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WEDNESDAY

Snyder Daily News

Ask Us

Q—How may a person qualify for disability homestead exemption? And what does "disability" mean?

A—Proof of disability may be shown by a letter from the Social Security Administration, doctor's statement or other proof to verify qualification. Disability is defined as the "inability to engage in any substantial, gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or which has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months."

Local

Health Unit

Scurry County Health Unit will not hold immunization clinic Thursday. Immunizations will resume Tuesday, Feb. 23.

WTC holiday

Western Texas College students will have a holiday Friday as faculty members attend the annual Texas Junior College Teachers Association convention in Austin.

Boy Scouts

Boy Scouts from Troop 27 will hold a flag retirement ceremony at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the VFW.

Everyone is welcome.

Ira PTA

Ira PTA will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the new gym on campus. The program will be "The Night Mother Left Home," a short play.

Everyone is invited.

Family supper

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

Families of residents are welcome and asked to bring casseroles, vegetables, salads and desserts.

Breakfast

Word is Life Deliverance Church will sponsor a West Texas Country Breakfast from 6 a.m. to noon Saturday in the North East Elementary cafeteria.

Tickets, available at the door, are $5 for adults and children over 10, $3 for children age 6-9 and free for children under 5. The menu includes all you can eat pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, milk, toast and biscuits.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Tuesday, 32 degrees; low, 19 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 19 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, 1.72 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, cloudy with areas of fog forming after midnight. Low in the mid 20s. Southeast wind 5-10 mph. Thursday, cloudy with areas of morning fog, becoming partly cloudy by afternoon. High in the lower 50s. South wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:32. Sunrise Thursday, 7:22. Of 47 days in 1993, the sun has shone 41 days in Snyder.

Clinton set to unveil economic package

WASHINGTON (AP) — After weeks of preparation, President Clinton is coming forward with a stern economic package offering

Televised address to begin at 8 p.m.

$500 billion in tax increases and spending cuts. A proposed energy tax would cost middle-class taxpayers as little as $10 a month, an aide said today.

While the White House braced for an onslaught of lobbying against the package after Clinton's announcement tonight, several aides tried to downplay the impact on the middle class.

"There's been a lot of talk about how much the middle class will pay. They will pay virtually nothing," Deputy Treasury Secretary Roger Altman said today.

The administration acknowledged Tuesday that all American households making more than $30,000 a year would feel a pinch.

But Altman said the proposed energy tax, expected to be the primary levy on the middle class, will cost about $10 a month for people earning less than $75,000 a year.

Even before Clinton formally unveiled his $500 billion deficit-reduction package, controversy over its tax features sent the stock market reeling, produced taunts from Republicans and put the administration on the defensive in anticipation of a major lobbying effort against it.

"We'll see the phone lines jammed because that's the way it's done these days and that's too bad. But I think were going to beat the special interest groups," Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen said on CBS today.

Labor Secretary Robert Reich said while "everybody is going to be a little nervous" he expected the public to rally behind the package once everyone "understands that every American is going to have to contribute."

Both Bentsen and Reich insisted they were not worried about an 83-point decline in the stock market Tuesday — the biggest drop in 15 months — in what analysts said was a reaction to Clinton's Monday night speech in which he acknowledged there would be tax increases in his program, but failed to talk much about spending cuts.



IN APPRECIATION — Marilyn Lancaster, assistant professor of developmental studies and English at Western Texas College, will preside over the Texas Junior College Teachers Association convention which begins Thursday in Austin. In appreciation of her efforts as president of the organization, the WTC Faculty Committee presented Mrs. Lancaster with flowers. Donny Brown, president, made the presentation this week. (SDN Staff Photo)

Scurry Head Start will be expanded, placed under CTO

Scurry County Head Start was officially made a delegate agency under Central Texas Opportunities Tuesday evening, a move which local officials embrace wholeheartedly.

"We're just really optimistic about working with CTO," said Shirley Fritz, director of Snyder Day Care Center, which operates the Head Start program here. "We know that CTO is really concerned about the children. I don't think we'll have a problem working with them at all."

In addition, CTO approved expanding the Scurry County Head Start program from 20 children to 40 children with a budget of $148,000. Head Start is a federally-funded program for three and four-year-olds from lower income families.

"There's no way it's not going to be bigger and better," said Mrs. Fritz. "We'll be able to include three-year-olds, and that's something we've wanted to do."

The funds include start-up costs for a second classroom, and more money per child than the center was receiving previously. In addition, said Fritz, the center will hire two instructors to handle the expansion.

"Anytime you can hire people you are helping the economy. That's part of the plus of helping the children, is putting people on the payroll," said Mrs. Fritz.

Scurry County Head Start will come under CTO on May 1. Meanwhile, the program will continue to be under People for Progress, Inc., (PPI) in Sweetwater.

Mrs. Fritz said Scurry County Head Start petitioned to be made a delegate agency of COT because PPI has refused to reimburse the local program for $6,000 in expenses for 1991-92, and about

(see HEAD START, page 8)

Lancaster to preside at TJCTA convention

Western Texas College instructor Marilyn Lancaster, president of the TJCTA, will conclude her three-year term in office this weekend by presiding over the annual convention in Austin.

The convention begins Thursday and concludes Saturday. On Friday, Western Texas College students will have a holiday to allow faculty members to attend the event.

Mrs. Lancaster is one of five WTC faculty members directly involved in the Texas Junior College Teachers Association (TJCTA) convention. Rockford Burris will assist in the election activities and Joann Snider will help with registration. Dick Lancaster chairs the publication committee and Ed Barkowsky is a member of the professional development committee.

The convention is expected to draw some 6,000 members for more than 140 separate events, in-

(see LANCASTER, page 8)

Work to begin on FM 1673, near landfill and prison unit

A preconstruction meeting held Tuesday by the Texas Department of Transportation confirmed that work will begin soon on County Road 1673.

Area Engineer Michael W. Taylor met with represenatives from county, city, railroad and the contractor of the project, Stephens Martin Paving, Inc. of Abilene, to discuss the upcoming construction.

It is one project with two locations, according to Taylor. One location will be where County Road 1673 meets Camp Springs Road near the Price Daniel Unit. Currently, 1673 makes a near 90-degree turn to the south at that spot. The construction will cause the road to curve instead of cut sharply.

The other location will be 1673 between U.S. 180 to U.S. 84, which runs along side the city landfill. This location will involve road construction through a railroad crossing. Taylor said after construction is finished the railroad site will house a set of gates, flashers and a new crossing.

Taylor stressed that convenience to the public and safe working conditions were major factors in the construction process.

"Barricade will go up today and construction should be in full swing," Taylor said.

He said travelers will have to make some allowances for the construction but that the work will be completed as soon as possible. The project's finish date is expected to be mid-November.

Texas Deparment of Transportation employees Cheryl Jones and Alvin Wimmer will be inspectors on the site daily.

The total length of the project is 2.499 miles and the cost of the road construction is $1,316,693.11. Taylor said the project is 100 percent state funded.

Scurry County purchased additional right-of-way for new road which will become a state-maintained highway when completed.

Trial recessed until Thursday

The defense will begin its case at 9 a.m. Thursday in the 132nd District Court trial of 42-year-old Wayne Melton.

A 7-man, 5-woman jury was selected about noon Tuesday and heard the state's case Tuesday afternoon.

Two defense witnesses failed to appear, and the trial adjourned late Tuesday with testimony due to resume Thursday morning.

Melton, who lives at 1900 West Drive, is being tried for indencency with a child, an offense that allegedly occurred in October, 1991. Melton was indicted by a Scurry County grand jury last July.

Dana Cooley, assistant district attorney, presented the state's case. The defendant is being represented by Pat Walker of Post.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The best way to overcome depression is to make somebody else happy."

Every town in West Texas wants the same thing — economic development.

Prospects are not easy to find, and for that reason we're perplexed by the attitude of some big city folks who oppose economic growth.

Things must not be so bad in places like Long Island and California. Comfortable citizens enjoy the luxury of fighting growth.

In New York's Nassau and Suffolk counties, plans to build U.S. headquarters for two camera companies, Canon and Olympus, have encountered local resistance.

In Los Angeles, production studios trying to expand have also encountered opposition. In the San Francisco Bay area, three cities have seen petition drives seeking referendums to block major projects, one that had been in the works for four years.

People who embrace the no-growth philosophy must not be responsible for meeting next week's payroll.

Maybe what towns like Snyder need is a marketing campaign to attract somebody who has become unwanted at home.

The chamber folks might hire the two little ole ladies who read and responded to the following classified ad in a big city newspaper.

"Attractive brunette widow, 50 years old, independent means, wishes to meet handsome, fun-loving temperament, single man at least six feet tall with independent income. Object: companionship. Write Box 507."

A couple of days later, this ad appeared in the same newspaper: "Men who do not meet Box 507's qualifications are requested to write Box 703. Two Bored Housewives Who Aren't as Fussy."

City beautification committee forming

Imagine Snyder, but with trees everywhere. Trees at all the major entrances and exits to the city. Trees planted at the schools, library, college, coliseum, parks, City Hall.

Imagine 10,000 of them.

That's the vision a group of Snyder citizens sees. In a cooperative effort with IGA, Coca-Cola and the Big Country Resource Conservation & Development agency, Snyder is to receive free 1,000 trees each year for the next 10 years.

The effort is part of a beautification project through the city and chamber of commerce. It's not limited to planting trees, either. It's a total beautification project — in the planning stages — and the public is enthusiastically invited to participate.

"We've got a good start but we still need more groups and individuals to get interested in it," said Chamber Manager Ricky Fritz.

The goal is to form a number of groups of people who will take on various projects.

"We're talking about checking with owners about vacant buildings to see if we can paint murals on the windows, or put in window displays or maybe curtains," said Fritz.

The police department has been stepping up the "red-tagging" of junk vehicles and the city plans to put more emphasis on cleaning up junk around properties.

At least one clean-up Snyder week will be planned annually, Fritz said.

City employee Carolyn House, chairperson for the project, uncovered a 1972 city beautification plan which should aid in placing the trees and other projects.

"This plan covers a lot of the areas we are talking about," said Mrs. House. "Of course it will require some modification," due to changes in the city over the past 20 years.

The first 1,000 seedlings are expected to arrive in Snyder in a couple of weeks. The seedlings will be placed in 5-gallon pots for one year until they are more stable, and then be planted. The trees are Arizona Cyprus, Lace Bark Elm, which are immune to Dutch Elm disease and are drought resistant, and Shumard Oak, about 330 of each.

Project members are currently attempting to find an area where the trees can be stored.

Fritz and House said the group is also researching programs to get shrubs and ground cover.

Emphasis for the first year will be concentrated on the square

(see BEAUTIFY, page 8)

Teenage pregnancy council releases recommendations

AUSTIN (AP) — A report calling for required sex education in Texas schools is "too radical and controversial," opponents say.

The state Adolescent Pregnancy and Parenthood Advisory Council released its report to the Legislature Tuesday.

It includes recommendations the state provide programs for pregnant and parenting teens, plus comprehensive sex education for children from pre-kindergarten through high school.

But Anne Neman, of the Texas Council for Family Values, said the report undermines the rights of parents.

"(The council's) proposals reinforce the misguided idea that teens have the right to have sex, condoms and abortions," Ms. Neman said.

Larry Shaw, co-chairman of the advisory council, said Ms. Neman and supporters of abstinence-based sex education are ignoring the problem.

"We have a reality in Texas and that is our kids are having sex. We think we have some common sense recommendations to address that," he said.

Shaw said the council supports state-ordered sex education programs that are "age appropriate, comprehensive and scientifically valid."

But he said specific curriculums should be developed by individual communities and school boards. Also, the report says parents should have the option of removing their children from sex education classes.

In 1991, Texas led the nation in births to girls age 14 and under. It ranked second that year in births to girls age 15-17, according to the report.

Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, has introduced legislation that would require each school district in the state to offer a sex education program that includes instruction in pregnancy prevention and AIDS.

First black moves into housing project

VIDOR, Texas (AP) — A disabled cement finisher has moved into Vidor's public housing project, becoming the first black resident of the formerly all-white project.

John DecQuir, 58. also is apparently the first black resident of this Orange County town of 10,935 in decades.

DecQuir moved into the project on Tuesday, ending months of controversy and years of court battles.

Vidor has long had a reputation as a Ku Klux Klan stronghold where blacks aren't welcome.

"I never thought about being a pioneer," DecQuir told the Houston Chronicle after moving the first of his belongings into a one-bedroom apartment at the complex.

"I just needed a place to live," said DecQuir, who suffers from diabetes and had been living with relatives in Beaumont for the past year while waiting to get an apartment in a public housing project there.

U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice of Tyler issued a desegregation order in 1985 for public housing projects in 36 East Texas counties.

Housing authorities in Beaumont, Port Arthur and Orange joined with the Orange County Housing Authority, which administers the Vidor project, to work to desegregate all the housing projects in Orange and Jefferson counties.

The desegregation of the Vidor project triggered three Ku Klux Klan rallies in the area in recent months.

Klan officials have said they plan rallies in Orange and Vidor on Saturday.

DecQuir said he was unaware of the Klan rallies and wasn't worried about Saturday's rallies.

"It's none of my business," he said.

Albert Harrison, hired by the Orange and Jefferson county districts to carry out a combined desegregation plan, announced late last summer that four black families had volunteered to move to Vidor from housing projects in Beaumont and Port Arthur.

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NORTHEAST BEE WINNERS — Trey Gorman, left, won the spelling bee at Northeast Elementary School Tuesday morning. Jeremy Goodlett, third from left, is the runner-up. Both fifth graders will advance to the county bee next month. Also pictured are Donna Farley, second from left, Gorman's teacher; and Rebekah Thornton, far right, Goodlett's teacher. Gorman correctly spelled "albino" to win. (SDN Staff Photo)

Gramm, Armey introduce plan to balance fed budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Phil Gramm and Rep. Dick Armey have teamed up to draft a Republican blueprint they say can balance the federal budget by the year 2000.

The two Texans introduced their legislation Tuesday and called a news conference to detail point-by-point how their plan is better than the package of tax increases and spending cuts President Clinton will unveil tonight.

The Gramm-Armey legislation would force Congress and the administration to pare the federal deficit by set amounts each year, and re-examine the worthiness of many federal programs.

The measure, which incorporates some aspects of the Gramm-Rudman deficit-reduction system of the 1980s, also would limit the growth of entitlement programs such as Medicaid and Medicare — but not Social Security.

"What we want to do today is to outline a blueprint of how we can implement a balanced budget, break gridlock and reinvent government," said Gramm.

"We've gone back on a bipartisan basis and tried to take the best ideas that have been presented by Democrats and Republicans in the last 20 years."

The Gramm-Armey legislation has four major components:

—Limiting the growth of entitlement programs to the growth of Social Security, which is pegged to increases in the cost of living and the growth of the eligible population. "Anyone who is serious about deficit reduction knows that to cut the deficit, we must reduce entitlement spending," said Armey, R-Lewisville.

—Forcing all federal discretionary spending programs and unearned entitlements to undergo periodic review. The concept, taken from former President Carter, wouldn't allow programs to be funded from year-to-year without review as many are now. "We have hundreds of programs that we created in the Depression that haven't been examined since," said Armey.

—Making the president and Congress work more closely in developing the annual budget. Since 1974, Gramm noted, the president has submitted one budget, the Congress another. "Those two budgets have absolutely no connection to one another ... and it should not be shocking that since 1974 we have not balanced the budget and we have not dealt with the deficit problem," he said.

—Setting fixed-deficit targets, trimming the deficit to zero by 2000. This approach failed under Gramm-Rudman, when Congress and the administration found ways to circumvent its automatic budget cuts.

Armey, the third-ranking GOP leader in the House, challenged his colleagues to deal with the deficit.

"In my opinion if you're not willing to accept the challenge to end the deficit and balance the budget by the end of this century you have no business being in the government of the United States," he said.

Richards signs bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Ann Richards says a $50-million-a-year job-training measure will give Texas another tool to attract new business.

"This gives us a chance to be able to say to the business, 'You come here. We've got the workers, and we'll train them to do the job you want done,'" said Richards, who signed the measure into law Tuesday.

The bill is the first to receive her signature since the 1993 legislative session began Jan. 12.

For example, Richards said, the new law could help Lubbock's efforts to attract a U.S. Defense Department finance and accounting center that would bring more than 4,000 jobs to Texas.

The so-called Smart Jobs Fund will be financed by diverting one-tenth of 1 percent of the state's existing unemployment insurance tax.

The fund will provide matching grants to existing Texas businesses for training new workers, or to upgrade employees' skills for jobs that generally pay at least the state average annual wage of $18,000, based on manufacturing industry salaries.

As an incentive for new business to expand or locate in Texas, the program will give matching grants to pay for new job training or on-the-job training.

Rep. Rene Oliveira, D-Brownsville, House sponsor of the bill, said it would create or retain an estimated 27,000 Texas jobs.

Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock, one of the Senate sponsors, called the bill "visionary."

"I think it trains the kind of people we're going to need to put in these critical job roles in the development of our future," he said.

The name "dinosaur" was first used in print in 1842 by English anatomist Sir Richard Owen, who combined two Greek words — "deinos," or terrible, and "sauros," or lizard, notes National Geographic.

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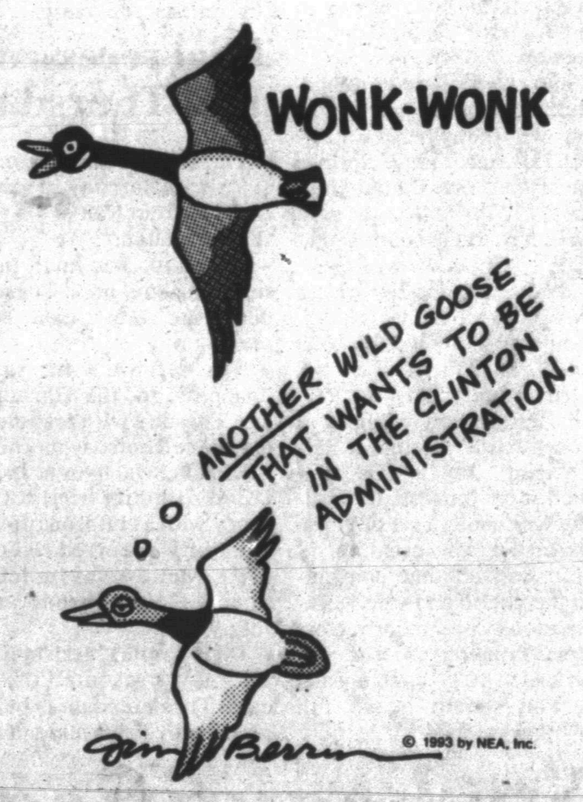
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Business Mirror

By John Cunniff
AP Business Analyst

Just where is common sense?

NEW YORK (AP) — President Clinton promised to fight the special interests and their lobbyists, but the strongest and most successful lobby is government itself.

Government, which produces little income other than what comes from the people, has grown relentlessly for decades, much of it at the expense of the private sector and its job and revenue-producing abilities.

Stephen Moore, a fiscal policies analyst, documented this growth in a paper showing that relative to the economy's size, government consumed four times as much gross national product in 1990 as it did in 1900.

In 1900, he reported, government as a percentage of total output was a mere 8.9 percent. In 1930, the percentage had grown to 12.2 percent; in 1960 to 26.6 percent, and in 1990 to 36.8 percent.

Measured in jobs, the figures are more startling. In 1940, total government employment was 4.5 million civilians, but by 1992 the tax-supported job roll had grown to 18.2 million — more than the payrolls of all U.S. manufacturers.

The government lobby is represented by legislators with pet projects, those who believe government can solve all problems, and various group pleaders who believe they should get something at the expense of others.

This legacy of government as giver rather than regulator and administrator has a long history, but the pace has quickened. To fulfill goals, government borrowed, and interest on the debt is now the third largest budget item.

In his address Monday night, Clinton showed awareness of the problems. Identifying the times as momentous, he called for the implementation of common sense, and announced plans to cut 100,000 federal jobs.

Then he called for tax increases and the promise of more government services, which would require government hiring, spending and taxes, a formula that might confuse supporters, provide ammunition to critics, and thwart the private sector's ability to create productive, permanent jobs.

Moore, director of Fiscal Policy Studies at the conservative Cato Institute in Washington — his study was published by the Institute for Policy Analysis, a Lewisville, Texas, conservative think tank — shows that when taxes are raised, spending rises faster. Higher taxes are fuel for higher spending.

The president's critics are ready to pounce on his proposals, and at the very least a lively debate will ensue. Conservatives opponents already are outraged, as expected, but more liberal supporters also will have questions.

Likely to be high on everyone's list will be a request for proof that tax increases will indeed reduce the deficit. It will be hard to produce.

Deficit reduction was one of the stated goals of every tax increase during the Reagan and Bush administrations. None worked. Instead, spending rose, deficits rose, and interest on the national debt reached $200 billion.

During the same time, the nation's output grew only weakly, the employed labor force barely increased, wages showed little improvement, job insecurity rose, government regulations resumed growth, and business investment declined.

That performance not only may have cost Bush the presidency, but it raised popular suspicions about the belief that taxing can reduce the deficit and somehow spur rather than weaken the private-sector economy.

Victims of gang violence support anti-gang proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — In tearful testimony before the House Urban Affairs Committee, Jean Mroz said her life was turned into a nightmare as she urged passage of a package of anti-gang bills.

Mroz dropped her 12-year-old daughter off at a friend's birthday party in November 1991, and never saw her alive again.

Her daughter, Jennifer, died instantly of a gunshot wound when gang members driving by mistook the house hosting the party for that of a rival gang member.

The bills, sponsored by Rep. Eddie De La Garza, D-Edinburg, would stiffen penalties for drive-by shootings, shootings into people's homes or businesses, and better track youths with a history of gang violence.

All were sent to a subcommittee for further study.

"She was a normal student and everybody's friend," said Ms. Mroz, who moved from Houston, where the shooting took place, to Wallace for peace of mind.

"I think it's very important that some of these bills get passed to make the punishment harsher. Maybe it will make these kids realize something is going to happen to them," Ms. Mroz told lawmakers.

"This may not totally prevent someone from doing a drive-by shooting because you have irrational people everywhere. But this will at least send a message that we intend to start taking back the streets and the school," De La Garza said.

One of the De La Garza's bills would better coordinate efforts of police and schools to identify youths with a history of gang activity.

De La Garza described how a child was sexually assaulted by a member of a gang and then both ended up in the same classroom later. He said schools often are not able to get information from law enforcement agencies due to privacy laws.

"This (bill) would require notification of schools of the fact that an individual has been charged with a crime dealing with weapons or drugs," De La Garza said.

Another bill, sponsored by Rep. Fred Hill, R-Richardson, would prohibit possession or discharge of a firearm on public property within 1,000 feet of a school. The measure would lower the age for prosecution of such offenses to 13.

Juanita Perez also testified in favor of the legislation, telling the committee how her 15-year-old son was a bystander but killed when a gang fight broke out at his school in the Houston suburb of Spring Branch.

"As a parent, I want to go shopping for clothes, not for flowers," Ms. Perez said.

Capt. Chuck Brawner, of the Spring Branch Independent School District Police Department, said the anti-gang bills "will give us some more tools we need to fight the out-of-control violence among our kids today."

Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Scurry County Penwomen; 1:30 p.m.

Cosmorama Study Club; MAWC; "Inspiration of Southern Traditions," by Jo Ashley and Barbara Bigham; hostesses, Durelle Gorman, JoAn Stewart, Laurie Brown; 4:15 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

Honey Do's Extension Homemakers meeting; home of Kathryn Roberts, 3102 Beaumont; 9:30 a.m.

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

Diabetes Support Group; Senior Center; noon.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

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

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

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

Snyder Chapter No. 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th; hostesses, all members; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-9924 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-974 or 573-2763.

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9924. (Last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

Saturday

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information call 573-2349, 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

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

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

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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The reflexes of a snail

By Phillip Alder

Whatever else you feel about him, you have to agree that Woody Allen has written many funny lines. I like this one: "I'm not a fighter; I have bad reflexes. I was once run over by a car being pushed by two guys."

Many bridge deals require rapid reflexes. Some declarers, when they need a misdefense to make their contract, will play very quickly. This isn't kosher, but it often works. However, when defending, don't be hurried. Say that you want to take some time to think things through.

Rather than rely on speed, the declarer should play his cards deceptively so that the defender doesn't see the trap in time.

Playing in four hearts, the ingenuous declarer wins the first trick with dummy's club ace, draws trumps and plays a diamond to the king. True, against some opponents this will work. West will lead a second club, allowing South to ruff and discard one of dummy's spade losers on the diamond queen. But against more sophisticated defenders it won't succeed. First, East will have played his two trumps in the order 5-2, trying to show a top honor in spades. Second, West will see that the club queen can wait. He will recognize the possibility of a discard and switch to the spade four at trick five.

As South knows East has the club king and is marked with a top spade (West didn't lead the spade king), West must hold the diamond ace. A more deceptive approach is to lead dummy's diamond at trick two and put in the nine. If West falls for the trap, later South can ruff out West's diamond ace and get his discard.

Readers are invited to send card-play questions to Phillip Alder, in care of this newspaper. They can be answered only through the column.

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Probe of archivist is sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three senators say the Justice Department should investigate U.S. Archivist Don W. Wilson, who granted control of White House computer records to George Bush while negotiating a job to run Bush's presidential library.

The public integrity section in the department's Criminal Division should inquire into a possible conflict of interest and whether Wilson conducted personal business while on government travel, said Sens. John Glenn, D-Ohio; David Pryor, D-Ark., and Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn.

Wilson became involved in job hunting last Nov. 4, the lawmakers said Tuesday. Wilson announced last Friday he was resigning effective March 31 to become executive director of the George Bush Presidential Library Center at Texas A&M University

On Jan. 19, Wilson signed over to Bush "exclusive legal control" of 5,000 computer tapes that the White House had planned to destroy. A private research center, the National Security Archive, intervened and won a court order to block the move.

The senators also wrote the Justice Department's Civil Division, saying Congress wasn't notified in advance of the agreement and that the control granted Bush may have violated the court order.

In addition, Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., asked the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, to look into Wilson's activities.

Wilson has denied any wrongdoing.

Under federal law, it is a felony for an officer of the U.S. government to render decisions on matters relating to "any person or organization with whom he is negotiating or has any arrangement concerning prospective employment."

Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Feb. 17, 1993

In the year ahead, you could be more successful than you have been in the past, specifically when fulfilling your secret ambitions. You already have the blueprints in your mind, and now you'll know how to use them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You may be able to size up critical situations with remarkable accuracy today, owing to your ability to resolve dilemmas through both deduction and intuition. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Aquarius' Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You are now in a fortunate cycle for establishing constructive relationships. You and your new friends will alternate roles between students and teachers.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Unique opportunities could present themselves today where your work or career is concerned. They are apt to be of a fleeting nature, and if you don't respond quickly, you may miss the boat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If someone who presently resides far away from you is on your mind today, there could be good reasons for getting in touch. Follow your inclinations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Things should work out to your satisfaction today, due to your ability to pick up on the thoughts of others and use your perception in helpful ways.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may have an opportunity today to win over a new ally by ignoring any biases while discussing a matter of mutual concern. Be frank and forthright.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A little brainstorming today between you and your co-workers could produce some rather ingenious ideas, which increase productivity and lower stress.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Unusual circumstances might surround you today with a person whom you recently met and want to know better. You will find that you have much in common.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Something can be finalized to your satisfaction, but it will require full use of your imagination and resourcefulness. Fortunately, these are two of your better assets today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) There's a chance you might experience a rather unusual turnabout today when someone you try to advise ends up being your mentor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Big rewards could come in small packages today, so don't reject less compensation than you anticipated. More could be in the pipeline.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might be able to move much faster than people you associate with today. Instead of letting them set the pace for you, disengage yourself and operate on your own.

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Your Birthday

Feb. 18, 1993

In the year ahead, you will have greater opportunities to assume more direct control over matters that were previously regulated by others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Substantial strides can be made today toward advancing your personal interests. In order to do this, you must be single-minded and focused on your objectives. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Things should begin to look up for you today regarding a situation where the odds had appeared to be working against you. The change could be due to Lady Luck's intervention.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A more binding relationship may soon develop with someone you consider a mere acquaintance. The change will require time to unfold, but it will be lasting.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You have the potential to achieve important objectives without the help of others today. However, a concerned ally will be watching in the wings, just in case you trip.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is a good day to do more than merely contemplate your future plans. Take what you have devised thus far and put it into action without further delay.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) When dealing with your special someone today, try to be protective without being possessive. If you are unable to perceive the line of demarcation, you could disturb the relationship.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) When making decisions today that could affect you and your mate, try to slant them in his or her favor instead of your own. This is a way to assure that both of you will benefit.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Complications could begin to develop if you form a romantic attachment with someone at work. Keep everything strictly business today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your extravagant urges might surface today and tempt you to spend resources when you shouldn't. Don't let unruly impulses dictate imprudent action.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You are now entering a cycle where your luck should begin to show a marked improvement. However, if you start to coast, it could turn out to be counterproductive.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Ideas you conceive today could be superior to those of your associates. They will be more receptive to your thoughts if you make them feel they are co-authors.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Financial indicators look very encouraging for you today, and this means you should give top priority to matters that can either make or save you money.

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Barbara Bush injures arm

MIAMI (AP) — Barbara Bush is nursing an arm injury.

The former first lady was treated at a hospital Tuesday after she and former President Bush returned from a Caribbean cruise. She appeared in good spirits as she left Jackson Memorial Hospital with a 4-inch bandage on her left forearm.

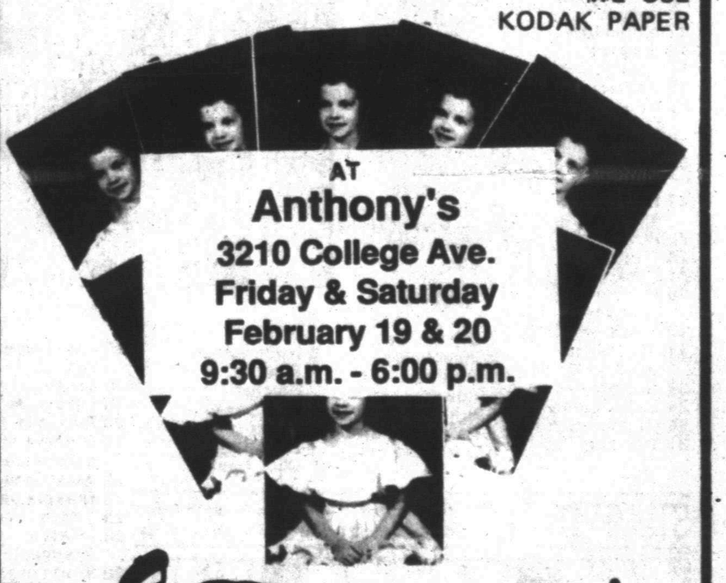
"She's in perfect health," Andrew Maner said.

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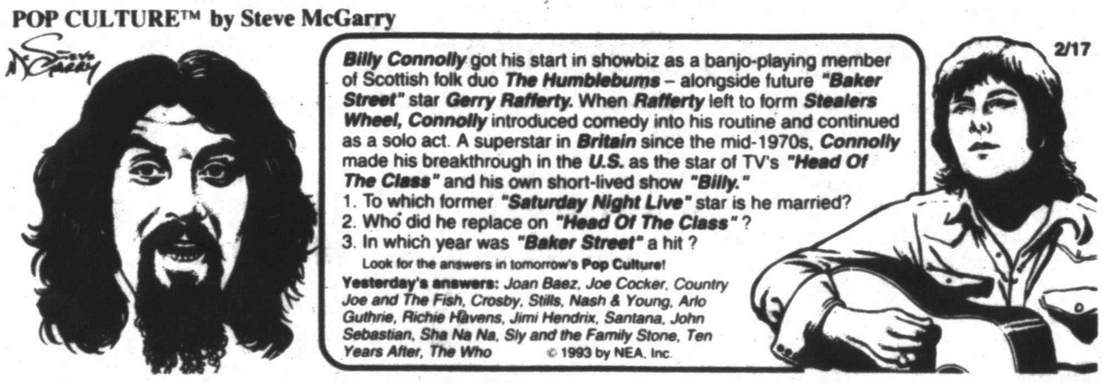
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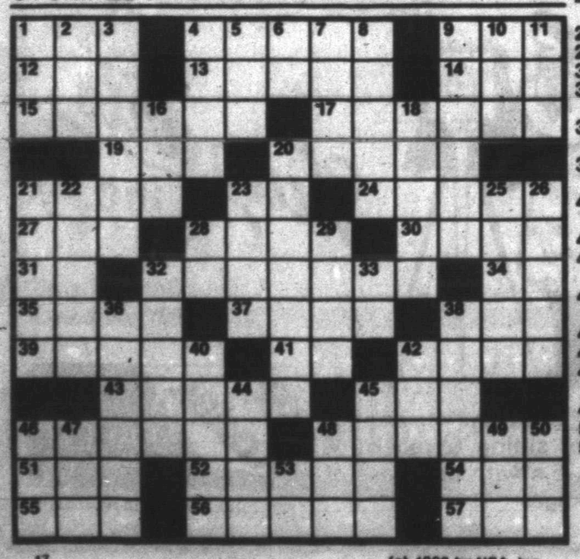
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Lobos down Tigers in finale

SHS hits only seven field goals in 43-35 season-ending loss

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

Snyder's Tigers played excellent defense against Levelland Tuesday, but they had big trouble finding the basket.

The Tigers hit only seven field goals in a 43-35 season-ending cage battle against the Lobos at Scurry County Coliseum.

"We couldn't throw the ball in the ocean," SHS coach Bud Birks said following the game.

"We had a lot of opportunities we just didn't shoot well or take care of the ball.

"We played plenty good enough on defense to win the game.

"Our big kids missed some easy shots, layups, early in the game."

The Tigers wound up the season with an overall winning record, 15-14, but were just 1-9 within District 2-4A.

"As I've said before," Birks said, "This is a really tough district. I feel like the effort was there from our kids the whole season. They always hustled.

"We've just been lacking offense. In 90-95 percent of our games we've played really hard. We just didn't have that many offensive threats."

With seven of the 10 members on the team returning next year, Birks has already started planning.

"I challenged them as soon as the game was over to be in the gym as much as possible," the coach said. "The offense you run and coaching will only take you so far. You've got to get into the gym and work on your offensive skills."

The Tigers led after one quarter, 7-6, before the Lobos erupted on a 17-7 second-period run.

Trailing 35-23 at the start of the fourth, SHS made a brief run at Levelland.

Adrian Sneed dished to Chris Stansell for a lay-in at the 7:08 mark to narrow the margin to nine points, 37-28, but Levelland answered with a pair of James Mendoza free throws and a bucket by Jeremy Weese to pull back in front by 13.

Senior Steven Bollinger nailed a three for the Tigers and Sneed sank twin free tosses, but time simply ran out.

Sneed led the Tigers with 15 points including two field goals and an 11-14 night from the line.

Bollinger rang up two 3-pointers and finished with seven for SHS. Stansell wound up with six.

Levelland had two double-digit scorers. Sedric King, who had the Lobo's only three, canned 10, as did Tony Graves.

The Lobos finished the season with a 22-11 overall mark. They were 5-5 within the loop.

Other district action Tuesday included a 59-58 upset win by Estacado over loop champion Plainview, and an 89-65 blistering of Lamesa by Frenship.

Estacado's win gives the Matadors the district's second playoff spot.

Levelland	6	17	12	8	-43
Snyder	7	7	9	12	-35

LEVELLAND (43) — Jones 1 3-4 5; Franklin 1 0-0 2; Williams 1 0-0 2; King 4 1-1 10; Watkins 2 0-2 4; Cottenoir 1 2-2 4; Graves 5 0-0 10; Mendoza 0 2-2 2; Hayes 1 0-0 2; Weese 1 0-0 2; TOTALS 18 8-11 43.

SNYDER (35) — Lelek 0 0-1 0; Sneed 2 11-14 15; Bollinger 2 1-2 7; Patrick 1 0-0 3; Henry 0 4-4 4; Stansell 2 2-2 6; TOTALS 7 18-24 35.

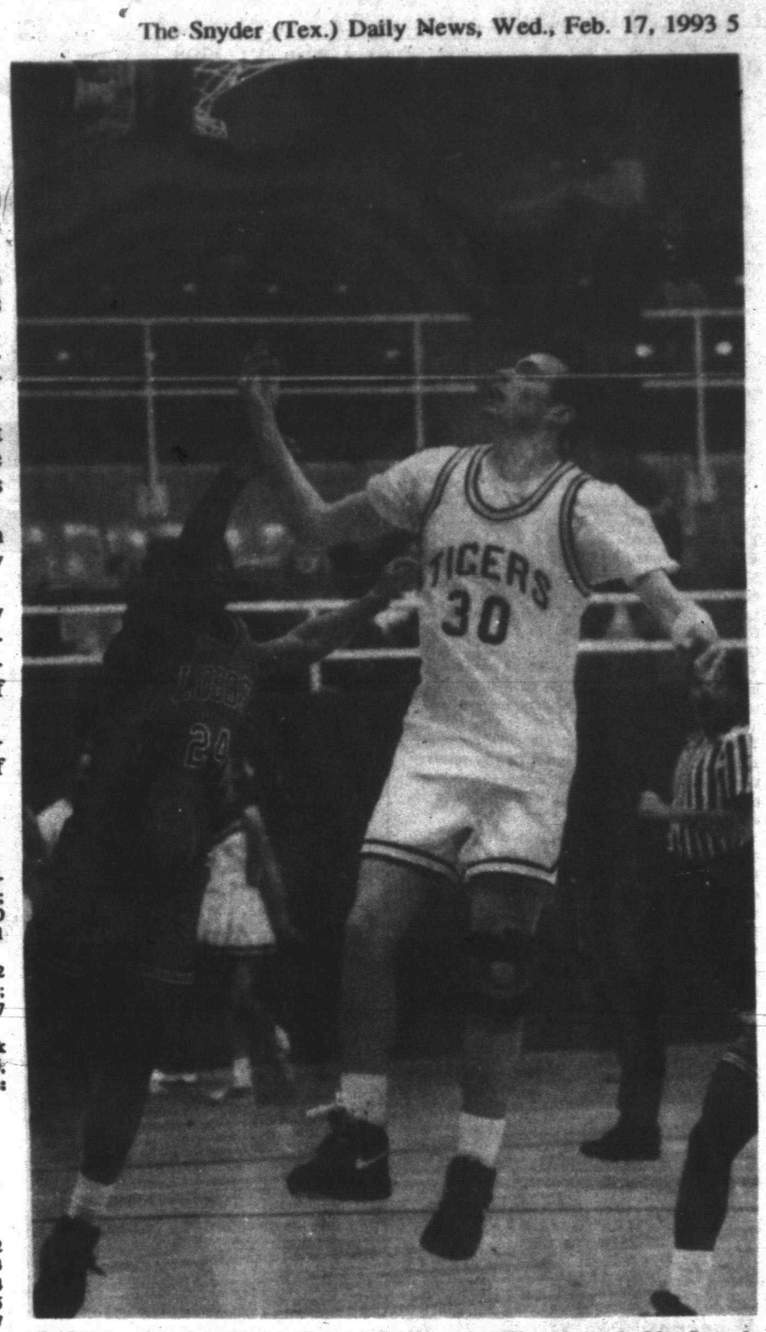
3-point goals: Snyder 3 (Bollinger 2, Patrick 1); Levelland 1 (King). Fouls: Snyder 15, Levelland 22. Fouled out: none. Records: Snyder 15-14, 1-9; Levelland 22-11, 5-5.

District 2-4A

Basketball
Boys

Team	Season		District	
Plainview	24	5	8	2
Estacado	15	14	7	3
Frenship	23	6	6	4
Levelland	22	11	5	5
Lamesa	16	17	3	7
Snyder	15	14	1	9

Tuesday, Feb. 16
Levelland 43, Snyder 35
Frenship 89, Lamesa 65
Estacado 59, Plainview 58
Regular season ends



FOUL — Snyder senior Steven Bollinger (30) gets fouled by Levelland's Sedric King under the basket in Tuesday's District 2-4A cage battle at Scurry County Coliseum. The Tigers wound up the 1992-93 campaign with a 43-35 loss to the Lobos. (SDN Staff Photo)

Allegations surface involving Aggie boosters' slush fund

DALLAS (AP) — Recently banned booster Warren Gilbert Jr. was part of a secret attempt to organize a slush fund for improper payments to Texas A&M football players, a prominent alumnus has told school officials.

A&M officials said Tuesday they have informed the NCAA of the allegation by Dallas businessman and civic leader Larry Ferguson, The Dallas Morning News reported today.

Robert Smith, the A&M vice president in charge of rules compliance, said Tuesday his office also will investigate the allegation.

In a letter dated Dec. 26, Ferguson — a member of the 12th Man Foundation — wrote school president William Mobley of the alleged activities of Gilbert and two other well-known 12th Man members, car dealer J.L. Huffines Jr. of nearby Lewisville, Texas, and businessman Thomas A. O'Dwyer of Dallas.

"During (former coach) Jackie Sherrill's tenure at A&M, Tom approached me to say that he, Huffines and Gilbert had organized a meeting to raise a cash slush fund for the football efforts," Ferguson wrote.

Ferguson said he had no direct knowledge if a fund was created.

Smith and compliance officer Tedi Zalesky said nothing was done with Ferguson's allegations until this week, when The Dallas Morning News began making inquiries of A&M officials.

According to the two compliance officials, they process information as it "becomes elevated" in importance by certain events.

"I mean, obviously we cannot work all things simultaneously," Smith said. "So when something gets elevated, then we get on it."

The newspaper's questions elevated the Ferguson claims, Smith said.

Texas A&M announced Feb. 5 that Gilbert — a director of the A&M Lettermen's Association — was being disassociated from university athletics after it confirmed allegations that Gilbert-operated companies improperly paid players for work they did not perform.

The Dallas Morning News reported Dec. 20 that current and former Gilbert employees had told federal investigators that five members of the 1992 squad were being paid year-round for work not performed. The university has said none of the records Gilbert made available to it confirmed the year-round payments.

Star running back Greg Hill and three other players were suspended from the team and missed the Cotton Bowl game against Notre Dame as a result of an investigation triggered by the newspaper report.

O'Dwyer acknowledged knowing Ferguson but called the accusations ridiculous. "I have absolutely never had a recollection of participating in any slush fund for any coach," he said.

Said Huffines: "I don't know anything about that. I don't remember anything at all about that."

Gilbert, through his attorney, said the statements were false, reckless and injurious.

Ferguson, 70, said he was willing to risk his friendships with Gilbert, Huffines and O'Dwyer to make sure Mobley knew there might be more to the stories published by The Dallas Morning News.

The Morning News said it received a copy of Ferguson's letter with no indication who may have sent it.

Ferguson confirmed the newspaper's copy as authentic. Although he had intended it to be private communication, Ferguson said he did not object to making it public.

"I don't know what you plan to do, but I stand up for whatever I've written or said," Ferguson said in a telephone interview.

"As far as I'm concerned, I've done my duty — to notify the president of A&M my knowledge of what's been going on," Ferguson said.

The school's report of its investigation, which was concluded Jan. 22, placed most of the blame on the athletes who accepted the payments rather than Gilbert.

It contained no mention of Gilbert's possible involvement in any slush fund. None of those mentioned by Ferguson said they had been contacted by university representatives during the investigation.

NCAA regulations require that members report any possible rules violations to the association's enforcement staff for evaluation.

Zalesky said nothing was mentioned about the Ferguson charges because the report dealt only with player eligibility questions.

WJCAC basketball

Women

Team	Season		League	
Howard	27	0	9	0
Odessa	23	5	7	2
South Plains	18	7	3	4
Frank Phillips	12	11	3	5
NMJC	15	12	2	7
Western Texas	13	13	1	7

Monday, Feb. 15
Howard 74, Odessa 70
Clarendon at WTC — postponed
Thursday, Feb. 18
WTC at NMJC
Frank Phillips at South Plains

Men

Team	Season		League	
Odessa	25	2	10	1
Howard	23	3	8	2
NMJC	18	10	6	5
Midland	18	8	4	6
South Plains	17	10	4	6
NMMI	11	15	2	8
Frank Phillips	4	18	2	8

Monday, Feb. 15
Midland 73, South Plains 57
NMJC 84, NMMI 72
Odessa 82, Howard 76
Thursday, Feb. 18
Frank Phillips at South Plains
Odessa at Clarendon
Howard at NMMI

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	33	16	.673	—
New Jersey	30	21	.588	4
Boston	26	23	.531	7
Orlando	23	23	.500	8½
Philadelphia	18	30	.375	14½
Miami	17	31	.354	15½
Washington	15	35	.300	18½

Central Division

Chicago	34	17	.667	—
Cleveland	33	19	.635	1½
Charlotte	26	22	.543	6½
Atlanta	24	26	.480	9½
Indiana	22	28	.440	11½
Detroit	21	28	.429	12
Milwaukee	20	30	.400	13½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Antonio	33	15	.688	—
Utah	32	17	.653	1½
Houston	29	21	.580	5
Denver	20	29	.408	13½
Minnesota	11	35	.239	21
Dallas	4	44	.083	29

Pacific Division

Phoenix	37	10	.787	—
Seattle	32	17	.653	6
Portland	30	16	.652	6½
LA Lakers	26	22	.542	11½
LA Clippers	25	25	.500	13½
Golden State	23	29	.442	16½
Sacramento	17	32	.347	21

Tuesday's Games
New York 117, Dallas 87
New Jersey 100, Milwaukee 88
Detroit 124, Orlando 120, OT
Phoenix 110, Boston 97
Houston 149, Philadelphia 111
Seattle 112, Washington 102
Golden State 133, San Antonio 112
Portland 105, Atlanta 90

Wednesday's Games
Denver at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Wilting point



NBA players with the most 50+ point games

Player (career)	
Wilt Chamberlain ('59-'73)	118
Michael Jordan ('84-)	29
Elgin Baylor ('58-'72)	17
Rick Barry ('73-'80)	14

Source: Basketball Hall of Fame

Michael Jordan turned in the 29th game of his career with 50 or more points in December. But Wilt Chamberlain is king of the monster games. He scored at least 50 points in a game 118 times in his NBA career, including seven straight games in December 1961. He did the trick 45 times in the '61-'62 season, when he averaged 50.4 points per game.

Non-district tennis...

SHS boys sweep Big Spring

BIG SPRING — Snyder's boys shivered through six straight-set victories as the Tigers dominated Big Spring in a non-district tennis match here Tuesday.

Snyder won 13 of 17 individual matches, including all six boys' singles matches and three consecutive boys' doubles meetings.

"It was 26 degrees out there," said SHS tennis coach Terri Hoerster. "It was cold!

"Each player really played well for being so frozen."

Jason Warren won the No. 1 boys' singles match, taking a 6-2, 6-1 victory over Big Spring's Jeremy Miller.

Sam Cain, playing in the Tigers' No. 2 slot, hammered Colby Wegman 6-3, 6-0.

Also, Tracey Chavez whipped Big Spring's Mike Webb in twin 6-1 sets; Cameron Taylor handed Dan Mireles an 8-2 pro-set loss; Salvador Aguirre allowed just one game to get away in his 6-0, 6-1 win against Suman Reddy; and Jeronimo Ruiz dominated Jarrod Ralston, 6-0, 6-1.

Warren and Chavez had a little more trouble, but still claimed a 6-1, 7-5 win over Ortega and O'Brien in the top boys' doubles match.

Snyder's girls, led by Leslie Sandoval's 6-2, 6-2 decision over Angela Griffin, split their eight matches with BSHS.

Christina Gonzales, Snyder's No. 2 singles entrant, drilled Heidi McIntire in straight 6-1 sets and Lindsey Griffin posted a 6-0, 6-1 victory in her match against Paula Hamblin.

The Tiger net squad will see its next action Feb. 26 and 27 at the Colorado City Tournament.

Big Spring Tournament
Snyder players listed first

Boys' singles: Jason Warren def. Jeremy Miller 6-2, 6-1; Sam Cain def. Colby Wegman 6-3, 6-0; Tracey Chavez def. Mike Webb 6-1, 6-1; Cameron Taylor def. Dan Mireles 8-2; Salvador Aguirre def. Suman Reddy 6-0, 6-1; Jeronimo Ruiz def. Jarrod Ralston 6-0, 6-1.

Boys' doubles: Warren and Chavez def. Ortega and O'Brien 6-1, 7-5; Ruiz and Aguirre def. Doll and Johnson 7-5, 6-0; Purcell and Farley def. Ralston and Sinclair 6-0, 6-0.

Girls' singles: Leslie Sandoval def. Angela Griffin 6-2, 6-2; Christina Gonzales def. Heidi McIntire 6-1, 6-1; Lindsey Griffin def. Paula Humblin 6-1, 6-0; Katie Thornton lost to Pam Porter 6-1, 4-6 (9-7).

Girls' doubles: Winter and Herreta lost to Porter and Griffin 6-1, 6-2; Farmer and Spencer lost to McIntire and Lee 6-4, 6-1; Suarez and Pemberton lost to Willis and Hamblin 6-1, 6-1; Rosson and Garvin def. Edward and Herrera 7-6 (7-4), 6-4.

L'land edges SHS JV 36-30

A 16-6 third-quarter burst by Levelland left the Snyder junior varsity boys with a 36-30 season ending loss Tuesday.

The Snyder JV, 16-13 on the season, was led by Ricky Post's 13 points and four each by Page Patterson, David Krenek and Brad Gober.

Snyder held a 10-8 advantage after one period, and an 18-16 halftime lead.

Levelland	8	8	16	4	-36
Snyder	10	8	6	6	-30

Leading scorers: Snyder — Post 13, Gober 4, Krenek 4, Patterson 4, Aguirre 3, Huestis 2; Levelland — Murillo 9, Franklin 6, Sainz 6, Blair 4, Puente 4, Frescaz 2. Records: Snyder 16-13.

HHS coach seeks game, track meet

Hermleigh girls coach Kelly Irvin is trying to fill out this season's track schedule and next year's basketball slate.

Irvin needs to find a junior high or high school track meet for Mar. 11-13 and a high school basketball game to fill a 1993 open date on Dec. 7.

For more information contact Irvin at 863-2451.

WTC-Clarendon game rescheduled

Monday's Western Texas College-Clarendon College non-conference women's basketball game, postponed due to bad weather in the Panhandle, has been rescheduled for Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Scurry County Coliseum.

Halftime ceremonies at Tuesday's game, the final home appearance for the Lady Dusters this season, will include the naming of WTC's Mr. and Miss Trailhand.

Tip-off is scheduled for 6 p.m.

The Dusters' next outing is a Thursday Western Junior College Athletic Conference encounter at New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs.

SDN sports week

Thursday, Feb. 18

Basketball
WTC Lady Dusters at NMJC in Hobbs, N.M. at 7:30 p.m. MST.

Baseball
Snyder Tigers vs. SHS Exes at 6 p.m. at Moffett Field.

Tennis
Snyder junior high and freshmen tennis teams host Colorado City.

Friday, Feb. 19

Golf
Snyder boys at Plainview.
Snyder girls at Big Spring.

Saturday, Feb. 20

Golf
Snyder boys at Plainview.
Snyder girls at Big Spring.

Basketball
WTC Lady Dusters at Weatherford JV at 6 p.m.

Baseball
Snyder hosts Midland Lee in scrimmage at 1 p.m. at Moffett Field.

College hoops

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Samford 79, NE Illinois 75
W. Kentucky 78, Louisville 77

MIDWEST
DePaul 55, Ala.-Birmingham 48
Iowa 68, Ohio St. 54

SOUTHWEST
Southern Meth. 60, Texas Christian 53
Tennessee 101, Arkansas 91
Va. Commonwealth 66, Texas 60

FAR WEST
Colorado 88, Kansas St. 77

In a seven-inning college game in 1911, future Hall of Famer George Sisler fanned 20 of 21 batters.

8th graders claim wins

BIG SPRING — Snyder swept a pair of eighth grade boys' basketball games from Big Spring Monday, ending the cage season on a winning note.

Snyder A, led by a 20-point barrage from Patrick Cumbie, moved to 12-3 on the year with a 50-39 victory over Big Spring.

Patrick Jordan scored 15 and Teddy Murray canned 13 in Snyder B's 42-24 win. The B team finishes the year at 10-4.

"We had a successful year, as our records indicate," said Snyder coach Rudy Hinojos. "We enjoyed working with this group of kids and we really appreciate the support, at home and on the road, of all the parents."

Other A teamers scoring included Jay Don Griffin, who had 10, Rick Henderson, who put in six, Jeremiah Johnson with five, Matthew Fambro, who wound up with three and Chris Post, L.S. McClain and Eric Tovar with a bucket apiece.

Chris Ramirez and Jarod Smith each hit five for the B team, followed by Russell Riggan and David Wagner, each with two.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF SCURRY

Whereas by virtue of an Execution issued out of the Bexar County Court at Law No. 5 Court of Bexar County, Texas, on the 31st day of December, 1992, in Cause No. 201059, where Pan Am Distributing, inc was Plaintiff, and Jessie Carrisalez, Individually was Defendant, on a judgment rendered in said Court against Defendant and in favor of the said Plaintiff, for the sum of $3,172.41 plus $198.62 interest $1,445.00 Atty's Fee DOLLARS, with interest thereon at the rate of 10% per cent per annum, from date of judgement, together with all costs of suit; I did on the 21st day of January, 1993, at 2:24 o'clock P.M., levy upon the following described lots, tracts and parcels of land situated in Scurry County, Texas, as the property of Jessie Carrisalez to-wit:

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and on the 2nd day of March, 1993, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A.M. and 4 o'clock P.M. on said day, at the courthouse door of said County, and I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash to the highest bidder, all the right, title and interest of Jessie Carrisalez in and to said above described property.

Witness my hand this the 9th day of February, 1993.

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020 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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McDuff convicted in woman's slaying

HOUSTON (AP) — Prosecutors say they hope to convince jurors to send twice-convicted capital murderer Kenneth McDuff back to death row — this time for good.

McDuff was convicted Tuesday of kidnapping and killing Waco convenience store clerk Melissa Northrup, 22, last year. An eight-woman, four-man jury took about 33/4 hours to find him guilty of capital murder.

Attorneys were to begin presenting evidence today in the punishment phase of the trial.

But they will do so without McDuff.

During a brief hearing following Tuesday's verdict, McDuff told the judge he didn't want to participate any further in the proceedings. State District Judge Bob Burdette granted the request, but told McDuff he could change his mind.

"Could I ask you about how long will it be before I'm transferred to death row? What is the procedure?" McDuff asked the judge. "I just want to know what the routine is."

Jurors must decide whether to give McDuff, 46, a life prison term or sentence him to die by injection, sending him back to death row where he served six years until 1972, when the U.S. Supreme Court ruled the then-death penalty unconstitutional.

"The chances of him not getting the death penalty, I think, are pretty small, just given the fact that he's been convicted of murder once before and he's got the convictions that he has," defense attorney Walter Reaves said.

But Reaves said he believed McDuff could appeal his conviction based on Burdette's decision to allow testimony from Alva Hank Worley, who said he and McDuff abducted and raped another woman, Colleen Reed of Austin, two months before Mrs. Northrup's slaying. Ms. Reed's body never has been found.

"I'd be very surprised with an issue like that if he did not want to (appeal)," Reaves said.

Mrs. Northrup, a pregnant mother of two, disappeared March 1, 1992, from the Quik-Pak store where she worked as the overnight clerk. Her decomposing body was found April 26 floating in a Dallas County gravel pit. Authorities could not determine how she died, but her hands and feet were tied.

McDuff took the stand last week in his own defense and denied killing Mrs. Northrup.

His attorneys contended he was a victim of the public's outrage over the parole system, and during closing arguments Tuesday, defense attorney Mike Charlton raised the specters of the Salem witch trials and McCarthyism.

McDuff has been viewed by some as an example of the state prison and parole system gone awry because parole policies were softened due to crowded prisons.

He served 23 years in prison, including the six on death row for killing a Fort Worth-area teenager in 1966. After his death sentence was commuted to life, he was paroled in 1989. A year later, McDuff was back behind bars, accused of making a terroristic threat. But that charge was dropped and he was released again.

Asked whether McDuff will ever walk the streets of Texas again, McLennan County District Attorney John Segrest replied Tuesday: "In my lifetime or his, no."

Mrs. Northrup's relatives — some of whom sobbed Tuesday as the verdict was read — said they, too, hope McDuff gets the death penalty.

"I just thank the Lord all of our prayers have been answered so far except for the first one, which wasn't," the victim's mother, Brenda Solomon, said.

"The first prayer? Bring Melissa home safe. That didn't happen."

Notorious paroled killer calls it quits after he is convicted of murder

HOUSTON (AP) — For two weeks, paroled rapist-killer Kenneth McDuff sat in a small, cramped courtroom, snarling and glaring at witnesses and accusing them of lying.

Tuesday, he meekly called it quits.

Convicted of capital murder, McDuff informed his lawyers and then the court he did not want to stick around for the punishment stage.

Waiving his right to confront witnesses, he addressed the bench.

"Could I ask you about how long will it be before I'm transferred back to death row?" he asked minutes after the jury ruled that he abducted and killed a young Waco woman last March.

State District Judge Bob Burdette told him he could better answer that Thursday after closing arguments in the punishment stage.

"Unless he changes his mind, we've seen the last of him," said Mike Charlton, the lead defense lawyer.

The jury, which deliberated less than four hours before rendering its verdict, returns today to hear additional testimony.

The panel then will decide if McDuff, 46, will spend his life in prison or die by lethal injection.

McDuff stands convicted of capital murder in the robbery-slaying of Melissa Northrup, 22, a pregnant mother of two who disappeared from her job at a convenience store in Waco.

Her partially clothed, badly decomposed body was found two months later floating in a Dallas-area gravel pit. Her hands were tied behind her back, but the exact cause of death has not been determined.

"His chances of not getting the death penalty are pretty small," said Walter Reaves, a member of the defense team. He mentioned McDuff's previous death sentence.

A Fort Worth jury condemned McDuff to die in 1966 for his role in the shooting deaths of two teenage cousins and the rape-strangulation of their female companion.

McDuff languished on death row until 1972, when the U.S. Supreme Court banished capital punishment as it was then imposed.

McDuff was paroled in 1989, imprisoned briefly again, then released in 1990.

Authorities believe he launched a new killing spree within days.

In the most piercing moment of final arguments, Waco prosecutor Crawford Long thrust a finger at the surly defendant and snapped:

"I submit to you that the evidence shows this is every person's nightmare. It's the monster who comes out of the dark and snatches innocent people off the street and slaughters them."

Defending his stance later, Long told reporters:

"I want the jurors to know what they're dealing with. I think he's an evil person. Absolutely evil. And I think the evidence shows it. If that's not a monster and a nightmare, what is?"

The victim's husband, Aaron Northrup, 23, praised the McLennan County District Attorney's office for its prosecution and said:

"I am real glad to know that Kenneth Allen McDuff cannot go out and hurt anyone else."

Both he and the victim's brother, Clay Leger, also of Waco, reserved some of their harshest words for parole board officials, whom they accused of accepting bribes for McDuff's freedom.

"It is so sad that the greed and negligence of so few can affect so many," Northrup said.

Leger indicated he will not let the issue die — with or without McDuff.

"If it means attacking the parole board, I will attack the parole board," Leger declared.

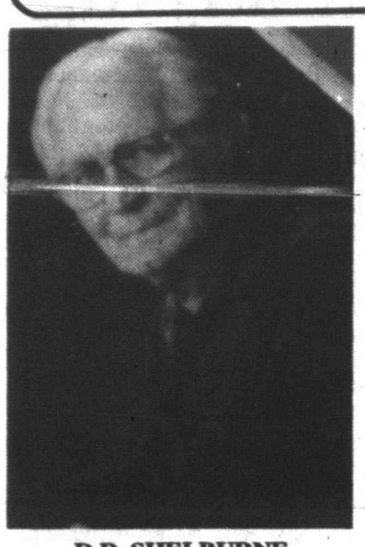
Hospital Notes

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DISMISSALS: Thomas Hale, Melvin Howard, Carrie McQuaid, Dora Sellars.

Census: 43 (Med.-10, Long-Term Care-32, CCU-1).

Obituaries



D.D. SHELBURNE

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1914-1993

Services are set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church for D.D. Shelburne, 78, a long-time building contractor and civic leader.

Shelburne, a former Snyder city councilman, died at 11:57 a.m. Tuesday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Officiating at the service will be the Rev. T.O. Upshaw. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born in Bishop, Mr. Shelburne married Kathryn Adkins on June 4, 1938 in Hamlin.

He owned and operated T.E. Shelburne and Son, Inc., a building construction company, in Snyder for 32 years. The business closed in January, 1987.

His construction company was responsible for Snyder's downtown beautification project. New sidewalks, planters, benches and curbs were part of the Sparkle City honor. His company did numerous projects in Snyder to include the library addition, doctor's clinic, Colonial Hill Baptist Church addition, TU Electric office, Snyder Daily News addition and First Baptist Church addition.

A 1932 graduate of Hamlin High School, he attended Texas Tech and then started his construction business in 1936 in Hamlin. He moved the business to Snyder in 1955.

A deacon and trustee in the First Baptist Church, Mr. Shelburne was appointed to the Snyder city council on April 15, 1960 and he served until April, 1964.

Shelburne was also active in the chamber of commerce as well as the Snyder Lions Club where he served as president.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn Shelburne of Snyder; a son, Thomas Eugene Shelburne of Baton Rouge, La.; a daughter, Mrs. J. P. (Kay) Myers of Richardson; a brother, Lesley Shelburne of Hamlin; two sisters, Mrs. Clara Sellers of Hamlin and Mrs. Frances Neal of Paint Rock; and three granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Joan Shelburne, in 1973.

The family suggests memorials to the First Baptist Church in Snyder.

Alvah Tate

1900-1993

BIG SPRING — Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Thursday at the 14th and Main St. Church of Christ for Alvah H. Tate, 92, who died Tuesday in a Midland Hospital.

Officiating at the service will be Bill Welsh, minister of the Tarzan Church of Christ, and Royce Clay, minister of the 14th and Main Church. Burial will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

A resident of Tarzan, Mr. Tate worked for Texas and Pacific Railroad for 39 years before retiring in 1956 as a wire chief. He also farmed in the Knott community for many years.

Born in Erath County, Mr. Tate lived in Scurry County as a child, from 1905 to 1917. He married Jessie Westfall on Feb. 15, 1924 in Big Spring.

He was a member of the Tarzan Church of Christ and was an avid chess, checker and domino player. He had served as an elder at the 14th and Main Street Church of Christ during the 1940s.

Survivors include his wife, Jessie Tate of Tarzan; six sons, Gary Tate of Midland, Berwyn Tate of Houston, Newell Tate of Tarzan, Truman Tate of Tucson, Ariz., Roger Tate of Euless and Alan Tate of The Dalles, Oregon; two daughters, LaRue Shanks of Big Spring and Janelle Thomas of Aurora, Colo.; one sister, Lucille Jones of Burleson; two brothers, J.B. Tate Sr. and Glenn Tate, both of Hermleigh; 28 grandchildren; and 38 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to The Children's Home of Lubbock, P.O. Box 2824.

Lillian Ezra

1901-1993

BROWNWOOD — Funeral services are set for 3 p.m. Friday in the Davis-Morris Funeral Home for Lillian K. Ezra, 91, who died Tuesday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Officiating at the service will be Hoyt Scitern and Roy Hughes. Burial will follow in the Heflin Cemetery.

A resident of Ira since 1988, Mrs. Ezra was born in Brown County. She married Carrington Ezra on Feb. 12, 1917. He died in 1963.

She was a housewife and a member of the Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by a son, Pierce; and two daughters, Vera and Winnie.

Survivors include a son, Gerald Ezra of May; five daughters, Olene Ezell of Snyder, Martha Ezra of Ira, Kathryn Miller of May, Nelda Nagle of Pecos and Pearl Harvey of Midland; 16 grandchildren; and a number of great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

The body of Mrs. Ezra will remain at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home in Snyder until 9 p.m. today.

Police note one arrest

Snyder police made one arrest early this morning during an otherwise quiet 24-hour period.

Police arrested a 37-year-old man for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated at 1:40 a.m. today in the 1100 block of College Avenue.

Tuesday, police submitted a report for Class B theft after Amy Maldonado reported at 10:10 p.m. that someone had taken a coat from 2505 Ave. W.

In other activity, officers aided stranded motorists and responded to various complaints and welfare concerns. No other arrests were made and no charges filed.

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SO investigates house burglary

Aurora Mireles of 2809 Ave. Q contacted the sheriff's office Tuesday at 3:35 p.m. to report a burglary at her home in Hermleigh.

According to reports, an antique washer was taken from the garage and a Mustang vehicle was missing from the backyard.

Apparently, nothing else was missing. Sheriff's deputies are investigating.

No free speech in U.S.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — There is no free speech in the United States, rapper Ice-T told Harvard University law students.

"The Constitution is a figment of your imagination held up to make people believe they have rights," he said Tuesday at the law school. "I don't believe anybody in this country has rights."

Billions more proposed for state budget

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock today said that $2.2 billion more could be put into education, health care, social services and protecting Texans from crime — without increasing taxes.

His plan uses government efficiency measures and bookkeeping transactions pointed out by state Comptroller John Sharp, Gov. Ann Richards and Senate staff, according to a statement from his office.

"Make no mistake about it. This is not a cure-all. At best, it is a prescription for relieving some of the pain," Bullock said.

He said most of the money would come from bookkeeping measures. However, he added, "It is better to shuffle than to see the people of Texas suffer."

State leaders have said there isn't support for a tax increase in this legislative session. But state agencies have said they will need several billion dollars more over the next two years than Texas government is expected to take in.

An earlier balanced state budget proposal from the Legislative Budget Board staff would give health and human services a $2.4 billion increase over the next two years, according to Bullock's statement. That included a reduction in the average monthly grant under Aid to Families with Dependent Children from $57 to $45.

Bullock's plan would funnel $1.4 billion more in state money to health and human services, and the AFDC grant would remain at $57, Bullock's staff said.

Bullock's plan also figures on $352 million more for public education than the budget board proposal, for a total of more than $650 million.

His proposal also would restore $102 million for substance abuse treatment in nine prisons scheduled to open over the next two years, said the statement.

Battle lines drawn on ballot proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — The fight over a share-the-wealth school funding proposal moves to the ballot box May 1, and people on both sides of the issue are making battle plans.

Democratic state leaders are contemplating a campaign to convince Texans to approve the measure. State GOP Chairman Fred Meyer has said Republicans will fight the issue.

"It'll be just like running a statewide campaign. The difference is the candidate will be the schoolchildren of the state," Rep. Libby Linebarger, D-Manchaca, head of the House Public Education Committee, said Tuesday.

She said if the proposal fails, lawmakers may have to consolidate school districts to meet a Texas Supreme Court order for reform. But GOP opponents of the ballot measure say that's not the only alternative.

Proponents of the measure are discussing an organized effort that likely would be financed through private and business donations and include paid advertising, said Chuck McDonald, spokesman for Democratic Gov. Ann Richards.

Richards said: "I intend to put together a very serious, sophisticated plan to bring information to the people of the state of Texas so that we will have an affirmative vote on the issue."

The proposed constitutional amendment, which would allow the state to shift some local property tax money from wealthier to poorer school districts, will be on the May 1 state ballot.

The so-called Robin Hood proposal is meant to meet a June 1 court deadline for lawmakers to pass a constitutional plan to equalize funding available to property-rich and poor school districts.

Markets
Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	61	583/4	591/8	—15/8
Albtsn	471/8	463/4	47	
AlliedSignal	643/8	633/8	633/4	-1/2
ALLTEL Cp	475/8	47	47	-3/4
AmStores	363/4	363/4	363/4	—1
Amer T&T	523/4	521/4	523/8	-1/4
Ameritech	733/4	731/2	731/2	-3/8
Amoco	541/4	531/4	533/8	—1
AndarkPtr	321/8	317/8	32	
Arkla	83/8	77/8	8	-1/4
ArmcoInc	75/8	71/2	75/8	+1/8
AtlRichfld	1153/8	1141/2	1141/2	—11/8
BakerHughes	211/2	211/4	213/8	-1/4
BancTexas	21/4	21/8	21/4	
BellAtl	53	523/4	527/8	
BellSouth	531/2	531/8	531/8	-1/4
Beth Steel	18	171/4	18	+3/8
Borden	251/2	251/4	251/2	+1/8
Caterpllr	563/8	557/8	557/8	+1/8
Centel	363/4	361/2	361/2	-1/8
CenSoWst s	301/2	301/4	303/8	-1/8
Chevron	753/8	751/8	751/8	-1/8
Chrysler	373/8	361/2	371/8	+5/8
Coastal	245/8	243/8	245/8	+1/8
CocaCola s	411/8	401/2	405/8	
ColgP	577/8	571/4	571/2	-1/4
ComlMetl	277/8	275/8	277/8	+1/8
Cooperin	501/8	491/2	501/8	+1/2
CyprusMn	33	327/8	327/8	-1/8
DalSemicn	135/8	133/8	131/2	-1/8
DeltaAirl	49	481/4	483/8	-5/8
DigitalEq	421/8	411/2	415/8	+1/8
Dillard s	481/4	473/8	471/2	-5/8
DowChem	551/4	541/8	541/8	-3/4
Dresserind	187/8	185/8	185/8	-1/4
DuPont	475/8	467/8	467/8	-1/2
EstKodak	50	491/2	493/4	-1/8
Eljerind	87/8	83/4	83/4	-1/8
Enserch	15	143/4	143/4	-1/8
Exxon	621/8	613/4	617/8	-1/4
Flowerind	18	177/8	177/8	+1/8
FordMotor	473/8	465/8	463/4	-3/4
GTE Cp	351/8	343/4	343/4	-1/4
GnDynam	114	112	1121/4	—11/8
GenElct	827/8	823/8	823/8	-5/8
GnMill	655/8	651/4	651/2	-1/8
GenMotors	391/8	381/2	387/8	+1/4
GnMotr E	30	291/2	291/2	-1/4
GaPacif	657/8	647/8	651/8	+1/4
GlobalMar	23/4	25/8	23/4	
Goodrich	531/2	521/8	521/8	-3/8
Goodyear	675/8	661/2	665/8	
GtAtlPac	243/8	241/8	243/8	+5/8
Gulf StaUt	171/2	171/2	171/2	-1/8
Halburtn	323/8	321/8	321/4	-1/4
Hanson	181/8	177/8	18	-1/8
Houstind	463/4	465/8	463/4	
IBM	505/8	497/8	50	
IntlPaper	651/2	64	64	-3/4
JohnsnJns s	425/8	417/8	421/8	-1/2
K mart s	235/8	23	231/8	-1/2
Kroger	163/4	163/8	163/8	
vjLTV Cp	9-16	9-16	9-16	
Litton s	501/4	491/8	493/8	—1
vjLoneStar	23/8	23/8	23/8	
Lowes s	271/4	271/8	271/8	-1/8
Lubys	211/4	211/8	211/4	+1/8
Maxus	7	67/8	67/8	-1/8
MayDSt	691/2	68	68	—13/4
Medtronic	851/2	841/4	843/8	—11/8
Mobil	647/8	641/2	641/2	-3/8
Monsanto	535/8	533/8	531/2	-1/2
Motorola s	531/2	523/4	531/8	+1/2
Nationsbk	523/8	511/2	511/2	-5/8
Navistar	25/8	21/2	21/2	-1/8
Nynex	861/4	857/8	857/8	-1/8
OryxEngy	193/8	191/8	191/4	-1/8
PacTelesis	455/8	45	45	-3/8
PathECp	193/4	191/2	195/8	
PennzyJC	741/2	74	741/4	
Pennzoil	543/4	541/2	543/4	+1/8
PepBoys	241/2	241/8	243/8	
PhelpD s	521/2	515/8	515/8	-1/4
PhilipPet	267/8	263/4	263/4	
PilgrmPrd	71/4	7	71/4	-1/8
Polaroid s	271/2	271/8	271/8	—1
Praxair n	171/4	163/4	167/8	-1/4
Primerica	53	521/2	523/4	+1/8
ProctGamb s	505/8	50	503/8	+1/4
PubS NwMx	103/8	101/8	101/4	
SFePacCp	141/8	133/4	133/4	-1/4
SgraLee s	281/8	273/4	28	-1/4
SearsRoeb	51	505/8	507/8	-1/8
SherwinW	323/4	323/8	323/8	+1/4
SmthBck s	321/4	311/4	32	+1/8
SmthBc eqt s	281/4	271/2	271/2	
Southern Co	395/8	391/2	395/8	
SwAirl s	335/8	325/8	325/8	—1
SwstBell	703/4	701/4	701/4	-1/4
Sprint	271/4	267/8	271/4	+1/4
SterlingChm	41/2	43/8	41/2	
SunCo	281/8	277/8	277/8	-1/8
TNP Ent	183/4	185/8	183/4	
Tandy	261/2	261/8	261/8	-1/2
Templint	491/8	481/2	483/4	-3/8
Tenneco	427/8	425/8	423/4	-3/4
Texaco	603/4	603/8	601/2	-1/4
TexasInd	28	28	28	
TexasInst	535/8	525/8	53	+1/8
Tex Util	447/8	443/4	447/8	+1/8
Textron	433/4	431/2	435/8	-1/8
Tyler	5	47/8	47/8	
US West	411/8	403/4	411/8	+3/8
USX-Marathn	18	173/4	177/8	+1/8
USX-USS	367/8	363/8	363/4	+1/4
UnCarbde	17	165/8	165/8	-1/8
UnPac	585/8	573/4	573/4	—11/4
UnitTech	443/4	437/8	437/8	-1/4
Unocal	255/8	253/8	253/8	+1/4
WalMart	62	613/8	615/8	-7/8
WalMart wi	311/4	307/8	31	-3/8
WstnGasRs	251/2	251/2	251/2	
WestghEl	135/8	131/4	131/4	-1/4
WinnDixie	75	741/2	75	+1/2
Woolwth	281/4	277/8	281/8	+1/8
Xerox Cp	831/4	83	83	-5/8
ZenithE	71/4	71/8	71/8	-1/8

Senate committee gets prison pact

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Attorney General Dan Morales warned lawmakers that any violation by the state of a recent prison lawsuit settlement could mean a trip back to the court.

"Anything the state would do in violation of the agreement, we can anticipate hearing from the plaintiffs' attorneys again," Morales told the Senate Criminal Justice Committee Tuesday.

The committee asked Morales to explain details of an agreement the state reached with inmates' attorneys to end the landmark lawsuit against the prison system.

In 1980, U.S. District Judge William Wayne Justice of Tyler ruled that confinement in Texas prisons constituted cruel and unusual punishment because of overcrowding, substandard care and routine brutality by guards and inmates.

In December, after more than a decade of massive prison building and spending increases, Justice approved a settlement returning prison supervision to the state.

State leaders generally agree the abuses of 20 years ago, when inmates were allowed to supervise inmates, have been remedied.

'Unforgiven' receives 9 Oscar nominations

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — "Howards End," the lush English drama about love transcending class lines, collected a leading nine Oscar nominations today, tying with Clint Eastwood's revisionist Western "Unforgiven."

The two were nominated for best picture, as were "The Crying Game," "A Few Good Men," "Scent of a Woman."

Nominated for best actor were Eastwood, Al Pacino for "Scent of a Woman," Stephen Rea for "The Crying Game," Denzel Washington for "Malcolm X" and Robert Downey Jr. for "Chaplin."

Best actress selections were Emma Thompson for "Howards End," Susan Sarandon in "Lorenzo's Oil," Michelle Pfeiffer in "Love Field," Mary McDonnell in "Passion Fish" and Catherine Deneuve in "Indochine."

Pacino scored a rare double, earning nominations in the supporting actor category as well for "Glengarry Glen Ross." Other supporting actor picks were Jaye Davidson in "The Crying Game," Gene Hackman in "Unforgiven," Jack Nicholson in "A Few Good Men" and David Paymer for "Mr. Saturday Night."

Among the more surprising selections was a best supporting actress honor for Marisa Tomei in "My Cousin Vinny." Joining her in the category were Judy Davis in "Husbands and Wives," Joan Plowright in "Enchanted April," Vanessa Redgrave in "Howards End" and Miranda Richardson in "Damage."

"The Player," the devastating sendup of Hollywood filmmaking, received two tcp nominations: for director Robert Altman and screenwriter Michael Tolkin.

Eastwood joined a select group nominated for acting and directing the same year. Other directing selections were James Ivory for "Howards End," Neil Jordan for "The Crying Game" and Martin Brest for "Scent of a Woman."

The 65th Annual Academy Awards will be presented in a nationally televised ceremony March 29.

Among those overlooked in the nominations were Tom Cruise, who starred in "A Few Good Men," and Spike Lee, who directed "Malcolm X."

"The Crying Game" had the second-most nominations with six, followed by the animated musical "Aladdin" with five.

In addition to picture, director, supporting and lead actress, "Howards End" was nominated for art direction, cinematography, costume design, original score and adapted screenplay.

"Unforgiven" was also nominated for art direction, cinematography, editing, sound and original screenplay.

The foreign language nominees were Russia's "Close to Eden," Belgium's "Daens," France's "Indochine," Uruguay's "A Place in the World" and Germany's "Schtonk."

Miss Deneuve became the 20th performer nominated for a non-English language role.

"The Crying Game's" six nominations all came in top categories, including best original screenplay by director Jordan. Also in the original screenplay race are Woody Allen for "Husbands and Wives," John Sayles for "Passion Fish," David Webb Peoples for "Unforgiven" and George Miller & Nick Enright for "Lorenzo's Oil."

In the adapted screenplay category the nominees were "Enchanted April" by Peter Barnes, "Howards End" by Ruth Prawer Jhabvala, "The Player" by Tolkin, "A River Runs Through It" by Richard Friedenberg and "Scent of a Woman" for Bo Goldman.

"Aladdin" received two nominations for original song, as did "The Bodyguard."

"A Few Good Men" and "Malcolm X" were once considered Oscar favorites but fared poorly in other recent awards, including the Golden Globes.

DCOS has light agenda

Approval of minutes and payment of bills were the only items considered Tuesday night at the monthly meeting of the Development Corporation of Snyder.

Vice Chairman Paul Zeck presided and members attending included Dan Cotton, Bill Seale and Miller Robinson. Representatives from the city present included City Manager John Gayle and Mayor Pro Tem Mike Post.

The Snyder city council is expected to name a fifth member to the DCOS at its special meeting next Monday. The appointment is to fill the unexpired term of the late John Jarrell.

Beautify

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area, a city-wide clean-up effort, and potting of the 1,000 seedlings.

The beautification projects will be documented, and eventually Snyder will apply to the annual Keep Texas Beautiful contest. Winners receive grants of up to $50,000.

Current committee members include House, Fritz, Terry Hefner, Soil Conservation Service district conservationist; Eloise Pruitt, district clerk; Lanny Lee, chief of police; Clark Wheatley and Butch Lamb, landscaping students at WTC; James Eby, assistant professor of landscape technology at WTC; Ron Shaw, postal service employee; Randy Weaver, with Outdoor Dimensions; Ricky Nickerson, of R&M Landscaping; Chet Corser of McDonald's; and Lawton Taylor, SISD director of maintenance.

Other members will be added, including someone from the retail merchant's committee and the garden club.

"I really picture this as a community-wide project," said Mrs. House. "We can come up with plans and things to do, but we can't implement all of them ourselves. We need volunteers."

Anyone interested in helping with any project is encouraged to contact House or Fritz.

Head Start

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$10,000 for 1992-93. She cited continued problems with PPI including late or non reimbursement of bills.

On Tuesday, Central Texas Opportunities' policy council and board of directors granted Scurry County Head Start's request.

Now, instead of paying bills and being reimbursed by PPI, the local Head Start program will receive its money at the beginning of each month through CTO.

Mrs. Fritz said that she has been assured that the local program will receive the $16,000 it is owed.

"I've been assured that we will be reimbursed. Scurry County citizens will not have to pay for that," she said. "In the meantime, we will continue to work with Sweetwater to the best of our ability until May 1."

Several county officials attended Tuesday's meetings in Coleman. With them, they took letters from the city, chamber, commissioners court and other entities which supported removing Scurry County Head Start from PPI.

Lancaster

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cluding the election of officers for 1993-94.

Mrs. Lancaster, assistant professor of developmental studies at WTC, has been a TJCTA member for about 13 years. She served as secretary in 1989-90, vice president in 1990-91, and incoming president in 1991-92.

Next school year, she will serve as past president, fulfilling her requirement for that elected office.

Mrs. Lancaster came to WTC in 1977. She and her husband Richard, an assistant professor of English at the college, have two grown daughters.

Mrs. Lancaster obtained both her bachelor's and master's degrees from Texas Tech University.

Though WTC students will have a holiday Friday, business and other offices will remain open.

Dear Abby



Couple Is Happy to Remain Married . . . Without Children

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: Allen (not his real name) and I have been happily married for nine years. We have no children — by choice. I am 33 and Allen is 34. Our problem is Allen's parents. Whenever we get together with his parents, they start in with, "When are you two going to settle down and give us some grandchildren?" Allen is their only child, and when they start in with the "baby" talk, we tell them, "In due time" or, "We're working on it," but the truth of the matter is, we like our life the way it is and don't want children.

We both are professionals and are well-rewarded. We enjoy traveling and have seen not only the United States, but Canada, Alaska, the Hawaiian Islands, Europe, South America and the Orient.

Allen's mother is now nagging us to see a fertility expert about our "problem" — she doesn't know there is no problem. I've been on birth control since our marriage.

I have never been disrespectful to my elders, but I don't know how much of their nagging I can take. Perhaps if you print this, they'll see it and recognize themselves, and leave us alone.

CHILDLESS BY CHOICE

DEAR CHILDLESS: Don't wait for them to see this. Tell them exactly what you've told me — that you like your life the way it is. Not every couple need children to complete their lives. And should you change your minds in a few years, who knows what the future will have in store for you? You appear to be happy and well-adjusted. May it ever be thus.

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DEAR ABBY: Recently a dear friend of mine passed away. Her obituary indicated that in lieu of flowers, the deceased requested that donations be made to her church.

Wanting to make a donation in memory of my friend, but not wanting to give money to a church of which I am not a member, I made a donation to a charity that has long been a favorite of mine. I asked that an acknowledgment be sent to my friend's family.

I have no idea if my friend had any interest in this particular charity or not. Did I act in error? Should I have contributed to my friend's church as was suggested in the obituary?

SECOND THOUGHTS

DEAR SECOND THOUGHTS: Obviously, your conscience has been gnawing at you. Since the deceased requested that in lieu of flowers, donations should be made to her church, I think you should have honored her request instead of contributing to a charity of your choice.

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DEAR ABBY: I am new in this office. It seems the secretary whom I replaced had been bugged for years with a lot of pornographic literature. She had not ordered it and didn't want it, so she just threw it out as soon as she recognized the plain brown envelope.

This is how I finally put a stop to having all the garbage mailed to the office. I marked "DECEASED" across the envelope with a black felt-tip pen and dropped it in the mail chute.

JOYCE IN MC HENRY, ILL.

DEAR JOYCE: It wasn't necessary to "kill" anyone. You could have marked it "REFUSED — RETURN TO SENDER," and accomplished your mission.

The U.S. Post Office has a kit that will curb that problem. It is available through local post offices nationwide. The kit is called the S.O.A. (Sexually Oriented Advertisements) Consumer Protection packet.

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Abby's most memorable — and most frequently requested — poems and essays are all worth keeping. To order a collection, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's "Keepers," P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Efficient harvests sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agriculture Department scientists are trying to unravel the mystery of how genes cause plants to shed their leaves, flowers and fruit.

Once they learn the secret, the scientists believe, the discovery can help to make harvests bigger and more efficient.

"Today, fruits often fall off a plant before the harvester gets to them," says Mark Tucker, a molecular biologist at the Agricultural Research Service's Plant Molecular Biology Laboratory in Beltsville, Md.

In some cases, he added, plant leaves interfere with the harvesting of fruit.

Tucker is testing forms of a plant gene that makes cellulase, an enzyme that breaks down the biochemical glue binding leaves and flowers to stems.

His research could ease the harvesting of apples, beans, cotton, oranges, nuts and tomatoes. It could also reduce the use of agricultural chemicals, according to a USDA report.

Tucker is very close to isolating the cellulase gene's "promoter" or switch, the report said. The promoter is the gene's cue to order plant cells to make the cellulase enzyme.

"We would use the promoter to make a substance such as auxin," a plant hormone, Tucker said. "That would stop the gene from making cellulase when we don't want it made," such as when it causes premature shedding of flowers or fruits.

"It's been known for some 40 years that cells make cellulase and that it breaks down some component in the cell's wall. We need to find out more about how genes and hormones interact to drive this process, so we can modify the genes to control it," Tucker said.

Scientists already know the key hormones in the shedding of leaves, flowers and fruits. Ethylene promotes it; auxin retards it.

Now Tucker is "editing" the cellulase gene. He does this by testing — in gene-engineered tomato and bean plants — various fragments of the cellulase gene linked with a test, or reporter, gene known as GUS. The GUS gene produces an enzyme detectable by lab tests.

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Test detects early prostate cancer

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I recently underwent a PSA, a new blood test for detection of prostate cancer. I was told a 10 was cause for concern and my reading was 6.4. My urologist said there are only one or two cancer cells but he was very vague. Are one or two cells nothing to worry about or will they rapidly multiply? I do have a positive family history for cancer.

DEAR READER: The prostate specific antigen blood test will undoubtedly revolutionize the early diagnosis of prostate cancer. Excess quantities (that vary, depending on individual laboratories) are usually associated with cancer cells (in the prostate gland) that cannot ordinarily be detected during the rectal examination.

However — and this is a big however — some patients without prostate cancer have elevated PSA levels. Therefore, the amount of PSA will usually govern the extent of the investigation.

For example, in the lab your doctor is using, a value of 10 is apparently the cut-off point between normal and abnormal. A patient with a PSA level of 30 would be at high risk for cancer; this would lead to a biopsy or, possibly, surgery to remove part of the gland. On the other hand, a level of 6 or 7 should be repeated in a few months to see if there's been a change — assuming, of course, that your prostate gland feels normal to the doctor.

If a doctor suspects cancer, on the basis of either an examination or an elevated PSA, the next step is usually a prostatic ultrasound, with or without biopsy.

I believe you misunderstood your urologist. Cancer cells are ALWAYS worrisome, even if they are present in indectable numbers. If your doctor is suspicious of a problem with your prostate gland, he must look further, with the tests I mentioned above. It's more likely, though, that your PSA does not reflect any underlying disease. Nonetheless, in my opinion, the test should be repeated in six months.

In my general practice of medicine, I regularly examine seemingly healthy men who have slightly elevated PSA readings. I always refer these patients to a urologist. More often than not, little (if any) further testing is required; the specialist is content to monitor future blood tests.

Again, the issue here is the degree of PSA elevation. I believe that your urologist should have explained your situation better, reassured you if possible (or treated you further) and outlined a reasonable follow-up program. Perhaps your needs would be better met by another urologist.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my revised Health Report "The Prostate Gland." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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DR. GOTT



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Frost 'guardedly optimistic' about Japanese participation

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration must make the first move if it wants Japan to participate financially in the superconducting super collider, a Texas congressman says.

Rep. Martin Frost, D-Dallas, said Tuesday he was told during a recent seven-day trip to Japan that leaders there are awaiting a direct request by President Clinton before making a decision.

"The important thing now for our administration is to move forward," said Frost, whose district includes much of the $8.2 billion collider construction site south of Dallas.

"I think we will make a request. I just hope it comes quickly," said Frost, who has sent Clinton a letter urging swift action.

The issue of Japanese participation has been touch-and-go for a few years now. The Bush administration repeatedly sought a financial commitment, but found itself delicately put off by the Japanese, who eventually established a committee to examine whether they should help fund the giant atom smasher. That panel, which has U.S. representation, hasn't met since prior to the November election.

Congressional critics have faulted the Energy Department for not meeting its commitment to line up $1.7 billion in foreign contributions, about $1 billion of which was expected from Japan.

Frost said he was "guardedly optimistic" that Japan eventually would participate. He discussed the collider with Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa, Finance Minister Yoshiro Hayashi and Minister of International Trade and Industry Yoshiro Mori, among others.

"The Japanese are very interested in establishing a good relationship with the new administration and this is a way for them to do that if they want to," Frost said.

But Japan is dealing with tough economic times of its own, as well as a limited budget for scientific research. It also has its own, albeit much smaller, $700 million particle accelerator.

And Japanese leaders remain concerned about making a financial commitment in light of congressional infighting over the controversial project and a House vote last year to terminate it.

Clinton reportedly will seek $640 million for the collider next year. Even though that's significantly less than the $710 million estimated necessary to keep the project on schedule, supporters say it's a heartening sign from an administration that had considered terminating the project.

Scientists plan to send streams of protons in opposite directions around the collider's 54-mile underground ring and watch them collide. The resulting subatomic particles would then be studied in hopes that scientists could discover new particles and learn more about the origin and nature of matter.

Lennox wins

LONDON (AP) — Annie Lennox was named best female artist and won best album honors at the annual Brit Awards for British pop and classical music.

Simply Red's Mick Hucknall was named best male singer and his group best band at Tuesday's ceremony.

Lennox, formerly of the pop duo Eurythmics, went solo last year with her album "Diva."

Rod Stewart received a lifetime achievement award.

After 3 years of recession, Britons take dim view

LONDON (AP) — Britons still think he's nice, but not much else is going right for Prime Minister John Major.

A devalued currency, unemployment at a 51/2-year high of 10.5 percent and royal scandals have combined with three years of recession to induce what many see as a mood of pessimism, a sort of national gloom.

"We have a genius for running ourselves down," Major, 49, complained when he got back from the Middle East in January with a $7.1 billion Saudi Arabian order for British Tornado warplanes. "... We need merchant venturers, not merchants of gloom."

But there is widespread resistance to cheering up — and Major appears part of the problem.

His popularity was at a record high after he succeeded Margaret Thatcher in December 1990. But in the 10 months since he led the Conservative Party to its fourth successive national electoral victory, his popularity has plummeted.

In a year-end poll by Gallup, Major's administration got the blackest marks — 75 percent dissatisfied — for any British government since polling began in the 1930s. The poll's margin of error was plus or minus 1.1 percent.

Majorities of the 9,000 people questioned rated him as incompetent, a loser, indecisive, incapable of uniting the nation, no longer to be trusted — and a personally likeable, caring man who listens to others.

"Mr. Major's image among voters (is) increasingly ... a nice man, but not up to the job," commented Anthony King, professor of politics at Essex University.

Major's popularity took a particular hammering Sept. 16 when, after repeatedly pledging not to devalue sterling, he did precisely that in a currency crisis.

In another debacle, Major announced that half the Britain's mines would be shut down, then backed down. What will happen next is unclear.

His administration is in a similar double bind over London's underused state hospitals. After a suggestion that some would be shut, there have been protests and now government wavering.

Adding to Major's woes, those hardest hit by unemployment are white-collar workers — usually Conservative voters — in the prosperous southeast.

Frustrated government officials say that while it's true that sterling has dived against the German mark and the dollar, devaluation has freed the government to cut interest rates to a 15-year low of 6 percent.

Inflation, a British bugbear, is a tiny 1.7 percent — a 25-year low.

"The United Kingdom will be amongst the fastest growing economies in Europe, both this year and next year," Major said in the House of Commons on Tuesday.

The big business Confederation of British Industry says its members now feel more optimistic.

Still, with one in 10 of the work force on the dole, the get-up-and-go, get-rich ethos of the Thatcher years has been muted.

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Hidden costs likely will affect cutbacks

By Walter R. Mears
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — With ample benefits but no clear price tags, government loans, guarantees and insurance programs have more than doubled in face value in a decade. The total stands at about $6.8 trillion.

Only a fraction of that will be paid out. Most of the guaranteed loans will be repaid, little of the insurance will be invoked. But with numbers that high, even a fraction is a lot of money.

AP analysis

The estimate of future losses and payments on lending is $99 billion to $138 billion; on federal insurance costs, $80 billion to $127 billion.

Potential expenses like those are among the deficit traps the new administration faces as President Clinton seeks to reduce the habitual imbalance in the budget.

Until the S&L crisis forced action four years ago, credit and insurance programs had little visible impact on the budget. That made them politically enticing, since the government could bestow benefits without adding to the deficit.

The loans and insurance programs are for home buyers, students, farmers, retirees, veterans, small businesses. The aims are worthy, the constituencies broad, and the programs politically unassailable. Granting that, the Republican administration argued that there should be more budget discipline in dealing with what it called hidden liabilities, to anticipate costs and handle them without crises.

That's been done on credit costs by requiring that they be budgeted, but potential insurance liabilities aren't reflected until there are claims to be paid out.

At House hearings this month, a General Accounting Office expert said $12 billion in underfunding of private pensions poses a threat to the government corporation that guarantees them. So Congress may eventually have to step in to rescue what is supposed to be a self-sustaining program financed by industry premiums.

That and other prospective costs have led the GAO to warn the new administration that the deficit is even bigger than it seems at the record $310 billion or more projected for the current budget year.

Among the items on the GAO list:

—An additional $25 billion for the savings and loan cleanup.

—Long-term costs of at least $160 billion to deal with aging and in some cases hazardous nuclear weapons sites; and an additional $24.5 billion to clean up waste pollution at military installations.

—Escalating expenditures to renew contracts that provide rent subsidies to low income families, estimated to more than double, to $17.1 billion, by late 1997.

—Modernization of the air traffic control system is expected to cost $32 billion; the projects involved are far over budget and years behind schedule.

That won't be done in a year, or even four. But all of it puts more strain on Clinton's effort to cut the deficits that have been increasing steadily. He had said he would cut it by half in one term, but that's out of reach; his goal now is to reduce the deficit by about $145 billion by his fourth year.

That doesn't leave much room for new programs. The GAO findings point to other costs that further narrow the options.

Extending health care coverage to about 35 million Americans who don't have insurance, a step Clinton favors, would cost an estimated $12 billion to $30 billion a year. Longer term health care reform would cut costs, but probably not in the next four years.

The Republican administration based its budget and deficit projections on defense spending cuts the GAO said may have been overstated.

Clinton is pledged to reduce defense spending by $60 billion from the levels projected by the old administration for the next five years.

But the GAO study said it may take nearly $100 billion in additional program reductions over the next five years just to stay even with the Bush administration's projections. In addition, the GAO said the earlier defense estimates didn't include likely cost overruns that could run up an additional $35 billion by 1997.

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

Appointments take longer than expected

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's appointment headaches are far from over even though he apparently has completed his Cabinet: There still are hundreds of top-level positions waiting to be filled.

Clinton aides once hoped the new president would have 200-300 appointments ready to go within a week of Inauguration Day. One month after taking office, about 30 nominees have been announced and another 100 likely appointees are undergoing background checks.

That's not to say Clinton's situation is unique.

A report by congressional Democrats issued seven months into President Bush's term found that 60 percent of the top 400 jobs had not been filled.

Bush was presiding over a "Swiss cheese" government, the House Democratic Study Group reported, with many portions flying on "automatic pilot."

Chase Untermeyer, who handled personnel for the Bush administration in its opening days, said Clinton's pace is just the latest evidence of how difficult it is to make 650 or more top-level appointments in short order.

"It's hard to make 650 hamburgers," he said. "It's hard to find 650 qualified people who also meet whatever political tests they're making at the time."

With last week's appointment of Janet Reno as attorney general, Clinton filled all Cabinet-level posts, assuming that Reno is confirmed by the Senate.

But the leadership ranks beneath many Cabinet secretaries are largely bare.

At the Department of Health and Human Services, for example, no one has been nominated for any of 21 presidential appointments below Cabinet secretary.

At Agriculture, Secretary Mike Espy is holding off on department reorganization plans until he has top aides in place.

"I want to slow up just a bit and wait until the process has been completed for the naming of these undersecretaries and assistants and then work with them to change the operation," he said last week.

At Interior, career employees are filling in temporarily for the undersecretary and assistant secretaries. "They understand that they're there to keep the seat warm," said agency spokesman Robert Walker.

Overall, there are about 1,500 appointed positions spread throughout the government.

So who's minding the store until they're all filled?

Cabinet secretaries, that's who, aided by a few Bush administration holdovers and a large cadre of career civil servants.

"That is the particular role of the career federal executive, to keep operations going at precisely times like this," said Carol Bonosaro, president of the Senior Executives Association.

But career employees aren't likely to propel the government forward on the bold course of change promised by Clinton.

James Pfiffner, a professor of government at George Mason University, said timely appointments are essential if a new president is to move ahead with his agenda in the important first year.

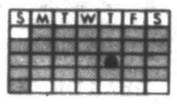
"It's speeding up and we'll have a lot of announcements coming out next week," spokesman George Stephanopoulos said last week.

President Harry S. Truman signed the United Nations Charter in 1945.

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Today is the 49th day of 1993 and the 60th day of winter.



TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1930, the planet Pluto was discovered by Clyde Tombaugh at Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Ariz.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George Peabody (1795-1869), merchant-philanthropist; Louis Comfort Tiffany (1848-1933), painter-decorator; Jack Palance (1920-), actor, is 73; Helen Gurley Brown (1922-), author-editor, is 71; Toni Morrison (1931-), novelist, is 62; Cybill Shepherd (1950-), actress, is 43; John Travolta (1954-), actor, is 39; Matt Dillon (1964-), actor, is 29.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1965, Frank Gifford announced his retirement from football in order to begin a broadcasting career.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Education: A debt due from present to future generations." — George Peabody

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1979, Old Forge, N.Y., tied the all-time New York coldest temperature record of minus 52 degrees.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Feb. 13) and new moon (Feb. 21).



TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET

After watching someone jog in place at a traffic signal, don't you ever get the evil hope the light won't change for hours?

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Risk greater today for breast cancer

BOSTON (AP) — Stone Age women began menstruating later, had children earlier and more often, nursed more and had earlier menopause — all of which made them 100 times less likely to get breast cancer than today's Western women, a researcher says.

The findings suggest ways of sharply reducing breast cancer, said Dr. S. Boyd Eaton of Emory University in Atlanta, an expert in the new field of evolutionary medicine.

The field's central tenet is that human society has changed drastically since the Stone Age but human biology hasn't. As a result, humans are out of sync with their environment in ways that lead to disease.

Eaton was one author of the study presented Monday at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The reproductive traits of the Stone Age woman lower breast cancer risk by reducing the rate at which certain cells divide in the mammary ducts inside the breasts, Eaton said. Faster cell division is associated with a higher risk of the out-of-control cell reproduction of cancer tumors, he said.

Eaton said he would not recommend that American women begin having children at age 13, as Stone Age women did.

But hormone injections could be used to mimic Stone Age conditions, possibly producing dramatic declines in breast cancer rates, he said. Such treatment could also lower the risk of endometrial cancer and ovarian cancer, he said.

"We by no means advocate doing this willy-nilly for all women now," he said, recommending further studies.

American women face a 1-in-8 or 1-in-9 lifetimes risk of developing breast cancer, according to the National Cancer Institute in Washington. The risk in Stone Age women was about one in 800 or one in 900, Eaton said.

Determinations of Stone Age lifestyles come partly from fossil evidence, but mostly from studies of present-day tribes of nomadic hunter-gatherers, Eaton said.

Other researchers are using the evolutionary perspective to try to understand why some babies cry excessively and whether childbearing practices can be improved.

Dr. Randolph M. Nesse, a psychiatrist at the University of Michigan, is trying to see how evolution sheds light on mental illness.

In excess of 100 million people inhabit the island of Java, more than the combined populations of California, Texas, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Florida and Ohio — all jammed into an area just a little larger than Louisiana.

Everyone is a special interest

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here are the people that Senate Republican leader Bob Dole describes as everyday Americans: farmers, nurses, factory workers, shopkeepers, truck drivers and senior citizens.

Who could argue that these people are the backbone of the country? There are millions upon millions of them.

And guess what? They're all represented in the capital by so-called special interest groups.

In advance of his economic address to Congress tonight, President Clinton has depicted average Americans as the forces of light. "If you're vigilant and vocal, we can do what we have to do," he said in his Monday night pep talk to the nation.

By contrast, the president holds up shadowy "special interests" as obstructionist and greedy. "Many have already lined the corridors of power with high-priced lobbyists," he said.

But, as Dole demonstrated with his list, the line between the people and the special interests is not nearly as clear as Clinton draws it.

One group with awesome clout is the American Association of Retired Persons, 34 million strong. How special is that kind of an interest? Is there anyone in the country whose parents or grandparents don't belong?

There are unions for teachers, truckers, government clerks — none of them strangers, many of them neighbors. There are farm groups and business groups and professional groups and religious groups; civil rights groups and women's groups and anti-tax groups and lawyers' groups.

"All interests are special," super-lobbyist Thomas Hale Boggs Jr. argued in a New York Times essay published Tuesday. "Is it unfair to lobby for federal assistance to Chrysler to save thousands of jobs? ... Help defeat a constitutional amendment on flag burning? Seek legislation making it easier for homeless people to vote?"

That is not the type of cause or client that normally comes to mind when one hears the phrase special interest. "You might as well be talking about the antichrist," said David King, a special interest specialist at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. "It has a lot of emotive quality about it. Nobody wants to admit that their group has a special interest."

Michael Edwards, chief lobbyist for the National Education Association, calls his teacher union a general interest. "When he uses the term special interest, I honestly don't think he's talking about us," Edwards said of Clinton.

An oil industry lobbyist recently maintained his group also was too broad-based to be special, King said. The reasoning: "Everybody uses gasoline. Everybody uses energy."

Two senators demonstrated the difficulty of defining a special interest on CNN's morning news show Tuesday.

Sen. Jim Sasser, D-Tenn., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, called the superconducting super collider "a $7 billion scientific pork barrel being built in the state of Texas." He said he'd propose cutting it out of the budget along with the space station, another boon for Texas.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, retorted that "Jim and the president talk about investment in the future, but they want to cut premier science projects to invest not in the next generation, but in the next election."

Allen mentioned for new movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Woody Allen won mention for "Husbands and Wives" and Neil Jordan for "The Crying Game" when the Writers Guild of America handed out nominations for best screenplays of 1992.

Allen and Jordan were nominated for best screenplay written directly for the screen. Other nominees were George Miller and Nick Enright for "Lorenzo's Oil," John Sayles for "Passion Fish" and David Webb Peoples for "Unforgiven."

For screenplays based on material previously produced or published, the selections were Peter Barnes for "Enchanted April," David Mamet for "Glengarry Glen Ross," Ruth Prawer Jhabvala for "Howards End," Michael Tolkin for "The Player" and Bo Goldman for "Scent of a Woman."

The awards will be presented on March 22.

