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New laws target smokers, drinkers who are underage

New laws taking effect Monday will have an impact on Scurry County teen-agers who chose to indulge in tobacco products or alcohol.

As of Labor Day, a state law will go into effect making it illegal for anyone under the age of 18 to use or possess tobacco products. That includes cigarettes, cigars, chewing tobacco and snuff or "smokeless" tobacco.

It had already been illegal for shop owners to sell tobacco products to minors; now it will be illegal for minors to even possess them.

Under-age individuals caught with tobacco products can be fined up to $250 under the new law. They can also be ordered to attend a tobacco awareness program. Teens who fail to attend the court-ordered program can have their driver's license suspended for up to 180 days.

There are some exceptions. Under-age citizens can use or possess tobacco products if they are accompanied by a parent, guardian or spouse.

The new law also prohibits the distribution of free samples or coupons, restricts outdoor tobacco advertising near churches and schools and requires sellers to ask anyone under age 27 for identification before selling them tobacco.

Another state law which goes on the books Monday could impact teen-agers caught with alcohol. It becomes illegal for people under age 21 to drive with any amount of alcohol in their blood system.

Underage drinkers who are caught for the first time will lose their driver's license for 60 days. A second offense will envoke a penalty of 120 days while a third offense will draw six months without a license.

Criminal charges are also possible, with sentences ranging from 40 hours of community service and a $500 fine, up to six months in jail and a $2,000 fine for a third offense.

There are actually 1,030 new state laws taking effect Monday. Among them:

—Driver's Licenses: A new law will require motorists to pay $24 for a license that will be good for six years. Presently, a license costs $16 and is good for four years.

—Adoption: A new law will allow for speedier adoptions. It is also designed to protect the parental rights of fathers who assume responsibility for the child.

—Nursing Homes: New laws will set minimum standards for quality of care.

—Sex Offenders: A new law will automatically mean life in prison for an offender convicted of certain sex offenses two times. There are also provisions to increase the number of sex offenders required to register with law enforcement agencies, and new procedures to extend probation.

—Background Checks: A new law will require background checks on those who are paid to provide home child care. It would not affect a relative of the child or anyone taking care of three or fewer children.

—Motorcycle helmets: Motorcyclists who are 21 or older and who have either completed a safety training course or are carrying at least $10,000 in health insurance won't have to wear a helmet.

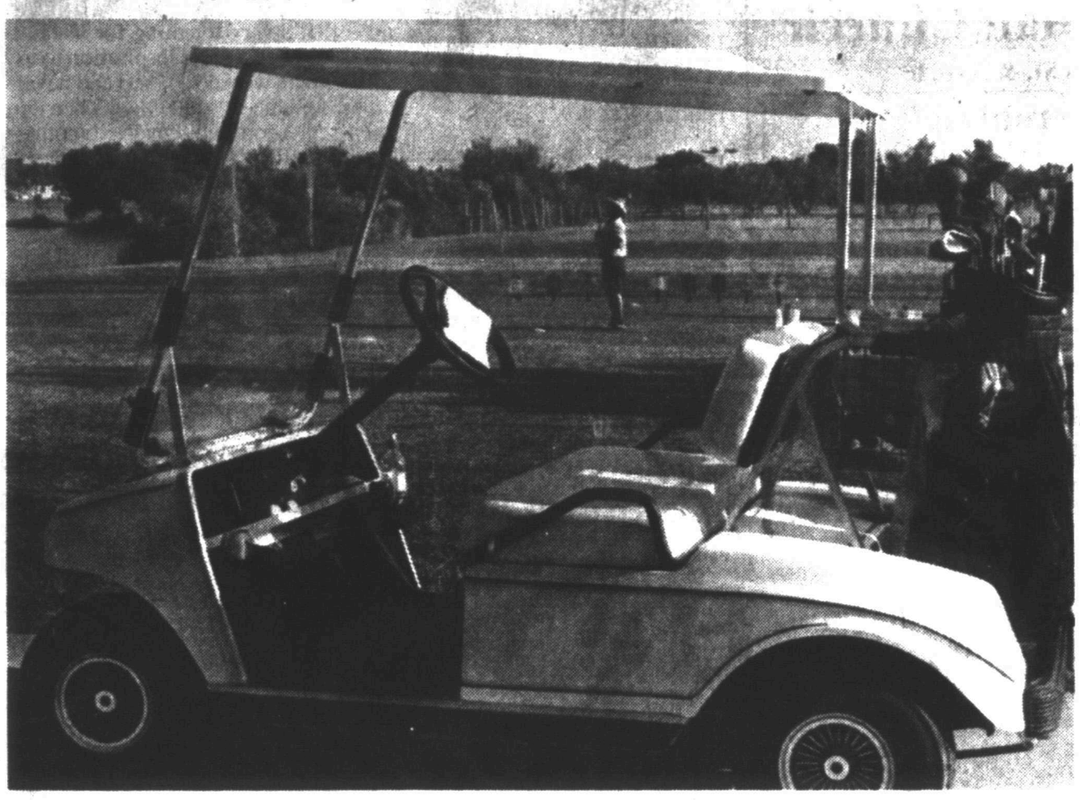
Phone blues get some relief

How many times when you see that "unavailable" message on your caller ID do you answer, only to find some one trying to sell you something?

Beginning Monday, a new state law requires telephone solicitors to stop blocking their identities.

The law also imposes a time limit of 30 seconds on those annoying automatically-dialed calls to customers.

And one other new law — beginning Monday, it will be illegal for telecommunications companies to switch your telephone service provider without your approval.



HOLIDAY WEEKEND — Jack Shultz got the Labor Day weekend off to a good start by playing in the Slingin' Sammy Baugh Golf Class at Western Texas College Saturday morning. The tournament benefits the golf program at both Snyder High School and Snyder Junior High School. (SDN Staff Photo)

Labor Day prompts closings

Monday is Labor Day, a holiday for schools, banking institutions and government entities across Scurry County.

One exception is the city landfill, which is closed Saturday but will be open Monday.

Snyder, Ira and Hermleigh school districts won't hold classes, nor will Western Texas College.

City Hall and the Scurry County Courthouse will both be closed.

Also planning to be closed Monday are the museum, health clinic, Senior Center and library.

All financial institutions in the county will also be closed, and the post office will not deliver mail or put mail in boxes.

Celebration: It's all about reading

Area citizens are invited to a community-wide event next Saturday at Scurry County Coliseum.

It's the Snyder ISD-sponsored reading celebration, scheduled from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at the county coliseum. The celebration will get underway with a parade led by the Texas Tech Masked Raider and the Snyder High School marching band.

Students who dress as story-book or novel characters will be eligible to win prizes for most original costumes.

Other events will include presentations from children's authors, poets, students' essays and performances by the high school drama department.

State Rep. David Counts and Associate Commissioner of Education Dr. Gene Davenport will be special guests.

Citizens can visit booths sponsored by each SISD campus, Western Texas College, the Region 14 Service Center, the county library and civic organizations.

Book companies from the surrounding area will display books and other reading materials which may be purchased for the home or for individual school campuses.

Snyder ISD will receive a donated book of equal value with each purchase made from the book companies. Honorary/memorial labels will be placed in each book purchased for or donated to a campus.

ACU could offer courses at WTC

Abilene Christian University, in conjuction with Western Texas College, is considering the offering of courses in Snyder leading to a bachelor's degree.

ACU is considering offering a bachelor of applied studies, an accredited degree program which addresses the needs of non-traditional adults, 25 years of age or older.

The BAS program uses several kinds of credit, including military training and college hours taken long ago, in a tuition-discounted program featuring innovative scheduling and degree plans for working adults.

Dr. Harry Krenek, WTC president, said ACU is discussing the possibility of offering a BAS-Teaching track, leading to elementary teacher's certification with a reading specialization.

Some courses would be taught in Snyder and some, in the summers, at the ACU campus in Abilene. Others may be available through "distance education" by compressed video or interactive classroom format at WTC and ACU at the same time.

Officials said such a program could begin as early as the fall of 1998. Persons interested should contact Dr. Jim Palmer, WTC dean of instruction.

ACU also wants to know what other fields of study local students would be interested in taking. These fields — such as sociology, psychology, human services, professional leadership, criminal justice, industrial technology and business — could be suggested by calling either ACU or the WTC dean of instruction's office.

More villagers slaughtered in Algeria

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Attackers have slashed to death another 47 people south of the capital, villagers said Saturday, a day after 300 people were slaughtered in the worst violence in more than five years.

The terror wave of recent weeks comes before October municipal elections and flies in the face of recent claims by President Liamine Zeroual that he had nearly crushed the Islamic insurgency.

Forty-two people were slashed to death before dawn Friday in the farming village of Maalba, about 120 miles southeast of Algiers, said villagers who fled the region. The attackers took food and livestock.

At the same time, another gang killed five family members in the Frais Vallon neighborhood in the hills above the capital, residents and hospital sources said. The attackers abducted two young girls and fled.

On Sunday, seven other people were attacked with knives and their bodies thrown in a well. Five other young girls were abducted in that attack.

But in what was believed to be the bloodiest massacre of the 5½-year insurgency, villagers and hospital workers reported at least 300 people were killed in Rais, 15 miles south of the capital on Friday.

Algeria's military government has insisted it has the uprising under control. Zeroual claimed only a week ago that "terrorism is living its final hours."

Muslim militants have been trying to overthrow the government since the army canceled the last parliamentary vote in 1992, when it appeared the now-banned Islamic Salvation Front — a coalition of religious parties — would win.

About 1,500 people have been killed in attacks attributed to Islamic insurgents since early June, when the military-backed government swept Algeria's first-ever multiparty elections with promises to crush the bloody insurgency.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Government is too big and important to be left to politicians."

A batch of new laws, thanks to the Texas Legislature, take effect tomorrow.

Here's just a few of the bills dealing with weighty issues:

--You can now have a credit card benefiting state parks.

--A person can now have access to their own contact lens prescription.

--The inspector of hides and animals in Ector County has been abolished.

--You do not have to wear a life jacket while engaged in human-power boat racing, rowing and sculling.

--Instead of blocking access to gambling devices aboard ships in Texas waters, operators can now merely unplug them until getting out into the open sea.

--The maximum value of a raffle prize is now $50,000 instead of $25,000.

--You can mark your trees and posts with purple paint to warn against trespassing.

--There are now procedures to vote if you are on an extended space flight.

--No more common law marriages for persons under the age of 18.

--In line with federeal standards, eggs must be stored at 45 instead of 60 degrees.

--Terminology in the Election Code will be gender neutral.

--The rights and responsibilities of ice skaters in a public facility have been defined.

--You can only drive golf carts on public roadways during the day and only two miles from origin to destination.

--You can purchase car tags to benefit the Big Bend Park, Keep Texas Beautiful program or toward a fund to sterilize pets.

--It will be a crime to knowingly mislabel buffalo meat.

--Picante is the official state sauce, rodeo the offical sport, guitar the official state instrument, and chiltepin the state native pepper.

Memorable quotes from the past legislative session:

--Ain't nothin' in the middle of the road but yellow stripes and dead armadillos.

--It just makes good sense to put all your eggs in one basket.

--I am filled with humidity.

--It's the sediment of the House that we adjourn.

--I want to thank each one of you for having extinguished yourselves in this session.

--There's a lot of uncertainty that's not clear in my mind.

--I can explain it for you, but I can't understand it for you.

Museum has new exhibits

Scurry County Museum and the Snyder Palette Club will hold an open house Sunday to introduce the public to two new exhibits.

The public reception from will be held from 1:30 until 3 p.m. at the museum.

More than 100 pieces of inmate arts and crafts from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Price Daniel Unit make up one of the exhibits.

The craft works range from leather, wood carving, matchstick inlay, silver and horsehair jewelry to tissue and oatmeal sculpture. Two-dimensional art employs a wide media, including oil, water, air brush, pencil, charcoal, pastels and acrylics.

The other exhibit is the Texas Watercolor Society's annual traveling display. The exhibit is comprised of 30 pieces, selected by artist and judge Katherine Chang Liu from 721 entries.

The works will be on display through Oct. 28.

ASK US

Q—Is 30th Street going to have a different surface on it, or do we have the final product now?

A—A company will begin putting the asphalt on Wednesday, said Mike Taylor of the Texas Department of Transportation.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 95 degrees; low, 69; 7 a.m. Saturday, 69; no precipitation; total for 1997, 21.27 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, mostly clear. Low, mid-upper 60s. SE wind 5-10 mph. Sunday, high, mid to upper 90s. S wind 10-20 mph. Labor Day, low around 65. High, mid 90s.

Matt Vanderpool
Windy

Sunset: 8:09 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:19 a.m.
Of 241 days in 1997, the sun has shone 229 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

If we only wanted to be happy, it would be easy, but we always want to be happier than other people, which is almost always difficult, since we think them happier than they are.

Montesquieu

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Woman said world's oldest turns 117

CORBEIL, Ontario (AP) — Flanked by her 81-year-old son and 72-year-old daughter, the woman deemed to be world's oldest person wore a flowered print dress with a corsage and a white ribbon in her silver-braided hair Friday for her 117th birthday party.

Marie Louise Meilleur mostly rested with her eyes closed during an hour-long ceremony at a nursing home.

Meilleur was flanked by her son Ernie Meilleur, 81, a fellow nursing home resident, daughter Rita Gutzman, 72, of nearby Deep River, Ontario, and family and friends from across Canada.

"It means a lot to me — she's precious," said Gutzman, who is unsure if her mother knows she's been designated the world's oldest person by the Guinness Book of Records. Meilleur is nearly blind and can only hear words shouted in one ear.

"When we told her she was the oldest in Canada, she said: 'Poor Canada.' She said her birthday party was too much trouble."

Guinness named Meilleur the world's oldest person after the recent death of Jeanne Calment of France. Other people claim to be older, but lack the documents Guinness requires.

Meilleur, affectionately called Memere by her family, arrived at the Nipissing Manor home in 1988, walking in, aged 107, aided only by a cane.

The building in this town near the Ontario-Quebec border was originally erected in the late 1930s for another Canadian phenomenon — the Dionne quintuplets, the world's first fivesome known to survive infancy.

"It's very touching for us, and she's been a great inspiration to us — she's worked so hard and never complained," said Olive Therrien of Peterborough, Ontario, another of Meilleur's four living children.

Meilleur married twice and had 12 children. She has 85 grandchildren, 80 great-grandchildren, 57 great-great-grandchildren and four great-great-great-grandchildren.

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Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

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TUESDAY

Steak fingers, mashed potatoes w/gravy, broccoli, cantaloupe, cherry cobbler

WEDNESDAY

Liver & onions, savory peas, squash w/cheese sauce, carrot-raisin salad, coconut pudding

THURSDAY

Pork chops, yellow hominy, tomatoes & okra, tossed salad, baked apple

FRIDAY

Fried fish, turnip greens, butter beans, pineapple w/cheese, salad, brownie

Senior Center News

The Senior Center will be closed Monday for Labor Day.

Beginning at 11 a.m. Tuesday, the Hoss Clayton Band will entertain and at noon the Golden Kiwanis will have their weekly meeting. They encourage all seniors to join their group and participate in their support of the community and the Senior Center.

Rummikub will be played at 1 p.m. Tuesday.

Wednesday, at 10 a.m., the Kitchen Band will be entertaining the residents at Snyder Healthcare Center and at 11 the Wednesday Trio will play at the center. The Line Dancers will practice at 1:15 p.m. Wednesday.

The first practice of the Sunshine Choir will be 10 a.m. Thursday. Tri-Chem will begin at 9 a.m.

Volunteers are still needed for the Senior Center's booth and the north entrance at the upcoming Scurry County Fair.

To volunteer, call 573-4035.

Missouri inmates head home

LONGVIEW (AP) — Buses began transporting 234 Missouri inmates home Friday after that state canceled its contract with a private corrections company operating at the Gregg County Jail.

Gregg County and four other Texas counties including Brazoria contracted with Capital Correctional Resources Inc. to provide some day-to-day jail operations at county facilities, mostly involving inmates from Missouri and Oklahoma.

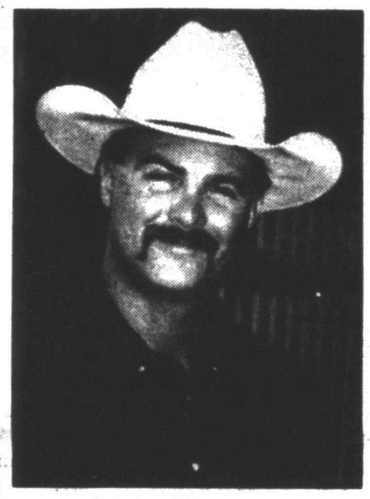
Missouri has been retrieving its inmates after a videotape surfaced earlier this month from the Brazoria County Jail showing guards dragging inmates, forcing some to crawl naked on the floor and allowing a German shepherd to bite one inmate's leg.

Gregg County Sheriff Bobby Weaver said CCRI paid about $50,000 a month to house inmates at his lockup. The county was using the money to pay off bonds early, but did not rely on the funds for operating revenue, he said.

Still, Weaver said, it was disappointing that Missouri was linking the Brazoria County incident to his jail in some way. He emphasized that he hired all CCRI employees who worked in his jail and they followed his rules.

"No one dreamed of all of them being hit at the same time," Weaver said of Missouri's decision to pull inmates from all CCRI lockups.

However, 30 Missouri inmates still remain in the county-run Navarro County Jail in Corsicana. And 230 more are being held in the Jasper County Jail, which is run by the private Bobby Ross Group.



Richard Long

Long will serve on voc-ag board

CORPUS CHRISTI — Richard Long, agricultural science teacher from Ira High School, has been chosen to serve on the Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association of Texas' Board of Directors.

As a board member, Long will be required to attend board meetings, vote on policy for the association and elect the association's officers.

Being elected as a board member speaks highly of an individual," VATAT President Scotty Windham said. "It means their peers have faith in their leadership abilities and want them to help make important decisions regarding this organization."

Kirk Edney, state director of agricultural education, said he expected over 1,400 agricultural science and technology teachers to attend this year's conference. This conference provides teachers the opportunity to prepare for the school year ahead.

There are 108,000 students enrolled in agricultural education courses in Texas, and over 950 Texas schools have agricultural science and technology programs.

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LaTrisha Lee

Lee awarded scholarship from TILF

LaTrisha Lee, a Snyder High School graduate, has been awarded a scholarship by the Texas Interscholastic League Foundation.

Lee received The Campbell Foundation of Abilene Scholarship in the amount of $1,000, payable $500 each semester of the first year.

This year The Campbell Foundation of Abilene awarded a total of five grants to students who have participated in the University Interscholastic League Academic Meet and who have compiled an outstanding record of academic and extracurricular achievement.

This year the TILF awarded 312 new awards and will renew approximately 216 awards for a total of 528 scholarships for 1997-1998 with an approximate value of $754,000. Recipients may attend any approved college or university in Texas.

Lee qualified for the 1997 UIL Academic State Meet in science and computer science. She also participated in UIL current issues and events, mathematics and the National Honor Society, Spanish Club, KTXS Academic Challenge Team and Student Council.

Lee is attending Abilene Christian University and majoring in biochemistry.

Georgia sues tobacco firms

ATLANTA (AP) — Georgia became the 41st state to sue the tobacco industry, accusing cigarette companies of planning and executing a public health crisis that cost millions of dollars to treat smoking-related illnesses.

The lawsuit filed Friday in Fulton County Superior Court seeks at least $8.3 billion.

Forty other states have filed similar suits. Florida signed an $11.3 billion settlement with the companies Monday and Mississippi settled earlier this summer for nearly $3.6 billion.

The lawsuit contends the industry suppressed facts about the hazards of using tobacco.

Happy Birthday Granny Lowery

CERTIFIED EMTS — These four 1997 Ira High School graduates are state certified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT). From left are, Kyle Lomax, Lisha Leatherwood, Rikki Wilkes and Adam Davis. (Contributed Photo)

Judge dismantles Food Lion award, keeps fraud judgment

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — In a decision that angered jurors, a judge wiped out 90 percent of a $5.5 million fraud verdict against Capital Cities-ABC Inc. for an expose accusing Food Lion of selling rotting grocery meat.

U.S. District Judge Carlton Tilley on Friday reduced the award to $315,000, giving Food Lion 14 days to accept or face a retrial on the punitive damages portion of the case. Jurors said they were shocked.

"That's a joke," foreman Gregory Mack said. "You're looking at a situation where we're barely punishing the network. That's a penny against their net worth. They can afford a penny to get a story worth $100,000."

Jurors in January awarded Food Lion $5.5 million in punitive damages and $1,402 in compensatory damages in the wake of the expose that accused the grocery chain of selling rat-gnawed cheese and spoiled meat.

Although Food Lion denied the accuracy of the 1992 "PrimeTime Live" story, it did not go after ABC for libel or slander. It instead sued the network for fraud, trespass and breach of the duty of loyalty.

The jurors found ABC liable after Salisbury-based Food Lion proved the network lied to get jobs in North Carolina and South Carolina for undercover reporters who then wore spy cameras and hidden recorders.

Tilley preserved the principle underlying the judgment: News organizations that infiltrate a company through lies may have to pay.

But in his opinion, the judge said the difference in compensatory and punitive damages was too much.

"The ratio of overall punitive damage award assessed against Capital Cities-ABC Inc. to the compensatory damage award is approximately 2,857 to one," Tilley wrote. "A ratio of 2,857 to one is certainly suspect."

He reduced the award to $50,000 from Capital Cities, $250,000 from American Broadcasting Co., and $7,500 each from former "Prime Time Live" executive producer Richard Kaplan and undercover unit producer Ira Rosen.

Tilley refused Food Lion's request that ABC pay its legal fees.

Food Lion called the decision a victory, even though its legal bills — at least $1 million, according to court papers — far exceed the award.

"Food Lion is pleased the company's claims have been vindicated and the important principles involved in this case have been upheld," the company said in a statement.

Food Lion did not indicate whether it would accept the smaller award.

For its part, ABC again defended its actions and insisted it should not be held liable for violating any laws.

"By going undercover and telling a vital story about Food Lion's unsanitary food handling practices, we were following a great tradition of American journalism," the network said in a statement. "We continue to stand behind the talented journalists who reported this important story."

David Logan, a Wake Forest University law professor who followed the case, said the ruling showed that Tilley agreed ABC acted improperly but that the network "did not commit $5.5 million in potential wrong."

The state tree of Minnesota is the Norway pine.

Co-ed step aerobic class to be offered

A co-ed step aerobic class will start Wednesday, Sept. 3. This class is offered as an academic credit class as well as continuing ed.

Rhonda Ward will be the instructor and class times are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6-7:15 p.m. in the gym.

Ward said the class is designed to accommodate the beginning exerciser as well as the advanced. "The trick is to listen to your own body and to stay at your level."

The class will consist of five to 10 minutes of warm-up and stretching getting the muscles and joints ready for the cardio phase, which will last 30-40 minutes.

A cool down and floor exercises for strength and flexibility will follow this.

Non-credit people will be signing up in the gym before class on Thursday, Sept. 4 and Monday, Sept. 8. The cost will be $54 for the semester.

The Lions Are Coming with Light Bulbs
Tuesday, Sept 2
6:00-8:30 p.m.
Proceeds Help Purchase Eyeglasses And Other Projects

4 IHS grads earn EMT certification

Ira's first EMT class has been deemed a "great success," according to Tammy Shirley, class instructor and home economics teacher.

All four students who completed the class have passed the state certification exam and are now certified EMTs. They include Kyle Lomax, Lisha Leatherwood, Rikki Wilkes and Adam Davis.

"I am very proud of these students," Shirley continued. "They have shown great maturity and dedication and have put forth a lot of hard work. They will be a great asset to their community and workplace."

The AP course is coordinated through Western Texas College and each student receives three hours college credit.

Ira is starting its second EMT class and currently six students are enrolled.

Ex-judge to pay money to mishandled estate

ABILENE (AP) — A federal bankruptcy judge has ordered former Taylor County Judge James McMillon to pay more than $200,000 to an estate he mishandled.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge John C. Akard handed down the ruling Friday, accusing McMillon of "self dealing" in the matter. McMillon was ordered to repay his $50,000 executor's fee, two $6,500 loans, attorneys' fees and court costs to the estate of Rosalyn Skiles Awtry. He also must pay triple that amount in punitive damages.

"This court is upset about this matter," Akard said. "This matter is egregious."

The verdict means Ms. Awtry's assets will be transferred to the last surviving beneficiary, a charitable trust, nine years after her death.

McMillon and his attorney, Thomas Wheeler, declined comment on their way out of court Friday.

Ms. Awtry died in August 1988 at age 82. She left most of her estate, estimated to be worth at least $600,000, to her sister, Sammie Kathleen Skiles, and to their trust fund. Ms. Skiles died in 1994.

The family of Mrs. Bertha (Boocks) Cotton wishes to invite her friends and former co-workers to join in celebrating the occasion of her 90th birthday

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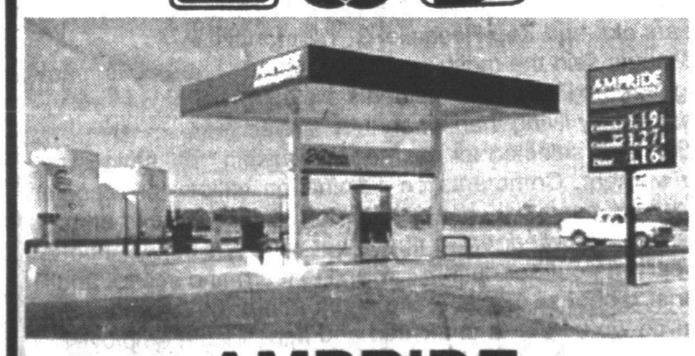

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Shy elephant gains confidence with art

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — For most of her 36 years, Mamie was about as submissive and timid as an 8,500-pound African elephant could get.

Living with two younger females and a younger male, she was the odd elephant out at the Knoxville Zoo.

"If you went out in the yard and said, 'Mamie, come here,' she would just try to make herself small or try to get away," said handler Deborah Anderson, who arrived here this spring from the Houston Zoo. "She was just so insecure."

Until Anderson introduced Mamie to art.

She taught Mamie to retrieve rocks. Then it was colored chalk. Finally, she brought in the brushes and acrylic paint, always heaping rewards and praise on the nervous elephant.

"Are you ready?" Anderson began one day. "Good girl," she said as Mamie took the brush.

"Draw, Mamie," she said, and the elephant started swishing paint across a small canvas — and sometimes across Anderson. "Oooh, Mamie. That's a good girl."

Over the past three months, Mamie has created about 25 paintings and 15 chalk drawings.

Her confidence has risen with all the attention.

"Now we can call her from all the way across the yard. Or if she sees the paints coming out she will be right here waiting," Anderson said. "She knows what is happening. And for Mamie, that is a huge amount of progress."

Mamie's art may not be masterpieces, and her accomplishment is not unique. Other zoos have painting elephants, notably the Phoenix Zoo's Asian elephant Ruby, whose paintings fetch $3,000 apiece.

What may be exceptional is that her caretakers couldn't care less about the product.

Kevorkian eulogizes crusader

FARMINGTON HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Choking back tears at her funeral, Dr. Jack Kevorkian said Friday his friend and ally Janet Good had surpassed even Mother Theresa in her humanity.

"Mother Theresa stops short," Kevorkian said. "Mother Theresa justifies what she does because of myth. Janet did what she did because it was right."

Kevorkian also said Good should be remembered as one of the major figures of the women's movement.

About 100 people gathered for the service in the Detroit suburb of Farmington Hills.

Good, 73, died Tuesday at her Farmington Hills home after a two-year battle with pancreatic cancer. Medical examiners say it is not yet clear whether Kevorkian aided in Good's death. Her daughter, Marjorie Good-Helmling, has said Kevorkian was present when she died.

Kevorkian was not available for comment following the funeral.

Good herself was at the bedsides of many of the people Kevorkian helped commit suicide. A smiling presence in a pink sweater, Good would comfort patients and sometimes videotape proceedings. Good also took phone ealls and answered letters from people asking for Kevorkian's assistance.

Good was also an outspoken advocate for women's rights, particularly on the issue of sexual harassment. In 1991 she was inducted into the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame.

OUTSTANDING OFFICER — Rotary Club director of vocational service Bill Covey, right, presented Officer Mike Ward of the Snyder Police Deptartment, with a plaque for his outstanding service. Ward, a 1988 graduate of Snyder High School, attended WTC for two years and is a 1993 graduate of West Central Texas Council of Governments Police Academy in Abilene. He was hired as police records clerk in March, 1994. Ward was commissioned as a Snyder Police Officer in February, 1995. He is currently assigned to "B" Shift in the Patrol Division. Officer Ward and his wife, Sandy, have two children, Christopher and Hunter. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Area Briefs

1997 Coyote Opry

GAIL — The 1997 Coyote Opry — sponsored by the Borden County Extension service, Junior Livestock Association, 4-H and Gail FFA — will be held Saturday, Sept. 6. Roping begins at 1 p.m. with a local and area talent show to be held from 6-9:30 p.m. Between acts, pies, cakes and cobblers will be auctioned.

Roscoe 'Octoberfest'

ROSCOE — The second annual Octoberfest will be held Oct. 4-5 here. There will be arts and crafts, collectibles, antiques, music, barbecue, dancers, a people parade, a dog parade and queen contest. There is no cost to vendors. For more information call 766-3628 or write P.O. Box 789.

Stenholm Funday planned

U.S. Rep. Charlie Stenholm will host FUN Day on next Saturday, at the Ericksdahl picnic grounds east of Stamford. Festivities will begin at 4:30 p.m. and continue into the evening. The program includes barbecue, entertainment and a drawing for flags flown over the U.S. Capitol. Tickets are $10 a person, available at the gate.

Berry's World

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"Here it is. Rule #634 — You may drop the ball out onto the fairway any time you want. No penalty."

Preparations continue for Taste of Scurry Co.

"Everything is falling into place," said Drew Bullard, chairperson for 'A Taste of Scurry County.' All the county food vendors have given us tremendous, positive response and local merchants have been very generous with donations."

A Taste of Scurry County is sponsored by the Scurry County Museum and will be held on Sept. 11. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with food sampling and entertainment by Texas Sand, a silent auction and door prize drawings.

About 8 p.m., the posted auction will begin. Fifty-two merchants have donated items for the prizes and auctions. Nineteen food vendors will be serving food.

Snyder Janitorial Service, Gill's Fried Chicken, Whataburger, Burger King and Grandy's will provide the tableware.

"Reservations are encouraged for the event," Bullard continued. "We'd like to get a fairly accurate count of the number of people attending so that the restaurants can prepare the proper amount of food."

In addition to the aforementioned activities, party goers will have the opportunity to acquire tickets for a computer system. Bullard's Computer Solutions has donated the system to the museum. The drawing for it will be held in December.

Tickets for Taste of Scurry County are available at the museum, chamber of commerce, Nathalie's, Bullard's Computer Solutions and Snyder Health Mart. Tickets are $12.50 for adults, $5 for children 5-12, and free for children under five when accompanied by a ticket-holding adult.

Prognosis good

CHICAGO (AP) — Harmonica great Junior Wells is being treated for lymphoma, but hold off on singing the blues. His manager says the prognosis is good.

The 62-year-old Wells, who first made his mark playing in Muddy Waters' band, has canceled several appearances to accommodate treatment for the ailment, which is a cancer of the lymphatic system.

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August, 1997

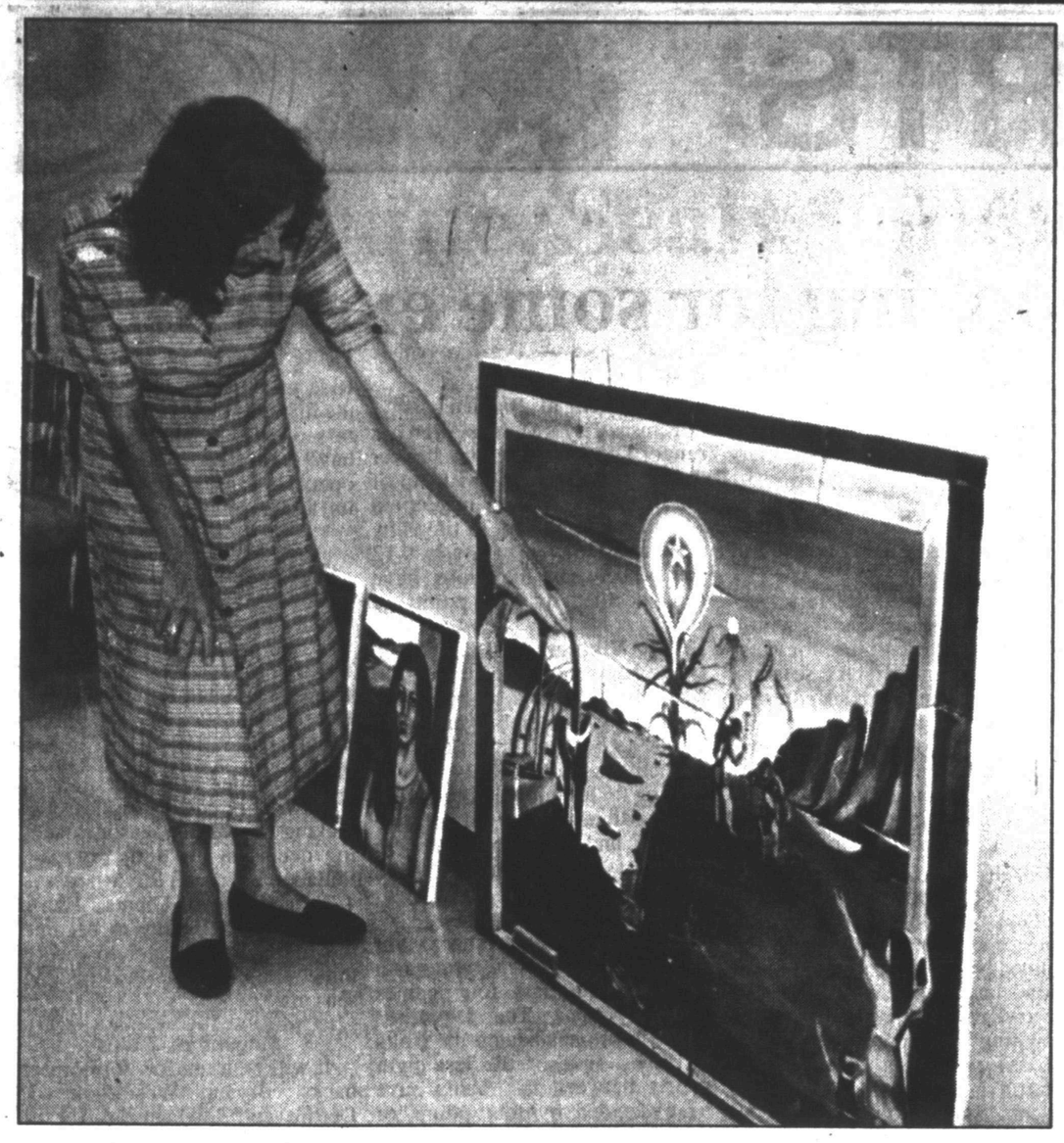
Maggie has been employed at Cogdell Memorial Hospital for about 1 1/2 years. In addition to her work as a nurse aide, she has also substituted as a ward clerk and assisted with resident activities.

She and her husband have two daughters; Nikki Lynn, 3 years old, and Zoe Rochelle, 3 1/2 months.

Maggie said the most rewarding aspect of her job is "seeing that the Long Term residents are doing better with activities of daily living than when they arrived."

She was selected for this honor following nominations by co-workers. Comments on nomination ballots for Maggie included: has a very positive attitude... energetic and enthusiastic ... knowledgeable about her work and conscientious in carrying out her duties ... willing to learn and accept additional responsibility ... really cares about the patients and her co-workers ... a dedicated and dependable employee.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital



READY FOR SHOW — Charlene Akers, director of the Scurry County Museum, points to one of the pictures in the Inmate Art Show which officially opens Sunday with a reception from 1:30-3 p.m. Inmates from Price Daniel Unit have contributed a variety of artwork which is on display along with the Texas Water Colors Show. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Judge throws out parental consent law for abortions

AUSTIN (AP) — A new state law requiring minors to get parental consent before obtaining state-paid birth control and other prescription drugs was declared unconstitutional Friday.

State District Judge F. Scott McCown blocked Texas health officials from enforcing the law, which was tucked into the state budget passed by the 1997 Legislature.

The budget, which takes effect Monday, included numerous so-called "riders," special provisions that describe how money is to be spent.

But the parental consent provision goes beyond detailing expenditures and violates the state constitution's prohibition on amending or repealing general law through the budget bill, McCown ruled.

The state Human Resources Code requires the Texas Department of Health to seek federal funds and follow federal law, he wrote. Federal law prohibits requiring parental consent for federally funded family planning services.

The parental consent provision would have barred the state agency from doing what the Human Resources Code requires, McCown wrote. The Texas Department of Health had been advised that if the law were implemented, Texas would be ineligible for $93 million in federal funds.

His decision was cheered by Planned Parenthood of Houston and Southeast Texas Inc., which challenged the law.

"We think it's a victory for teens and good medicine and good public health policy, because teens will continue to receive confidential family planning services and treatment for sexually transmitted infections," said Susan Nenney, a vice president of the group.

"That's our first priority, to get word out to young men and women they can continue to receive services," she said.

Bill Price of the anti-abortion Texans United for Life blasted the ruling.

"It's outrageous for a solitary judge to override the wishes of the elected representatives of the people, and we think that his decision will be overturned on appeal," Price said.

"This is just another example of their (Planned Parenthood's) philosophy that the less parents know about their children, the better, and we think this is a belief that most Texans reject."

Ms. Nenney said those who oppose abortion should support family planning as "the real-life way to reduce the number of abortions."

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WTC courses

Keyboarding

Individualized instruction for those who want to further their keyboarding skills and speed is offered this fall at Western Texas College.

The class is OFAD 1312, Keyboarding/Typing II. Students should contact the instructor, Tammy Wesson, at 573-8511, ext. 241.

Computers (WordPerfect 6.1 for Windows) and electronic typewriters will be used to complete assignments.

Wednesday, Sept. 3, is the final day to enroll in classes for the fall term. The enrollment process begins at the WTC counseling office located in the Student Center.

Beginning computers

Limited space is still available for a course designed for those who need beginning skills and basic knowledge of computers, offered through Western Texas College this fall.

Students may still enroll in CIM 131 (Basic Computers/Information Processing) meeting Tuesday-Thursday from 1-2:15 p.m.

Hands-on applications in Windows '95 version 7, Word, Excel, Access, Graphics and surfing the Internet will be included.

Wednesday, Sept. 3, is the final day to enroll in classes for the fall term. The enrollment process begins at the WTC counseling office located in the Student Center.

For more information about the class, contact Tammy Wesson, 573-8511, ext. 241.

Enrollment

Individuals may enroll in classes for the fall term at Western Texas College through Wednesday.

All college offices will reopen Tuesday following the Labor Day holiday.

The enrollment process begins at the WTC counseling office located in the Student Center.

Creative writing

Space is still available in a creative writing class offered this fall at Western Texas College.

The course, Eng. 2307, meets Wednesdays from 6:30-9:20 p.m. and is taught by Bill McGlothing, assistant professor of English and a published poet.

The class serves as the springboard for submissions to WTC's literary magazine "Aquifer."

The class is a three-hour elective and will transfer as academic credit to four-year universities. Works covered include poetry, short fiction and non-fiction.

Written critiques are provided for all work submitted and the students discuss their writing in a "workshop atmosphere."

"The class is for anyone who writes or who wants to," McGlothing said.

Microcomputer and word processing

Limited space is still available in a new computer course begun this fall by the Electronic Office Technology Department at Western Texas College.

The class, CIM 132 (Microcomputer/Word Processing), will have its first meeting next Wednesday, Sept. 3. Class time will be from 4-6:20 p.m.

To enroll, students must first contact instructor Joann Snider at 573-8511, ext. 217. The class will cover the software programs Microsoft Word and Excel.

Beginning typing

A beginning typing class, OFAD 1311 Keyboarding/Typing I, still has limited space available in a night class meeting this fall each Wednesday from 6:30-9:20 p.m. at Western Texas College.

This course is for beginning typists or those that cannot type 35 words per minute with five or fewer errors.

This class is very useful for any student that will be using the computer. For more information, contact Joann Snider, 573-8511, ext. 241.

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The public hearing will be held on Sept. 15, 1997 @ 7:30PM at Ira I.S.D. Administration Office.

FOR the proposal: Keith Clements, Bo Robinson, Sid Wall, Dirk Dunn, Lance Autry & Kirby Sterling
AGAINST the proposal: NONE
PRESENT and not voting: NONE
ABSENT: Doug White

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the 1.2197 tax rate that the unit published on August 21, 1997. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	$19,152	$19,079
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	$5,000	$15,000
Average taxable value	$14,152	$4,079
Tax rate	1.4500/$100	1.4200/$100
Tax	$205.20	$57.92

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would DECREASE by $147.28 or 71.77 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would DECREASE by $.03 per $100 of taxable value or 2.06 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

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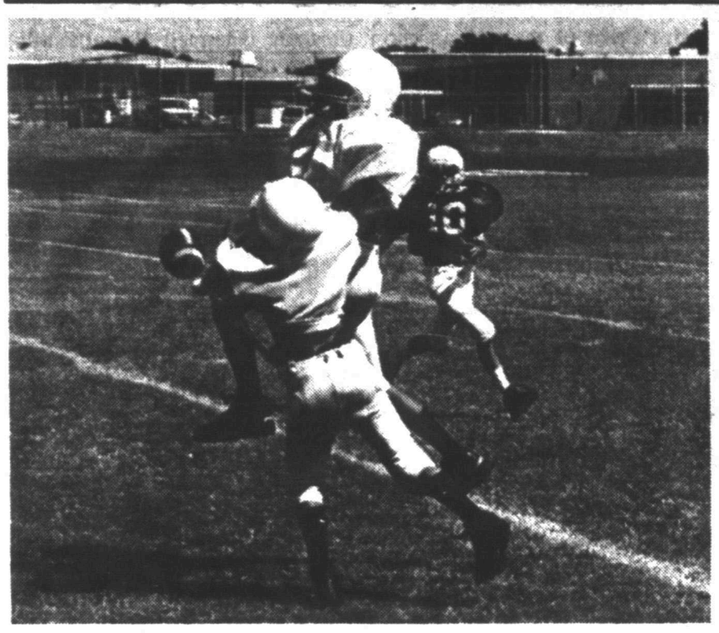

BREAKING UP THE PASS — Two Snyder Junior High players go for the ball during practice Friday. Snyder's 7th and 8th grade teams play their first games of the season Thursday against Abilene. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Sunday's Games

Arizona at Cincinnati, noon
Atlanta at Detroit, noon
Dallas at Pittsburgh, noon
Indianapolis at Miami, noon
Minnesota at Buffalo, noon
New Orleans at St. Louis, noon
Oakland at Tennessee, noon
Philadelphia at New York Giants, noon
San Diego at New England, noon
Jacksonville at Baltimore, 3 p.m.
Kansas City at Denver, 3 p.m.
New York Jets at Seattle, 3 p.m.
San Francisco at Tampa Bay, 3 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 7 p.m.

Monday's Game

Chicago at Green Bay, 8 p.m.

This week in the NFL...

Bengals looking for some excitement

By The Associated Press

Green Bay turned its fans on with the Lambeau Leap — and a Super Bowl championship, of course. Cleveland loved the Dawg Pound, before Art Modell closed it down by leaving town.

Jeff Blake wants Cincinnati — once the home of the "Who Dey" cheer, the "Ickey Shuffle" and "The Jungle" — to have something of its own.

"That's what you need nowadays. That's what the fans like to see," the quarterback said. "I mean, before I got here, this place was dead. No celebrating, no nothing. You score a touchdown and just hand the ball to the ref and head to the sidelines.

"That ain't entertainment. People want to be entertained. That's one thing we really want to get into this year, fan participation."

It could be a tough sell in a lot of ways. First of all, fans are not exactly in the mood to embrace the home team. The Bengals' home opener Sunday against Arizona failed to sell out in time to be shown on local television.

The Bengals are introducing a fight song Sunday written by former receiver Mike Martin. It will be played after each touchdown.

"Hopefully we're score a lot and we'll play it a lot," Bengals general counsel Katie Blackburn said.

Blake said the players are mulling a few things on their own.

Raiders at Oilers

Bruce Matthews, who started 212 games for the Houston Oilers, will start the first NFL regular-season game for the transplanted Tennessee Oilers when they play Oakland.

Curiosity could be the magnet that draws many people to the Liberty Bowl, but Steve McNair, Tennessee's starting quarterback, thinks they'll soon become Oilers rooters.

"The fans will grow to love us," he said. "Especially as we go through the season and we win and keep winning."

Cowboys at Steelers

Kordell Stewart, who did a little of everything on offense for Pittsburgh in his first two NFL seasons, will start at quarterback after an exhibition season in which he completed 26 of 41 passes for 347 yards and four touchdowns, with no interceptions. Dallas cornerback Deion Sanders will be looking for his 35th career interception.

Chargers at Patriots

Pete Carroll, the replacement for coach Bill Parcells, who guided New England to the Super Bowl last season, is a defensive specialist. Offensively, he will be counting on quarterback Drew Bledsoe, running back Curtis Martin and wide receiver Terry Glenn. Stan Humphries will be throwing to Tony Martin for San Diego.

Jets at Seahawks

New York, coming off a 4-0 exhibition season, will be trying to match its 1996 regular season victory total — one. Neil O'Donnell, who played only six games last season because of injuries, will start at quarterback for the Jets. Warren Moon, a longtime starter for Houston and Minnesota, will back up Seattle quarterback John Friesz.

Chiefs at Broncos

Kansas City's Marcus Allen has run for 1,583 yards against Denver during his career. John Elway of the Broncos has been intercepted 34 times and sacked 71 times by the Chiefs. Seven of the last 12 games between the clubs have been decided by four points or less.

Vikings at Bills

Jim Kelly won't be on the field when Buffalo tries to boost the NFL's best September record in the 1990s to 23-5. Todd Collins, replacing the retired Kelly, will be looking for his third victory in four starts. Minnesota's Brad Johnson will try and improve on a 1996 season in which he was the NFL's third-ranked passer.

Colts at Dolphins

Indianapolis quarterback Jim Harbaugh has a 105.6 rating as a passer in his last four games against Miami. The Dolphins' Dan Marino has beaten the Colts 18 times. Five of the last eight games between the teams have been decided by four points or less.

Jaguars at Ravens

Rob Johnson starts in place of injured Mark Brunell at quarterback for Jacksonville, which won its last five regular-season games in 1996. Baltimore quarterback Vinny Testaverde is coming off a career year in 1996 in which he passed for 4,177 yards and 33 touchdowns.

49ers at Buccaneers

San Francisco receiver Jerry Rice needs six points to become the first non-kicker in NFL history to score 1,000 points. The 49ers have won five straight season-openers. Tampa Bay won five of its last seven games in 1996.

Saints at Rams

In a matchup of former television analysts, New Orleans' Mike Ditka returns to the sidelines to face St. Louis' Dick Vermeil. Ditka once coached Chicago to a Super Bowl victory, and Vermeil directed Philadelphia to a Super Bowl appearance.

Eagles at Giants

New York coach Jim Fassel is making his regular-season coaching debut on his 48th birthday. Philadelphia coach Ray Rhodes is 4-0 against the Giants. Ricky Watters is attempting to become the first Eagles player to record three straight 1,000-yard rushing seasons.

Falcons at Lions

It will be a reunion for cornerbacks Bryant Westbrook of Detroit and Michael Booker of Atlanta. They were teammates at El Camino High School in Oceanside, Calif. The Lions' Barry Sanders has rushed for 120, 108 and 163 yards in his last three openers.

Redskins at Panthers

Charlotte is a good place to begin the season for Carolina quarterback Steve Beuerlein, starting in place of injured Kerry Collins. The Panthers were 8-0 at home last season.

Williams upsets 8th-seeded Huber in U.S. Open action

NEW YORK (AP) — Watch out, Martina. Move over, Monica.

Venus Williams arrived in all her red, white and blue-beaded glory Friday night, eager to become the Tiger Woods of tennis.

In her first U.S. Open, the tall 17-year-old with the beaded braids notched the biggest victory of her young career with a 6-3, 6-4 upset of No. 8 Anke Huber in a stellar show of power, poise and near perfect tennis.

Williams skipped to the net and bounced up and down like a little girl at the end, then said she'd like to do for the sport what Tiger Woods has done for golf.

"I can't play golf," she said with a laugh. "I would hope that I could do the same thing in tennis that he has done. Mostly because he's out there winning, he is something different from the mainstream golfer. In tennis, I also am (different). I'm tall. I'm black. Everything's different about me. Just face the facts. I'm just something totally different than what has been around."

Williams, ranked 66th but moving up fast, could well be headed toward the semifinals as she advances in a quarter of the draw that has no seeded players left. Her next match in the fourth round is against South African Joannette Kruger, ranked No. 45.

Crushing serves at up to 113 mph and playing smart tennis that blended deep ground strokes and soft touch, the 6-foot-1 Williams frustrated Huber until the German self-destructed with flurries of errors.

Williams, steadier and more clever than the 22-year-old Huber, came back from down a break to sweep the last four games of the first set. Huber, a finalist in the Australian Open last year, beat herself by insisting on hitting power shot after power shot that too often found the net or landed out.

"I'm not one of those players who get angry," Williams said. "I don't get angry. Some players can't stop thinking about it. I move on. I stay calm and not let up. She's the type of player that gets angry. Most of the players are like that."

Williams held easily through the second set, yielding only five points on serve, and broke Huber to 4-3 by keeping the ball in play until Huber slugged balls into the net.

Huber conceded that Williams "will be a top player in the next year," but she didn't appreciate the teen's exuberance at the end.

"That's her mentality," Huber said with a note of bitterness.

Williams made no apologies.

"It was a lot of fun," she said.

Williams said she's ready to take her place with the other young players, like Martina Hingis, who are ruling tennis.

"You can see the change in the guard in the men's game and the women's game, even if you haven't heard too much of them," Williams said. "The younger players are coming in and taking over. It's just a natural thing."

Andre Agassi, needing all the luck he can find at this precarious stage of his career, stumbled upon two huge breaks,

The first came when No. 3 Yevgeny Kafelnikov was swept out of his path by Australian Mark Woodforde in a 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 (7-4) upset before Agassi stepped on court.

The second arrived in the form of a gift from Romanian Adrian Voinea, who patted balls like a practice partner and served like a hacker to hand Agassi a 6-0, 6-2, 6-2 victory in 80 minutes.

Agassi has had tougher hitting sessions against coach Brad Gilbert than he had against Voinea, who embarrassed himself as much with his ugly play as with the way he kept flinging his racket to the court. Voinea, ranked No. 107 and capable of playing tough, chose to take the pace off the ball and let Agassi provide the power. That's just what Agassi did, drilling shots from side to side in an effortless cruise into the third round against Woodforde.

In a year when Agassi won only nine matches, no titles, and played in no other major tournaments before the Open, he happily accepted Voinea's present.

"It's beautiful preparation, as far as I'm concerned," Agassi said. "I went out there and hit the ball well from start to finish ... and had no real loose points."

Agassi hasn't played so sharply since last summer, when he won the Olympics and played well until the U.S. Open semifinals.

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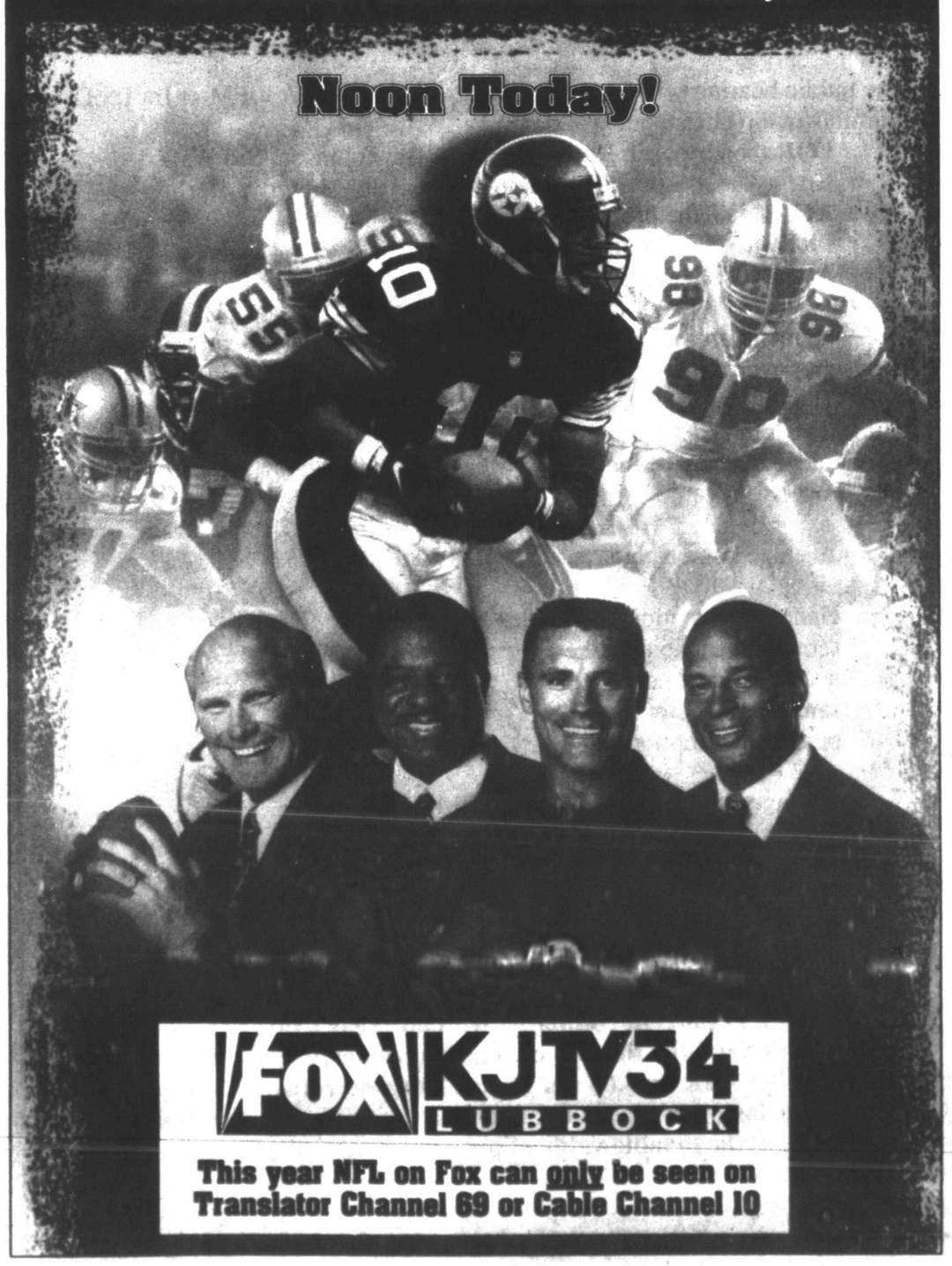

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SPORTS

La Marque, Sealy will be trying to rewrite the UIL history books

DALLAS (AP) — More than anything, the 1997 high school football season is about history.

Sealy, winner of the last three Class 3A titles, will be going for four in a row — something no school has done since the University Interscholastic League began crowning champions in 1920.

La Marque, the last consolidated Class 4A winner and the first 4A Division II champ, will try to become the first team to rule 4A, or its equivalent, three straight years. La Marque also could become the first school to appear in fifth consecutive title games since the UIL broke into classes in 1948. The 1922-27 Waco teams were the only ones to ever pull off that feat.

With all that at stake, Sealy coach T.J. Mills and La Marque's Alan Weddell don't mind the added burden of being ranked No. 1 in their classes in The Associated Press' preseason high school football poll. The other No. 1s are Tyler John Tyler in 5A, Groveton in 2A and Tenaha in 1A.

Mills wasn't surprised to learn his team's preseason position. In fact, he would've been surprised to see anyone picked above them.

Sealy returns 20 lettermen, including seven offensive starters and four on defense. There aren't many holes to be filled, either.

"We've got a good solid nucleus and a lot of good people," Mills said.

History says Sealy will be stopped. None of the other four schools that won three straight titles — Waco (1925-27), Amarillo (1934-36), Abilene (1954-56) and Big Sandy (1973-75) — even made it back to the championship game to play for No. 4.

Still, that likely won't be enough to ease the pressure on Sealy's seniors. Since they were freshmen, every 12th grade class has left as state champions. The Class of '98 doesn't want to be remembered as the ones who didn't.

"It's a shame that's the only goal you can have to determine whether you're successful or not," said Mills, whose team has won 18 straight playoff games.

"But that is the only goal we have. If we go to the finals and lose, we'll be failures."

Commerce, which came within a two-point conversion of beating Sealy for the 1995 title, is ranked second after fading to 8-3 last year. Crockett is third, followed by Vernon and La Grange. Each of the top five schools received at least one No. 1 vote.

The rest of the 2A top 10 are Daingerfield, Tatum (a 36-27 loser to Sealy in last year's championship game), Cuero, Breckenridge and George West.

While La Marque is on as impressive a streak as Sealy, Weddell doesn't take anything for granted — not even with 14 first-place votes from the AP panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters and 188 of 200 possible ballot points, both tops in the preseason survey.

A self-described "student of traditions, history and streaks," he is somewhat awed that his team could join Sealy and the others as three-peat champions or could be the first team to reach five straight title games since Waco played in six straight from 1922-27.

Defense has been the backbone to La Marque's four-year run. This year, though, it should be the offense's turn to lead the way.

"If we're going to uphold our No. 1 ranking, we're going to have to find a defense," Weddell said. "We've also got to find a kicker because the last two years, we've kicked a field goal in December to help put us in the state championship game."

La Marque's only losses in 1993 and 1994 were to Stephenville in the championship games. The 1995 title team went 16-0.

So there was obvious reason for panic last year when the Cougars were shut out (albeit by John Tyler) in week four, then fell to Lamar Consolidated in week nine. La Marque hadn't lost two regular-season games since 1990.

Weddell, though, thinks that dose of reality went a long way.

"It shook us up and it made us a better team," Weddell said. "I've never said that in 25 years of coaching, but we would not have won (the title) if we hadn't lost to Lamar Consolidated."

This year's stiffest competition could come from their closest foe: Texas City. The Stingarees came in second, followed by Denison, Waxahachie and Stephenville. Sweetwater was sixth, Brownwood and Corpus Christi Calallen tied for seventh, Corsicana came in ninth and Highland Park 10th.

Defending 4A Division I champion Grapevine tied Lubbock Estacado for 13th.

Voters weren't too high on several other defending champions.

Austin Westlake, the 5A Division II winner, came in third and 5A Division I champion Lewisville is fifth.

Iraan, the surprise 2A winner last year, came in 11th, but that's understandable considering coach Larry Hanna and his talented son, Robin, are now at 3A Monahans.

Windthorst, which went 15-0 in winning the 1A crown, sank to No. 10.

Instead of leaving last year's champions on top until they get knocked off, the top spots went to perennial powers who had good records last year and return many key players.

Converse Judson, a Division I finalist four of the last five years, was a close second. Longview was fourth, 5A Division II runner-up Abilene Cooper came in sixth, followed by Duncanville, Garland, Richardson Lake Highlands and Fort Bend Dulles.

Groveton coach Don Hill felt that his team was boosted in this year's rankings based on what the program has done in the past.

Laughing, he recalled that some of their best years were when they started out ranked seventh or eighth.

"I hope it works the opposite way this time," he said.

Groveton, which began last year ranked fourth, suffered its only loss of the season to Iraan in the finals. Hill expects 14 or 15 of last year's players to be among the 24 on this year's team.

"Experience," he said, "will be one of our strengths."

Second-ranked Pilot Point returns almost everyone from its 6-4-1 district runner-up, while the guys at No. 3 Schulenburg have grown up watching the Shorthorns last into December almost every year.

Rounding out the top 10 are Lockney, Mart, Elysian Fields, East Bernard and Grand Saline (tied for seventh), Stamford and Alto and Holliday (tied at No. 10).

Tenaha has been an AP poll mainstay in the 1990s, but didn't make it to the finals until last year. The blowout loss to Windthorst should serve as motivation for the 17 returning lettermen, including star quarterback Chavis McCollister.

Wheeler is second, followed by Granger, Wink, Runge, Burkeville and Springlake Earth (tied for sixth), Celeste, Munday and Windthorst.

One rules change to note this year is that all varsity football games will use the NCAA tiebreaker system. It wasn't used in non-district games last year.

And, beginning with the third overtime period, teams scoring a touchdown must attempt a two-point conversion to keep from going to too many overtimes.

The 1997 Associated Press preseason high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses.

	Rec.	Pts	Pvs
Class 5A			
1.TylerJohnTyler(8)	12-2-0	176	6
2.ConverseJudson(10)	13-2-0	173	x
3.AustinWestlake	16-0-0	128	5
4.Longview(1)	9-4-0	109	x
5.Lewisville(1)	15-0-0	93	x
6.AbileneCooper	12-4-0	70	x
7.Duncanville	10-1-0	67	8
8.Garland	9-2-0	52	x
9.Rich.LakeHighlands	13-2-0	42	10
10.FortBendDulles	9-3-0	29	x

Also receiving votes: Killeen Ellison 27, Houston Lamar 26, Dallas Carter 24, Flower Mound Marcus 18, Plano 17, Humble 12, Beaumont West Brook 9, San Antonio MacArthur 7, Midland Lee 6, Odessa Permian 5, Katy 2, Waco 2, Arlington Lamar 1, Harlingen 1.

Class 4A			
1.LaMarque(14)	14-2-0	188	9
2.TexasCity(2)	13-1-0	129	x
3.Denison(2)	14-2-0	121	7
4.Waxahachie(2)	10-1-0	118	3
5.Stephenville	8-5-1	110	x
6.Sweetwater	12-1-0	74	4
7.Brownwood	10-2-0	65	6
T7.CCCallallen	14-1-0	65	2
9.Corsicana	7-4-0	43	x
10.HighlandPark	13-2-0	40	x

Also receiving votes: West Orange-Stark 29, Jacksonville 26, Grapevine 17, Lubbock Estacado 17, Hays Consolidated 9, Kilgore 9, Waco Midway 9, Bay City 7, Jasper 7, Mount Pleasant 6, Dumas 4, Sulphur Springs 3, Alice 2, Houston Forest Brook 2.

Class 3A			
1.Sealy(13)	15-1-0	185	3
2.Commerce(1)	8-3-1	144	x
3.Crockett(3)	9-2-0	139	5
4.Vernon(2)	12-1-0	136	1
5.LaGrange(1)	6-4-0	93	x
6.Daingerfield	11-2-1	85	x
7.Tatum	11-5-0	78	x
8.Cuero	6-5-0	56	x
9.Breckenridge	8-2-0	53	x
10.GeorgeWest	10-3-0	33	x
Class 2A			
1.Groveton(10)	15-1-0	182	3
2.PilotPoint(8)	6-4-1	172	x
3.Schulenburg(1)	10-1-0	145	4
4.Lockney	12-1-0	129	x
5.Mart(1)	12-2-0	95	7
6.ElysianFields	9-3-0	91	x
7.EastBernard	11-2-0	54	x
T7.GrandSaline	11-2-0	54	x
9.Stamford	10-4-0	51	x
10.Alto	12-1-0	32	1
T10.Holliday	12-2-1	32	x

Also receiving votes: Iraan 13, Refugio 8, Riesel 6, East Chambers 5, Italy 5, Roscoe 5, Elkhart 4, Ganado 4, Winnsboro 3, Celina 2, Crawford 2, Poth 2, Quanah 2, Kerens 1, Rosbud-Lott 1, Stanton 1.

Class A			
1.Tenaha(12)	14-1-0	189	8
2.Wheeler(4)	10-4-0	162	x
3.Granger(1)	10-3-0	154	9
4.Wink(2)	8-4-0	124	x
5.Runge	10-2-0	97	x
6.Burkeville	12-2-0	82	5
T6.SpringlakeEarth(1)	12-1-0	82	2
8.Celeste	10-1-0	64	3
9.Munday	12-1-0	61	4
10.Windthorst	15-0-0	37	1

HEADED FOR PAYDIRT — Snyder 8th grade running back Wade Pinson eludes tacklers on his way to the endzone Friday during a practice against Snyder's 7th graders. Both teams will begin their season Thursday against Abilene. (SDN Staff Photo)

Sports Transactions

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—Signed D Darren Van Impe to a two-year contract.

LOS ANGELES KINGS—Traded F Dimitri Khristich and G Byron Dafoe to the Boston Bruins for C Jozef Stumpel, RW Sandy Moger and a 1998 fourth-round draft choice.

MONTREAL CANADIENS—Named Mario Tremblay pro scout.

OTTAWA SENATORS—Signed D Chris Phillips to a multiyear contract.

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Agreed to terms with RW Shayne Toporowski.

BASEBALL

CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Recalled LHP Mike Sirotka from Nashville of the American Association. Optioned RHP Nelson Cruz to Nashville.

National League

CINCINNATI REDS—Claimed 1B Mark Johnson off waivers from the Pittsburgh Pirates and optioned him to Indianapolis of the American Association.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Purchased the contract of C Randy Knorr from New Orleans of the American Association and placed Knorr on the 15-day disabled list.

BASKETBALL

ATLANTA HAWKS—Agreed to terms with G Mookie Blaylock on a four-year contract extension. Named Chris Tucker trainer.

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National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	83	51	.619	-
Florida	78	55	.586	4½
NewYork	71	62	.534	11½
Montreal	66	67	.496	16½
Philadelphia	49	81	.377	32

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	70	64	.522	-
Pittsburgh	67	68	.496	3½
St.Louis	62	72	.463	8
Cincinnati	59	73	.447	10
Chicago	54	81	.400	16½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
LosAngeles	77	59	.566	-
SanFrancisco	74	61	.548	2½
Colorado	66	70	.485	11
SanDiego	63	73	.463	14

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	85	46	.649	-
NewYork	78	54	.591	7½
Boston	67	68	.496	20
Toronto	65	68	.489	21
Detroit	62	71	.466	24

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	69	61	.531	-
Milwaukee	67	66	.504	3½
Chicago	66	68	.493	5
KansasCity	54	77	.412	15½
Minnesota	54	78	.409	16

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	74	61	.548	-
Anaheim	73	62	.541	1
Texas	64	71	.474	10
Oakland	53	82	.393	21

Thursday's Games

Toronto 3, Chicago White Sox 2, 11 innings
Kansas City 5, Baltimore 1
San Diego 9, Anaheim 2
Colorado 9, Seattle 5
Los Angeles 7, Oakland 1
Texas 11, San Francisco 5

Friday's Games

Detroit 7, Philadelphia 2
Atlanta 9, Boston 1
Cleveland 7, Chicago Cubs 6
Montreal 4, N.Y. Yankees 3
Florida 8, Toronto 0
Milwaukee 4, Pittsburgh 1
Cincinnati 5, Minnesota 3
Chicago White Sox 5, Houston 4
St. Louis 9, Kansas City 7
Colorado 6, Seattle 5
Baltimore 4, N.Y. Mets 3, 12 innings
Anaheim 3, San Diego 1
Los Angeles 5, Oakland 4, 10 innings
San Francisco 5, Texas 4, 12 innings

Saturday's Games

Atlanta (Millwood 2-3) at Boston (Wakefield 9-14), 1:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Tapani 3-3) at Cleveland (Smiley 2-3), 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Bohanon 3-3) at Baltimore (Krivda 2-0), 1:05 p.m.
Montreal (P.Martinez 15-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Wells 14-7), 4 p.m.
Florida (A.Fernandez 16-9) at Toronto (Carpenter 1-5), 4:05 p.m.
Seattle (Wolcott 5-5) at Los Angeles (R.Martinez 7-3), 4:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Springer 8-6) at San Francisco (Estes 17-4), 4:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Beech 2-8) at Detroit (Sanders 4-11), 7:05 p.m.
Houston (Hampton 11-8) at Chicago White Sox (Bere 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Haynes 2-3) at Colorado (Castillo 10-11), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Lieber 8-12) at Milwaukee (Mercedes 6-7), 8:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Morgan 5-10) at Minnesota (Hawkins 4-9), 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Aybar 0-3) at Kansas City (Belcher 11-12), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Clark 1-6) at San Diego (Ashby 6-10), 10:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Florida at Toronto, 1:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Detroit, 1:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at Cleveland, 1:05 p.m.
Montreal at N.Y. Yankees, 1:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 2:05 p.m.
Houston at Chicago White Sox, 2:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Minnesota, 2:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Kansas City, 2:05 p.m.
Oakland at Colorado, 3:05 p.m.
Seattle at Los Angeles, 4:05 p.m.
Texas at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Anaheim at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Boston, 8:05 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Weekly playday and senior golf tourney

The Womens' Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will host the Western Lone Star Senior Ladies' Golf Tournament Sept. 7-11.

Also, the WGA's weekly playday has been moved to Wednesday due to Labor Day. The format will be most fours on the back nine. A luncheon and business meeting will follow play.

Youth football and volleyball

Sign-ups for Scurry County Boys and Girls Club football, volleyball and cheerleading will be held Tuesday through Friday at the club.

Boys ages 9-12 are eligible for football and girls ages 9-12 may register for volleyball. Sign-up fees are $25, which include accident insurance and membership fees. The cheerleading sign-up fee is $15.

To register, each child should be accompanied by a parent or guardian and bring a birth certificate.

For more information call 573-3344 or inquire in person at Scurry County Boys and Girls Club.

Men's bowling league

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Murder charge against retiree shocks town

KAUFMAN (AP) — When Almon Derwood Sikes, a popular Kaufman auto supply and appliance dealer, lost his wife in July 1990 to what authorities ruled were natural causes, the small East Texas town was saddened.

When Sikes was arrested Aug. 21 on charges that he murdered his wife of 42 years seven years ago, the town was shocked.

His arrest has flooded the streets of this town of 5,500 people, about 45 miles southeast of Dallas, with rumor and speculation.

"If you go into a store, neighbors are getting into each other's faces, hollering about this," resident Corey Cassells told The Dallas Morning News for a story in Saturday's editions. "People have their own theories. They've gotten to talking about O.J. Simpson and that kind of mess."

An indictment returned by a Kaufman County grand jury alleges that Sikes, 67, who retired in 1989 as owner of the Sikes Goodyear store, used a pillow to suffocate his 58-year-old wife, Ethel, on July 29, 1990.

Bail initially was set at $1 million, but he was released from the Kaufman County Jail on Tuesday after a judge lowered the bail to $100,000.

Said Jess Murrell, furniture store owner and one-time mayor, "It just stunned the community. It's not every day that something like this happens in a small community."

Sikes has declined to comment, but his attorney, Doug Mulder of Dallas, says his client maintains he is innocent of the charge.

Sikes' four children said earlier this week that their father grieved for several years after his wife died. The couple have adjacent cemetery plots at Kaufman Cemetery, and their names are inscribed on a joint headstone.

District Attorney Bill Conradt declined to discuss what evidence and motive exists for murder. He said he will reveal the case when it comes to trial early next year. However, he said a May tip from an informant prompted a three-month Texas Rangers investigation that led to the indictment.

County officials received permission Tuesday to exhume Mrs. Sikes' body this week so the Dallas County medical examiner's office can perform an autopsy. Justice of the Peace Johnny Perry said Thursday that an autopsy should have been performed in 1990 but wasn't.

Retired Justice of the Peace Mary Jane Tidmore initially ruled that Mrs. Sikes died of natural causes, Conradt said. However, she later made a handwritten notation that she could not determine the cause of death.

Sikes owned the Goodyear store for 17 years before his retirement. Barbara Smith remembered that Sikes would prepare grilled-cheese sandwiches for her when she visited his house as a child.

"He was like a father to everyone," she told The News.

Friends recalled that Mrs. Sikes' death initially was blamed on heatstroke after she spent a Sunday afternoon fishing with her husband. But some residents suspected Sikes from the start.

"Plenty of people said something wasn't right at the time," said hair-stylist Lesa Tettleton. "There wasn't anything wrong with his wife. She didn't have any kind of illness. And all of a sudden, she was gone."

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Workers not yet paid by contractor

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Employees at the Navy's satellite surveillance system have not been paid for a month and are threatening to stop work if the situation continues, the Wichita Falls Times Record News reported in its Saturday editions.

"Today is one month since they've been paid," said Larry Chamberlain, business manager of the Electrical Workers Local 681, which represents workers at the Naval Space Surveillance System, or NAVASPUR.

"They gave them checks that bounced and then they kept saying, 'Run it through again, run it through again,' and then they'd bounce again," Chamberlain said. "Three and a half weeks after the first checks bounced, they finally got replacement checks."

After receiving the replacement checks Friday, the workers discovered later in the day that they too were drawn on insufficient funds, Chamberlain said.

The NAVASPUR transmitter is the most powerful of its kind in the world. It tracks thousands of satellites and is a backup for the country's defense system, as well as a resource for scientists.

Although the transmitter is the Navy's responsibility, day-to-day operations are overseen by Rick Montoya Services of Dahlgren, Va. There are about 22 workers at the Lake Kickapoo site in Wichita Falls.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Sunday, Aug. 31, 1997

Several unusual developments may occur in the year ahead that could put you on a promising new path. The route will be revealed to you a step at a time by a close friend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone with whom you've been unable to iron out an important matter will be more responsive today. Get together socially and start the ball rolling. Virgo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Situations will have a way of working out to your ultimate advantage today, provided you don't trip over your own feet.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today you could be fortunate; someone who likes you will be working on your behalf for something he or she knows you can't cut on your own.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be sure you are doing everything in your power at this time to improve your lot in life. The harder you try, the luckier you'll get.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You could be quite fortunate today in advancing personal interests, especially if what you are eager to promote is something on a grand scale.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It is important to ask the right questions today. Information that was denied you previously is available now in terms you can utilize.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Someone who hasn't cooperated with you in the past may turn into a dedicated ally today. His or her interests are now in sync with yours.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Do not ease up on the reins today if you are on the way to fulfilling your goals. Forego pleasurable interests and concentrate on your goals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A pleasant surprise might be in store for you today. Something nice could develop for you through one of your social involvements.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) By applying your ingenuity today, you should be able to find new ways to get something you've been wanting for your family.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you're a good listener today, you might pick up some valuable information from conversations that may go right over the heads of others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your luck could be stronger than usual at this time in areas that contribute to increased earnings. Be mindful of this today in all your endeavors.

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Your Birthday

Monday, Sept. 1, 1997

Knowledge you've acquired from past experiences will be used with efficacy in the year ahead. The more you've been an admirable student, the sooner rewards could be on their way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You will function better today as a leader rather than a follower. Initiate situations instead of waiting for others to light the fuses. Major changes are ahead for Virgo in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A change might develop today that could be financially beneficial for you, provided that you're dedicated completely to the task at hand.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) When you have to deal with several people at the same time, you'll handle matters effectively, especially regarding issues of mutual concern.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Try to devote your time, energy and intellect to your primary objectives for the next few days. Outstanding achievements are reachable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) When presenting your agenda to associates today, do not overlook any details. Essential participants in your plan are listening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Material gains could come to you today and tomorrow from unusual and unexpected sources. Do not put limitations on your expectations.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your current cycle could allow you to achieve objectives with the help of partners. Align yourself with competent individuals who share a common cause.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Give matters that pertain to your career top priority today. Major ambitions can be actualized if you're willing to go all-out.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You are in the minds and hearts of others more than you may realize today. Those who truly care for you may try to help you without acclaim.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is a good day to try to finalize matters of importance to you and your family. Keep plugging for desired results until you get closure.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today you might generate more creative ideas than usual. They can be properly developed if they aren't relegated to a space on a dusty shelf.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You are now in a cycle filled with opportunities that may increase your earning capacity. Do not let them go by unacknowledged.

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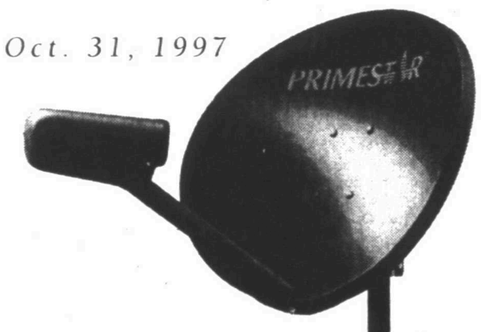

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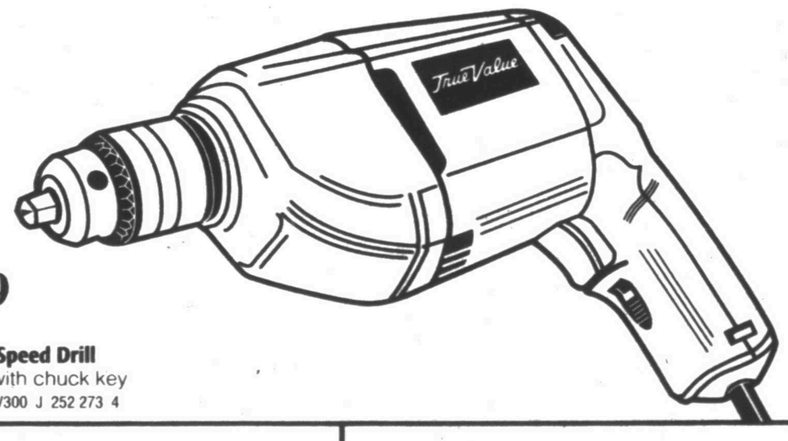

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Dear Abby By Abigail Van Buren

Insurance provides no support for woman's breast reduction

DEAR ABBY: I was upset when I read the letter from "Sally B." about bra straps. However, when I read the comments from other readers, I was furious!

I am a 50-year-old woman who wears a 34DD bra. Last year, I consulted a surgeon about breast reduction, but was told he wouldn't be able to take off enough for my insurance to pay for it.

He told me he would have to take off 5 ounces in order for them to pay for it — and he could only remove 4 ounces without making me look bottom-heavy. They go by the average woman's height, which is 5 feet, 4 inches. I am only 5 feet tall, so until I can grow more chest, I'm out of luck.

During the hot summer months, wearing a bra is uncomfortable to say the least. I envy women who don't have to. The bras made to wear with tank tops have elastic straps. They don't work. Someone my size looks like a cow. Sure, having one made would do the trick, but a $50 bra is not in my budget. If I had that kind of money, I'd have the surgery.

Wasn't it said somewhere, "Judge not lest ye be judged"?

I'd be more than happy to let one of these flat-chested shrews walk a mile on a hot day with my boobs.

CHRISTINE IN TACOMA

DEAR CHRISTINE: Before you give up on having breast reduction, get a second and third opinion about the medical necessity of the operation. If your breasts are so large they cause pain, surgery could be indicated. The doctors should write your insurance company stating the medical necessity for breast reduction, and request that the surgery be preauthorized on that basis.

Another approach might be to ask your insurance agent to assist you in obtaining authorization.

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DEAR ABBY: Who is "Sally B." to complain about bra straps showing? Abby, bras cost a lot of money these days, and they are beautiful.

I'm a teen who works part-time at a fast-food restaurant, and I worked for two whole days to pay for just one beautiful bra I wanted. When my beautiful bra strap shows, I think it's not only acceptable, but sexy, too. (I've even seen some teens wear black lace bras under open jackets or with vests, and it looked way cool!)

CARRIE IN CLOVIS, N.M.

DEAR CARRIE: Beautiful undergarments are nothing new, but they are just that — undergarments. If you want to show off something beautiful, save your money and flash your ever-expanding bank balance.

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DEAR ABBY: I realize there are no absolutes in this world. However, I'd appreciate your opinion on the following question:

Can a man and a woman be friends if one of them is married?

PONDERING IN PONTIAC, MICH.

DEAR PONDERING: Of course. Many married individuals have friends of the opposite sex. A stable marriage in which both partners really trust each other can accommodate friendships of either sex.

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DEAR ABBY: You made the remark in defense of older people, "Just because there's snow on the roof doesn't mean there's no fire in the furnace."

Abby, a male neighbor recently made a similar remark about my graying hair. I replied, "The fire in the furnace depends upon the stoker."

He never mentioned my gray hair again.

EVELYN POTTS, NEWPORT NEWS, VA.

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For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

DEAR ABBY: I read with great interest your answer to "Concerned in Florida," who was worried that her husband might rekindle a romance with his former high school flame (and later his fiancee), a woman they both see socially from time to time. You advised her that such a romance would be highly unlikely, since "Concerned" has had 40 years of a good marriage and so has the old flame.

Abby, your conclusion certainly sounds reasonable, but it is incorrect. I have spent the last four years researching more than 1,000 couples worldwide who have reunited after many years apart. I have learned that these reunions are quite common, and the flame can reignite at any point. One couple had been separated for 63 years!

As I reported in my book, "Lost and Found Lovers: Facts and Fantasies of Rekindled Romances," overall, 72 percent of these renewed loves stayed together, and the percentage was even higher if they had been first loves. These are very stable, joyous and sexually passionate relationships the second time around. However, you should inform your readers that over 30 percent of these couples began their reunions while one (or both) of them was married to someone else!

These lovers often tell me — sometimes between sobs — that they are in good marriages and love their spouses; they *never* intended to find themselves in affairs. The lost lovers met again innocently, often with their spouses present, and none was prepared for the "old feelings" to return full force. They feel torn between their marriages and their lost-and-found lovers — but not for long. Rekindled romances are emotional steamrollers; they choose the old flame in most cases, leaving their bewildered, devastated spouses behind.

My research project is the only study of lost-and-found lovers ever conducted. For the first time, there are norms for these renewed romances.

My advice, based on my years of study, is to encourage single, divorced or widowed individuals to look for sweethearts or old friends from their past, but to strongly discourage married people from doing so.

Abby, please warn your readers that there is *nothing* safe about meeting with a former sweetheart, no matter how innocent the intentions, or how many years have passed, or how strong the marriage seems to be.

If "Concerned in Florida" invites her husband's old flame to his surprise birthday party, she might get badly burned.

NANCY KALISH, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

DEAR DR. KALISH: Thank you for informing me of what has to have been a fascinating study, and for wanting to warn my readers. In the light of your research, I would like to formally retract my advice to "Concerned in Florida." In the future I will warn my married readers that old flames are potentially combustible: They can ignite without warning, and leave a marriage in ashes.

So, don't play with fire!

DEAR ABBY: May I add my story to your acts of kindness?

Two years ago, a friend who now lives in Israel came to visit me with her family. I had known her from my hometown back in Orleans, France. One evening, while I was surrounded by my grown children and my husband, she told me a story that I had never heard. She said my father (Leon Levenson), now deceased, had saved the lives of her entire family — seven people — during World War II by helping them hide their Jewish identity in order to avoid being killed by the invading Nazis.

After hearing this story, I realized that my father, who was short in stature, had been a giant among men and was truly one of those "unsung heroes" who never tell their stories.

I thank God for the opportunity to have known such a person in my lifetime.

BETIE NEWTON, GLENDALE, ARIZ.

DEAR MRS. NEWTON: And I thank God that we're living in a country where people will never encounter the horror that was faced by your friend and your father. He was a man of great courage and conviction. Thank you for writing.

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Confession, survivors' stories sunk McVeigh defense

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Once jurors cried at the testimony of victims of the Oklahoma City bombing, there was virtually no chance of acquitting Timothy McVeigh, his former attorney says.

The accounts of children, parents, husbands and wives killed in the bombing, plus news stories that McVeigh confessed, helped prosecutors overcome a weak case, Stephen Jones said Friday in an interview two days after he was taken off McVeigh's case.

One of the first witnesses, a young mother who lost her 16-month-old son in the blast, brought nearly everyone in the courtroom to tears.

"There wasn't anything we could do about it," Jones said. "The jury sat there and cried."

Prosecutors have said the victims' testimony was necessary to illustrate the human cost of the bombing that killed 168 people. Their accounts broke up drier testimony about phone records, mangled truck parts and explosives residues.

The jury convicted McVeigh in June on murder and conspiracy charges and condemned him to die. His formal sentence was handed down Aug. 14. Codefendant Terry Nichols' trial on the same charges begins Sept. 29.

Jones was replaced by his top lieutenant, Robert Nigh, who will lead McVeigh's appeal.

Jones and McVeigh had asked the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the change after McVeigh gave a newspaper interview critical of his lawyer.

FDA moves to ban laxative ingredient phenolphthalein

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most varieties of Ex-Lax are coming off store shelves after the government took the first step toward banning the popular laxative's chief ingredient, calling the compound a potential cancer risk.

The Food and Drug Administration acknowledged Friday it has no evidence the chemical phenolphthalein has caused cancer in people. But it moved to ban the ingredient because of evidence that high doses caused a variety of cancers in animals — and damaged a gene vital for suppressing tumors.

Most types of Ex-Lax and a host of store-brand laxatives contain phenolphthalein. Ex-Lax maker Novartis Consumer Health emphasized it believes that after more than 90 years of use, phenolphthalein is safe.

But "to avoid consumer confusion," Novartis said, the company was immediately pulling most Ex-Lax products off the market and would introduce a reformulated, phenolphthalein-free version within 60 days. Two Ex-Lax brand products, Stool Softener Caplets and Gentle Nature Ex-Lax, do not contain phenolphthalein.

Novartis recommended that Ex-Lax users return the laxative to the company for a full refund. The product accounted for $41 million in sales last year, about 7 percent of the U.S. brand-name laxative market.

The FDA said the cancer concern is for people who use laxatives for extended periods of time or at higher-than-recommended doses.

"It's very hard to draw a line" at which a laxative user could be at risk, cautioned FDA drug chief Dr. Robert Temple. "The concern is for long-term use, and it's greater the longer the use and the higher doses people use."

The FDA's advice: "What we're saying is find another laxative," Temple said.

The agency noted that Americans have access to more than two dozen laxative products that do not contain the ingredient. Several Ex-Lax competitors, anticipating a ban, already have reformulated their laxatives. Bayer Corp. this summer pulled off the market its one laxative brand that contained phenolphthalein.

If the FDA's proposed ingredient ban becomes final, any laxative containing the compound would have to be reformulated or taken off the market. In the meantime, the FDA advised consumers to read the ingredient list on the label before buying an over-the-counter laxative.

Companies and the public may comment on the proposed ban for 30 days, and then the FDA will decide whether to make the ban final.

Some 20 percent of Americans are estimated to use laxatives. The products' labels warn that over-the-counter laxatives are for occasional constipation, not for repeated or long-term use.

States close part of river linked to toxin

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — Two states have closed nearly a third of the Pocomoke River to boaters after seven people became ill and showed symptoms health officials blame on a waterborne toxin.

Maryland Gov. Parris Glendening closed seven miles of the 40-mile river from its mouth, while the Virginia Marine Resources Commission shut down that state's section, about six miles.

The illnesses were "likely" related to pfiesteria, a single-cell organism that is believed to kill fish by feeding on blood and leaving them with open sores. Officials suspect pfiesteria of killing 11,000 fish on the river earlier this month.

Despite his decision, Glendening urged people not to panic and said there is no reason to avoid Chesapeake Bay or its seafood. Health officials agreed.

Thirteen people complained of various health problems after coming into contact with the river or with dead or dying fish.

Seven complained of a mild memory loss, similar to a mild concussion. The problem could be explained only by exposure to a waterborne toxin, said Dr. Glenn Morris, part of the medical team that evaluated the victims.

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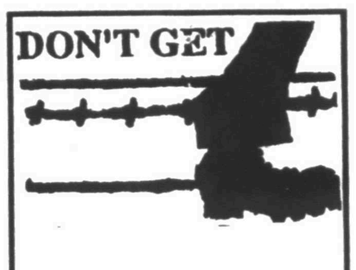

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ATTENTION: Joe M. Simmons; I have surveyed the property located at 1000-26th Street, (N95' of Lot 6, Block 52, Wilmeth Addition to the City of Snyder). I declare this structure to be unsafe as defined in Ordinance 324 and intend to order the removal of the structure on or about September 25, 1997.
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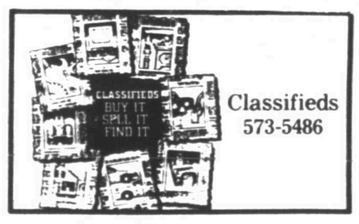

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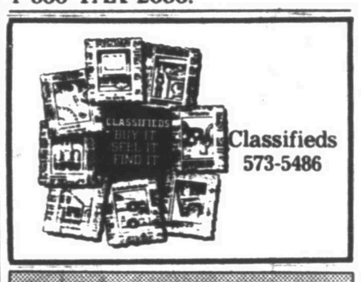

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180 INSTRUCTIONS

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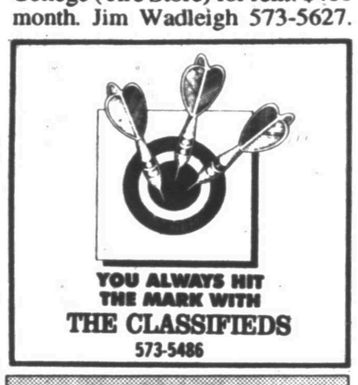
BIG SALE
1490 N. Ave. Q (2 blks off Clairemont Hwy.)
Saturday & Sunday 7-12
Boats, motors, trailers, stove, washer, dryer, small appliances, dishwasher, clothes, toys & knick-knacks.

GARAGE SALE
Sat. 1:00-?
1112 26th Street
2 Family Sale, Come See

HUGE INSIDE SALE
HUNDREDS OF ITEMS
511 N. Ave. R (Located behind Holcomb Trucking on the Clairmont Hwy.)
Friday 5p to 7p-All Day Saturday starting at 7:30 am
COME SEE!!!

320 RENT OR LEASE

HUGE Metal Building, 1001 College (Tire Store) for rent. $400 month. Jim Wadleigh 573-5627.



325 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

2 bedroom Apartments. All Bills Paid + Basic Cable. No Pets. Starting at $250/mo. Call 573-5773.

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335 MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT

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FOR SALE: 3 or 4 bedroom, 1½ bath w/storm cellar, workshop & storage building. Call 573-9534 for an appointment.

FOR SALE: 3-2-2 brick home, on 5 acres. 1825 square feet, Located near Union. Reduced $67,900. 573-2927.

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$13,500 Bank Finance
$1300/Down $164/Month
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2702 48th 3-2-2 Pool	
West Edge 3-2-2cp on 1/Acre	
115 25th 2-1-1 2 L/A	$26.5T
Mail Center Plus Bus. Opp.	
3111 ElPaso 2-1 CH/A x-lot	
3307 Irving 4-2½-2-Dining	
4503 Fredonia 3-2-2	$71.5T
214 33rd 3-1½-1 Reduced	
704 30th 3-1-1	$25T
Exclusive Colonial Hill 4-3-2cp Extremely nice	$140T
Colonial Apts. Lmsa Hwy	$30T
5404 Ced. Crk. 3-2½-2	$108T
2333 Sunset 2-1-1 CH/A	$28.5T
707 26th 3-1-1cp + 1-1 Apt.	
1904 Scott 3-1-1cp	$25T
Out of City. 3-3-2 2 Story-3A	
New Listing-Exclusive 2605 28th 3-2-2 Reduced	$79.9T
Approx. 327 Acres Reduced	
640 Acres Cult. & Past., Tanks, creek, N. of Camp Springs	
4502 Galveston Nice	$86.5T
404 35th 3-2 CH/ARed.	$30T
2908 Ave.U 3-2-1 CH/A	$56.5T
205 37th. 2-2-1 CH/A fp	$42.9T
14A Close In	$1,286 an Acre
1904 Ave. M 2-1-1	$25T
2903 36th 3-3-2 Red.	$82.5T
Wenona Evans	**573-8165**
Doris Beard	**573-8480**
Bill Dryden	**573-9739**

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3203 40th St. 3-2-2	$41T
Customized Cedar Creek 3-3-Study-2	$263T
3741 Highland 2-1-1	$23.9T
Cedar Creek 3-2½	$100's
Bassridge 3-2-2 Shop	$70's
Picture Perfect 3-2½-2	$100T
Dunn 3-2-den 4 + Acres	
Older Large Frame 3-2-1	
West 30th 3-2-2cp Reduced	
3-2-2 Pool Landscaped	
Colonial Hill 3-2-2	$80's
3-2-1 Office-fpl & den	$90's
4-2-2cp Game Room	$80's
4502 Galveston 3-2-2 office	
Westridge 4-3½-2cp Pool	
Family Home! 4-2-2cp 4A	
3718 Highland 3-1-den	$40's
4012 Austin 3-2-1 Shop	
Scenic & Private 3-3-2 w/2.9A	
Large Lot 3-2-2	$70's
Room for Garden 3-1-1cp	
3-2-2 Sunroom	$41T
Dolores Jones	**573-5308**
Faye Blackledge	**573-1223**
Shirley Drum	**573-1550**
Wendell Wilks	**573-8965**
Jack Nail	**573-8420**

#1 SEC. LAND: Good House, Deer, Some Cult. - Some Minerals
#2 145 ACRES: Creek, No House
#3 FOR SALE: 3111 38th Place
Roswell Rigsby Real Estate
573-7682

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3113 Ave. T 3-2-2	$49.5T
218 36th 3-2-1	$37T
3741 Sunset 3-1-cp Plus Apt.	
2901 Ave. Y 3-2 2 Story	$25T
3709 Sunset 3-1-2	$38.5T
404 35th 3-1¾	$30T
Westridge Add'n 3-2-2 Pool	
E.460A W/Arena-Barn 3-2-2	
2509 31st 3-2-2	$75T
3704 Muriel Neat 2-1-1cp	$30T
Exclusive 3109 Irving	$83.5T
Ready To Move 3503 44th 3-2	
Corner Lot 3-2-2	$80T
3408 Ave V 2-2-2cp	$20's
Former Meat Mkt E.37th	$15T
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RANCHER'S DREAM: 160 acres, fenced, Kleingrass, 3-2 home, 2150 sq. ft., CH/A. Barns, corrals and holding pens well engineered, excellent condition. 5 miles SW of Hermleigh on FM 1606. $130,000 with $10,000 down, Owner Carry. (806) 794-5964.

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Notice is hereby given that the following motor vehicles:

1.	1978 Cadillac	Vin# 6D69S8Q279704 Tex.	Tex.	784-AJA
2.	1983 Olds.	Vin# 163AM19X2GD335410	Tex.	495-PVC
3.	1987 Dodge	Vin# JP3BA46KXJU015721	Tex.	028-XCP
4.	1978 Chrysler	Vin# XS22P8R212981	Tex.	CSN-63B
5.	1977 Chev.	Vin# CCL4AAS115428	Tex.	RMS-672
6.	1983 Olds.	Vin# 1G3AZ57Y4DE313936	Tex.	BF6 3V
7.	1984 Buick	Vin# 1G4AL19E8E6457879	Tex.	DYG-152
8.	1993 Saturn	Vin# 1G8ZJ5574PZ154850	Tex.	JTW-034
9.	1980 Cadillac	Vin# 6D476A9136899	Tex.	059-VMK
10.	1987 Pontiac	Vin# 1G2AF19X6FT221283	Tex.	SWG-57N
11.	1971 Chev.	Vin# 1L57HSJ176794	Tex.	MXY-356
12.	1977 Chev.	Vin# CCL7F383504	No License Tag	
13.	1975 Mercury	Vin# 6K31L505895	N.M.	380-HSZ
14.	1991 Chev.	Vin# 7GCCS14AGM8256232	Tex.	AA3-274
15.	1986 Olds.	Vin# 1G3AJ19R8ED317632	N.M	615-HAN
16.	1982 Olds.	Vin# 1G3AR69A1CM429167	Tex.	WCZ-33R
17.	1979 Ford	Vin# 9A65F184025	Tex.	PPN-74N

will be sold at public auction on September 8,1997 at 10:00 A.M. at Bill's Auto Salvage East Hwy 180 Snyder,Scurry County,Texas.

These Vehicles are abandoned Motor Vehicles under the terms of the Texas Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act,Article 1436-3,VPC, and will be sold under the provisions of that act.

Darren Jackson,Sheriff
Scurry County,Texas
Bobby Beck Deputy
Date Posted 8-22-97.

AUG 31 1997

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

How common is lactose intolerance?

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is it true that lactase deficiency is actually normal and that humans aren't meant by nature to eat dairy products after they've been weaned? What groups are most likely to have lactase deficiency?

DEAR READER: I don't know whether humans "aren't meant" by nature to eat dairy products. Maybe we're not meant to eat oysters, snails or chocolate pudding, either. But we do.

Actually, we seem to have a reliable ability to digest almost anything, iron and calcium included. Part of this ability is due to a remarkable process called enzyme induction.

In order to digest lactose — the sugar in milk — we need a chemical called lactase. Babies don't have it. They are really only equipped to digest mother's milk, not cow's milk.

However, when infants are fed cow's milk, their intestines get the message after a while and begin producing the appropriate enzyme. In general, as long as humans continue to consume cow's milk, they continue to produce lactase for digestion. When they stop drinking cow's milk, they make far less of the enzyme. As people get older, their ability to make digestive chemicals declines, so elderly folks may develop an intolerance to milk products. This intolerance may become more pronounced if they avoid milk altogether.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My mother had her gallbladder removed several years ago. At that time, the doctors told her that they also removed several stones in her ducts and that she was now "clean." After several years of good health, the attacks resumed. Her doctor told her that the pain was all in her head, and he prescribed Valium. Is it possible that they left something in her?

DEAR READER: Yes. The surgeon could have left a gallstone. Sometimes small stones are inadvertently missed during an operation and later enlarge to cause symptoms.

I assume that you are asking if the surgeon may have accidentally left in something else, like an instrument. Again, my answer is yes. This type of accident is unlikely, but possible.

However, a far more common cause of your mother's attacks would be new gallstones. If she is a stone-former, she may have a whole new set of stones that could be causing pain, even though she is minus a gallbladder.

At the very least, your mother needs medical tests to identify the cause of her pain. These tests should include an ultrasound exam. Perhaps your mother could obtain better medical care if she found a doctor who is more willing to take her complaints seriously. Valium is a great drug, but it is much too frequently prescribed. I believe that in your mother's case, other treatment would be far more satisfactory.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Gallbladder Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

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DEAR READERS: As the summer draws to a close, I get a little silly. And this is the result. For the past nine years, I have carefully collated nonsense medical definitions provided by you, my readers. I have taken special care not to duplicate any terms. This, my 10th year of the exercise, will probably be my last — unless you can come up with some new suggestions. Meanwhile, I hope that the list below will tickle your funny bone.

— Abdominal: legendary snowman.
— Anaerobic: unwilling to exercise.
— Anorexia: phobia of people of royal birth.
— Aqueous humor: joke about swimming.
— Band-Aid: musician's assistant.
— Bile duct: a waterfowl on an Egyptian river.
— Bradycardia: what Brady will do if you look underage.
— Bronchial: football team in Denver.
— Bulimia: the ability to tell endless tall tales.
— Candy striper: a person who paints peppermints.
— Citrate: charge for using a private bench.
— Coccus: where Iowans choose their presidential candidate.
— Coma: a punctuation mark.
— Cremation: used in coffee.
— Deviated septum: a septum with strange cravings.
— Eustachian: "Gesundheit!"
— Fester: quicker.
— Foreskin: between threeskin and fiveskin.
— Genotype: what Eugene does at the office.
— Herbalists: followers of "Herb."
— Hyphae: what the doctor charges.
— Hypothalamus: large animal from Thalamus.
— Incisor: person who exercises indoors.
— Inpatient: where the lost scalpel can be found.
— Labor pains: getting hurt at work.
— Lactose: consequence of frostbite.
— Lumbar puncture: a hole in a 2-by-4.
— Microscope: smallest serving at an ice-cream store.
— Neutrophil: Phil after that terrible accident.
— Olfactory: where they manufacture antiques.
— Operating room: the space required to perform in a singles' bar.
— Ova: finished, done with.
— Pap smear: to slander your father.
— Pathology: the study of road maps.
— Platelet: what a small dessert is served on.
— Psychopath: the road nut taken.
— Rheumatic: storage area on the third floor.
— Species: what you hear at political rallies.
— Subcutaneous: runner-up in a beauty contest.
— Urate: You're special!

And indeed you are. Thanks for your suggestions and advice. That's it for the 10th annual edition.

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Colleges go online to reach teen-agers throughout U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Applying to college by computer was only natural for Mark Garneau.

The 18-year-old from Closter, N.J., spends two or three hours a day exploring the Internet. Virginia Tech, one of the most heavily wired campuses, had the most detailed Web page — and an online application form.

He could apply without leaving his perch or dragging out a typewriter, a foreign practice for many youngsters yet still required at many institutions.

"The other ones, I had to think about keeping them neat and typed and stuff like that," said Garneau, now an incoming freshman at the university.

Knowing there's a whole generation of Web-literate teen-agers out there, universities are struggling to meet the demand for online applications in time for the college-hunting season this fall.

"Clearly, the paper application is doomed," said the summary of a poll released last winter by the Art & Science Group Inc., a Baltimore research company that found a sharp rise in Web access among high school seniors. More than one-third said they would rather apply online, up from 11 percent a year earlier.

Going online saves paper, lets institutions hear from a wider range of applicants and lets them promote themselves as technologically advanced, the colleges say.

But the new world also has created some special headaches for universities.

Sophisticated probers who look at a college's Web site also can often gain access to such things as campus crime reports, faculty ratings or other information through unofficial channels.

And students are sometimes bombarding faculty with questions by e-mail, creating a burden that not all colleges or faculty might be able to handle.

"Colleges are not geared up now to deal with students accessing this unofficial information," said Kenneth E. Hartman, director of elementary and secondary programs for the College Board and author of "The Internet Guide for College-Bound Students."

Despite such concerns, universities in the past year also have hired services that let students learn about several universities or campuses from one Web location, apply to several and then charge the application fee over the computer. They also offer links to scholarship information and other services.

Court admonishes judges; Ray can seek more rifle tests

JACKSON, Tenn. (AP) — James Earl Ray can continue to try and show he didn't fire the bullet that killed Martin Luther King Jr., but two judges went too far in launching their own probes, a state court has decided.

The Tennessee Court of Criminal Appeals admonished judges Joe Brown and John Colton Jr. on Friday, saying they had no business acting as investigators.

Brown has considered ordering a second round of tests on the rifle authorities say Ray used to kill King in 1968. Colton appointed a special investigator to subpoena witnesses for testimony about a possible murder conspiracy.

A three-judge panel of the appeals court said Colton had no authority in making the appointment. And while Brown may order new ballistics tests, the court said, he acted improperly in telling the FBI to turn over bullets it tested from Ray's rifle 29 years ago.

"A judge is a fair and impartial adjudicator, not an investigator," the court said. "In this regard we find that Judge Joseph D. Brown Jr. has crossed this line. Upon review of the record as a whole, we are disturbed by the trial judge's handling of these procedures."

Brown ordered tests on Ray's rifle in May but they ended with the same inconclusive results as similar tests by the FBI in 1968 and by a U.S. House committee in 1978.

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Military reactor gains a cancer-fighting role

McCLELLAN AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. (AP) — A nuclear reactor used to scan aircraft for hidden flaws is being aimed at a new enemy: deadly brain tumors.

The new medical procedure, known as boron neutron capture therapy, could cure thousands of brain cancer patients who might otherwise die, said Dr. James Boggan, a University of California neurosurgeon leading the research at McClellan.

But with McClellan Air Force Base scheduled to close in 2001, the nation's newest research reactor faces an uncertain future and could be decommissioned despite the cancer research.

"Considering that it's a good, peaceful application of nuclear energy, to see the reactor decommissioned would be an awful waste," Boggan said.

The Air Force has used the $30 million reactor since 1990 to help maintain McClellan's aircraft by using neutron rays to reveal hidden defects. It is the only inspection site of its kind in the world.

The federal government has committed at least $1.8 million to create a new chamber next to the reactor, largely for brain tumor research.

Boron neutron capture therapy involves injecting a patient with boron, an element which attaches to the cancer. The beam passing through the patient reacts with the boron, killing the cancer.

The Massachusetts Institute of Technology and New York's Brookhaven National Laboratory are quietly competing in the race to use neutrons against cancer. Both have disclosed only preliminary results so far, Boggan said.

Two East Coast sites tried the technique unsuccessfully four decades ago, using less refined machines and substances, Boggan said. But scientific advances have prompted researchers to try again.

"We have the potential here for this lifesaving service that's a real benefit to the country," said physicist Wade Richards, who runs the reactor.

Air Force officials said they plan to continue using the reactor for aircraft inspections until the base is transferred to public agencies and private firms.

It's unclear, however, whether anyone will be interested in running the reactor once the Air Force leaves. Private firms are expected to take over some aircraft maintenance, but the military would have to decommission the reactor if there are no buyers.

The University of California, Davis, Medical Center team involved in the cancer research at McClellan is seeking $3 million from the federal government to finish the research facility and continue conducting research, Boggan said.

With the funding, scientists would be able to complete the infrastructure and conduct research for two years.

Fight leads to 3 arrests

A report of a fight early Saturday morning resulted in the arrest of three people in the 1800 block of 15th Street.

Dispatchers received a 911 call at 2:47 a.m. Saturday that a fight was in progress. Responding officers arrested a 34-year-old male, a 28-year-old female and a 27-year-old female at the scene for public intoxication. Four male juveniles at the residence were taken to another residence by officers.

One other arrest was made early Saturday as officers took an 18-year-old male into custody the 2400 block of Avenue L at 1:24 a.m. for public intoxication.

Friday, officers took a 35-year-old female into custody at 4:45 p.m. in the 1700 block of 28th Street for driving while license suspended.

In other activity Friday, Jerry Jackson requested to speak to a deputy at 8:17 a.m. in reference to someone running over his mailbox on CR 1[illegible]2.

An offense report for harassment by telephone was made at 11:36 a.m.

At 1:18 p.m., an officer was requested at the Rental Store and More in reference to a U-Haul truck having a broken window. An offense report for criminal mischief was submitted.

Officers investigated a two-vehicle accident at 4:27 p.m. Thursday in the 4500 block of College Avenue. Involved were a 1997 Chevrolet driven by Vanessa Taylor of 6160 Bell School Road and a 1996 Honda driven by Brandal Hickman of 3408 Ave. V.

The real-life Cyrano de Bergerac was a poet and science-fiction writer.

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We wish to thank our many friends and relatives for all the kindness and consideration shown in the passing of our husband and dad, Drep Gibson. To the heavy-hearted friends that carried him to his rest, to Brother Cleck Smith, and Brother Surry Gillum for their talks and prayers that helped to lighten our sorrow, also the florals and sympathy cards, the abundance of food were greatly appreciated.

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To the host of friends who came to us with love and sympathy, to those who could not come but sent flowers or messages of condolences; we want to express our deepest appreciation, we are indeed grateful for the beautiful flowers and for the food that was served. May God's blessings be upon you is our prayer.

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Datebook

Aug. 30, 1997

Today is the 242nd day of 1997 and the 71st day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1918, Nikolai Lenin survived an attempted assassination in Moscow.

On this day in 1989, a federal jury found Leona Helmsley guilty of income-tax evasion.

On this day in 1993, David Letterman's "Late Night Show" debuted on CBS with over 23 million viewers.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Huey Long (1893-1935), U.S. politician; Roy Wilkins (1901-1981), U.S. civil-rights leader; Fred MacMurray (1908-1991), actor; Ted Williams (1918-), baseball great, is 79; Deborah Kerr (1921-), actress, is 76; Jean-Claude Killy (1943-), skiing great, is 54; Tug McGraw (1944-), baseball star, is 53; Robert Parish (1953-), basketball star, is 44.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1979, Ann Meyers became the first woman to sign an NBA contract; two days later, the Indiana Pacers cut her from their roster.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "It takes a genius to whine appealingly." — F. Scott Fitzgerald

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1979, Hurricane David killed 56 people on the island of Dominica.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Aug. 24) and new moon (Sept. 1).

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Aug. 31, 1997

Today is the 243rd day of 1997 and the 72nd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1940, Sir Lawrence Olivier married Vivien Leigh.

On this day in 1963, Walter Cronkite became the anchorman on the CBS Evening News; he would not retire until 1981.

On this day in 1987, Michael Jackson released his "Bad" album.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Caligula (12-41), Roman emperor; Arthur Godfrey (1903-1983), broadcaster; William Saroyan (1908-1981), writer; Buddy Hackett (1924-), comedian, is 73; James Coburn (1928-), actor, is 69; Frank Robinson (1935-), baseball great, is 62; Van Morrison (1945-), singer, is 52; Itzhak Perlman (1945-), violinist, is 52; Richard Gere (1949-), actor, is 48; Edwin Moses (1955-), track-and-field great, is 42.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1976, Carallyn Bowes became the first woman to run across Canada. She ran 3,840 miles in 133 days.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The thing that impresses me most about America is the way parents obey their children." — Duke of Windsor

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1922, a storm covered fields near West Chester, Pa., with hail.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day before new moon.

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USDA and FDA want recall authority

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department and the Food and Drug Administration want Congress to put teeth into the government's power to recall tainted foods and fine plants that violate food safety laws.

Spurred by an outbreak of potentially fatal E. coli bacteria that forced a massive recall of ground beef, Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman proposed legislation Friday permitting $100,000 civil fines and authority to shut down plants that willfully or repeatedly violate meat safety laws.

The FDA, which oversees the safety of other foods, said it too will seek similar new powers from Congress.

"They're a persuasive incentive to do things safely from the start, to be extra careful to avoid the high-risk practices that trigger these actions," Glickman said of his proposals.

USDA, which oversees the safety of beef, pork and poultry, cannot order recalls under current law. It can issue warnings of contaminated food and work with private companies to encourage recalls.

The department also can close plants by withdrawing its inspectors. But Glickman said this "atomic bomb authority" does not allow for varying degrees of oversight.

"If the only power I have is to shut down a plant, then it will be much more difficult for me — or really for them — to work through the gradations of food safety problems that may exist at a plant," he said.

Glickman said he plans to send his bill to Congress when members return from summer vacation next week. Similar measures were introduced last year and in 1994.

Several industry groups were quick to criticize the proposals, saying the government already has a wide range of enforcement tools, from detaining products and preventing shipments to seeking criminal penalties.

"The current system has been effective in accomplishing this for decades," said Dane Bernard of the National Food Processors Association. "USDA, as well as the Food and Drug Administration, already has all the power it needs to assure that foods are recalled if necessary."

But Sen. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., said the change would improve food safety. "Closing a plant ... can leave tainted product on the shelves," he said. "Mandatory recall is the fastest way to get products off the shelves."

Even with the law, Glickman said USDA still would try to first work voluntarily with food companies. "The difference is, in those circumstances where they refuse, we can order the recall, and that is critical," he said.

Glickman called for such authority last week after the E. coli outbreak forced Hudson Foods Inc. to recall 25 million pounds of ground beef processed at a plant in Columbus, Neb. The plant has been closed and sold.

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Petition verified, Houstonians will vote on affirmative action

HOUSTON (AP) — More than 20,000 signatures have been verified on a petition to repeal the city's affirmative action policy, setting the stage for a Nov. 4 election on the issue.

The City Council must approve inclusion of the Houston Civil Rights Initiative on the ballot, but a council vote is considered a formality.

Initiative leader Edward Blum said the verification shows the support in the community to end affirmative action in the city's government.

"We have found that most people are very hostile to the idea of racial and gender preferences," Blum told the Houston Chronicle on Friday.

"It's up to us not only to describe to them what the city is doing, but also how the success of passing this initiative will compel our city leaders to find alternatives to what they are doing now," he said.

Approved by the City Council in 1995, the minority contracting program crafted by Mayor Bob Lanier sets voluntary goals for inclusion of women and minorities in city contracts.

The Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program recommends 17 percent of construction, 24 percent of professional services and 11 percent of purchasing contracts go to minority and women-owned business.

Since the ordinance was passed, qualifying women- and minority-owned firms have received about 20 percent of the city's $1 billion a year contracting program.

Lanier strongly opposes the initiative and its efforts to outlaw the program. His special assistant, Dave Walden, said Blum's group's objective could harm seriously efforts to promote diversity in Houston.

"I think that he is the kind of person who is good at tapping into hostilities and fear," Walden said. "But he has not really seen a bunch of angry people until he sits down in front of the Women Contractors Association and explains to them why he knows what's best for them and their businesses."

Walden predicted a bitter battle yet to be fought before the election.

"Just because he turned in a petition and got it verified doesn't mean he is looking at a slam dunk victory," Walden said.

Blum's group turned their petitions in to City Secretary Anna Russell's office on Aug. 20. Of the 20,628 signatures submitted, 63 were disqualified. Blum needed at least 20,000 to get the issue on the ballot.

Blum's initiative is based on California's Proposition 209,

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Notes on Foster conversation sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — Whitewater prosecutors won a round Friday in their fight to obtain a lawyer's notes of his conversation with the late presidential aide Vincent Foster about the White House travel office firings.

A split federal appeals court panel agreed with independent counsel Kenneth W. Starr that the attorney-client privilege protecting such discussions does not always extend beyond the grave.

Starr had appealed a lower court's refusal to enforce a grand jury's subpoena for the notes, arguing that because Foster had committed suicide prosecutors were entitled to examine them.

Starr is seeking the notes as part of his investigation to determine whether presidential aides lied about any role Hillary Rodham Clinton might have had in the firings of seven White House Travel Office employees in 1993.

Mrs. Clinton has denied in sworn statements that she played any role in the firings, an assertion challenged in a memo by former White House administration director David Watkins.

In a 2-1 ruling, the panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit held that in a criminal investigation the attorney-client privilege did not always survive the death of the client.

The panel ordered a review of the notes taken by defense lawyer James Hamilton to determine whether they qualify for such an exception to the attorney-client privilege.

Finns sweating it out in century's hottest summer

HELSINKI, Finland (AP) — If you can't stand the heat, get into the sauna.

It may seem counterintuitive, but that strategy is one of the more popular ones this summer — the hottest on record in the Nordic countries. Some parts of Finland have notched a record 39 "heat wave" days this year, the Finnish Meteorological Institute said Friday.

The term is relative, however: In Finland, it's officially considered a heat wave when the thermometer exceeds 77 degrees. Although hardly scorching by most standards, such temperatures are uncomfortable for many Nordics, whose homes and offices rarely have air conditioning.

"Yesterday evening, we were so hot we escaped into the sauna, which admittedly hadn't been warmed up," said Vesa Varhee, 31, a financial analyst in Helsinki.

Finnish saunas generally are in buildings separated from residences. Well-insulated to keep out the cold, they also block out the summer heat.

In Denmark, temperatures this summer have frequently hit 86 degrees. The national meteorological office said August's average of 69.2 degrees was the highest since it began keeping statistics in 1874.

Back to work

DALLAS (AP) — A principal shot in the neck during a robbery at school is headed back to work after the holiday weekend.

Jim Nodeland, 44, was attacked the morning of Aug. 20 before classes started at Margaret B. Henderson Elementary School. He was discharged from the hospital last week.

Kendrick Demond Mitchell, 19, has been charged with aggravated robbery in the incident. He was arrested near his home, which is adjacent to the school.

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In bloodied Algeria, who is killing, why?

PARIS (AP) — A merciless attack on a poor Algerian farming village that claimed up to 300 lives has intensified the mystery behind growing violence in this north African nation.

Theories abound as to why the bloodshed, part of a five-year Islamic insurgency that has left 60,000 people dead, is suddenly increasing. But no one seems to know if it's revenge or fanaticism, and some cynics claim the government is behind it.

The violence has been escalating in recent months, with 1,500 deaths since early June. But Friday's bloodletting appeared to be the deadliest so far.

The attackers followed a familiar pattern: They descended on an isolated hamlet in the middle of the night and with crude weapons sliced and hacked residents to death.

The target was Rais, 15 miles south of the capital. Witnesses said attackers entered homes to wake victims and slit their throats. Many were decapitated. Severed heads lay on doorsteps. The streets were full of corpses.

The government, which rarely comments on specific attacks and often seeks to minimize the death toll, gave an official count of 98 killed and 120 wounded.

Another 47 people were slashed to death before dawn Friday in the farming village of Maalba, about 120 miles southeast of Algiers, and in the Frais Vallon neighborhood in the hills above the capital, villagers and hospital sources said.

This week, the Paris-based news weekly Jeune Afrique linked the surge in attacks to reported talks between Algeria's military-backed regime and the Islamic Salvation Front. The front's military arm, the Islamic Salvation Army, is taking part in the insurgency.

According to this scenario, the Armed Islamic Group — the Islamic Salvation Army's arch-rival, and the group usually blamed for rural massacres and random bombings — stepped up its campaign to sabotage any accord.

Abassi Madani, president of the banned Islamic Salvation Front and released July 15 after six years in a military jail, refused comment about any talks.

It was the Salvation Front's expected victory in 1992 legislative elections that changed Algeria's course. The army canceled the ote midway, sparking the insurgency and a brutal crackdown by security forces.

President Liamine Zeroual has vowed to stamp out the "terrorists" and end their attacks.

But some experts and ordinary citizens maintain the regime itself is inciting the massacres — through a nebulous chain of intermediaries — or at least purposefully being ineffective in stopping them.

The purported reason: to justify its campaign against the militants and to gain sympathy from the West.

But in Algeria's shadowy underworld of Muslim extremists, government informers and desperadoes, it is impossible to decipher who is killing whom and why.

Some observers claim the Armed Islamic Group is a mix of militant Muslims, common criminals, desperate youths, clans seeking to settle accounts and infiltrators from the military police.

Responsibility for the massacres has never been claimed, but authorities have generally attributed them to the Armed Islamic Group.

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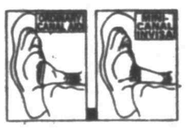
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Sons of AL fund-raiser

The Sons of the American Legion will have a barbecue at noon Sunday. Cost is $5 per plate, $2.50 for children. A big screen television will be available to watch the Cowboys' game.

Fifth Sunday singing

The Abundant Life United Pentecostal Church, 31st and Ave. C, will sponsor a Fifth Sunday Singing at 2:30 p.m.

The Cochrans from Las Vegas, N.M. will be the featured singers. The afternoon performance will be the only service that day.

Everyone is invited to attend.

Central Parent Council

Central Parent Council will meet at 8 a.m. Wednesday in Room 4. Officers will be elected and upcoming events will be discussed. All parents are invited.

Grand jury meets Tuesday

The Scurry County grand jury is expected to consider a half dozen cases Tuesday when it convenes at 9 a.m. in 132nd District Court.

Adult basic education

Adult basic education classes will begin Tuesday at Western Texas College for those seeking their GEDs.

Classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays will be held from 8-11 a.m.

ESL (English as a Second Language) and GED courses will also be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8:30 p.m. ESL classes are only offered at night. For more information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Bible study videos

Another series of Bible study video tapes is airing on Channel 2. The fifth tape, "Angels - Part of God's Creation," will air at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Hermleigh Booster Club

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the high school building. Everyone is invited.

Church building fund

Garage sale items are being accepted by the Lighthouse Assembly of God for their church building fund. Call 573-5124 for more information.

Girl Scout registration

Girl Scout registration day will be Saturday, Sept. 6 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Scout Hut, 2501 35th St. Cost is $7 per person. Each girl needs to bring health information and be accompanied by a parent. Adult workers are also needed in all areas and can register at the same time. Training will be provided.

Annual catfish fry set

The First United Methodist Church will hold its annual catfish fry from 5:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9. For tickets, call 573-5416. Proceeds will help support the church's youth programs.

County Health Unit

Scurry County Health Unit will not give shots until Sept. 9. On that date, the clinic will be open until 7 p.m. A breast-feeding class will be held at 6 that evening.

A Taste of Scurry County

Scurry County Museum is planning a "A Taste of Scurry County" for Sept. 11. The evening-long event will begin with food sampling at 6:30 p.m. Door prizes, a silent auction and a bid auction will be offered. Tickets for a computer to be raffled in December will also be available. Tickets, $12.50 for adults, $5 for children 5-12, and free for children under 5 accompanied by an adult ticketholder, may be purchased at the museum, chamber of commerce, Bullard's Computer Solutions and Nathalie's and Snyder Healthmart.

1997 Area-Wide Ladies' Retreat

The 1997 Area-Wide Ladies' Retreat will be held Sept. 12-13 at Willow Park Inn. Jo Marlar and Claudine Chaney will speak and Mercy & Truth will provide the music. For information, call 573-2672 or 573-8401. Register as soon as possible to reserve a spot.

TAAS fall testing

The Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) and the Texas Educational Assessment of Minimum Skills (TEAMS) tests will be administered Oct. 28-30. Enrolled 11th and 12th graders and individuals out of school are eligible. Fall registration packets are available in the high school counselor's office. TAAS out-of-school examinees and TEAMS examinees must register by Sept. 16. Anyone with questions should contact Charlene Light at 574-6049 or Wendell Sollis at 573-5401.

Canyon Community reunion

The Canyon Community reunion will be held Sept. 20 at the Ira Community Center. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided. Lunch will be "on your own." Bring any momentoes, pictures and tales with you. For more information, call 573-3825 or 573-3093.

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Friday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 01-05-11-15-23
Number matching five of five: 13.
Prize per winner: $11,824.
Matching four of five: 693. Prize: $333.
Matching three of five: 18,383. Prize: $21.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
7-5-0
(seven, five, zero)

2 families have fifth generation at Ira School

For two families, attending Ira School has become a long-standing tradition.

Two elementary students — Rance Dunn and Brandon Lunsford — represent the fifth generation of their respective families to enroll at the school.

Rance, a first grader, and Brandon, who attends kindergarten, said this week that they like school — playing outside as well as doing classroom work.

For Rance, the five generations are on the maternal side of his family. However, he is also the third generation on his dad's side to attend Ira.

Counting backwards, Rance's dad, Dirk, is the fourth generation. Dirk's mother, Linda Wilson Dunn (Rance's grandmother), is the third generation. Her father, the late M.L. "Woodrow" Wilson (Rance's great-grandfather), is the second generation. Woodrow's mother, Alva Barnett Wilson (Rance's great-great grandmother), is the first generation.

Alva attended Ira's first school, a dugout with a dirt floor. Woodrow served on the Ira School Board for 10 years, from 1949 until 1959, the year he died. He served eight years as president and one of the board's major undertakings was building the teacherages. Roy Sallee served as superintendent.

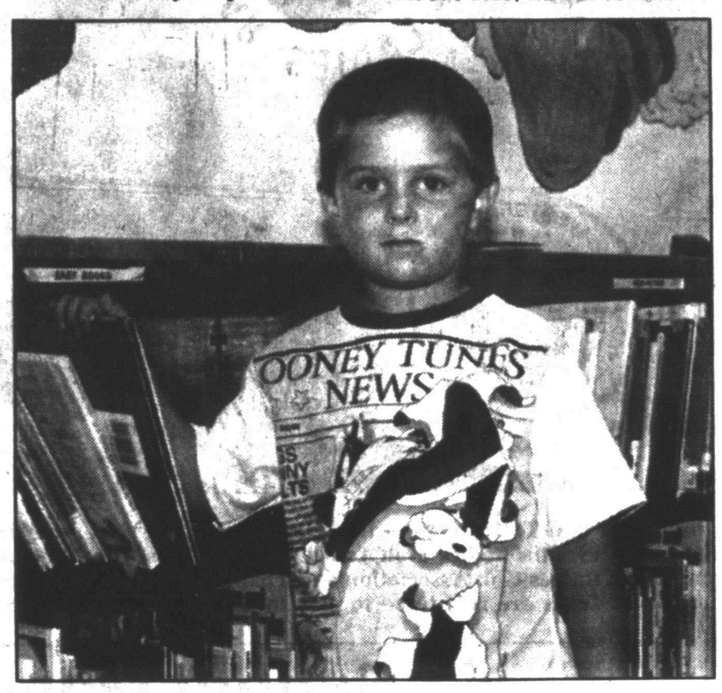
These additional facts were taken from "Footprints Across Scurry County." Woodrow was born in 1910 in southwest Scurry County, the youngest of three sons. His father had moved to the county in 1900 and owned a blacksmith shop in Ira.

Woodrow attended school in Ira and met his future wife, Inez Smallwood, at a party. She was the fifth of eight children and her family had moved to Scurry County in 1919.

Her father operated Smallwood's Grocery in Ira and he was a charter member of Ira Church of God.

Woodrow farmed for a time in the Union area. He worked briefly for the oil field in Forsan, but within a short time they moved back to Ira and operated a wholesale gasoline business.

During the mid 1930s, Woodrow had the only telephone in Ira.



CONTINUES TRADITION — When Brandon Lunsford enrolled in kindergarten at Ira School he became the fifth generation of his family to do so. He said he likes playing football outside and doing classroom work. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

He was also active in getting State Highway 350 through Ira.

Linda graduated from Ira in 1964. She was an active PTA member and served as president for two years in the mid 1980s.

Dirk is serving his second term on Ira's school board. During that time, he has helped guide Ira through the "Robin Hood" school finance plan which saw some tax dollars redistributed from wealthier schools to poorer schools.

At one time, Ira was considered "rich" because of its oil evaluations.

Dirk ranches and farms with his dad. Besides Rance, Dirk and his wife, Jodi, have a baby daughter, Rillee, who most likely will also be another fifth generation to attend Ira.

Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

On the paternal side, Rance is the third generation; his father, Dirk, is the second generation and his grandfather, Donnie, is the first generation.

Donnie, Dirk's dad and Linda's husband, graduated from Ira in 1962 and served on the school board from 1972-1984.

During that time, the school was remodeled and a new gym and cafeteria were built.

Linda and Donnie were high school sweethearts, a tradition set by her parents, Inez Smallwood Wilson and the late Woodrow Wilson. Inez also attended Ira School.

Besides Dirk, Linda's two daughters also graduated from Ira. They are DeeDee Dunn Rice, who teaches school at Westbrook, and Lisa Dunn Forbes, a nurse at Columbia Hospital in San Angelo.

Lewis Dunn, Rance's great-grandfather, never attended Ira School, but served on the school board from 1957-1961.

In Brandon's family, his mother, Kaila Bethel, is the fourth generation. She is married to Charles Bethel. Brandon is also the son of Jacky and Shannon Lunsford of El Dorado, Ark.

Kaila has two other children, Blake and Brock, who will also likely attend Ira when they reach school age.

Carolyn Barbee, Kaila's mother, represents the third generation. She and her husband, Bob, own Barbee Medical. Carolyn also serves on the Western Texas College Board.

The second generation is represented by Carolyn's parents, Nora Lee Clark and the late J.L. Clark, who died in 1995.

The tradition began with Ada Lee Autry Clark who is the first generation. Some 102 years ago, when Ada reached school age, Ira only had a dugout. She was a member of the first graduating class in 1902.

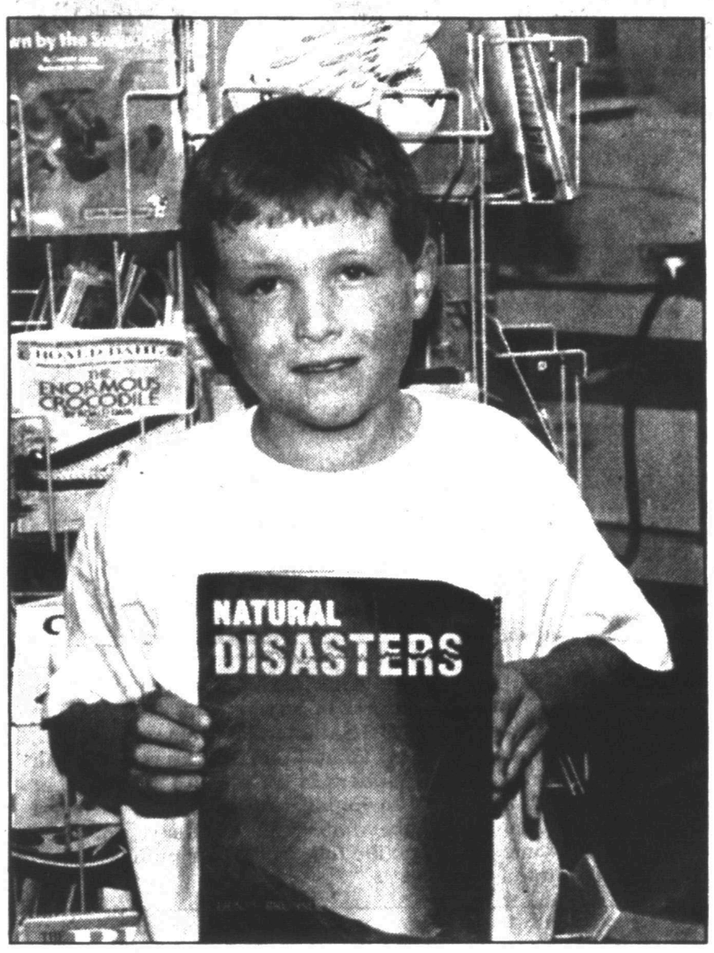
Born in 1889, Ada married Drew Clark in 1908. They had six children, including J.L.

Carolyn said her grandmother, Ada, instilled in all of her children, "a great love of church, school and community."

J.L. attended Ira for 11 years, all the grades then available. He was a farmer and married Nora Lee James of Snyder in 1939. All four of their children graduated from Ira.

When J.L and Nora Lee's last child graduated, their first grandchild started school at Ira. Their first child started to school in 1947. From then until 1992 when their grandson Kory Clark graduated, they had had either a child or grandchild at Ira School.

Kory now lives in Amarillo where he is the ag finance manager for Boatman Bank.



FIFTH GENERATION — Rance Dunn, first grader at Ira School, is taking a reading break in the library. He is the fifth generation on his mother's side and the third generation on his father's side to attend the school. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

When the 1997-1998 school year began earlier this month, the family tradition restarted with Brandon, who is the first great-grandchild of J.L. and Nora Lee to

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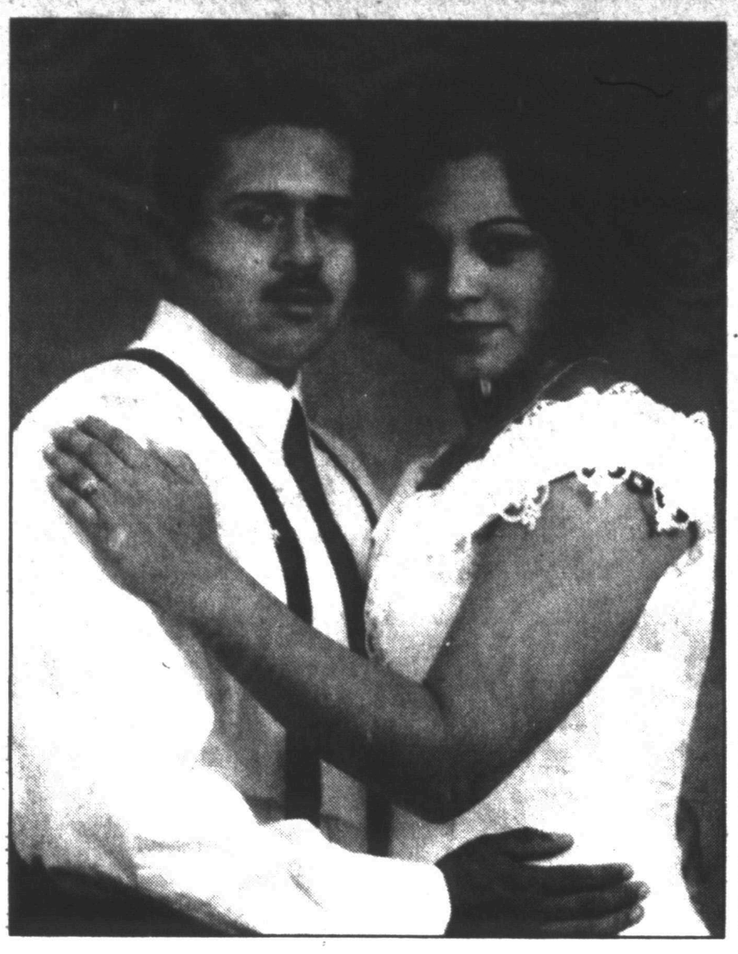

MARRIED IN CALIFORNIA — Angelica M. Ramirez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Ramirez of Snyder, and Joshua Dean Saunders, son of Mr. and Mrs. Del Saunders of Marysville, Calif., announce their marriage on July 25 at 2 p.m. in Marysville. Both serving in the Navy, Mrs. Saunders is an airman specialist at Norfolk, Va., and Saunders is an engineering specialist, stationed in California. The couple's honeymoon was to Disneyland. They will make their home in Marysville following their military duty. (Contributed Photo)

Local writers read work

West Texas Poets, Etc., met Aug. 21 in the community room of the Golden Terrace with Sherry Bryant presiding and Marion Bullock giving the invocation.

Bertha Johnson read their poetry to the residents of Rotan Healthcare Center.

Officers were elected to include Mary Westmoreland, president; Rhonda Frizzell, vice president; Bertha Johnson, secretary/treasurer.

Members will make a donation, in lieu of having a booth, to the upcoming White Buffalo Days event.

Several Poets, Etc., members plan to write historical articles to give to Jean Everett to submit to the Snyder Daily News by Sept. 15.

Reading their own work included an article by Marion Bullock, "Snoozy's Not New," published in *Living With Children*; Sue Griffin read two poems, "The Spiritual Way" and "Memories;" Johnson read her poem, "Church House on the Hill;" Marge Smith read her article, "How Do You Spell Sucess, and Westmoreland read her article, "Growing Trees in West Texas."

Other original poems read were Helene Tutt's "Which Artery?" and "Remarriage;" Ken Griffith read "Theory of Life" and "My Frog;" Everett read "A Brush of Color" and "Leaning North;" Garnet Quiett read "West Texas Panorama" and "Tabernacle Gospel." Bryant read "Beyond the Mists" and her song, "Never Look Back."

Quiett won the hostess gift and Bryant brought the word of encouragement, reading "Heart's Gift," by Helen Steiner Rice. Following adjournment, hostesses Jean Everett and Bertha Johnson served home-made ice cream and cake.

The next meeting is set for Sept. 18 in the Golden Terrace Community Room.

PLANNING BIG TOURNEY — Jo Sterling, Juanita Hester, Peggy Hardin and Anita Talbott, along with members of the Ladies' Golf Association, check last minute details for hosting the Western Lone Star Senior Ladies Golf Association's tournament at the Snyder Country Club. Seventy-two ladies from West Texas are registered to play in the event Sept. 7-11. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

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

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

TUESDAY

Ladies' Golf Association; country club; tee time 9 a.m.

Scurry County Chapter of American Heart Association; The Shack; noon.

Alpha Study Club; MAWC; 3 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Garden Club; meeting and luncheon to kick-off new club year and plan flower show for county fair; Martha Ann Woman's Club; 9:30 a.m.

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag. Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

"A Company of Women International" Prophetic Voice the Nations, for mature Christian women; Union Community Center; pot luck meal; 6 p.m.

Deep Creek Chapter of ABWA; The Shack; 6:30 p.m.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 6:30 p.m.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

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Stallone considers home downsizing

MIAMI (AP) — Sylvester Stallone is looking to downsize from his spectacular mansion on Biscayne Bay.

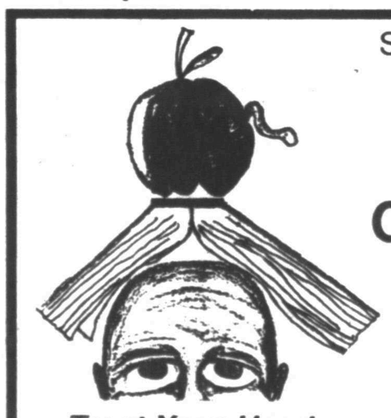
He's asking $27.5 million for the 11.7-acre property, Rosario Kennedy, Stallone's personal representative, said Monday.

Stallone expressed concerns about the security of the posh neighborhood earlier this year, and was a close friend to fellow Miami-area resident, Gianni Versace, who was gunned down this summer.

Stallone is considering other homes in southern Florida for himself, his wife, Jennifer Flavin, and their 1-year-old daughter, said Alan Jacobson, co-owner of the real estate agency listing the home.

"He's more of a family man now and feels like all this is perhaps something that he doesn't need any more," Jacobson said of the waterfront estate, which boasts a 24,000-square-foot main house, two guest houses, an Olympic-size pool, a boathouse and room for a 100-foot yacht.

Stallone bought the land in 1993 for $8 million and said he invested $20 million in it.



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September 6
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10:00 a.m.

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•Meet the Texas Tech Masked Rider
•Celebrity Readers
•Hear Dale Bulla, noted author/storyteller
•Parade - SHS Marching Band, Cheerleaders
•SHS/SJHS Drama Productions
•Book Fairs
•School/Community Booths

School Menu

Snyder

ELEMENTARY BREAKFAST

All breakfasts are served with assorted cereal, toast, juice and variety of milk.

MONDAY
Labor Day Holiday

TUESDAY
Waffles w/Syrup

WEDNESDAY
Cinnamon Rolls

THURSDAY
French Toast Sticks w/Syrup

FRIDAY
Breakfast Pizza

ELEMENTARY LUNCH

TUESDAY
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
French Fries
Applesauce

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Burger
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Tater Tots
Baked Beans

THURSDAY
Chicken Fried Steak
Yeast Rolls
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
French Fries
Green Beans

FRIDAY
Spaghetti, Meat Sauce
Sausage Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Tater Tots
Fruit Cocktail

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST

Served with assorted cereal, toast, juice; all meals are served with variety of milk.

MONDAY
Holiday

TUESDAY
Waffles w/Syrup

WEDNESDAY
Cinnamon Rolls

THURSDAY
French Toast Stick w/Syrup

FRIDAY
Breakfast Pizza

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL LUNCHES

TUESDAY
Sausage Pizza
Corn Dog
Tossed Salad
Fruit Cocktail

WEDNESDAY
Hamburger on a Bun
Ham & Cheese Sandwich
Lettuce & Tomato
French Fries
Fruit Gelatin

THURSDAY
Chicken Fried Steak
Baked Chicken
Mashed Potatoes
Cream Gravy
Green Beans
Yeast Rolls

FRIDAY
Barbecued Beef on a Roll
Stuffed Potato w/Cracker
Tossed Salad
Corn on the Cob
Applesauce

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MONDAY
Out for Labor Day

TUESDAY
Pizza
Corn
Vegetable Salad
Crackers
Peaches

WEDNESDAY
Pinto Beans
Spinach
Baked Potatoes
Corn Bread
Peach Cobbler

THURSDAY
Chicken Strips w/Gravy
Creamed Potatoes
Sweet Peas
Rolls
Sheath Cake

FRIDAY
Corn Dogs
French Fries
Pork & Beans
Cowboy Cookies

Hermleigh

BREAKFAST

Each meal is served with milk.

MONDAY
Labor Day Holiday

TUESDAY
Juice
Pancake Pups

WEDNESDAY
Fruit
Buttered Grits
Toast

THURSDAY
Juice
Cheese Toast

FRIDAY
Fruit
Waffles/Syrup

LUNCH

TUESDAY
Steak Fingers/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Tossed Salad
Hot Biscuits
Peach Cobbler

WEDNESDAY
Smothered Steak
Au Gratin Potatoes
Buttered Spinach
Hot Rolls
Gingerbread

THURSDAY
Chicken Pot Pie
Tomato Wedges
Hot Biscuits
Baked Apples

FRIDAY
Pizza
Tater Tots
Shredded Lettuce
Fruit Jello

Nation's most popular videos

By The Associated Press

Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission:

VIDEO SALES

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1. "Jerry Maguire," (Columbia TriStar)
2. "Fun and Fancy Free," (Disney)
3. "Jungle 2 Jungle," (Disney)
4. "Das Boot — The Director's Cut," (Columbia TriStar)
5. "Pink Flamingos," (New Line)
6. "Pooh's Great Adventure," (Disney)
7. "Spawn," (HBO)
8. "Turbo-A Power Rangers Movie," (Fox)
9. "Lord of the Dance," (PolyGram)
10. "Riverdance-The Show," (VCI-Columbia Tristar)

VIDEO RENTALS

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1. "Scream," (Dimension)
2. "Absolute Power," (Warner)
3. "Donnie Brasco," (Columbia TriStar)
4. "Sling Blade," (Miramax)
5. "Private Parts," (Paramount)
6. "Metro," (Touchstone)
7. "The Relic," (Paramount)
8. "Shine," (New Line)
9. "Mars Attacks," (Warner)
10. "Jungle 2 Jungle," (Disney)

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1. "I'm Bout It," Master P (Priority)
2. "Welcome to the Freak Show," dc Talk (Forefront)
3. "Les Miserables: 10th Anniv. Concert," Royal Philharmonic Orchestra (Columbia TriStar)
4. "Jagged Little Pill, Live," Alanis Morissette (Warner Reprise)
5. "Who Then Now?" Korn (Epic)

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In Weatherford church...

King, Beaver nuptials

Emily King of Weatherford became the bride of A.J. Beaver of Azle in double-ring vows read at 7 p.m., Aug. 2 in the First United Methodist Church in Weatherford. Tom Holcomb, minister of East Side Church of Christ, performed the ceremony.

Mr. and Mrs. Courtney King of Snyder are parents of the bride. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rue Beaver of Snyder and Ms. Margaret Peters of Azle. The bride is the granddaughter of Mrs. Foster S. Price of Sterling City, and the groom's grandmother is Mrs. Mackie Cox of Winston, N.M.

Decorations for the church featured two large arrangements of blue delphinium, blue and white hydrangeas, white lilies and snapdragons.

Organist Carol Hengels of Granbury played Purcell's "Trumpet Tune" as the mothers of the couple were seated. Clarke's "Prince of Denmark's March" was the processional and Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" was the recessional.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore her mother's wedding gown of imported silk organza over peau d'soie. An overlay of re-embroidered Alencon lace on English net formed a deep yoke for the bodice, fashioned with a Victorian neckline. Short sleeves of the overlay enhanced the creation.

A wide strip of the Alencon lace formed a border on the gown, extending around the full-length, voluminous chapel train which flowed from the A-line silhouette. The bride's finger-tip length veil of white silk illusion was crowned with a band of imported Australian porcelain roses. She carried a loose nosegay of gardenias, stephanotis and porcelana roses.

After the bride was presented by her father, Kristi Mize Carter read the poem "Destiny," by Edwin Arnold. Jackie Qualls, brother-in-law of the bride from Levelland, led a prayer.

The bride's sister, Joellen Qualls of Levelland, was matron of honor and another sister, Lila King, was a bridesmaid along with Molly Cheves of Albuquerque and Kristi Mize Carter. Attendants wore two-piece ensembles of ocean green crepe. Their short-sleeved, jacket style bodices were enhanced by open sweetheart necklines and revere collars, and their straight skirts were floor-length. They carried loose nosegays of white hydrangeas, oceana roses and orchid freesia.

Best man was Johnny Lack of Austin. Groomsmen were Bryan Brunson, Stan Hajost of Austin and brother of the groom, Ross Beaver, also from Austin.

The groom wore a Christian Dior notch tail coat with an ivory vest, shirt and tie. The groomsmen wore Perry Ellis double-breasted notch coats with black and green vests and ties. Fathers of the bride and groom wore Christian Dior single-breasted coats with black vests and ties. All had boutonnieres of stephanotis.

Ushers were Jackie Qualls and cousin of the groom, Glen Beaver from Austin.

Guests were registered by Jennifer Hancock of Austin and Jennifer Yocham of Lewisville.

The reception was held under spreading oak trees at the couple's new home in Weatherford. Guest tables placed about the lawn were covered with ivory cloths and held rose bowls filled with oceana roses. Hors d'oeuvres were served from a buffet table with a large centerpiece of fruit and cheese, accented with fresh flowers. Guests were entertained by juke box tunes, old and new.

The bride's table held the three-tiered wedding cake, a Victorian confection with white almond-flavored icing. Handmade ivory sugar lace and roses were used for decoration.

Topping the cake was an ivory sugar rose nosegay. The cake, placed on a silver tray belonging to the bride's grandmother, Mrs. Foster Price, was served from a table encircled by a garland of roses, caspia, white hydrangeas, lemon leaf and asparagus fern, and accented by the bride's bouquet.

The groom's cake was a two-tiered kahlua fudge creation. Kahula fudge icing was drizzled and piped with dark fudge. A cascade of iced grapes and dark fudge leaves sprinkled with almond slivers was used for the topping.

Serving at the bride's table were Heather Hengels, Jennifer Toombs of Irving, and Robin and Sterling Cave, cousins of the bride. Kim Hajost of Austin presided at the groom's table.

Following the reception, the couple left on their wedding trip to Ixtapa, Mexico.

The bride is a graduate of Abilene Christian University and teaches English and drama at Weatherford Middle School. The groom attended Angelo State University and Weatherford Junior College and is employed in construction in Fort Worth.

Mrs. A.J. Beaver
(nee Emily Elaine King)

Deep Creek ABWA plans membership tea, anniversary

Deep Creek Chapter of American Business Women's Association invites working women to its 14th anniversary and membership tea at 6:45 p.m. at The Shack.

Reservations should be made by Sept. 1 by calling Bonnie at 573-7407 or Paula at 573-5007.

Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams & Nancy Nash-Cummings

Simple and easy oven cleaning

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Is there an oven-cleaning solution that I can make at home? — **LINDA JOHNSON, Del Rio, Texas**

DEAR LINDA: Set your oven on warm for about 20 minutes, then turn it off. Place a small dish of full-strength ammonia on the top shelf and a large pan of boiling water on the bottom shelf. Close the oven door and leave overnight. In the morning, open the oven door and let air for a few minutes. Then wash all surfaces with hot, soapy water. The grease and grime will wipe right off. In the future, when there are spills on the floor of the oven, sprinkle them immediately with table salt. When the oven is cool, wipe with a damp sponge.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I like to use cloth table linens, but the iron I have now (as well as the two or three previous ones) doesn't get hot enough to iron linens efficiently. To get the linens damp for ironing, I run them through the dryer (no heat) with wet bath towels. This does a perfect job of "sprinkling" the fabric.

What I would love to find is an iron similar to the ones we had when I was younger. They had a wide thermostat range, and they did not have steam holes at the bottom which, I find, catch on buttons and seams and create patterns in the cloth that take considerable effort to iron out again. I'm willing to pay a higher price for a good iron. It will soon pay for itself in terms of my time and the use of electricity. — **M.A. SCHEIE, Seguin, Texas**

DEAR M.A.: We had a long talk with Maryanne at the Atlanta Thread and Supply Company (695 Red Oak Rd., Stockbridge, GA 30281; phone number: (800) 847-1001). She recommended that you buy a Reimer's Adjustable Automatic Dry Iron, model No. ET-76. At $199, they are certainly more expensive than the irons for sale at your local hardware store, but they are very high-quality, and should do the trick. Before you make up your mind, you might want to give Maryanne or one of the other helpful folks at ATS a call and discuss your options with them. Maryanne mentioned, for instance, that it's possible you would be just as satisfied with the Rowenta Excellence Iron, model No. DE-92 ($86.99). Although this iron has a steam option, it is advertised as "the world's most powerful household iron."

While we're on the subject of ironing, Sara Bumgarner of Borger, Texas, is looking for a ironing sleeve board. We found her board for $15.15 plus shipping (item No. DSB 2) in the Nancy's Notions Ltd. catalog, P.O. Box 683, Beaver Dam, WI 53916-0683. Their phone number is (800) 833-0690.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: While vacationing in Europe this summer, I purchased two VHS videotapes which were demonstrated on the store's player and worked fine. We brought them back with us in a lead-lined bag, yet the tapes will not play on our American VCR. What might have gone wrong? Our video-repair shop has no answer for us. — **JILL, Knoxville, Tenn.**

DEAR JILL: Your videos won't play on an American VCR because European videotapes are recorded at a different frequency than ours. It would have been kind of the store clerk to have advised you of that fact. The only solution is to have the tapes transcribed to play at the American frequency, or to buy a VCR that has a built-in transcription capability. However, for two tapes you would probably prefer not to spend the $600 that this new VCR would cost!

We have found a company that will transcribe the tapes for you, but again, it isn't cheap. For approximately $30 per tape (the exact cost depends on the country of origin, the length of the tape, and other factors), the Broadway Supply and Furniture Company, at 16 North Broadway, Aurora, IL 60505, will retape your tapes. This company specializes in appliances, electronics and adapters for overseas use, so they have the equipment to do the job. Their phone number is (800) 622-5060.

On a different note, Larry Yellin, CEO of Broadway Supply, told us that due to our column and the unprecedented demand it caused, he sold out of his stock of eight-track tape players in a matter of days, and has been unable to find any more. Sorry!

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Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY

Six tables directed by Dot Casey at the Snyder Country Club.

1. LaVerne Hood, Marjorie Brown.
2. Sue Mize, Ena Carroll.
3. Ann Davis, Monte West.

SUNDAY

Four tables, Dot Casey directed.

1. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.
2. Linda West, Monte West.
3. Charles Blakey, Rube McKinley.

TUESDAY

Five tables, Jane Hinton directed.

1. Louise Thompson, Margaret Birdwell.
2. Dot Casey, Jane Hinton.
3. Linda West, Monte West.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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North
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♥ Q 9
♦ K 7 5
♣ K J 6 5

West
♠ A Q
♥ J 8 7 5 4 3 2
♦ 10 8 3
♣ 4

East
♠ K 2
♥ A K 10 6
♦ J
♣ Q 9 8 7 3 2

South
♠ J 10 7 6 3
♥ ---
♦ A Q 9 6 4 2
♣ A 10

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			1 ♣
1 ♦	1 ♥	2 ♦	2 ♥
3 ♠	4 ♥	4 ♠	5 ♥
5 ♠	Dbl.	All pass	

Opening lead: ??

Drawing the right conclusion

The Senior Life Master walked into the bridge club, perspiring freely. "It's hot enough to overcook a steak," he commented.

After collecting some aqueous refreshment, he sat next to a young man who had recently joined the club.

"What would you lead here?" he asked, taking a damp piece of paper from his back pocket. The SLM folded the sheet until the man could see only the West hand.

Before the man could answer, the SLM explained the hand's significance.

"I played this deal in partnership with a Hungarian woman, Kathryn Krystyna Mauser. As you must have guessed, she was known as Kat. I was besotted by her, but the light disappeared from my eyes when she made a thoughtless lead here.

"She did well to double five spades, rather than bid on to six hearts, which would have failed by a trick. However, based on my opening bid, Kat led her singleton club. Declarer won and played a trump, leaving us helpless. We won just two spade tricks.

"At the time, I behaved well. I didn't point out that South's auction, overcalling one diamond before jumping in spades, made it clear he was 5-6. And North had supported diamonds. So, I had to have at most one diamond. She should have led that suit, won the first trump, and given me a diamond ruff to defeat the contract.

"Sadly, though," concluded the SLM, "our relationship didn't blossom, because she proved to be a poor player. I set high standards. Perhaps that's why I've been a bachelor my whole life."

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Fifth generation

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enroll. This school year marks the 50th year one of their descendants has enrolled at Ira School.

Kelton, J.L. and Nora Lee's oldest son, graduated in 1968 and his wife, Lena, was a 1961 graduate.

Another son, Drew, of Santa Anna, graduated in 1968. A third son, Jay Lynn, who now lives in Breckenridge, graduated in 1976.

Before they moved away, Drew and Jay had children who attended Ira School.

A daughter, Carolyn, graduated from Ira in 1964. She was the valedictorian of her class.

Carolyn's daughter, Kaila Bethel, graduated in 1987 and her son, Chuck Barbee, in 1989. That year, he represented Ira in the all-state exhibition basketall game. He now lives in Stephenville.

J.L.'s three sisters, Leona Smallwood, Anice Wallace and the late Leola Brocat, also graduated from Ira.

Nora Lee was an active PTA member for more than 20 years.

During the 1950s, she helped organize a community-wide canning effort to benefit the school cafeteria. That cafeteria building later became a storage shed.

Bob and Carolyn and Kelton and his wife, Lena, were all members of Ira's Booster Club. A major project, Carolyn said, was organizing, building and paying for the present bleachers.

Carolyn and Lena played on the same basketball team that Roy Salee of Snyder coached.

Jay's graduating class had only one girl in it. Kaila's class had the first girl to enroll in the vocational agricultural program.

Kaila and two friends, Lana Bedell and Susie Foster, helped get the annual prom started at Ira.

Carolyn, Chuck, Kory, Jay, Kaila and Lena were all named to all-district basketball teams.

Other facts about J.L. and Nora Lee taken from "Footprints Across Scurry County," include J.L.'s birth in Ira in 1917, the youngest of five children.

When he was six years old, his family bought a quarter section two miles northeast of Ira.

He attended school for nine years. In 1925, the family got a "brand new" Model T Ford. J.L. and his sisters rode to school "in style." At age 16, he quit school to help his dad on the farm full time.

Nora Lee attended Snyder schools until the 10th grade when she quit to marry J.L. in 1939. After marrying, they moved to Ira and lived with his parents until they could build a home of their own.

J.L. retired from farming in 1980.

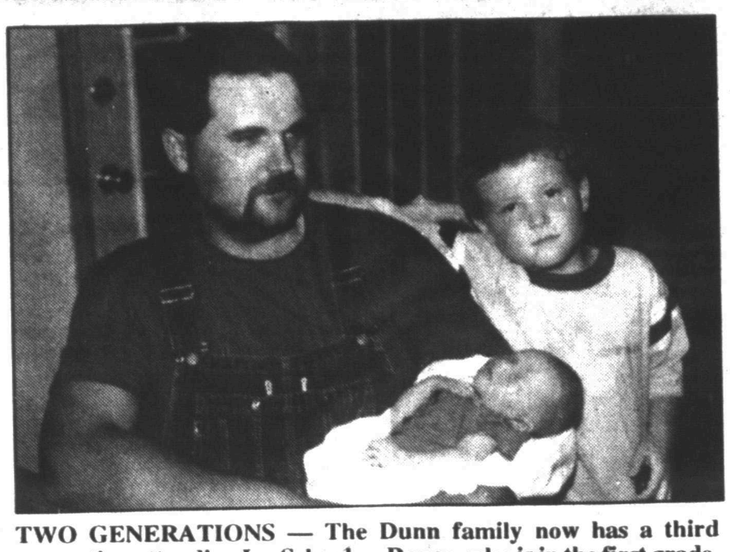
First note: Brandon's great aunt, Leona Smallwood is the sister-in-law of Rance's great-grandmother, Alva Barnett Wilson.

They still attend the Ira Church of God together.

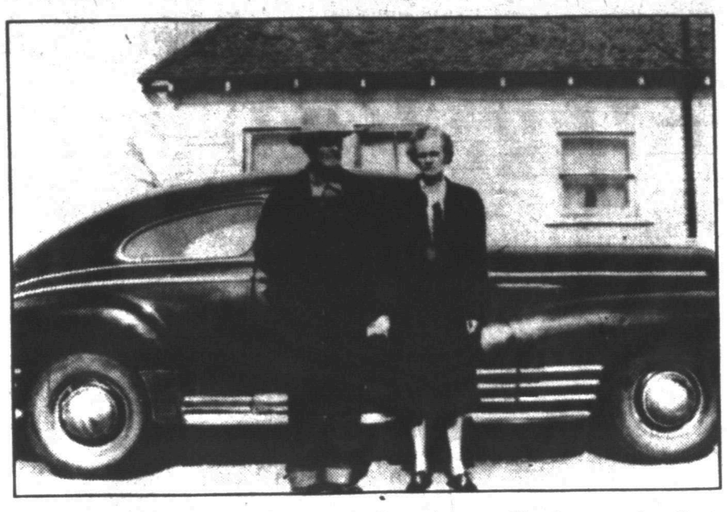
Another note: Carolyn Barbee and Linda Dunn started to school in Ira the same year and were best friends.

Talk show host fuming

CLEVELAND (AP) — Morton Downey Jr., once a chain-smoking talk show host, is fuming over claims that he has started smoking again.



TWO GENERATIONS — The Dunn family now has a third generation attending Ira School — Rance, who is in the first grade. His dad, Dirk, a farmer and second-term school board member, is the second generation. The family tradition started with Dirk's dad, Donnie. Baby Rillee, is Rance's sister and is likely a future third generation attendee. (Contributed Photo)



FIRST GENERATION — Ada Lee Autry Clark was the first generation to attend Ira School. She and her husband, Drew, are standing in front of the two-room home that their granddaughter, Carolyn Barbee, grew up in. (Contributed Photo)

LONGTIME BOARD MEMBER — M.L. "Woodrow" Wilson served as a trustee on Ira's School Board from 1949 until his death in 1959. (Contributed Photo)

SECOND GENERATION — J.L. and Nora Lee Clark were the second generation to attend Ira School. Until 1947, when a grandson graduated, they had had a child or grandchild at the school. After a five-year lapse, the first great-grandchild, Brandon Lunsford, entered kindergarten this school year. J.L. died in 1995. (Contributed Photo)

Dating technique works

WASHINGTON (AP) — A chemical dating technique worked with unprecedented accuracy when tested on lava from the Vesuvius volcano eruption that destroyed the ancient Roman city of Pompeii, researchers report.

In a study published today in the journal Science, scientists at the University of California, Berkeley, say they used specimens from the Vesuvius explosion, known to have happened in A.D. 79, to validate the accuracy of the widely used radioactive-argon dating system.

The results pinpointed the volcanic eruption at 1,925 years ago, off by just seven years from the date recorded by historians.

Other experts said the experiment was an important technical achievement because it was able to accurately establish the age of some of the youngest material ever tested.

"We set out to date the very youngest thing we could in order to push the limits on this technique," said Paul R. Renne, first author of the study. "This was kind of a ground truth test."

The Vesuvius eruption suddenly buried Pompeii and some other Roman cities, trapping people in their homes and workplaces. Pompeii, not far from Naples in present-day Italy, has since become one of the most celebrated archaeological digs in the world because it provides such a clear picture of how people lived in the first century.

Researchers studying sun

WASHINGTON (AP) — River-like currents of electrically charged plasma are moving deep under the surface of the sun, perhaps helping to set off spectacular solar eruptions, say American and European scientists.

The researchers found these sun rivers using instruments aboard the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory spacecraft, they said at a news conference Thursday. The orbiting observatory is a joint project of NASA and the European Space Agency.

Some of the solar currents race around the poles, like the jet streams that rip through the upper atmosphere of the Earth. Other currents on the sun are more like rivers that glide gently below the solar surface near the equator.

SOHO scientist Jesper Schou of Stanford University said discovery of the currents on the sun "is completely unexpected" and not thoroughly understood, but the structures may influence solar storms and eruptions.

The jet stream currents form rings about the solar sphere at about 75 degrees north and south latitude. The rings are about 17,000 miles across and are moving about 80 mph faster than the surrounding solar material, said Philip Scherrer of Stanford.

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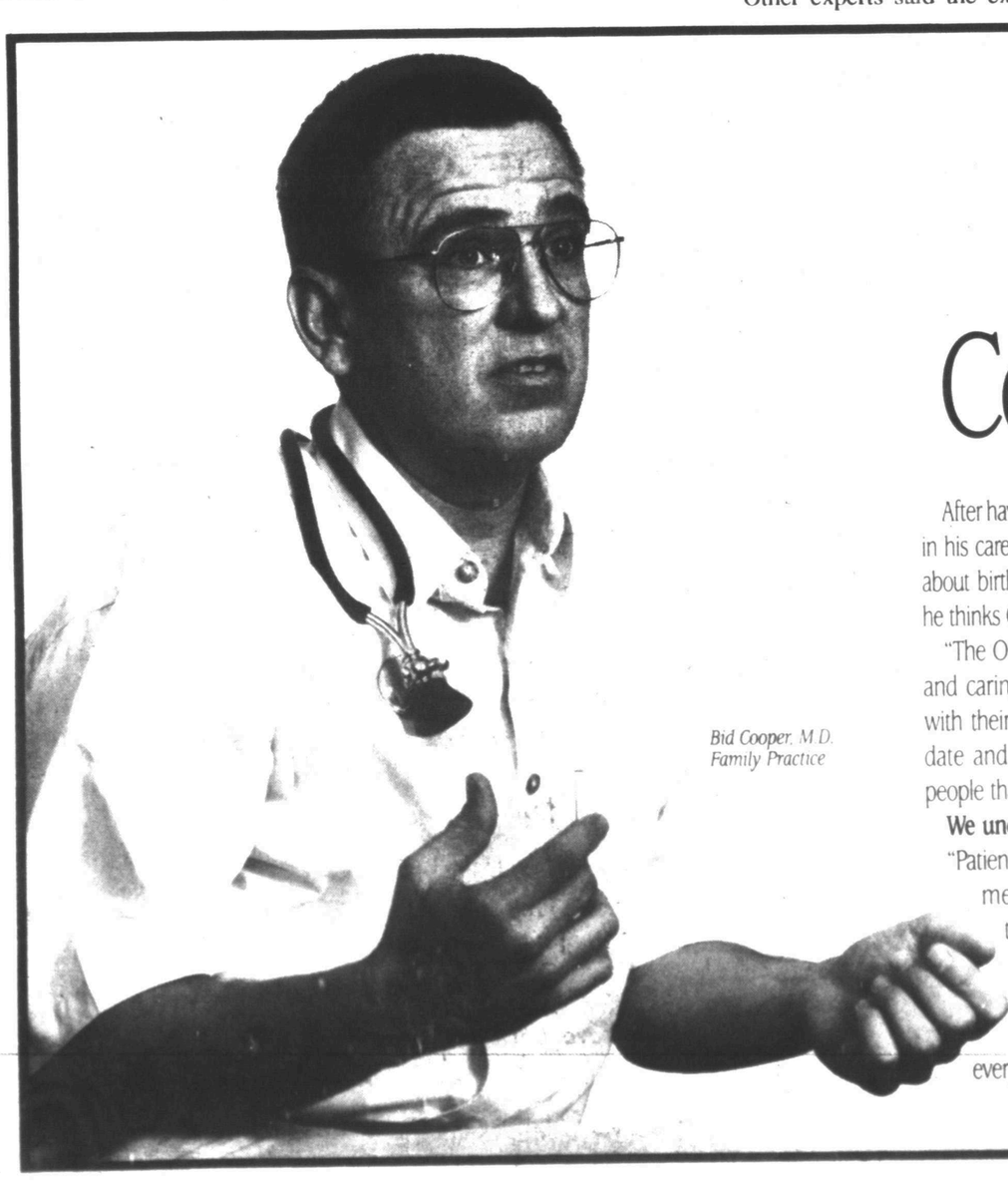
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New Vehicle Registrations

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Kent Parchman, 1997 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

EZ Pipeline Padding, 1997 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Bobby and Vera Jean Morris, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Karen Elam, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Pete D. Jacquez, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Jason Morris, 1997 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Gary M. Glasscock, 1997 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

West Texas Animal Clinic, 1997 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Jesus M. and Page Molina, 1996 Chrysler from Snyder Chrysler.

Patrick Ridge and Kathy Daniel, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Florentz W. Joyce, 1997 Cadillac from Big Country Autoland.

Patterson Drilling Co., 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Clay Henson Jr., 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Michael L. Thornton, 1997 Chevrolet van from Big Country Autoland.

Hulen R. and Betty R. Bagwell, 1997 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

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Jimmy Callaway, 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Jerry Brinson, 1997 Chevrolet Blazer from Big Country Autoland.

Donald C. Warren and Richard C. Coe, 1997 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Automotive Rentals Inc., 1998 Pontiac from Sewell Village Pontiac.

Buddy Williamson, 1997 Chevrolet Tahoe from Big Country Autoland.

J.B. and Julie A. Hall, 1997 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Wallace Foy, 1997 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Bobby Joe Smith and Melody Ann Hegwood, both of Hermleigh.

Jamie Pacheco Garcia and Priscilla Ann Vasquez, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Timothy Wayne Mitchell and Susie Michelle Mitchell, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Mamie Lou Eubank, sole devisee under the will of Oma N. Kroger, to Stanley Noah, the west one-half of Lot 4 in Block 22 of the Blakenship Addition.

Helen Ann McCabe to Robert M. and Thersa Munson, the south 56 feet of Lot 27 and the north 15 feet of Lot 28 in Block 2 of the Park Place Addition.

Carl E. Ballard to City of Snyder, 0.6894-acre tract and a 0.4771-acre tract in Section 98 and a 0.2123-acre tract in Section 123, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Dale B. and Virginia Johnston to Keith Matthies, Lot 13 in Block 8 of the Towle Place Addition.

Joe A. and Patricia L. Beauchamp to Carl L. and Holly C. Moon, Lot 8 in Block K of the Towle Place Addition.

Margaret Sue O'Banion Stroud, independent executrix of the estate of Richard E. Stroud, to Margaret Sue O'Banion Stroud and Sarah Stroud Rainey, co-trustees for Sarah Stroud Rainey Trust, the northeast one-quarter of Section 212, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Barbra Ann Patterson, independent executrix of the estate of Ann T. Payne, 77 acres in the east one-half of the southwest one-quarter of Section 41 in Block 3, H&GN survey.

Saul and Cruz Aviles to Saul Aviles Jr. and wife Eloise Aviles, the south 60 feet of Lot 1 and the south 60 feet of the west one-half of Lot 2, Block 41 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Elouise C. Lambert, independent executrix of the estate of M. Derald Lambert, tract one being two acres out of a 25-acre tract in Tract 56, Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision of the Grimes Ranch Lands in Section 38, Kirkland and Fields Survey; tract two being all of Lot 24 in Block F of the Towle Place Addition.

Marlene Richburg to John Williamson, all of Lots 20-24 in Block 37 of the Town of Hermleigh.

Stanley Noah to Clinta B. Ingraham, the west one-half of Lot 4, Block 22 of the Blankenship Addition.

Avelino A. and Norma A. Alonzo to Alvarado Mendez, Juan Mendez and Alfonso Mendez, all of Lot 1 in Block 42 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Food Safety Tips

By Cindy Nix
Food Service Inspector

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Scurry County Food Service Inspector

The Scurry County Health Unit wants to remind you that September is National Food Safety Month. You cannot tell from the way food looks, smells or tastes, if it is safe or not, but here are the top 7 reasons for foodborne illness ourbreaks and what you can do to help prevent them.;

1. **Improper cooling or holding.**

Cooling food too slowly is the major cause of foodborne illness. Potentially hazardous foods such as meats, seafood and dairy products must be cooled rapidly.

Suggestions:

a. Store food to be cooled in shallow pans no deeper than 3-4 inches.

b. Cool container of food in an ice water bath of 50 percent ice to 50 percent water. Stir the container of food often.

c. Do not place tight covers on foods during the cooling period, allow adequate air circulation in the refrigerator.

d. Cool foods no longer than 2 hours at room temperature before refrigerating.

2. **More than a 12 hour lapse between food preparation and eating.**

Given sufficient time, bacteria in food can grow and multiply. Foods prepared far in advance before serving must be handled very carefully. Is is imperative that such foods be properly cooled, stored at 45 degrees F or below before reheating rapidly to 165 degrees F prior to service.

Foods which may be hot-held for long periods of time must also meet proper hot holding requirements of 140 degrees F or higher.

3. **Contaminated raw foods or ingredients.**

Certain raw foods, such as meat, fish, poultry, shellfish, eggs and milk may be contaminated with bacteria and viruses.

Remember:

a. Always buy foods from an approved source.

b. Always cook foods to the proper temperatures and keep cold foods properly refrigerated.

c. Thoroughly wash all raw fruits and vegetables.

4. **Obtaining food from an unsafe source.**

Severely dented, rusted or swollen cans of food must not be used. When in doubt, throw it out!!!

5. **Infected person handling foods or ingredients.**

a. Food handlers must not handle food if they have diarrhea, the flu, Hepatitis A, or infected cuts, burns, or lesions on the hands.

b. Wash hands with hot soapy water before and after handling food, and after any potential contamination such as using the toilet, smoking, blowing nose, etc.

c. Food handlers who eat, drink, or smoke while preparing foods can transfer bacteria from the mouth to the hands and to the food, which may result in contamination and a foodborne illness.

d. Good handwashing practices are essential.

6. **Inadequate cooking.**

a. 165 degrees F for poultry, stuffings and dressing.

b. 155 degrees F for ground beef (meat should no longer be red and the juices should run clear).

c. 150 degrees F for pork and pork products

d. 140 degrees F for whole beef cuts and other foods.

7. **Inadequate reheating.**

Not reheating foods to the proper temperature is also a major cause of foodborne illnesss outbreaks. Reheat leftovers rapidly to 165 degrees F. before serving or hot holding.

The Scurry County Health Unit wants to remind you that an easy solution for santizing food preparation surfaces such as cutting boards and tables can be made using one tablespoon of household bleach in a gallon of water.

Another suggestion is to us a different cutting board for fruits, vegetables and breads than you do do for meats.

We also want to remind you do not use the same cutting board or utensils for raw and cooked meats unless they are adequately santitized between uses.

Pamphlets are available at the Scurry County Health Unit in regard to food safety. We are located at 911 26th Street.

Scurry County Service Men & Women

Editor's Note: Citizens are invited to write their servicemen and servicewomen stationed stateside and overseas. Anyone having additions, changes or corrections to the list should submit them in writing to Snyder Daily News, P.O. Box 949, Snyder TX, 79550 or bring them by the office at 3600 College Ave. Sorry, no addresses will be accepted over the telephone.

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Our idols are dropping like flies

Ian Shoales

According to new research by a lawyer for the Chicago Title Insurance Co., Mrs. O'Leary's cow did not cause the Great Chicago Fire of 1871. Presumably all claims on this fire have been paid off (or not) for years now; I don't know what the lawyer got out of this research. Maybe he's just one of those whistle-blowers so popular with the media today, out to blow the lid off every legend we hold dear.

I wish they'd stop though. Our treasured beliefs, golden idols and gross canards are dropping like flies.

We already know and have known for years that George Washington never chopped down a cherry tree, and didn't throw a dollar across the Potomac. We know that Davy Crockett didn't die at the Alamo, but was executed after the battle was over. He didn't even kill him a bear when he was only 3. Thomas Jefferson wasn't nice. Abraham Lincoln was kind of a grumpy guy.

Billy the Kid was just another snot-nosed psycho, the James Gang were just lowlife bandits, and Wyatt Earp has plausible deniability regarding a certain incident at the O.K. Corral.

Commanche's hide is not in storage at the Smithsonian Institute, nor are John Dillinger's privates. The FeeJee Mermaid wasn't real, the Alton Giant was. A sucker is only born every three minutes.

Modern science has proven that a stitch in time only saves eight. You can lead a horse to water and make him drink — at least you can make his clone drink. Contrary to popular belief, you can even cross the same river twice, if you cross it in winter. A penny saved does not equal a penny earned.

Did you know that cigarettes aren't cool? As a matter of fact, they're bad for you. So are spanking, vehicles with low gas mileage, sugar and sugar substitutes. Most things don't go better with milk. Most American beers are not only bland and tasteless, they're bad for you too.

Paul isn't dead, but Elvis is. Oswald acted alone. The Loch Ness monster is a fake. All the crop circles in England were done by two bored unemployed guys with nothing better to do. Keanu Reeves is not another airhead movie star; he's a cultural hero because he turned down "Speed 2."

There is no Nieman Marcus cookie recipe, no albino alligators in the sewers of Manhattan, and that actually was a weather balloon in Roswell. There are no evil aliens, just illegal ones. Freud was not only wrong, but a jerk.

All mystery is going out of the world.

I just saw the previews to the movie version of "Leave It To Beaver." They show Ward Cleaver losing his temper, and yelling at Wally and the Beave. Forty years ago I wouldn't have thought that possible. But then again, the movie version of "Mission Impossible" showed us that Jim Phelps was actually a bad guy.

Wha's next?

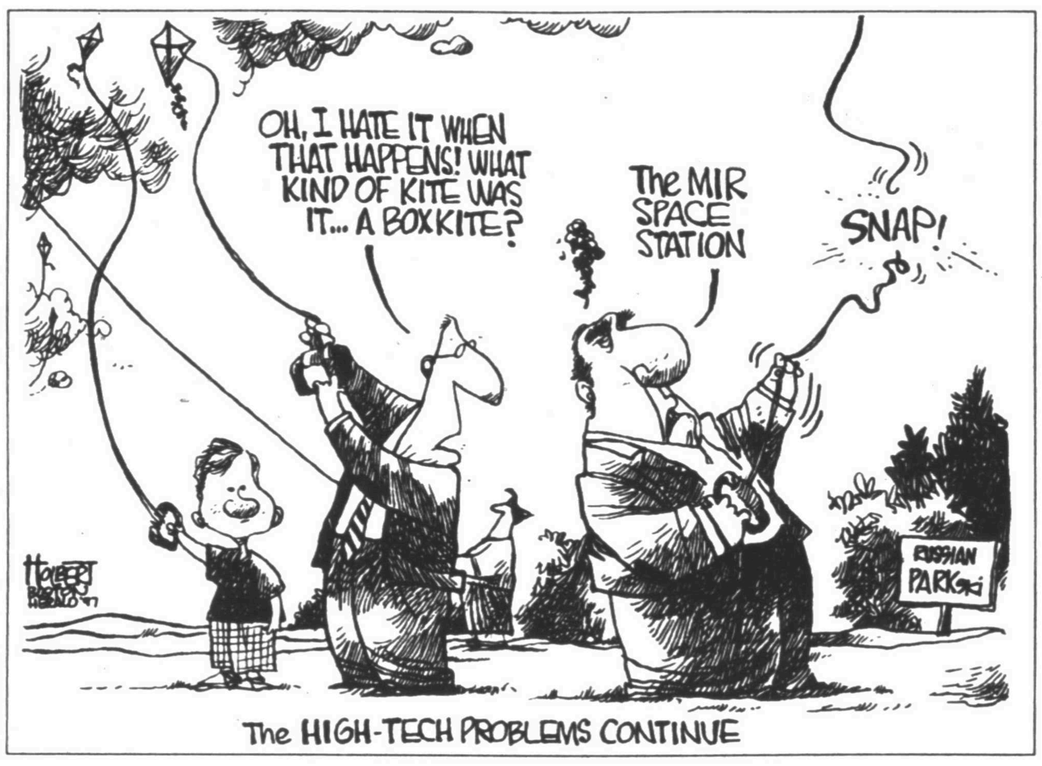
Newt Gingrich is actually a pretty decent person. President Clinton does not have a hyperactive libido. Dogs are not man's best friend, and cats love us unconditionally. ABC and Fox are the most tasteful networks on the air today.

Republicans are warm, caring people. Democrats have the best interests of America at heart. Hollywood makes really good movies. Television is vastly entertaining. Best sellers today are all well-written.

I tell you, I'm shattered. New allegations are being denied every day! It's all right to shoot a goatherder in Texas if you're a Marine, and if you're an FBI sniper, it's not really your fault if an ideologically impaired boy gets in the way of your bullet in Idaho.

Jimmy Stewart probably wasn't as nice as everybody thought he was. Robert Mitchum was probably nicer. Not every good boy does fine. Love doesn't belong to everybody, and the best things in life are not only not free, they're really expensive. Money remains the root of all evil, but is also everything.

Still, things will probably work out for the best. Until studies indicate otherwise.



Don't wait 'til they're packing their bags

Deanie Francis Mills

Our beloved son is going into his sophomore year of college, and just this week, another young man his age drank himself to death at a fraternity party.

Let me tell you something that as a parent, you may not realize: college ain't what it used to be.

Most all of us who went to college also attended our fair share of fraternity parties or, as in the case of my husband, Corps parties. We might have even gotten drunk, or watched our friends or dates get drunk. But what we did at parties in the sixties or seventies is not the same thing as what goes on nowadays.

What killed the young man — and many more like him — is a process known as "binging." This is a deliberate attempt to get as drunk as possible in as short a period of time as possible. According to the coroner, this young man had consumed as much alcohol as if he had downed 25 or 30 drinks in one hour.

He wasn't the only one. When police arrived at the fraternity house late that evening, twelve of his fraternity brothers were passed out cold from alcohol consumption, and another twelve required medical attention. Four had to be hospitalized.

Boozing isn't the only worry facing us parents. There is another, more insidious and disturbing trend among college students — the AIDS virus is spreading more rapidly in that segment of society than any other, and I'm talking about heterosexuals. Date-rape is at an all-time high, too.

Part of the reason for this is that so many constraints that used to exist no longer do. For example, most colleges and universities have long-since abolished curfew. Gone also are the sign-in, sign-out rules, and "open" campuses are common, meaning that guys can stay over in girl's rooms and vice-versa. Throw alcohol and/or drugs into the brew and you've got a real potion for trouble. Young people, their brains fuzzed by fatigue and booze, take stupid chances and throw good judgment out the window.

So what can we, as parents, do to protect our children before throwing them to the collegiate wolves?

First of all, we can take off the blinders.

I find nothing more tragic than a parent who absolutely refuses to consider that his or her child could ever cross the line and do anything "wrong." And as long as they refuse to consider the possibility, they will also refuse to discuss the issue in a realistic fashion with their kids.

It is foolish for us to assume that our kids will simply not drink — even if they didn't drink in high school. Drinking is so powerful a part of college socialization, and the freshman year is so lonely and peril-fraught, that such a ritual is almost inevitable. Those who hell-raised in high school will usually continue the trend, and those "good kids" who are away from the restraints of parents, church and teachers for the first time in their lives very often go hog-wild that first semester, and their grades usually reflect it.

A far more realistic approach is not to do as my daddy did — accuse me of doing wrong things that had never entered my head and even, from time to time, punish me for things I hadn't done — but sit down and discuss these things with our kids in a reasonable, non-accusatory tone.

Kids respond so much better to an argument that something is stupid, rather than that it is wrong. Rebelling against what your parents think is wrong is a natural part of youth, but nobody wants to be stupid. Explain to them the very deadly effects of alcohol poisoning, and how quickly it can happen. Many college kids believe that they will throw up before reaching that point, but this is a myth, and they need to know that.

Another popular myth on campuses is that you can't get AIDS if you and your partner are straight and don't do drugs. Kids need to know the real facts, and they need to be warned about what drinking can do to their normal good judgment.

Our daughters need to be aware that there are predators out there. They need to be wary at all times. Remaining sober is the best way to prevent a date rape tragedy from occurring. We need to teach them to trust their instincts — not that nice smile or clean-cut demeanor a young man may present to them. They should never put themselves in a situation in which they are not in control at all times.

And lastly, from the time our sons are little boys, we must emphasize to them, over and over, that girls are human beings worthy of respect. That no means no. That no girl "deserves" to have unwanted sex, no matter how she is dressed or how drunk she may be or how much she may have flirted with him earlier in the evening. That rape is rape, and not seduction.

The time to start talking about all this with our kids is the same time their friends are talking about it — 12 or 13 years old. They may squirm and protest and say they don't want to talk about it, but we need to talk over their protests until they realize the seriousness of the matter.

If we wait to bring it up until they're packing their bags to leave home...it may be too late.

Editorial comment

Trade deficit

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram

News stories said that when a vacationing President Clinton was told that the June foreign trade deficit had shrunk to $8.2 billion, down from $9.5 billion in May, he was "pleased."

As a booster of world trade and an export-oriented economy, Clinton should be pleased with the numbers.

Beyond that, we need to understand that the trade deficit is merely a number that tells us little about the underlying reasons for the deficit.

It is important that U.S. exports were at an all-time high in June. It means less that imports were slightly below their peak. The drop in imports was due to previous stockpiling of oil (we import more than half of our oil), which led to lower petroleum imports in June. In other words, a temporary thing. Americans' rising appetite for gasoline and unabated appetite for Japanese automobiles will continue to be driving forces behind our trade deficit.

What the combination of high export figures and high import figures does illustrate is the continuing boom in worldwide trade and the United States' central position in that boom. The world's biggest market, we also are one of its biggest exporters.

It is not necessarily cause for hand-wringing that we continue to run trade deficits. Where there is money to spend on goods dictates where the money is spent. We are richer, and buy more things, because our economy is larger and more expansive than the economies of most of our trading partners.

It may be more remarkable that under the very conditions that lead to more imports, U.S. exports continue to be strong. America has been selling more and more around the world despite a strong dollar and lagging foreign economies. It is certainly good news for the millions of workers involved in producing those exported goods.

Big Texas sky

The Dallas Morning News

Texas does not have earthbound wonders like the Rocky Mountains or rugged coastlines. But what Texas has is sky. On some summer days in this state, it's the skies that give Texans a unique sense of place.

Early in June, when thunderstorms are as common in Texas as backyard barbecues, threatening clouds with dark shades of blue often dominate the otherwise gentle clear skies. The storm clouds can command the sky like a royal procession marching into a medieval village.

After a summer storm breaks, the heavens stretched across Texas often resemble the colors Claude Monet captured along the French and Italian Riviera. All of a sudden, pinkish and reddish rays of light wash over the celestial canvas, displacing the regal colors of the lordly storm clouds.

Or maybe a hole will unpredictably pierce a heavy, thick thunderhead. Set against the wicked storm, the baby blue keyhole reassures fearful onlookers that peace is at hand.

Later in the summer, the violent clouds diminish and Texans are treated to days of sunlight punctuated by various types of clouds. A long, narrow, downy white formation rose up and up and up above Reunion Arena Tuesday morning, looking like a giant strand of DNA stretching heavenward.

In West Texas, where brown earth and blue sky lie together like layers of a cake, the skies provide an even grander showcase. Thunderheads tower over the Texas plains like skyscrapers, updrafts whisking moisture aloft as fast as elevators carry passengers at the Empire State Building.

During winter, frigid storms howl down from the Midwest with devilish effect. Some West Texans call them "rat-tail" blue northers — an apt name for the wall of dark clouds trailing a spindly tail.

Years ago, Georgia O'Keeffe used watercolors to capture such scenes before she moved onto New Mexico. Fortunately, modern Texans still can enjoy the unpredictable beauty. As sanitized offices and well-scrubbed interiors define more Texans' lives today, nature still offers moments of uncontrolled brilliance.

State open records law

The Austin American-Statesman

A state judge's decision to set aside temporarily a law restricting public access to traffic records is a good sign for a bad law.

State Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, sneaked the restriction into an otherwise non-controversial bill last legislative session after the governor vetoed a similar bill. The law the governor signed includes language that limits traffic accident reports to those who know the name of a person involved and the date or location of the crash.

It is a patently wrong-headed law that keeps information from the public that pays for it, pays to compile it and owns it. And it can be information the public needs.

Compiling accident reports allows the press and public to know the most dangerous intersections and roadways in a community. That can be valuable knowledge for drivers seeking to avoid danger and for governments charged with ensuring highway safety.

Many of the legislators who voted for the law Gov. George W. Bush vetoed, and accepted the language slipped into the bill he signed, argue that it is aimed at curbing abuse, not the public's right to know. Restricting access was meant to keep the names of those in traffic accidents shielded from various ambulance-chasing professions and businesses seeking easy customers.

But in trying to hide the information from those individuals and entities looking for business, the Legislature kept the information from nearly everyone. Yet that is information paid for by tax dollars and the public that owns it should have access to it.

The Texas Legislature has been down this road before. It continues to struggle with the notion that people should have unfettered access to the information that serves the public.

The temporary injunction granted by State District Judge Paul Davis keeps the bill from becoming law on Sept. 1 and allows both sides of the issue to work a resolution. Both the newspaper groups opposing the law and lawyers for the State Attorney General's office charged with defending it seem willing to negotiate.

Open records are a public trust, not secrets to be revealed to only a knowing few.

Garza seeks end to some federal supervision

AUSTIN (AP) — Secretary of State Tony Garza, arguing that Texas is a leader in making it easy for people to vote, says the time has come for the state to be freed from some provisions of the federal Voting Rights Act.

Garza said Texas should be exempt from requirements that it first obtain U.S. Justice Department approval of every election law change.

"If Washington thinks we should keep putting up with such bureaucratic micromanagement like we have for the past 20 years, it can guess again. They're wrong. We don't need it," Garza said Thursday.

Opposition to the idea was voiced by groups representing minorities.

"The Voting Rights Act is an essential ingredient if we are ever to obtain true justice and democracy," said Gary Bledsoe, Texas president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Congress passed the act in 1965 to, in the words of a federal court ruling, "banish the blight of racial discrimination in voting."

And Garza said he isn't talking about the part of the law guaranteeing citizens — regardless of race — the right to vote. That section applies in all 50 states.

Rather, Garza said, he wants relief from the part of the law called Section 5. It requires prior Justice Department approval of election law changes made in eight Southern states and Alaska, plus some counties and townships in seven more states.

"Today, Texas is one of the most progressive states in terms of making it easy for all citizens to register and vote — heck, astronauts can now vote from space — and yet the federal government continues to operate in a time-warp, subjecting Texas to burdensome supervision that's based on an outdated presumption of discrimination," Garza said.

"It's time to take Texas out from this specific provision," he said.

Both the NAACP and the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund said the Voting Rights Act should remain in force.

The law "is basically a way of monitoring states to ensure they do not violate the voting rights of minorities," said MALDEF's Al Kauffman. "As long as Texas proposes fair changes in voting, the Justice Department will not object."

NAACP president Bledsoe said intimidation of black and Hispanic voters still occurs across the state, and racial gerrymandering "continues at all levels" of electoral politics.

"The Voting Rights Act is needed to at least provide an avenue for minorities to challenge these actions in effective and efficient ways," Bledsoe said. "If there are problems with the law, the answer is not to throw the baby out with the bath water."

The "preclearance" requirement has delayed numerous actions approved by the Texas Legislature, Garza said. That included state takeover of a financially troubled school district, creation of new county courts and management of scarce water resources, he said.

Garza, a Republican appointed by Gov. George W. Bush to be the state's chief elections officer, emphasized his commitment to the voting law's main purpose — making certain every citizen has a vote.

"The act ... had a profound impact on the political landscape of America, serving to markedly increase the voice of minorities in the political process," he said in a letter to Texas congressmen.

He noted that Texas makes it easy to register to vote; has a lengthy early voting period for casting "no excuses" absentee ballots; and even conducts early voting in places such as shopping malls.

However, Garza said, requiring prior federal approval of Texas election laws has outlived its purpose and is an insult to the Texas Legislature.

"It really is an affront to the integrity of the legislative process in Texas," he said.

CDC: suicide rates highest in West, lowest in Northeast

ATLANTA (AP) — The government is a little stumped over how to explain why the West had the highest rate of suicide between 1990 and 1994, a trend that has remained fairly consistent for years.

The 13-state Western region had 38,709 suicides, a rate of about 14.1 suicides per 100,000 people, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Thursday. The rate was lowest in the nine-state Northeast, at 9.3 per 100,000.

In the South, encompassing 16 states and the District of Columbia, the rate was 13.1. In the 12-state Midwest, it was 11.4.

Researchers aren't sure if unemployment and isolation are more prevalent in the West, said Dr. Alex Crosby, a CDC medical epidemiologist. More tests need to be done to explore those issues.

Because suicide rates are generally higher for men, the elderly and certain ethnic groups, the agency adjusted the rates to reflect the population makeup of each region. Even then, the Western rate was 71 percent higher than that of the Northeast — 14.7, compared with 8.6, the CDC said.

The South's rate remained at 13.1, and the rate for the Midwest fell slightly to 10.9.

"It's been that way going back at least 20 or 30 years and it's been a matter of trying to explain it," Crosby said about the West's high rate. The CDC often has only a limited amount of information about deaths.

Guns were the top method of suicide in every region, accounting for more than half the suicides in the West, Midwest and South and 44.9 percent in the Northeast.

Drug and alcohol overdoses were twice as frequent in the West as in the Northeast, the CDC said.

"The black mark in Colorado and what we are concerned about is that overdosing is also a top method," said Dr. Steven Lowenstein, chief medical officer for the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

The high rates have prompted some states to devise suicide prevention programs. Colorado officials are starting to lay out a plan now.

Worried about its high elderly population, Arizona started a program to prevent suicide among older residents in 1993, said Jane Lange, chief of older adult health for the Arizona Department of Health.

Doctors are being urged to ask patients over 65 if they have contemplated suicide, and the state has distributed a list of mental health programs to the elderly.

The CDC said other states should take note of the success of those programs and consider them within their borders.

Effect of global warming may be blunted

WASHINGTON (AP) — Global warming thought to be caused by manmade gases may be slowed by the lingering effects of the Little Ice Age, a 500-year global chill that started about 1400.

Researchers at the University of New Hampshire report Friday in the journal Science that cold winds roaring over the North and South poles are almost the same now as they were during the Little Ice Age, suggesting the global chill of that era has not yet ended.

"This could be modifying the temperatures caused by the greenhouse effect, although we can't be certain of that," said Karl J. Kreutz of the Climate Change Research Center at the University of New Hampshire.

Another scientist said the research adds important new understanding about the period and raises the possibility that the warming effects of greenhouse gases may be worse than now believed.

During the Little Ice Age, which apparently ended early in this century, global temperatures are thought to have dropped by 2 to 3 degrees F, enough to make winters longer and harder and summers cooler throughout countries in the Northern Hemisphere where weather records were kept.

In the 15th and 16th centuries, glaciers that had been receding started marching down mountains and, in some cases, casting increased numbers of icebergs into the sea. The timberline retreated down mountainsides, away from the chilled peaks. Some agriculture areas were abandoned to the creeping cold. Vikings who had homesteaded in Greenland gave up their settlements, never to return.

Kreutz said new cores drilled from permanent ice sheets in Greenland and Antarctica show the Earth is still shivering from some effects of that five-century chill.

Kreutz said layers of ice cored from deep below the surface clearly show that wind patterns suddenly changed at the beginning of the Little Ice Age. Gales blowing in from the ocean dropped concentrations of sea salt — a compound of sodium, chlorine, magnesium and potassium — onto the surface of ice sheets near the poles. The chemicals became a part of the seasonal ice layers.

The sea salt, in effect, left a fingerprint of wind patterns: The stronger and more frequent the winds, the greater the amount of salt. Thus, by measuring the concentration of salt, the researchers can determine the intensity of the winds.

New ice cores show that the wind patterns established at the beginning of the period are the same as the patterns of today, said Kreutz. "That means some of the effects from that period are still happening."

"This is pretty important work because it shows that the Little Ice Age was a global effect," said Lloyd D. Keigwin of the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Massachusetts.

Cooling left over from the period may be blunting some of the warming effects caused by the release of carbon dioxide and other gases into the atmosphere, Kreutz and Keigwin said.

"People say we're already measuring greenhouse warming now," said Keigwin. "But if we're still in a natural warming trend from the Little Ice Age, things could get even worse."

Man's vintage records will be sold at auction

EAST BETHEL, Minn. (AP) — Hart Callender locked a treasure trove away in his basement, a time warp into the sounds of Billie Holiday, Frank Sinatra and Benny Goodman on 250,000 vintage vinyl records.

Most of the 78-rpm records are in mint condition, sealed in their original wrappings with nary a needle scratch on their surface.

For collectors from far and near, an auction of the grooved vinyl this weekend sounds better than any garage sale of dusty old platters.

"Number one, it's a collection of NEW old records. That's the Twilight Zone analogy," said Arne Fogel, an entertainment historian who viewed the collection.

"The second thing is, the door shut on an inventory that existed for the taste (of 1951) ... and suddenly the doors are open again, in 1997, and it's a reflection of mid-century musical taste," Fogel said.

Callender, the self-proclaimed "King of Records," started his first record store in 1928, eventually owning and operating two stores in St. Paul and one in Minneapolis.

He closed his Minneapolis shop in the 1940s and apparently was consolidating his two other stores when he was injured in a traffic accident on New Year's Eve 1951.

He shut his business and stockpiled the records. He later turned to a living in real estate.

Daughter Caroline Dahl of Lino Lakes said she never knew why her father packed away his quarter-million albums.

Even after he closed, he kept Hart's Record Shop listed in the Yellow Pages until a few years ago.

"I think in the back of his mind he always kept saying he was going to open the store. But it never materialized," Mrs. Dahl said.

Callender died in 1996 at 88, and his wife, Olivia, died this summer at 89. After his death, the family moved the inventory to a warehouse.

Now stacks and stacks of 78s, and some 33 1/3-rpm long players, or LPs, are piled high at Smith's Little Auction House for sale Saturday and Sunday.

Researchers to test green tea as a fighter of cancers

HOUSTON (AP) — Cancer experts at the Texas Medical Center hope a new study proves green tea helps to fight and prevent the disease.

Tests on laboratory animals and studies of people in Japan and China, where green tea is popular, support the idea that it can postpone or even prevent cancer development, said Dr. Waun Ki Hong of the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

"The epidemiologic studies are interesting," said Hong, chairman of the thoracic and head/neck cancer medical oncology department and a pioneer in the use of chemicals to prevent cancer.

"In Japan, people who drink green tea have a delayed occurrence of cancer compared to those who don't drink it."

A study in Shanghai, China, cited in a recent issue of the Nutrition Research Newsletter, showed green tea drinkers statistically had significant reductions in the risk of developing rectal and pancreatic cancers.

While there were numerical reductions seen in colon cancer, they were not statistically significant, the researchers reported.

A recent study in the scientific journal Nature showed that a component of green tea called epigallocatechin gallate, or EGCG, binds an enzyme called urokinase, thus preventing it from carrying out its mission. Urokinase is an enzyme that has been shown to have a connection with cancer's spread, Hong said.

The family of chemicals to which the EGCG belongs seems to have some anti-tumor effect, said Dr. Katherine Pisters, the assistant professor at Anderson who will lead the study.

The first study, planned for 30 patients with advanced cancer of the lung, breast, prostate, ovaries or head and neck, will determine if the material is safe and how much patients can tolerate, Dr. Pisters said.

The patients will receive capsules of green tea equal to six or seven cups, Hong said. Doctors will increase the dose if they don't see any side effects.

Using capsules makes it easier to determine how much tea and chemicals each patient is receiving.

Hong believes the capsules will prove more effective in preventing cancer than in treating it.

Dr. Pisters said patients aren't given false hopes.

"We tell them we have a new and interesting compound that we are testing. We say it might be a reasonable thing for them to try," she said.

She hopes the study, which is being conducted with Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Institute in New York, will be completed within two years.

It is being funded by TO-EN Central Research Inst in Shizuoka, Japan.

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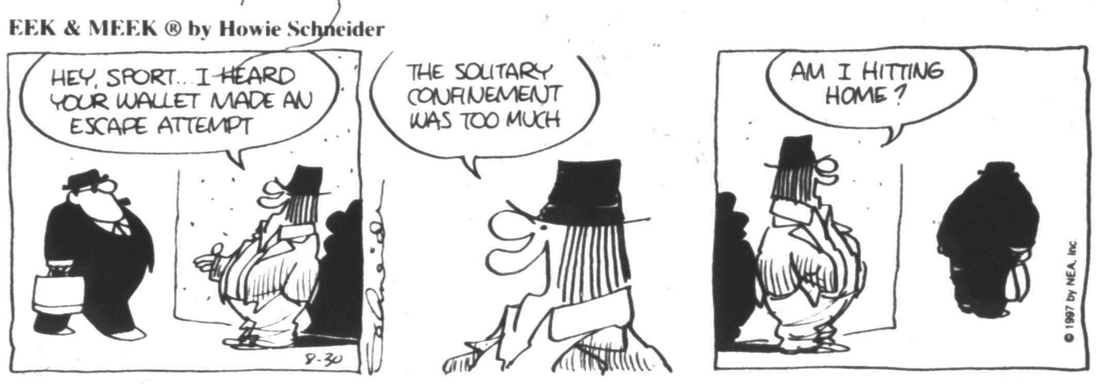

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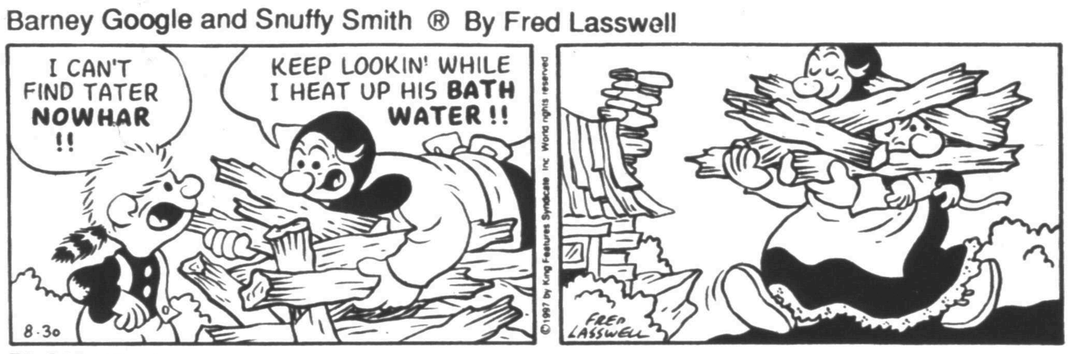

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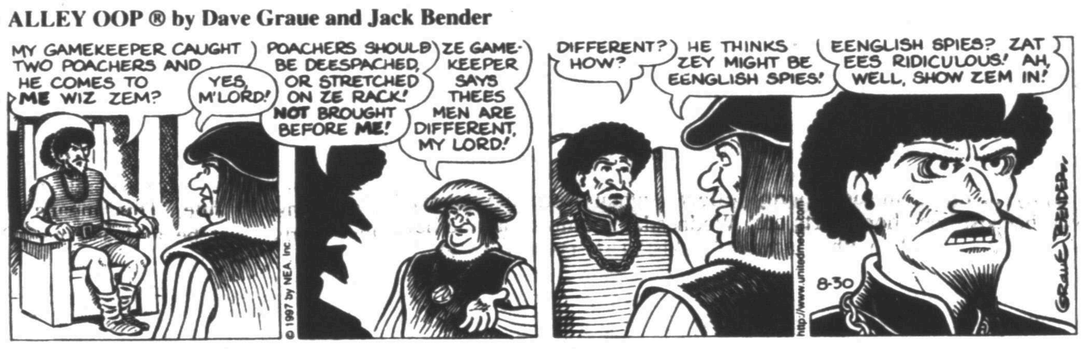

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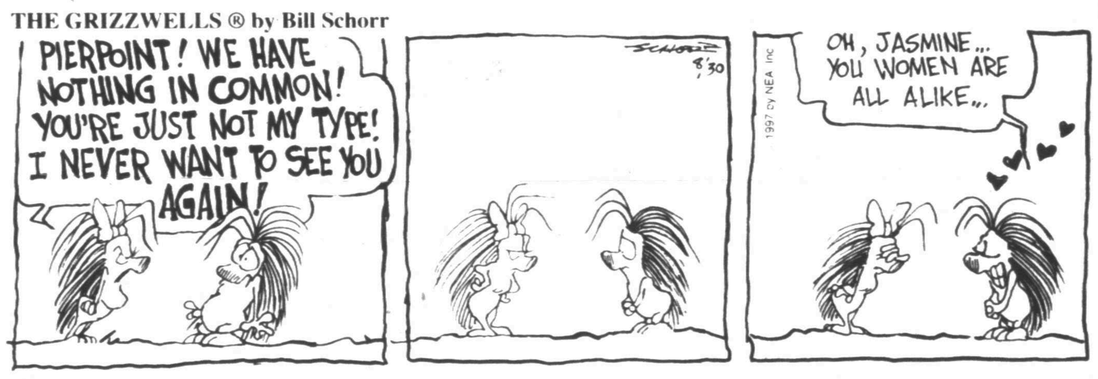

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15 Make fizzy
16 Editor's command
17 Fleecy white clouds
19 Coal scuttle
20 Two words of dismay
21 Tardy
25 Ballet movement
26 Spanish day
27 Alarm bell
30 Leisure garment
33 Sick
34 Ammonia compounds
35 Roman 1,051
36 French stoneware
37 Glimpse
39 Pine fruit
40 Murphy Brown's network
43 Valuable violin
45 Writer Godwin
46 Leash, e.g.
49 Slender
51 Melodic
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53 City in Italy
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2 Basil-and-garlic sauce
3 Miffed
4 Lease
5 Ear (comb. form)
6 Clairvoyant
7 Danger
8 Actress Claire
9 Louisiana hrs.
10 View
12 Engraving
13 Hawaiian food staple
18 Suffix for opal
20 TV actor Ken —
22 Tennis term (2 wds.)
23 Make weary
24 Consumes
25 Greek letter
27 Like house pets
28 Lubricates
29 Snip
30 Dull the shine of
31 Sea pheasant
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36 Obtained
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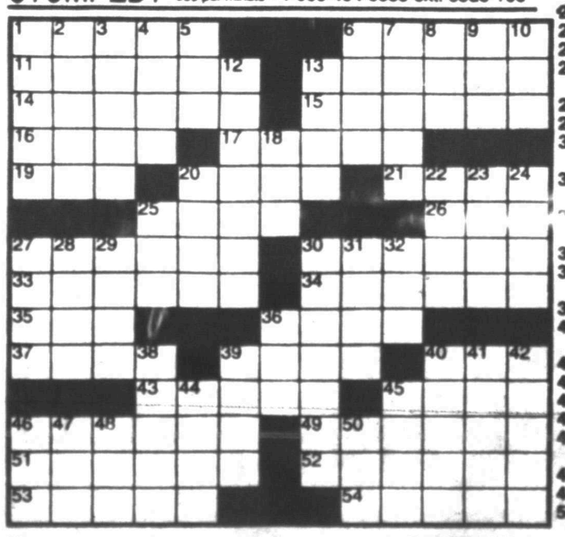

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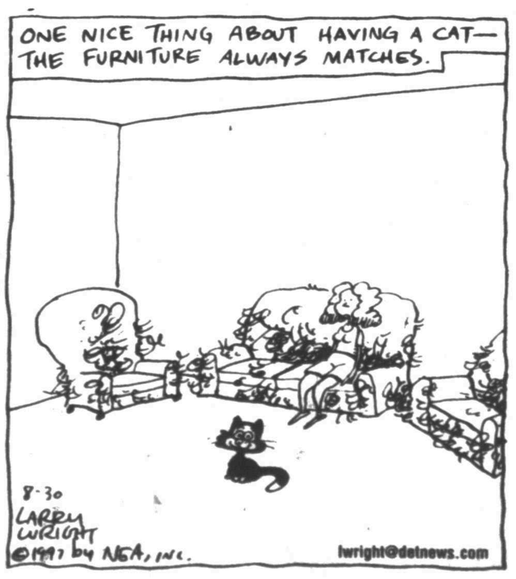

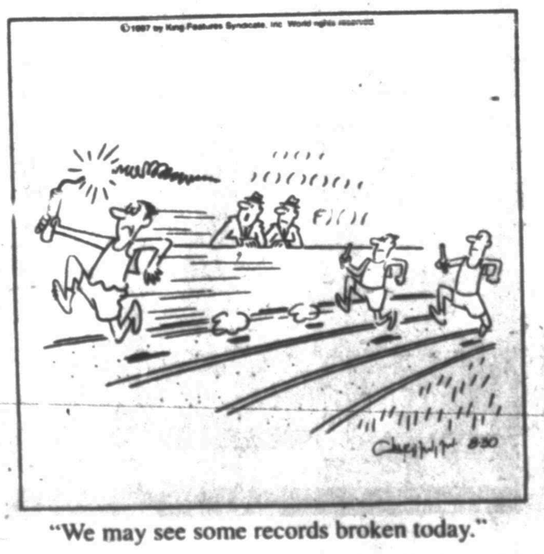

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"BOY, THAT SURE WAS A QUICK WAY TO GET DOWN FROM A STEPLADDER."

Burgers will be grilled inspite of scare

By The Associated Press

Labor Day is prime time for beef — and that won't change this year despite a possibly deadly bacteria that caused the nation's largest-ever meat recall.

"It hasn't scared me," said grocery shopper Jack Holland of Atlanta. "I haven't made a big change in my buying habits. As a matter of fact, I'm going in to buy something to grill out for the weekend."

Americans traditionally consume 57.5 million pounds per day, or nearly a quarter-pound for every person in the country, over the Labor Day weekend. That's 20 percent more beef than the average daily consumption of 46 million pounds.

Beef sales in stores across the country have remained strong in spite of the E. coli outbreak that sickened more than a dozen people this month in Colorado, said Timothy Hammonds, president of Food Marketing Institute, an association of 15,000 supermarkets.

Retailers are not cutting prices on beef any more than a usual holiday weekend, Hammonds said. Prices for beef products have remained about the same as last year, according to the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

The E. coli contamination was traced to a Hudson Foods Inc. plant at Columbus, Neb., where the U.S. Department of Agriculture is now investigating. The contaminated meat is believed to have come from an outside supplier.

While there have been no deaths or serious illness reported, the plant has been shut for a week and 25 million pounds of beef was recalled.

"Most people see this as an isolated incident," said A. Dwayne Ball, a marketing professor at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln who specializes in consumer research.

That's the case for Robert DeBuck, an electrical contractor from Edgewood, N.M., who was having lunch Thursday at a Blake's Lota Burger in Albuquerque.

"I would be more concerned about being struck by lightning. I think more people die from lightning and bumble-bee stings than from eating a bad hamburger," said DeBuck, chomping into his burger.

In New Orleans, Ira Hayes stocked up for the weekend at a local grocery.

"I've given some thought to it but I've got to eat meat," Hayes said. "I've got to have it. I'll just make sure it's well done and hope for the best."

Hammonds said the recall has made consumers more aware about how to safely cook meat.

"I think people do understand that ground beef needs to be properly cooked and if it is properly cooked it kills the E. coli bacteria," he said. Food safety experts recommend cooking ground beef to 160 degrees to kill the bacteria.

Burger King, which saw sales drop after the scare, is heading into the Labor Day weekend hoping meat lovers will go for the new Big King sandwich it introduced Thursday. It has 75 percent more beef than the Big Mac.

Chicago man sues smoking wife under Clean Air Act

CHICAGO (AP) — A retired Army officer is fed up with his wife's smoking. So he's suing her.

Retired Col. Richard J. Thomas filed a lawsuit in U.S. District Court here Aug. 21, asking a judge to declare the smoke from his wife Sally's cigarettes a cancer-causing pollutant under the federal Clean Air Act.

But environmental tobacco smoke is not regulated by the Clean Air Act, said Phillipa Cannon of the Environmental Protection Agency's Chicago office.

Thomas, 69, quit smoking 12 years ago. He blames cigarettes for the deaths of both of his parents, and says he has tried any number of strategies to get his wife of 43 years to quit.

"He feels that not only is she killing herself, but she is killing him," said Thomas' attorney, Christopher Helt.

Thomas says he filed the lawsuit because he loves his wife.

"I love my wife dearly," he said. "She's a great mother. She's a wonderful companion. We've been together for so long she's the other half of me. I don't want to lose the other half."

Mrs. Thomas has refused to talk about her husband's lawsuit, but Thomas acknowledged that she was not happy about it.

Helt said Thursday that the lawsuit hasn't hurt the marriage.

"They get along except for this," he said. "I don't think she cooks for him any more, probably just cold soup."

Helt said Thomas will drop the lawsuit if his wife stops smoking.

"It's too bad because I'd like to see this issue resolved by the courts," he said.

Defense lawyers tries to limit testimony

DENVER (AP) — Terry Nichols' lawyers want a judge to restrict evidence about Nichols' anti-government views and bombing preparations as he prepares to go on trial for the Oklahoma City bombing.

Defense attorney Adam Thurschwell on Thursday said he was willing to acknowledge that McVeigh carried out the bombing "for reasons that are crystal clear," but said there was no proof Nichols participated in the plot.

The defense sought to ban evidence about Nichols' legal fights over debts prior to the bombing and pamphlets seized from his home. "The government has a motive here. It is to turn Mr. Nichols into Mr. McVeigh in the eyes of the jury," Thurschwell said.

Thurschwell said Nichols' anti-government statements did not mean he was involved in any plot to blow up the building and that it was unfair to link Nichols with the "violent and revolutionary fervor" of McVeigh, his former Army buddy.

U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch said he would decide whether to bar the disputed evidence when it arises during Nichols' trial, though he expressed concern with protecting Nichols' right to free speech about his anti-government views.

"I'm troubled seeing that those ... matters really fit with this motivation," Matsch said, adding that many people share Nichols' feelings.

He also denied a defense motion to throw out the death penalty, saying it was premature.

Nichols, 42, is to stand trial Sept. 29 on murder, conspiracy and weapons-related counts in the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. The blast killed 168 and injured more than 500 others.

McVeigh, 29, was convicted of identical counts in June and sentenced to die.

Matsch said he will limit the testimony of prosecution witnesses Michael and Lori Fortier because they relied on statements from McVeigh about Nichols' alleged involvement in the plot.

During Nichols' trial, prosecutors plan to introduce evidence about a robbery of a firearms dealer in Arkansas that they say was committed to raise money for the bombing. They also plan to tell jurors about a Kansas quarry burglary in which explosives were stolen, noting that similar explosives were found in Nichols' home.

Prosecutor Sean Connelly alleged Nichols was involved in both crimes.

Defense attorney Michael Tigar, who contends that the robbery never occurred, argued that prosecutors have failed to show how either crime is connected to the bombing.

Teen convicted in attempt on life of British tourist

MONTICELLO, Fla. (AP) A jury Friday convicted an 18-year-old man of trying to kill a British tourist who watched her boyfriend get shot to death in their rental car at a highway rest stop.

Aundra Akins was found guilty of the attempted murder of Margaret Jagger after the jury deliberated 30 minutes. Prosecutors asked for a 40-year sentence on top of a 27-year prison term for his previous guilty plea in the slaying of Ms. Jagger's boyfriend.

Ms. Jagger was wounded and Gary Colley was killed in September 1993 along Interstate 10 about 35 miles east of Tallahassee. They were asleep in their car at the rest stop when a group of youths tried to rob them.

"It was senseless violence, but it was not a random act. It was planned," Assistant State Attorney Michael Schneider had told the jury.

Akins's lawyer, Dan Dearing, had argued that his client's involvement was not premeditated. "It was an immediate reaction. It was a panic response," he said.

Akins, who was 14 at the time, confessed more than a year after the shootings that he fired twice into the couple's car. He didn't testify and his lawyer was unsuccessful in keeping the confession from the jury.

The crime received international notoriety and marred the image of Florida's $30 billion-a-year tourist industry.

Two other teen-agers were serving prison sentences in the attack.

Akins had made his confession in connection with a plea bargain that resulted in a 27-year concurrent sentence for Colley's murder and the shooting of Ms. Jagger. He won an appeal of the attempted murder portion. The state then obtained a new grand jury indictment.

Ms. Jagger testified three times before against co-defendant John "Billy Joe" Crumitie, 19. After two mistrials, when juries failed to reach a verdict, a Pensacola jury found him guilty of first-degree murder. Crumitie is serving a life sentence with a 25-year minimum.

A third defendant, Deron Spear, 21, was sentenced to eight years in prison after pleading guilty to conspiracy to commit armed robbery and accessory after the fact.

Cheerleaders skirts too short for school

BURLESON (AP) — One of the perks of being a cheerleader at a Texas high school for years has been the privilege of wearing the uniform to school on game day.

But that tradition has ended abruptly in this Johnson County town because the short skirts are too short to comply with a new student dress code.

In order to comply with the dress code and still get to wear the uniform to class on game day, the girls will have to special order double-knit black pants with white stripes.

But the school-day uniforms are hot, nontraditional and ugly, the girls say.

"I think they look kind of geeky," freshman Michelle Holland said of the pants. "The design and stuff, they don't really remind me of cheerleaders."

Marla Holland, 34, her mother, was cheerleader at Burleson High in 1980-81 and the skirt length was no problem.

"When I was a cheerleader that was one of the honors," she said. "Back then, no one had a problem with it."

The new policy that went into effect when school opened Wednesday requires that the hem of a skirt or shorts must reach the student's fingertips when the student's arms are down at the side.

The girls can wear what they want to practice and to game. Well, almost.

Cheerleader coach Jeanie Gilbert has her own requirements, measuring their skirts using a "finger" rule. This means that skirts must be at least two finger-widths, plus two inches, below the buttocks.

"I'm not against the cheerleaders wearing their uniforms," Superintendent Fred Rauschuber said. "What I'm saying is, we have a rule. It is a board policy and we have to abide by it. My stance is, you can put on a pair of pants."

Ann Gabbert, 41, president of a cheerleading booster club, has asked the school board to consider making an exception for the cheerleaders.

"Why would you not let the cheerleaders wear their uniforms?" she asked.

But the board members say they held lengthy hearings on the dress code last year and don't want to discuss it again.

"We really kind of beat this thing up in May and June," trustee Ann Rose said. "I just kind of feel like the cheerleaders and their sponsors should have come then."

Coach Gilbert said administrators reassured her last year that the policy wouldn't affect the cheerleaders' skirts.

Geena Davis, 2nd husband to divorce

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Geena Davis and her second husband, director Renny Harlin, are calling it quits after four years of marriage.

The actress filed for divorce Tuesday, citing irreconcilable differences, said her publicist, Paul Bloch. The couple broke up in April. They had no children.

Davis and Harlin married Sept. 18, 1993, when the bride's career was riding high on the hits "Thelma & Louise" and "A League of Their Own." She also won an Academy Award for her supporting role in 1988's "The Accidental Tourist."

She teamed with Harlin in box office bombs "Cutthroat Island" in 1995 and "The Long Kiss Goodnight" in 1996.

The Garth Store will close doors on Sunday

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Garth Store is soon to be no more.

The downtown retail shop devoted to singer Garth Brooks will close Sunday rather than pay a rent increase. Until then, shoppers can pick up Garth T-shirts, key chains, mugs, jackets and the like for 25 percent off the original prices.

Brooks himself is not closely involved with the store, said owner Elaina Gustat.

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States intensify scrutiny of Columbia/HCA

NEW YORK (AP) — Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corp., beset by a federal probe for allegedly cheating Medicare, faced new inquiries into overbilling of health programs for the poor in 11 states.

Investigators in Illinois, Arkansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Nevada, Utah, Washington and Wyoming told The Associated Press this week they are examining whether the company overbilled state Medicaid programs. More than a quarter of the 32 states that host Columbia hospitals have begun inquiries into the nation's largest publicly-traded hospital chain.

Alabama, Florida and Texas officials confirmed earlier this month that there were inquiries in those states.

"We're still sifting through loads of documents. But I suspect that, in the end, we will find some state interests that need to be addressed," said Lt. Col. Earl Morris of Utah's Division of Criminal Investigations.

Columbia said Thursday that it is going to sell the bulk of Value Health Inc., which it purchased earlier this year for $1.1 billion. Value Health manages specialty benefits programs to companies employing 78 million workers.

Columbia also has decided to suspend about $750 million worth of projects to acquire or construct hospitals in the next few months, said Jeff Prescott, a company spokesman.

The company plans to expand and reconstitute its board over the next few months. Thomas F. Frist, chairman and chief executive officer, decided a change in leadership was necessary to keep the company from possible collapse, Prescott said.

The states pursuing separate inquiries into Columbia join federal prosecutors, the National Association of Securities Dealers and private insurers in examining the way the company does business.

While the federal investigation focuses mainly on Columbia's billing of the government's Medicare health insurance program for the elderly, preliminary inquiries launched by the states center on the chain's billing of Medicaid, the health program for the poor.

Prescott said it's not surprising states would start their own probes. The federal investigation has resulted in the indictment of three mid-level managers in Florida on Medicare fraud charges.

"We're certainly willing to cooperate with states that are interested," he said. "And we hope to find anything ourselves through our internal review that might need to be done differently."

If state prosecutors pursue charges against Columbia or its managers, the company would have a strong incentive to seek a broad agreement with all prosecutors, as tobacco companies are trying to do to settle a series of state lawsuits.

"From the company's perspective, they're going to be looking for some type of global workout," said James B. Burns, who served as the U.S. attorney in Chicago until last week. "If you were going to work out any type of plea arrangement with the feds, you're going to try to get any other prosecutors involved."

Law professor reflects on year at court

WASHINGTON (AP) — Law professor W. William Hodes knows the inside story about the Supreme Court's deliberations in a number of important cases, but his students won't hear about any of them this fall.

Like other former law clerks at the high court, Hodes is sworn to secrecy.

The Indiana University professor took an unusual sabbatical from teaching during the past year, putting the knowledge gained during a 27-year legal career to work as a law clerk for Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

Hodes, 53, had the good fortune of being at the court during one of the most dramatic terms on record: The court ruled there is no constitutional right to doctor-assisted suicide, threw out a federal religious freedom law and let Paula Jones go forward with her sexharassment lawsuit against President Clinton.

"I won't be able to pass on some things" to students, Hodes says — a huge understatement to those who would love to know what led to those and other important rulings.

But it was exciting, he said, "working on big opinions and being on the inside ... knowing how it was going to come down." When he and other clerks saw media commentators speculate on the possible outcome of cases, "We knew whether they were going to be right or wrong."

Ginsburg was one of Hodes' professors at Rutgers law school during the late 1960s. Before he arrived in Washington last year, Ginsburg told a Hofstra University law school audience her former student would be "the court's most seasoned law clerk."

Most other clerks at the high court are in their 20s and are not long out of law school. They have usually clerked first at a lower federal court.

Hodes may have stood out in the group, but "once we got into the routine we were all one big happy — but tired — family," he said.

Only the nine justices are allowed into the conference room at the court when they discuss and vote on cases. But the clerks help research and draft opinions, and they see memos from other justices suggesting possible changes.

"It's almost like a debate on paper," Hodes said.

Although he cannot give details on how last spring's decisions were reached, the inside view will help him analyze future cases for his students.

"I'll be able to re-create the atmosphere of a sharply divided case, and may be able to speculate on whether something changed from the first draft to the last," he said. He also will be able to point to an opinion's language and say, "See? That looks like a compromise."

"I'll be as well equipped as anybody to make those kinds of speculations," he added.

Last year, Hodes said his ambition to become a Supreme Court law clerk was sparked as soon as Clinton nominated Ginsburg to the court. "I had this immediate sense that this was something I had to do. It's like joining the Peace Corps," he said at the time.

Now, he says he hadn't realized how much legal work goes on behind the scenes at the court. Thousands of appeals are examined and denied review, emergency petitions pour in, along with petitions from death-row inmates seeking to delay their executions.

He wishes the public understood more about the court's work, such as the difference between a ruling that interprets a federal law and one that interprets the Constitution itself.

But the late nights and long weekends at the court were worth the chance to work on "something that really matters," he said.

Some black farmers sue FDA

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hundreds of black farmers say the Agriculture Department refused to review their loan applications in a timely fashion and then ignored their complaints.

Now, 641 black farmers have filed a class-action lawsuit seeking $513 million in damages.

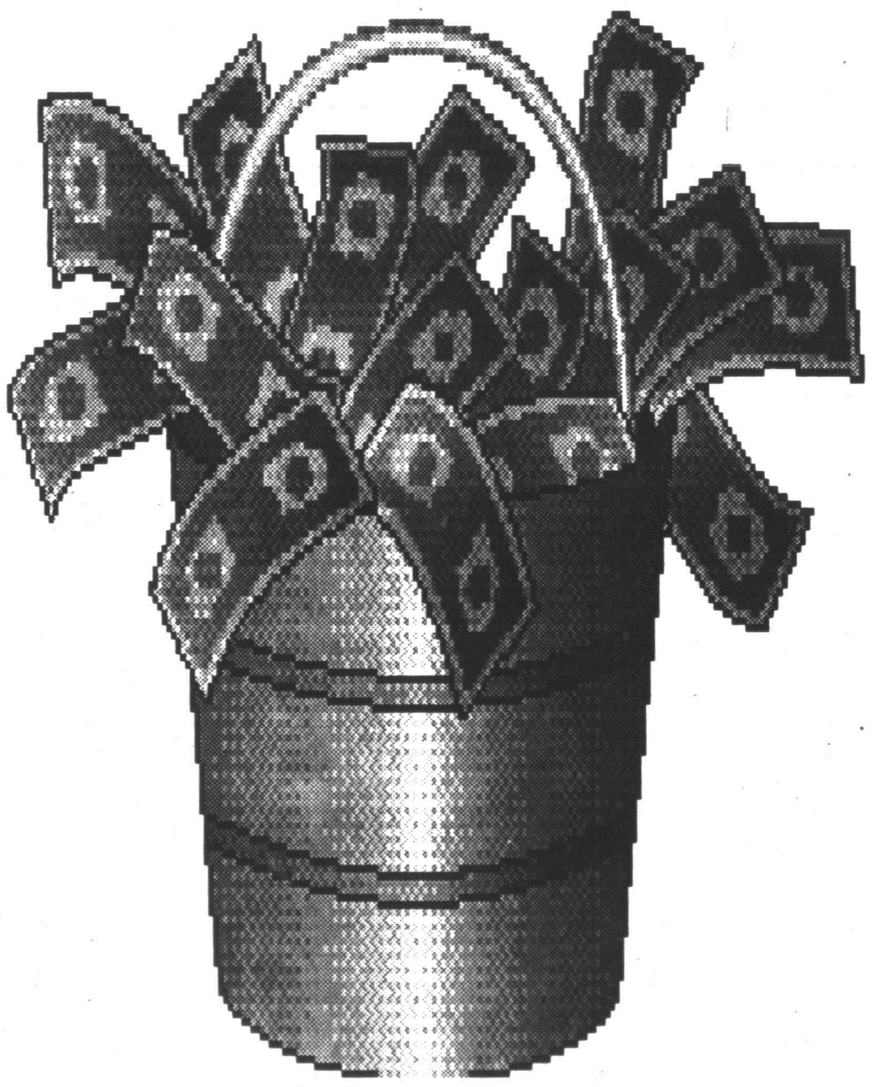
"When the farmers filed complaints, the department willfully either avoided processing and resolving the complaint by stretching the review process out over many years or conducted meaningless, or 'ghost investigations,' or failed to take action," alleged the lawsuit, filed Thursday in District of Columbia district court.

One named plaintiff, Tim Pigford, a farmer in Riegelwood, N.C., claims local USDA officials handled his loan application differently from those turned in by white farmers. He said the delay caused him to lose his land and eventually to stop farming.

"Pigford has suffered frustration, humiliation, anxiety and other mental distress at his inability to obtain redress from USDA for the racial discrimination committed against him," the lawsuit said.

The action is the latest addition in a backlog of complaints against the department. Black farmers long have complained of racial discrimination by local USDA officials that they say is the cause for their dwindling numbers. They now represent fewer than 1 percent of the nation's 1.9 million farmers.

Laura Trivers, a USDA spokeswoman, said she could not comment on the suit but said that the agency recently has taken numerous steps to address civil rights issues. She said the department's civil rights enforcement office, disbanded in the 1980's, has been reconstituted and is adding staff members to help eliminate the glut of complaints.



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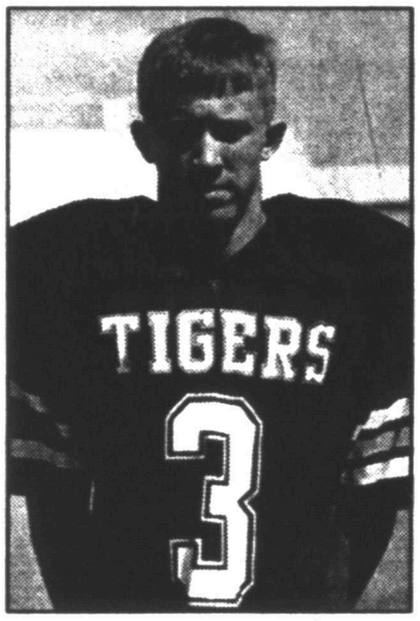

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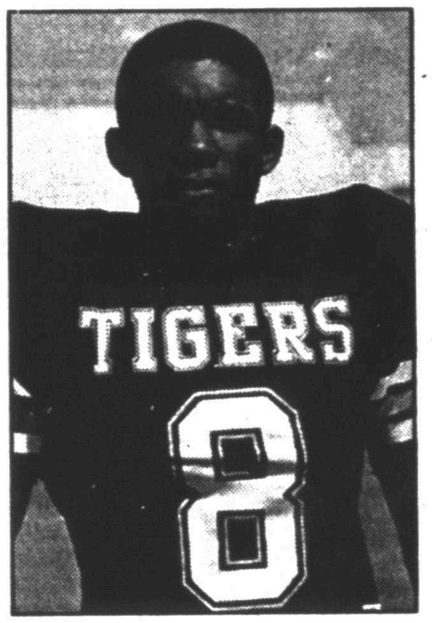

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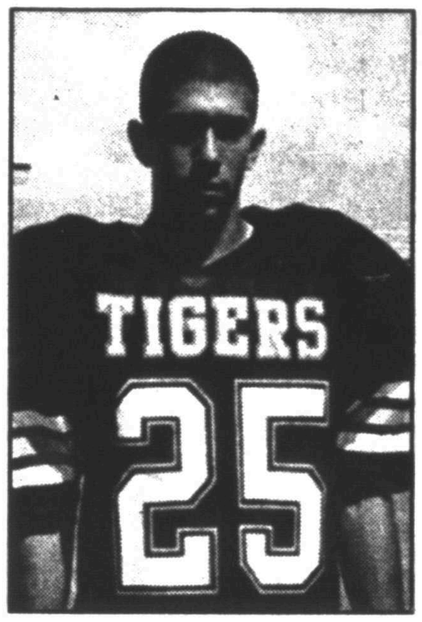

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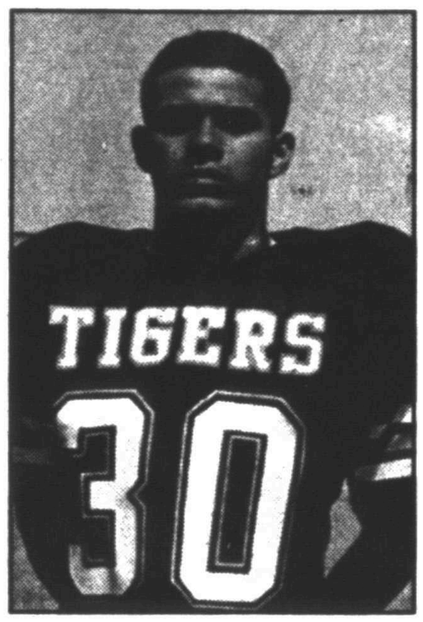

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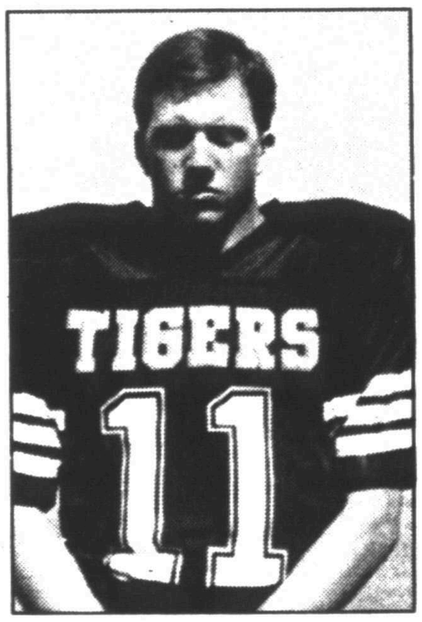

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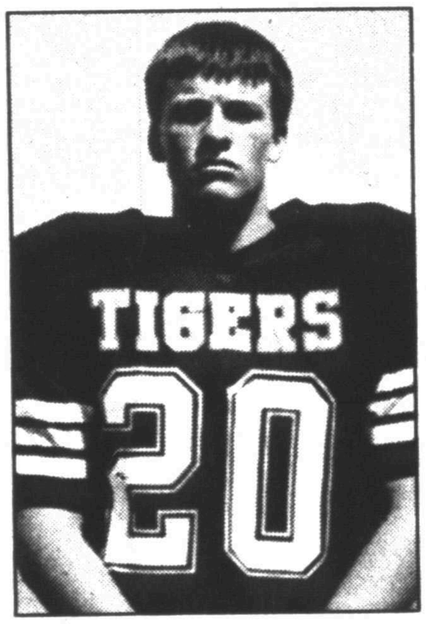

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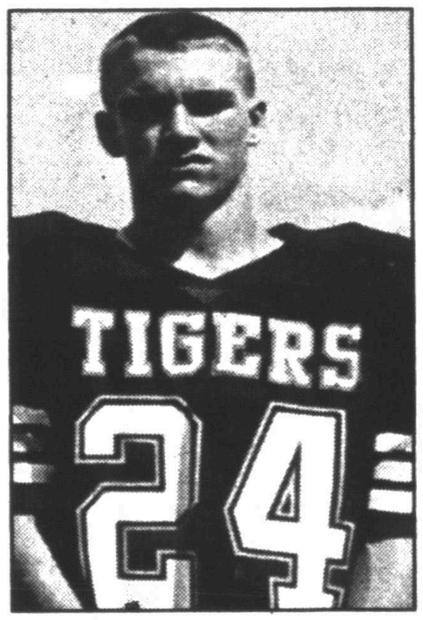

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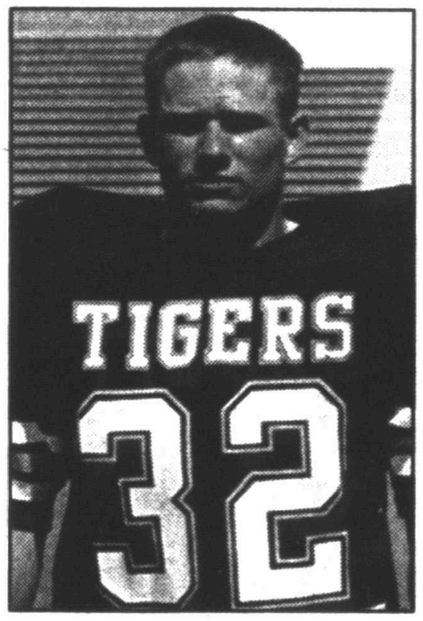

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Texas' James Brown could be star of Big XII

By CHIP BROWN
AP Sports Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — James Brown wasn't about to rot on the bench for another year watching Shea Morenz lead Texas at quarterback.

Brown had already redshirted as a freshman, and four games into his second season, he'd barely sniffed any game action.

Little voices were starting to eat at him.

He had been warned not to go to Texas because of its reputation for not playing black quarterbacks. "Surely that wasn't going to be a factor," he thought.

And Texas coach John Mackovic, a quarterback himself at Wake Forest, had made his reputation with strong-armed drop-back passers like Jeff George at Illinois, not with shifty scramblers like Brown.

Just behind Brown was Mackovic's dream quarterback as far as size and stature, 6-foot-5, 220-pound Richard Walton, as immobile as a piece of wood, but tall enough to see over the offensive line and strong enough to zip the ball to receivers anywhere.

Brown had never sat on the bench at Beaumont West Brook High School, where he smashed every passing and rushing record. He had come to Texas instead of Alabama because Mackovic had promised him a chance to play quarterback, while Gene Stallings had wanted him to be a receiver.

On top of all that, he had a brash reputation to uphold.

When the Texas recruits arrived for orientation in 1993, they were asked to give their names and tell something about themselves.

Brown stood up and said, "I'm James Brown. I'm a quarterback. And I'll be starting by the first game this season."

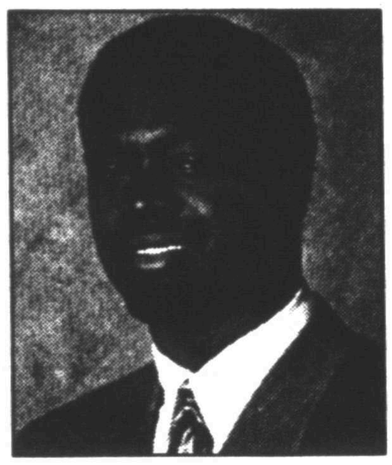
It didn't happen.

Morenz was considered one of the best quarterback prospects ever to come out of Texas and had barely begun his college career. There was no way Mackovic was going to pull the plug on Morenz, Brown thought.

He told his mother, a nurse who worked in hospice centers and prisons well into the night, his father, a factory worker, and his grandmother, who raised him while his parents toiled away in the tough, industrial town of Beaumont, that he was ready to transfer, most likely to Grambling.

"Shea had two more years left and then I would have had one year to play after he was gone," Brown said. "I was better than that. I was out of there."

Then, Brown says, God sent him a message. Morenz hurt his knee the week before the Oklahoma game in 1994, and Brown was forced in as the starter.



James Brown

With almost surreal ease, Brown completed 17 of 22 passes for 148 yards and a touchdown, while also running for a score as Texas beat the Sooners 17-10.

Suddenly, Brown was a cult hero among the Longhorns faithful, and Mackovic couldn't ignore him. Brown began splitting time with Morenz, who decided to play pro baseball after that season and left the team.

"If I would have beaten Rice or SMU right off the bat, maybe it would have been a little different scenario," Brown said. "Maybe coach Mackovic, the next couple games, would have been like, 'Anybody can beat SMU,' and stuck with playing only Shea.

"But it was Oklahoma. I think God made it that way. Everybody was like, 'Hell, it doesn't matter who he is, what color he is, as long as he beat Oklahoma.'"

So began the college career of James Brown, a sleepy-eyed quarterback with a gambler's smile who is as confident on a football field as his namesake singer is on stage.

"I wasn't sure about him at first," said center Ryan Fiebiger, who arrived with Brown at Texas in 1993. "He was kind of small. I didn't think he would play, and he was pretty arrogant."

But Fiebiger is Brown's biggest advocate now.

"In the huddle, there's just a sense that he can make anything happen on any given play," Fiebiger said.

He has led the team to three straight bowl games, including two consecutive Alliance Bowl berths (Sugar and Fiesta), snapping a three-year bowl drought before he became the starter.

But Brown's desire to be a winner applies on and off the field.

His parents and grandmother raised him a Christian. Not the kind of Christian who says he fears God in one breath and then goes out and gets arrested the next.

Brown is the first to admit that he parties on occasion, but he knows his limits.

"I try to be a Christian," Brown said. "A lot of college athletes are not. They don't even think about it. It's all about drinking and partying and having sex all the time.

"I party to an extent. But I think about God and being a Christian more than most people I know because it's on my mind a lot. Sometimes I don't want to think about God, but I do."

As for any predictions for this season, Brown is refraining — for now.

Big 12 title game Dec. 6

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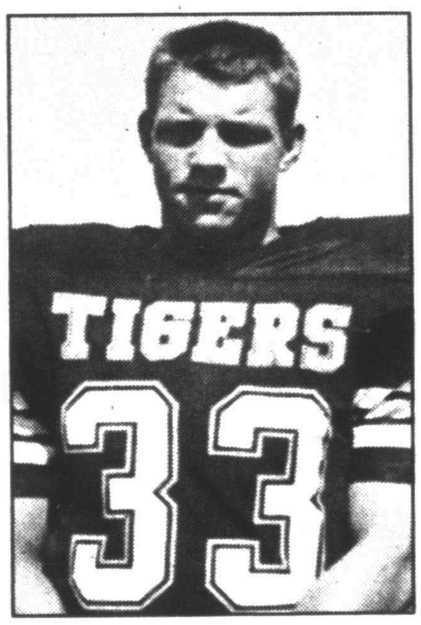

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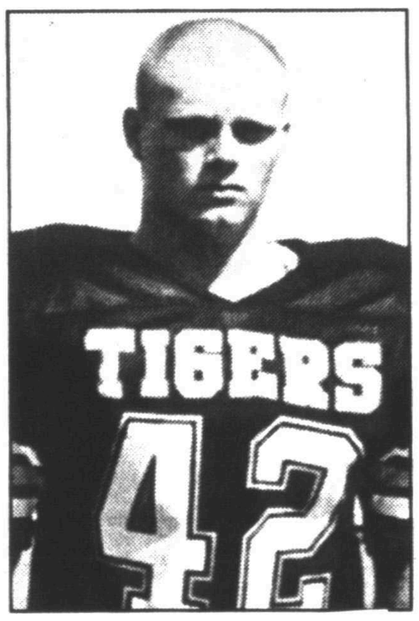

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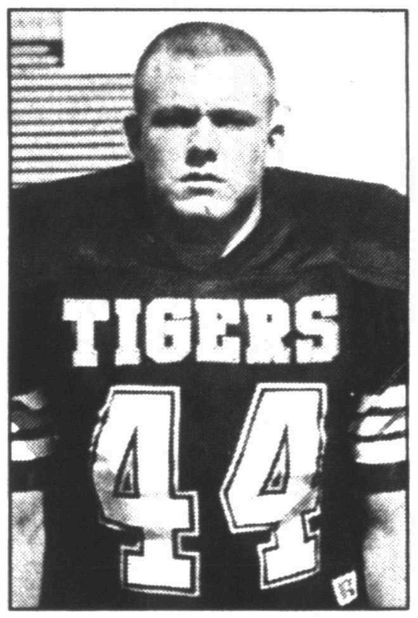

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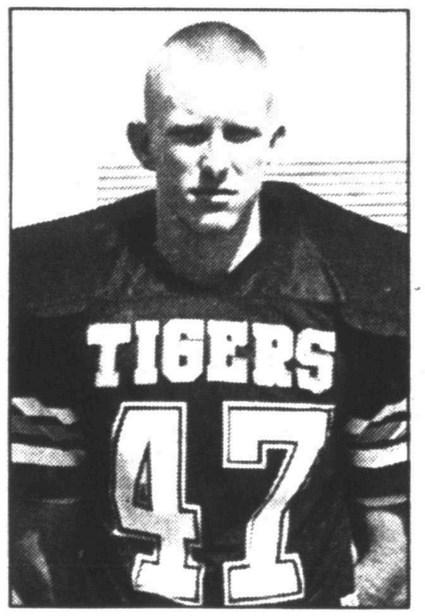

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WAC will be looking for some respect in '97

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — The Western Athletic Conference, the nation's largest with a 16-team membership that stretches from Hawaii to Texas, is out to prove it can play with the big boys of bigtime collegiate football.

It enters its second year of expansion with Brigham Young University boasting the nation's longest winning streak with 12 in a row. The Cougars finished ranked No. 5 in the nation after a 19-15 Cotton Bowl win over Kansas State.

While the WAC was 25-30 against non-conference foes last year, it was 7-6 against the Big 12.

The WAC's hue and cry over being excluded from the bowl Alliance paid some dividends. The WAC will become part of the Alliance, beginning with the 1998 season. Any WAC team with a ranking of sixth or higher will receive an invitation to play in one of the four Alliance bowl games. Otherwide, the WAC will be in the mix for an at-large bid.

"We're relieved to have the issue behind us," commissioner Karl Benson said. "Some said we caved in or gave up but that's not true. We got as much as we could possibly get. We now can consider ourselves part of the elite of college football."

Benson, as well as the WAC coaches, now are ready to prove they can compete on the field.

Top 25 teams

The Preseason Top 25
By The Associated Press

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press preseason college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, 1996 records, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and ranking in 1996 final poll:

	Record	Pts	Pv
1.PennSt.(21)	11-2	1,566	7
2.Florida(12)	12-1	1,548	1
3.FloridaSt.(7)	11-1	1,507	3
4.Washington(10)	9-3	1,484	16
5.Tennessee(8)	10-2	1,480	9
6.Nebraska(4)	11-2	1,442	6
7.NorthCarolina(4)	10-2	1,333	10
8.Colorado(3)	10-2	1,302	8
9.OhioSt.(1)	11-1	1,172	2
10.LSU	10-2	1,096	12
11.NotreDame	8-3	1,071	19
12.Texas	8-5	1,042	23
13.Miami	9-3	820	14
14.Michigan	8-4	797	20
15.Alabama	10-3	673	11
16.Auburn	8-4	592	24
17.Syracuse	9-3	585	21
18.Stanford	7-5	533	—
19.BrighamYoung	14-1	375	5
20.Clemson	7-5	352	—
21.Iowa	9-3	347	18
22.SouthernCal	6-6	219	—
23.KansasSt.	9-3	210	17
24.Wisconsin	8-5	198	—
25.MichiganSt.	6-6	148	—

Others receiving votes: Colorado St. 132, Arizona St. 131, Texas A&M 118, Virginia Tech 97, UCLA 82, Arizona 59, Northwestern 58, Virginia 45, East Carolina 32, West Virginia 25, Georgia 21, Southern Miss. 12, Utah 11, Houston 8, South Carolina 7, Georgia Tech 4, Illinois 4, San Diego St. 4, Arkansas 3, Mississippi St. 1, Navy 1, Nevada 1, Rice 1, Washington St. 1.

BYU's 14-1 season, which included a WAC championship overtime victory over Wyoming, set a lofty standard for league teams.

"This league has a lot of potential," said Air Force coach Fisher DeBerry. "I thought we had an outstanding first year. The playoff game with BYU and Wyoming gave our conference great national exposure."

There will be four new head coaches in the WAC this season, including Mike Cavan at SMU, Pat Hill at Fresno State, Dana Dimel at Wyoming and Dave Baldwin at San Jose State.

DeBerry still isn't overwhelmed with the WAC deal with the Alliance, which includes a $100,000 payout to each school should the conference not get a team in the top four bowl games.

"What we got was better than nothing but it blows my mind that I'll have to tell my team it has to finish in the top six to have a chance to play for the national championship," DeBerry said. "I think in time there will be a playoff."

Aside from the political wheeling and dealing, many WAC coaches and writers are picking Colorado State to upset BYU in the championship game on Dec 6 in Las Vegas. CSU is heavily favored in the Pacific Division and BYU in the Mountain Division.

"I think CSU will be the strongest contender," DeBerry said "But BYU is always there. Rice also has a chance to make a strong run."

Colorado State coach Sonny Lubick almost welcomes the favorite's role.

"I feel very good about this team," he said. "It could be the best team we've had since I've been there. I like recognition. I'd rather it be this situation than the way we've been at CSU. Now, we'll just have to see how well we handle these expectations."

He added "BYU can play with anybody. Nobody wants to play BYU."

Then Lubick joked "I didn't go on vacation after I read all the magazines picking us."

CSU will have a high-powered offense built around quarterback Moses Moreno, who had almost 3,000 yards passing, and wide receiver Geoff Turner, who caught 52 passes for 921 yards. Fullback Damon Washington, who rushed for over 1,000 yards and averaged 6.6 yards per carry, also is back.

"It will be hard to surpass last year's offensive production," Lubick said. "Hopefully, our defense will improve. I think we can put some points on the board."

San Diego State and Air Force were expected to give CSU the toughest tussle in the Pacific Division which incudes Wyoming, Fresno State, UNLV, Hawaii and San Jose State.

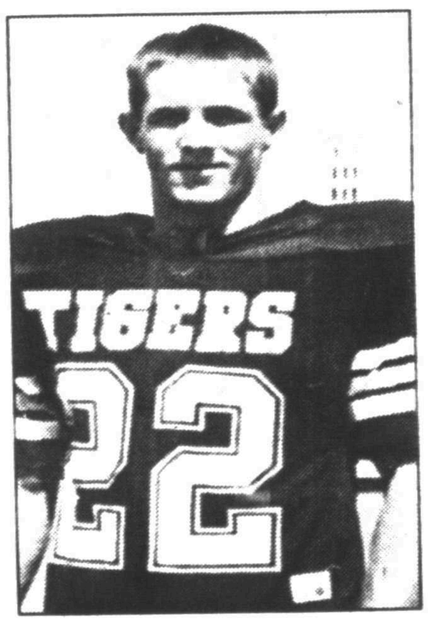
"We're going to be disappointed if we're not in it," said San Diego State coach Ted Tollner. "We want the Nov. 22 game against Colorado State to be meaningful."

BYU goes into the season with a question mark at quarterback, although coach LaVell Edwards likes both Paul Shoemaker, a junior, and Kevin Feterik, a sophomore.

They must replace Steve Sarkisian, who passed for over 4,000 yards last year.

"We have a chance to be a good club," Edwards said. "I've got a gut feeling we'll be OK at quarterback. They aren't experienced quarterbacks but I'm excited about both of them. I think we'll have a great Mountain Division race. Utah should be very strong and Rice could surprise."

BYU has a tough non-conference schedule. Washington, BYU's only loss last year, comes calling in the opener. Then BYU travels to Arizona State in the second game before opening the WAC season at SMU on Sept. 27.



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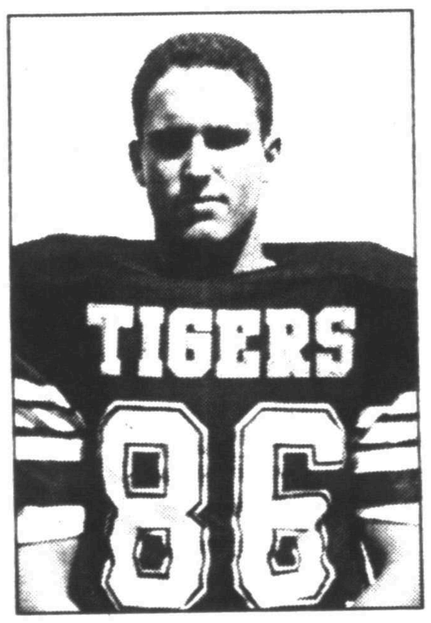

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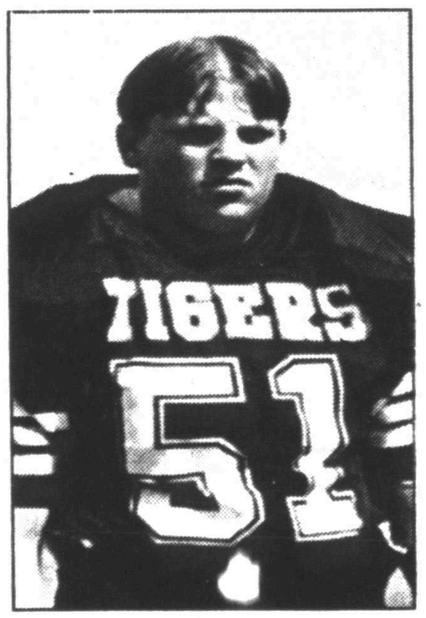

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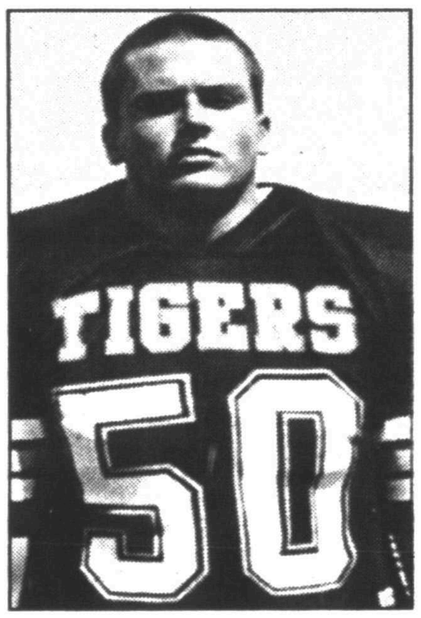

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Tough non-district schedule could give the Tigers enough experience for playoff hunt

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

Only time will tell.

That seems to be the logical answer to how the Snyder Tigers are going to do this year.

Snyder head coach David Baugh will have an inexperienced team come kickoff Sept. 5 when the Tigers open their season in Andrews.

Coming off a 4-6 record of a year ago, Snyder will be looking for its first playoff appearance since dropping a heartbreaker to Stephenville in a 1995 bi-district game.

The Tigers have the ability to play a key role in the tough District 2-4A race. Baugh said it could just be a matter of getting the right kids in the right places.

"We've got to be consistent," Baugh said prior to beginning this, his 10th, season. "We've got to have kids in the right places that can make plays for us."

The Tigers lost some key players from last year's team. Gone are DT Chris Post, DB Matt Fambro, WR Jermiah Johnson, QB Russell Riggan and RB L.S. McLain.

In their places step a whole slew of players, who might just need some playing time under their belt in order to showcase their abilities.

"We play a tough non-district schedule," Baugh said. "And it should play to our advantage, for these kids who haven't seen a lot of playing time, to face quality teams before district starts."

Replacing Riggan under center will be senior Chad Carter. Behind Carter will be Cory Mandrell and Justin McNair. Carter backed-up Riggan last season as a junior, but hasn't thrown many passes in a varsity contest, so Snyder could keep the ball on the ground more this year.

"We probably will run it a little more this year than last," Baugh stated. "We threw the ball quite a bit last year, and we may be more like 70-30 or 60-40 run this year."

And when the Tigers carry the ball, it figures to be junior Cheyenne Robinson doing most of the toting. Joining Robinson in the backfield will be fullbacks Jacob Hodges and Curtis Clay. Relieving Robinson at tailback some, will be John McHaney.

Snyder will not have the services of its other fullback, John Border, until possibly the first or second game of district competition. Border suffered a knee injury early during summer workouts.

If the Tigers are to put the ball in the air, they will need solid performances from their

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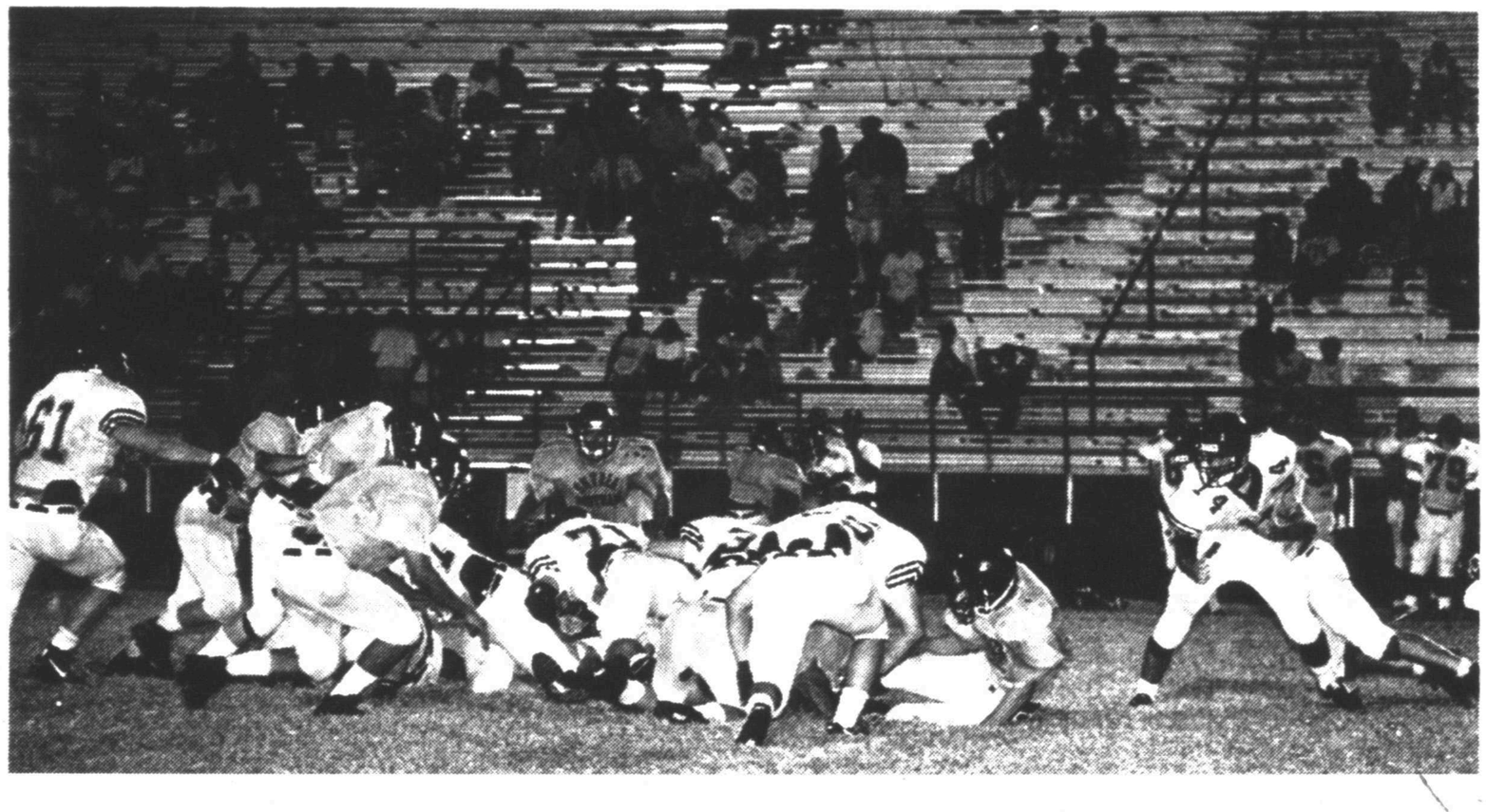

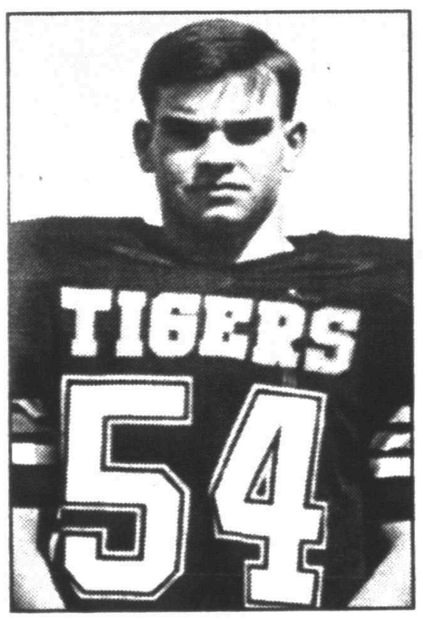

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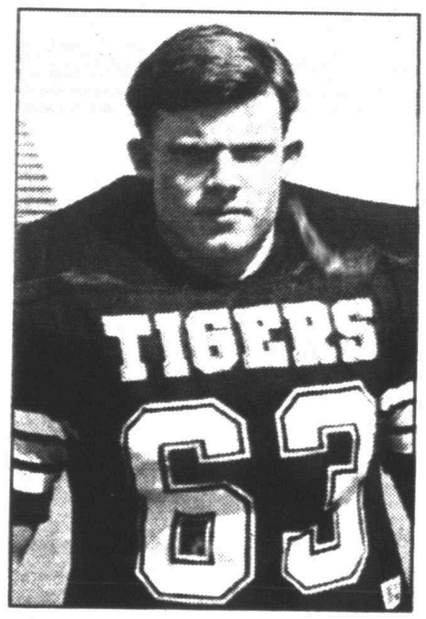

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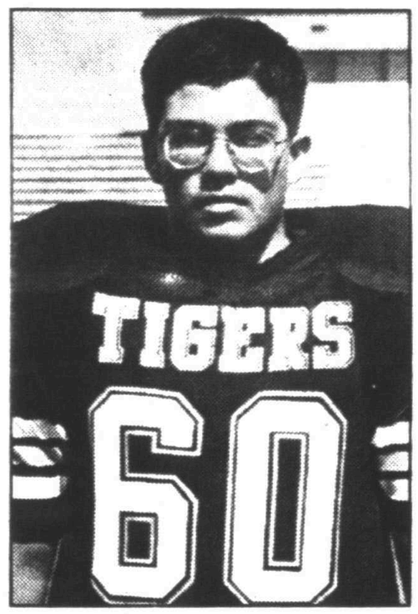

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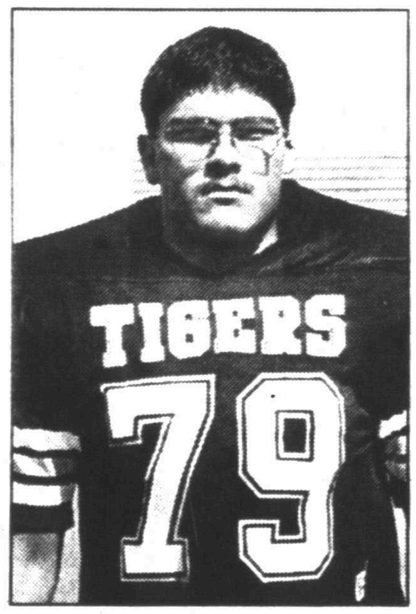

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offensive line and core of receivers.

"In order for us to throw the ball this year," Baugh remarked, "as always it depends on three things; how well we protect the quarterback, how accurate we throw it and how well we catch it."

On the receiving end of Carter's passes will be split ends Gabriel Madrid and David Garcia, and flankers James Wesley and Juan Arizmendi.

As for tight ends, Snyder has three in Kyle Beck, Jeff Knowles and Mark Cave. But Mac McGraw will also see some time at the position when Coach Baugh calls for the double-tight end set.

Strong play from the two tight-end formation should make things easier in short-yardage situations, for an offense which averaged 250 yards per game last year, but only 14.7 points.

Anchoring the line up-front this year will be center Ian Hobbs, who will be backed-up by Aron Stanley.

Manning the strong side of the line will be the guard-tackle tandem of Chad Collum and Dustin Fish. Their teammates on the quick side, Sean Duncan and Chris Fuentes, are both returning starters.

On the other side of the ball, Baugh thinks the strongest part of his defense might be the linebackers.

Leading the talented core of linebackers will once again be Kevin Kerr. Kerr registered 70 tackles last season and he will be joined on the field by Kyle Beck.

Along the defensive front will be Bryan Fisher and Chris Fuentes in the middle, with Jeff Knowles and Sean Duncan on the ends.

Back-ups for Fisher and Fuentes will be Chad Collum, Cory Chesser, Aron Stanley, Ian Hobbs and Dustin Fish.

The position Coach Baugh calls Tiger-back will be manned by Curtis Clay, with Sam Bedell and Nick Barboza also seeing some action.

The most inexperienced part of the defense is the secondary. Only one of last season's starters, Juan Arizmendi, returns for the Tigers.

With Arizmendi at right cornerback, Baugh will have Ben Boyd on the leftside, with Larry Brown backing-up both positions.

James Wesley is the likely starter at strong safety, splitting some time with Justin McNair and John McHaney.

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District 2-4A Capsules

Estacado Matadors
SCHOOL COLORS: Blue and silver
ENROLLMENT: 1,201
COACH: Louis Kelley
1996 RECORD: 7-4, district co-champion
RETURNING STARTERS: 7 offensive, 7 defensive
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Kamul High, DB; Antwain Overstreet, DB; Warren Boyd, RB; Calvin Grant, FB; Jerome Flowers, OT.
1997 SCHEDULE:
Sept. 6: Pampa
Sept. 12: at Vernon
Sept. 18: Big Spring
Sept. 26: at Lubbock High
Oct. 3: Andrews
Oct. 10: at Levelland
Oct. 17: at Plainview
Oct. 23: Snyder
Oct. 31: at Lamesa
Nov. 6: Frenship

Levelland Lobos
SCHOOL COLORS: Scarlet and black
ENROLLMENT: 1,016
COACH: Tom Ramsey
1996 RECORD: 8-4, bi-district champion
RETURNING STARTERS: 5 offensive, 3 defensive
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Paul Cruz, DT; Caleb Huber, OT; Raymond Ferguson, OT; Nathan Cummings, DB; Zach Taylor, QB.
1997 SCHEDULE:
Sept. 5: Caprock
Sept. 12: Canyon
Sept. 19: at Slaton
Sept. 26: at Andrews
Oct. 3: at Big Spring
Oct. 10: Estacado
Oct. 17: at Lamesa
Oct. 24: Plainview
Oct. 31: at Frenship
Nov. 7: Snyder

Plainview Bulldogs
SCHOOL COLORS: Red, blue and white
ENROLLMENT: 1,582
COACH: Steve Parr
1996 RECORD: 2-8
RETURNING STARTERS: 6 offensive, 5 defensive
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Javier Carbajal, OG; Danza Sanson, DT; Brennon Bell, RB/LB; Chris DeLeon, OT/DT; Tyler Huggins, TE.
1997 SCHEDULE:
Sept. 4: at Palo Duro
Sept. 12: at Clovis
Sept. 19: Pampa
Sept. 26: Amarillo High
Oct. 3: Tascosa
Oct. 10: at Frenship
Oct. 17: Estacado
Oct. 24: at Levelland
Oct. 31: at Snyder
Nov. 7: Lamesa

Frenship Tigers
SCHOOL COLORS: Royal blue, gold and white
ENROLLMENT: 1,404
COACH: Bobby Davis
1996 RECORD: 6-5, district co-champion
RETURNING STARTERS: 3 offensive, 3 defensive
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Jason Haynie, QB; Chris Clemens, OL; Michael Doll, LB; Jonathan Shelby, TB; Travis Denson, SE.
1997 SCHEDULE:
Sept. 5: Midland High
Sept. 12: at Randall
Sept. 19: at Sweetwater
Sept. 26: Canyon
Oct. 3: at Coronado
Oct. 10: Plainview
Oct. 17: at Snyder
Oct. 24: Lamesa
Oct. 31: Levelland
Nov. 6: at Estacado

Lamesa Golden Tornadoes
SCHOOL COLORS: Black and gold
ENROLLMENT: 685
COACH: Tim James
1996 RECORD: 1-9
RETURNING STARTERS: 6 offensive, 6 defensive
PLAYERS TO WATCH: Brian Gregory, OT/LB; Kyle Schmidt, DT; Rene Hernandez, RB; Carlos Soto, OG.
1997 SCHEDULE:
Sept. 5: at Pecos
Sept. 12: Lake View
Sept. 19: at Ft. Stockton
Sept. 26: at Crane
Oct. 3: at Colorado City
Oct. 10: Snyder
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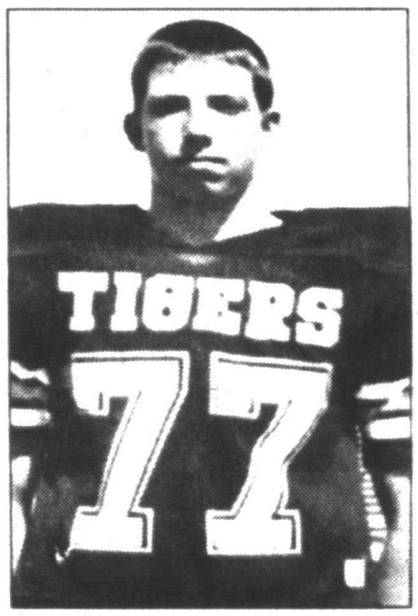

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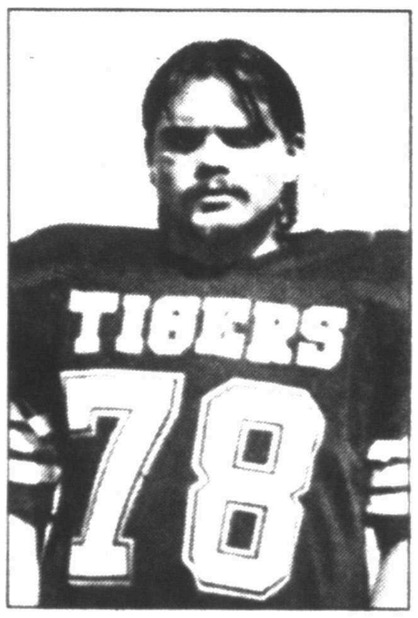

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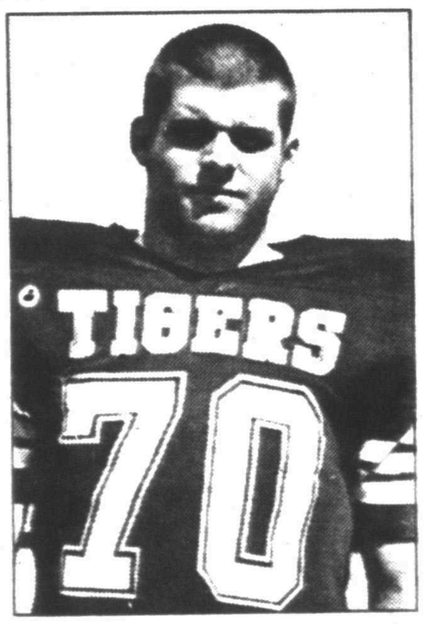

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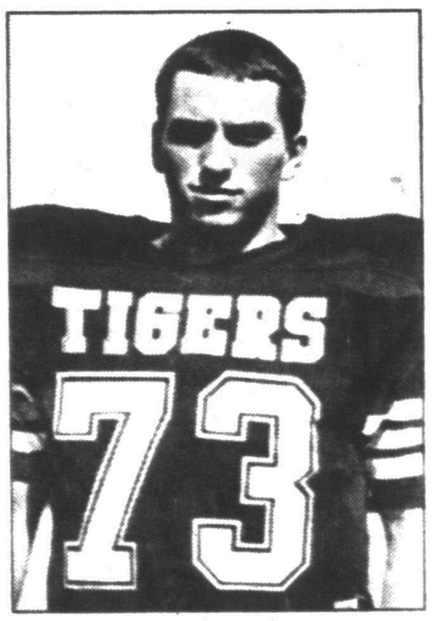

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Tiger preview continued...

At the free safety position, Rad Eicke holds the starting spot, with Brad Roemisch backing him up.

This year's defense already has one good outing behind it, holding state-ranked Brownwood to only a single score in the first scrimmage of the season.

The Tiger defense will be tested early though, as it faces two of the areas most potent offenses in the first non-district games of the year.

First up will be the returning Class 4A rushing leader Shaud Williams and his Andrews Mustang teammates. Williams rushed for 2,300 yards last season and has a career total of 3,100 in just 19 games.

Next will be long-time rival Sweetwater, which is led by its senior quarterback Andrew Boatright. This will be Boatright's third season as the Mustangs' starting signal-caller. He passed for 980 yards and tacked on 1,208 more rushing the ball in 1996.

The Tigers will then travel to Wylie, before returning for homecoming Sept. 26 against Big Spring. The final non-district opponent will be San Angelo Lake View.

After facing five quality teams, most schools would be relieved to see district play begin. But District 2-4A is anything but a relief.

Once again Lubbock Estacado appears to have the upper-hand, but after that it could be anybody's race.

Estacado is returning seven offensive and seven defensive starters from its 7-4 district co-championship team of a year ago.

The Matadors will be tough to pass against, as they sport two of the state's top 48 defensive backs.

Snyder meets Estacado in its third district contest, Thursday, Oct. 23 in Lubbock.

The race for the second and third playoff spots is going to be tight.

Levelland, a bi-district champion in '96, will be in the mix along with the other 2-4A co-champion, Frenship.

But Plainview and Snyder both had excellent junior varsity teams last year, and they also will play a big part in deciding the final standings.

Lamesa rounds out the district, returning 6 offensive and 6 defensive starters for second-year coach Tim James.

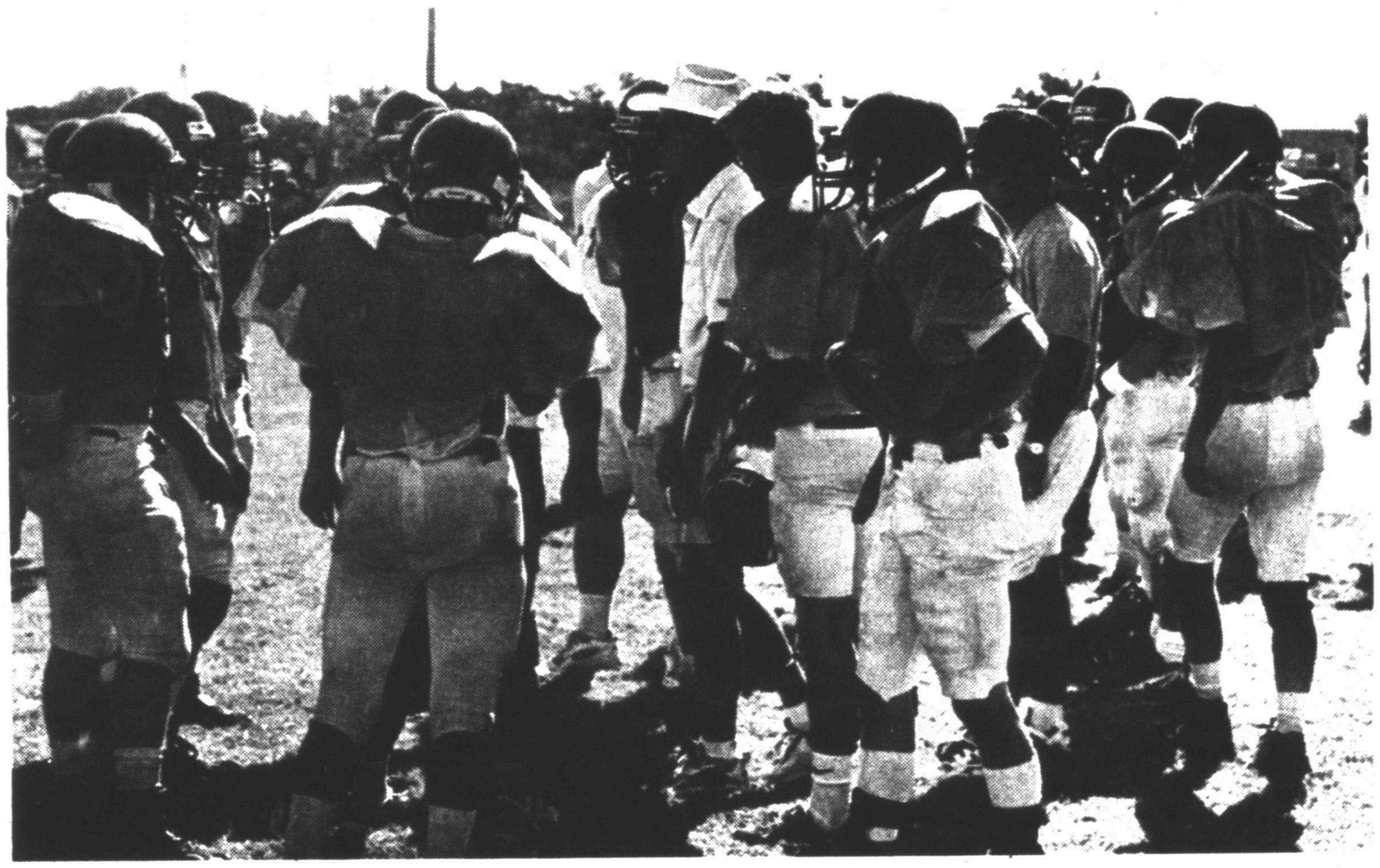
Snyder gets Frenship and Plainview at home, but will travel to Levelland for the district finale. The Nov. 7 match-up could determine who gets left at home come playoff time.

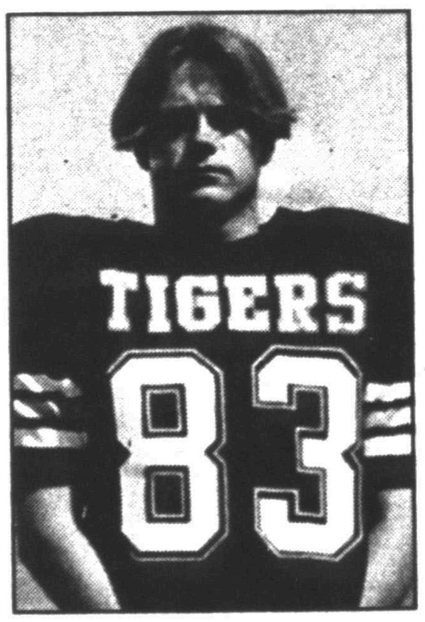
District 2-4A Coaches' Poll

All six coaches in District 2-4A were asked how they thought the district race would finish. A first place vote received six points, second place received five and continued down to one point for sixth place.

Estacado - 36******
Levelland - 26
Snyder - 19
Plainview - 19
Frenship - 18
Lamesa - 8

* denotes number of first place votes





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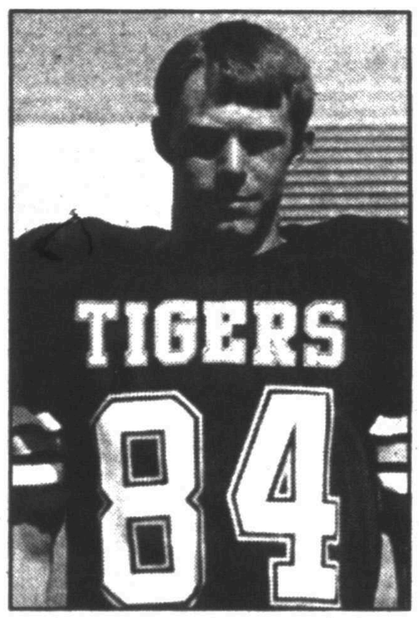

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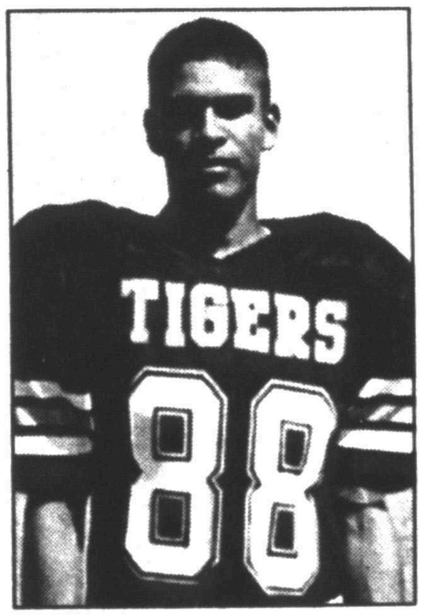

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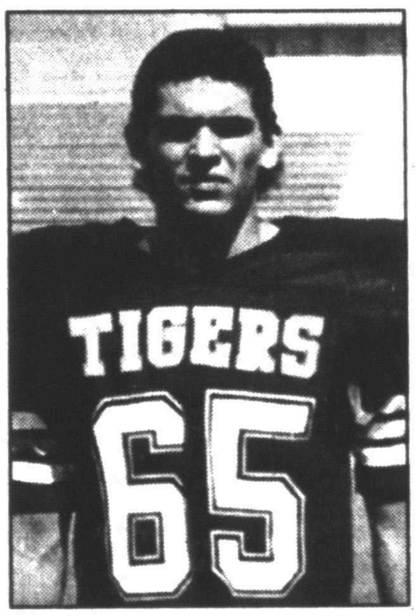

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District 6 Six-Man preview

They're howling about a title in Coyote country

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

BORDEN COUNTY COYOTES — Members of the 1997 Borden County Coyotes football team are, front row, left to right, James Bond, Ross Offen, John Harding, Lee Pepper, Ryan Grant, Clint Scott, Clint Cowart, Ramon Griffin, Robert Stamper, Nick Flanigan, DJ Smith and Ed Rodriguez. On the back row are head coach Bobby Avery, Preston Sharp, Bryce Dye, Oscar Baeza, Colt McCook, Fernando Baeza, John Brummett, Kevin Pinkerton, Colt Miller, Trini Vasquez, Cezar Mujica and assistant coach Trey Ritchey. The Coyotes open their non-district schedule Sept. 5 at Klondike. (SDN Staff Photo)

At schools where enrollment is such that it only fields six football players at a time, depth is not a term that is thrown around loosely.

But that is exactly what Borden County High School has. They have depth; and talent, speed and experience.

Maybe that's why the fans, coaches and players have such high expectations for this year's Coyotes.

"We've got depth this year, which is an odd thing in six-man football," Borden County head coach Bobby Avery said. "We've got some sophomores and juniors that can step in and produce for us."

The Coyotes, a 7-4 playoff team in 1996, hold a preseason No. 10 ranking by *Texas Football Magazine*.

But the Borden County players think the ranking will have a positive effect by giving the team confidence, rather than placing the burden of high expectations on them.

"I think the ranking is a positive," Coyote quarterback Colt McCook said. "As a team, we feel if we don't make it to the quarterfinals, then it will be somewhat of a disappointing season for us."

Challenging Borden County for the district title will be two other local high schools, Hermleigh and Ira.

Hermleigh is returning five offensive and four defensive starters from its 3-7 team of a year ago and first year head coach Juan Rios is excited about the '97 team.

"We have an excellent senior class," Rios, who was an assistant for the Cardinals last year, remarked. "They work hard and really encourage their teammates. Overall, this team has some good leadership."

The Cardinals will take to the field with six seniors and only one junior. The remaining 14 players are either freshmen or sophomores, so Hermleigh will be young at a few positions.

But to find probably the youngest team in the district, one must travel about nine miles west of Snyder to Ira High School.

The Bulldogs don't have a single senior on the roster and only two juniors.

But Ira head coach Russell Gee is able to say that this year's team is more experienced than the last.

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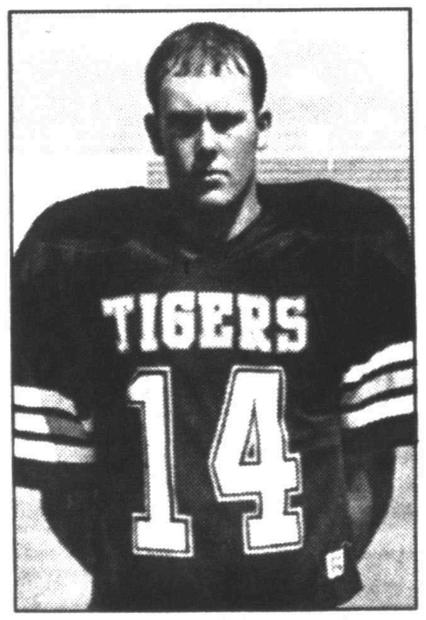

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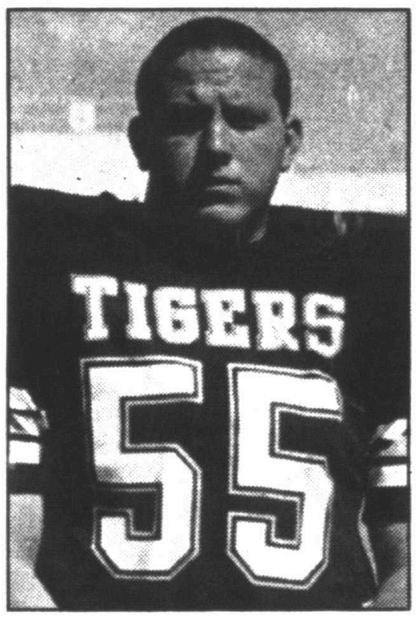

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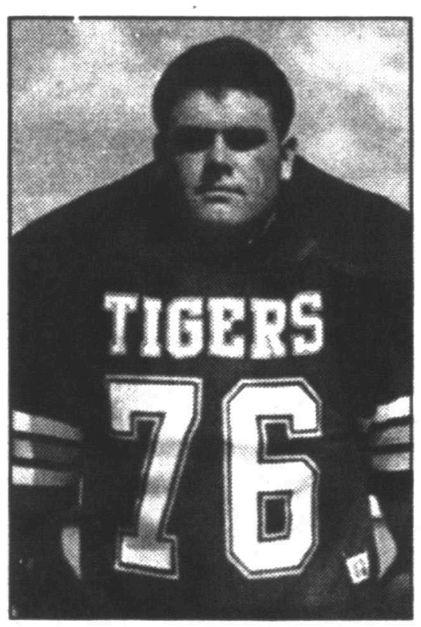

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District 6 Six-Man preview continued...

"All of those kids who were freshmen last year came back," Gee said. "So we're a year older and a year quicker.

"Our team speed has improved, so we are going to be able to get up and down the field a little better this year."

The Bulldogs will be looking to improve on their 1-9 mark from '96. But it will be tough to do in talent-laden District 6.

"We've just now gotten to the point where we can make some substitutions," Bulldog assistant coach Joee Gainer said. "So this year maybe we won't have so many kids who have to play both ways all of the time."

Avery, Rios and Gee agree that Borden County is the team to beat and they pointed to Highland as having the inside track to the playoffs in the second spot.

All three local schools must travel to Highland this year, and while Hermleigh has the advantage of facing Borden County at home, Ira must travel to Coyote country in the district finale.

There will be some exciting players to watch this year at each school.

The Coyotes return all-purpose threat Fernando Baeza at tailback. Baeza ran for 1,030 yards and 18 touchdowns, caught passes totaling 354 more yards and five touchdowns, while making 138 tackles on defense.

McCook and fullback Clint Scott will also be in the backfield again for Coach Avery.

The Cardinals will be counting on four-year starting quarterback Larry Lambaren to play free safety this year as well.

Hermleigh will also need stellar play once again from Billy Joe Digby. The linebacker accounted for 86 tackles last season and snagged 10 passes for 250 yards and five touchdowns.

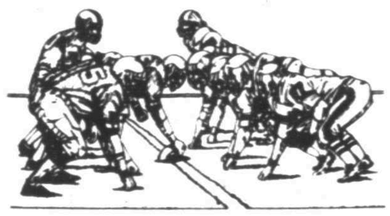
The action in Ira will probably center around sophomore Logan Daves.

Daves, standing 6'6", is an intimidating force along the offensive and defensive lines, or at linebacker.

Also back for the Bulldogs, are three-year starter Perry Jamison at tailback and Jerek Brown.

Brown played four different positions last year, including quarterback and offensive lineman. But Gee said Brown will likely get the nod as Ira's starting signal-caller.

IRA BULLDOGS — Members of the 1997 Ira Bulldogs football team are, front row, left to right, Jerek Brown, Josh Long, Perry Jamison, Logan Daves, Jose Juarez, Moses Williams, Shade Everton and Cody Kellner. On the back row are assistant coaches Toby Goodwin and Joee Gainer, Brian Coffman, Carlos Espinoza, Jenson Gainer, Donnie Sims, Bryce Wilkins, Seth Sterling and head coach Russell Gee. The Bulldogs open their non-district schedule Sept. 5 at Dawson. (SDN Staff Photo)



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District 6 Six-Man Capsules

Westbrook Wildcats

SCHOOL COLORS: Blue and white

COACH: Jim Hill

1996 RECORD: 9-1

RETURNING STARTERS: 3 offensive, 2 defensive

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Justin Hill, QB; Davy Daniel, TE; Tony Alaniz, RB; Randy Byington, K; Jon Jones, DE.

1997 SCHEDULE:

Sept. 5: at Blackwell
Sept. 12: at Balmorhea
Sept. 19: Jayton
Sept. 26: at Klondike
Oct. 3: at Trent
Oct. 10: at Ira
Oct. 17: Loraine
Oct. 24: at Borden County
Oct. 31: at Hermleigh
Nov. 7: Highland

Highland Hornets

SCHOOL COLORS: Royal blue, red and white

COACH: Karry Owens

1996 RECORD: 10-2, playoff team

RETURNING STARTERS: 2 offensive, 2 defensive

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Michael Rogers, LB; Juan Rodriguez, DE; Greg Landfried, QB; Stoney Burke, C; Michael Wade, DE.

1997 SCHEDULE:

Sept. 5: at Lueders-Avoca
Sept. 12: Sands
Sept. 19: Paint Rock
Sept. 26: at Jayton
Oct. 3: at Paint Creek
Oct. 10: Hermleigh
Oct. 17: Ira
Oct. 24: at Loraine
Oct. 31: Borden County
Nov. 7: at Westbrook

Loraine Bulldogs

SCHOOL COLORS: Black and gold

COACH: Rick Cooper

1996 RECORD: 3-7

RETURNING STARTERS: 2 offensive, 1 defensive

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Greg Limones, TB; Marcus Garcia, LB; Josh Woodell, DE; Dee Givens, QB/TE; Chris Morris, QB/RB.

1997 SCHEDULE:

Sept 5: at Woodson
Sept. 12: Jayton
Sept. 19: at New Home
Sept. 26: Sidney
Oct. 3: Moran
Oct. 10: Borden County
Oct. 17: at Westbrook
Oct. 24: Highland
Oct. 31: at Ira
Nov. 7: Hermleigh

Rios is the new man in charge of the Cards

Talk about your on the job training.

Hermleigh's first year head coach Juan Rios got exactly that when he was promoted after only one year as an assistant.

Rios graduated from Texas Tech University in the Spring of 1996 and came straight to work for Hermleigh. He served last year as an assistant under then head coach Wayne Poehls.

But with Poehls' departure in June, Rios suddenly became the new man in charge. In fact for a while, he was the only man in charge before HISD hired Randy Minter for the assistant's position.

Rios learned what he could in the short time that he had with Poehls.

"I really liked the way he managed the entire football program," Rios said of his former co-worker. "We were fair to the kids and they respected us for that. I hope I can do those same things with this year's kids."

As for his football team, Rios thinks his defense could be its strongest point.

"We've got a better defense than we do offense probably," Rios remarked. "We've got a good offense also, but our defense is our best aspect."

HERMLEIGH CARDINALS — Members of the 1997 Hermleigh Cardinals football team are, front row, left to right, Alfanso Rangel, Rocky Gill, David Digby, Ricky Luna, Trey Roemisch, Andy Luna, JR Luna, Nick Free, Robert Duhaime and Tony Molina. On the back row are assistant coach Randy Minter, Johnny Garza, Larry Lambaren, Billy Joe Digby, Jason Eckert, Joey Garza, Caleb Callaway, Billy Lambaren, Chris Doggett and head coach Juan Rios. The Cardinals begin non-district play Sept. 5 at Paint Rock. (SDN Staff Photo)

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NFL's version of Stones will win Super Bowl

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer

'Based on the number of arrests, first fights and over-the-top displays of team spirit...it could only be the Dallas Cowboys.'

You don't have to be a rocket scientist, or even one of those guys who worked on Mir, to figure out who wins next January's Super Bowl. Based on the number of arrests, fist fights and over-the-top displays of team spirit that made this preseason more memorable than most — not to mention more destructive — it could only be the Dallas Cowboys.

With a few notable exceptions, the 1997 NFL regular season kicks off Sunday looking very much like 1996. There are 10 new coaches, but seven of them bring all-too-familiar faces to the jobs. And because teams were throwing very little money around, fewer free agents took off in pursuit of loot, although one of them, Jeff George, migrated from Atlanta to Oakland with no grander purpose in mind than to drive a fourth coach absolutely nuts.

What all that means is that only a handful of teams are even worth considering and — no surprise here — none of them are from the good-for-only-token-resistance, we-lost-the-last-13-Super-Bowls AFC.

The obvious choice is the defending champion Packers, who return 19 of 22 starters from the Super Bowl. They lost one player to retirement (defensive end Sean Jones), one to injury (running back Edgar Bennett) and one to disinterest (receiver Andre Rison, because Robert Brooks is coming back).

People who think winter passes slowly in Green Bay ought to try spending a summer up there. Management-player relations were so harmonious, the team's attitude so hard working and exemplary, the town's reciprocal feelings so warm, that keen observers know a letdown is in the making. When that happens a round or two into the playoffs, when the players' natural tendencies to demolish things has been dulled by too many mandatory autograph-signing sessions, people will blame the Pack's failure to defend the title on the loss of key players Jones and Bennett.

But students of the chaos theory will recognize the real reason: getting rid of Rison and Desmond Howard wiped out what little bit of attitude the Packers had, the little bit so necessary for survival in the NFL these days.

That's where the Cowboys' experience will prove decisive. They may trash their San Diego hotel rooms before setting out for the Stadium-Formerly-Known-As-Jack-Murphy to meet the New England Patriots in the season finale. And they may even lose coach Barry Switzer on the short trip over, especially if there is a metal detector posted somewhere along the route. But Team Chaos' will is nothing if not resourceful.

Dallas has learned to win despite having key players under indictment, under suspension, under the influence, under the knife and just plain under the weather. And as the Carolinas of this world are about to find out, learning to handle distractions is a skill that is easily underestimated.

The Panthers knocked the Cowboys out of the playoffs last season, setting off a round of firings and hand-wringing by established franchises wondering why they couldn't do in a decade what Carolina did in two years.

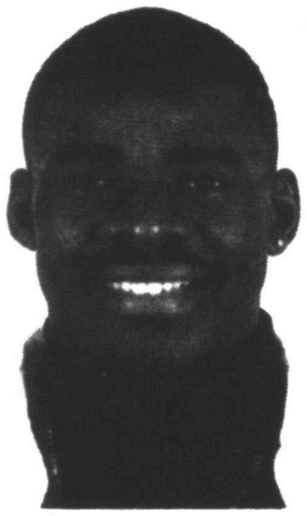
Now the Panthers, like their AFC counterpart Jacksonville Jaguars, did some very shrewd free agent buying and they benefited from the fact that salary cap-strapped teams couldn't afford to keep back-ups like quarterback Mark Brunell on the bench.

But the older franchises may also have forgotten just how lucky the Panthers were last season. Already this preseason, sack leader Kevin Greene walked out the door and quarterback Kerry Collins will be missing in action for the first four regular-season games because of a broken jaw. Collins suffered the injury in a preseason game, against another team, as it turned out. But the way things were going, it only seemed like a matter of time until Collins got clocked by somebody.

One of his own linemen, Norberto Davidds-Garrido, decked him in a bar fight and another teammate, wide receiver Muhsin Muhammad, probably thought about doing the same when Collins overstepped the bounds of propriety by using a racial epithet jokingly.

That last incident took place during a dorm party celebrating the end of training camp. Meanwhile, the Cowboys celebrated the end of their training camp in a show of great unity; they all trashed their dorm rooms together, in a show of unity, like they were the Rolling Stones, or something.

They'll have only slightly less fun taking apart the Panthers in the NFC Championship game before partying seriously in preparation for winning their fourth Super Bowl in six years.



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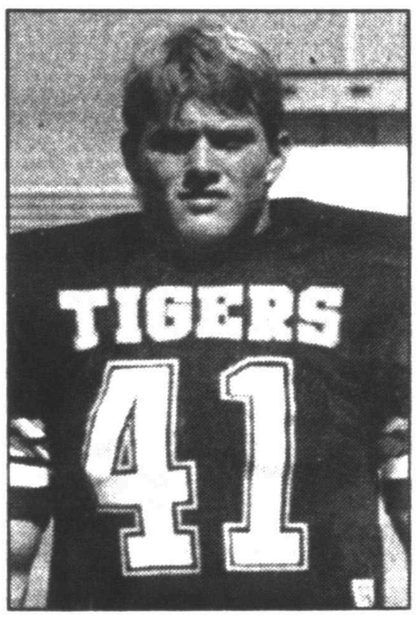

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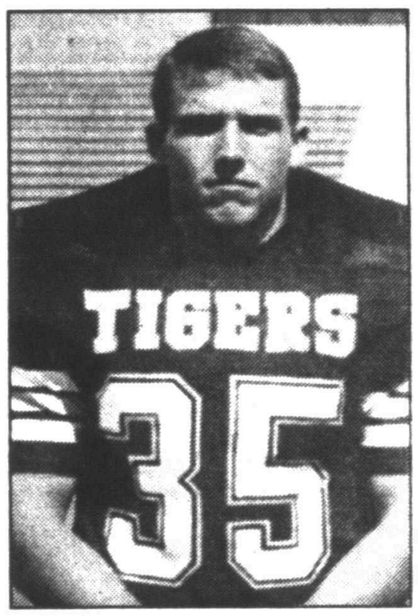

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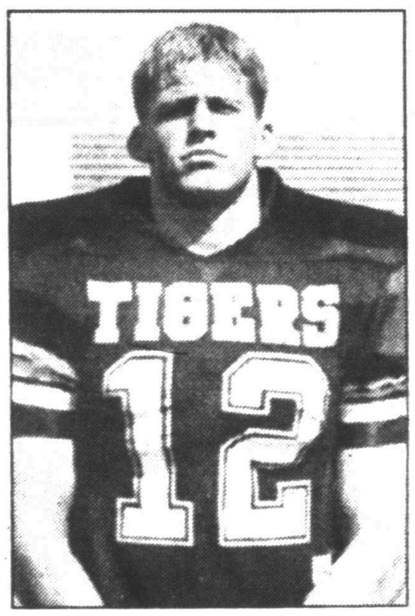

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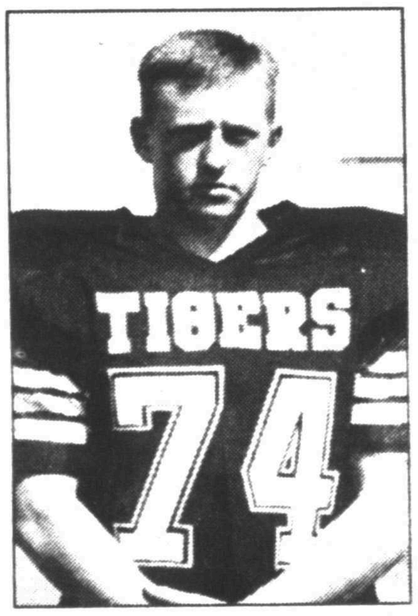

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Parker totals four Army records

By Wade Warren
Staff Writer

When one thinks of Army football, the names of Glenn Davis and Doc Blanchard immediately come to mind.

Davis had a fabulouse four-year career at West Point and is the leading scorer in Army's storied football history. Blanchard, who played in the same backfield with Davis for three years, is listed as the third leading scorer at West Point.

The eighth leading career scorer at the Academy is Snyder High School graduate J. Parker.

Parker, who is currently stationed at Fort Rucker, Ala. in helicopter pilot training, graduated from West Point this spring. He served two years as Army's extra-point and field goal kicker and scored 157 points in the process. He is only seven points away from being the

J. Parker

sixth leading scorer at Army.

His 94 points scored in 1996 puts him as number five on Army's single season scoring list — only 14 points behind Davis' single season record and 21 points behind Blanchard's points in one season. Parker led Army in scoring in 1995 and 1996.

That's not too shabby for a kid who got his start on the youth soccer fields at Midland and helped build a fledging soccer program after moving to Snyder.

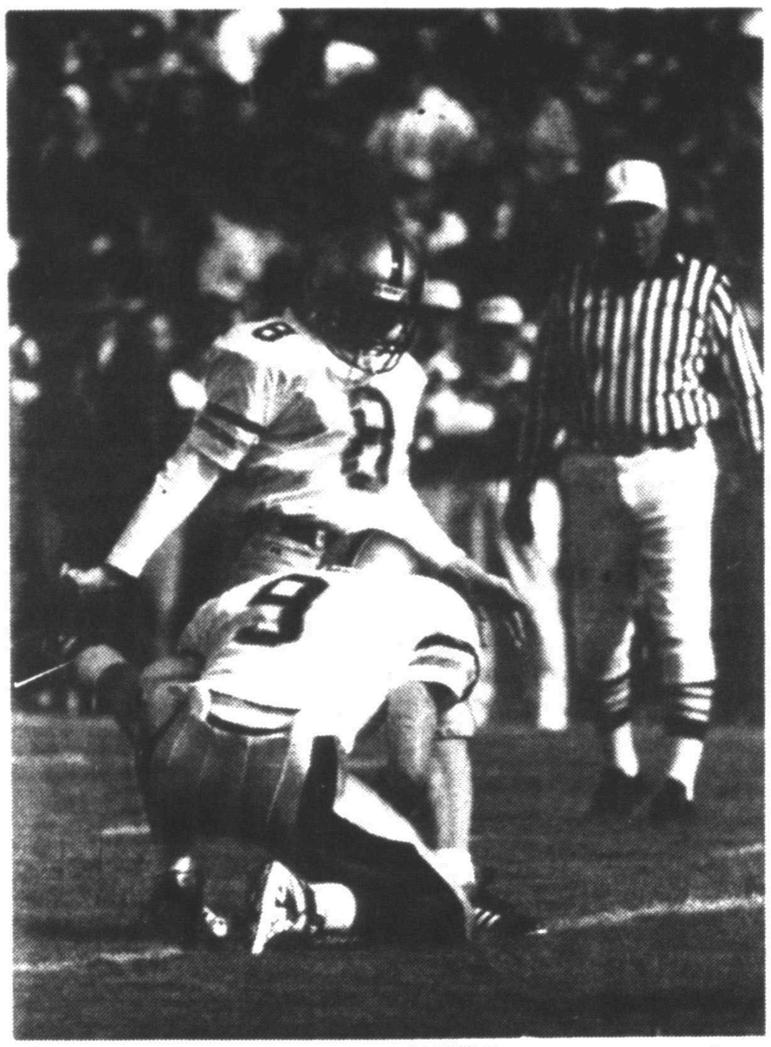
J. owns several records at Army including the most consecutive points-after-touchdowns (PAT) with 76.

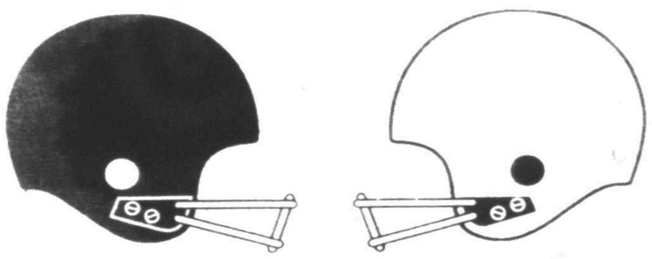
He never missed a PAT during his career at Army!

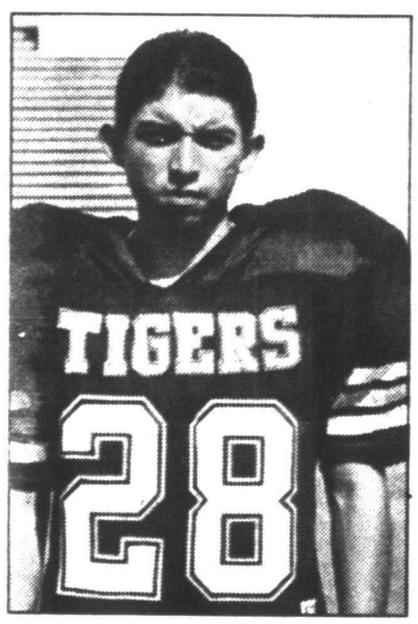
He also owns the Army career mark for single field goals in a season with 18 in 1996.

In addition to his accomplishments on the football field, J. was on the University Division GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-America District 1 team for two years. He ended his academic career with a grade point average of 3.28 on a 4.0 scale.

Parker now has a six-year commitment to the military since he is in aviation. The normal tour is five, J. said.







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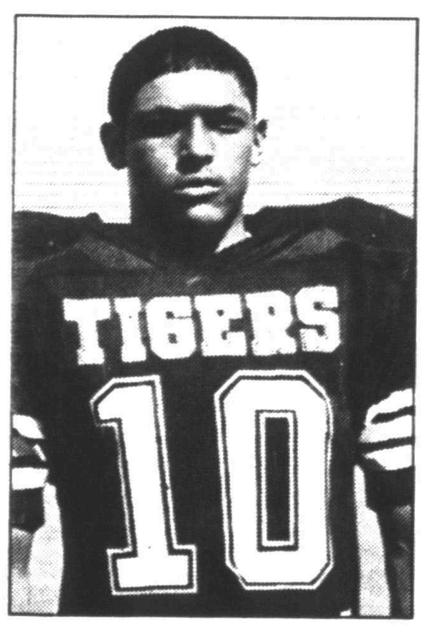

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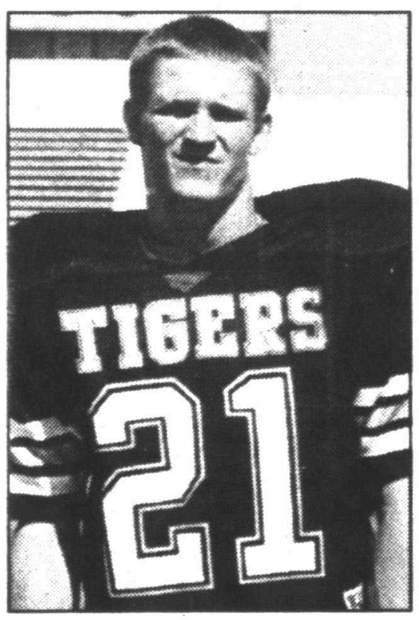

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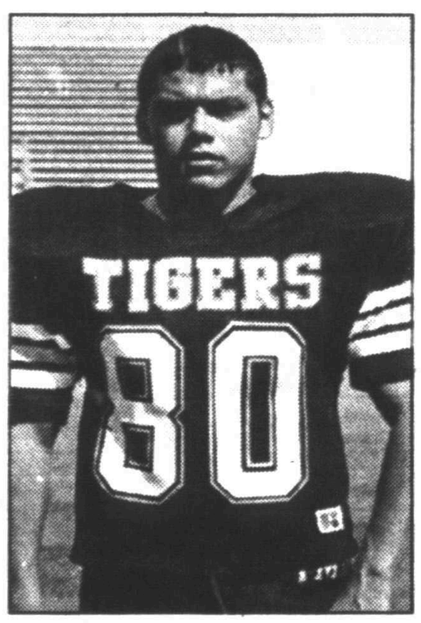

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Former Snyder High players dot the map from West Texas to the military's West Point

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

Snyder High School is well represented all over the state of Texas, and even in the U.S. military ranks.

There are currently eight former Tigers playing college football this season. Their new residences range from the far West Texas reaches of El Paso to the old stomping grounds of Doc Blanchard at West Point.

But closer to home, three Snyder graduates are playing in Abilene, and one each in Brownwood, Ranger and Dallas.

The farthest away would definitely be Matt Parker, who attends the United States Military Academy in West Point, N.Y.

Parker went to Army in his brother J.'s footsteps. Matt is a sophomore kicker for the Cadets, but he has big shoes to fill.

Jay set four Army records, while also handling the kicking duties, before graduating in May.

Matt kicked and played quarterback for the 1995 SHS team which advanced to the playoffs before losing out to Stephenville in the bi-district round.

Closer than Matt, but still a long drive away, is Matthew Fambro at the University of Texas at El Paso.

Fambro, a freshman defensive back at UTEP, was a first team All-District wide receiver and free safety for Snyder before graduating last spring.

He was also the regional runner-up in the 110 high hurdles and finished eighth in the state meet.

Fambro, like Matt Parker, has a football predecessor. His cousin Ray Berry played at Baylor and later for the Minnesota Vikings.

Two of Fambro's Tiger teammates are playing their first year at Abilene Christian University.

L.S. McLain was all-district in football and the state champion in powerlifting. He rushed for 1,330 yards as a senior after accumulating 150 tackles his sophomore and junior years on defense.

Russell Riggan was a second team All-District selection at quarterback after passing for 987 yards and nine touchdowns.

Also playing in Abilene is Jeff Hobbs, who is enrolled at Hardin-Simmons University. And Hobbs isn't far from two of his ex-Tiger partners either.

J.J. Johnson is playing for Howard Payne in Brownwood and Wayne Braziel is at Ranger College.

Braziel, who is starting his second year at Ranger, is expected to contribute substantially this season on defense.

Another member of Snyder's class of '97 is Chris Post.

He was one of the most sought after recruits from Snyder in recent years and is now a defensive lineman for the Southern Methodist University Mustangs.

Post was a first team All-District selection on both offense and defense his senior year, as well as a Class 5A-4A All-South Plains honoree on defense.

Listed as a West Texas Top 15 Recruit, he registered 135 tackles, 19 sacks, 37 quarterback hurries, three forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and four pass deflections over the course of his Snyder career.

Ex-Tiger Football Schedules

September 6
SMU at Ole Miss
UTEP at Louisiana St.
Marshall at Army
Butler at HPU
SW Oklahoma at ACU

September 13
Arkansas at SMU
New Mexico at UTEP
Lafayette at Army
Sul Ross at HPU
A&M-Commerce at ACU
Cisco at Ranger
HSU at Azusa Pac.

September 20
Navy at SMU
UTEP at Utah
Army at Duke
Central Okla. at ACU
NE Oklahoma at Ranger
HSU at Sul Ross

September 27
BYU at SMU
New Mexico St. at UTEP
Miami(Ohio) at Army
HPU at La Verne
ACU at E.Cen. Olka.
Ranger at Trinity Valley
Chapman at HSU

October 4
SMU at New Mexico
UTEP at Clemson
Army at Tulane
Chapman at HPU
ACU at ENMU
Kilgore at Ranger
Western N.M. at HSU

October 11
SMU at Utah
UTEP at Tulsa
Thomas More at HPU
Midwestern at ACU
Ranger at Blinn
HSU at Langston

October 18
San Jose St. at UTEP
Rutgers at Army
HPU at Sul Ross
ACU at Angelo State
Tyler at Ranger
McMurry at HSU

October 25
Wyoming at SMU
Colgate at Army
HSU at HPU
Tarleton State at ACU
Ranger at Navarro

November 1
Rice at SMU
Brigham Young at UTEP
HPU at Miss. Coll.
ACU at A&M-Commerce
Cisco at Ranger
Austin Coll. at HSU

November 8
UTEP at SMU
Army at Air Force
McMurry at HPU
A&M-Kingsville at ACU
HSU at Miss. Coll.

November 15
SMU at Tulsa
Texas Christian at UTEP
North Texas at Army
HPU at Austin Coll.
ACU at West Texas A&M
Sul Ross at HSU

November 20
SMU at Texas Christian

November 22
UTEP at Rice
Army at Boston College

December 6
Army vs. Navy
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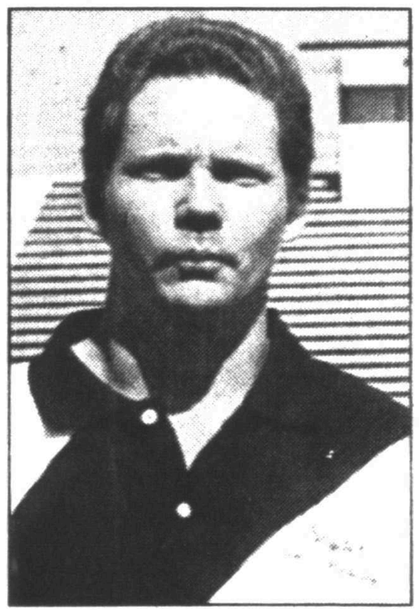
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Big XII teams could be part of the big picture this season

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — The Big 12 was something of a big bust in its inaugural college football season.

Some talent-laden teams that could make a big national splash should make for a better impression in 1997.

Although the Big 12 had four teams in The Associated Press top 25 at the end of the season, there wasn't the strong run at the national title many had predicted.

Texas won the Big 12 championship game 37-27 over Nebraska and both schools have strong teams coming back.

However, Colorado could be the team to beat in the Northern Division.

"We've got a good team and I'm excited about it," said Colorado coach Rick Neuheisel. "High expectations are something a head coach would like to have.

Nebraska will try to overcome the disappointment of losing to the Longhorns.

"I think we might have lost a little mystique to some of the other teams around the nation," said guard Aaron Taylor. "I think we're a team that's going to be better than we were last year."

Defensive end Grant Wistrom said the loss to Texas has served as a "motivating tool" for the Cornhuskers.

"There's no ill feeling toward Texas," he said. "Our defense just played poorly."

Kansas will have a new leader, Terry Allen, who says the Jayhawks "have more questions than answers. We only return five starters on offense."

Kansas State will have Jonathan Beasley, Michael Bishop and Adam Helm fighting for the quarterback job while Missouri and Iowa State will be trying to improve their programs.

Troy Davis is gone at Iowa State but brother, Darren, hopes he can fill the void and Missouri coach Larry Smith believes quarterback Corby Jones can spring some surprises for the Tigers.

In the Southern Division, the Longhorns are heavy favorites to return to the championship game which will be played Dec. 6 in San Antonio's Alamodome.

Quarterback James Brown said he feels the Big 12 still has a lot to prove.

"I don't know if in the end it was the powerhouse it was supposed to be," Brown said. "A lot of teams lost games they shouldn't have."

Texas A&M, like Texas, was one of them. The Aggies lost to Brigham Young in the Kickoff Classic and never returned to form, finishing 6-6 as quarterback Branndon Stewart failed to live up to his promise.

Coach R.C. Slocum shook up his staff and got a quarterback coach for Stewart.

Oklahoma coach John Blake said "I expect to compete for the division title."

The Sooners did upset Texas last year but eventually posted a 3-8 record in Blake's first season.

"We have a year behind us and we have more talent and we have a chance to win it," Blake said.

Texas Tech lost Byron Hanspard to the NFL and coach Spike Dykes is trying to find another running back because top prospect Clint Roberton tore his knee on the last scrimmage of the spring.

Baylor and Oklahoma State also will also be trying to get into the Southern Division hierarchy.

Oklahoma State was 5-6 last year and coach Bob Simmons said his second year could produce a better record.

Big XII Schedule

August 30
Texas Tech at Tennessee
*Oklahoma St. at Iowa St.
Miami(Fla.) at Baylor
Akron at Nebraska

September 6
Syracuse at Oklahoma
S.W. Louisiana at Okla. St.
Kansas St. at Northern Illinois
Baylor at Fresno St.
Rutgers at Texas
Sam Houston at Texas A&M
Eastern Michigan at Missouri
Colorado St. at Colorado
Iowa St. at Wyoming
TCU at Kansas

September 13
S.W. Louisiana at Texas Tech
UCLA at Texas
Fresno St. at Oklahoma St.
Central Florida at Nebraska
Colorado at Michigan
Ohio University at Kansas St.
*Missouri at Kansas
Iowa St. at Minnesota

September 20
North Texas at Texas Tech
S.W. Louisiana at Texas A&M
Baylor at Michigan
Oklahoma at California
Missouri at Tulsa
Nebraska at Washington
Kansas at Cincinnati
Iowa at Iowa St.

September 27
Texas at Rice
Texas A&M vs North Texas (Texas Stadium)
Louisville at Oklahoma
N.E. Louisiana at Okla. St.
Bowling Green at Kansas St.
Wyoming at Colorado
Ohio St. at Missouri

October 4
*Texas Tech at Baylor
*Texas at Oklahoma St.
*Texas A&M at Colorado
*Oklahoma at Kansas
*Kansas St. at Nebraska
*Iowa St. at Missouri

October 11
*Texas vs Oklahoma (Cotton Bowl)
*Nebraska at Baylor
*Iowa St. at Texas A&M
*Kansas at Texas Tech
*Colorado at Oklahoma St.
*Missouri at Kansas St.

October 18
*Texas Tech at Nebraska
*Texas at Missouri
*Texas A&M at Kansas St.
*Baylor at Oklahoma
*Oklahoma St. at Iowa St.
*Kansas at Colorado

October 25
*Texas A&M at Texas Tech
*Baylor at Iowa St.
*Colorado at Texas
*Missouri at Oklahoma St.
*Kansas St. at Oklahoma
*Nebraska at Kansas

November 1
*Texas at Baylor
*Oklahoma at Nebraska
*Oklahoma St. at Texas A&M
*Kansas St. at Texas Tech
*Iowa St. at Kansas
*Missouri at Colorado

November 8
*Texas Tech at Texas
*Baylor at Texas A&M
*Oklahoma St. at Oklahoma
*Colorado at Iowa St.
*Nebraska at Missouri
*Kansas at Kansas St.

November 15
*Texas Tech at Oklahoma St.
*Texas A&M at Oklahoma
*Baylor at Missouri
*Iowa St. at Nebraska
*Colorado at Kansas St.
*Kansas at Texas

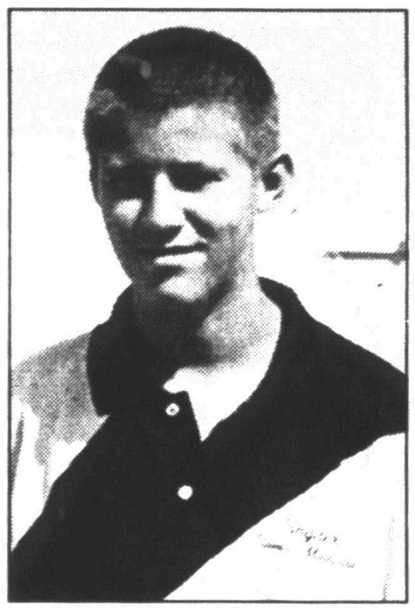
November 22
*Oklahoma at Texas Tech
*Oklahoma St. at Baylor
*Kansas st. at Iowa st.

November 27
*Texas at Texas A&M

November 28
*Nebraska at Colorado

December 6
Big XII Conference Championship at San Antonio

Jessica Murr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NFL Schedule

WEEK 1
Sunday, Aug. 31
Arizona at Cincinnati
Atlanta at Detroit
Dallas at Pittsburgh
Minnesota at Buffalo
New Orleans at St. Louis
Philadelphia at NY Giants
San Francisco at Tampa Bay
Washington at Carolina
Indianapolis at Miami
Jacksonville at Baltimore
Kansas City at Denver
NY Jets at Seattle
Oakland at Tennessee
San Diego at New England
Monday, Sept. 1
Chicago at Green Bay

WEEK 2
Sunday, Sept. 7
Carolina at Atlanta
Dallas at Arizona
Green Bay at Philadelphia
Minnesota at Chicago
NY Giants at Jacksonville
San Francisco at St. Louis
Tampa Bay at Detroit
Washington at Pittsburgh
Buffalo at NY Jets
Cincinnati at Baltimore
Denver at Seattle
Tennessee at Miami
New England at Indianapolis
San Diego at New Orleans
Monday, Sept. 8
Kansas City at Oakland

WEEK 3
Sunday, Sept. 14
Arizona at Washington
Carolina at San Diego
Detroit at Chicago
New Orleans at San Francisco
St. Louis at Denver
Tampa Bay at Minnesota
Baltimore at NY Giants
Miami at Green Bay
Buffalo at Kansas City
NY Jets at New England
Oakland at Atlanta
Seattle at Indianapolis
Monday, Sept. 15
Philadelphia at Dallas

WEEK 4
Sunday, Sept. 21
Atlanta at San Francisco
Chicago at New England
Detroit at New Orleans
Minnesota at Green Bay
NY Giants at St. Louis
Baltimore at Tennessee
Cincinnati at Denver
Indianapolis at Buffalo
Kansas City at Carolina
Miami at Tampa Bay
Oakland at NY Jets
San Diego at Seattle
Monday, Sept. 22
Pittsburgh at Jacksonville

WEEK 5
Sunday, Sept. 28
Arizona at Tampa Bay
Chicago at Dallas
Green Bay at Detroit
New Orleans at NY Giants
Philadelphia at Minnesota
St. Louis at Oakland
Baltimore at San Diego
Denver at Atlanta
Jacksonville at Washington
Tennessee at Pittsburgh
NY Jets at Cincinnati
Seattle at Kansas City
Monday, Sept. 29
San Francisco at Carolina

WEEK 6
Sunday, Oct. 5
Dallas at NY Giants
Detroit at Buffalo
Minnesota at Arizona
New Orleans at Chicago
Tampa Bay at Green Bay
Washington at Philadelphia
Cincinnati at Jacksonville
Kansas City at Miami
Tennessee at Seattle
NY Jets at Indianapolis
Pittsburgh at Baltimore
San Diego at Oakland
Monday, Oct. 6
New England at Denver

WEEK 7
Sunday, Oct. 12
Atlanta at New Orleans
Carolina at Minnesota
Detroit at Tampa Bay
Green Bay at Chicago
NY Giants at Arizona
Philadelphia at Jacksonville
St. Louis at San Francisco
Buffalo at New England
Cincinnati at Tennessee
Indianapolis at Pittsburgh
Miami at NY Jets
Monday, Oct. 13
Dallas at Washington

WEEK 8
Thursday, Oct. 16
San Diego at Kansas City
Sunday, Oct. 19
Arizona at Philadelphia
Carolina at New Orleans
NY Giants at Detroit
San Francisco at Atlanta
Washington at Tennessee
Denver at Oakland
Jacksonville at Dallas
Miami at Baltimore
New England at NY Jets
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati
Seattle at St. Louis
Monday, Oct. 20
Buffalo at Indianapolis

WEEK 9
Sunday, Oct. 26
Atlanta at Carolina
Chicago at Miami
Dallas at Philadelphia
Minnesota at Tampa Bay
San Francisco at New Orleans
Baltimore at Washington
Cincinnati at NY Giants
Denver at Buffalo
Indianapolis at San Diego
Jacksonville at Pittsburgh
Kansas City at St. Louis
Tennessee at Arizona
Oakland at Seattle
Monday, Oct. 27
Green Bay at New England

WEEK 10
Sunday, Nov. 2
Dallas at San Francisco
Detroit at Green Bay
Philadelphia at Arizona
St. Louis at Atlanta
Tampa Bay at Indianapolis
Washington at Chicago
Baltimore at NY Jets
Jacksonville at Tennessee
Miami at Buffalo
New England at Minnesota
Oakland at Carolina
San Diego at Cincinnati
Seattle at Denver
Monday, Nov. 3
Pittsburgh at Kansas City

WEEK 11
Sunday, Nov. 9
Arizona at Dallas
Carolina at Denver
Chicago at Minnesota
Detroit at Washington
New Orleans at Oakland
NY Giants at Tennessee
St. Louis at Green Bay
Tampa Bay at Atlanta
Baltimore at Pittsburgh
Cincinnati at Indianapolis
Kansas City at Jacksonville
New England at Buffalo
NY Jets at Miami
Seattle at San Diego
Monday, Nov. 10
San Francisco at Philadelphia

WEEK 12
Sunday, Nov. 16
Arizona at NY Giants
Atlanta at St. Louis
Carolina at San Francisco
Green Bay at Indianapolis
Minnesota at Detroit
Philadelphia at Baltimore
Washington at Dallas
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh
Denver at Kansas City
Tennessee at Jacksonville
New England at Tampa Bay
NY Jets at Chicago
Oakland at San Diego
Seattle at New Orleans
Monday, Nov. 17
Buffalo at Miami

WEEK 13
Sunday, Nov. 23
Arizona at Baltimore
Carolina at St. Louis
Dallas at Green Bay
Minnesota at NY Jets
New Orleans at Atlanta
NY Giants at Washington
Tampa Bay at Chicago
Buffalo at Tennessee
Indianapolis at Detroit
Jacksonville at Cincinnati
Kansas City at Seattle
Miami at New England
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia
San Diego at San Francisco
Monday, Nov. 24
Oakland at Denver

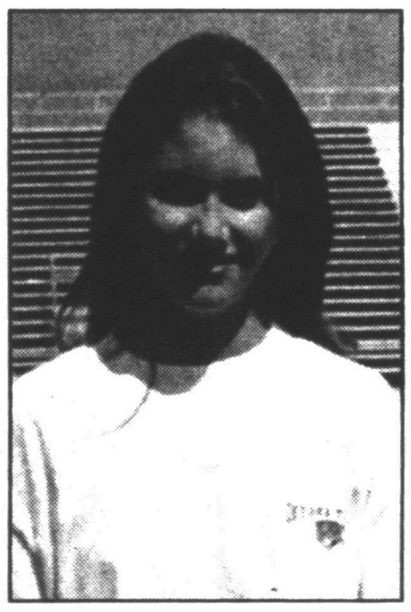
WEEK 14
Thursday, Nov. 27
Chicago at Detroit
Tennessee at Dallas
Sunday, Nov. 30
Atlanta at Seattle
New Orleans at Carolina
San Francisco at Kansas City
St. Louis at Washington
Tampa Bay at NY Giants
Baltimore at Jacksonville
Cincinnati at Philadelphia
Denver at San Diego
Indianapolis at New England
Miami at Oakland
NY Jets at Buffalo
Pittsburgh at Arizona
Monday, Dec. 1
Green Bay at Minnesota

WEEK 15
Thursday, Dec. 4
Tennessee at Cincinnati
Sunday, Dec. 7
Atlanta at San Diego
Detroit at Miami
Green Bay at Tampa Bay
Minnesota at San Francisco
NY Giants at Philadelphia
St. Louis at New Orleans
Washington at Arizona
Buffalo at Chicago
Denver at Pittsburgh
Indianapolis at NY Jets
New England at Jacksonville
Oakland at Kansas City
Seattle at Baltimore
Monday, Dec. 8
Carolina at Dallas

WEEK 16
Saturday, Dec. 13
Washington at NY Giants
Pittsburgh at New England
Sunday, Dec. 14
Arizona at New Orleans
Chicago at St. Louis
Dallas at Cincinnati
Detroit at Minnesota
Green Bay at Carolina
Philadelphia at Atlanta
Tampa Bay at NY Jets
Jacksonville at Buffalo
Kansas City at San Diego
Miami at Indianapolis
Tennessee at Baltimore
Seattle at Oakland
Monday, Dec. 15
Denver at San Francisco

WEEK 17
Saturday, Dec. 20
St. Louis at Carolina
Buffalo at Green Bay
Sunday, Dec. 21
Atlanta at Arizona
Chicago at Tampa Bay
New Orleans at Kansas City
NY Giants at Dallas
Philadelphia at Washington
San Francisco at Seattle
Baltimore at Cincinnati
Indianapolis at Minnesota
Jacksonville at Oakland
NY Jets at Detroit
Pittsburgh at Tennessee
San Diego at Denver
Monday, Dec. 22
New England at Miami
Sunday, Jan. 25
Super Bowl XXXII in San Diego
Sunday, Feb. 1
Pro Bowl in Honolulu, Hawaii

Mandy Heaton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VARSITY

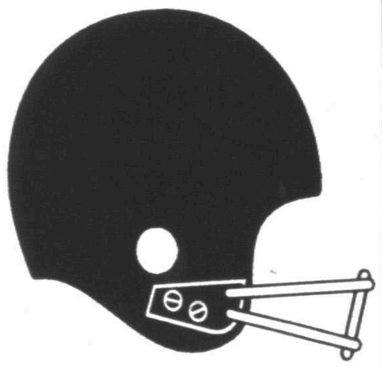
Sept. 5	Andrews	T	7:30
Sept. 12	Sweetwater	H	7:30
Sept. 19	Wylie	T	7:30
Sept. 26	Big Spring	H	7:30
Oct. 3	Lake View	H	7:30
Oct. 10	Lamesa	T	7:30
Oct. 17	Frenship	H	7:30
Oct. 23	Estacado	T	7:30
Oct. 31	Plainview	H	7:30
Nov. 7	Levelland	T	7:30

JUNIOR VARSITY

Sept. 4	Andrews	H	6:00
Sept. 11	Sweetwater	T	6:30
Sept. 18	Wylie	H	7:00
Sept. 25	Big Spring	T	6:00
Oct. 2	Lake View	T	7:00
Oct. 9	Lamesa	H	5:00
Oct. 16	Frenship	T	5:00
Oct. 24	Estacado	H	5:00
Oct. 30	Plainview	T	7:00
Nov. 6	Levelland	H	6:00

FRESHMEN

Sept. 4	Andrews	T	7:00
Sept. 11	Sweetwater	H	6:30
Sept. 18	Wylie	H	5:00
Sept. 25	Big Spring	H	5:30
Oct. 2	Black / Gold	H	5:00
Oct. 9	Lamesa	T	7:00
Oct. 16	Frenship	H	5:00
Oct. 25	C-City	H	10:00
Oct. 30	Lamesa	T	6:30
Nov. 6	Levelland	T	6:30

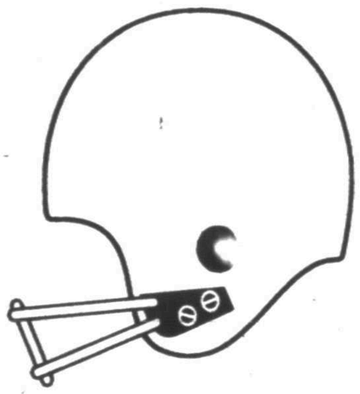


JUNIOR HIGH 7th

Sept. 4	Abilene	T	5:30
Sept. 11	Sweetwater	T	6:30
Sept. 18	Wylie	T	6:30
Sept. 25	Big Spring	H	6:30
Oct. 2	Big Spring	T	6:30
Oct. 9	Lamesa	H	6:30
Oct. 16	Sweetwater	H	6:30
Oct. 25	Black / Gold	H	10:00
Oct. 30	Lamesa	T	5:00

JUNIOR HIGH 8th

Sept. 4	Abilene	H	7:00
Sept. 11	Sweetwater	H	6:30
Sept. 18	Wylie	T	5:00
Sept. 25	Big Spring	T	6:30
Oct. 2	Big Spring	H	6:30
Oct. 9	Lamesa	T	5:30
Oct. 16	Sweetwater	T	6:30
Oct. 25	Black / Gold	H	12:00
Oct. 30	Lamesa	H	5:00



HERMLEIGH

Sept. 5	Paint Rock	T	7:30
Sept. 12	Blackwell	H	7:30
Sept. 19	Klondike	H	7:30
Sept. 27	Trent	H	7:30
Oct. 3	Wilson	T	7:30
Oct. 10	Highland	T	7:30
Oct. 17	Borden Co.	H	7:30
Oct. 24	Ira	T	7:30
Oct. 31	Westbrook	H	7:30
Nov. 7	Loraine	T	7:30

IRA

Sept. 5	Dawson	T	7:30
Sept. 12	Veribest	H	7:30
Sept. 19	Rule	H	7:30
Sept. 26	Southland	T	7:30
Oct. 3	Grady	H	7:30
Oct. 10	Westbrook	H	7:30
Oct. 17	Highland	T	7:30
Oct. 24	Hermleigh	H	7:30
Oct. 31	Loraine	H	7:30
Nov. 7	Borden Co.	T	7:30

BORDEN COUNTY

Sept. 5	Klondike	T	7:30
Sept. 12	Grady	H	7:30
Sept. 19	Southland	T	7:30
Sept. 26	Samnorwood	T	7:30
Oct. 3	Whitharral	H	7:30
Oct. 10	Loraine	T	7:30
Oct. 17	Hermleigh	T	7:30
Oct. 24	Westbrook	H	7:30
Oct. 31	Highland	T	7:30
Nov. 7	Ira	H	7:30