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Local

Model planes

Snyder Area Model Airplane Club will meet at 7 p.m. today in the TU Electric crew room.

Class of 1982

Snyder High School Class of 1982 will have a committee planning meeting today at 7 p.m. in the TU Electric Reddy Room.

Excellence

The Council for Educational Excellence will hold its annual meeting at 7 o'clock today at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Bill Vestal will be the speaker. The public is invited.

Cancer dance

Borden County Cancer Society will hold its annual barn dance at 8:30 p.m. Friday in the county showbarn at Gail.

Admission is by donation. Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will provide the music.

Retirement

A retirement party for Price Daniel Unit Counselor Carol Miller will be held from 2-4 p.m. Sunday at 3011 Ave. X.

Miller, a former employee of Snyder ISD, is retiring after 41 years in education.

Sale slated

Scurry County Genealogical Society will have a garage and baked goods sale from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday at Towle Park Barn.

Proceeds will be used to purchase books and microfilm to be donated to the county library.

Exes reunion

All Dark, Bookout and Dermott School exes are invited to a meeting Friday at 6:30 p.m. in the Dermott School on the coliseum grounds.

Those attending will set a date and elect officers for a school reunion. For information, contact Dayton McCarter at 573-3093.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 53 degrees; low, 36 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 37 degrees; .18 of an inch precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 7.03 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 30 percent chance of showers. Low in the lower 40s. East wind 5-10 mph. Friday, partly cloudy and warmer with a 20 percent chance of showers. High in the mid 60s. Southeast wind 10-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 7:04 p.m. Sunrise Friday, 6:27 a.m. Of 92 days in 1992, the sun has shone 84 days in Snyder.

More than 800 say 'I'm for' to TDCJ

Local, county citizens speak out in favor of a second prison unit

People attending a public hearing on Snyder's application for a second state prison Wednesday didn't just show up to voice their support; they challenged the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to find a better site.

"My challenge is simple," businessman Paul Zeck said before a crowd of 842 who registered at the hearing. "I challenge the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to search our fair state out for a finer community. Because I trust and believe in confidence it's impossible."

Of the 842 who registered for the hearing at Scurry County Coliseum, 823 indicated their approval of a second unit. Five were opposed and 14 had no opinion.

Zeck was one of 31 citizens who signed up to speak in support of the project. No one spoke against it.

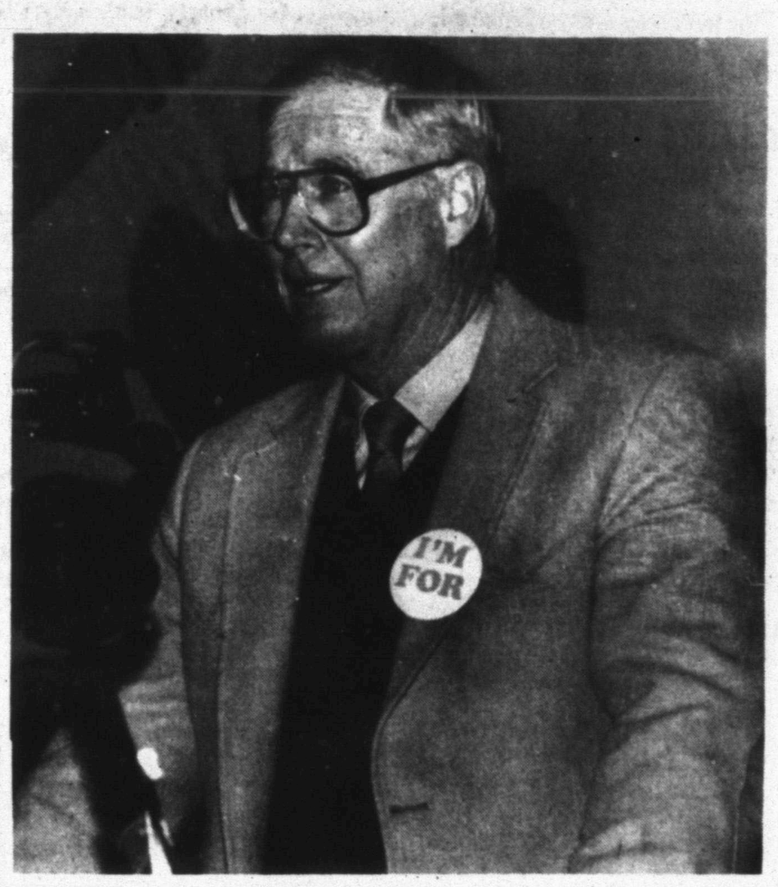
Many of those who spoke, both during the presentation and during the public comment segment, pointed to the relationship between Scurry County and the Price Daniel unit as a clear indication that TDCJ should choose Snyder for a second unit.

"Snyder has met or exceeded each and every commitment made to the department of corrections. The fact that Snyder has gone 'the extra mile' should be recognized as a positive factor in reviewing current site applications," said Roy McQueen, Snyder Daily News publisher.

McQueen recalled that the Daniel unit opened "on time and under budget." He said the community works hard to prevent an "us" and "them" theme. "We're partners, we're neighbors and we're friends."

"The land is available, the utilities are in place and the site can accommodate immediate construction. Another unit in Snyder is a

(see HEARING, page 8)



I'M FOR — Dr. Jim Palmer, a faculty member at Western Texas College who also teaches at the Price Daniel unit, was one of 31 citizens who stepped foward during Wednesday's public hearing to tell why they want a second prison unit in Snyder. (SDN Staff Photo)



YOUNG SUPPORTER — One-year-old Jordan Fritz and her mother, Sandy, were among more than 800 people who attended a public hearing concerning Snyder's proposal for a second state prison unit. (SDN Staff Photo)

Embassies favoring sanctions attacked by Libyan protesters

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP) — Libyan protesters threw firebombs and stones today at the embassies of countries that voted to impose U.N. sanctions on Libya and delivered flowers to nations that opposed the punishment.

Hundreds of students rampaged through the Venezuelan Embassy, smashing furniture and tossing gasoline bombs that burned part of the building.

Rioters failed to break into the Russian Embassy, but destroyed cars and broke windows. Stones also were thrown at the Austrian Embassy, and demonstrators marched outside other missions.

The official Libyan news agency JANA said dozens of protesters were injured in clashes with riot police, but that could not be confirmed by The Associated Press. Western diplomats said no diplomatic personnel were injured.

The protesters denounced Tuesday's vote by the U.N. Security Council that for only the second time imposed punitive sanctions on a country for flouting its demands on peace and security. The first was Iraq after it invaded Kuwait.

The air travel and arms embargoes were imposed because Libya refused to surrender six alleged Libyan intelligence agents sought in the bombings of Pan Am Flight 103 over Scotland in 1988 and a French jetliner over Africa in 1989, which killed a total of 441 people. The sanctions are to take effect April 15 unless Libya turns over the suspects.

Libya has denied any involvement in the bombings and denounced the U.N. sanctions, which were passed by a 10-0 vote with five nations abstaining.

The Security Council held an emergency meeting and drafted a statement demanding that the Libyan government immediately stop attacks on embassies. The council scheduled another session for later in the day.

U.S. Ambassador Thomas R. Pickering called the attacks "an outrage."

"This is so transparently and obviously directed to bring pressure on members of the Security Council," he told reporters during a break in consultations. "The Security Council will have to take action."

Circus is coming to Snyder April 7

America's second largest big top circus will come to the Scurry County Coliseum grounds on April 7.

The King Royal Brothers Circus is sponsored locally by Snyder Jaycees.

The circus will be unloaded between 10 and 11 a.m. and the big top will be pulled into the air by elephants between 11 a.m. and noon.

Shows are scheduled for 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Reduced-rate tickets are available at Tan & Tone, Eckerds, the chamber of commerce and the Allsup's in Hermleigh. Advance tickets are $6 for adults and $4 for children age 11 and under.

Tickets are $2 more at the gate.

Jaycees note that 25 percent of proceeds from advance ticket sales stays in the community. Only 10 percent of the proceeds from tickets purchased at the gate will remain here.

King Royal Bros. Circus will travel over 25,000 miles this season, performing in more than 225 cities in 23 states and four Canadian provinces. The circus is on the road nine months out of the year, generally playing in a different town each day.

The remaining three months are spent at the show's winter headquarters in south Texas.

'Clean up Snyder' project discussed

Plans for a "Clean up Snyder" campaign were discussed this morning by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce tourism and retirement committee.

The chamber is planning a citywide clean up week to promote the beautification of Snyder. The event is scheduled April 11-16.

City employee Carolyn House told committee members that the city will provide dump trucks for the project. The trucks will be parked at different locations around the city for residents to dump their trash in.

It was also suggested that the city council might sign a proclamation recognizing these dates as an official clean up week.

House suggested asking area civic groups and students to adopt certain areas of the city for clean up sites.

The committee was updated on upcoming events for April, including Texas Law Enforcement Appreciation Day on April 9, the senior citizen's banqueton April 10, the WTC NIRA Rodeo April 16-18, an AJRA rodeo one April 24 and 25, and an alumni rodeo on April 26.

Other events include an April 22 Ranch Breakfast, the April 26 St. Elizabeth Sausage Festival, and community college month activities, scheduled April 20.

The committee was reminded of the presentation of final plans for the Ritz Theatre, which will be held this Saturday in the WTC Fine Arts Theatre at 8 p.m. Chamber Manager Ricky Fritz stated that he is looking foreward to seeing the plans. He added that he feels the theatre will be a drawing card for tourism in Snyder.

Jerry Baird told the committee that the annual May Day celebration will be held May 2.

Present at the meeting were committee members Gay Hickman, Nelda Huddleston, Donna Gray, Bernard Bartels, Roy Carter and Baird.

Business workshop set today

Small business owners interested in expanding their operations or persons who want to start their own business may be interested in attending a business development workshop this evening.

Western Texas College and the local chamber office are sponsoring the workshop, scheduled from 6:30 until 9 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre on campus.

Murray Edwards, president of a feed mill operation with plants in Texas and New Mexico, will be the keynote speaker.

Also scheduled to speak are Snyder business owners Joe and Nathalie Kelley, who operate their own self-started business, Nathalie's; Joel Hook, owner of the local McDonald's franchise; and Mark Estes, senior vice president for West Texas State Bank.

Speakers will stress marketing realities and economic survival in a small town situation.

The workshop is free to the public.

The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Life is a mirror. What you see is what you put in it."

It's unfair to put all TV evangelists in the same category, but poor judgment demonstrated by some of 'em in recent years has resulted in an outpouring of jokes and related stories.

One of our favorite concerned a TV preacher who promised to heal anyone who would come forward and put their trust in his skills. A man hobbled up on crutches.

The man explained his name was Fred and that he broke both ankles falling off a roof. He explained that he was in the construction business and was unable to work. "I need to be healed real quick."

The evangelist said he had come to the right man and ordered him to go stand behind the curtain.

Meanwhile, another man had come forward. "My name is Wobet," said the man. "I wisp. I wouldn't mind, except I want to be a wadio disc jokey, and they won't even wisten to me." He too, was ordered to go stand behind the curtain with Fred.

The audience was told, as a demonstration of faith, to concentrate on Fred and Robert. The evangelist turned to the curtain and boomed in a loud voice, "Fred, you don't need those crutches. Robert, you can talk plainly. Do you believe?"

The TV preacher paused dramatically. He told Fred to let go of the right crutch and slide it under the curtain. The audience gasped as a crutch came into view. The evangelist then ordered him to do the same thing with the other crutch. As it was slid under the curtain, the audience cheered.

"Robert," boomed the evangelist, "say something."

There was silence. "Go ahead, Robert," cried the preacher. "Don't be afraid, say anything."

The audience was hushed. Robert cleared his throat. "Fwed," he said, "fell down."

Lottery plans being finalized

AUSTIN (AP) — The state lottery director says plans are being finalized for the first instant-win games, including equipment and security precautions that will prevent people from redeeming stolen tickets.

Nora Linares said that electronic terminals now being installed at ticket outlets statewide include bar-code scanners similar to those used to read prices at grocery checkouts.

The bar codes will be printed on the back of each scratch-off ticket and be read by the terminals before a winning ticket can be redeemed.

The electronic scanners and other security measures will allow the lottery to invalidate any ticket not properly sold, Ms. Linares said Wednesday.

"You cannot forge instant tickets," she said. "The only way to pay this out is to actually validate it" in one of the machines.

The terminals will allow lottery vendors to pay off many instant winners, Ms. Linares said.

While details of the first instant-win game aren't finished, she said winning $1 tickets likely will bring prizes ranging from $2 to a maximum of $5,000 to $10,000.

"We're looking at low-tier prizes. We want a lot of winners. We want people to feel like they can win," she said.

In a related matter, Ms. Linares said there is no way to keep more ticket outlets from being located in poorer areas of the state if qualified merchants there seek licenses.

But she said a major reason for the apparent early popularity of lottery outlets in lower-income counties is that the merchants see the numbers game as one of the few ways they can earn new income.

Tuesday was the deadline for qualified merchants to apply and be assured of obtaining a lottery license before instant-win games begin by early June.

The Houston Post reported Wednesday that its analysis of 13,455 applicants indicated that, while there was no trend, some lower-income counties will have proportionately more ticket outlets than the state average.

The newspaper said statistics also indicated that some wealthier counties, including Dallas-Fort Worth and Houston suburbs, will have fewer ticket sellers per capita than the average.

Firm defaults on some debt

HOUSTON (AP) — First Seismic Corp. has defaulted on some of its debt and laid off nearly half its workers after 1991 losses of nearly $4 million, company officials said.

The Houston-based energy services company blames the slump in oil and gas for its losses, said president Rogers Beall, who adds that "This isn't even funny anymore."

"I can't paint too rosy a picture of the way things are looking for my domestic customers. It's pretty poor right now," Beall said.

Company officials on Wednesday said First Seismic, which processes and sells seismic data used to search for oil and gas, lost $3.8 million last year on revenues totalling $24 million.

That's compared with 1990 profits of $3 million on revenues of about $30 million.

Most of the 1991 loss can be traced to one-time charges of $3.7 million, including a $2 million write-down of a company center that uses updated computer software to re-examine old seismic data.

Despite a $5 million investment in the center over the last three years, Beall said demand for the data has dropped as drilling in the Gulf of Mexico has fallen sharply.



RIBBON CUTTING — Snyder Gold Coats conducted a ribbon cutting ceremony on Tuesday at Express It, located at 2317 College Ave, west side of the square. Owner Donna Dupree is pictured in the center. Standing beside her are her husband, Richard Dupree, and her mother, LaNelle Joplin of Colorado City. (SDN Staff Photo)

Solid waste management public forums set April 6-13

The West Central Council of Governments (WCTCOG) will be conducting regional public forums on solid waste management April 6 through the 13th.

As part of the development of a regional management plan, WCTCOG is seeking solutions to the solid waste disposal problems in Scurry, Brown, Callahan, Coleman, Comanche, Eastland, Fisher, Haskell, Jones, Kent, Knox, Mitchell, Nolan, Runnels, Shackelford, Stephens, Stonewall, Taylor and Throckmorton counties.

At each meeting, there will be a brief overview of the regional planning efforts underway, the 19-county area interim report and local activities. Public participation is essential in prioritizing goals, evaluating alternatives and recommending the activities and programs necessary to achieve these goals.

The public and elected officials are invited to make comments at any of the following meetings: Sweetwater, Monday, April 6, at 6:30 p.m. in City Hall; Brownwood, Tuesday, April 7, at 6:30 p.m. the Adams Street Community Center; Haskell, Monday, April 13, at 10 a.m. at City Hall; and Abilene,, April 13 at 3 p.m. at City Hall.

Development of the WCTCOG Regional Solid Waste Mangement Plan is required by law passed during the 71st Legislature and overseen by the Texas Water Commission. The purpose of the plan is to provide guidance regarding waste reduction, recycling and disposal for the period 1990 to 2010.

The WCTCOG regional plan will be a subset of the overall Texas State Solid Waste Managment Plan. Any local plans subsequently developed will be required to conform to the regional plan. This regional plan will guide all solid waste management activities in the region. Any proposed facilities, actions or programs shall be consistent with this plan.

The Regional Task Force was chosen to represent governmental, private and civic sectors of each county in the 19-county area. The plan is scheduled for completion in August.

For further information, contact Alison Benton, economic development director, WTCOG at 915 672-8544.

Houston scientist has been named Welch award winner

HOUSTON (AP) — Richard E. Smalley, rumored to have been a finalist for the Nobel Prize for his discovery of a third carbon atom, has been selected to receive the Robert A. Welch Foundation award for chemistry.

Smalley, a Rice University professor, discovered the buckminsterfullerene, or Carbon-60, in 1985.

The Houston-based foundation's award, considered second only to the Nobel Prize in the chemistry community, will be presented in October. It carries a $225,000 cash prize.

Smalley, two former graduate students, Rice University chemist Robert Curl and scientist Harry Kroto of the University of Sussex reported the existence of an atom dubbed "buckyballs" in 1985. But the discovery of the relatively simply produced molecules only now has resulted in a mass of spin off research into its uses.

Carbon-60 joins diamonds and graphite as the only known pure forms of carbon. Unlike the other two atoms, the Carbon-60 arranges itself in a configuration similar to the geodesic domes created by the late design engineer and philosopher R. Buckminster Fuller, hence the name buckminsterfullerene.

"Everybody is convinced this is going to be very important in the long term technology," Smalley said.

ACS plans its blitz campaign

The American Cancer Society Texas Division, Area 6, District 16, Scurry County Unit board of directors met on March 23 in the board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital to plan its upcoming campaign and hear reports.

The blitz campaign, named Lights on For Cancer Control, will be held on May 7. Shirley and George Stewart, residential chairmen, and John Joyce, business chairman, explained the details of the crusade. This year's goal is $15,100 and $4,231 has been raised and transmitted.

Also memorials amounting to $2,056 have been turned in to H.W. Cargile, chairman.

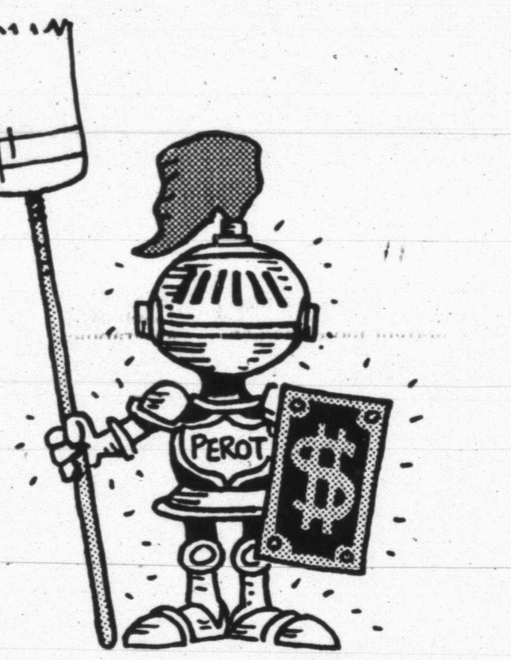
A report on the May 2 golf tournament benefit was given by Wayne Monroney. Activity and communication updates were given on the society's education, service and professional divisions.

To date, it was announced, public education had reached 669 adults and 2,857 youths, costing $4,449. Fifteen patients were served, totaling $4,144.

Dr. Gary Nussey has presented two classes at Stanfield Elementary School on results of using tobacco.

The next meeting for ACS will be April 20.

Berry's World



THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

April 2, 1992

Today is the 93rd day of 1992 and the 14th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1982, Argentina seized the Falkland Islands, which had been held by Britain since 1833. The British recaptured the territory during a brief war.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Hans Christian Andersen (1805-1875), fairy tale writer; Emile Zola (1840-1902), novelist; Buddy Ebsen (1908-), actor, is 84; Alec Guinness (1914-), actor, is 78; Jack Webb (1920-1982), actor-producer; Leon Russell (1941-), musician, is 51; Linda Hunt (1945-), actress, is 47; Emmylou Harris (1947-), singer-songwriter, is 45.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1966, the New York Mets acquired the rights to pitcher Tom Seaver when the team's name was picked out of a hat.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "An actor is ... at his best a kind of unfrocked priest who, for an hour or two, can call on heaven and hell to mesmerize a group of innocents." — Alec Guinness

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1982, 56 tornadoes ripped through parts of Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Kentucky, Illinois and Indiana. Nearly 400 people were injured; 30 died.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day before new moon (April 3).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET
Don't be silly! The company's not going to lay anyone off. They're just going to increase the leisure potential for some.
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PIANO PUPILS ATTEND CONTEST — These students of Mrs. Virgil Mott recently participated in the Sonatina-Sonata Contest sponsored by the Lubbock Music Teachers Association at Texas Tech. From left, first row, are Audra Lilly, Nickolas Means, Jimmy Hall, Lee Idom, Mark Bullard, Layne Scott; back row, Kelley Garner, Christy Garner, Jennifer Riojas, Jannica Northerns, Sarah Lilly, Amanda Gentry and Christina Bullard. Playing in the Winners Recital were Christina Bullard, Christy Garner, Kelly Garner, Lee Idom, Layne Scott and Jannica Northerns. In second place were Nickolas Means, Mark Bullard, Jennifer Riojas, Amanda Gentry and Jannica Northerns. Jimmy Hall received third place. Audra Lilly received a superior rating. (SDN Staff Photo)

Parker gives collector's tips to Beta Sigma Phi

Xi Alpha Alpha Theta of Beta Sigma Phi held its regular March meeting at the Snyder Country Club, highlighted by a program given by Gerri Parker, WTC instructor. She displayed her silver collectable pieces. She stated there were two types of collectors, the pristine and the junker. The junker, she said, was the one that frequented garage sales and flea markets hunting for treasurers, and could be spotted with a shovel always handy.

Among the most collectable silver plate items are the Community patterns, with the grape pattern being top on the list in popularity. Knives are difficult pieces to find in any pattern, she commented. She explained that silver patterns often reflect the style of the era. Ms. Parker presented a gift of silver for the door prize.

Barbara Bills announced Founder's Day will be held April 25 at the country club and revealing of secret sisters will be held May 16.

Elected for 1992-93 officers were Jackie Buckland, president; Martha Knowles, first vice president; Edie Hopping, second vice president; Jacalyn Lowrance, treasurer; Marie Boone, recording secretary; Jeanne Johnson, secretary; and Dena Ellis, extension officer. The newly elected officers will assume their duties at the first May meeting.

Dena Ellis reported that an Exemplar Ritual would be held for Loretta Dodson and Vicky Bell at the sorority's next meeting.

President Brenda Hedges conducted the business session.



COLLECTOR GIVES PROGRAM — Gerri Parker, collector of silverplate flatware, presented a program to members of Beta Sigma Phi. She is coordinator for the GED program at Western Texas College. Carolyn Limmer, right, was program chairman. (SDN Staff Photo)

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Deep Creek Chapter ABWA, Bosses Night; Golden Corral; 6:30 p.m.

Snyder Fire Dept. Auxiliary; Central Fire Station; 7 p.m.

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 7 p.m.

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

Snyder Shrine Club; Spanish Inn; 7 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.

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

Al-Anon; CADA office on the square, 2513 College Ave. For more information call 573-2101, 573-8626, or 573-3956; 8 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-5524 days, 573-2101 nights; 8 p.m.

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

Alateen Step Study Group; Park Club at Winston Park; For information, call 573-8929 or 573-5164.

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

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



SCHOLARSHIP — Johnnie Pyburn, scholarship chairman for Deep Creek Chapter of the American Business Women's Association named Stacy Coffey as scholarship recipient. She is attending Western Texas College. (Contributed Photo)

Sexy sleuth in 'Honey West' gets award

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Anne Francis, who played the sexy sleuth in the 1960s television series "Honey West," has been given the Southern California Motion Picture Council's Angel Award for lifetime achievement.

The actress was honored Wednesday. Previous recipients include Bette Davis, Lana Turner and Lucille Ball.

Miss Francis, 59, also appeared in such television shows as "My Three Sons," "Twilight Zone" and "Lost in Space."

Her movie credits include "Blackboard Jungle," "Bad Day at Black Rock."

Children's Reading Room is being remodeled

Work is in progress at the Scurry County Library to remodel the Children's Reading Room. The new look includes wallpaper, paint, carpet, book shelves, mini blinds reupholstered chairs and a new covering for the Puppet Theater.

The decor, using a "Castle Land" theme, is the room's first renovation since its initial construction in 1977. Library personnel acknowedged that the rooms presence will be a fun and exciting place for children to read and learn.

The library is accepting donations to help toward this project. Donation containers have been placed in several local businesses, or donations may be made at the library.

Bridge

by Phillip Alder

NORTH 4-2-92
♠ Q J 10 3
♥ J 10 9 5
♦ 8
♣ Q J 8 4

WEST
♠ 5
♥ 8 2
♦ 10 9 7 6 5
♣ 10 9 6 5 2

EAST
♠ A 9 8 6 4 2
♥ A 3
♦ K J 4 3
♣ 7

SOUTH
♠ K 7
♥ K Q 7 6 4
♦ A Q 2
♣ A K 3

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 5

There is one instinct that is almost subconscious among defenders. If they see a chance to give their partners a ruff, they go ahead and do so. Rarely do they stop for a moment to consider the hand as a whole and the way the play will develop after the ruff.

Cover the West and South hands in the diagram. Against the four-heart contract, your partner leads the spade five: three, ace, seven. How do you plan the defense?

Two no-trump was the best opening bid with that South hand. It was too strong for one heart, yet not strong enough for another action. Stayman then uncovered the heart fit.

East, knowing his partner had led a singleton, returned the spade two at trick two. West ruffed and switched to a club. Declarer won in the dummy and played a trump. East put up the ace and led another spade, but declarer ruffed high and claimed.

East was unrealistic in expecting West to be able to overruff South on the third round of spades. South had to have all the missing 21 points as East could see the four jacks.

East should have considered his target. Four tricks were needed, not three. East had to organize his club ruff before giving West his spade ruff. At trick two, East should have switched to the club seven. Declarer will win in the dummy and play a heart. But East wins with the heart ace and leads the spade two. West ruffs and, reading East's card as a suit-preference signal, returns a club. East's ruff defeats the contract.

To slow down your play, consider sitting on your hand.

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Small-bodied gibbons, or lesser apes, walk upright more than any other ape, notes National Geographic.



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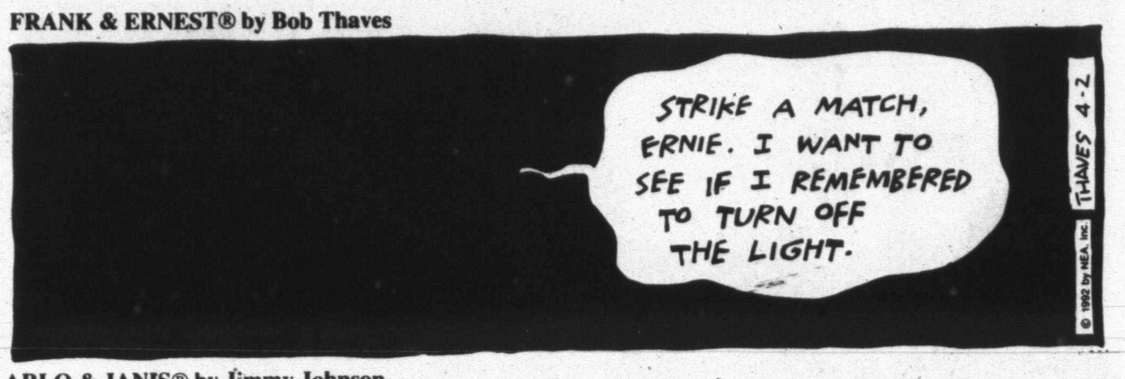
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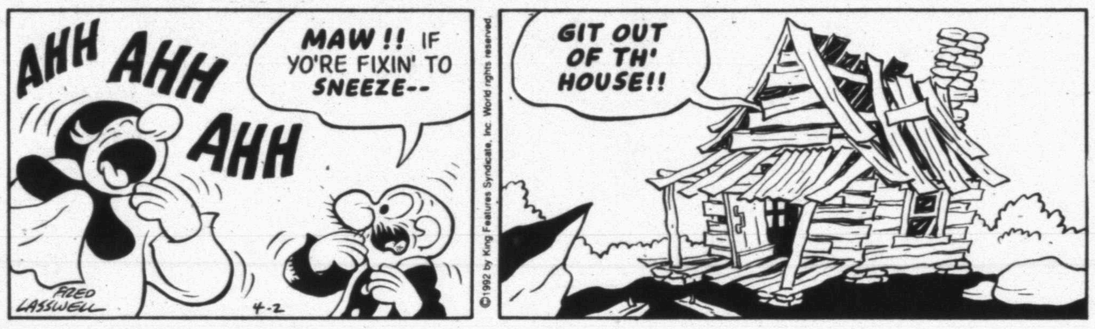
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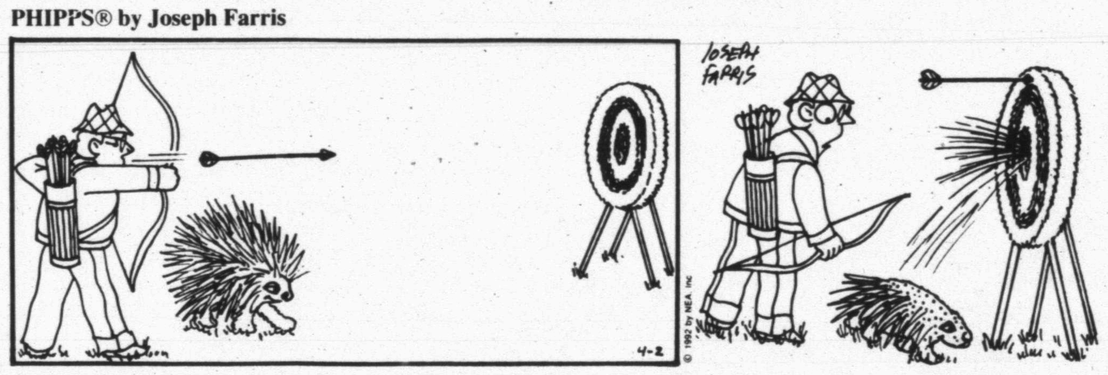
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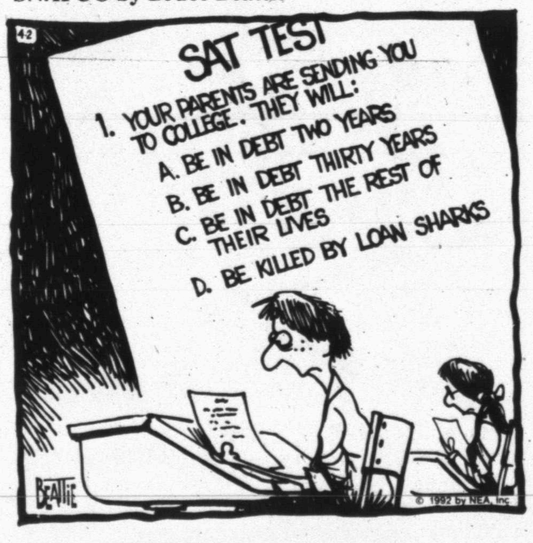


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WTC team to ride in Howard Rodeo

The Western Texas College rodeo squad, following a two-week layoff, will compete in tonight's opening performance of the Howard College Rodeo in Big Spring.

The Westerners captured second place in the season opener at Odessa College two weeks ago, with steer wrestler Scott Berger notching a first-place win with his 11.1 two-head clocking.

Berger turned in a 5.9 effort in the long go then improved to 5.2 in the final for top honors in the event.

The WTC men collected 230 points at Odessa, second only to NIRA Southwest Regional leader Tarleton State University's 300.

Other Western Texas wranglers placing in the season's first outing were Travis Whiteside, a bareback rider who took second with a 141 total, and Troy Cattoor, also a bareback rider, who grabbed fourth with a combined 137.

The WTC team is currently second in the region. The top two Southwest teams at the end of the spring season will advance to the College National Finals Rodeo in Bozeman, Mont. in June.

Performances at Big Spring Rodeo Bowl are scheduled at 7:30 p.m. nightly, with the short go slated for 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is $3 for adults with children six and under getting in free.

The next stop on the NIRA spring tour for WTC will be at New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, April 9-12.

The Westerners will host the annual WTC Rodeo April 16-18 at Scurry County Coliseum.

For NIT crown...

Virginia nudges Irish in OT

NEW YORK (AP) — There are those who say the winner of the NIT is merely the 65th best team in college basketball, just the best of the bunch that were not good enough to make the NCAA field.

That may be. Still, there are not many players in the game better than Bryant Stith and Elmer Bennett, and not many can put on a better show than the seniors did Wednesday night in their final games.

Stith, the tournament's MVP, scored 24 points and led Virginia to an 81-76 overtime victory over Notre Dame, which lost despite Bennett's 39 points.

"I was looking in the guide at some of the MVPs, and I'm in pretty elite company," Stith said after joining the list that includes Walt Frazier, Reggie Miller, Ralph Sampson and Lenny Wilkens.

Stith is projected by many as a first-round pick in the NBA draft. The 6-foot-5 swingman is Virginia's all-time scoring leader and second on the school's rebounding chart.

"We turned him, we influenced him, we double-teamed him. We did everything to try to stop him," Notre Dame coach John MacLeod said.

Virginia (20-13) did the same thing against the 6-foot Bennett. But not much worked as Bennett tallied the most points in any NIT game since 1979, when Reggie King scored 43 for Alabama against Virginia in a second-round game.

Bennett's total was the highest for a Notre Dame player since Adrian Dantley scored 41 in 1976 against LaSalle. His leaning 3-pointer with 3.8 seconds left in regulation tied it 66 and sent the game into overtime.

"I knew that we needed a 3-point shot and I figured it was my last game and I wanted to take it," he said.

Bennett made the shot even though he was surrounded by defenders.

"As soon as it went in, I said, 'Oh, my God, the luck of the Irish again,'" Virginia's Anthony Oliver said.

Bennett made a 3-pointer from the NBA line with 10 seconds left in overtime, pulling the Irish (18-15) within 79-76. Stith countered with two foul shots.

Bennett was 11 of 24 from the field, including 5 of 13 from 3-point range. He made 12 of 13 foul shots.

Stith shot 6 for 14, including 2 of 3 on 3-pointers. He made 10 of 12 free throws, and also had eight rebounds.

The game was a rematch of a meeting in Virginia on Jan. 18, which the Cavaliers won 83-56. This time, Notre Dame wasted a nine-point lead in the first half and never led after Virginia went ahead 36-35 with 16 minutes left in the second half.

Once it went to overtime, it was all Virginia.

Utah (24-11) held on to beat Florida 81-78 in the consolation game when Paul Afeaki slapped away the ball from Dan Cross at midcourt with two seconds left.

UNLV tabs Massimino as Tark's replacement

LAS VEGAS (AP) — UNLV athletic director Jim Weaver turned to Rollie Massimino for advice several times in recent months on picking a new coach for the Runnin' Rebels.

A few days ago, Weaver turned to Massimino and offered him the job.

"I stopped and thought, 'Why not?'" Massimino said. "The marriage was apparent. It became an instantaneous success as far as I was concerned."

Massimino ended a 19-year career at Villanova on Wednesday when he agreed to a five-year contract to replace Jerry Tarkanian at UNLV.

The 57-year-old coach takes over a powerful but troubled program and a run-and-gun legacy that helped Tarkanian take four teams to the Final Four and win one national championship.

"We run, but we don't run like the Rebels," Massimino said of his Villanova teams. "Now that I'm in this place, we're going to run like the Rebels."

The appointment, which came seven years to the day Massimino's Villanova team shocked Georgetown to win the national championship, was somewhat of a surprise because Massimino's name had not been prominent in speculation over Tarkanian's successor.

"I thought he would retire at Villanova," said Villanova athletic director Ted Aceto.

But Weaver, who was the football coach at Villanova the same year Massimino took over the basketball team, said the coach fit all the qualities UNLV was looking for.

"UNLV needed a person with a record of competition at the highest level of college basketball and with a record of student athletes who excel in the classroom as well as on the basketball court," Weaver said. "He will keep UNLV one of the most exciting places in college sports."

Massimino said he was persuaded to take the UNLV job when Weaver and UNLV president Robert Maxson came to dinner at his home Monday night. Massimino said Maxson told him he wasn't leaving until he agreed to become the new coach.

"The decision was obviously not an easy one for me," Massimino said at a hastily called news conference at UNLV. "But now that my tenure at Villanova is over, I'm excited to be a part of this great institution."

NIT glance

By The Associated Press
Finals
At New York
Wednesday, April 1
Third Place
Utah 81, Florida 78
Championship
Virginia 81, Notre Dame 76, OT

Fire Department slates golf tourney

The Snyder Fire Department Golf Tournament is scheduled for April 18 at the Western Texas College Golf Course.

The four-person scramble begins with 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. shotgun starts. Entry fee is $80 per team with a $200 first prize offered.

The field will be limited to the first 32 teams to enter. to register, call 573-6215.

HHS seniors sponsor tournament

HERMLEIGH — The senior class of Hermleigh High School is sponsoring an Outsiders Basketball Tournament Friday and Saturday in the HHS gym.

Games begin at 7 p.m. Friday and continue at 9 a.m. Saturday. The championship game is scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday.

Admission is $1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the seniors class trip fund.

Snyder netters travel to Lake View tourney

Coach Jerry Tucker's Snyder High School tennis team will return to the court following a two-week hiatus when they compete in the San Angelo Lake View Tournament Friday and Saturday.

The Tigers captured second place in both boys' and girls' division play at their most recent outing, their own Snyder Invitational Tournament March 14 and 15.

In that tourney, SHS copped first place honors in boys' doubles as Marcus Best and Kevin McMillan knocked off Abilene Cooper's Kevin Priestner and Richie Stanley, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3, in the final after sliding through the rest of the field.

In addition, Jason Warren claimed second place in boys' singles, losing only to Cooper's Clay Trumble in the title match after stopping Chris Brown of Lamesa, Forsan's Sam Clinton and Chris Stanfield of CHS in earlier rounds.

Snyder's top girls' doubles pair, Robin Cave and Christina Gonzales, came in third, losing a split set 6-4, 6-7, 7-5 decision in the third round to Stephanie Ragsdale and Anna Willis of Big Spring, after wins in their first two matches.

Leslie Sandoval came in fourth to lead Snyder's girls' singles charge.

Host Lake View came in fourth in girls' competition at Snyder, including a dominating first place win by sisters Martha and Veronica Carrillo in doubles.

The pair hammered second-place Ragsdale-Willis, 6-1, 6-1 for the championship here.

Lake View's boys also finished fourth in the SHS tourney.

Action begins in San Angelo at 9 a.m. Friday and will resume Saturday at 8 a.m.

Snyder's next appearance will be at the District 2-4A tournament in Levelland April 17 and 18.

NBA roundup...

Celtics clinch playoff berth

by The Associated Press

The Boston Celtics are starting to get into playoff shape.

Larry Bird, Kevin McHale and Reggie Lewis keyed a 20-2 charge late in the fourth period as Boston withstood Washington's 44-point third period and beat the Bullets 120-106 Wednesday night, extending the Celtics' longest winning streak in more than a year to seven games.

The victory at Boston Garden clinched a playoff berth for the Celtics in the Eastern Conference. The Celtics are second in the Atlantic Division, 31/2 games behind New York.

"The important thing is that we're all healthy going into the playoffs," Bird said. "We still have a few weeks to get ready."

The Celtics rallied after Michael Adams scored 23 of his 37 points in the third period, moving the Bullets from a 57-42 halftime deficit to an 86-84 lead.

"Michael was on fire," Boston coach Chris Ford said. "I gave everyone a chance to guard him. We had no answers."

Elsewhere in the NBA it was Philadelphia 108, Miami 91; Indiana 137, Atlanta 117; Chicago 100, Charlotte 94; New Jersey 121, Milwaukee 117; Dallas 102, Orlando 89; and San Antonio 104, the Los Angeles Lakers 86.

Washington, which has lost eight of its last nine games, managed to open a 92-88 lead early in the fourth period, but the Celtics came back and the lead changed hands seven times before Boston took command.

McHale put Boston ahead 100-99 with a one-hander off a pass from Bird with less than seven minutes remaining and Lewis followed with a turnaround jumper.

Spurs 104, Lakers 86

Terry Cummings scored a season-high 35 points, including 15 in the third quarter, as San Antonio snapped a five-game losing streak. Antoine Carr added 19 points for the Spurs, who won for the first time since losing center David Robinson to a thumb injury.

The visiting Lakers were led by Terry Teagle with 20 points.

Mavericks 102, Magic 89

Mike Iuzzolino scored nine of his 20 points in the fourth quarter to lead five Dallas players in double figures against visiting Orlando.

The Magic (17-56) are two games below Dallas (19-54) in overall standings. The Mavs have won two straight after losing 15 in a row.

Bulls 100, Hornets 94

Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen combined for 20 of Chicago's 22 fourth-quarter points as the Bulls beat Charlotte for their 60th victory. Jordan paced the Bulls with 31 points, while Pippen had a triple double with 18 points, 10 rebounds and 12 assists.

Kendall Gill, with a 20-point average, scored a career-high 32 to lead Charlotte.

76ers 108, Heat 91

Charles Barkley had 24 points and 10 rebounds as Philadelphia won for only the second time in 11 games. Miami is now 0-9 lifetime at the Spectrum.

Hersey Hawkins added 19 points for Philadelphia.

Rony Seikaly had 19 points and 14 rebounds for Miami.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

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EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
x-New York	46	26	.639	—
x-Boston	43	30	.589	3½
Miami	34	40	.459	13
New Jersey	33	39	.458	13
Philadelphia	32	42	.432	15
Washington	23	50	.315	23½
Orlando	17	56	.233	29½
Central Division				
x-Chicago	60	13	.822	—
x-Cleveland	49	22	.690	10
Detroit	42	31	.575	18
Indiana	36	38	.486	24½
Atlanta	35	38	.479	25
Milwaukee	30	43	.411	30
Charlotte	29	43	.403	30½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
x-Utah	47	25	.653	—
San Antonio	43	30	.589	4½
Houston	37	36	.507	10½
Denver	23	50	.315	24½
Dallas	19	54	.260	28½
Minnesota	12	60	.167	35
Pacific Division				
x-Portland	51	22	.699	—
x-Golden St.	49	23	.681	1½
x-Phoenix	48	25	.658	3
Seattle	41	32	.562	10
LA Clippers	40	32	.556	10½
LA Lakers	39	33	.542	11½
Sacramento	24	49	.329	27

x-clinched playoff berth.

Wednesday's Games

Boston 120, Washington 106
Philadelphia 108, Miami 91
Indiana 137, Atlanta 117
Chicago 100, Charlotte 94
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Thursday's Games

New York at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 10 p.m.
Seattle at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Girls' Little Dribbler results

JUNIORS

March 23

Tuff Stuff 16, Rockets 11

Tuff Stuff: A. Brooks 10, J. Kelley 2, T. Sutter 2.

Rockets: N. Alexander 1, B. Hancock 2, L. Hancock 2, A. Schwertner 1, R. West 5.

Dynamites 24, Jr. Dusters 7

Dynamites: K. Bates 14, A. Digby 2, Madera 4, Murray 4.

Jr. Dusters: E. Arnold 2, L. Franks 2, M. Thompson 3.

March 24

Hot Shots 28, Spurs 14

Hot Shots: K. Calley 1, J. Dennis 12, L. Helm 2, L. Kidd 2, L. Lewis 11.

Spurs: C. Best 2, C. Holder 1, K. Marricle 9, K. Voss 2.

Red Hots 16, Thunderbolts 8

red Hots: L. Beard 4, A. Burt 2, M. Clements 2, L. Garcia 8.

Thunderbolts: L. Brown 2, T. Hildebrand 2, McCright 2, E. Wiley 2.

March 26

Sharpshooters 36, Tornadoes 14

Sharpshooters: S. Callaway 20, L. Canada 2, S. Jones 2, J. Newman 2, L. Nicholson 4, A. Smith 6.

Tornadoes: M. French 2, C. Jackson 10, W. Loper 2.

Tiny Tigers 33, Orange Crush 14

Tiny Tigers: A. Arrendale 8; L. Nelson 4, C. Ragland 8, C. Rinehart 7, W. Webb 6.

Orange Crush: K. Adams 2, T. Castillo 8, T. Daniell 2, B. Wood 2.

March 27

Jr. Dusters 23, Rockets 10

Jr. Dusters: E. Arnold 10, T. Eicke 8, L. Franks 2, M. Thompson 2, T. Tucker 1.

Rockets: C. Bane 2, R. Geiger 2, A. Schwertner 4, R. West.

Spurs 24, Dynamites 10

Spurs: C. Best 2, C. Holder 4, K. Marricle 18.

Dynamites: K. Bates 5, B. Madera 2, K. Murray 1, C. Tyler 2.

March 28

Thunderbolts 31, Tornadoes 20

Thunderbolts: L. Brown 4, T. Hildebrand 12, C. Marshall 2, D. McCright 9, R. Ryan 4.

Tornadoes: C. Jackson 10, W. Loper 10.

MAJORS

March 23

Rebels 30, Cougars 29

Rebels: S. Hall 18, H. Huestis 6, E. McDonald 4, J. Salmon 2.

Cougars: J. Burrow 12, M. Hollis 4, V. Ortegon 2, A. Parker 2, E. Vasquez 9.

March 24

Hot Shots II 31, Blue Bombers 24

Hot Shots II: K. Clayton 3, D. Durst 1, A. Garcia 10, L. Kerley 3, A. Matthews 8, E. Shannon 6.

Blue Bombers: T. Nelson 14, A. Scott 6, V. Williams 4.

Double Trouble 18, Shootin' Stars 11

Double Trouble: J. Burleson 7, E. Maytubby 5, M. Wilson 6.

Shootin' Stars: K. Bollinger 9, T. Lyons 2.

March 26

Sure Magic 32, Slammers 25

Sure Magic: K. Cooper 4, K. Gonzales 19, C. Valadez 2, A. Sims 2, R. Trevino 5.

Slammers: H. Brown 7, B. French 2, K. Helms 2, M. Kidd 10, C. Smith 4.

Sure Shots 17, Sharpshooters II 12

Sure Shots: A. Harless 2, K. McClain 2; A. Reynolds 1, J. Roemsich 6, D. Weaver 6.

Sharpshooters II: L. Huddleston 6, C. Lee 4, T. Robinson 2.

March 27

Bull-ettes 33, Jammers 24

Bull-ettes: L. Daniell 5, M. Hess 21, M. Higby 2, M. Kelley 5.

Jammers: A. Gentry 2, M. Heaton 2, L. McNair 14, T. Moore 4, A. Peoples 2.

Hot Shots II 21, Cougars 18

Hot Shots II: K. Clayton 2, A. Garcia 5, L. Kerley, 4, A. Matthews 6, M. Rollins 2, E. Shannon 2.

Cougars: J. Burrow 11, V. Ortegon 3, E. Vasquez 4.

March 28

Shootin' Stars 42, Blue Bombers 13

Shootin' Stars: C. Bollinger 11, K. Cole 9, E. Cox 7, L. King 4, T. Lyons 7, J. Pinkerton 4.

Blue Bombers: T. Nelson 8, A. Rich 2, A. Scott 3.

Bull-ettes 30, Rebels 25

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Rebels: S. Hall 17, H. Huestis 4, J. Judah 2, E. McDonald 2.

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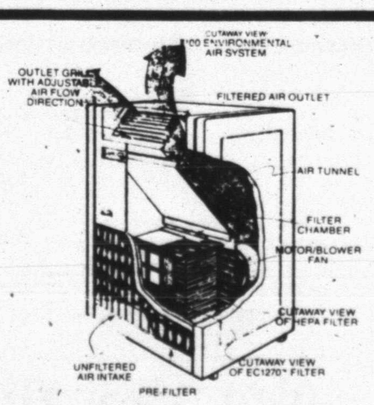
Wednesday's SDN story about the Tigers' baseball game incorrectly listed senior Daniel Espinosa as the loser.

Junior Raymond House accepted the loss for SHS. Espinosa, who is scheduled to start Friday's District 2-4A opener against Frenship, did not appear in the 12-9 loss to Kermit Tuesday.

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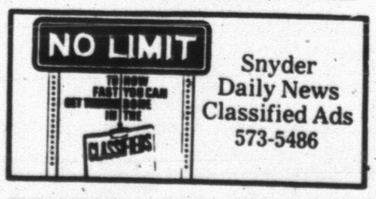
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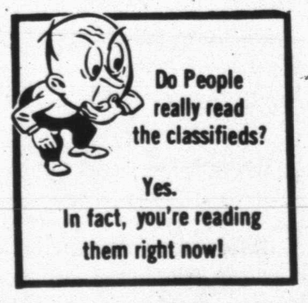
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS OF PROPOSED TEXAS HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE WORK

Sealed proposals for: Removal of Epoxy Coatings and Painting of Picnic Area Facilities and Rest Area Facilities. Highway(s): Various. County(ies): Various. Will be received by the Texas Department of Transportation located at: 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas until 11:00 A.M., Thursday, April 23, 1992 Then publicly read.
The contract for this work will not be awarded to any contractor or firm which is currently debarred from bidding on Texas Department of Transportation projects. No currently debarred contractors will be permitted to perform subcontract work on this project.
All Prospective Bidders are encouraged to attend the Pre-Bidders' Conference for this contract which will be held on Monday, April 13, 1992 at 10:00 A.M. at the Texas Department of Transportation's District Office located at 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas. Bidding proposals, plans and specifications will be available at the District Maintenance Office at: 4250 N. Clack, Abilene, Texas, telephone (915) 676-6851.
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Estimated Beginning Work Order Date: September 1, 1992.
Estimated Number of Working Days: 50.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF SCURRY

To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of RAYMOND F. MURPHY, JR., deceased, Probate Case Number 4973:
The undersigned having been duly appointed Independent Executrix of the estate of Raymond F. Murphy, Jr., deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by James R. Doolittle, Judge of the County Court of said County on the 31st day of March, 1992, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to Debra K. Murphy, 3105 Hill Avenue, Snyder, Texas 79549; within the time prescribed by law. Executed this 31st day of March, 1992.

(s)Debra K. Murphy,
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No blaring music, tobacco or booze found in dormitory

CHICAGO (AP) — No booze, no blaring music, no tobacco — chewing or otherwise. It's the new generation of college dorms.

Here's the surprise: It's not parents pushing for the new residences, but the students.

Northwestern University in suburban Evanston this week began accepting applications for its first "Wellness Dorm," where students will live quietly, free of alcohol, tobacco products and illicit drugs.

More than 55 schools, including Boston University, the University of California at Irvine and Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., now offer such housing for students, according to the Institute for Wellness in Muncie, Ind.

It's a far cry from the raunchy fraternity house and drunken toga parties featured in National Lampoon's 1977 movie "Animal House," which starred the late John Belushi.

"We feel very strongly ... that we want to provide unique living environs for our students that provide them with a healthier environment in which to work and live," said Mike Marshall, associate director of program development at the institute, which is affiliated with Ball State University.

At Ball State, students in eight of 34 residence halls agree not to smoke, drink, use illegal drugs or make excessive noise. Residents follow a six-point health model encouraging social, physical, intellectual, occupational, spiritual and emotional well-being.

One toadstool grows in Michigan and grows and continues growing

NEW YORK (AP) — Squashed by hunters and nibbled by deer, the toadstool can't get any respect in the natural world.

But a mass of tendrils threading the soil beneath a moist northern Michigan wood may put the humble fungus on the map.

Using genetic testing, scientists discovered a single, 1,500-year-old plant that fills 38 acres of soil.

That makes it the largest and one of the oldest organisms on earth, according to a report today in the journal Nature.

Scientists confirmed the existence of the subterranean behemoth through genetic testing of its slimy but edible progeny — the honey mushrooms that pop up by the hundreds after fall rains.

The mushrooms growing in a triangular area more than five football fields across had the same genetic fingerprint, meaning they came from one plant.

The largest part of the mushroom plant, called armillaria bulbosa, is an underground mass of cord-like tendrils called rhyzomes, which live under a few feet of soil and send up shoots that feed off dead or diseased wood. The mushrooms are the fruit of the plant.

The fungus at the Iron County, Mich., site probably weighs at least 100 tons — about the same as an adult blue whale, said Johann N. Bruhn, a Michigan Technological University research scientist who co-authored the study.

Giant sequoias can weigh as much as 1,000 tons.

Dear Abby



Tobacco Ads Targeted at Kids Take Advantage of Their Youth

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: This letter is in response to "Former Smoker." You said, "Please don't blame the tobacco companies; we live in a country where people have the right to choose."

Abby, surely you are aware that the tobacco industry entices "replacement smokers" from our youth. Please note the following:

Tobacco advertising is aimed at kids. The tobacco industry needs 5,000 children to begin smoking every day to maintain its current market. Statistics show us that 60 percent of smokers begin by age 14, and 90 percent begin by age 19.

Children do not have the cognitive ability that adults have and are easy prey for the tobacco industry. Nicotine, the addictive substance in cigarettes, may be more difficult to quit using than heroin.

Our kids get hooked at an early age, then many spend the rest of their lives trying to stop using tobacco. Yes, we make our own choices, but it takes more than one school health-education class to counteract the tobacco industry's multibillion-dollar blitz. We believe that every child has the right to be protected from exposure to advertising which promotes smoking as part of the good life, or connects smoking with sports or other health-giving activities.

CONNIE ACOTT,
PROJECT DIRECTOR,
TOBACCO-FREE SCHOOLS,
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

DEAR CONNIE: Thank you for some startling facts. I hope my young readers see your letter and take it seriously. It could add years to their lives.

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DEAR ABBY: Your response to "Needing an Answer" fell short of the mark. A woman so incredibly shallow that she would turn down a date with a gentleman because he had a tooth missing needs a new value system — not dental referrals. But assuming you have more balanced standards, did you ever consider that the gentleman with the missing tooth may not have been able to replace it?

A number of years ago, after 20 years of struggle — which included repeated pin implants, three crowns, oral surgery, major infections and thousands of dollars — a dentist extracted one of my teeth because there was nothing left to save or to use as a bed for another crown. The adjacent teeth were too weakened from cysts in the jaw to be used as anchors for a bridge, and my sinus canal was too low to accommodate an implant. I investigated every alternative. I even offered to test experimental procedures.

I detest not having a tooth, but if a solution is ever found, I will be the first to take advantage of it.

Until then, I will count myself fortunate never to have met a man so appallingly superficial as to reject me because I have a missing tooth.

I'm surprised you didn't give "Needing an Answer" more mature advice. Either that, or suggest she become a horse trader, where her ultra-strict criteria would be more appropriate.

MARTA GOOSEY,
OREGON CITY, ORE.

DEAR MARTA: Thanks, I needed that. I confess, it did not occur to me that there could be legitimate reasons for a person to be walking around with a conspicuous gap where a tooth should be. I had assumed it was due to neglect, ignorance or a lack of pride.

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Atlantis lands in Florida

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Atlantis glided through the dawn and landed in Florida today with seven astronauts who spent more than a week in orbit studying Earth's atmosphere.

The shuttle touched down at Kennedy Space Center at 6:23 a.m., its arrival heralded by the customary twin sonic booms. Commander Charles Bolden Jr. brought the spaceship to a clean stop on the concrete runway.

"Welcome back to the planet, Atlantis. Congratulations on an outstanding flight," Mission Control's Sidney Gutierrez told Bolden.

More than 150 people gathered at Kennedy's landing strip to welcome Atlantis home, including NASA's new chief, Daniel S. Goldin.

About 300 guests, including the astronauts' families, had to watch from eight miles away because of the wind direction — officials feared shuttle fumes might blow toward the crowd.

Atlantis circled the world 143 times during its nine-day voyage and traveled 3.7 million miles.

The shuttle streaked across central Florida on its way to Kennedy, passing just north of Tampa and over Orlando. It was a rare event — shuttles have landed at Kennedy only eight times before and generally come in from the north.

House rejects bill to refinance savings and loan bailout effort

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bush administration officials and congressional leaders are scrambling to keep the savings and loan cleanup going after the House decisively rejected legislation financing the program for another six months.

By a 298-125 vote Wednesday, large majorities of both parties ignored their leaders' advice and defeated a bill that would have given the Resolution Trust Corp., the bailout agency, enough money to operate through September.

The RTC still can seize insolvent institutions and keep them open under government control — a tactic it has adopted in similar delays. But it cannot proceed with takeover deals to protect depositors in the failed thrifts without legislation.

Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, D-Texas, the chairman of the House Banking Committee, promised "whatever steps necessary to keep ... insured depositors protected." To buy time, he said he would introduce a stopgap measure to finance the RTC until May 15.

Rebellious House Republicans led opposition to the administration-supported bill and Gonzalez blamed lukewarm White House lobbying for its defeat.

"It is absolutely essential that the president use his office to the fullest to explain the importance of the legislation," Gonzalez said. "The effort by the administration was minimal and today's vote reflected this."

But Assistant Treasury Secretary Desiree Tucker-Sorini responded, "Besides the fact we can't vote, we've done everything we can do."

Man held in shooting of ex-wife's boyfriend

TEXARKANA, Ark. (AP) — A 9-year-old boy was being treated for gunshot wounds and his father was in jail, charged in the slaying of his ex-wife's boyfriend on a parking lot of the hospital where the youngster underwent surgery.

Witnesses said that George O'Brien, age unknown, of Mabank, Texas, was shot Wednesday afternoon as he was chased across a parking lot of St. Michael Hospital by a man with a handgun, Texarkana police said.

When O'Brien fell, witnesses said, his assailant stopped, aimed and fired another shot before dropping the gun, Texarkana police investigator Mike Mauldin said.

"By the time security got there, (the assailant) was lying facedown on the ground," Mauldin said.

Stephen Partin, 39, of Mabank, Texas, was arrested in the parking lot, police said. They said he faces a charge of first-degree murder.

O'Brien died in the parking lot from multiple gunshot wounds, Mauldin said. Police recovered a .38-caliber pistol nearby.

Partin is the father of Trevor Scott Partin of Mabank. The boy was found Monday with two gunshot wounds to the head after being in the woods near Atlanta State Park in Texas for nearly 24 hours.

A searcher said he found the boy, who was conscious, propped up on a log. He was taken to St. Michael Hospital, where he underwent surgery Monday evening. Hospital officials said he was in stable condition in the surgical intensive care unit on Wednesday.

A spokesman for the Cass County, Texas, sheriff's office said the boy's mother, Joy Partin, reported that she last saw her son Sunday afternoon after lunch when O'Brien left their campsite with her son, to take a walk. O'Brien said Trevor was carrying an old .22-caliber rifle and took his dog Rambo with him.

O'Brien said in an interview with the Texarkana Gazette that the boy went down a trail on his own and he expected the boy to reach camp first.

Wilson happy over removal of his name from 'worst' list

WASHINGTON (AP) — East Texas Congressman Charlie Wilson, earlier branded one of the 24 worst "abusers" of the House bank, today said he didn't have any hard feelings about being wrongly named to the list.

Wilson, among those cited on a list leaked last month to the media, was able to prove to the House ethics committee that the criteria used to name him to the list was incorrect.

The committee apparently voted unanimously to delete Wilson's name after he made a brief presentation and provided supporting documents, he said.

Unlike many House members who bitterly denounced the committee for its handling of the check-writing saga and premature leaks, the Lufkin Democrat said he wasn't holding any grudges.

"We're not angry at anybody," he told reporters this morning. "The ethics committee had a very, very difficult job to do.

"I'm not even angry at the people who kept the books in the bank," he said. "They were not ever charged with recording deposits in a timely fashion."

The only other member dropped from the original list was Rep. James Scheuer, D-N.Y., who also was able to demonstrate that the committee's original figures were wrong.

Wilson said he was able to prove he did not have overdrafts that exceeded his next month's paycheck in six of the eight months scored against him.

The committee considered those whose overdrafts exceeded their next month's paycheck in at least eight of the 39 months surveyed among the worst "abusers" of the now-closed bank.

"Six of those months we were in surplus at the end of the month," Wilson said. "For 37 months other members were using my money and for two months I was using other people's money."

In one instance, Wilson said, a $9,000 deposit was not credited for four days.

Wilson said he will contest the 81 overdrafts scored against him. "We have dozens that could be contested."

Russians name finance minister

MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris N. Yeltsin today fired Yegor Gaidar, the chief architect of his free-market reforms, just days before a key parliament session expected to focus on public anger over soaring prices.

Gaidar's firing appeared to be an effort by Yeltsin to defuse criticism before the opening of parliament, which could eliminate Yeltsin's powers to issue economic decrees. In this way, the 36-year-old economist would be the fall guy for the unpopular reforms.

Gaidar will retain his post of first deputy premier, an aide said. He will be replaced as finance minister by Vasily Barchuk, a former department head in the old Soviet Finance Ministry.

It was not immediately clear what effect Gaidar's dismissal would have on the course of Russia's economic reforms.

Gaidar increasingly had been the focus of anger over Yeltsin's reforms, in which the government freed prices on most goods in a first move toward a market economy.

The strategy sent prices skyrocketing on many basic goods in a desperate attempt to stimulate production and bolster the failing ruble. There has been no substantial increase in the amount of goods in state stores. This, along with high prices, has outraged Russian shoppers.

Conservatives and radical reformers launched new attacks on Yeltsin's reforms today, as the government prepared for Monday's opening of the Congress of People's Deputies, Russia's parliament.

Ruslan Khasbulatov, chairman of the Supreme Soviet legislature, has criticized Yeltsin for freeing prices without relinquishing control over natural resources, factories and farmland.

Gaidar played an important role in obtaining the $24 billion in aid from the world's wealthiest industrial countries that was announced on Wednesday.

He will no longer be in charge of day-to-day management of finances, but will continue to plan economic reform strategy, said Sergei Kolesnikov, a Gaidar aide.

Yeltsin is prime minister as well as president. Gaidar had been the country's top economic official since last fall.

He was formerly director of the Institute of Political Economics of the Academy of Sciences of the Soviet Union. He has a doctorate in economics from Moscow State University and speaks English, Spanish and Serbo-Croatian.

He was considered a first-rate economist and one of a new wave of young technocrats devoted to a free market.

Barchuk, 51, was Gaidar's deputy and is a former department head in the Soviet Union's Finance Ministry.

Hearing draws prison supporters

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logical, economical and natural choice," McQueen concluded.

Prison Task Force Chairman Roy Baze summarized Snyder's application and highlighted financial incentives: 317 acres of land, construction of two chapels, utility tie-ins, site preparation, entry road paving, three storage containers, use of a courtesy vehicle during construction and college scholarships.

Baze said Snyder claims credit for $4.3 million offered in 1987 in connection with the Price Daniel unit. Additional incentives total $618,245.

Baze said 300 acres is a TDCJ requirement for each site, and the section tendered in 1987 was 579 acres. The half section in the proposal is immediately north of the existing TDCJ acreage.

In addition, Baze said a study conducted by the economic development committee concluded savings to the department of $765,000 per year by locating a unit next to an existing unit.

Mayor Troy Williamson testified, "All of the utilities were placed at the corridor adjacent to the Price Daniel unit with capacity to expand to a second unit." Williamson said cost for tie-in of all utilities is estimated at $80,500 and would be spread between all suppliers.

Miller Robinson, minister of the Colonial Hill Baptist Church, discussed the active religious volunteer programs being conducted at the Price Daniel Unit.

"Snyder's bid for a new prison is unique in that it provides for the construction of two chapels. Each will seat 140 people." Robinson said the chapels could also be used for substance abuse programs and would have offices for chaplains and counselors.

Dr. Harry Krenek, president of Western Texas College, recounted the special working relationship that has developed between the college and TDCJ. Krenek spoke of both pre-service and in-service training offered for TDCJ employees as well as college programs offered at the Daniel unit. WTC is also working with units due to open in Abilene and Lamesa.

Tim Lancaster, Cogdell Hospital administrator, reviewed the unique program that Cogdell pioneered in offering inmate health care inside the unit as well as a designated inmate wing at the hospital. Lancaster also noted that Snyder has 100 percent participation by physicians.

State Sen. Steve Carriker of Roby and State Rep. David Counts of Knox City spoke in support of Snyder's prison effort. In addition, County Attorney Pete Greene read into the record a letter from State Sen. John Montford of Lubbock.

Montford's letter said, "Snyder provides an outstanding opportunity for location of a prison facility." Montford cited community "can-do" attitude as a positive factor.

"Another major plus in favor of Snyder is the benefits afforded by the geographic location of this site when compared to other available location...I can tell you that you will find no better host for a facility than the people and businesses of Snyder."

Those who spoke during the public comment portion of the hearing included educators, clergymen, law enforcement officers, elected officials, bankers, realtors, businessmen, attorneys, civic leaders and others. Speaking were Zeck, Dalton Moseley, Nelda Huddleston, Keith Collier, Lannie Lee, Bob Doolittle, Joe V. Fowler, Jack Smartt, John Jarrell, Dana Cooley, Bill Parker, William Costigan, Carol Miller, Nona Morrison, Cy Miller, Elizabeth Potts, Mike Tibbit, Dick Crill, Hassie Sneed, John Thomas and Franklin Pruitt. Others were Roscie Williams, Tom Scannicchio, Dr. Jim Palmer, J.B. Tate Sr., Rudy Gutierrez, Art Feinsod, Roy Carter, J.D. Smith, Marvin Sentell and C.D. Gray Jr.

Price Daniel Unit Warden Les Woods and Assistant Warden Robert Parker represented the TDCJ and monitored the hearing. The meeting was taped, and a copy of the recording will be sent to the criminal justice board.

Wednesday's hearing followed the same format being used across the state in 47 towns chosen as finalists for new state prisons. The board will make final decisions on 22 to 28 new prisons during its April 10 meeting.

France's first woman premier resigns post

PARIS (AP) — Edith Cresson, whose 10-month tenure as France's first woman prime minister was a struggle for respect, resigned today after the governing Socialists suffered crushing election defeats.

She was replaced by Finance Minister Pierre Beregovoy, a low-key pragmatist respected by the business community.

Earnest and combative, but widely perceived as abrasive and not fully in command, Mrs. Cresson served for 323 days — the shortest and perhaps most turbulent stint of any premier under the current constitution.

The presidential palace announced the widely anticipated change without elaboration. Both the outgoing and incoming premiers are longtime loyalists of President Francois Mitterrand.

The announcements ended three days of suspense as Mitterrand consulted with Cabinet ministers and Socialist leaders about a response to the rebuff suffered by his government and party in last month's regional elections.

Mrs. Cresson, 58, has shouldered much of the blame for the election defeats, but conservative leaders also have assailed Mitterrand, who is halfway through his second seven-year term.

They have urged him to call parliamentary elections earlier than their scheduled date next spring and have suggested he consider stepping down after 11 years in office.

On the issues

Judges who belong to clubs that discriminate

Editor's Note — The Associated Press asks the major presidential candidates a question each weekday about their views on a particular issue and assembles their responses.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here are the views of the major presidential candidates on the question: "Should membership in a club that bars women or minorities from membership automatically disqualify a candidate for the federal bench?"

DEMOCRATS

—Jerry Brown: "Any potential appointee who participates in organizations which practice racial or sexual discrimination clearly lacks the moral and social qualifications necessary for the federal bench."

—Bill Clinton: "I will seek to put qualified individuals on the federal bench who recognize the fundamental importance of equality and civil rights in American society."

REPUBLICANS

—George Bush: Has not taken a public stand on the issue, although he belongs to all-male organizations including the Alibi Club, the Alfalfa Club and Bohemian Grove and his vice-president belongs to an all-male golf club.

—Patrick Buchanan: A spokesman said Buchanan had not taken a position on the issue.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	731/8	727/8	731/8	+1/8
Albtsn	437/8	431/2	437/8	+3/8
AlliedSignal	511/8	50	507/8	+7/8
ALLTEL Cp	38	377/8	38	
AmStor s	331/4	33	331/8	+1/8
Amer T&T	401/2	401/4	401/2	+1/8
Ameritech	571/8	567/8	57	
Amoco	43	423/8	423/4	
AndarkPtr	203/8	201/4	203/8	+1/8
Arkla	91/4	91/8	91/4	+1/8
ArmcoInc	51/2	53/8	53/8	-1/8
AtlRichfld	100	993/8	995/8	-1/4
BakerHugh	161/2	161/4	163/8	
BancTexas	21/2	21/2	21/2	
BellAtl	415/8	413/8	415/8	
BellSouth	45	441/2	445/8	-1/8
Beth Steel	141/2	141/4	141/4	-1/4
Borden	323/8	321/4	323/8	
Caterpllr	491/4	481/4	481/4	—11/8
Centel	421/2	411/2	421/4	+3/4
CenSoWst s	253/8	25	251/8	-1/4
Chevron	64	633/4	637/8	
Chrysler	181/4	177/8	181/8	+1/8
Coastal	23	223/4	23	+1/8
CocaCola	823/8	811/2	815/8	-3/8
ColgateP s	491/4	483/4	483/4	-1/2
ComlMetl	231/8	23	231/8	-1/8
CooperIn	55	545/8	547/8	+3/8
CyprusMn	225/8	221/8	221/2	+3/4
DallSemicn	91/4	91/8	91/8	-1/8
DeltaAirl	62	617/8	617/8	-1/8
DigitalEq	531/8	525/8	531/8	+3/8
Dillard	1267/8	1261/2	1261/2	+1/4
DowChem	595/8	59	591/2	+1/2
DresserInd	195/8	193/8	191/2	-1/8
DuPont	471/2	471/4	473/8	+1/8
EstKodak	411/4	403/4	41	-3/8
EljerInd	77/8	73/8	73/8	-1/4
Enserch	125/8	123/8	121/2	+1/8
Exxon	551/4	543/4	55	-1/8
FtCtyBcp	11/4	11/8	11/8	
FlowerInd	161/2	16	163/8	+1/2
FordMotor	397/8	391/8	397/8	+3/4
GTE Cp	303/8	301/8	301/8	-1/4
GnDynam	641/2	641/4	643/8	-3/8
GenElct	765/8	763/8	761/2	+1/8
GnMill	651/2	651/8	651/8	
GenMotors	375/8	371/4	371/2	+3/8
GenMotrE s	281/4	281/8	281/4	
GaPacif	661/2	653/4	653/4	-5/8
GlobMar	11/4	11/8	11/4	+1/8
Goodrich	495/8	493/8	495/8	+1/4
Goodyear	667/8	663/4	667/8	+1/8
GtAtlPac	335/8	33	331/2	+5/8
Gulf StaUt	131/8	127/8	127/8	-1/4
Haliburtn	227/8	225/8	223/4	-1/8
Hanson	183/4	185/8	185/8	-1/8
HoustInd	425/8	421/2	425/8	+1/8
IBM	831/2	823/8	823/4	-1/8
IntlPaper	737/8	731/8	731/2	-1/4
JohnsJhn	983/8	971/2	981/8	
K mart	53	525/8	523/4	-1/4
Kroger	171/4	167/8	171/4	+1/2
vjLTV Cp	3/4	11-16	3/4	
Litton Ind	971/4	965/8	971/4	+3/4
vjLoneStar	41/8	41/8	41/8	
Lowes	381/2	377/8	381/2	+1/8
Lubys	165/8	161/2	165/8	+1/8
Maxus	63/4	65/8	65/8	-1/8
MayDSt	601/4	593/4	60	+1/4
Medtrn s	75	733/4	75	+7/8
Mobil	591/2	585/8	59	-1/2
Monsan	655/8	643/8	653/8	+7/8
Motorola	747/8	741/2	745/8	-1/4
Nationbk	451/8	445/8	45	
Navistar	35/8	31/2	31/2	
Nynex	71	705/8	703/4	-1/8
OryxEngy	191/2	193/8	193/8	
PacTelesis	385/8	383/8	385/8	+1/4
PanhECp	141/4	14	141/8	-1/8
PenneyJC	665/8	66	665/8	+7/8
PepBoys	221/8	213/4	213/4	-3/8
Phelps Dod	851/4	841/4	85	+1/2
PhilipPet	23	227/8	227/8	
PilgrmPrd	61/2	63/8	63/8	-1/8
Polaroid s	28	277/8	28	-1/8
Primerica	401/8	393/4	401/8	+1/4
ProctGamb	1021/4	1017/8	102	-3/8
PubS NwMx	113/8	111/4	111/4	-1/8
SFePacCp	117/8	111/2	117/8	+1/8
SaraLee	523/8	513/4	517/8	-1/4
SearsRoeb	473/8	463/8	473/8	+13/8
Shrwin s	271/4	27	271/8	+3/8
SmthBchm	735/8	731/8	733/8	-1/4
SmthBch eq n	663/4	663/8	663/8	-1/2
Southern Co	313/4	315/8	315/8	-1/8
SwstAirl	375/8	373/8	375/8	+1/8
SwstBell	581/8	58	58	-1/8
Sprint	227/8	225/8	225/8	-1/8
SterlingChm	45/8	41/2	41/2	-1/8
SunCo	273/8	271/8	273/8	
TNP Ent	191/2	191/2	191/2	-1/8
Tandy	287/8	283/4	287/8	+1/8
TmplInl	551/4	545/8	543/4	+1/8
Tenneco	381/8	373/4	381/8	+3/4
Texaco	58	571/2	571/2	-1/2
TexasInst	32	313/4	317/8	-1/8
Tex Util	375/8	371/2	375/8	+1/8
Textron	36	353/4	353/4	-1/4
Tyler	53/8	53/8	53/8	
USWst	343/8	341/8	341/4	
USXMar n	201/8	197/8	20	-1/8
USX-USS n	241/8	237/8	24	
UnCarbde	243/4	245/8	243/4	
UnPac s	475/8	473/8	471/2	+1/8
UnitTech	523/8	521/8	523/8	+1/8
Unocal	211/8	205/8	205/8	-1/2
WalMt	53	523/4	527/8	-1/8
WestghEl	183/4	181/2	181/2	
Woolwth	301/8	293/4	297/8	-1/8
Xerox Cp	73	721/8	727/8	+1/4
ZenithE	87/8	87/8	87/8	-

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Myrle Bell, 2811 Ave. U; James Skelton, Snyder Nursing Center; Evelyn Elliott, 304 36th Place.

DISMISSALS: Twilla Durrett, Katie Disheroon, Tiffany Sneed.

Census: 58 (Med.-16, Long-Term Care-34, OB-4, Nursery-4).

Branson is SDN winner

F.D. Branson of 4003 Irving is the March winner of a free year's subscription to the Snyder Daily News. Each month a drawing is held from among those who either subscribe or renew for six months or more.

Quiet period for Snyder PD

Snyder police took a report of theft during an otherwise quiet 24-hour period Wednesday and early today.

At 3:31 p.m., Bobby Kenner contacted police in reference to some city-owned dumpster lids being stolen. A report for Class B theft was filed.

Officers also aided stranded motorists and responded to several complaints involving juveniles.

There were no arrests.

Petroleum prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Petroleum cash prices Wednesday as compared with Tuesday's prices.

	Wed.	Tue.
Refined Products		
Fuel oil No. 2 NY hbr bg gl fob	.5550	.5380
Gasoline unl prem RVP N Y hbr bg gl fob	.6390	.5715
Gasoline unl RVP NY hbr bg gl fob	.5990	

Prices provided by Oil Buyer's Guide.

X-prices are for RVP grade of gasoline.

Petroleum - Crude Grades		
Saudi Arabian light $ per bbl fob	16.70	16.35
North Sea Brent $ per bbl fob	18.45	18.10
West Texas Intermed $ per bbl fob	19.85	19.45
Alask No. Slope del. US Gulf Coast	17.35	16.90
Alask No. Slope del. West Coast	16.34	15.94



FIRST EPIDURAL AT COGDELL — Kathryn Johnson was the first patient at Cogdell Memorial Hospital to use epidural anesthesia in OB. Cogdell now offers this service for labor and delivery patients who meet established criteria. This method involves the placement of a small catheter for the continuous relief of pain during child birth. Expectant parents can consult their family doctor to determine if this type anesthesia is an option for them. It can also be used in other types of surgery, such as leg and hip procedures and for lower abdominal surgery. Kathryn and Kenneth Johnson are pictured with their son, Jacob Houston.(SDN Staff Photo)

Customs commissioner refutes charges listing widespread corruption

WASHINGTON (AP) — Customs Commissioner Carol Hallett says media reports of corruption in the Customs Service — which she strongly denies — are having a "devastating effect" on the 4,000 employees in the Southwest region.

"Unfortunately they have friends and neighbors who are asking them if they are corrupt," she told a House government oversight subcommittee Wednesday.

"The travelers at the border this week were openly belligerent and asking how much money it would take to get through."

Hallett sharply denied complaints of widespread corruption in Customs offices along the border. Many of the allegations were based on "rumors, gossip and old stories," she said.

Wednesday's hearing was the last of three that began last week. During the first two hearings, current and former federal prosecutors and Customs agents testified about misconduct and mismanagement in Customs offices along the U.S.-Mexico border. They also discussed the sometimes tenuous relationship that exist between Customs and other federal law enforcement agencies.

Hallett, who has been praised for her efforts to reform the agency, was rebuked by Rep. Doug Barnard for her defense of Customs personnel and practices, particularly in several Texas offices that have been under scrutiny.

"Ms. Hallett, I get the impression that your folks cannot do any wrong, that everything is misunderstood, it's innuendo, it's rumor and the testimony by whistleblowers had no merit at all on the Customs Service," said Barnard, who chairs the subcommittee probing Customs mismanagement.

"We are not for one moment trying to insinuate that everybody is perfect," Hallett replied, noting that some supervisors have been transferred, demoted or otherwise disciplined.

"The management system deficiencies we are addressing were very real," she said. "I am not here to explain them away, or to try to suggest that they were not serious. To the contrary, the matters which we are addressing were severe, persistent and deeply troubling. Please be assured that there is no denial in the Customs Service concerning this matter."

Barnard questioned a Customs practice of transferring supervisors who have run into trouble to postings of equal or higher rank elsewhere.

Hallett defended the practice, saying that in many instances those supervisors have responded well to new surroundings. She also noted federal regulations make it difficult to fire employees.

Barnard also questioned Hallett about an incident Monday when the chief of the Customs office in San Antonio allegedly threatened two agents who testified Friday before the subcommittee.

Hallett said she took action within two hours of learning of special agent Leonard Lindheim's comments to the two whistleblowers. Lindheim, who denies he made any threats or used abusive language, was summoned to Washington and the incident was referred Tuesday to the Office of Special Counsel, she said.



SCORES 228 — Jonathan Barrow bowled 228 recently with the aid of his teacher, Phyllis Leatherwood. The Special Education classes go bowling on Thursdays and Fridays. (SDN Staff Photo)

MHMR: Fort Worth State School to close

AUSTIN (AP) — The Fort Worth State School will be the first of two facilities for the mentally retarded to close, a spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation says.

Settlement of a long-running federal lawsuit over Texas' system of caring for the mentally retarded includes closing two of the 13 state institutions. The Fort Worth institution, along with Austin's Travis State School, have been targeted for closure.

Fort Worth State School would be closed by late 1994 at the earliest, and Travis two to three years later, said MHMR Department spokeswoman Sheila Allee Wednesday.

The agency will begin work on closing the two state schools simultaneously she said. However, Ms. Allee said, the Fort Worth institution will not take as long to shut down because it is smaller.

David Ferleger, of Philadelphia, who is representing about 1,700 residents as plaintiffs, could not be reached for comment Wednesday.

Fort Worth State School has about 350 residents, and Travis about 600, she said.

State MHMR Commissioner Dennis Jones told Fort Worth State School employees about the plans Wednesday, Ms. Allee said.

Jones told employees there would be no "downsizing" for six months, she said. That means that during that time, there would not be so many people moved into community homes that the workforce would have to be reduced, she said.

Jones also told them the department is working on an employee plan, Ms. Allee said. The plan will call for giving state school workers the right of first refusal on other agency jobs that open up and for which they qualify, she said.

The commissioner also will work to develop agreements with other state agencies so the workers are given priority for any openings, she said.

Closure of one school and placement of 600 residents in community programs triggers dismissal of the lawsuit. Ms. Allee said the state is placing 300 residents a year in community homes.

A special task force on Tuesday followed Gov. Ann Richards' wishes and recommended closing the institution. Richards, who earlier approved closing Travis State School in Austin, quickly authorized shutting down the Fort Worth school.

Richards' office said the action should allow settlement of a federal lawsuit over the state's care of mentally retarded people. Closing two of the 13 state schools, which would take several years, is part of the agreement.

But Ferleger has said there still are unresolved settlement issues. He said he would talk today with state lawyers.

The deal was thrown into doubt last week when Richards rejected a task force proposal to close the Mexia State School, which employs more than 1,800 people in a community of just over 7,000. She said she could not economically devastate the small community.

Astrograph
By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

April 3, 1992

The course you're presently steering looks good, and there are indications of rewards when you reach your port. However, if you make unwarranted changes, it could be another story.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today could be a rather unusual day for you; you can be easily inspired yet easily disenchanted. This might hamper you from being consistently effective. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences governing you in the year ahead. Send for Aries' Astro-Graph predictions today 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.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your hunches and perceptions could do you a disservice today, so don't react impulsively or prematurely in situations where your intuition dominates.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you've been borrowing things from friends lately, such as tools, materials or small amounts of cash, try to clear up these debits and put your books back in balance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Taken alone, your judgment isn't that bad today. But you could be easily swayed to alter your decisions based on the poor advice of counselors.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If fellow workers do not grasp the essence of ideas as quickly as you do today, be patient. It won't hurt to repeat what you understand for their benefit.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Usually, you're a rather prudent and pragmatic person, but today you might become intrigued by something that's a very risky financial involvement.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you're indecisive about making a major household purchase today, walk away and dismiss it from your mind temporarily. It could mean your need for this item is not urgent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It's best not to tackle assignments you feel are distasteful today. This is one of those times when you might benefit from putting off until later what you don't feel like doing today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If you're handling the resources of another, be extremely cautious today. And be doubly diligent when managing your own money. Indifference could be costly.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're a good salesman up to a point today. Just when you're ready to close the deal, you might say or do something foolish that will cause your prospect to back off.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Keeping secrets might not be your strong suit today. There's a chance you may reveal something to the wrong party that you promised to keep confidential.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Guard against the inclination today to reward the undeserving while overlooking the virtuous. There's a possibility you may do this in two separate cases.

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Seven mobsters were machine-gunned in the St. Valentine's Day massacre in Chicago on Feb. 14, 1929. The seven members of the Bugs Moran gang were lined up against the wall of a garage by Al Capone's men, who were dressed as police, and murdered.

UT economists assail Sharp's value-added tax proposal

AUSTIN (AP) — Three University of Texas-Austin economists and a human service advocacy group have joined in opposition to a proposed value-added tax.

The UT professors and Texas Alliance for Human Needs said Wednesday that the tax proposed by State Comptroller John Sharp would result in a loss of jobs, and would place an unfair burden on low- and middle-income people.

A value-added tax, or VAT, is a tax that would be assessed on the value of goods and services at each stage of production, minus the cost of labor and raw materials.

Sharp has proposed a 3.75 percent VAT as a way to satisfy a Texas Supreme Court order to equalize school funding between property wealth and property poor school districts.

Sharp says the VAT could be used to replace local school property taxes, which vary widely across the state, and Texas' corporate franchise tax.

But economist Stephen McDonald said the VAT would hurt the poor. "It would be ironic, indeed, to add to the relative burden of the poor throughout the state in order to assist poor school districts," he said.

Sharp has defended the tax proposal as a way to eliminate one regressive tax — school property taxes. This would also lower mortgage payments, and make thousands of more Texans eligible to purchase homes, he has said.

But McDonald said the VAT "would be a step backwards." He said the tax would result in a loss of jobs and higher prices of goods passed through by businesses to consumers.

In Europe, the VAT is used extensively on the national level, but its unfair effects are somewhat blunted by national income taxes, McDonald said.

Charles Holt, of the UT School of Business, said that under the VAT businesses would increase out-of-state purchases which would lead to job losses in Texas.

Again in Europe, he said, those effects are moderated by taxing imports and rebating the tax on imports. But, he said, the U.S. Constitution prohibits barriers to free trade among the states, thus Texas could not protect itself.

Dr., Gott
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DEAR DR. GOTT: My sister-in-law who is 78 years old gets a shooting pain from her groin down her leg every day. She refuses to go to a doctor but has given me the OK to write to you.

DEAR READER: First of all, your sister-in-law is sure to obtain more satisfactory medical care from a doctor (who will sit down with her, take a medical history and perform an examination) than she would from a medical columnist. Therefore, I urge you to persuade her to see a doctor about her problem.

Leg pain can arise from a variety of causes, including thrombophlebitis (blood clots in a vein), arthritis or a slipped disc in the spine, to mention a few. I am certain that a doctor, after examining your sister-in-law, will be able to identify the source of her symptoms.

Sometimes, people avoid going to a doctor because they fear that the physician will find something seriously wrong. More often than not, however, this fear is ungrounded: The ailment turns out to be curable or, at least, treatable.

To provide further information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Medical Specialists." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 with a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Several months ago I had a crown put on one of my teeth. I subsequently developed canker sores, fever blisters and a sensitive tongue. Zovirax taken internally cleared the sores and blisters, yet the glossitis remains. This is being treated with prednisone 25 mg three times a day for three days twice monthly. It's not working. What can I do to get rid of this annoying condition?

DEAR READER: I'm not a dentist, but I wonder if you could be experiencing an allergic reaction to the metal alloys in the crown — or to the cement used to hold it in place. Ask your dentist if this could be the cause of your tongue irritation (glossitis); if so, you may have to consider having the crown removed or modified.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Can you tell me why Mediprin has been taken off the market? It is the only thing that keeps my arthritis pain in check, yet I wonder if there is a reason I shouldn't take the minimal supply I still have.

DEAR READER: I was not aware that Mediprin had been removed from the market; perhaps it no longer made a profit for its manufacturer. In any case, it makes no difference, because Mediprin is ibuprofen, a non-prescription analgesic that is readily available in other forms, notably Advil and Nuprin.

You can safely finish your supply of Mediprin, then purchase one of the other products I mentioned. Ibuprofen is a safe and inexpensive treatment for mild/moderate arthritis.

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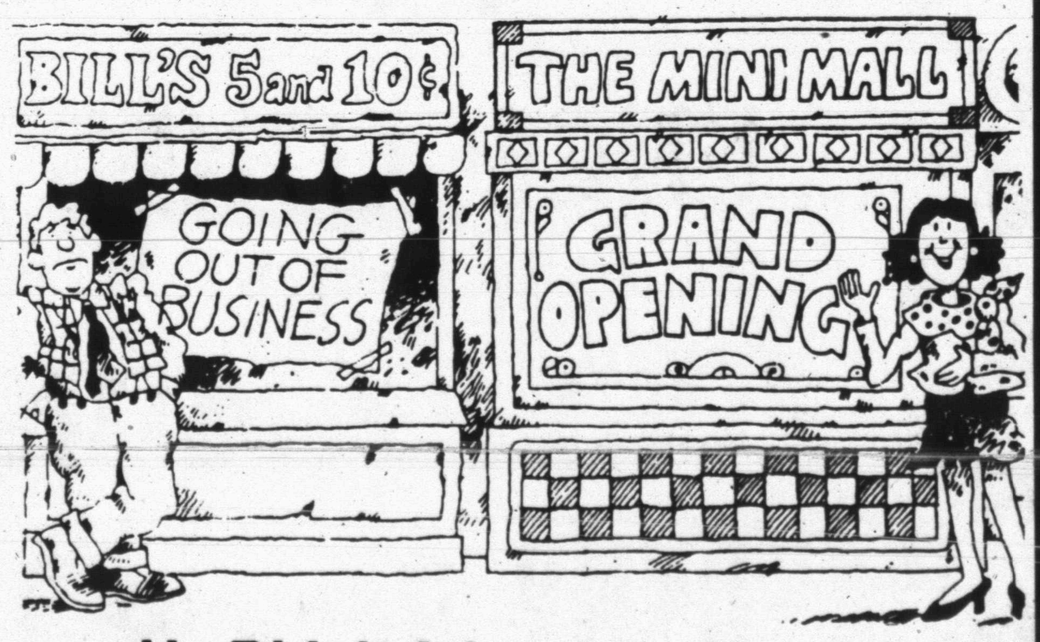
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Suspected cholera victim released from the hospital

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — A Mexican man feared to be the border's first cholera victim this year has been released from the hospital, a medical official says. His illness was not confirmed as the deadly disease.

The 20-year-old man was hospitalized in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, last week after he became severely ill while traveling through the area. But he has been discharged and is doing "quite well," said Jerry Robinson, director of the Laredo Health Department.

"The health authorities on the Mexican side are referring to this as suspected cholera," Robinson said Wednesday. "I have no further information from the Mexican public health authorities."

Robinson said Nuevo Laredo health officials have begun a widespread information campaign about cholera and have also set up a testing center for people who believe they may have contracted the disease.

On the U.S. side, the Laredo Health Department is also involved in a public information campaign. Robinson said the department on Wednesday began testing the river for the cholera bacteria.

Cholera has been moving north since it first appeared in Peru last year. It has claimed thousands of lives in South America.

There have been 35 cholera deaths in Mexico since last July, and more than 2,000 cases of cholera have been reported in Mexico, according to the Texas Department of Health. About one dozen cases of cholera have been confirmed in Monterrey, about 150 miles south of the Texas-Mexico border.

If confirmed, the Nuevo Laredo case would have been the furthest north the disease has been detected in Mexico this year. A case was confirmed in Agua Prieta, across from Douglas, Ariz., last year.

German philosopher Georg Wilhelm Friedrich Hegel was born in Stuttgart in 1770.



LITTER CONTROL — Approximately 25 members of Scurry County 4-H and several parents participated in a two-mile litter pick-up along Farm-Mkt. Rd. 2763 Saturday morning. The group filled many large trash bags with litter that had been strewn along side the road. (SDN Staff Photo)

Study: conditions worsen for hired hands as growers make money

WASHINGTON (AP) — The country's fruit and vegetable growers expanded operations while wages and working conditions worsened for their hired hands, already one of the nation's most economically disadvantaged groups, says a government report.

That's one of the conclusions in a preliminary report by a federal commission studying what has happened to farm workers in the six years since Congress passed sweeping immigration reforms. The report was obtained by The Associated Press.

The Commission on Agricultural Workers offered no specifics on the declining wages and working conditions. But recent studies by the Agriculture Department and the congressional General Accounting Office said many workers face hardships harvesting fruit and vegetable crops.

Farming is considered among the most dangerous occupations. The GAO said recently that exposure to pesticides threatens the health of many farm workers, while many work in fields without drinking water, washing facilities or toilets. Some families are homeless; others live in substandard housing.

And USDA figures show that when adjusted for inflation, hired field workers' wages dropped about 5 percent during the 1980s, although actual wages rose from $3.83 an hour in July 1980 to $5.26 in July 1991.

The commission's preliminary report found that an overabundance of such cheap labor continues to be the problem, despite the 1986 law that was meant to stem the flow of illegal immigrants and punish employers who knowingly hire them.

"The effects of this for these workers is ... a decrease in real wages while working conditions have declined overall," the report said. "At the same time, there has been a continuing and significant expansion of labor-intensive fruit, vegetable and horticultural products, which has been facilitated, in part, by this surplus of labor."

Observers say the findings are surprising, coming from a commission dominated by big agriculture, and could be squelched when the 11-member panel issues its final report Nov. 6.

"The agriculture industry is addicted to this cheap labor," said Dan Stein, executive director of the Federation for American Immigration Reform, which favors stricter immigration measures. "This report suggests that the industry has expanded on the backs of a larger pool of illegal workers."

Records say detective was shot eight times

DALLAS (AP) — Backup officers riddled an undercover officer with eight bullet wounds in a botched drug sting in December, medical examiners say.

An autopsy report on Detective Larry Bromley, mistakenly killed as he sat in the back seat of a car, shows Bromley was hit six times with bullets from police handguns and twice with pellets from a 12-gauge shotgun.

The Dallas Morning News also reported Wednesday that recently released documents show that the backup officers were seconds away from discovering exactly where Detective Larry Bromley was sitting in the undercover car.

The statements taken from officers involved in the shooting show the surveillance officer who made that mistake, A.J. Adamcik, and his partner, Steve Ciaggett, did not attend a briefing before the Dec. 11 sting.

Police officials have declined to discuss the statements until Chief Bill Rathburn reviews findings from the internal affairs division.

Sgt. Brent Wilson and Detectives Tim Smith and R.I. Baird fired their weapons into the car that night. Baird, armed with a 9mm semiautomatic pistol, was standing at the passenger-side door.

Wilson, also armed with a 9mm pistol, was standing near the passenger-side door between the two detectives.

Bromley was in the back seat of the undercover car when he was shot. His partner, Catherine Hall, had driven the car to restaurant parking lot where the sting occurred.

The detectives had arranged to buy two kilograms of cocaine from two suspected drug dealers, Frederick Henry Moore, 21, and Jerry B. Taylor. Trouble began when Moore and Taylor approached the car and asked to be let in.

Bromley had said in the briefing that night that he wanted to deal with only one suspect. But for some reason, he let both men in the car.

Minutes before the shooting, Adamcik mistakenly told police at the scene that Bromley was in the front seat rather than the back. None of the officers saw Bromley move to the back seat, according to their statements.

Adamcik said that neither he nor his partner attended the final briefing. He said that Bromley had asked them to scout the parking lot for a place to make the undercover drug buy.

Several officers said that they heard Adamcik say twice that Bromley was in the front seat with both suspects behind him.

Actually, Moore was in the front passenger seat with Bromley sitting behind him, as had been discussed at the briefing. Minutes after Moore got in the car, he pulled out an assault rifle.

Bromley signaled for help as he and his partner struggled with Moore. At least five backup officers raced to the car.

Detective Baird began to open the passenger-side door when Detective Bromley started shooting at Moore. The three officers, thinking that Moore was firing at Bromley, began shooting into the car before they could see inside.

Taylor, who was sitting in the rear left seat, was unarmed. He was killed by the backup officers.

Billy Idol gets probated term

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Rocker Billy Idol, who pleaded no contest to punching a woman in the face, has been fined $2,000 and ordered to seek counseling and take part in campaigns against drug and alcohol abuse.

The 36-year-old Idol, known for his spiky blond hair and snarling stage manner, could have been sentenced to six months in jail.

Amber Nevel and Laurie Bailey told authorities they were giving the singer and a friend a ride last October when Idol, who was in the back seat with Nevel, hit her in the mouth and forehead.

Idol, who pleaded no contest in January, admitted he had been drinking, prosecutors said.

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