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TUESDAY
Snyder Daily News

Home of Erica Cox

Ask Us

Q—Is it true there will be no Toys for Tots in Snyder this year? If so, is there anyone collecting toys for the needy?

A—Fortunately, Toys for Tots, which provides toys to underpriviledged children, will be held again. New and used toys in good condition can be dropped off at the fire station, Wal-Mart, Kmart and McDonald's. An application form for potential recipients of the program will be published beginning Wednesday in the Snyder Daily News.



DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Local

Genealogy

Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 this evening in the county library.

AL Post 181

American Legion Post 181 will have a meeting at 7 this evening concerning the activation of a new squadron for the Sons of the American Legion. Guest speakers will attend.

Dedication

The deadline for senior dedication ads in the 1994 Tiger's Lair is Wednesday, parents are reminded. The dedication, accompanied by photo and $30, should be mailed to Snyder High School or brought to the journalism room before or after school.

Photos will be returned next fall when yearbooks are delivered.

Suppers

Snyder Child Day Care will hold a chili supper on Friday and a spaghetti supper Saturday from 6 p.m. until 7:30, at the former North Elementary building prior to the Ritz Theatre production of "Amahl and the Night Visitors."

Fund-raiser tickets are $4 for adults and $2 for children. Call 573-7403 for reservations. Tickets will also be available at the door.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 65 degrees; low, 25 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 30 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, 16.10 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Becoming cloudy tonight. Low in the lower 40s. South wind decreasing to 10-20 mph by midnight. Mostly cloudy Wednesday with a 20 percent chance of showers. High in the upper 50s. South wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:40. Sunrise Wednesday, 7:23. Of 333 days in 1993, the sun has shone 326 days in Snyder.



JAYCEES TREES — Audie Jones, left, and James Fields display Douglas Fir and Noble Fir wreaths and 2½ -foot to 9-foot Christmas trees at the Jaycee building located on 37th Street, across from Winston Park. They will be open each day from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. (SDN Staff Photo)

Clinton signs handgun bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a declaration that it was "step one in taking our streets back," President Clinton today signed into law the long-fought Brady handgun control bill.

The law requires a five-day waiting period and background check on handgun buyers and will take effect in 90 days.

"America won this battle," Clinton told 200 people in the East Room of the White House. "Americans are finally fed up with violence that cuts down another citizen with gunfire every 20 minutes. We know that this bill will make a difference."

Clinton emotionally recounted an incident in Arkansas where a friend of his sold a gun to a man just released from a mental institution. The man then shot and killed six people.

"Don't tell me this bill won't make a difference," he said. "It is not true."

The bill's namesake, former White House Press Secretary James Brady, said the bill would bring "the end of unchecked madness and the commencement of a heartfelt crusade for a safer and a saner country."

Severely wounded in the 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan, Brady and his wife, Sarah, have promoted gun control since the mid-1980s.

"Twelve years ago, my life was changed forever by a disturbed young man with a gun," Brady said. "Until that time, I had not thought about gun control or the need for gun control. Maybe if I had done so, I wouldn't be stuck with these damn wheels."

Brady has used a wheelchair since the shooting.

Clinton said signing the bill "will be step one in taking our streets back, taking our children back, reclaiming our families and our future."

He thumped the podium as he insisted the Brady bill and other gun control laws will not hurt hunters.

"We have taken this important part of life of millions of Americans and turned it into an instrument of maintaining madness. It is crazy," said Clinton, the former governor of Arkansas, where hunting is extremely popular.

Torch expected to take over Snyder Gas Plant Wednesday

Employees of the Snyder Gas Plant hope that Wednesday's change of command will end a period of musical chairs in terms of operations.

Torch Energy Advisers will become the official operator of the Snyder Gas Plant starting at 7 a.m. Wednesday, the start of the day's production.

Torch, a Houston-based petroleum company, will assume operational duties from Texaco, plant operator since Aug. 1.

Mike Post returns to the Snyder Gas Plant as manager for Torch. Post had joined Pennzoil as facilities superintendent for SACROC when Texaco took over last summer.

Less than a month after becoming operator, Texaco announced that it would resign and that owners would have to choose a new operator by Dec. 1.

Texaco had been elected plant operator following the resignation of Oryx Energy earlier this year.

Post said all 46 personnel at the Snyder plant would continue in their present role. He indicated that some positions still need to be filled.

Oryx Energy announced on April 18 its intent to resign as operator of both the Diamond M and Snyder Gas plants. Oryx's interest was purchased by Torch Energy Advisers.

When the gas plant operating agreement was written in 1950, Barnsdall was the operator and that company later merged with Sunray which later merged with DX to become Sunray-DX. That company merged with Sun Oil and later changed its named to Oryx Energy.

Torch Energy is the oil and gas subsidiary of Torch Mark, a $6 billion insurance company headquartered in Birmingham, Ala. Mike Watford of Houston is president of Torch Energy.

Museum slates 'Fiesta Dinner'

Scurry County Museum invites everyone to enjoy Mexican food at the Fiesta Dinner, beginning at 7 p.m. Friday in the museum.

Reservations should be made by calling 573-6107. There are only about 30 places remaining, so anyone who is interested should call quickly.

Reservations will be accepted through noon Thursday.

Tickets are $8.50 for adults and $4 for children. All proceeds will go to the museum.

'Gala' set at MAWC

Martha Ann Woman's Club will host "Holiday Gala" at 7 this evening in the clubhouse.

Tickets are $3.50, and may be purchased at the door.

The Western Texas College Community Chorale and Handbell Choir will entertain.

Refreshments, "A Taste of Snyder," will be furnished by Dairy Queen, Don's Value King, Everybody's Thriftway, Gill's Fried Chicken, Golden Corral, Polynesian Gardens, Rudy's Cake Shop, The Shack, Spanish Inn, Subway, Taco John's and Pizza Hut.

Wednesday is final day to enter float in parade

Wednesday is the deadline to enter a float in Snyder's annual "Celebrate Christmas" lighted parade.

Entry forms are available at the chamber of commerce, 2302 Ave. R.

County businesses, organizations, churches and other groups are encouraged to enter the parade, which celebrates its third year.

First place traveling plaques will be awarded for best theme, best use of lights and most unique float in the parade. All float entries must have lights. A variety of themes are acceptable, but the parade committee will provide the "official" Santa for the event.

The parade will be held around the city square on Dec. 11.

Vehicles, bands, walkers, motorcyclists and other entries are also welcome to participate. These are also asked to fill in an entry blank so that parade organizers will be better able to plan ahead.

Parade chairperson is Pat Cunnington. Anyone interested in helping with the parade is also asked to contact the chamber office.

1992-93 report...

Grass calls keep firefighters busy

Snyder firefighters made 450 responses during fiscal 1992-93, more than 150 over the previous year.

An increase in grass fires accounts for most of the difference in total calls between the two years. Snyder Fire Department responded to 163 grass fires this past year, compared to only 48 the year before.

"I feel sure the difference relates to the amount of rainfall between the two years," said Fire Chief Terry Don McDowell.

Rainfall reports indicate that Snyder received over eight more inches in fiscal 1991-92 than in 1992-93.

Normally, public service calls make up the single largest category of responses by the department. In 1991-92, for instance, 123 of the total 293 calls were public service in nature.

Although public service calls were up in 1992-93, accounting for 139 of the 450 responses, more responses were made for grass fires than any other category.

Public service calls range from dumpster fires to smoke emitting from flourscent lights, and also include fire prevention programs.

There were 24 vehicles fires and 17 dwelling fires in 1992-93, representing a decrease from the previous year. Firemen also responded to 45 "smoke scares," up from 23 in 1991-92.

There were only three mercantile fires, which included the fire which destroyed Union Supply Company, the county's largest blaze last year which accounted to more than $1 million in damages.

In the county, there were 57 responses made in Precinct 1, 75 in Precinct 2, 59 in Precinct 3 and 87 in Precinct 4. Firemen made 170 responses within the city limits.

There were no deaths in the county attributed to fires last year.

With new landfill regulations prompting city officials to raise dumpster rates this year, Chief McDowell anticipates more county residents burning their trash.

"We want to remind these people that if they are going to burn their trash to use caution. Always place a wire screen over a trash barrel to keep burning trash from coming out, and never burn trash in the wind.

"We're having another dry year so far, and all it takes is one piece of paper, or one aerosol can to start a grass fire that can spread quickly," he said.

It is illegal to burn trash within the city limits.

The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Morale is when your hands and feet keep working when your head simply says it can't be done."

Persons who attended the 1983 Snyder chamber of commerce banquet may be closely watching tomorrow's scheduled space shuttle launch.

The 11-day mission to repair the $1.5 billion Hubble Space Telescope includes payload commander Dr. F. Story Musgrave, a civilian astronaut with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Dr. Musgrave was featured speaker at the 1983 chamber banquet in the Scurry County Coliseum, the special guest of the late Roger B. Mize.

Musgrave was a crew member during the maiden voyage of the spacecraft Challenger. Because of his enthusiasm for his subject, Musgrave probably holds the record for the longest banquet address. Many of us had to consult the dictionary to comprehend the complexity of his job.

Now Dr. Musgrave heads up a project to repair the Hubble telescope, flawed since its 1990 deployment. If successfully repaired, the output of the telescope will be multiplied by a factor 10.

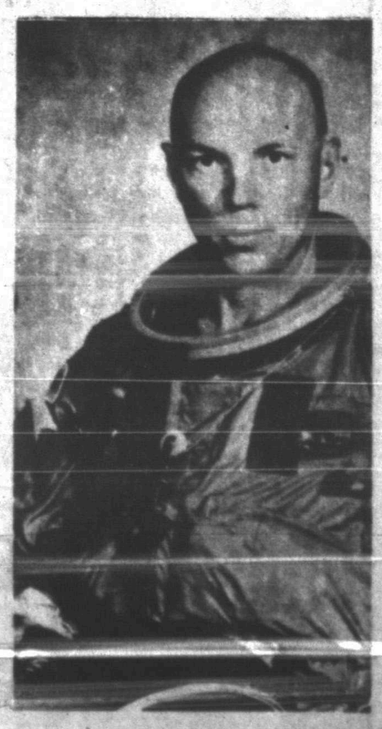
Five, and if necessary seven, spacewalks are planned during the 11-day mission. Dr. Musgrave is scheduled to participate in three of them.

On Day 4, after the shuttle catches up to Hubble, astronauts Musgrave and Jeffrey Hoffman will replace two gyroscope units and a magnetometer which are used to position the telescope.

On Day 6, Musgrave and Hoffman will replace the wide field and planetary camera, called a simple but delicate task. One slip of the hand could ruin a $120 million camera, called a wiffpic. If time permits, they will also install new electronics to solve power supply problems in the high resolution spectrograph.

On Day 8, Musgrave and Hoffman will replace electronics that control the telescope's solar panels, install a second magnetometer, and put higher-capacity fuses in the circuits that power the gyroscopes.

Meanwhile, most of us in Snyder will be trying to get that pesky string of Christmas lights to burn.



Crippled mugger gets to keep money

NEW YORK (AP) — The mugging victim never got a penny for his broken glasses, his torn jacket, his trauma from nearly being choked to death.

The mugger was awarded $2 million, and on Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court said he could keep it, if he ever gets it.

The money came at a steep cost, though. As he ran from the subway station where he helped mug Jerome Sandusky in 1984, Bernard McCummings was paralyzed from the chest down when a policeman shot him in the back. A jury and appeals court found that the officer used excessive force.

Asked Monday if he has any sympathy for McCummings' physical plight, Sandusky laughed.

"Ordinarily I would feel sorry for anyone that was made a cripple. But he was made a cripple because of his own actions," the 80-year-old man said.

He wasn't laughing about the decision, issued without comment.

"I'm infuriated," Sandusky, a retired textile executive, said in a telephone interview from his home in Newark, N.J. "It's justice turned upside down ... and it sends a terrible message to other guys that crime does pay."

McCummings' lawyer, David Breitbart, contended that New York City Transit Authority officials tried to defend an improper shooting by one of their officers, falsely testifying that McCummings was shot in the chest.

"The message," Breitbart said, "is that you can't do whatever you want. You have to be accountable for your actions."

Lawrence Heisler, a lawyer for the Transit Authority, said he was disappointed the Supreme Court didn't use the case to rule that police may shoot unarmed, fleeing suspects in a violent crime.

"The message is, it's probably wiser for a police officer to do nothing, in terms of civil liability," Heisler said.

McCummings was 23 and fresh out of jail for a previous robbery when he and an accomplice attacked Sandusky in a Manhattan subway station in 1984. A third man stood lookout.

Sandusky was struck and pinned to the ground while his pockets were rifled. He screamed for help. "The man who was choking me kept saying, "If you don't shut up I'm going to choke you to death.' And he almost did," Sandusky said.

Two plainclothes transit police officers ran up. As McCummings fled, Manuel Rodriguez shot him twice.

Sandusky was left with a bloody nose and the desire to move out of New York City.

McCummings pleaded guilty to attempted robbery and served more than two years in jail. Then he sued the Transit Authority.

After a series of appeals, the Transit Authority paid about $3.1 million this year. Breitbart got about a third, and the agency is withholding the rest because of a paternity lawsuit against McCummings and a fraud claim the authority has filed against his previous lawyer.

Sandusky said he was never reimbursed for his jacket or his glasses — "not to mention my state of mind." He said lawyers have told him its too late for him to sue McCummings.

Breitbart said McCummings, ill and unavailable for comment, was sorry he mugged Sandusky but had no thought of sharing his wealth with his victim.

"Was Mr. Sandusky hurt?" Breitbart said. "He didn't have any injury. Bernard's going to be crippled for the rest of his life."

Berry's World



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"Meet Al! He's a bottom-feeder."

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NASA readies for Hubble repair job

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — They say they've done all they can, that there's nothing more to do except tackle the most complicated job in space shuttle history — fixing the Hubble Space Telescope.

Despite an unprecedented amount of training, testing and reviews, NASA officials are anxious as the launch countdown winds down. Endeavour is due to blast off before dawn Wednesday with seven astronauts and 11 new telescope parts.

"I'm really nervous now, more nervous than I've ever been," Hubble program scientist Edward Weiler said Monday. "This is a very, very risky mission ... so many things can go wrong."

Shuttle director Brewster Shaw, a former astronaut, shared the jitters.

"Every time we go up and grab onto something that's been in space for a while, we find a little surprise waiting for us when we get there," he said.

Bad weather threatened to delay the $629 million repair mission. Forecasters gave only a 30 percent chance of favorable conditions for the scheduled 4:57 a.m. EST launch.

During the 11-day flight, astronauts plan to capture Hubble with Endeavour's robot arm and then take a record five spacewalks to try to fix the telescope's nearsightedness and other problems.

Dear Abby



Server's Request at Birthday Lunch Really Takes the Cake

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: This is in response to the letter from "Cathy in Pittsburgh," the waitress who told about six women coming into the restaurant with a cake, ordering coffee only, and asking the waitress to serve the cake. I think I can top that.

For my birthday, my mom took my sister and me to a restaurant for lunch. Mom had brought a small, decorated birthday cake along to celebrate the occasion.

When we finished with lunch, the waitress brought out a knife and three plates for our cake; then she told us that the kitchen help had asked if we would let them have a piece, too. Thinking that a couple of pieces of cake wouldn't hurt, Mom said, "Sure, how many pieces do you need?" The waitress said, "Ten pieces should do it."

Needless to say, we were appalled that she had the gall to ask for that many pieces, but Mom had already said yes, so she cut 10 pieces and ended up with just enough cake to serve the three of us.

KATHY IN PORTLAND

DEAR KATHY: Like Monday morning quarterbacks, we can usually think of what we should have said after it's too late, but restaurants are not in business to provide the public with a comfortable place to sit and eat food they have brought from home — or purchased somewhere else. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I think I can top the story about the ladies who brought a cake into a restaurant and asked the waitress to cut it and serve it.

I was on duty as head cook in a cafeteria one Sunday afternoon when the cashier came back and asked how much she should charge for a cup of hot water.

I told her we didn't charge for hot water. Then she said, "But the customer wants 12 cups!"

I went out to the dining room and saw 12 people seated around two tables they had pushed together. They had taken plates, silverware and napkins from the buffet table and wanted us to serve the chow mein they had purchased from a takeout restaurant down the street. They had brought their own tea bags to steep tea in our cups! Dessert was fortune cookies from the Chinese restaurant.

Abby, when they left, would you believe they didn't even leave a tip for the person who wiped the tables?

JANET A. ANDERSON, BRICELYN, MINN.

DEAR JANET: After writing this column for 37 years, I can believe anything.

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DEAR ABBY: What do you do about a neighbor who does not stop talking? This neighbor is a very kindhearted person, but the conversation is always one-sided because she is very long-winded.

The other neighbors and I hate to be rude to her, but we feel like running when we see her coming. I would like to be honest with her and tell her for her own good that her non-stop talking gets on my nerves, but I hate to hurt her feelings. Besides, I have other things to do.

Abby, please help with this hard-to-handle problem.

ACHING EARS

DEAR ACHING EARS: It's a kindness to listen — for a while — but unless you let her know that you have other things to do, she will go on and on, taking as much of your time as you give her.

You do not say how old she is, or whether she lives alone, but be charitable; listen for a while, then tell her you have other things to do — and gently steer her to the door.

* * *

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DATE BOOK

Nov. 30, 1993

Today is the 334th day of 1993 and the 70th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1924, RCA gave the first demonstration of the wireless transmission of pictures, or television.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jonathan Swift (1667-1745), writer; Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens, 1835-1910), writer; Winston Churchill (1874-1965), English statesman; Efrem Zimbalist Jr. (1923-), actor, is 70; Dick Clark (1929-), producer, is 64; Bill Walsh (1931-), football coach, is 62; David Mamet (1947-), dramatist, is 46; Bo Jackson (1962-), baseball player, is 31.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1969, Buffalo recovered seven fumbles in its 16-13 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals. The game was played in a blizzard.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous, he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man." — Mark Twain

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1957, lee slope winds enhanced by Hurricane Nina gave Honolulu a record wind gust of 82 mph.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day after full moon (Nov. 29).

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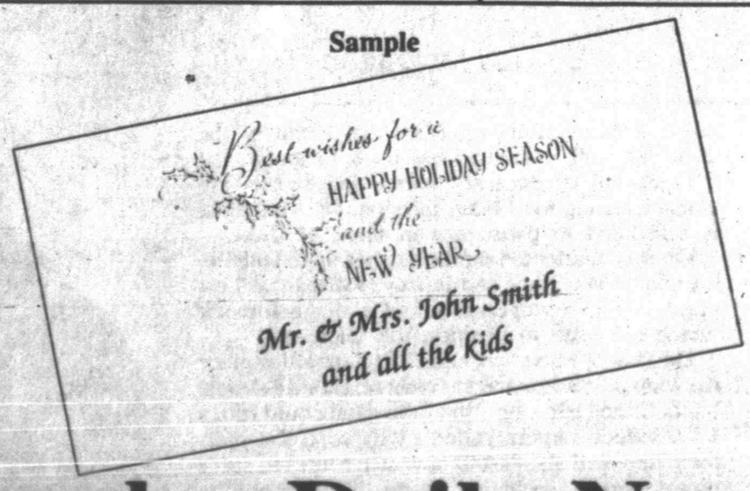
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GARDEN CLUB PROGRAM — Snyder Garden Club member Gertrude League, left, introduced Mike Morrow, local extension service agent, and Shelly Hentington, center, extension service intern for Tarleton State University who presented a xeriscaping program at a recent meeting held in Martha Ann Woman's Club. (SDN Staff Photo)

Xeriscape topic for garden club program

Members of Snyder Garden Club met for their November meeting in the Martha Ann Woman's Club with Billie Jean Sterling presiding.

Program chairman Gertrude League introduced Mike Morrow, Scurry County Extension Service Agent, and Shelly Hentington, Extension Service intern who is working on a degree from Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

In Morrow's program,"Xeriscaping," he passed out materials on how to conserve water in local landscaping by use of xeriscape.

He pointed out that this method of conserving water in creative landscaping was "the most exciting new concept to hit the landscape industry in years."

The principles of xeriscaping are not new, they have been practiced for years, he noted. He presented several examples:

1. A good design is the foundation of any water-wise landscape.

2. Thorough soil preparation allows for better water absorbtion and improved water-holding ability.

3. Limit irrigated shrub and lawn areas by rising decks, patios and mulched areas. Locate turf only in areas where it provides benefits.

4. Use adapted, lower water demand plants to keep more in tune with the natural environment.

5. By simply using effective and efficient watering methods, one can save 10 to 30 percent on the water bill.

6. Mulch flower and shrub beds to increase water penetration and to prevent water loss from evaparation.

7. Proper landscape maintenance preserves the beauty of the xeriscape, plus saves water. Pruning, weeding, proper fertilization, pest control and irrigation system adjustments, all conserve water.

He showed a film displaying yards that practice xeriscaping, some were in Snyder.

Mary Ann Key and Polly Autry gave a report of the Garden Club Pilgrimage to the water and rose gardens in San Angelo on Oct. 7. Barbara Williamson of San Angelo, formerly of Snyder and a garden club member, attended the tour.

Snyder Garden Club is a member of District VIII Texas State Garden Clubs of Texas, Inc. The group will meet Thursday for its Christmas guest luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at MAWC.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Scurry County Genealogical Society; county library; 7 p.m.

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church; 5:30 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-1141, 573-5867.

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

WEDNESDAY

Christian Women's Club's prayer coffee; in the home of Georgia Gray, 2513 31st; 10 a.m.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Garden Club Christmas Luncheon; MAWC; hospitality committee hostesses, Mary Ann Key, LaVerne Hood, Sandra Browning; 11:30 a.m.

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information call 573-1141, 863-2348, 863-2349 or 573-8110.

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

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

Dr. Crawford W. Long of Jefferson, Ga., first used ether as an anesthetic during a minor operation in 1842.

In 1521, Martin Luther was banned by the Edict of Worms because of his religious beliefs and writings.

Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings

Bring your Christmas tree back to life

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Where can I purchase hard blocks of maple sugar? I don't like the mushy sugar that is sold today. Also, what can be done to clean an artificial Christmas tree that wasn't put back into the box last year? I thought that my husband had put it back into the box after Christmas but found that it is covered with dust. Can I clean it and how can I do it? — **FRANCES J. MAUST, Uniontown, Pa.**

DEAR FRANCES: The owner and proprietor of Anne's local general store had so many requests for hard-block maple sugar ("mostly from old-timers," he told us) that he went on a search and finally found a producer in St. Johnsbury, Vt., who agreed to put up the blocks for him.

You can order a 16-ounce block from the Taftsville Store, Taftsville, VT 05073 for $14.50. This price includes shipping and handling.

As to your Christmas tree, you don't say what it is made of, but you can probably clean the dust off it by either vacuuming it with an upholstery brush attachment or putting it under the shower and spraying it with lukewarm water.

Caution: Before you do this, wet an inconspicuous area on the tree to make sure that water won't damage the "needles." Dry with a hair dryer set on lowest setting.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I need the address for "Overeaters Anonymous." Thank you. —**B.T., Newkirk, Okla.**

DEAR B.T.: If there is no address or phone number for a local chapter of Overeaters Anonymous in the white pages of your telephone book, you can write the National Headquarters at P.O. Box 92870, Los Angeles, CA 90009.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I would like to know the best way to wash diapers to eliminate the odor and bacteria. Do you have a formula that minimizes the use of chlorine bleach and uses environmentally friendly ingredients? — **LINDA BIEREMA, Abingdon, Pa.**

DEAR LINDA: Flush out diapers and as soon as possible, begin soaking them in 1/2 cup Borax (available in your laundry section) for every diaper pail of warm water. When you are ready to wash the diapers, use another 1/2 to 3/4 cup of Borax in the regular wash cycle along with your regular detergent.

Finally, add 1/2 cup of white vinegar to the final rinse cycle: This not only removes any soap residue but also leaves the diapers smelling fresh and clean.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I have a very pretty large mirror, which is one of the focal points in my living room. Recently, I have noticed some brownish marks on the mirror. In addition to using my regular "Windex" I purchased "Cinch," but nothing seems to work. Have you any suggestions? — **MARY HART, Ocala, Fla.**

DEAR MARY: We think your problem isn't on the glass but rather behind it: The "silvering" that makes mirror glass reflective is beginning to deteriorate. For someone in your area who does re-silvering, look in your Yellow Pages under "Glass."

FEEDBACK: SEA FOAM SQUARES — Thanks to our many readers who sent in the recipe for K. Rex of Steubenville, Ohio.

4 cups brown sugar
1 tablespoon vinegar
1 cup water
2 egg whites
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup chopped nuts

Combine brown sugar, vinegar and water and cook, stirring only until sugar is dissolved and a little of the syrup forms a hard ball when dropped into cold water (about 240 degrees).

Pour the syrup slowly over stiffly beaten egg whites, beating while pouring and continue beating until mixture becomes creamy. Add vanilla and nuts and beat again until mixture will hold its shape.

Cool down to 110 degrees and drop by spoonfuls onto waxed paper or turn into a greased pan and cut into squares when cold.

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ASK ANNE & NAN



Poets meet in Fisher County home

Scurry County Penwomen met Nov. 17 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Warren in Fisher County with Janelle Burk presiding.

Sherry Bryant gave the invocation and reports of accomplishments followed.

Burk won monetary awards with two poems which she entered in an annual contest of the Poetry Society of Texas. They are entitled, "Autumn Flight," and "Bulwark of Faith."

Bryant read her poems at the Fall Roundup Festival recently held at the Vincent Baptist Church.

Garnet Quiett gave the program, "The Sound of Poetry." She named the sound values of poetry and talked about four of them — imagery, alliteration, verbs and tone. In conclusion, she discussed her poem, "Night Storm," which uses the sound values.

"In imagery," she said, "the poet creates an image in the reader's mind. He uses the similes *like* and *as and personification* as forms of imagery."

Next she explained that alliteration are words that begin with the same letter, usually a consonant. Then there are side-by-side alliterations such as "weeping willow;" and line-to-line alliteration.

"Verbs are words of action," she continued. She said to look for every opportunity to use colorful verbs in poetry.

The final examples of sound values, she explained that tone is how a word, phrase or sentence is said. For example, "If I discover a flat tire and say, 'O splended!' the tone used is sarcastic in my exasperation at having a flat tire." In her final remarks, she said, "Shakespeare was a master of tone."

During the personal reading session Betty Boyd read "Autumn," and "Giving;" Bryant read "The Heart of Thanksgiving."

Next, Warren read her poems, "It's Not That Easy Going Home," and "One Step At a Time;" Quiett read "Sing a Song of Thanksgiving."

Burk gave the words of encouragement, "Don't Let Me Take It for Granted," by Marjorie Holmes. Burk also won the hostess prize.

Refreshments were served. The next meeting will be a Christmas party hosted by Boyd and Jean Everett on Dec. 17 at the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Virtually all new strains of flu arise in China and are harbored in pigs and ducks.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 11-30-93
♠K Q 4
♥J 4
♦9 8 5 3
♣8 6 3 2

WEST
♠8
♥10 9 7 5 2
♦K 4
♣Q J 10 5

EAST
♠J 10 3
♥K 6
♦Q 10 7 4 2
♣9 7 4

SOUTH
♠A 9 7 6 5 2
♥A Q 8 3
♦A
♣A K

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♠	Pass	3♠	Pass
6♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣Q

Cut out those errors

By Phillip Alder

Gollancz has republished another of Hugh Kelsey's early books. Kelsey, who lives in Edinburgh, is one of the world's best bridge writers and analysts. "How to Improve Your Bridge" ($15, 800-274-2221) is aimed at players who want to move into the expert category. Kelsey highlights the commonest bidding and card-play mistakes, and then gives advice for their avoidance.

Today's deal is of a type that would be misplayed by many. However, at the table the cards would forgive the faux pas most of the time. But in a book you always go down when you make an error.

North's bid of three spades shows some values. With trump support but no side-suit ace or king, responder raises straight to four spades. South bid what he hoped he could make.

After winning trick one with the club ace, declarer played a spade to dummy's queen and led the heart jack: king, ace, two. (Kelsey doesn't mention that leading the heart jack only works against someone who hates to cover an honor with an honor. If East has the singleton king, leading the jack could be expensive.) South cashed the heart queen and ruffed the heart three with dummy's spade four. But East overruffed and flashed back his last trump. Declarer had an unavoidable heart loser left: one down.

Declarer was playing for an overtrick. But when one is in a small slam, ensuring 12 tricks is recommended. South should have ruffed the heart three with dummy's spade *king*. Declarer plays a diamond to his ace and ruffs the heart eight with the spade four: slam made.

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ACROSS

1 Married woman's title
4 Protection (var.)
8 Flows away
12 Popeye's friend Olive —
13 Lane
14 Let fall
15 — Tse-tung
16 Muslim commander
17 — Lollobrigida
18 Scoff
20 Arabs or Jews
22 Breakfast item
24 Tiny
25 Skillful flattery
29 Stage whisper
33 Guided
34 Actor — Jannings
36 Chinese money
37 — Picone
39 Blemish
41 Earth deity
42 Shy
44 Typical person
46 Wide shoe size
48 Federal agcy.
49 Lumberjacks' game
53 Feign
57 Selves
58 Of an age
60 Japanese sash
61 Lavish fondness
62 Female horse
63 Guys
64 Baseballer — Musial
65 River in Belgium
66 Hurricane center

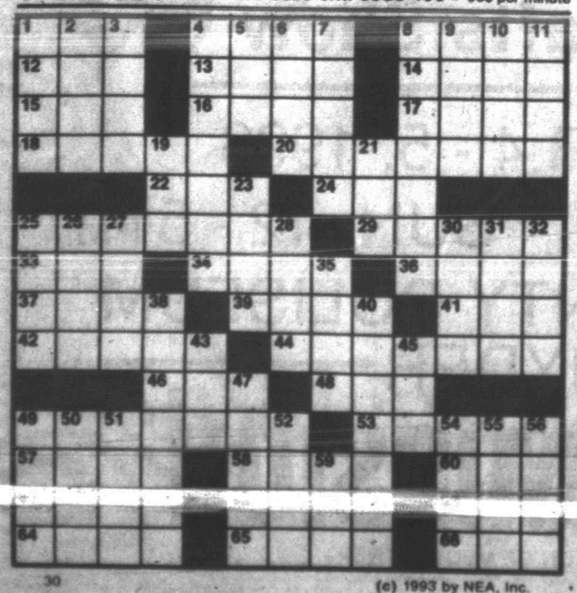
DOWN

1 Dads' mates
2 Baseballer Nolan —
3 Wild plum
4 Centerpiece
5 Group of whales
6 How sweet — —
7 Scolding woman
8 Most nervous
9 Herring
10 Rib, e.g.
11 Resorts
19 Without end (poet.)
21 — culpa
23 Precious stones
25 Fruit decay
26 Son of Jacob
27 First man
28 Cry of pain
30 Character in "Othello"
31 Judge
32 River in Germany
35 Run easily
38 — ratings
40 Drunkard
43 Agnus —
45 Greek letter
47 Adversary
49 Articles of furniture
50 — — Rhythm
51 Series of names
52 Mardi —
54 Large book
55 Follow orders
56 Baseball stat
59 100 sq. meters

Answer to Previous Puzzle

A	R	R		G	A	I	T		G	A	I	L
B	Y	E		I	T	C	H		I	T	S	A
B	A	N		D	O	T	E		R	O	A	D
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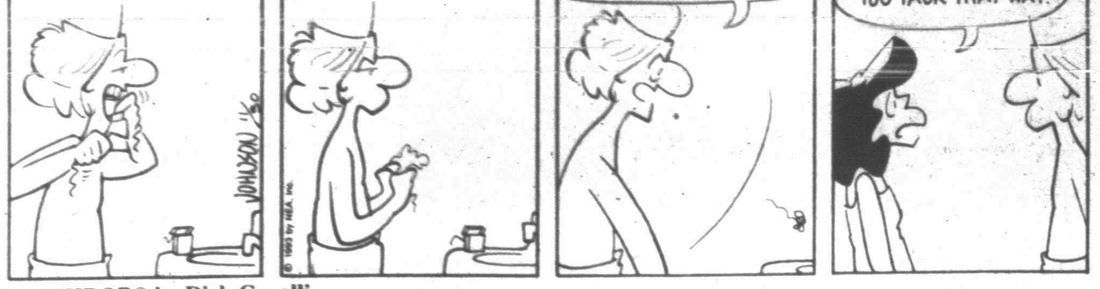
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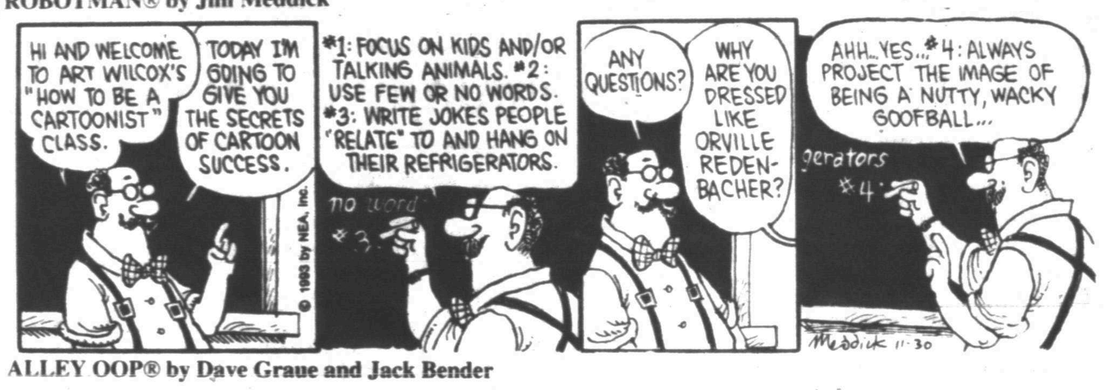
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During World War II, singer ***Kay Starr*** caught a terrible cold singing for the troops. It developed into pneumonia and she spent time in an army hospital. She developed nodes on her vocal codes that required surgery and completely lost the use of her voice for six months, communicating only by writing notes. It was 18 months before she was able to sing with a band again but by 1956 she had recovered sufficiently to have a transatlantic chart-topper with ***"Rock and Roll Waltz."***



Which ***"Starr"*** hit the charts with:

a) ***"Back Off Boogaloo"*** (1972)
b) ***"I Still Believe"*** (1988)
c) ***"Agent Double-O-Soul"*** (1965)
d) ***"After School"*** (1957)

STEVE McGARRY

Answers: a) Ringo Starr b) Brenda K. Starr c) Edwin Starr d) Handy Starr

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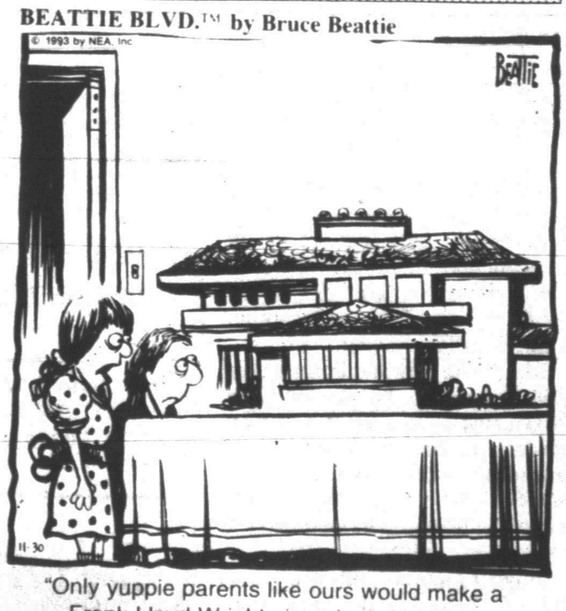


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DENNIS THE MENACE



Snyder High hosts cage doubleheader

Snyder High School will host a varsity cage doubleheader tonight when the Lady Tigers entertain Lubbock High and the SHS boys face visiting Seminole in non-district contests.

The Lady Tigers, 2-4 on the season, are fresh from a tough 3-game run at the Frenship Turkey Classic last weekend.

Snyder's girls lost to Class 5A powers Lubbock Monterey, which claimed third at the tourney, and Odessa High, before falling to Winters, 65-48, in the seventh-place game.

"We need to put together a full game," said Snyder girls' coach Steve Qualls. "In every game there (at the tournament) we played really well for three quarters. We just have to get over that and play a full game."

Seniors Meriah Worthen and Annie Ragland canned 18 and 15 points, respectively, against Winters.

Lubbock High is also 2-4 heading into tonight's battle.

The Snyder boys captured a hard-fought 55-53 win over Big Spring on Saturday, behind a 20-point game from Adrian sneed and 13 from Jimmy Henry.

"We really hustled," said Tiger coach Bud Birks. "We were realy aggressive on offense and we played good defense."

The Tigers, now 3-1, overcame a 20-14 first-quarter deficit with a 7-0 run to open the second period on their way to the victory.

Seminole is 1-2 on the campaign after a 39-37 loss to Andrews Friday.

Action begins at 4:45 p.m. today at the Snyder gym when the SHS girls' JV hosts Lubbock High. The girls' varsity game follows at 6:15 p.m. The Tigers take on Seminole in the 7:30 p.m. varsity nightcap.

Snyder's boys' junior varsity plays Seminole at 4:45 p.m. at Travis Gym.

Dusters travel to RJC for non-conference tilt

Coach Ron Jones and his Western Texas College Lady Dusters come off their Thanksgiving break to face Ranger JC in a non-conference road tilt tonight at 7:30.

The Dusters' last outing was an 83-73 win over Cisco Junior College just over a week ago.

In that one, freshmen Carri Moss and Tammy Wilson and sophomore LaMeshia Roland each canned 14 points for team scoring honors.

Western Texas came from a 35-34 halftime deficit to outscore CJC 49-38 in the second half.

The Dusters carry a 7-2 record into tonight's contest, including an 87-62 victory over Ranger in the Nov. 4 season opener.

Western Texas will visit Big Spring for the Preseason Western Junior College Athletic Conference Tournament Thursday, Friday and Saturday, then will take off for a three-game trip into Arizona to battle Cochise College, Phoenix College and Scottsdale Community College on Dec. 10, 11 and 13, respectively.

The Dusters' next home appearance is slated for Jan. 4 and 5 when they host the WTC Classic at Scurry County Coliseum.

Conference action begins Jan. 10 at Odessa College.

Cardinals host Trent; Grady visits Bulldogs

The Hermleigh Lady Cardinals will try to build on a 2-1 early-season basketball record today when they host Trent in a non-district meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The Hermleigh girls' last outing was a 36-27 win over Rotan a week ago, led by Brandi Bates and Connie Payne, each with 10 points.

Hemleigh's boys, still looking for their first win of the campaign, will take on the Gorilla's in the 8 p.m. nightcap at HHS.

The Cards are coming off a 55-45 loss to Rotan last week. Ricky Sosa led the Red and White with 16 points against the Yellowhammers. Teammate Chris Lambaren added 13.

Ira will also return to action following a Thanksgiving break when the Bulldogs and Lady Bulldogs host Grady.

Ira's girls carry a 2-3 slate, counting last week's 72-46 defeat at Borden County.

The Bulldogs, 0-3, will try to regroup after a 1-point, 53-52 overtime loss to the Coyotes.

Ira's games will also begin at 6:30 and 8 p.m.

Colts saddled with 31-0 loss

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — If there was a problem or a controversy, Stan Humphries forcefully put an end to it. He is the San Diego Chargers' quarterback.

Making his first start in seven games after being sidelined with a bruised shoulder, Humphries picked apart the Indianapolis Colts Monday night.

Humphries, who went into the game as the NFL's lowest-rated quarterback, completed touchdown passes of 39 and 8 yards in the second quarter. Indianapolis never sacked him as he connected on 16 of 25 attempts for 216 yards without an interception.

The result was a 31-0 triumph that revived hopes of a late-season charge to the playoffs for the defending AFC West champions.

"I had a good feeling all week about the way we were practicing, about the way my shoulder was feeling," Humphries said.

Humphries connected with eight different receivers, including a 39-yard TD strike to Shawn Jefferson and an 8-yard scoring toss to Nate Lewis.

"I told our guys before the game, in the offensive huddle, that I'm tired of hearing about this offense not doing what it's capable of doing," he said. San Diego (5-6) faces Denver, one of the teams it is trying to catch, on Sunday. Indianapolis (3-8) tries to snap a four-game losing streak when it visits the New York Jets on Sunday.

"It was just a very complete game. I thought that every part of the game contributed: special teams, the offense and the defense," San Diego coach Bobby Ross said. "Stan? I was a little concerned he might be a little rusty. ... He didn't show any rustiness whatsoever."

Jefferson's touchdown pass started the scoring, capping a 97-yard, nine-play drive that was the team's longest of the season.

The 39-yard pass was the longest completion of the season for Humphries and Jefferson's first touchdown reception this year. Humphries was 5-for-5 for 81 yards on the drive.

San Diego then moved 90 yards in 10 plays for its second score. Rookie Natrone Means began the drive with consecutive runs of 16 and 25 yards. Later, Humphries connected with Lewis in the end zone.

"Offensively, we talked about establishing the line of scrimmage. Our guys did that," Ross said. "We didn't have any drops, we caught the ball well, we threw the ball well. We ran it well, and defensively we did a good job."

Indianapolis, which hasn't scored a touchdown on offense in the first quarter all season, came up short on a pair of scoring opportunities in the first half, didn't have a serious scoring threat in the second half, and failed to get a touchdown for the fifth game this year.

The first drive ended with Stanley Richard intercepting running back Anthony Johnson's pass to Jessie Hester at San Diego's 3. The second ended when Leslie O'Neal sacked Jeff George for an 11-yard loss and Dean Biasucci's 53-yard field goal attempt went wide right.

"They didn't do anything we didn't expect," Colts safety Jason Belser said. "They have two good backs, and their quarterback picked us apart."

"They just executed and did their job effectively," Colts defensive end Jon Hand said.

The shutout was the first of the season for San Diego, which went into Week 11 of the season with the league's second-worst mark in pass defense.

"The defense finally came out and played," said San Diego linebacker Junior Seau. "We got some pressure like we wanted to and took the run away early."

The Chargers, who were second in the league in rushing defense, limited the Colts to 55 yards rushing on 20 attempts.

'Dogs, Cards claim split

IRA — Melissa Brasuel scored 14 points and Terri Robinson chipped in 10 as the Ira Lady Bulldogs handed Hermleigh a 32-7 junior high basketball loss Monday.

Hermleigh was led Monday by Miranda Terry, who finished with five.

Ira's 4-1 record is marred only by a tournament loss to the Lady Cards.

Hermleigh wound up with a split, taking a 43-27 win in the boys' game.

The Cardinals bolted to a 24-2 first-quarter advantage, then cruised the rest of the way.

Jason Bates and Billy Joe Digby each finished with nine points for Hermleigh. Ira's Todd Collom hit a game-high 12.

Ira's next outing will be a Dec. 6 hosting of Westbrook. Hermleigh visits Highland Monday.

Robinson hits 34 in win over Bucks

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — For David Robinson, it was easy playing against the lowly Milwaukee Bucks — especially since they were without starting center Frank Brickowski.

Now, however, he's looking forward to playing against three guys who figure to dominate the center position through the 1990s.

Robinson scored 34 points, including 12 in the fourth period, in the Spurs' 102-95 victory over Milwaukee Monday night. It was San Antonio's fifth straight victory, including four straight at home.

The Spurs now embark on a three-game road trip to Charlotte, Orlando and Philadelphia. And waiting in those cities will be Alonzo Mourning, Shaquille O'Neal and Shawn Bradley.

"I told David this is a good road trip to prove he is the best center in the NBA — which I believe he is," coach John Lucas said. "This is the road trip to prove it."

The 7-foot-1 center trails only O'Neal and Phoenix's Charles Barkley among the league's scoring leaders. He started an 8-0 run with consecutive jumpers after Milwaukee had whittled a 15-point deficit to one midway through the fourth quarter.

"David refused to let us lose tonight down the stretch," Lucas said.

Robinson made 13 of 17 shots from the field and 8 of 12 from the line. He also had nine rebounds.

In other games, the Los Angeles Clippers beat New Jersey 118-94 and Indiana defeated Sacramento 105-103.

The Spurs also got 22 points from Dale Ellis — 17 in the first half — and 11 from seldon-used reserve forward J.R. Reid.

Milwaukee was led by Eric Murdock with 18 points and Todd Day with 16. The Bucks were done in by a 7-of-24 shooting effort in the fourth quarter.

"Too little too late," Bucks coach Mike Dunleavy said. "We had one real tough stretch when we just missed them. That's just the way it was for us. I thought our aggressiveness was much better. We've got to come and out and try to put two halves like that together in order to beat a really good team."

The Bucks are now tied with Dallas with an NBA-worst 11 losses.

"We're struggling right now, but a lot of it has to do with the fact that we're a young team," Dunleavy said. "A lot of it has to do with the fact that we're not making shots right now. A little bit of confidence will change their perspective in a hurry."

Clippers 118, Nets 94

In a game of streaks by both teams at Los Angeles, the Clippers' 24-5 spurt in the third quarter countered an earlier 25-3 run by New Jersey.

Ron Harper scored 14 of his season-high 36 points in the third-quarter run and Loy Vaught had a career-high 21 rebounds. The Clippers' offensive outburst came after they trailed 69-64 with 6:56 to play in the quarter.

"We made a great comeback and took the lead, but Harper took over the game and they moved to another level," Nets coach Chuck Daly said.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	9	2	.818	—
Orlando	6	5	.545	3
Boston	7	6	.538	3
Washington	6	6	.500	3½
Miami	5	6	.455	4
Philadelphia	4	9	.308	6
New Jersey	4	10	.286	6½
Central Division				
Atlanta	9	4	.692	—
Charlotte	8	5	.615	1
Cleveland	5	6	.455	3
Chicago	5	7	.417	3½
Detroit	5	7	.417	3½
Indiana	4	8	.333	4½
Milwaukee	2	11	.154	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	13	0	1.000	—
San Antonio	9	5	.643	4½
Utah	8	5	.615	5
Denver	6	6	.500	6½
Minnesota	3	8	.273	9
Dallas	1	11	.083	11½
Pacific Division				
Seattle	10	1	.909	—
Phoenix	8	2	.800	1½
Portland	7	5	.583	3½
Golden State	6	6	.500	4½
LA Clippers	6	6	.500	4½
LA Lakers	5	9	.357	6½
Sacramento	4	9	.308	7

Monday's Games

San Antonio 102, Milwaukee 95
LA Clippers 118, New Jersey 94
Indiana 105, Sacramento 103

Tuesday's Games

Seattle at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

NFL glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Miami	9	2	0	.818	234	186
Buffalo	8	3	0	.727	202	152
N.Y. Jets	7	4	0	.636	240	170
Indianapolis	3	8	0	.273	154	264
New England	1	10	0	.091	126	223
Central						
Houston	7	4	0	.636	256	180
Pittsburgh	6	5	0	.545	231	196
Cleveland	5	6	0	.455	202	225
Cincinnati	1	10	0	.091	128	251
West						
Kansas City	8	3	0	.727	204	170
Denver	7	4	0	.636	283	197
LA Raiders	6	5	0	.545	194	201
Seattle	5	6	0	.455	174	186
San Diego	5	6	0	.455	195	195

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	8	3	0	.727	206	138
Dallas	7	4	0	.636	234	169
Philadelphia	5	6	0	.455	175	212
Phoenix	3	8	0	.273	200	195
Washington	2	9	0	.182	165	256
Central						
Detroit	7	4	0	.636	210	176
Green Bay	7	4	0	.636	238	188
Chicago	6	5	0	.545	171	147
Minnesota	5	6	0	.455	179	217
Tampa Bay	3	8	0	.273	153	274
West						
San Francisco	8	3	0	.727	332	196
New Orleans	7	4	0	.636	224	229
Atlanta	5	6	0	.455	228	250
LA Rams	3	8	0	.273	151	246

Thursday's Games

Chicago 10, Detroit 6
Miami 16, Dallas 14

Sunday's Games

Atlanta 17, Cleveland 14
Cincinnati 16, Los Angeles Raiders 10
New Orleans 17, Minnesota 14
New York Jets 6, New England 0
Green Bay 13, Tampa Bay 10
Philadelphia 17, Washington 14
Denver 17, Seattle 9
Kansas City 23, Buffalo 7
New York Giants 19, Phoenix 17
San Francisco 35, Los Angeles Rams 10
Houston 23, Pittsburgh 3

Monday's Game

San Diego 31, Indianapolis 0

Mountaineers to skip Cotton Bowl

by The Associated Press

No. 3 West Virginia probably will accept a bid to the Sugar Bowl, the commissioner of the Big East Conference said this morning.

"Unless there's something out there that I don't understand, West Virginia will be extended the bid and will accept," Mike Tranghese said.

"But we've got to wait for the final poll," he said.

Tranghese's comments were supported by a source close to the negotiations who demanded anonymity.

"A deal could be struck this afternoon," the source said. "But believe me, this thing could string out until Sunday."

The source said the major sticking point is the agreement the bowls made prior to the season that they would wait to extend invitations until after the final regular-season polls are released on Sunday.

That could be amended to allow earlier invitations, "but all the bowls have to pass for that to happen," Tranghese said. "The Orange, Sugar, Cotton and Fiesta would all have to pass on it, and I don't know if they're going to do it."

The source said further discussions between bowl officials and conference commissioners were scheduled later today.

Cotton Bowl president Bob Smith also said he anticipates the Mountaineers will opt for the Sugar, which would likely set up a rematch of last season's game between No. 5 Notre Dame and No. 7 Texas A&M.

"Our next choice will more than likely be Notre Dame," Smith told The Houston Post on Monday night. "They've been positive about coming back to Dallas and we think it will be a pretty good matchup with a couple of 10-1 teams."

But if the bowls wait until after the final ratings, the source said there's a slim possibility that the Sugar Bowl would be in a position to pick Notre Dame.

Men's Top 25

by The Associated Press

The top 25 teams in the Associated Press' college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, record through Nov. 28, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and preseason ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Kentucky (30)	1-0	1,536	2
2. Arkansas (14)	0-0	1,478	3
3. Kansas (13)	4-0	1,475	6
4. North Carolina (2)	3-1	1,402	1
5. Michigan (3)	1-0	1,397	5
6. Duke (1)	1-0	1,364	4
7. Temple (1)	0-0	1,144	8
8. Oklahoma St.	2-0	1,057	10
9. Massachusetts	4-1	982	18
10. UCLA (1)	1-0	915	14
11. Louisville	0-1	889	7
12. Virginia	0-0	714	16
13. California	1-1	710	12
14. Purdue	3-0	671	21
15. Minnesota	2-2	625	9
16. Illinois	0-0	615	17
17. Georgia Tech	0-1	528	13
18. Syracuse	1-0	526	20
19. Arizona	0-0	436	19
20. Vanderbilt	1-0	353	24
21. Indiana	0-1	337	11
22. George Washington	0-0	286	23
23. Cincinnati	1-1	249	22
24. Wisconsin	1-0	237	25
25. Georgetown	1-1	214	15

Others receiving votes: Marquette 103, Connecticut 99, Florida State 90, Ohio State 82, Xavier, Ohio 81, Boston College 79, Maryland 54, Western Kentucky 47, LSU 44, Memphis State 43, Missouri 31, Penn 26, Tulane 26, Virginia Commonwealth 22, Nebraska 21, Seton Hall 21, Alabama 18, New Mexico State 18, Pepperdine 14, New Orleans 12, Washington 5, Virginia 5, Tennessee St. 4, Arizona State 3, Oklahoma 3, Brigham Young 2, Coppin State 1, Idaho 1, Old Dominion 1, UNLV 1.

Medrano finishes Golfsmith school

Joe Medrano of Snyder recently completed a comprehensive training program in the Golfsmith Clubmakers and Golf Repair Training School in Austin.

The school, opened in 1970, is the first of its kind in the world. It offers instruction and hands-on training in all aspects of golf club assembly and repair. The curriculum is developed and presented by a cadre of Golfsmith club makers, designers, engineers and repair craftsmen, and includes custom club fitting, assembly techniques, wood and metal wood refinishing, troubleshooting and general club repairs.

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Medrano and a group of other participants from the U.S. and Germany worked with various specialized tools and equipment. Additionally, they participated in round-table discussions on the theory of club fitting.

Men's cage results

Team	W	L
Snyder National Bank	7	0
Landes Furniture	5	2
Big Country Chevrolet	5	2
Bib & Tucker	4	3
Golden Corral	3	4
Patterson Drilling	2	5
Nathalie's	1	5
Jaramillo's	0	6

Thursday's games

Snyder National Bank 83, Golden Corral 62
Big Country Chevrolet 66, Bib & Tucker 64
Landes Furniture 68, Patterson Drilling 54

AHS frosh nip Snyder

ABILENE — Snyder's freshmen girls shot just 5-of-25 from the free throw line Monday in a 38-36 cage loss to Abilene High.

The Lady Tigers, now 2-3, were led by Devon Reed, who poured in 11 points. Sha Marricle added seven and Erica Garvin chipped in six.

Snyder will compete in the Midland Greenwood JV Tournament beginning with a Thursday battle against Seminole at 5 p.m.

Frosh down Colorado City

Both Snyder's freshmen boys basketball teams remain undefeated following wins over Colorado City in Monday home action.

Snyder A, led by 25 points from Patrick Cumbie, 22 by Ricky Henderson and Matthew Fambro's 11, drilled the Wolves, 75-36.

Teddy Murray canned 10 and Robert Durst and Monte Beaver each added eight in the B squad's 45-37 victory.

Both teams are now 3-0. The freshmen will return to the floor Saturday Dec. 4 at Levelland.

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Communication through computers very popular

CHICAGO (AP) — Susan MacCoy, a 46-year-old hairdresser, steps into a room filled with regulars and a couple of newcomers. She glances around, notices a couple of guys she has dated and lights a cigarette.

Men call her "goddess." Women do too, though few have actually seen her. MacCoy chats, flirts and has a good time — all without leaving her home, all via computer.

Computer bulletin boards are being called the bar scene of the '90s, an electronic forum where people share their most intimate and often sexual thoughts.

"It's techno-lust," MacCoy says. "It's the big bar in cyberspace, except you don't have to do your hair, put on your makeup and you can show up anytime you want."

Hy Roseman, 36, of Schaumburg, Ill., said he and his wife sign into a electronic forum for excitement. "There's so much flirting going on, it's just like being in a singles bar," he said.

MacCoy and Roseman are among several million people to subscribe to consumer-oriented, on-line services. They range from the thousands of small bulletin boards run by hobbyists to big commercial enterprises such as Prodigy, CompuServe, American OnLine and GEnie.

Some services offer news and information, let a subscriber pay bills, trade stocks and shop.

Many offer "live" interaction, with groups and individuals trading messages. That's where online dating goes on. Critcs call it a "chilling" trend that leads to broken hearts.

Boosters say it's good, clean fun and, just possibly, a way to meet the person of your dreams.

The setup is eerily similar to bars. Most interactive, on-line services charge men fees ranging from $10 to $60 an hour. Women get in free.

The whopping phone bill that comes from using a modem to talk to people thousands of miles away can give users a headache to top the worst hangover. While some networks have local phone numbers, many charge fees that depend on the distance between users.

Conversations range from playful banter to pronographic comeons. Various companies offer "alternative lifestyles" services, including chatlines for gays and lesbians.

Ron Pejril, who owns a Chicago-based computer bulletin board for adults called Compu-Erotica, says many people sign on to avoid the bar scene.

"There are a lot of people online who are sort of disillusioned with the singles bars or meeting each other through work or school," he said. "On-line, you get to know the person from the inside out. You see what a person is really like on the inside before you ever see the outside features."

Psychologist Michael Broder calls that hogwash.

"It's chilling. For a lot of people, it's a fantasy life," said Broder, an author on the subject. "People have to be advised they can't take this stuff too seriously. I've heard of a lot of hearts being broken.

"No real person can measure up to personalities one sees in computer messages. When these people try to have a real relationship, they're going to wind up feeling as though they have been cheated."

Indeed, in a widely publicized case in California, several women using an on-line service compared notes and discovered a computer Lothario had professed undying love for each of them.

And the Justice Department recently warned that parents should keep a close eye on young computer junkies to ensure they're not contacted by pedophiles via electronic mail. On-lin users say the lewdest come-ons often come from youngsters who use their parents' sign-ons.

Sociologists Bernard Beck of Northwestern University, in the Chicago suburb of Evanston, calls on-line dating a natural progression of technology and the social scene.

"The fact is that there's been a continuing problem of how people who don't have stable social connections and who are adults can find and meet people," he says. "For a while, it was fitness — going to the gym to meet people.

"Now, it's the development of new technologies that allow you to stay safely at home and do your business. It's chilling, though, that our general social world has become more frightening to us, and we are kind of huddling behind our safe four walls," he said. He believes fear of crime and AIDS likely are behind the increase in on-line users.

But there are success stories.

Rebekah Goodwin, 39, says she met her husband, Peter, through an early service provided by American OnLine, which has some 800,000 subscribers.

"We became really good friend on-line," she says. "He was in Massachusetts, I was in California. We actually had, I believe, fallen in love on-line without ever meeting."

The two decided to take a two-week cross-country car trip, later developed a phone relationship and three years later were married.

Not everyone likes GATT

GENEVA (AP) — World leaders support it. Businessmen plead for it. American textile workers and French farmers loathe it.

A single four-letter word — GATT — is at the center of a giant world trade debate that could determine the fortunes of nations for years to come.

At stake: an additional $270 billion in annual global income due to increased exports, according to some estimates. The snag? The agreement must be reached by Dec. 15.

For those who haven't been paying attention, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade is a set of world trade rules. It is also the name of the organization that enforces and updates these rules to let market forces work.

GATT came into being in 1948 as part of efforts to reshape the world economy after the Great Depression and World War II.

On the whole it's been fairly successful. A series of GATT accords has cut customs taxes over the past 40 years from about 40 percent to an average 5 percent of the price of an imported product.

That's good news for exporting countries. They can sell more, which creates more wealth, which creates more jobs, which creates yet more wealth. Consumers in importing countries have a wider range of products in the stores at lower prices — though cheap imports can sometimes threaten domestic producers.

But world trade has changed and the GATT rules have fallen behind.

The car manufacturer may be a Japanese company, which builds cars in Europe, using components made in several different countries and borrowing money from an American bank.

Both the Japanese car company and the American bank face a bewildering array of bureaucratic obstacles before they can start their cross-border operations.

And each individual car component is subject to a wide array of obscure import taxes.

Once the car is assembled, new export barriers loom, including standard customs duties and self-imposed "export restraints" and other quotas. Many are probably illegal but are difficult to challenge because the rules are out of date.

The current effort to update GATT began in September 1986, when ministers from about 100 countries gathered in the Urugayan seaside resort of Punta del Este and decided to build a bigger, brighter and better world trade order.

After repeated delays, the talks — called the Uruguay Round after their birthplace — are hurtling toward a Dec. 15 deadline and hundreds of diplomats are locked in long bargaining sessions.

The deadline is the last date that President Clinton can submit a finished agreement to Congress on an all-or-nothing basis. If the accord comes later, congressman can pick at individual provisions, stretching out the process endlessly.

Fourteen [illegible] when a Marine jet crashed onto the flight deck of the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz off Florida in 1981.

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TU will recoup its losses

DALLAS (AP) — TU Electric ratepayers shouldn't have to bear the costs of three major accidents at the utility's facilities in a two-month period, the company says.

A water line rupture that burned four contract workers, two seriously, at the TU Electric Monticello Steam Generating Plant Monday was the latest of the mishaps that began in October.

The rupture was the second mishap at the Mount Pleasant site in November.

"As far as accidents go, it certainly has not been a good year," said Jim Lawrence, TU spokesman.

Four other workers were injured and another died on Nov. 14 when a 600-foot concrete emissions stack collapsed at Unit 3 of the three-unit generating plant.

A ruptured gas line in Arlington on Oct. 28 triggered an explosion and fire, toppling 17 of the company's electric transmission towers and temporarily cutting off power to more than 40,000 homes and businesses.

A blaze apparently was triggered when a construction vehicle hit a line that carries natural gas to a TU Electric plant in Grand Prairie, authorities said.

Equipment of TU Electric sustained $2.5 million to $3 million in damages in that mishap, officials said.

Lawrence said the company was insured for damages at the Monticello Plant in Mount Pleasant plant, which TU spokesman Dave Fiorelli had estimated at several million dollars.

"We regret that there was a fatality and there were injuries at the Mount Pleasant site," Lawrence said. "In addition to that, of course, there is some expense involved.

"There is a matter of operating without one of our major lignite-fueled units until it can be restored," he said. "All those things combined have not made it an especially good year."

Lawrence said the company was still collecting bills associated with the Arlington fire, but expected to turn them over to Pate Brothers Construction Inc. of Kennedale, the contractor TU says is responsible for the accident.

"We're operating on the theory that we're going to recoup our losses," said Lawrence.

He said that because TU Electric expects to be repaid, it does not anticipate that electric rates will rise as a result of the two mishaps.

But TU Electric could decide to list its losses from the accidents as a reason for seeking a rate hike, said Guillermo Garcia, spokesman for the state Public Utility Commission.

Staff members of the commission would then decide whether the expenses are reasonable and give a recommendation to a judge, who would advise the three-member panel. It would make a final decision.

Kevin Pate, president of Pate Brothers, did not immediately return a telephone call today from The Associated Press.

Garcia said he believes it would be a "reach to assume that ratepayers would be impacted ... at this point because so many things must occur beforehand."

Repairs from the Arlington incident are completed, Lawrence said. But officials still are working on the cleanup and investigation at Mount Pleasant, where one unit of the three-unit generating plant is still out of service.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Ralph Carrasco, 406 34th; Twilla Durrett, P.O. Box 1043; Mayela Hernandez, Girard; Mamie Lemons, Fluvanna; Fleeda Messick, Rotan.

DISMISSALS: Kathleen Head, Donna Kruse, Eva Scott.

Census: 48 (Med.-8, Long-Term Care-35, CCU-2, OB-2, Nursery-1).

Births

Edmundo and Mayela Hernandez of Girard announce the arrival of their daughter born at 12:39 p.m. on Nov. 29 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed six pounds, 12 ounces.

Erissa and Brailee announce the birth of their sister, Miranda Nikole, born on Nov. 27 in St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. Parents are Arthur and Nanette Sanchez of Hermleigh.

Maternal grandparents are Cameron and Vera Mitchell of Snyder and Richard Sanches Sr. of Post. Paternal grandparents are Louis and Modesta Sachez of Hermleigh.

Police work 3 accidents

Snyder police worked three traffic accidents Monday, including a hit-and-run.

At 1:49 p.m., officers worked an accident in the 2600 block of College Avenue. Involved were a 1993 Mercury driven by Tillie Ann Bradford of 4506 College Ave. and a blue Ford which left the scene. A report for hit-and-run was filed.

At 9:47 p.m., officers investigated a mishap in the 3000 block of 41st Street. Involved were a 1991 Pontiac driven by Kasey Leigh Bowers of HCR 2 in Pampa and a parked, unoccupied 1986 Ford pickup owned by Tom Valentine of 3011 41st St.

At 10:17 p.m. Monday, officers worked an accident at U.S. Highway 84 and College Avenue. A 1992 Chevrolet driven by Roger Doyce Lyons of Rt. 3 struck a curb, a concrete median and a concrete pillar at the underpass. Lyons was taken to Cogdell Memorial Hospital where he was treated for minor injuries and released.

Police note one arrest

Snyder police made one arrest early today and investigated a couple of reports of criminal mischief Monday.

Police arrested a 35-year-old man at 12 a.m. today at Cogdell Memorial Hospital for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

At 8:42 a.m. Monday, JoAnn Crill contacted officers in reference to someone damaging a vehicle at Scurry County Health Unit. A report for Class C criminal mischief was filed.

Petra Vasquez contacted police at 5:22 p.m. Monday in reference to damage done to a residence at 801 23rd St. A report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

The Egyptians associated perfume with immortality, but the Babylonians popularized perfume as a fine cosmetic.



Peace talks in Bosnia said relaunched

GENEVA (AP) — The European Community got a pledge from the warring sides in Bosnia-Herzegovina to resume peace talks today after a two-month break.

EC mediator Lord Owen of Britain said Monday he and U.N. envoy Thorvald Stoltenberg of Norway will plunge back into talks with two Bosnian delegations at a time today, trying to end 19 months of killing and devastation.

EC foreign ministers presented leaders from former Yugoslavia on Monday with a new deal devised by France and Germany: gradual suspension of economic sanctions on Serbia if the Belgrade administration pushes Bosnian Serbs to return more land to the Muslim-led government.

Community ministers said the meeting's main aim — to revive the peace process and widen it to include other Yugoslav flashpoints — was achieved.

"I think the mere fact that talks are continuing after a two-month break is progress. We could not hope for more," said German Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel.

He said the EC will review movement in the talks on Dec. 6 at a meeting in Brussels, Belgium.

But despite winter cold that is already biting and warnings that thousands could die, Owen said the talks may go on for weeks without a breakthrough.

He said it would "emerge over the next few days or weeks" if Serbs want to give up land.

More than 200,000 people have died in the war, which began after Bosnian Serbs rebelled following a Feb. 29, 1992, vote to secede from Serbian-led Yugoslavia. All three major ethnic groups in Bosnia — Muslims, Croats and Serbs — are involved in the upheaval.

Presidents Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and Franjo Tudjman of Croatia, seen as holding the key to regional peace, attended Monday's conference along with U.S. and Russian envoys. Shrunken Yugoslavia now consists of only Serbia and Montenegro.

The political and military leaders of Bosnia's factions signed a pledge of free passage for aid convoys on which the United Nations says nearly 3 million people depend for survival.

Similar promises failed to bring lasting relief in the past.

Kinkel said Bosnia Serb leader Radovan Karadzic rejected an EC-backed Muslim demand to reopen the airport at Tuzla in central Bosnia, a staging point for aid deliveries.

The tone of the one-day meeting underscored the difficulties. Milosevic and Bosnia's Muslim president, Alija Izetbegovic, accused each other of warmongering.

Milosevic said international sanctions are killing Serb children and demanded a quick, definitive end to sanctions in return for territorial concessions.

Holiday decorations returned

MERKEL (AP) — The holiday spirit is back for Pauline Dodson.

A burglar who stole the widow's Christmas decorations apparently had a change of heart after Thanksgiving.

Volunteers on Nov. 20 put up decorations for Mrs. Dodson. But hours later, someone took some $750 worth of holiday items from her front yard.

Merkel policeman Delbert Russell was driving by his house Saturday afternoon when he saw a 31/2-foot wooden buck on his porch.

Russell loaded up the deer and other decorations that had been left at his residence and took them back to Mrs. Dodson, whose husband, James, died in February.

Then Monday morning, Mrs. Dodson found two more decorations returned to her carport.

"It was kind of shocking," she said. "But it felt real good, too, to think that they had brought them back."

Police have no suspects in the burglary.

Merkel is about 15 miles west of Abilene.

Some friars sexually abused teen-age boys at seminary

GOLETA, Calif. (AP) — For more than two decades, Roman Catholic priests sexually abused boys aged 7 to 16 at a boarding school in a Santa Barbara seminary, a panel organized by a Franciscan order concluded.

A board of inquiry for the St. Barbara Province of the Franciscan Order said Monday that 12 priests engaged in nude games, fondling and other sex acts with students at St. Anthony's Seminary from 1964 to 1987, when it closed because of financial problems.

So far, 34 boys, mostly teenagers, have been identified as victims.

"The abuse perpetrated by our own brothers on the victims and their families is truly horrific," said the Rev. Joseph P. Chinnici, minister of the Oakland-based Province of St. Barbara and leader of Franciscans in seven Western states.

At a news conference Monday night, the panel's chairman said the investigators were stunned by what they learned.

"We found that in the years in question, a serious problem of sexual abuse of minors by friars existed at the seminary," said Geoffrey Stearns.

He said the investigation would continue and that the panel expects other alleged victims to come forward.

A message left after business hours Monday at District Attorney Thomas Sneddon's office was not immediately returned. Lt. John Thayer, a police spokesman, said prosecution was unlikely because of the statute of limitations, which is six years on child molestation cases in California.

Of the 12 priests, whose names weren't disclosed in the 72-page report, eight were undergoing treatement by therapists; one left the order; one died; another priest's case was still being investigated by the panel; and the 12th priest served six months in jail after pleading no contest in 1989 to oral copulation with a minor at the seminary.

After that case, the order sent out letters to former students asking if they had been abused. When some came forward the order decided to investigate. The panel, organized in 1992, included an attorney, three psychotherapists, a member of the order and a victim's parent.

The Roman Catholic Church has been criticized for not addressing abuse openly in the past. A flurry of lawsuits accuse the church of quietly reassigning offenders to other parishes.

Cardinal Roger Mahony, archbishop of the Los Angeles archdiocese, said the seminary does not fall under his jurisdiction, but archdiocesan officials approved of the way the investigation was handled.

The panel said the Franciscan friars involved children in nude games, nude photographs, fondling, masturbation, oral copulation and examination of genitals under the guise of hernia exams.

Chinnici said the order has paid $90,000 so far for counseling for the victims. He wouldn't say if the victims have been paid anything else to make amends for their suffering.

Forgery suspect arrested here

A 20-year-old former Snyder resident, indicted last July on two counts of forgery, was arrested shortly after noon Monday at a residence in the 2100 Block of Gilmore.

Sheriff's deputy Darren Jackson apprehended Raymon Rodriquez Jr. and he was booked in the Scurry County jail with bonds of $5,000 on each count.

Rodriquez was one of five persons indicted in a two-year scheme to coerce money from Snyder resident Robert George Taylor. Rodriquez was the fourth person to be arrested.

In addition to the June 2 check on the account of Taylor, Rodriquez is accused of forging a check on the account of Barry Davis, dba Davis Construction on April 2.

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Alldsignal	713/4	711/4	711/2	-1/4
Alltel s	263/8	261/8	261/8	
AmStores	411/4	41	411/4	+5/8
Amer T&T	55	541/8	541/4	-5/8
Ameritech	763/4	761/2	761/2	-3/8
Amoco	531/8	525/8	53	+5/8
AndarkPtr	415/8	411/4	411/4	+1/8
Arkla	8	73/4	77/8	
ArmcoInc	57/8	53/4	53/4	-1/8
AtlRichfld	1041/4	1033/8	104	+1
ATMOS	273/8	271/8	271/8	
BakerHughes	201/4	20	201/8	+1/4
BancTexas	11/4	11/4	11/4	-1/8
BellAtl	593/4	591/2	593/4	
BellSouth	577/8	573/4	577/8	-1/2
Beth Steel	171/8	171/8	171/8	-1/4
Borden	171/2	167/8	171/8	
Caterplr	861/8	853/4	853/4	-1/8
CenSoWst	301/4	30	30	-1/4
Chevron	867/8	861/4	861/4	+5/8
Chrysler	53	521/2	523/4	-1/4
Coastal	273/8	263/4	263/4	-3/4
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DeltaAirl	587/8	585/8	585/8	-1/2
DigitalEq	37	365/8	365/8	-1/4
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DowChem	575/8	571/4	575/8	-1/8
DresserInd	197/8	191/2	193/4	-1/4
DuPont	48	473/4	48	
EstKodak	615/8	611/4	613/8	
Enserch	173/4	173/8	171/2	-3/8
Exxon	623/4	617/8	625/8	+3/4
FlowerInd	19	183/4	187/8	+1/8
FordMotor	613/4	613/8	613/8	-3/8
GTE Cp	373/8	365/8	363/4	-1/2
GaDyn	903/8	891/2	897/8	+7/8
GenElct	977/8	971/4	971/2	-3/8
GenMills	613/4	611/8	613/8	-1/8
GenMotors	541/4	537/8	541/8	-1/4
GenMotors E	293/8	291/8	291/4	
GaPacif	721/4	715/8	721/4	+3/8
GlobalMar	4	33/4	4	+1/8
Goodrich	441/8	44	44	-1/8
Goodyear s	433/8	43	433/8	+1
GtAtlPac	285/8	283/8	283/8	
Gulf StaUt	19	19	19	
Haliburtn	313/8	305/8	31	+3/8
Hanson ADS	21	203/4	207/8	
HoustInd	453/8	443/4	447/8	-5/8
IBM	551/8	541/8	541/8	-1/4
IntlPaper	671/8	661/8	667/8	+3/8
JohnsnJns	44	435/8	433/4	-1/2
K mart	237/8	235/8	235/8	-1/8
Kroger	185/8	181/2	181/2	
Litton	65	643/4	65	+1/2
vjLoneStar	17/8	13/4	17/8	
Lowes	521/8	515/8	515/8	-1/4
Lubys	213/8	211/8	213/8	+1/4
Maxus	57/8	55/8	53/4	
MayDS s	423/4	42	423/8	—1 1/8
Medtronic	771/4	761/8	77	+1 1/8
Mobil	753/4	751/8	751/2	+1/2
Monsanto	673/4	667/8	673/4	+7/8
Motorola s	941/2	93	941/8	+7/8
Nationsbk	471/2	471/4	471/4	-3/8
Navistar s	251/4	251/8	251/8	-1/8
Nynex s	431/8	423/4	427/8	-1/2
OryxEngy	187/8	181/8	181/4	-3/8
PacTelesis	561/8	553/4	56	+1/8
PanhBCp	21	203/4	207/8	+1/8
PenneyJC s	543/8	535/8	541/4	-1/8
Pennzoil	571/8	567/8	567/8	-1/8
PepBoys	253/4	253/8	255/8	
PhelpDodge	445/8	441/8	445/8	+5/8
PhilipPet	29	281/2	29	+5/8
PilgrmPrd	71/4	71/4	71/4	
Polaroid	351/4	35	351/4	-1/8
Praxair	163/8	161/8	161/8	-1/8
Primerica s	40	391/4	393/8	-3/4
ProctGamble	575/8	571/4	571/2	
PubS NwMx	10	97/8	97/8	-1/8
SFePacCp	193/4	195/8	193/4	
SaraLee	263/8	26	26	-1/4
SearsRoeb s	547/8	54	543/8	+5/8
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US West	463/4	463/8	465/8	-1/8
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WalMart s	291/4	285/8	283/4	-3/4
WstaGasRs	311/2	311/4	311/2	+1/4
WestghEl	141/8	14	14	-1/8
WinnDixie	547/8	543/8	543/4	+1/4
Woolwth	233/8	23	231/4	+1/2
Xerox Cp	821/2	82	821/8	-1/4
ZenithE	71/2	71/4	71/4	-1/4

Obituaries

Prentis Scott

1921-1993

SWEETWATER — Services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Cate-Spencer & Trent Funeral Home Chapel for Prentis Scott, 72, who died Monday in Rolling Plains Hospital. Burial will follow in the Sweetwater Cemetery.

He was the brother of Robert Scott of Snyder.

Born in Nolan County, Mr. Scott retired after 25 years with the Texas Highway Department. He was a farmer-rancher, a member of the Fourth and Elm Church of Christ and a U.S. Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Toni Scott of Sweetwater; two sons, Franky Scott of Dalhart and Carter Scott of Merkel; three other brothers, Thornton Scott of Stanton, Billy Scott of Sweetwater and Wendell Scott of Verhallen; two sisters, Frankie Hale of Abilene and Glenn Swann of Gail; and five grandchildren.

Fisher County editor Hooper Shelton dies

Hooper Shelton

1904-1993

ROTAN — Hooper Shelton, long-time newspaper editor and West Texas historian died Monday at his home here. He was 89.

Services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel. The Revs. Wesley Holland and T.O. Upshaw will officiate. Burial will follow in the Roby Cemetery.

Mr. Shelton was born on Nov. 14, 1904, in Roby, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Shelton. He graduated from Rotan High School and attended Clarendon Junior College. He married Mayme Anderson in 1925 in Lamesa. That same year, he bought the Roby Star-Record and served as its editor and publisher until 1970. He was also editor of the Rotan Advance from the time of his father's death until 1970. He had lived all of his life in Roby and Rotan.

Mr. Shelton was author or co-author of several books. Some of them include "History of Scurry County," "From Buffalo...to Oil," "History of Jones County," "History of Nolan County," "Texas Cowboy Reunion and Old Time Settlers Reunion" and "Families of Fisher County."

He was a charter member of the Fisher County Historical Commission and served as its chairman. He was a member of the Texas Press Association and the West Texas Press Association. Mr. Shelton was a Shriner and a member of the Roby Masonic Lodge. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, and while living in Roby, he was a member of the Roby Fire Department and was a charter member of the Roby Lions Club. He was also a member of the Rotan Lions Club, and in 1979 he was named the Citizen of the Year by the Rotan Chamber of Commerce.

Preceding him in death were a sister, Oida Locke; and a brother, Harry Shelton.

Survivors include his wife, [illegible] a son, Claude R. Shelton of Florham Park, N.J.; a sister, Empress Signor of Lubbock; and a granddaughter, Bliss Kasir of White Lake, Mich.

J.D. Townsend

1926-1993

LUBBOCK — Services were set for 2 p.m. today in the Sanders Funeral Home Chapel for J.D. Townsend, 67, who died Sunday in Methodist Hospital. Burial was to follow in the City of Lubbock Cemetery.

He was the father of Margie Griffin of Snyder.

Born in New Hope, Ark., Mr. Townsend was a carpenter and a Baptist. He married Ann Hagle on Aug. 31, 1967 in Matador. She survives.

Survivors also include a son, Phil Townsend of Amarillo; two other daughters, Kathy Vanover and Donna Dunn, both of Roswell, N.M.; three step-sons, L.D. Martin and Johnny Martin [illegible] of Lubbock, and Ronny Martin of Odessa; a brother, Don Townsend of Lubbock; a sister, Dessie Mae Eisenhauer of San Antonio; 18 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.



POSITIVE ACTION — Stanfield students who recently received Positive Action awards are from left, first row: Chance Squires, Mandy Burns, Sterling Millhollon, Andra Dunham, Ruben Flores and Gretchen Hollis; second row: Matthew Vasquez, Tiffany Barry, Megan Fletcher, Brad English, Tass Baze, Tanner Reed and Emily Long; third row: Rankin Hardin, Joshua Kemp, Dawn Thomas, Alexis Dupree, Blake Grimmitt, Wendy Young and Tucker Early. Ruben Flores is not pictured. (SDN Staff Photo)



MORE POSITIVE ACTION — These Stanfield students also received Positive Action awards. From left, first row: Bianca Gonzales, Shayla Vineyard, Bryan Clifton, Jeremy Reed, Ashley Pavlovsky and Tyler Price; second row: Elizabeth Jordan, Andrew Rollins, Heather Zajicek, Brad Richardson, Karen Taylor and Ashley Roland; third row: Jose Perez, Alieda Arrelano, Michael Thamez, Justin Guynes, Diane Morin, Tommy Plock and Ashley Amox. (SDN Staff Photo)

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Eating right to avoid kidney stones

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Following soundwave treatment for kidney stones, I passed three small remnants of a kidney stone that my urologist identified as calcium oxalate. My doctor has given me a short list of foods to avoid. Thus, what are good substitutes for spinach and beans? Are all nuts bad, including peanuts? If all berries are bad, must I give up jams and jellies? Can I substitute carob for chocolate?

DEAR READER: Vegetables high in oxalate, such as the ones you mention, may induce the formation of oxalate kidney stones. I suggest that you simply skip the spinach and beans, substituting peas and green beans, for example. Most nuts should also be avoided.

I am not aware of the prohibition against berries and other fruit; it seems to me that they would be OK, jams and jellies included. Carob may be substituted for chocolate, in moderation.

Like most healthy people, you have certain dietary preferences. Rather than having to omit a favored food and operating in the dark about many other dietary items, I suggest that you interview a registered dietician. Such a nutrition specialist can answer your questions and offer hints about how to live with many of the restrictions your doctor has placed on your diet.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I suffer from dermatitis on my legs from my knees to my ankles. My doctor has given me Eucerin cream and Lasix. Neither has helped. My feet swell, there is itching and peeling of the skin. What do you advise?

DEAR READER: Dermatitis (inflammation of the skin) has many causes, ranging from simple eczema to drug reactions or serious disorders, such as strep infection. Sometimes, patients with congestive heart failure (the accumulation of excess fluid in the tissues from weak heart contractions) can develop dermatitis of the legs, if the extra fluid (edema) causes the skin to stretch, crack and break down.

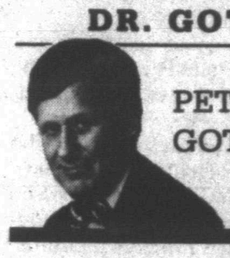
Lasix is a diuretic that rids the body of edema. Perhaps your physician thinks that you have a heart problem. If he is correct, the Lasix should relieve your symptoms. If your heart is not to blame, however, you should be examined by a dermatologist, who can identify the cause of your dermatitis.

Talk to your doctor about this. Maybe he will welcome a second opinion from a specialist.

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

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Father, son rescue raccoon

CORPUS CHRISTI — (AP) Like many a good fish story, this one shows how persistence overcomes adversity.

But rather than landing a huge fish at the end of their ordeal, David Neal and his son Jason rescued a raccoon.

Jason, 15, says he first noticed the raccoon, on the back of a barge near a support strut for the rudder, as his father steered their 18-foot motorboat on the jetties at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi.

"I had to think about it for a minute, to figure out what I saw, then I told my dad we had to go back," Jason said.

The Neals say they followed the barge for 31/2 hours Saturday from the John F. Kennedy Causeway to Aransas Pass, nearly 20 miles away.

When the barge finally stopped outside Coon Brown Harbor on Aransas Pass, the Neals fished the ring-tailed mammal from the water with a net and a canvas bag.

It recovered Saturday at their home in a dog pen. They released the raccoon Sunday into an undeveloped canal leading to the Padre Island National Seashore.

Neal, a lieutenant commander in the Coast Guard, said the raccoon's stamina surprised him.

"The guy on the barge said he had been there for the last 50 miles, since sunup," said Neal. A couple of times he just disappeared under the water, but he managed to hang on."

The man aboard the barge had tried to toss first a rope, then a pole in hopes that the animal would climb up into the deck.

Nicknamed "Rascal," the raccoon didn't put up much of a fight when the Neals rescued him.

"He tried to submerge himself and get away, but we still fished him out," said Neal. "He growled a little bit, but he was pretty docile. He's been real quiet. I think he's had a pretty tough day."

Pleads guilty

A police officer who admitted carrying millions of dollars worth of cocaine in his car faces up to life imprisonment on federal charges.

Carl Webster, a seven-year veteran of the Detroit Police Department, said Monday he was taking the cocaine to Michigan when he was pulled over for speeding in East Texas.

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Homeless woman dies near HUD office

WASHINGTON (AP) — Little was known about the homeless woman or how she died, but it happened practically on the doorstep of the nation's top housing agency as officials inside discussed getting more money for homeless programs.

Housing and Urban Development Secretary Henry Cisneros said he hopes the woman's death Monday will help motivate policy makers and ordinary Americans to do more to solve the homeless problem.

"No one chooses to die on a bus bench, no one chooses that as the end of their life," Cisneros said Monday. "I hope this encourages people to understand, to be more supporting."

District of Columbia police said Yetta Adams, 43, appeared to have died of natural causes, but an autopsy is planned to determine the cause of death.

She was slumped on a bench at a bus shelter. Her body was discovered about 10 a.m., but it was unclear how long she had been there. The overnight low temperature had been 34.

As police arrived and the coroner was called, Cisneros was meeting with top policy aides, underscoring that homelessness is a top priority of the agency and working on ways to find more money for homeless programs.

"Our first response must be to the people who are completely unhoused," Cisneros said in an interview.

"A society this wealthy, we just shouldn't have to accept people dying on our city streets," said Cisneros.

Other homeless people knelt in prayer around her body, said Sharon Maeda, a spokeswoman for the Department of Houston and Urban Development.

"I could see her body from my office window on the 10th floor," said Maeda. "She looked like she was asleep."

Cisneros said the homeless woman frequented the southwest Washington neighborhood where HUD's offices are located, and some employees gave her money. He wants to double the agency's annual budget on homeless programs to $1.5 billion.

A frustrated Cisneros said that the American public has become increasingly callous toward the homeless but he hopes people will become more understanding.

"A tragedy like this in the shadow of a government building where homeless programs are run particularly calls us to action," he said.

Other homeless people said they knew the woman as Brenda and that she had spent many nights sharing a heat grate a few blocks away.

Transcripts show AG was concerned about photograph

DALLAS (AP) — Transcripts show that a former U.S. attorney general voiced concern to then-President Lyndon B. Johnson about an autopsy photograph reportedly missing three years after John F. Kennedy's assassination.

Ramsey Clark sought to put to rest claims that one autopsy picture of the slain president could not be located, according to transcripts released Monday from telephone conversations during the LBJ presidency.

The conversation between Johnson and Clark was one of four previously classified transcripts released Monday by the Lyndon Baines Johnson Presidential Library in Austin.

"I think we have three pathologists and the photographer signed up now on the autopsy review, and their conclusion is that the autopsy photos and X-rays conclusively support the autopsy report rendered by them to the Warren Commission," Clark said in a Jan. 26, 1967 conversation.

He then referred to a missing photo.

"Though we were not able to tie down the question of the missing photo entirely, we feel much better about it and we had three of the four sign an affidavit that says these are all the photos they took and they do not believe anybody else took the others," said Clark.

He called "unfortunate" a reference in the commission report to a photo. He said "that just does not exist as far as we know." Johnson did not comment about the missing photo during his talk with Clark.

Although photos of Kennedy after his Nov. 22, 1963 assassination have not been officially released to the public, some obtained by researchers have appeared in books and television reports.

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Perry to seek 2nd term

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry says he's pleased with the accomplishments of his first term and wants another.

Launching his re-election bid Monday, Perry said he wants to concentrate in the next four years on processing more Texas commodities in Texas and on helping farmers and ranchers cash in on the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Perry also said he is one of the few state officials to trim his agency's budget and staff.

"The job of agriculture commissioner demands a person who is committed to and understands agriculture," Perry said.

"The job requires a person who is willing to challenge the status quo. This job requires a person who has the energy and enthusiasm to guide projects and prospects that can change the face of the Texas economy. My track record proves I am that person," he said.

A native of Haskell, where his family farms and ranches, Perry, 43, holds an animal science degree from Texas A&M. A former Democrat, he served three terms in the Texas House.

In 1990, he challenged two-term incumbent Democrat Jim Hightower. His victory made him the first Republican agriculture commissioner in the state's history.

Appearing at the Texas Farm Bureau convention in San Antonio and elsewhere Monday, Perry said he had worked to boost in-state processing of agricultural products, step up national and international marketing, attract more federal research funds and increase agency cooperation with mainstream agricultural interests.

He said he also cleaned up the agency, trimmed its staff from about 620 employees to about 550, and reduced its budget. He said the agency even returned $250,000 to the Treasury this year.

According to the department, the budget dropped from $44.2 million in 1990-91 to $41.8 million in 1992-93 and $41 million for 1994-95.

"I have led the charge to make government more efficient and accountable to the taxpayers," Perry said.

One Democrat, dairy farmer Marvin Gregory of Sulphur Springs, has announced plans to challenge Perry.

Perry said one area he believes will help Texas farmers and ranchers is to increase processing of their commodities in the state.



OFFICER TRAINING GRADUATES — Student graduates of the correctional officer training at Western Texas College recently were, from left, first row, James Apple of Breckenridge; Billy Ray Allen; Donald Charles Alberts of Abilene; Luis Antonio Aguilar; second row, Wallace Evan Christenson; John Allen Chambers of San Angelo; Humberto Calderon Jr. of Colorado City; Nita Lynn Bryan of Lamesa; Mark Alan Bruns; Larry Andrew Bogle of Abilene; D.W. Black of Clyde; Jerry Don Barrington of Throckmorton; Ralph Sanders Bailey of Tuscola; third row, Randy Henderson of Loraine; Angelia Hope Greer of Merkel; Trent Wilmor Garrett of Coleman; Rayford Paul Gardner of Colorado City; Margarita Galvan of Lamesa; Ronnie Faulks of Stamford; Bruce Allen Derrick of Pampa; James Davis of Lueders; Jon Erwin Crowley of Abilene; fourth row, Janice Fay Parrish of Breckenridge; Cody Ray Parker of Eastland; Jack Conway Newsome; Gregory Owen Myers of Coleman; Jason Rhea Morris of Colorado City; Gordon Brian Melton of Paducah; Lyle McBurney of Abilene; Nasario Buzo Juarez of Ira; Sergio Armando Jimene of Lamesa; Carmen Herrera of Colorado City; fifth row, instructor J.D. Barham; Marlin Wright of Abilene; Robert Wayne Willoughby of Snyder; Randy Ray Watson of Winters; Ernest Valencia of Munday; Ricky Wayne Thompson of Colorado City; Richard Joseph Snider of Abilene; Christopher Leon Smith of Snyder; Henry Allen Scott of Merkel; Arturo Rodriguez of Abilene; Angel Sanchez and Rodriguez of Anson. (SDN Staff Photo)

'Space' concerns probed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is seeking advice from Capitol Hill on how the planned space station collaboration with Russia is playing politically.

Vice President Al Gore invited congressional station supporters to the White House on Monday to voice their concerns to him and President Clinton in advance of Gore's trip to Moscow next month, where he will formally sign the cooperation agreement.

While not opposed to international participation, some of the lawmakers have suggested the U.S.-Russian collaboration unveiled earlier this month could be too costly and politically unfeasible.

Concerns have also been expressed about whose space station it will be and whether Russia's precarious economy will allow it to meet its obligations.

And, some lawmakers are skeptical that the new design can be built within the $2.1 billion annual station funding cap to which the administration has committed.

House Majority Leader Dick Gephardt said the purpose of the 90-minute meeting was for the congressional leadership to "raise warning flags of where the problems will be."

"The problems weren't all solved today, but a very important communication took place," the Missouri Democrat said as he emerged from the White House.

A key question is how to sell this latest station redesign to a House that came within one vote earlier this year of killing a massive project that has been downsized half a dozen times since first put on the drawing board in 1984.

"There were questions that needed to be discussed relative to how you maintain support for station in the House," said Rep. Jerry Lewis.

Nathaniel Hawthorne's "The Scarlet Letter," was published in 1850.

Surgical care affiliates give deadline

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The nation's second-largest outpatient surgery has given its top competitor an ultimatum — along with a $900 million takeover offer.

The answer Monday was "no."

Surgical Care Affiliates Inc. said Monday it will withdraw its offer if Medical Care American Inc. does not agree to a meeting by Dec. 7.

"If they don't want to meet, we'll go about our business and leave them alone," Surgical Care Affiliates chairman Joel C. Gordon said.

"We definitely want the company, and we want to meet. The only thing we're trying to do is meet with them."

Medical Care issued a statement responding to Surgical's latest overture, saying it still sees no reason for a meeting.

"We have previously stated that should SCA wish to put forth a materially improved proposal, that the company would seriously consider and meet with them as appropriate," said Medical Care America senior vice president Jonathan Bond.

"Since they have chosen not to revise their previous proposal and nothing new has been forthcoming, the company does not see that there is any basis for a meeting," he said.

Surgical Care Affiliates, which calls itself the nation's second-largest outpatient surgery company, offered in October to take over the larger Medical Care America of Dallas.

Surgical Care Affiliates' stock closed Monday on the New York Stock Exchange at $17.625, down 50 cents.

Medical Care America closed on the NYSE at $21, down 75 cents.

With 37.84 million shares of Surgical Care Affiliates outstanding, the takeover offer would be worth $900 million.

Medical Care America executives rejected the stock swap offer, but large shareholders of the Dallas company pressed management to at least listen to Surgical Care Affiliates.

Last week, Surgical Care Affiliates said it will not sweeten the bid without first examining the larger company's books.

"In the mutual advantages of a merger of our two companies, it would not be fair to our shareholders to maintain the proposed terms of a merger indefinitely," Gordon said in a letter sent Monday to Medical Care America.

Astro-graphs

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Wednesday, Dec. 1, 1993

A number of important changes could be in the offing for you in the year ahead. The ones which will be truly significant will be engineered by you and not by outside influences.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your chart indicates that you might profit in some manner today through a source or person that is not one of your usual conduits for gain. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $1.25 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) An old loyal friend might once again prove what a valuable ally he/she is. This pal has a way of generating developments from which both can benefit.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Go after what you want where your work or career is concerned. Your possibilities for fulfilling ambitions and achieving objectives is several notches above usual today.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Keep an open mind today, because you might get involved with two individuals in unrelated circumstances who could each teach you a trick or two.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your most successful involvements today are likely to be with persons with whom you share strong emotional ties. Each is in tune with the other's needs and wants.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Someone with whom you're associated has been trying to tell you about something opportune in which you could participate. Up until now you've never fully understood him/her, but you may today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your financial picture is a bit better at this time then even you may realize. If you look hard enough, ways can be found to increase your earnings or holdings.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You might receive a big boost from Lady Luck today in a matter which is of personal significance to you. It may require a little risk taking on your behalf.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Things might not start out to your liking today, but end results won't be representative of beginnings. You pick up momentum as you go.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Don't be afraid to think in expansive terms today, especially if you're involved in something new that is promising and hopeful. The bigger the better.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your material prospects look very encouraging at this time. You're involved in a trend that might produce something lavishly beneficial.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try to weave your future intentions and aspirations into plans you're formulating at the present. They can comfortably compliment one another.

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