months now used. However, the months are identical, all beginning on Sunday and ending on Saturday. This structure makes dates easier to remember because one month is like the next, he explained.

He has named the 13th month Remember. "It rhymes with December, and you can use it to remember the Sabbath," he said.

Halloween is the only holiday occurring after the 28th of any month, so it is the only "lost" holiday, Silen said. Those born or married after the 28th would have to select another day to celebrate, but as he pointed out, "So do people born or married on Feb. 29 in a leap year."

Silen believes the calendar could achieve wide acceptance because of the appeal to the secular and religious worlds. Every seventh day of the month is Saturday, every month ends on Saturday and every year ends on Saturday. All seasons would change on a Saturday.

The non-religious would find the calendar easier to remember than in the current calendar, Silen said. The religious world would see the Sabbath fall regularly on a Saturday, when many cultures celebrate it.

"This is a revived calendar that was used for thousands of years by Indians, Jews and other cultures. The concept is by no means new, just basically forgotten," he said.

Silen derived the calendar mathematically from the lunar cycle of 28 days, 13 months, 52 weeks and seven days a week — not drastically different from what we now use. His calculations show 28 days multiplied by 13 months equal 364 days a year — once again, not a major difference.

His additional calculations show 13 months multiplied by four seasons equal 52 weeks, and 52 weeks multiplied by seven days equal 364 days. "The math of 12 wouldn't come close," he said. "this puts everything back in perspective."

Silen acknowledges scientific minds should look at the calendar to see if there is anything he has missed. "To implement it, I'd leave it up to the scientific community," he said. He has planned to meet with people who know astronomy so they can analyze the calendar.

He also knows those who he approaches with his idea might dismiss him and his idea. However, he has already won local support for the Universal Calendar.

When Silen contacted local talk show host Johnnie Lou Avery, she became intrigued by the calendar. "It's logical and sensible, but I see barriers with accepting the changes and putting it into practice," she said.

"The most reasonable way to do it would be if the federal government would accept it," she added. She and Silen had an appointment at the end of January to speak with Charles Stenholm about the calendar.

Avery admitted to initial skepticism about it. "It seemed too simple, too sensible to actually work," she said. "There might be things that need to be changed to make it truly universal, but we want to propose to Stenholm that calendar companies start working on it now."

When Silen visited her in the studio, bystanders were won over as well. "Nobody gave a negative reaction," Avery said. "Even one woman, whose daughter was born on the 30th, liked it."

She is assisting Silen with publicity and other arrangements for the calendar, and thinks it will succeed with time and perhaps a few minor adjustments.

"Any time you start with a new idea, it's got to be fine tuned, as long as we don't change the major concept," Avery said. "It's reasonable, logical and follows our real life."

Doyle Phillips was one of the people at the studio with Avery when Silen discussed his calendar. Coincidentally, a lawyer and printer had already recommended Phillips to Silen as a potential designer for the calendar.

"My first thought was that it was too odd to work," Phillips said. "Then, as I looked at it and saw the logic, it impressed me." He is now helping Silen with the calendar's design.

Phillips, like Silen, recognizes this "new" concept of changing how we measure the days, years and seasons is actually very old. "Our calendar has been modified several times," he said. "It's not an entirely fresh or dangerous idea. It was only in 1929 that the Chinese adopted the Western calendar," he added. "It's been done before."

Phillips' believes the calendar has potential for worldwide acceptance because no religious biases are built in. "The biggest roadblocks will be whether the calendar is scientifically sound, and then convincing people to use it.

"As beautiful and logical as this seems, I'll be convinced it is what it is when someone says it works with what happens up above," Phillips said. "The calendar is a measure of the lunar movement and we have to do it right."

Putting the calendar into practice will take time. "You can't just arbitrarily go on it. There will be a transition period," Phillips explained. "The year 2000 is when this calendar should kick in." He agrees with Avery that calendar companies should take on the project now to make the calendar a reality by 2000.

"I think it can work," he said, "I wouldn't be working so hard on it if I didn't."

Silen has a copyright on the 13-month calendar and is trying to find out whether he can patent it. He is also looking for investors and for a company to make and sell the calendars. Most of all, he is looking for public support.

"I'm just a nurse," he said. "It's going to take 5 billion people to implement it. I can't do it all on my own. Once people are aware of it, it's theirs to decide."

And what will he tell the inevitable detractors who want to dismiss him and his calendar?

Silen shrugged and smiled. "Can't please everybody," he said. "I think most people are realists and analysts. The majority see that it's logical."

To become involved with the Universal Calendar project, contact Silen at 2510 Cheyenne, Big Spring, Texas, 79720 or at 915-267-6795.

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Mobile mammogram unit introduced

LUBBOCK (AP) — Women in rural West Texas who live miles away from mammogram facilities can soon have breast-cancer screening come to them.

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center will unveil today a mobile clinic expected to serve 3,000 women in its first year.

Texas Tech signed a five-year contract with the state to provide mammograms and health education in 10 counties south and west of Odessa. A $300,000 grant from the Texas Cancer Council paid for the bus-sized vehicle and other start-up costs.

"We promised the state we would not stand by idly while watching somebody with breast cancer not get treated," said Dr. Glenn Roberson, the clinic's medical director in Lubbock.

Texas first lady Laura Bush was expected to attend the unveiling ceremony in Odessa.

The clinic will travel within Brewster, Crane, Crockett, Loving, Pecos, Reagan, Reeves, Upton, Ward and Winkler counties.

Hospital workers in that vast region say women's health has suffered because no mammograms are available there.

"It's very inconvenient for the women in our county because many of them are indigent or elderly," said Cheryl Roberts, director of nursing at the 13-bed McCamey Hospital, about 60 miles south of Odessa.

"They're not getting any screening because they don't want to bother anybody" for a ride to El Paso, San Angelo, Big Spring, Midland or Odessa, she said.

A mammogram is a low-dose X-ray that can show a cancerous lump only one-eighth of an inch in diameter, long before it can be felt.

Texas Tech's mobile clinic comes equipped with a darkroom so that its film can be processed on board.

Patients start out by watching a videotape on breast health and hearing a lesson on warning signs of cancer. They also get a clinical exam in a separate room aboard the vehicle.

Cost is $65. It takes about 40 minutes, operators said.

Roberson said local doctors in the region will provide follow-up care if suspicious areas show up on the mammograms.

"Early detection means cure," Roberson said. "Late detection means death."

The American Cancer Society estimates that one out of every nine women in the United States will develop breast cancer during her lifetime.

Jim Hurley, spokesman the Texas Cancer Council, said a 1994 health survey of far West Texas found that the lack of mammograms was the region's top cancer concern.

"Women had to drive several hundred miles just to get a routine mammogram," Hurley said. "It's hard enough to get people to get a mammogram anyway, without throwing in a several hundred-mile drive."

The clinic will see patients by appointment beginning April 1 in Monahans. It will stay two or three days at each site it visits.

Call 1-800-222-8388 to schedule an appointment with the mobile mammogram clinic.

Opossums have been on the earth for more than 45 million years.

The silver used to mint the very first U.S. coins came from Martha Washington's silver service.

Business and Industrial News

Nolan Electric: experience, quality work

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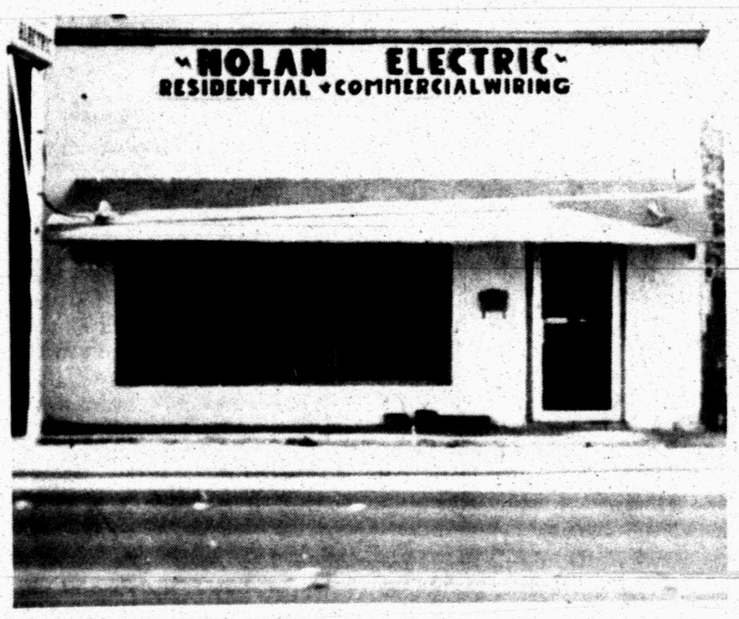
Many people don't realize that there are several years of experience needed before a person can become a qualified licensed electrician. First of all, an apprentice (one who is learning) must be under the teaching of a journeyman electrician for a period of four years. At that time he may take a test and if he passes, he'll become a journeyman electrician. A journeyman electrician must then work for four years and at the end of that time he may take a test to become a master electrician. Only a master electrician can operate his own business.

Bobby Nolan has been a master electrician for about 30 years, although he has only been in business for eighteen years.

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All of those at Nolan Electric wish to express their thanks to all of their customers. There have been some times when they couldn't get to all the work that needed to be done. With an added electrician, they are better able to meet your electrical needs without you having to wait a long time for them to get to your work. They appreciate the patience of those customers who chose to wait for them during the time that work was overflowing. Please call us for all of your electrical needs: 1-915-573-5117. Once again, they want to thank you so much for your support.



NOLAN ELECTRIC — Located at 1010 25th Street for 16 years, Nolan Electric specializes in residential and commercial wiring. (SDN Staff Photo)

Jazz musician's legacy continues

NEW YORK (AP) — A quarter-century after his death, Louis Armstrong is still enriching the world of jazz.

The Louis Armstrong Educational Foundation on Saturday gave a check for $750,000 to Jazz at Lincoln Center, a series of jazz programs run by Wynton Marsalis.

The money will support the center's education programs, including its Jazz for Young People concerts on Saturday mornings and afternoons.

Marsalis, who accepted the check, said, "Louis Armstrong's whole life was devoted to the joyous celebration of jazz music and more than anything else, to passing on its rich legacy."

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Cuba asks U.N. to delay action

Havana wants to explain why U.S. planes shot down

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Cuba asked the U.N. Security Council today to delay any action in wake of the downing of two American-owned planes until its foreign minister arrives to explain Cuba's side of the incident.

Council members met today to consider a U.S. request that it formally condemn Saturday's attack in which a Cuban MiG-29 shot down two unarmed Cessnas operated by a Cuban exile group, Brothers to the Rescue.

In Havana, Cuba said today the U.S. government is lying about its version of the incident and Cuban authorities were holding a pilot apparently from the same exile group. The comments came in a dispatch by Prensa Latina, the official Cuban news agency.

"We have a pilot with us from that group of violators that has undertaken so many actions against our country," the report said, monitored in Mexico City. "This pilot knows a great deal."

It gave no further details on the pilot.

In Miami, Jose Basulto, the head of Brothers to the Rescue, said today he thought the reputed pilot in Havana was a Cuban spy who infiltrated their group but disappeared in Miami last week.

The Cuban statement, attributed to the Foreign Relations Ministry, also scoffed at suggestions that Brothers to the Rescue was doing humanitarian work, saying instead it was a "terrorist Mafia that has worked out repugnant and bloody plans against our people."

"We are ready to discuss these issues with Mr. (Warren) Christopher and the Security Council wherever they wish," the statement added.

Several council ambassadors called Cuba's shooting of the plans callous and unjustified, but it appeared there was little support for tough measures against Cuba.

Russia called on the United States today to adopt "concrete measures" to prevent "deliberate violations" of Cuban airspace, while America's European allies called for "moderation and restraint" by both sides.

Cuba's acting U.N. ambassador, Bruno Rodriguez Parrilla, met before the council meeting with U.S. envoy Madeleine Albright, the current council president.

Afterward, he told reporters that Cuba offered proof that the planes were attacked over Cuban waters.

Security stepped up after British royals put on IRA's list of targets

LONDON (AP) — Soldiers with machine guns have replaced ceremonial red-uniformed sentries on guard outside Britain's royal residences as newspapers reported today that the IRA is targeting the queen and her family.

While lower-level government officials prepared to meet with the Irish Republican Army-allied Sinn Fein party for the first time since the IRA violently ended its cease-fire Feb. 9, photographs in London newspapers today showed a security-minded weekend changing of the guard.

Gone are the bayonet-armed sentries in dress uniforms who stand at attention in sentry boxes, much photographed by tourists.

In their place, at London's Buckingham Palace and St. James' Palace and at Windsor Castle west of the city, stand soldiers in camouflage fatigues, machine guns at the ready.

Although Scotland Yard would not comment on the reason for the stepped-up security measures, The Sun newspaper said today that they were prompted by the discovery of maps and security plans for Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle at the London apartment of an IRA bomber. Edward O'Brien died Feb. 18 when the bomb he was carrying exploded prematurely on Feb. 18.

The bungled bombing followed the Feb. 9 detonation of a truck bomb in London's business district. Two people were killed in that explosion, which broke the IRA's 17-month cease-fire amid stalled peace talks for Northern Ireland.

After the initial bombing, Britain and Ireland barred ministers of the two governments from meeting with the Sinn Fein party, but ruled that meetings between lower-level officials and Sinn Fein could continue.

Sinn Fein deputy leader Martin McGuinness said Sinn Fein asked for today's meeting, meant to "examine how the peace process can be rebuilt."

The British Army, meanwhile, ordered another 400 soldiers back to Northern Ireland.

Israel mourns 2 more tragic deaths

JERUSALEM (AP) — With the wounds of two suicide bombings still achingly fresh, Israel had more tragic deaths to mourn today: An Arab-American smashed his car into a Jerusalem bus stop, killing two people before bystanders shot him dead.

Police commanders who rushed to the scene with hundreds of officers initially said they were dealing with a terror attack. But they later said the driver apparently lost control of the car and tried to brake, noting there were long skid marks on the street.

In addition to the two dead, 22 people were hurt. Police were questioning the two bystanders who had opened fire on the driver, but it was not immediately known whether they faced possible criminal charges.

The incident underscored the raw tension in Israel a day after Muslim militant suicide bombers blew themselves up in back-to-back attacks on a Jerusalem city bus and at a hitchhiking post for Israeli soldiers in the coastal town of Ashkelon.

A witness to today's car crash said a black Fiat Uno ran a red light at a north Jerusalem intersection at high speed and then smashed into the crowded stop, a gathering point for Jewish West Bank settlers returning home from jobs or studies in Jerusalem.

Jerusalem police commander Arieh Amit said the driver was a U.S. resident who was visiting the West Bank town of Ramallah and had rented the car for a week from a Jerusalem rental company.

Prime Minister Shimon Peres identified the driver as Ahmed Abdel Hamida; he did not give the man's U.S. hometown.

The crash occurred as Israel was mourning and burying victims of Sunday's suicide bombings. The death toll rose to 27 today, including the two attackers, police said. Fifty-three people remained hospitalized, including 19 in serious condition.

Two of the dead were Americans, Matthew Mitchell Eisenfeld, 25, of West Hartford, Conn., who studied at the Jerusalem branch of the Jewish Theological Seminary, and his girlfriend, Sara Duker, 22, of Teaneck, N.J., who worked at a microbiology lab at Hebrew University.

Obituaries

Evelyn Pelczar

1918-1996

Evelyn E. Pelczar, 77, of Snyder, formerly of Hampton, N.H., died Saturday, Feb. 24, in St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock after a short illness.

Mass was to be held at 2 p.m. today in St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church with the Rev. Reynaldo Reyes officiating, directed by Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Additional services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in St. Mary's Church in Newmarket, Mass., with burial following in Calvary Cemetery in New Hampshire.

Born on June 16, 1918 in New Bedford, Mass., to John and Nora Maguire, she graduated from New Bedford Catholic High School in 1936. Mrs. Pelczar lived in Portsmouth and Hampton for over 30 years, Panama City Beach, Fla., and the last six years in Snyder. She was a member of the Sea Coast Square Dancers Club for over 20 years and enjoyed sewing and reading.

Her husband, Joseph Pelczar, died in 1989. She was also preceded in death by a brother, Francis Maguire.

Survivors include a daughter, Noreen Taylor of Snyder; three sons, Joseph P. Pelczar of Washington, D.C., Kenneth Pelczar of San Antonio and Robert J. Pelczar of Woodbridge, Va.; a sister, Katherine Periseau of Mattapoisett, Mass.; and seven grandchildren.

The family suggests memorial be made to the Scurry County Library.

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Naoma Minton

1919-1996

ROTAN — Graveside service was set for 2 p.m. today in the Belvieu Cemetery for Naoma Minton, 76, who died Friday, Feb. 23, in an Odessa hospital.

Born in Ira, she married Lester Minton in 1936 in Snyder. He preceded her in death.

Mrs. Minton had lived in Rotan, Hamlin, Austin, San Angelo and Menard before moving to Odessa. She worked as an apartment manager and a dealer for Stanley products. Mrs. Minton was a Methodist.

Survivors include a son, Wesley Minton of Odessa; two brothers, Bill Smith of Odessa and Eugene Smith of Mesquite; a sister, Inez Shaver of Oklahoma City; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

William Guthery

1917-1996

LUBBOCK — Funeral service was held this morning in the Franklin-Bartley Funeral Home Chapel for William Coy Guthery, 78, who died Saturday, Feb. 24, in St. Mary Hospital.

The Rev. Bob Fagan, pastor of Memorial Baptist Church, officiated, and burial followed in the Jayton Cemetery.

He was the father of Jackie Chaney of Snyder.

Born in Girard, he married Evelyn McIntyre on Oct. 24, 1983 in Crosbyton. Mr. Guthery moved to Lubbock in 1950 and worked for the city of Lubbock.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn Guthery of Lubbock; another daughter, Myrna Wright of El Paso; a son, Coy Guthery of Gainesville; a stepson, Ronnie Presley of Joshua Tree, Calif.; two stepdaughters, Barbara Presley of Lubbock and Eileen Sisco of Las Vegas, Nev.; and six grandchildren.

'Bill' Hollis

1916-1996

MIDLAND — Ferrell W. "Bill" Hollis, a former resident of Snyder, died Saturday, Feb. 24, in Midland

Service for Mr. Hollis, 79, are set for 11 a.m. Tuessday in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bob Porterfield, pastor of West Kentucky Street Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Resthaven Memorial Park.

Born in Patmos, Ark., Mr. Hollis attended school in Patmos before entering the Army in World War II. He served in Europe with Company G, 2nd Battalion, 142nd Infantry Division.

After the war, he began work in the petroleum industry. He worked in Odessa, Lovington and Plains. He moved to Midland in 1958 and became drilling superintendent with B.L. McFarland Co. and later worked for Loffland Brothers Drilling Co.

He was a member of the Seagraves First Baptist Church, Ranchland Hills Country Club and Midland Petroleum Club.

Survivors include his wife, Sybil Hollis of Midland; four sons, Gary Hollis of Elk City, Okla., Dave Kemp of Burbank, Calif., Billy Hollis and Tommy Hollis, both of Midland; a brother, Lawrence Hollis of Patmos, Ark.; six grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to the Kentucky Street Baptist Church.

The Declaration of Independence was read aloud on July 9, 1776, to Gen. George Washington's troops in New York.

Filing

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Sid Wall, Kirby Sterling and Lance Autry are unopposed incumbents running for Ira ISD boards.

Up for election on the Hermleigh ISD board are full terms held by Milton Adams and James Rinehart, and a one-year partial term held by Jay Roemisch. Filing for full terms have been Tony Lambaren and Burton Sandefur.

County

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vation Commission.

Also this morning, the court approved bills and tabled action on the hiring of a part-time worker at the county library until its next meeting.

County Judge Ricky Fritz presided while commissioners in attendance included C.D. Gray Jr., Roy Idom, Ralph Trevey and Jerry Gannaway.

What's Up?

Bible lessons to air

A series of Bible lessons on video tape is being aired on Snyder's TCA Cable TV channel 2, featuring Mike Tackett as speaker. The first tape, "The View From the Cross," will air at 7 this evening.

Booster club to meet

SHS All-Sports Booster Club will meet at 7 tonight at the First Christian Church.

Ira Masons to convene

Ira Masonic Lodge 934 will meet at 7:30 this evening.

Genealogical Society

The Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the county library. The program will be unlocking secrets of old photographs. Visitors are welcome.

Clerk's office to close

The county clerk's office will be closed from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday as employees are trained on new voting equipment. Early voting will be conducted as usual in the county courtroom.

ACS, Dialog to meet

The local American Cancer Society chapter will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday with the Dialog meeting set to follow at 7. Both are held in the Cogdell Hospital board room.

Ira to plan homecoming

A meeting to plan the September 1996 Ira school homecoming will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the school cafeteria. Anyone interested in helping with the preparations is encouraged to attend.

Pancake feast slated

The annual Kiwanis Pancake Feast will be held Saturday, from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the West Elementary cafeteria. Tickets, a $4 per person, will be entered in a drawing for a remote control color television. Children under age 6 are free.

'Dreams' set Thursday

The sixth-grade presentation of "Dreams" will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Worsham Auditorium. Admission is 50 cents per person.

Free tax help available

Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) provides free tax assistance to persons age 60 and older, and to low income persons of any age, in preparing their income tax returns. This service is available free at Scurry Senior Citizens Center each Wednesday from 9 a.m. until noon and 1-3 p.m.

For more information, call 573-4035 or 573-3822.

SHS Class of 1988

Snyder High Class of 1988 is seeking addresses of classmates. Send addresses of class members to Meredith Goodwin, 210 32nd St. in Snyder or call (316) 626-8644.

Pick 3

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

1-9-2

(one, nine, two)

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Two tickets bought in Fort Worth at Ramey's Market and in Houston correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth $4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 3, 7, 21, 22, 33 and 40.

There were 161 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth $1,023. There were 8,094 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning $73. And there were 129,274 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic $3.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be $4 million.

Death camp survivor shot

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dr. Haing S. Ngor, a survivor of Khmer Rouge death camps who won an Oscar for his portrayal of a fellow Cambodian in "The Killing Fields," was shot to death outside his home. He was 45.

It wasn't immediately known whether Ngor had been the target of the attack, and police refused to release further details. Officers removed his body, covered with bloody sheets, from the scene early today.

Ngor apparently was shot when he arrived at his home in Chinatown, which has been increasingly plagued by crime in recent years. He was found Sunday at about 8:45 p.m. near his vehicle.

Ngor won the best supporting actor Academy Award in 1984 for his portrayal of Dith Pran, an aide to a New York Times correspondent during the Vietnam War who was imprisoned by the brutal Khmer Rouge regime and then escaped.