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County makes board selections

Scurry County commissioners continue to make appointments to various county boards.

Meeting this morning, they appointed Tony Scott to the Board of County Development and Trevlyn Pitner to the airport board.

Scott is the owner of the Subway shops in Snyder and Colorado City. Pitner is a sergeant with the Snyder Police Department and serves as the vice-president of the local pilot's association.

The court also appointed Sandra Graves and Jo Thrower to the library board. The two join Penny Perry, who was appointed to the board earlier.

At a later date, the court will appoint two new members to the child welfare board and one member to the veteran's land board.

Previously, the court had appointed E.D. Walton and Dr. Mark Weaver to the board of managers of Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

In other action this morning, commissioners accepted bids on sealcoating rock. Rock will be purchased from the R.E. James yard in Slaton for Precincts 1, 2, and 3, while Precinct 4 will buy its rock from TexSand in Sweetwater.

The court also set Feb. 3 as the date to open bids for a chip spreader and for bulk fuel and oil.

One line item transfer was approved in the amount of $231 in the county treasurer's office. The money was transferred from supplies to bonds.

County Judge Ricky Fritz presided. All commissioners were in attendance, to include Howard Limmer, Roy Idom, Ralph Trevey and Jerry Gannaway.

American Standard rejects Tyco's offer

PISCATAWAY, N.J. (AP) — American Standard Cos., a maker of air conditioners and toilets, said today its board has rejected a merger offer from Tyco International Ltd., an industrial products manufacturer.

With the company now a possible takeover target, American Standard stock was up more than 9 percent in early trading today.

Tyco, of Exter, N.H., proposed a purchase for $4 billion in stock and cash, the Wall Street Journal said today.

American Standard, based in Piscataway, is a $5 billion company that makes air-conditioner systems, plumbing products and auto brakes. Tyco makes fire control and security systems, plumbing and other products.

Tyco International is not related to Tyco Toys Inc., the maker of the Tickle Me Elmo doll and Matchbox cars.

The Journal said Tyco International proposed to pay $50 a share in stock and cash and said it would also assume American Standard's debt, which stood at $1.7 billion as of Sept. 30.



MAKING FRIENDS — Snyder Tiger Mascot (Monie Pena) greets young fans at last Friday's Snyder-Estacado game in Lubbock. At right is Jordan Peoples, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Peoples of Snyder and the younger brother of Lady Tiger Alicia Peoples. At left is Crystal Truesdale, daughter of Estacado assistant coach Tabitha Truesdale, a former Lady Red Raider. Both Snyder varsity teams return to district action Tuesday night when they host Plainview. (SDN Staff Photo)

Storm has icy grip on Texas

By The Associated Press

More snow, sleet and freezing rain is in store for most areas of Texas tonight and Tuesday.

There will be no significant improvement in most areas of the state until Wednesday, forecasters say.

However, Tuesday's high for Scurry County could be in the mid 30s, somewhat warmer than the high of 15 to 20 degrees expected today and tonight.

It may not seem warmer though, because the wind is expected to increase, with gusts Tuesday of 15 to 25 miles per hour.

The cold weather did not affect the start of public schools in the county and Western Texas College began registration this morning for the spring semester.

A snow advisory is in effect for the Panhandle, a high wind warning is in effect for Guadalupe Pass in extreme West Texas, winter storm watches and warnings are in effect for a vast area of North Texas and Southeast Texas and a freezing drizzle advisory is in effect for much of South Texas, including the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

Schools in many areas were closed and other government agencies were to either be closed or operate on abbreviated schedules.

Power outages plagued areas of Southeast Texas and a faulty natural gas valve sent thousands of people to shelters at Cotulla Sunday night. The natural gas problem was fixed early today.

An estimated 135,000 people in Southeast Texas were without electric power late Sunday.

A winter storm watch was in effect for all of North Texas tonight and Tuesday.

It will be cloudy and cold with snow and sleet in northern and western areas of North Texas tonight. Freezing rain is likely in southern areas.

WTC board to handle routine matters

Appointment of a new director of the physical plant and approval of the 1997-98 school calendar are among the items Western Texas College trustees will consider in a meeting set for 7 o'clock tonight.

The board is expected to name Albert Conde as director of the physical plant. Conde has been been serving as interim director since the resignation of Leeon Pettitt, several months ago.

The calendar trustees will consider tonight calls for classes to begin Aug. 27, with a holiday break for students from Dec. 12 through Jan. 21. Final exams will be May 4-6 with the semester to end on May 8.

Trustees will consider establishing a Professor Emeritus award to recognize instructors who have made significant contributions to the college. The request is at the recommendation of the faculty association.

Consideration of the purchase of 25 Corriente steers is also on the agenda, as are approval of financial information and board minutes.

During a discussion period, the board will hear an enrollment report on continuing education courses and information pertaining to the Legislative Budget Board appropriations bill. The information concerning the appropriations bill indicates Western Texas could receive almost $430,000 less in state funding for 1997-98.

An executive session will follow as the board discusses reassignment of responsibilities of the pro shop director.



FFA EXCHANGE STUDENTS — Snyder High School FFA advisor David Frasier presented "going-away trophies" to the school's FFA exchange students during Saturday's chapter show at Scurry County Coliseum. Shown from left are students Serghei Russu from Moldova, Helen Gulyayeva from Russia, and Frasier. (SDN Staff Photo)

Justices hearing Clinton's bid to delay sexual harassment case

WASHINGTON (AP) — Supreme Court justices sharply questioned both sides today as lawyers argued whether Paula Jones' sexual harassment lawsuit against President Clinton should be delayed until after he leaves office.

Just one week before Clinton's second-term inauguration, the justices weighed whether Jones can pursue her claim now or must wait until the president becomes a private citizen in four years.

At one point, Justice Antonin Scalia said arguments by Clinton's lawyers that a lawsuit would take up too much of the president's time were not "terribly persuasive."

"We see presidents riding horseback, chopping firewood ... and so forth," Scalia said. "The notion that he doesn't have a minute to spare is not credible."

Scalia and other justices also seemed troubled that allowing Jones to sue now would give a trial judge control over the president's schedule.

Robert S. Bennett, arguing Clinton's case, said, "Unless there are exceptional circumstances in a case, the president of the United States should not be subject to litigation" while in office. "He should not be taken away from his constitutional duties."

"We'll give Ms. Jones her day in court, but let's not do it now," he said.

Jones' lawyer, Gilbert K. Davis, said the president "has the same rights and responsibilities as all other citizens," including the duty to answer a lawsuit filed against him.

A president should be given a postponement only if there is "an actual imminent interference with his job," Davis said.

Several justices questioned whether a trial judge could be given control over when a president must appear in court.

"That allows any judge, federal or state, to sit in judgment of the president's assertion of whether his executive duties are important or not," said Scalia.

Justice Anthony M. Kennedy said that allowing judges to consider such questions might be so intrusive that it "argues strongly for the absolute privilege that (Clinton's lawyers) are suggesting."

Arguing in Clinton's support, Acting Solicitor General Walter Dellinger said, "The public interest in a president's unimpaired performance of his duties must take precedence over a private litigant's desire for redress."

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist noted that the high court ruled in 1982 that presidents cannot be sued for damages involving their official duties.

"I don't see how that element is involved here," in a lawsuit over alleged private actions, Rehnquist said.

The hour-long argument did not address details of Jones' allegation that Clinton propositioned her in a Little Rock hotel room in 1991 when he was governor of Arkansas. Clinton has denied her allegation and has said he cannot recall ever meeting her.

ASK US

Q—We have noticed several reports of runaways in Snyder recently and were wondering if there is a runaway hotline to help them.

A—Yes. The toll-free number, 1-888-580-HELP, can help runaways contact their families, talk with a counselor or help find food and shelter.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 25 degrees; low, 13; trace precipitation; high Sunday, 15; low, 11; 7 a.m. Monday, 11; total precipitation for 1997, .40 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, cloudy, some snow flurries. Low 15-20. SE wind 5-15 mph. Tuesday, cloudy, slightly warmer. High 30-35. S wind increasing to 10-20 mph.



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Cold

Sunset: 6:02 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:44 a.m.
Of 12 days in 1997, the sun has shone 11 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Let him that would move the world first move himself.

- Socrates

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TV ratings system continue to draw criticism

NEW YORK (AP) — One thing is certain after living two weeks with the new television ratings system: Parents better be ready to provide their own guidance. Lots of guidance.

Most of the programs rated so far have been lumped into the vast TV-PG category, a tipoff to potentially unsuitable material for young children but one some critics contend is too broad. And many shows, particularly from syndicators and on cable, don't even have ratings.

One working mother from Connecticut said she's pleased by the idea, modeled after the ratings system in place for movies. But she admits she's baffled by the execution.

"It seems inscrutable to me," the mother of children aged 5 to 17 told The Associated Press from her Salisbury, Conn., home.

Since those are the feelings of actress Meryl Streep, no stranger to entertainment, imagine what the casual viewer thinks of those strange new symbols popping up on TV screens.

After considerable political pressure, broadcasters agreed last month to give non-children's programming one of four ratings, which appear in the upper left corner of the picture for the first 15 seconds of a show:

—TV-G, for all audiences.

—TV-PG, for shows with some material unsuitable for young children, such as coarse language, suggestive dialogue or limited violence.

—TV-14, which "strongly cautions" parents to beware of sexual content, strong dialogue and more intense language that may not be appropriate for children younger than 14.

—TV-M, designed for adults, with profanity, graphic violence or explicit sex.

Children's programming gets one of two ratings, indicating shows suitable for all youngsters or shows advised only for those 7 years old and above.

Networks assign their own ratings, leaving themselves open to second-guessing. It was left to ABC to decide, for example, that Jan. 11's episode of "Relativity" — which featured two women kissing and a sweaty, heterosexual love scene whose participants didn't notice an earthquake — was a TV-14.

TV-PG has quickly become the most popular rating. On NBC's prime-time schedule from Jan. 2-8, for example, 20 of 25 programs were rated TV-PG. Twelve of 20 CBS shows were TV-PG that week.

Shows rated TV-PG ran the gamut: "Roseanne," "Seinfeld," "The Late Show With David Letterman," "Ellen," "Diagnosis Murder" and "General Hospital."

Some broadcasters admit to a reluctance to assign a TV-G rating for fear it may keep teens away. And TV-M ratings are expected to be extremely rare on broadcast television, although NBC may attach that warning to its late February showing of "Schindler's List."

Critics complain the system is evolving just as they feared. With so many shows rated TV-PG, and no explanation of what is objectionable, the ratings are essentially meaningless, said Kathryn Montgomery, president of the Center for Media Education, a Washington, D.C., think tank.

Andi Ramcke, a Los Angeles chef with a 9-year-old son, said she wished the ratings told her more.

"I think that every parent has their own particular sensitivities, and every kid is different," she said. "For me, sexual situations don't bother me as much as extreme violence."

The executive in charge of Fox's ratings warned viewers not to expect the system to do more than it is designed to do.

"It's designed to give parents guidelines and an overall view of content in the broadest sense of the word," Roland McFarland said. "It is really designed to encourage parents to parent a little bit. We're not in the parenting business here. It is entertainment."

The TV-PG rating dominates broadcast television because that's the audience networks seek, said Rosalyn Weinman, NBC executive vice president for policy and broadcast standards. TV-14 and TV-M ratings are designed for racier fare on cable, she said.

Cable TV's participation, however, lags badly. TV Data Technologies, one of two companies that supply most TV listing information to newspapers, said cable networks have yet to supply them with any ratings.

Syndicated shows have also been slow to move — a concern of surgical nurse Mary Miller of Louisville, Ky., who worries about what her 13-year-old daughter watches when unsupervised after school.

"Those afternoon talk shows, like Sally Jesse Raphael — the material that's on there is nothing but trash, and we do go around and around about that," she said.

Viewers also face a challenge if they want to know ratings in advance. TV Guide says it will begin including the ratings as of Jan. 25. Tribune Media Services will start Feb. 3.

Blacks get top award for WWII valor

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a long-awaited ceremony, seven World War II veterans today became the first black soldiers of that conflict to receive the Medal of Honor. "History has been made whole," President Clinton declared.

Fifty years ago today, President Harry Truman presented the nation's highest military award in the largest-ever ceremony, but no blacks were involved, Clinton said. "Today, we fill the gaps in that picture," he said.

Honoring the seven veterans, only one of whom is alive, Clinton said, "In the tradition of African-Americans who have fought for our nation as far back as Bunker Hill, they were prepared to sacrifice everything for freedom, even though freedom's fullness was denied to them."

Ending his somber remarks, Clinton turned to the sole survivor, Vernon Baker, 77, and said, "God bless you, Vernon Baker, and God Bless America."

Baker, of St. Maries, Idaho, led his platoon through a maze of German bunkers and machine gun nests in an attempt to capture a stronghold along the heavily fortified Gothic Line in Italy in April 1945. When enemy artillery began to rain down on them, the commander of Baker's all-black company in the 92nd Infantry Division went to get reinforcements.

Baker, then a lieutenant, stayed behind and beat back three enemy attacks before it became clear reinforcements were not coming. He then ordered his surviving men to retreat. They destroyed two German machine gun nests on the way out.

Medals of Honor also were awarded posthumously to six other black soldiers who distinguished themselves on World War II battlefields. They are Staff Sgt. Edward A. Carter Jr. of Los Angeles; 1st Lt. John R. Fox of Cincinnati; Pfc. Willy F. James Jr. of Kansas City, Mo.; 1st Lt. Charles L. Thomas of Detroit; Pvt. George Watson of Birmingham, Ala.; and Staff Sgt. Ruben Rivers of Hotulka, Okla.

"I feel greatly honored, but I'm greatly saddened that none of the others are here to share this," Baker said last week, adding that he was looking forward to meeting the families of medal recipients.

Although 1.2 million black Americans served in the military during Second World War, none was among the 433 recipients of Medals of Honor awarded in the conflict. By 1952, the statute of limitations for giving the medal to World War II veterans had run out.

Baker, a 28-year Army veteran, said that until the Medal of Honor was recommended last year, he never considered whether he deserved it because he had been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the nation's second-highest battlefield honor.

In a long-running lobbying effort at the Pentagon, comrades and family members of veterans alleged racism in the lack of Medals of Honors for black troops.

Cosby wins 15th People's Choice award

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Bill Cosby's return to television gave him his 15th People's Choice Award for starring in "Cosby," which also picked up an award for favorite new television comedy series.

Cosby tied with Michael J. Fox of "Spin City" Sunday for favorite male in a new television series.

Other repeat winners in the 23rd annual event included Oprah Winfrey, Tim Allen, Brooke Shields, Reba McEntire, Garth Brooks, Mel Gibson, Sandra Bullock and the television shows, "ER" and "Seinfeld."

The films "Independence Day" and "The Nutty Professor" also received awards.

NBC garnered most of the awards in the television categories. The TV daytime show, "Days of Our Lives" was honored as favorite dramatic series, a new category this year.

Jean Stapleton and James Woods joined Carl Reiner in honoring his son, Rob Reiner for his 30 years of achievements as an actor, director, writer and producer. Reiner recently directed "The Ghosts of Mississippi" and early in his career gained notoriety as Archie Bunker's son-in-law on the television show, "All in the Family."

Actress Roma Downey and actor Don Johnson hosted the event at Barker Hanger at Santa Monica Airport attended by more than 1,000 guests and fans and telecast live on CBS-TV.

The winners are determined by a poll of the public by the Gallup organization.

The winners were:

Female television performer: Oprah Winfrey

Male television performer: Tim Allen

Female in a new television series: Brooke Shields

Male in a new television series (tie): Bill Cosby and Michael J. Fox

New television comedy series: "Cosby," CBS

Female musical performer: Reba McEntire

Male musical performer: Garth Brooks

Actor in a motion picture: Mel Gibson

Actress in a motion picture: Sandra Bullock

New Television dramatic series: "Millenium"

TV dramatic series: "ER," NBC

TV comedy series: "Seinfeld," NBC

Comedy motion picture: "The Nutty Professor"

Dramatic Motion Picture: "Independence Day"

Daytime Dramatic Series: "Days of Our Lives," NBC

People accused of abuse protest modern 'witch hunts' in Salem

SALEM, Mass. (AP) — People charged in Salem's notorious witch trials had their day in 1697, when the state of Massachusetts publicly admitted that it was all a mistake.

Now former suspects in several child sex-abuse cases want similar public atonement.

About 300 people, including several who were acquitted of charges, plan to meet in Salem on Tuesday, the anniversary of Massachusetts' official apology three centuries ago.

"There are people in prison who have had their lives ruined by false accusations ... It's the most disgusting thing to be accused of," said said Margaret Kelly Michaels, a teacher's aide imprisoned for five years in New Jersey's Wee Care ritual abuse case.

Michaels was released in March 1993 after a state appellate panel overturned her 1988 conviction on 115 counts of sexual abuse involving 19 children. Prosecutors had accused her of undressing children ages 3 to 5 and forcing them to play games that included "nude pileup."

"It's too much to even hope that people in law enforcement would say 'we're sorry, we made terrible mistakes, we know better now,'" Michaels said by phone from her New Jersey home. But "for people like me it's closure — just admit it."

Tuesday's observance was organized by the San Diego-based Justice Committee, which hopes to draw attention to people still behind bars on charges based on such things as recovered memories, and to persuade Congress to investigate.

"The witchcraft mentality is still with us, in the forced accusations and confessions ... Our message is 'Enough!'" said Carol Hopkins, the committee's executive director.

'Relic' passes 'Michael' at box office

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A monster loose in a museum featured in "The Relic" took the first-place perch from John Travolta's earthy angel in "Michael" at the weekend box office.

"The Relic," a story of a partially human critter that munches people at a museum, had $9.4 million in ticket sales in its debut, according to industry estimates on Sunday.

"Michael" fell to third place with $8.5 million behind "Evita," in its first week in wide release. The musical starring Madonna as Eva Peron grossed $8.6 million on 704 screens.

Besides "The Relic," two other major films debuted in the top 10 list.

"Jackie Chan's First Strike," the latest adventure of the Hong Kong action star, was sixth with $6.5 million. "Turbulence," a critically panned aircraft-in-peril film, was No. 8 with $4.4 million.

The top 10 films and their estimated grosses for Friday through Sunday (final figures were due out Monday):

1. "The Relic," $9.4 million.
2. "Evita," $8.6 million.
3. "Michael," $8.5 million.
4. "Jerry Maguire," $7.8 million.
5. "Scream," $7.6 million.
6. "Jackie Chan's First Strike," $6.5 million.
7. "The People vs. Larry Flynt," $5.6 million.
8. "Turbulence," $4.4 million.
9. "One Fine Day," $3.6 million.
10. "Beavis and Butt-Head Do America," $3 million.

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 5-A Henderson-Sterling in the Sharon Ridge field, 11 miles southwest of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 3,500 feet, location is in Section 148, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 6 T.L. Martin in the Sharon Ridge field, 11 miles southwest of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 3,500 feet, drill site is in Section 141, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Baytech Inc. has recompleted the No. 1-27 Cotton in the Mirage field, three miles east of Dunn. The venture was finaled to produce 58 barrels of oil and no water. Perforations were from 7,637-642 feet, and location is in Section 27, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Baytech Inc. will drill the No. 2-46 Taylor in the Mirage field, two miles east of Dunn. Planned for a depth of 7,900 feet, drill site is in Section 46, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Kent County

Gunn Oil Co. will drill the No. 1 BLE-Godfrey, a 6,000-foot wildcat located 21 miles northwest of Clairemont. Location is in Section 105, Block 1, H&GN survey.

Fisher County

Cholla Petroleum will drill the No. 1 Beck in the Newman field, three miles southwest of Sylvester. Planned for a depth of 3,999 feet, drill site is in Section 22, Block 69, HT&B survey.

Cholla Petroleum will drill the No. 1 Ulstead in the Newman field, three miles southwest of Slyvester. Planned for 3,900 feet, location is in Block 18, Bastrop CSL Survey.

EXP Inc. will drill the No. 1 Terrazas, a 4,000-foot wildcat located four miles southeast of Sylvester. Drill site in the Bastrop CSL survey.

Mitchell County

Parker and Parsley Development will drill the No. 22 Schumacher in the Itatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Planned for a depth of 3,600 feet, location is in Section 15, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Howard County

Costillo Petroleum will drill the No. 1-45 McCrary in the Talbot field, nine miles north of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 9,000 feet, drill site is in Section 45, Block 32, T2N, T&P survey.

Costilla Petroleum will drill the No. 2-35 Ziffle in the Talbot field, 11 miles northeast of Big Spring. Also planned for a depth of 9,000 feet, drill site is in Section 35, Block 32, T2N, T&P survey.

Garza County

Rocker A Operating Co. Inc. has completed the No. 2-937 Connell Estate in the Post field, two miles northwest of Justiceburg. The well was finaled to produce 20 barrels of oil and 196 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,400-502 feet, and location is in Section 937, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Wheeler Operating Corp. will drill the No. 1-20W Post-Montgomery in the Arlene field, eight miles northeast of Post. Planned for a depth of 4,000 feet, location is in Section 20, Block 4, K. Aycock survey.

Wheeler Operating will drill the No. 2-20 Post-Montgomery in the Arlene field, eight miles northeast of Post. Contracted for 4,000 feet, drill site is in Section 20, Block 4, K. Aycock survey.

Wheeler Operating will drill the No. 2-20W Post Montgomery in the Arlene field, eight miles northeast of Post. Also scheduled for 4,000 feet, location is in Section 20, Block 4, K. Aycock survey.

Nolan County

Clear Fork Inc. has completed the No. 2 McLeod, a Cisco San discovery located eight miles south of Maryneal. The well was finaled to produce 1.6 million cubic feet of .700-gravity dry gas from perforations at 4,657-664 feet. Location is in Section 17, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Benson and Schoen Oil Co. Inc. will drill the No. 2 Bridgeford, a 7,400-foot wildcat in the Group west field, five miles southeast of Maryneal. Location is in Section 74, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Sinclair Oil Corp. has completed the No. 1-A Davis in the R.E.H. field, 17 miles southeast of Snyder. The well was finaled to produce 170 barrels of 43.7 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 5,644-659 feet, and location is in Section 166, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Sinclair has completed the No. 1-A Holt in the R.E.H. field, 15 miles southeast of Sweetwater. The venture was completed the produce 165 barrels of 42 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 5,797-808 feet, and location is in Section 1, Block Z, T&P survey.

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Two women won't return to The Citadel

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Two of four female cadets that marched at The Citadel last summer are marching home, saying male cadets set their clothes on fire and washed out their mouths with cleanser while the military college failed to protect them.

"The school's promises to me and my family that knob life would be rough but safe were critical to me," Jeanie Mentavlos of Charlotte, N.C., said in a statement released by her attorney. "Because The Citadel broke its promise, I cannot return."

Ms. Mentavlos and Kim Messer of Clover announced Sunday they would not come back for the spring semester. Ms. Mentavlos' brother, Michael, said Sunday he will also not return to finish his senior year.

Two other female cadets who enrolled last summer — Nancy Mace of Goose Creek and Petra Lovetinska, a Czech national who lives in Washington, D.C. — plan to return to campus for classes that begin Wednesday. They have not made any hazing allegations.

Ms. Messer said she had never sought special treatment when she enrolled at the former all-male college.

"I asked, and was promised, that I would be treated like any other Fourth Class cadet," she said. "In return, however, I received special treatment. Special treatment by way of criminal assaults, sadistic illegal hazing and disgusting incidents of sexual harassment."

The FBI and state police are investigating allegations that, among other things, male cadets set the clothes of the women on fire, sexually harassed them and put cleanser in their mouths. Authorities were also looking into whether death threats were made against one woman.

Although 11 male cadets face disciplinary action, college board chairman James Jones said the incidents were isolated.

"The balance of the corps understands the gravity of our situation and seriousness of things that are not condoned," he said.

The Citadel also put panic buttons in the women's rooms and is making plans to have adults sleep in all barracks. It also planned to investigate the Fourth Class system in which freshmen cadets must take orders from upperclassmen.

The Citadel women were among the first four admitted to the college after the school dropped its all-male admissions policy, following a U.S. Supreme Court ruling that a similar policy at Virginia Military Institute was unconstitutional.

After battling the courts for years, in August 1995 Shannon Faulkner became the first woman to enroll. But she dropped out after less than a week, citing stress and her isolation as the only woman in the corps.

On Thursday, a federal judge met privately with the families of Ms. Mentavlos and Ms. Messer and said he was prepared to provide "reasonable measures" to ensure the women's safety.

He did not say what those measures were, but the Justice Department had asked the judge to send federal marshals to the campus.

Ms. Messer, however, said she did not want the help.

"It is apparent to me ... that while I might be physically safe on campus, I would not be welcome," she said.

New collegians have higher hopes, lower bank accounts

WASHINGTON (AP) — More college freshman than before squeeze volunteer work into their schedules, which are more likely than last year to include a job to help meet the cost of their education.

An annual nationwide survey of freshman found that 38 percent of the students spend at least one hour a week volunteering. Some 41 percent expect to work while at school, up from last year and a low of 35 percent in 1989.

The need to earn money, the desire to keep up with community service and the ambition to get advanced degrees may also help explain why some 29 percent of freshmen feel overwhelmed by all they have to do, says researcher Linda J. Sax at the University of California, Los Angeles.

"The way it seems to me is that these students are very committed to many activities at once," she said from her office at UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute, which did the survey. "Even though they're having to put themselves through college, they're working. They're also finding time to volunteer."

The 31st annual survey, released Sunday, was sponsored by the American Council of Education, which represents colleges, universities and related associations. The data from more than a quarter-million students at nearly 500 institutions were adjusted to represent the 1.5 million freshman.

Gretchen Rensi, an 18-year-old freshman at Wayne State University in Detroit, said volunteer work keeps her well rounded.

"I enjoy doing it, and I think it's important to give back to the community," she said. "I love to stay busy. I try to keep a balanced life. I don't just want to be a book person all the time."

Rensi is holding her course load to the minimum 12 hours and attending classes year-round so she can fit in a variety of volunteer and part-time paying work, even though she has a full-tuition scholarship.

She hopes to become an occupational therapist, and that is not unusual for this crop of freshmen.

More want to enter "helping" professions such as teaching or medicine, shunning business, according to the survey. Interest in law dropped to an all-time low after peaking, like business, in the 1980s.

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.

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

Defensive Driving Course; second half of this course is set for Tuesday night; community room of Snyder Savings & Loan, 27th and College; 6 to 9 p.m.; for more information call 573-2850.

American Legion Layne Kite Post 181 and Auxiliary; 7:30 p.m.

White Buffalo Stamp Club; community room of Snyder National Bank; visitors welcome; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

TUESDAY

Daughters of the American Revolution; Snyder Country Club; program on early schools, Georgene Galloway; ancestor sketch, Dorothy Browne; hostesses, Elizabeth Hall, Lou Everett; noon.

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

Plainview TFCEC; for more information call Nancy Higgins at 573-7770; 2 p.m.

Atheneum Study Club; MAWC; "Staying Power," by Nan Swanson, minister of First Presbyterian Church; hostess, Janet Brown.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 6 p.m.

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

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

Canyon Gun Club; 1910 25th; for more information call Gene Bowlin at 573-2323; 7:30 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.

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Altrurian Daughters Club; MAWC; program on update of the DCOS, Roy Baze; hostesses, Geleska Baze and Claudine Atwood; 11:30 a.m.

Cosmorama Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

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

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

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.

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

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

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th; 7:30 p.m.

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

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♦ 6 5 3
♣ Q 6 5

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♥ K 4 3
♦ 9 7
♣ K 9 2

East
♠ K 8 3
♥ Q 7 2
♦ 10 4 2
♣ J 10 7 3

South
♠ A 6 4
♥ 6 5
♦ A K Q J 8
♣ A 8 4

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ J

Make your own luck

By Phillip Alder

In "Richard II," the Bard wrote, "... full of tears am I, drinking my griefs, whilst you mount up on high." Little did he anticipate how this would sum up a bridge deal so accurately.

How did the play go in three no-trump after West led the spade jack?

North's three-club rebid is called checkback. He was checking back for a 5-3 heart fit. When South couldn't offer three-card heart support, North converted to three no-trump.

South started with seven top tricks: one spade, one heart, four diamonds and one club. Obviously, a fifth diamond trick was likely. And for the ninth trick, there were chances in each of the other suits.

First, declarer called for dummy's spade queen, but East produced the king. South ducked this trick and the next one, winning the third spade.

Now came a low heart toward the dummy, but West was ready. He played the *king*.

Note that if West plays a low heart, declarer will finesse dummy's eight. If East ducks this to kill the heart suit, it is declarer's ninth trick. And if East wins with the queen, South can take the club switch with his ace, play a heart to dummy's nine, and finish with 10 tricks.

After West had played the heart king, South had no winning riposte. He won with dummy's ace and continued with the heart jack, but East won with the queen (he knew South didn't have three hearts from the bidding) and switched to the club jack. Here, South couldn't do better than win with the ace and cash his diamonds for one down.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Texas Spirit Award Celebrates Communities That Pull Together

DEAR ABBY: It's hard to believe we are nearing 10 years since the world held its breath as a small child was pulled to safety after 58 hours in an underground well. And after baby Jessica McClure was rescued, America joined Midland, Texas, in celebrating the rescuers and those who provided the equipment, the expertise and the countless hours of effort. We celebrated the selfless acts of an entire community that pulled together for one child.

The worldwide recognition our community received was extraordinary. At the time nothing existed to officially recognize communities for achievements such as these, so our community decided to create a platform to share the recognition we had received. We asked you to help us find deserving recipients for our Midland Community Spirit Award — and did you ever!

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Abby, would you once again ask your readers to nominate deserving communities for the 1997 award? The winner will be announced at a community luncheon in early October 1997. Thank you for all of your help.

**BOBBY BURNS, MAYOR,
MIDLAND, TEXAS**

DEAR MAYOR BURNS: I'm pleased to help. Too often our attention is focused on negative issues, and the Midland Community Spirit Award illustrates beautifully what miracles can be accomplished when caring individuals work together. Communities whose citizens have risen to the occasion when tragedy struck are eligible to throw their hats in the ring. Interested communities may receive application materials in one of three ways:

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DEAR ABBY: Harry C. Williams Jr. of Nashville, Tenn., is right to be concerned about shaking hands with hospital patients. Some years ago as a journalist, I was assigned at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta. Once I went into an area where research was in progress. As I was introduced to the doctor I was to interview, I offered to shake hands. He drew away and explained, "We don't shake hands at the CDC."

JACK STILLMAN, JASPER, GA.

DEAR JACK: How about touching elbows?

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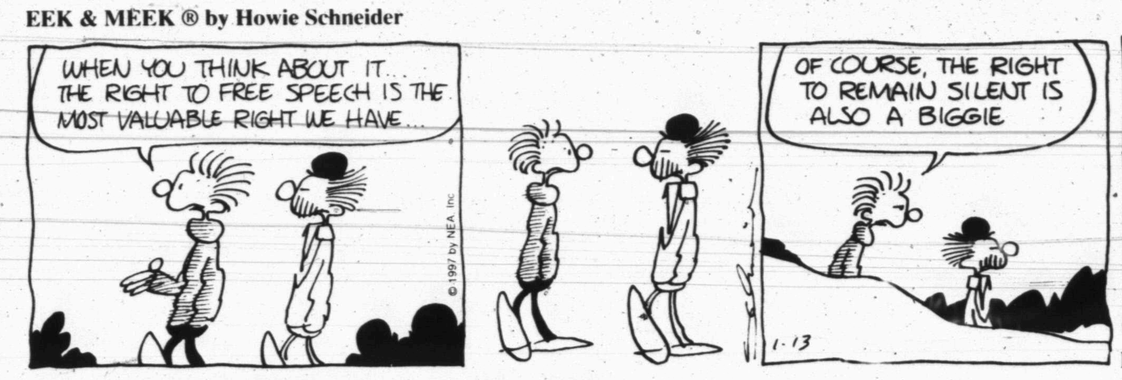
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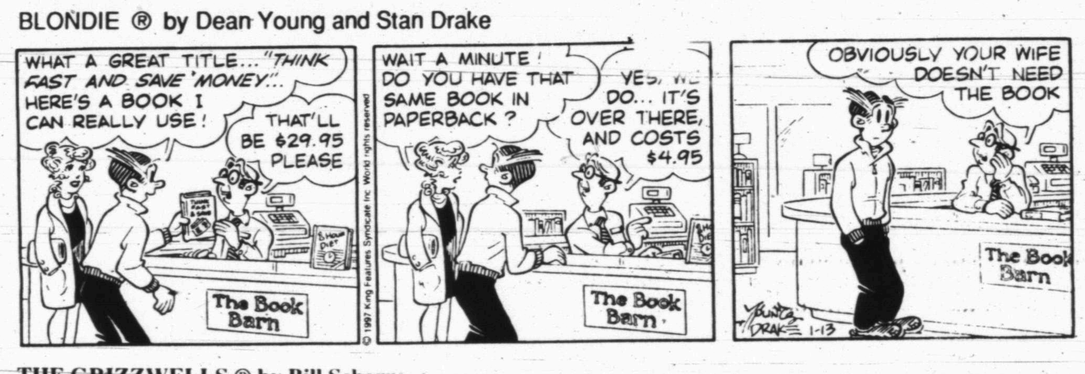


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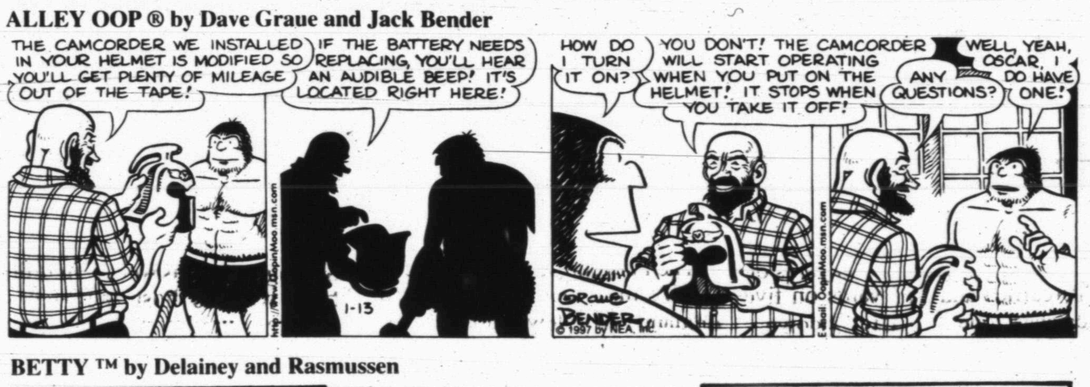
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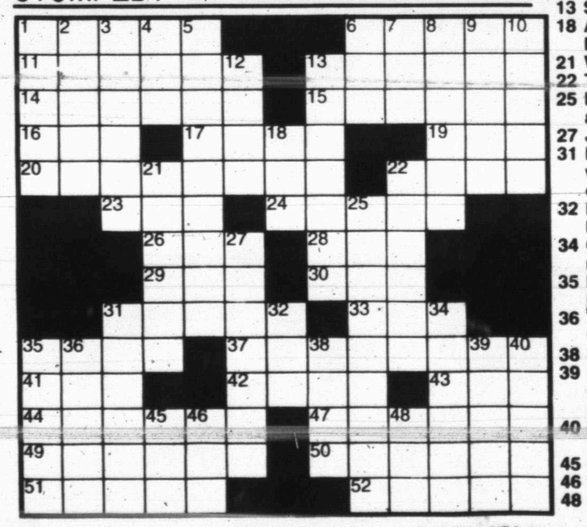
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Packers advance from Ice Bowl to Super Bowl

Green Bay overpowers Panthers, 30-13...

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — All season, Mike Holmgren talked about "that game," refusing to utter the name of the game his Green Bay Packers had as their goal for a year.

Say it, Mike, you're going to ...

Well, not Disney World, at least not yet.

"It's very special to have an opportunity to get to (gulp!) the Super Bowl," Holmgren said after Green Bay's 30-13 win over Carolina Sunday. "The locker room is a warm place to be right now."

Warm was the operative word after a game that might be described as "Son of Ice Bowl," the game 29 years ago that sent Vince Lombardi's Packers to what turned out to be their last Super Bowl. Temperature at game time was 3 degrees with a wind chill of minus 17, and it didn't get much warmer during the game.

Holmgren brings with him the man most of the Packers had wanted to get there — 35-year-old Reggie White, the NFL's all-time sack leader. The closest White had ever been to the title game was last year, when the Packers lost 38-27 to Dallas in the conference championship game.

White was good Sunday, and so was the rest of the Green Bay defense, holding Carolina to just 45 yards on the ground.

"Overall, it was simple," said Carolina coach Dom Capers. "Our inability to stop their running game had a tremendous effect, and they did an outstanding job stopping our run."

But the offense was even better, particularly Brett Favre and Dorsey Levens. It accumulated 479 yards against a Carolina team that had given up an average of 295 per game, 201 on the ground.

Favre completed 19 of 29 passes for 292 yards and two touchdowns.

Levens, who played in the shadow of Favre, Reggie White and a host of other stars, accounted for 205 total yards — 88 yards on 10 carries and 117 yards on five catches, one for a touchdown

Edgar Bennett added 99 more yards on 25 carries, including a 4-yard touchdown run following a 66-yard screen pass from Favre to Levens that made it 27-13 and effectively put the game away..

"Dorsey," Holmgren said of his second-string running back, "is a special player."

For Carolina, which finished the season 13-5, it was the end of a glorious second season that included two wins over San Francisco and a victory last week over defending Super Bowl champion Dallas. The Cougars also had early 7-0 and 10-7 leads created by a Sam Mills interception of Favre and Lamar Lathon's recovery of a Favre fumble.

But that was it.

The Packers used 7:52 of the second quarter to drive 71 yards for a touchdown on Favre's 6-yard pass to Antonio Freeman to make it 14-10. Thirty-eight seconds later, after Tyrone Williams' diving interception of Kerry Collins, Chris Jacke kicked a 31-yard field goal to make it 17-10 at intermission.

Then the Packers came out and held the ball for the first 6:44 of the second half, getting a 32-yard field goal from Jacke. That gave them more than 14 consecutive minutes with the ball — minus that one pass that was intercepted — and 13 points.

"The Packers belong in New Orleans," said the 37-year-old Mills, the heart of the Carolina defense. "The way we played, we belong in Charlotte."

It was an extra special win for the Cheeseheads, the Green Bay fans who have been waiting for those 29 years — since Lombardi's teams won five NFL titles in seven seasons, including the first two Super Bowls. Many of Lombardi's players were on hand Sunday to celebrate.

"I feel great," said Ray Nitschke, the Hall of Fame middle linebacker for the Lombardi Packers. "It's a great team and it deserves everything it gets."

The Packers (15-3) still have to finish the job against New England in New Orleans — they're an early 13½ point favorite to run the NFC's win streak to 13 in the NFL's title game. Other than White, the stars of Sunday's game — Favre, Levens, Bennett and defensive tackle Gilbert Brown weren't born the last time Green Bay was in a Super Bowl.

Sunday's win was their 18th straight at home and 28th in their last 29 home games.

White, who four years ago signed a $17 million contract with Green Bay after proclaiming he wanted to go to a team where he could practice his ministry in the inner city, told the 60,216 fans:

"Green Bay, I hope you're proud of us because we're proud of you."

Carolina almost seemed satisfied. No team has ever before won a division title in its second year, and only Carolina and Jacksonville, which lost the AFC title in New England, had ever come this far before.

They should be able to build around Collins, the second-year quarterback who was 19 of 37 for 215 yards in tough conditions.

"I hope we've been able to establish a foundation for the future," Capers said.

For the Packers, the future is in two weeks.

Patriots return to Super Bowl after 11 year drought

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — Some teams appear to grow up overnight. Others take several years of nurturing to reach a championship level.

Some, as incongruous as it seems, do both. The New England Patriots, for instance.

The Patriots completed their first trip to the Super Bowl in 11 years when they beat the Jacksonville Jaguars 20-6 Sunday for the AFC title. They did it with a defense that has blossomed in the past six weeks and an attitude that has taken coach Bill Parcells four years to develop.

"We've got some wild guys on this team," Parcells said. "It's all I can do to keep them under control sometimes. ... But I'll tell you what: They worked their butts off to achieve this, so in that sense I can kind of understand it."

Parcells has understood how to get to the Super Bowl for years. He took the New York Giants to NFL championships in his two previous appearances, after the 1986 and 1990 seasons. He now is the only man other than Don Shula to coach different franchises to the big game, and will attempt to become the first coach to win with two different clubs when the Patriots play the Green Bay Packers on Jan. 26 in New Orleans.

New England appeared on the verge of an AFC championship two years ago, when it improved from 5-11 to 10-6 and made the playoffs as a wild card. Then came last season's 6-10 disappointment.

When his team recovered from an 0-2 start and went from 3-3 to 11-5 and the AFC East crown this season, Parcells found an analogy in the boxing ring.

"Club fighters have a certain mentality," Parcells said. "They take a beating and go home. This franchise may have had that mentality. We made reference all year long to elevating expectations.

"That's what this team has done. You can't call them club fighters anymore."

The Patriots got to their first Super Bowl since being routed 46-10 by Chicago in the 1986 game the way you would expect a Parcells team to do so: with stingy defense. But that hardly was the trademark of this club until a 34-8 home loss to Denver.

While that defeat didn't stun Parcells, the manner of it did. The Patriots were thoroughly dominated.

"That was the turning point," said rookie safety Lawyer Milloy. "We were embarrassed on national TV. It was a big game at Foxboro Stadium. The biggest thing to turn around was the attitude."

They did it almost immediately. In the next six games — the last four of the regular season and playoff victories over Pittsburgh and Jacksonville — New England yielded an average of 10 points and 77 yards rushing per week.

On Sunday, the defense overwhelmed the Jaguars, who finally looked like a second-year team. Jacksonville won 30-27 at Buffalo and at Denver after closing the season with five successive wins.

But the Jaguars showed little offensive spark against the vastly improved Patriots defense, which held Natrone Means (315 yards rushing in the two playoff victories) to 43 yards and quarterback Mark Brunell to 190 yards passing.

The defense forced three turnovers in the final four minutes. First, Brunell, trying to find Derek Brown from the New England 5, was picked off by Willie Clay in the end zone. Then Otis Smith, cut by the lowly New York Jets earlier this season, sped 47 yards with James Stewart's fumble for the clinching touchdown. Then Tedy Bruschi intercepted Brunell.

"We were unable to run the ball," Brunell said, "and unable to get that good balance we've had the past few weeks that had allowed us to have the success. Overall, the Patriots had a great defensive effort. They outplayed us."

Almost from the beginning, the Patriots were in charge. Jaguars punter Bryan Barker took a high snap, then hesitated before trying to run from deep in Jacksonville territory. He was tackled by Larry Whigham at the 4.

Two plays later, Curtis Martin scored from the 1, the 15th straight home game he's gotten a touchdown, giving New England an early lead.

Rookie Aaron Beasley's interception of Drew Bledsoe's tipped pass set up a 32-yard field goal by Mike Hollis, making it 7-3. But Adam Vinatieri booted a 29-yarder after an 11-minute delay when a transformer fuse blew, causing a power outage at frigid (zero-degrees wind-chill factor) Foxboro Stadium.

Jacksonville still seemed to be in the dark in the final moments of the half. The Patriots converted a fourth-and-3 at the Jaguars 45 on a 5-yard pass to Ben Coates. And with just 15 seconds to go and no timeouts, Bledsoe found a wide-open Shawn Jefferson down the left sideline for 38 yards to the 3. Vinatieri made a 20-yarder for a 13-3 halftime lead.

Hollis kicked a 28-yarder in the third period, but the Jaguars — coached by Tom Coughlin, a former assistant under Parcells and his good friend — could get no more against a team that has allowed nine points in two playoff games and one touchdown in the last four games.

"We were always waiting for the big play," said Means, who sprained his right ankle midway through the second quarter, but returned in the third. "All year long, it has not been a matter of if we make a big play, but when."

Snyder freshmen keep clean slate by winning tournament

BIG SPRING — Snyder's freshman boys' basketball team captured the championship of the Big Spring freshman tournament and won their 15th consecutive game, but not before getting a scare from arch-rival Lamesa.

The freshman Tigers, 15-0, came from behind to defeat Lamesa, 54-49, in the championship game Saturday night. The Tigers had trailed by four at the end of the first quarter and were down 24-19 at the half. The Tigers had managed to knot the score at 36 going into the final period.

In the championship game, eight players got on the board with Trey Gorman leading the charge with 17 points. Sonny Cumbie canned 16, including one three pointer.

Jared Hester had six points while Josh Ward and Paul Camp each put in four. Ward's total included a trey. Justin Rosson and Greg McAnaw each contributed three points and Justin Phillips added one.

Snyder reached the tournament finals by pounding San Angelo Lake View, 62-38, Saturday afternoon.

Camp led Snyder's offense with 17 points while Gorman was also in double figures with 15, including one from the three-point range.

Cumbie cashed in for nine while McAnaw tossed in eight points, including a pair of treys. Hester accounted for six points while Ward, Phillips and Layne Scott each posted two. Rosson added one.

Tonight's Games Canceled

Inclement weather has resulted in the cancelation of tonight's freshman and junior high basketball games with Big Spring. The girls were scheduled to travel to Big Spring and the boys were to host the Steers.

Also, Tuesday night's junior varsity games with Plainview have been canceled. The Lady Tigers will host Plainview at 5:30 p.m. and the Tiger varsity will tipoff with the Bulldogs at 7 p.m.

NFL playoffs

By The Associated Press

Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 12
Green Bay 30, Carolina 13
New England 20, Jacksonville 6

Super Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 26
At New Orleans
Green Bay vs. New England, 5:18 p.m. (FOX)

Pro Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 2
At Honolulu

Westerners fall to Howard, 77-53

BIG SPRING — The Lady Westerners fell 77-53 Saturday night in Big Spring to Howard College in conference play.

"Howard is a very athletic team, probably the most athletic team in the conference." said Coach Anthony Portley. The loss drops the Lady Westerners season tally to 5-11, and their conference record to 2-4.

According to Portley, WTC played well early, and was only down 29-21 at the half, but the Westerners could not adjust to Howard's style of play.

Celestine Otuoro was the top scorer for the Westerners with 16. Caitlin Behrens backed her up with 12 points, all from beyond the arc. Shanna Gathright bagged 11 while Angelica Brooks nailed 9. Kelley Wilson rounded up the night with 4.

Next up for WTC is 15-2 and conference favorite Midland College at 6 tonight in Midland's Chaparral Center.

College scores

By The Associated Press

EAST
Boston U. 71, Drexel 67, OT
Delaware 71, Vermont 50
Hartford 76, Towson St. 69
Hofstra 58, Northeastern 56
Iona 91, Siena 58
Niagara 80, Manhattan 75
St. Peter's 69, Loyola, Md. 54
Virginia Tech 63, Massachusetts 47
West Virginia 90, St. John's 77

SOUTH
Maryland 68, N. Carolina St. 59
Memphis 54, Marquette 47

MIDWEST
Illinois St. 76, S. Illinois 70
SW Missouri St. 87, Drake 82

SOUTHWEST
Texas 104, Kansas St. 63

FAR WEST
Utah St 55, Idaho 52

Bobby Ross named new Lions coach

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Bobby Ross was hired as coach of the Detroit Lions today, succeeding Wayne Fontes and insisting this team has the talent to win.

Sources told The Associated Press that Ross received a five-year contract worth $7.5 million.

Ross is expected to have the final say in all personnel moves involving trades, free agency and the draft. Detroit has the fifth pick in the NFL draft.

The Lions said they targeted Ross as soon as he quit as coach of the San Diego Chargers on Jan. 3.

Ross agreed over the weekend to become the Lions' coach. He takes over a team that went 5-11, leading to Fontes' dismissal on Dec. 26.

"You have some good players here," Ross said at a news conference. I will be thoroughly evaluating everything. But certain things jump out at you from the beginning."

Like running back Barry Sanders.

"Barry is in a class by himself," Ross said. "It's going to be a thrill for me to work with someone like that."

Ross, who also talked to St. Louis and Atlanta about their coaching vacancies, said the Lions have a chance at success with the players they already have. He said he was impressed with team owner William Clay Ford Sr. and others in the organization.

Despite the fact that Detroit has never played in a Super Bowl game, the Lions' job is considered one of the NFL's plums, mainly because of the team owner. And Ross says his aim now is to get Detroit a championship.

Among candidates the Lions reportedly were considering were Northwestern coach Gary Barnett and defensive coordinators Pete Carroll of the San Francisco 49ers and Emmitt Thomas of the Philadelphia Eagles.

Ross plans to bring some of his staff from San Diego to Detroit. He said he also will talk to others at the Senior Bowl in Alabama and any members of Fontes' staff who want to stay.

Ross said he wants quarterback Scott Mitchell, who became a free agent at season's end, to remain with Detroit.

The opportunity to have total control apparently was the key for Ross, 60, who spent five seasons as coach of the Chargers.

During his stay, the Chargers had records of 11-5, 8-8, 11-5, 9-7 and 8-8. They won the AFC title in 1994, losing 49-26 to the 49ers in the Super Bowl.

Bowling News

Jack-N-Jill
Standings as of 01/08/97

Team	Won	Lost
Holcomb	43	25
House of Anticks	43	25
B.J. Services	43	25
KSNY	40	28
Rogers Backhoe Service	39	29
Buchanan Printing	33½	34½
Misfits	32½	35½
Landes Home Furn.	29	39
Ace Hardware	29	39

Bowlers of the Week: Jeff Smith 540 (series), Wanda Johnson 531 (series); Jeff Smith 200 (game), Wanda Johnson 193(game).
Converted Splits Dennis Smith 5-10; Jeff Smith 5-6; Wanda Smith 5-6-10; Mary Batchelor 3-10; Manuel Garcia 2-7; Veronica Garcia 4-5.

Men's Commercial
League Standings as of 01/07/97

Team	Won	Lost
Reef Chemical	138	82
E.D. Walton Const.	128	85
Bar-H-Bar	115	95
Levens Gas & Oil	114½	95½
Whit Parks Auto	115	95
The Shack	102	108
Stephens Office Supply	95½	112½
Price Const.	88½	112½
Blue Sunoco	88½	121½
Racers	75½	134½

High Series Scratch: Whit Parks 580
High Series Handicap: Jeff Smith 656.
High Game: Greg Hodge 246.
High Game Handicap: Rick Harlan 262.
Splits: J.C Harrison 3-5-7.

NBA at glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic Division				
NewYork	26	9	.743	—
Miami	25	10	.714	1
Washington	19	15	.559	6½
Orlando	13	18	.419	11
NewJersey	9	23	.281	15½
Boston	8	25	.242	17
Philadelphia	8	26	.235	17½
Central Division				
Chicago	31	4	.886	—
Detroit	26	8	.765	4½
Atlanta	21	11	.656	8½
Cleveland	21	13	.618	9½
Charlotte	19	16	.543	12
Milwaukee	18	17	.514	13
Indiana	16	17	.485	14
Toronto	12	23	.343	19

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Midwest Division				
Houston	27	9	.750	—
Utah	23	12	.657	3½
Minnesota	16	19	.457	10½
Dallas	12	20	.375	13
SanAntonio	9	25	.265	17
Denver	9	26	.257	17½
Vancouver	7	29	.194	20
Pacific Division				
L.A.Lakers	27	10	.730	—
Seattle	26	11	.703	1
Portland	19	16	.543	7
Sacramento	15	22	.405	12
L.A.Clippers	14	21	.400	12
GoldenState	13	21	.382	12½
Phoenix	11	24	.314	15

Sunday's Games
Orlando 88, Toronto 85
Milwaukee 111, Golden State 93
Charlotte 97, Sacramento 93

Monday's Games
Orlando at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Denver, 9 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
Golden State at Boston, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Houston, 8 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Detroit at Portland, 10 p.m.
Vancouver at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
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Lawyers say Dallas police waited too long to clear Cowboys

DALLAS (AP) — Police had strong evidence within two days that gang-rape allegations against Erik Williams and Michael Irvin were bogus, but still waited 11 days to clear the Dallas Cowboys stars, Williams' attorney says.

Though police continue to say they handled the high-profile case properly, attorney Peter Ginsberg said Sunday that police waited far too long to come forward with doubts they had about the story told by a former stripper.

Last Friday, 23-year-old Nina Shahravan admitted to police it was a lie.

Ginsberg said investigators analyzed evidence within days that contradicted Ms. Shahravan's claim that she was raped and refuted her allegation that the Cowboys players used drugs.

He also said police knew early on that Irvin wasn't at Williams' house, where Ms. Shahravan said the alleged attack occurred.

"Within the first day or two of the investigation, the police had the opportunity to analyze the evidence which had been seized and to talk with people who both knew that Michael Irvin had not come to Erik's house and was elsewhere," Ginsberg said by telephone from his home in Washington, D.C.

Ginsberg, who didn't go into specifics about that evidence, said he asked a police official to issue a public statement outlining the preliminary findings, but that never happened.

"The police said it would be considered, that they would get back to me, but that's as far as it went," Ginsberg said.

He added that a civil rights lawsuit against the police department was a possibility.

"We have closed off no options," he said.

Police spokesman Ed Spencer said Sunday that the department is comfortable with how it handled the case, and stressed investigators didn't move too slow.

"They didn't arrive at a conclusion to clear the athletes until late Friday afternoon," he said. "Within a couple of hours of that we called the press conference."

Police announced their decision to drop the investigation Friday and said they were considering charging Ms. Shahravan with filing a false police report, but no action was taken as of Sunday. If convicted of the misdemeanor, she could face up to six months in jail and a $2,000 fine.

Shahravan filed a police report Dec. 30 — after going to a television reporter — accusing Irvin of holding a gun to her head while Williams and a third man, who was never identified, raped her. She also accused Irvin of videotaping the attack.

Ginsberg said Ms. Shahravan recanted the allegations after police presented her with evidence

See Police, Page 10

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Jan. 10-Billy Arbuckle, P.O. Box 951; A.L. Chambers, 415 31st; Allan Daves, 1407 31st; Olga Rodriguez, 1206 19th; Jan. 11-Julie Cruz, Loraine, Kellner Odom, Ira; Jan. 12-Addie Smith, 1411 22nd; Jason Sealy, 2210 44th.

DISMISSALS: Jan. 10-Whitney Webb, Jan. 11-Jimmie Cooper, Clyde Hall Jr., Joylynn McGrew and baby boy, Allan Daves, Olga Rodiguez, Jan. 12-Julie Cruz, Kellner Odom.

CENSUS: 53 (Med., Surg.-12, Long-term Care-40, CCU-1).

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AmStores	41⅜	40⅞	40⅞	— ⅛
Ameritech	59⅛	58⅛	59	+1
Amoco	85⅛	84⅛	85⅛	+ ⅛
AndarkPtr	72½	71¼	71¼	—1
Armcolnc	4⅜	4⅜	4⅜	
AtlRichfld	138¾	137¼	137⅞	— ⅜
ATMOS Egy	23⅜	23⅛	23⅛	—3-16
Aviall	9¼	9⅛	9⅛	
BakerHughes	39⅛	39⅛	39½	+ ⅜
BellAtl	64⅛	64	64⅜	+1⅛
BellSouth	39⅛	39⅛	39⅜	+ ⅜
BethSteel	9⅛	8⅞	9	+ ⅛
BritPet	143⅞	142⅞	143	— ⅛
BurlNoSFe	88⅛	87	87½	+ ¼
Caterpillar	79⅛	78⅜	79⅛	+1⅜
CenSoWst	25⅛	25⅛	25⅜	+ ⅛
Chevron	69⅛	68⅜	69⅛	— ⅜
Chrysler s	36	35⅜	35⅞	+ ⅛
Coastal	50⅞	49⅞	50⅜	+ ⅛
CocaColas	54½	54⅛	54⅜	+ ¼
ColgatePalm	92⅜	91⅛	91⅞	+ ¼
ComclMetals	28⅜	28⅛	28½	+ ⅛
CooperIn	42⅛	42⅛	42⅜	— ¼
CyprusAmax	23⅛	23	23	— ⅛
DallSemicn	24⅜	24¼	24⅛	— ⅜
DeltaAird		71⅜	71	71⅜
DigitalEq	35⅛	34¼	34⅜	— ⅛
Dillard	30⅜	30¼	30⅜	+ ⅛
DowChem	83	82¼	82½	— ¼
DresserInd		35⅛	35	35
DuPont	106	104⅜	105⅛	— ⅛
EastmanChem	56	55⅛	55⅜	— ⅛
EstKodak	82⅜	82⅛	82⅜	+ ⅛
EDS Corp		48⅜	47⅞	48¼
Enserch	24¼	23⅞	24	— ⅛
Entergy	27⅞	27⅛	27⅛	+ ⅛
Exxon	106⅛	104⅞	105¼	— ⅛
Flowers	21⅜	20⅝	21⅜	+ ⅜
FordMotor		33⅜	33	33⅛
GTE Cp	44⅞	44⅛	44⅛	+ ⅛
GenDynam	69⅞	69⅛	69⅜	+ ⅜
GenElec	102⅜	101⅛	102⅜	+1
GenMills	65⅜	65	65½	+ ⅛
GenMotors	61⅛	60⅜	61	— ⅛
GaPacif	77⅞	76⅛	77⅛	+1⅛
GlobalMar	24⅛	23⅞	24⅛	+ ⅛
Goodrichs	39⅛	38⅜	39	+ ⅜
Goodyear s		54⅞	54½	54⅛
GtAtlPac	32⅜	31⅞	32⅛	+ ⅛
Haliburtn	71⅜	70⅜	70½	+1⅜
Hanson ADSs		7¼	7⅛	7¼
HarteHanks	26	25⅞	26	+ ⅛
HoustonInds	22⅞	22⅛	22½	+ ⅛
IBM	164¼	162¼	164⅛	+1⅜
IntlPaper	42⅞	42⅜	42⅞	+57-64
Johnson	51	50⅛	50⅜	— ⅜
K mart	11⅜	11⅛	11¼	+ ⅛
Kroger	45⅞	45⅛	45⅜	— ⅛
Litton	46¼	46	46	+ ¼
LockhdMart	90¼	89⅜	89⅛	+ ⅛
Lowes Cos	36¼	35⅞	35⅞	— ⅛
Lubys	20⅛	20⅛	20½	+ ⅛
LucentTech n	51⅛	50⅛	50⅜	— ⅛
MayDeptStrs	45⅜	44⅞	45⅛	+ ⅜
Medtronic	70⅜	70⅛	70⅜	— ⅛
Mobil	130⅜	129⅛	129⅜	— ⅛
Monsanto s		39⅜	38⅛	39¼
Motorola	66⅜	65⅛	66	— ⅜
Nationsbk	104⅜	103¼	103⅞	+ ⅜
Navistar	9¼	9⅛	9⅜	+ ⅛
NoramEngy		15⅜	15⅛	15⅛
Norwest	45	44¼	45	+1⅛
Nynex	48⅜	48⅛	48½	+ ⅜
OryxEngy		27⅛	26⅞	26⅞
PacTelesis	36⅜	35⅞	36⅛	+ ⅛
PanEnergy		44⅛	44¼	44¼
Penney JC	48⅞	48¼	48⅜	+ ⅛
Pennzoil	61¼	60⅜	60⅛	—1⅜
PepBoys		29⅜	28⅞	29
PepsiCo s	29¼	29	29⅛	+ ⅛
PhelpDodge	72⅛	71¼	72	—1⅛
PhilipPet	46⅜	46	46⅛	— ⅛
PilgrmPrd	9⅛	9⅛	9⅛	— ⅛
Polaroid	45⅞	44¼	45⅛	+ ⅛
Praxair	46⅛	46⅛	46⅝	+ ⅛
ProctGamble		109¼	108¼	109¼
PubSNwMx		18⅛	18⅛	18⅛
RoyalDutch	175	173⅛	174⅛	+ ⅜
SBC Comm	51⅛	50⅜	50⅞	+ ⅛
SaraLee	38	37⅜	37⅞	+ ⅛
SearsRoeb		47⅞	46⅝	47⅛
SherwinW	55⅛	54⅜	55	— ⅛
SmthBchADS	66⅜	65⅜	65⅛	— ⅛
SouthernCo		22⅜	22⅛	22⅜
SwstAirlines	22⅛	22	22⅛	+ ⅛
Sprint		39⅜	39⅛	39⅜
SunCo		24⅜	24⅜	24⅜
TNP Ent		26⅜	26⅛	26⅜
Tandy	41⅞	40⅞	41⅝	+ ⅜
TemplInl	56	55⅛	55⅞	+ ⅛
Tenneco		45⅞	45⅝	45⅞
Texaco	107⅜	106	106⅛	—1⅜
TexasInd	49½	49⅛	49½	+ ⅜
TexasInst	68	66⅜	67⅛	— ½
TexUtil	41⅛	41⅛	41½	+ ⅛
Textron	93⅛	92⅜	93⅜	+1⅛
Travelers s	46⅛	45⅛	45⅞	+ ⅜
TrinityInds	35⅛	35	35	+ ⅛
TritonEngy	51	50⅛	50⅝	+1
Tyler	2	1⅞	1⅞	— ⅛
US WestCm	33⅛	32⅛	33⅛	+ ⅜
USWstMda	18⅜	18⅛	18⅛	+ ⅛
USX Delhi	16½	16⅛	16½	— ⅛
USX-Marathn		27	26½	26⅞
USX-USS	32⅜	32⅛	32½	+ ⅜
UnCarbde	43	42¼	43	+ ⅜
UnPac s	62⅞	62⅛	62½	+ ½
UnitedTech s	69⅜	68	68⅜	—1⅛
Unocal	44⅞	44⅜	44⅜	— ⅛
WalMart	24⅛	23⅞	23⅞	— ⅛
WstnGasRs		20	19⅝	19⅝
WestghEl		19⅛	19¼	19⅛
WinnDixie	32	31¼	31½	+ ⅛
Woolworth	21	20⅝	20⅞	+ ⅛
XeroxCp s		55⅛	55¼	55⅛
ZenithE	12	11⅝	11⅞	+ ⅛

Midday Stocks

Shafer, Beaver take top prizes

Brandy Shafer exhibited the grand champion barrow and Chad Beaver exhibited the top steer at the Snyder FFA Stock Show, held Saturday at the coliseum annex building.

There was no lamb show.

The show was held in preparation for the Scurry County Junior Livestock Show, which opens Thursday and runs through Saturday in the annex building. Snyder FFA, Hermleigh FFA, Ira FFA and Scurry County 4-H members will enter animals in the show.

Below are winner's from Saturday's FFA show.

Snyder FFA Stock Show
Market Swine Division

Grand Champion Barrow: Brandy Shafer; **Reserve Champion:** Laurie Sanders.

Berkshires

Champion: Jay Callaway; Reserve: Shauna Huddleston.

Berkshires: 1. Jay Callaway, 2. Shauna Huddleston, 3. Amber Parks.

Chesters

Champion: Amber Parker; Reserve: Brandon Williamson.

Lightweight: 1. Amber Parker, 2. Laurie Huddleston, 3. Aaron Stanley; Heavyweight: 1. Brandon Williamson, 2. Cody Cribbs, 3. Veronica Williams.

Durocs

Champion: Lori Sanders; Reserve: Sarah Carpenter.

Lightweight: 1. Cody Cribbs, 2. Tiffany Moore, 3. Amber Parker; Mediumweight: 1. Sarah Carpenter, 2. Johnna Ferris, 3. Tiffany Moore; Heavyweight: 1. Lori Sanders, 2. Jay Callaway, 3. Lauri Huddleston.

Hampshires

Champion: Cody Cribbs; Reserve: Amy Church.

Lightweight: 1. Amanda Holloway, 2. Christi Ervin, 3. Jerry Holloway; Mediumweight: 1. Jerrod Rinehart, 2. Brian Gordon, 3. Jay Callaway; Heavyweight: 1. Cody Cribbs, 2. Amy Church, 3. Cody Cribbs.

Poland China

Champion: Brandon Williamson; Reserve: Jay Callaway.

Poland China: 1. Brandon Williamson, 2. Jay Callaway; Spotted Poland China: 1. Johnna Ferris, 2. Brandon Williamson.

Yorkshire

Champion: Tommy Gordon; Reserve: Michael Hornsberger.

Lightweight: 1. Tommy Gordon, 2. Shauna Huddleston, 3. Tommy Gordon; Heavyweight: 1. Michael Hornsberger, 2. Lori Sanders, 3. Amy Church.

Cross-Bred

Champion: Brandy Shafer; Reserve: Darcee Purcell.

Lightweight: 1. Shauna Huddleston, 2. Shawn Purcell, 3. Johnna Ferris; Mediumweight: 1. Brandy Shafer, 2. Darcee Purcell, 3. Helen Gulyayeva; Heavyweight: 1. Jay Callaway, 2. Courtney Rinehart, 3. Amy Church.

Steers

Grand Champion: Chad Beaver; Reserve: Cody Cribbs.

Steers: 1. Chad Beaver, 2. Cody Cribbs, 3. Cody Beaver.



RESERVE CHAMPION HOG — Lorie Sanders is shown with her hog that captured reserve champion honors at the Snyder FFA chapter show held Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)



GRAND CHAMPION HOG — Brandy Shafer exhibited the grand champion hog at the Snyder FFA chapter show held Saturday at Scurry County Coliseum. (SDN Staff Photo)



RESERVE CHAMPION STEER — Cody Cribbs is shown with his reserve champion steer of the 1997 Snyder FFA chapter show held Saturday. FFA exhange student Serghei Russu of Moldova holds the trophy. (SDN Staff Photo)



GRAND CHAMPION STEER — Chad Beaver's steer was the grand champion of the Snyder FFA chapter show held Saturday. Shown in back with the top trophy is FFA foreign exchange student Helen Gulyayeva of Russia. (SDN Staff Photo)

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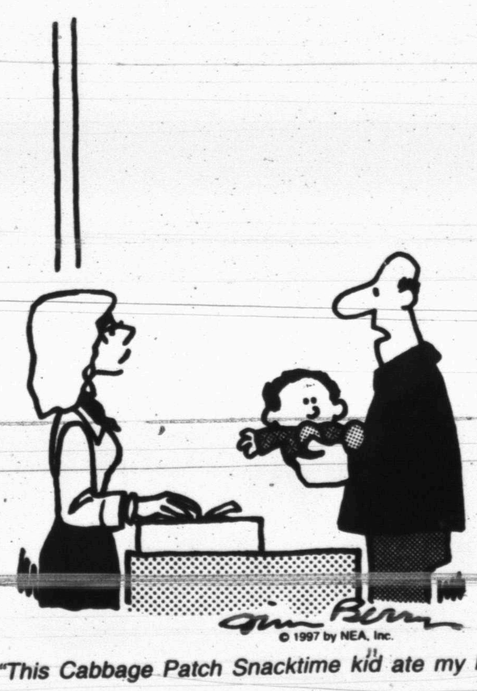
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Foreign policy 'hot spots' may be surprising

WASHINGTON (AP) — When the attention of President Clinton's new national security team spans the globe, it almost certainly will be drawn to countries that Americans do not usually think of as "hot spots" for major crises.

Cyprus is an example. Others even less obvious are likely to pop up as the administration tends to more familiar problems, such as relations with Russia and China, as well the continuing problem of keeping the peace in the Balkans and preventing the powder keg Korean Peninsula from exploding into war.

Tension between the Greek Cypriot majority and the Turkish Cypriot minority has simmered since 1960 when Britain granted the Mediterranean island independence. In 1974 Turkish troops invaded, splitting the island into two camps. To complicate matters, both Turkey and Greece are members of NATO.

Just last week, Turkey's foreign minister, Tansu Ciller, threatened a military strike at the Greek Cypriots if they carried through with an announced plan to buy anti-aircraft missiles from Russia. The State Department cautioned Turkey to cool its rhetoric while also condemning the missile deal.

"The situation on Cyprus could cause the Clinton administration more grief than the situation in Bosnia in 1997," said Michael Krepon, president of the Henry L. Stimson Center, a foreign affairs think tank in Washington.

In an indication that the administration sees a likely crisis brewing, Clinton told congressional leaders last month that tensions on Cyprus had risen to their "worst level in many years." He said his administration intended to redouble its efforts to resolve the festering conflict.

The questions tossed at Secretary of State-designate Madeleine Albright at her Senate confirmation hearing Wednesday illustrated the wide array of national security dangers — present or future — that face the United States. They include terrorism, illicit trade in nuclear arms and drug trafficking.

Although Albright said the administration's highest foreign affairs priority was to pursue a comprehensive peace in the Middle East, her list of international challenges began with Washington's old Cold War foe. Russia.

Among the many complexities of the U.S.-Russian relationship, one stands out: Moscow's unwillingness to accept the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's plan to expand eastward toward Russia. Albright called this "one of the biggest pieces of business that we have."

Clinton hopes to discuss this problem with Russian President Boris Yeltsin when they meet, probably in March unless Yeltsin's health problems force a postponement. The timing is important because leaders of the 16 NATO nations are scheduled to meet in Madrid in early July to formally invite new members. Former Soviet satellites Poland, Hungary and the Czech Republic are the likely new members.

John Steinbruner, director of foreign policy issues at the Brookings Institution, said he fears Russia will respond to NATO's expansion by increasing its reliance on nuclear forces and forgoing a much-needed trimming of its troop levels. Steinbruner called this a "formula for real disaster" in 1997.

He said the Russians, who feel a larger NATO poses a threat to their security, also are likely to refuse to ratify the START II treaty with the United States, which is supposed to substantially reduce the number of nuclear weapons in both countries. The Senate has ratified it, but the Russian Duma has not, even though U.S. nuclear reductions are going ahead.

Other likely flash points for U.S. foreign policy in 1997:

—China. Under an agreement with Britain, China is to gain control of Hong Kong in July. Some fear trouble if Beijing decides to take back civil liberties and democratic freedoms in Hong Kong. Analyst Krepon said he foresees "some Chinese steps in 1997 to silence the dissenters."

—Taiwan. It is next on China's list of lost territories to be recovered. China's missile tests and war games in the Taiwan Straits failed to cow Taiwan in 1996, so the new year is likely to see stepped-up diplomatic pressure from Beijing.

—Bosnia. In March, an international force of about 31,000 troops, including about 8,500 Americans, is due to replace the peacekeeping troops who have successfully silenced Bosnia's guns since the Dayton peace accords of November 1995. The troops are expected to be there at least until June 1998. The biggest challenge will be to establish political and economic normalcy to a degree that the foreign troops can eventually leave without war resuming.

—North Korea. No immediate crisis is looming, but many analysts believe the deterioration and desperation of North Korea's communist system is so serious that it could produce a sudden crisis at any moment: either a military strike at South Korea, where 37,000 U.S. troops are based, or an internal collapse that would produce chaos on the Korean Peninsula, where 2 million troops are under arms.

The administration also will be active in seeking to end the Northern Ireland conflict while keeping a watch on tensions between India and Pakistan as well as conflict accompanying the growing democracy movement in Burma.

'Hercules' will not wed 'Xena'

BURBANK, Calif. (AP) — Sorry, would-be matchmakers, Hercules and Xena the warrior princess are just good friends.

At a weekend convention devoted to the twin hit syndicated TV shows, "Hercules" star Kevin Sorbo fielded questions from fans. One child asked if he was going to marry Lucy Lawless, star of "Xena Warrior Princess."

"She has a boyfriend I'd have to go through first," Sorbo said.

Lawless was to appear on Sunday at the gathering where thousands of fans shell out $18 each to buy T-shirts, "barbarian" blades and other souvenirs. There were also swordsmanship displays, blooper reels and special effects demonstrations.

"I think the stars are the appeal of the shows," said Rob Tapert, executive producer of both shows. "Hercules is just a super good guy, and Xena, well, she's real neat and cool."

Date Book

Jan. 13, 1997



Today is the 13th day of 1997 and the 24th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1910, the first radio broadcast was made in New York City.

On this day in 1957, the first frisbee was introduced.

On this day in 1982, an airliner attempting to take off in a snowstorm crashed into the Potomac River in Washington, D.C.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Salmon P. Chase (1808-1873), Supreme Court chief justice; Sophie Tucker (1884-1966), singer; Robert Stack (1919-), actor, is 78; Gwen Verdon (1925-), dancer-actress, is 72; Charles Nelson Reilly (1931-), actor-director, is 66; Frank Gallo (1933-), artist, is 64; Jay McInerny (1955-), writer, is 42; Julia Louis Dreyfus (1960-), actress, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1982, Hank Aaron was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The Constitution, in all its provisions, looks to an indestructible Union composed of indestructible States." — Salmon P. Chase

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1972, lightning set fire to an elementary school in Gwinnett County, Ga.

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

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Jan. 9) and first quarter (Jan. 15).

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Newly declassified documents shed new light on Swiss actions

NEW YORK (AP) — Newly declassified documents suggest that Swiss bankers and government officials helped Nazi Germany launder gold plundered from occupied Europe and Jewish victims of the Holocaust.

The Swiss National Bank shipped 280 truckloads of Nazi gold to Spain and Portugal in 1943 and 1944, according to the papers released Sunday by Sen. Alfonse D'Amato and Jewish leaders.

The gold, estimated to be worth between $250 million and $500 million, was carried in trucks bearing the Swiss national emblem and insured by Swiss companies, according to the papers.

"These documents demonstrate that Switzerland was the international banking and laundering center of Hitler's Germany," said World Jewish Congress executive director Elan Steinberg. "This shatters to bits the notion that Switzerland was neutral during the Second World War. They were in full collaboration."

The documents include a 1946 U.S. intelligence memo outlining evidence of the gold shipments to Madrid and Lisbon in 1943 and 1944, and the transcript of a 1945 military interrogation of the Nazi official who headed Germany's wartime gold department.

They were declassified at the National Archives in October and December and discovered last week by an archivist working for D'Amato and the World Jewish Congress.

D'Amato, who chairs the Senate Banking Committee, has taken a leading role in efforts to trace looted Jewish assets and repeatedly has demanded that Swiss officials release information on Nazi accounts held by Swiss banks during and after the war.

He said the gold in Nazi accounts was stolen from banks in occupied countries and melted down from the valuables the Nazis stole from murdered Jews, including wedding bands, watches and even gold teeth.

The Swiss National Bank acknowledged last week that it had profited from business with gold looted by Nazi Germany, but said it had not dealt with any gold from concentration camp victims.

The documents do not indicate what, if any, role officials in Spain and Portugal might have played in the laundering operation. D'Amato declined to speculate on their involvement.

Many Jews put their money in Swiss banks during the Nazi era, believing their funds would be safe in the neutral country. Families of Jews who died during the war claimed they were unable to track any assets because of banking secrecy laws.

Jewish groups claim the banks hold about $7 billion in assets and accumulated interest. The Swiss banks say they have found only $32 million in 775 dormant accounts.

The Swiss government earlier dismissed as "blackmail" demands for a $250 million compensation fund to help Jews who lost assets during the Holocaust.

The Swiss cabinet said it wanted to await the report of a newly appointed historical commission before deciding on any compensation.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Tuesday, Jan. 14, 1997

Numerous pleasant social experiences are indicated for the year ahead. You might even establish several relationships with people you can barely tolerate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you haven't been spending much time with your family lately, try to correct this today. You will enjoy being with them and they will enjoy being with you. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you might feel more restless than usual, so when you arrange your schedule, allow yourself freedom to move mentally, physically and socially.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Potentially profitable opportunities should not be put on the back burner today. Treat everything as though it might not exist tomorrow.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Matters that are important to you personally should be given priority today. If you drop the ball, don't expect others to cover for you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You will accomplish more today if you establish your own pace and work in an environment free from outside interference. Seek seclusion in a quiet nook.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In your social involvement today you might be more popular than usual with your friends. Make a special effort to treat all of your pals equally.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You will rise to a challenge today, but don't seek confrontations. However, you should stand up for yourself if you are provoked.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Generally speaking, conditions look favorable for you today, provided that you subdue your impulsiveness. You must remain patient.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone might offer to assist you today, but her experience is limited. Therefore, do not rely on this person too heavily.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Tackle important issues head-on today instead of procrastinating. Delay will not improve your position. In fact, it could create new complications.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You will regret it later in the evening if you don't use your time constructively today. Plan an industrious, productive agenda and adhere to it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Try to break away from your mundane routines today and have some fun. All work and no play is not healthy.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is DNA analysis the answer?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Our family has a problem with a paternity issue. My brother was told that the man we believed to be our father isn't. The biological father impregnated our mother while our legal father was away in the service. We would like to know who our real father is. Can blood tests solve this problem?

DEAR READER: Indeed they can. DNA analyses from you, your mother, your brother, your father, and the purported father can be compared. The results should clarify who fathered whom.

As you can imagine, this information may be highly troubling to the people involved, and the tests can only be conducted with everyone's approval. So think this through before deciding to proceed. As with any information, it may seem compelling to learn — but what do you do with it once you've got it?

A paternity contention that surfaces years after the event could tear the family apart. If you're compelled merely by curiosity, consider the potential consequences.

On the other hand, if you truly need closure on this issue and can accept the repercussions, DNA analysis is appropriate.

DEAR DR. GOTT: During breast surgery for a lump, the doctor cut all the way under my arm. Was this necessary? I have friends with breast cancer who simply had their lumps removed.

DEAR READER: In the presence of a malignant breast lesion, it is vital to know whether the cancer has spread. Consequently, such women usually undergo chest X-rays, liver tests, bone scans — and a procedure called "axillary dissection." At the time the cancer is biopsied and removed, the prudent surgeon ordinarily takes out the lymph glands under the arm for analysis.

If the glands are free of cancer cells, the prognosis is more favorable than it would be if some of the glands were affected. Cancer cells in the lymph nodes, which act as filters in the body, indicate that the malignancy has spread beyond the breast itself, but not necessarily into bone or other organs. In this instance, aggressive therapy (with radiation and drugs) is mandatory.

Your surgeon followed a traditional practice that is appropriate. I do not understand why your friends' surgeons chose not to do the same.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Breast Cancer and Disorders." 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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Teen-ager accused of bilking grandparents

TULLAHOMA, Tenn. (AP) — When Stella and Dawson Bearden got the phone call from their granddaughter, they welcomed her eagerly: They hadn't seen her in eight years.

But while the couple was getting to know Jenevive Sterling, authorities say, the 19-year-old was emptying their bank account, writing nearly $23,000 in checks to friends she met over the Internet.

"If she would have gotten away from here, she would have wiped us clean," said Mrs. Bearden, 75. "She was acting like a little sweet thing. We even let her have our bedroom. Now we know it was all lies."

Ms. Sterling faces arraignment Tuesday on 17 counts of fraud, forgery and theft.

The Beardens say Ms. Sterling called them in November and told them she had been ordered out of her mother's Los Angeles home. Though apprehensive about a reunion, Bearden, 78, and his wife met their granddaughter at the Nashville airport on Dec. 1 and took her to Tullahoma, about 70 miles southwest.

Soon after, Ms. Sterling started stealing from her grandparents and plotting a getaway, Mrs. Bearden said.

Police say Ms. Sterling has admitted taking the Beardens' checkbooks, and writing checks to herself, cash or friends she met while playing GemStone, a medieval, role-playing fantasy game on the Internet.

Three checks totaling about $4,000 went to Charles McBride, 18, an office supply store worker in Chambersburg, Pa., authorities say.

McBride met Ms. Sterling over the Internet in late November while playing GemStone, and later invited her to come to Pennsylvania to share an apartment with him when she told him she wanted a fresh start.

Soon, checks for an apartment and other expenses started arriving from Ms. Sterling, who claimed the money was a combination of gifts from her grandparents and her own money, McBride said.

Just before Christmas, McBride asked his father, Donald, to stop by his apartment and get the checks so he could deposit them.

Donald McBride, a United Church of Christ minister and former journalist, was shocked at the check amounts — one for $2,800 and one for $500. The check numbers were also out of sequence and written in inconsistent handwriting.

"I knew this was a ripoff job," Donald McBride said.

The minister sent Tennessee authorities copies of the checks and suggested they call the Beardens.

The Beardens' credit union stopped payment on the checks.

Mandatory releases...

Bill seeks veto power for prison board

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston lawmaker has prefiled a bill to close the loophole that could allow a confessed serial killer to be released early under a 1977 law meant to ease prison overcrowding.

The mandatory release law calls for a prisoner to be released when his actual time served plus "good time" credit equals his sentence. After tightening mandatory release rules several times over the years, lawmakers in 1995 gave the parole board veto power. But the veto power applied only to inmates convicted after Sept. 1, 1996.

Republican State Rep. Peggy Hamric of Houston, other lawmakers and some victims' rights advocates now want to give lawmakers the power to veto mandatory release for prisoners who, like Coral Eugene Watts, were convicted before that date. The constitutionality of such retroactive application is under debate.

Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, and Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, co-authored another bill Patterson said would change a prisoner's mandatory release to a mandatory review, after which the parole board would decide whether the prisoner should finish serving his sentence outside, or inside, prison.

Gov. George W. Bush, who attacked mandatory release during his campaign, has said he will declare the bill an emergency to clear the way for approval early in the session.

In the year before the veto power went into effect, about 16,000 inmates, 900 of them sex offenders, were released under mandatory supervision. There are many more to come, fueling this year's push to make the veto power retroactive.

One of the strongest believers in changing the law was victims' rights advocate Pam Lychner, who died in the crash of TWA Flight 800. She had worked tirelessly toward the veto authority passed in 1995 and planned to work just as hard toward this year's goal.

Watts, who confessed to killing 13 women and is thought responsible for at least 50, traded details of the killings, in which police had no proof, for a burglary conviction and a 60-year term.

Under current law, Watts will be released in 2004 at age 50. He is believed to be the only confessed serial killer in the nation scheduled to be set free.

Ms. Hamric said she expects lawmakers to support her effort to change that scenario.

"I think the fight will come after it passes, in the courts," she said.

"I'm positive it will be challenged in the courts," Patterson agreed.

Testimony sought from Cisneros' friend

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A federal grand jury has subpoenaed a close friend of departing U.S. Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros in its ongoing investigation into financial help given to Cisneros' former mistress, according to a published report.

The San Antonio Express-News reported that the Washington, D.C., grand jury issued the subpoena for Frank Wing, a former San Antonio City Council member and a close Cisneros political ally.

Investigators want to ask Wing what he knows about money and job help given to Linda Medlar by San Antonio financier Morris D. Jaffe and son, Morris D. "Doug" Jaffe Jr., unidentified sources told the newspaper for a story in its Sunday editions.

A spokesman for special counsel David M. Barrett, who is handling the Cisneros case, declined comment on any aspect of the investigation or grand jury actions.

Wing did not immediately return a telephone message left at his San Antonio home by The Associated Press on Sunday.

The former San Antonio mayor and Ms. Medlar were romantically involved from 1987 to 1989, when Cisneros' wife threatened a divorce. The next year, Ms. Medlar moved from San Antonio to Lubbock.

The newspaper quoted unidentified sources as saying the panel especially is interested in whether tapes of telephone conversations between Cisneros and Medlar — secretly recorded by the woman — have been altered.

Transcripts of the tapes indicate that Cisneros cautioned Medlar about discussing payments he was making to her and where the money came from.

Ms. Medlar sold the recordings to a television tabloid program in 1994, when she filed a lawsuit against Cisneros in Lubbock.

Wing later accompanied Cisneros to Washington to be a senior adviser to the HUD secretary.

The investigation was launched after Attorney General Janet Reno concluded Cisneros had lied to the FBI about payments he made to Medlar after their breakup.

The grand jury is trying to determine if Cisneros and Medlar hid information from the FBI during Cisneros' background check to become HUD secretary.

Cisneros reportedly told the FBI he had given Medlar about $60,000, but her civil lawsuit against Cisneros claimed payments totaled about $215,000.

Business and Industrial News

Countryplace has Unique gift ideas

Glenda Glasscock and Clara Tate, owners and operators of Countryplace, carry a wide selection of gifts that are sure to satisfy everyone on your list, as well as many treasures for you to enjoy yourself. Whatever the occasion, Countryplace has just what you're looking for.

Dreamsicles are the number one collecting item in the world and Countryplace has a large selection to choose from. There's a Dreamsicle for every occasion and in every size so you are sure to find just the one you need.

All God's Children, Sarah's Attic, Cuddlesomes (Teddy Figurines) and Noah's Ark Collectibles are also available for all you avid or would be collectors.

Everyone loves Precious Moments and Glenda carries cake tops, knives and servers for the bride and groom and beautiful picture frames for that special picture.

Beautiful Dale Tiffany lamps are now in stock and will make an excellent addition to any home.

Glenda and Clara now carry Denby Stoneware which is dishwasher and oven proof, new colors of the Frankoma collection of dinnerware and the ever popular Blue Willow dinnerware.

Chantal cookware has been added to the kitchen department and is a must for the avid cooks on your gift list or for your own special indulgence.

Gorgeous Arthur Court serving pieces and frames make an exciting gift and one that will be cherished for years to come. You'll also find the Pintel Collection of serving pieces at Countryplace.

For the young ones there are stuffed Cherished Teddies and the Gund stuffed animals — a true delight any child would love.



COUNTRYPLACE — Glenda Glasscock and Clara Tate, owners and operators of Countryplace, invite everyone to come and see the selection of gifts and personal items in their store's inventory. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lotion, bath gel, hand cream and cologne by Caswell Massey can now be found at Countryplace. This natural fragrance is loved by everyone and worn by the famous.

Specially made linens by Glenda are available in tablecloths, napkins and placemats in exquisite materials and rich color tones.

Caspari paper goods are a must for your parties and you'll fine matching score cards and bridge pads.

If you're looking for a humerous or musical card for any occasion then Countryplace is the place to go for a large selection and for the music lovers there are tapes by Dino and Emile Pandolfi.

These are just a few of the new lines offered at Countryplace and of course all the items you've come to expect are still there. Remember that Glenda has a large selection of Yankee candles in two jar sizes, housewarmer gift boxes and small sampler candles and also offers a complete registry for the bride and groom and the infant.

Glenda and Clara appreciate your business and the opportunity to serve you with a complete line gift shop.

For all your gift giving or individual needs go by Countryplace, located at 4213 College Ave., or give them a call at 573-1817.

Launch was too quiet, Clancy says

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Is that all there is?

Military techno-thriller author Tom Clancy saw his first space shuttle launch in person on Sunday and wasn't all that impressed.

"Visually, it's spectacular," Clancy said after Atlantis blasted off. "Everybody told me how noisy it was. Hell, anybody with kids deals with more noise."

The best-selling author of such novels as "The Hunt for Red October" and "Executive Orders" wrote a live account of the launch for Microsoft's new online adventure travel magazine, Mungo Park. The first full-feature edition is about space.

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Astronauts en route to Mir rendezvous

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Astronaut-athlete Jerry Linenger, en route to the Russian space station Mir for a 4½-month stay, spent his last few days on Earth running mile after mile and swimming in the cold Atlantic.

"I wanted to be an earthling all the way," Linenger said today from space shuttle Atlantis in an interview with The Associated Press.

"I ran a lot. Went down to the beach, actually went swimming in the ocean out there. It was a bit chilly, but I said I just want to do that one last time before I take off."

A marathon runner and triathlete, the 41-year-old Linenger had his first orbital workout this morning on a stationary cycle and "it worked real well and I felt real good." Mir has two treadmills, he said, "so I should be able to keep busy."

Linenger and Atlantis' five other astronauts sped toward a Tuesday rendezvous with Mir to pick up comrade John Blaha, who's been living on the remote outpost since September.

Blaha cannot leave until Atlantis arrives with Linenger, his replacement.

"John, every time I've talked to him, has been in great spirits and he seems to be enjoying the whole thing," Linenger told the AP. "Actually, Shannon Lucid, before I left, said if you don't want to go, I'll take your place."

Lucid spent a record six months aboard Mir last year.

Linenger will be, by far, the most athletic astronaut to ever spend a long time in space, and doctors can't wait to see how he fares. Astronauts typically lose bone and muscle mass in weightlessness, a problem NASA is trying to overcome or at least manage through regular orbital exercise.

Like his three U.S. predecessors on Mir, Linenger will spend two hours a day exercising on Mir. He wanted to do more, but Russian doctors urged him to stick to the program. Nonetheless, he plans intense periods of exercise aboard Mir, similar to sprint workouts on Earth or squats with weights.

And you can forget about M&Ms and potato chips, which were Lucid's food of choice aboard Mir.

This space dynamo will be munching on Power Bars. He's packed plenty.

"I just wanted to make sure I had enough calories ... just in case, if there are any delays or anything like that and the food runs a little short, I've got plenty of supplemental calories to stay healthy," he said.

Linenger is due back on Earth in late May, just one month before his wife, Kathryn, gives birth to their second child. Son, John, is 1 year old.

The last time Linenger saw his son, a week before Sunday's launch, he said the child "was passed out in the back seat, sucking his thumb and pulling his ear ready to go back to sleep."

It was tough, Linenger admitted, saying goodbye. But he was delighted to take off right on time.

"I've been in Russia 1½ years training for the flight," he said, "so an on-time takeoff was just the best thing that could happen and I'm raring to go."

NASA was equally thrilled with Atlantis' punctual, flawless liftoff.

With eight shuttle flights planned for 1997, including three Atlantis-Mir dockings and the first U.S. assembly flight for the inter-

Obituaries

Perry Post

1919-1997

ROBERT LEE — Funeral service is set for 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Robert Lee Baptist Church for Perry A. Post, 78, who died Saturday, Jan. 11, at his home following a long illness. Burial will follow in the Masonic Cemetery in Robert Lee.

Mr. Post was the father of Mike Post of Snyder.

Born Jan. 6, 1919 in Farmerville, La., he had lived in Robert Lee for 36 years. A long-time maintenance supervisor in the Jameson Gas Plant, he retired from Oryx, formerly Sun Gas, after 36 years of service.

Mr. Post was an Army Air Corps veteran of World War II and was a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine Post of Robert Lee; another son, Stanley Post of Columbus, Miss.; a daughter, Pansy Bloodworth of Silver; a brother, Jimmy Post of Corpus Christi; a sister, Farris White of Logansport, La.; seven grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Bessie Bliss

1912-1997

LEVELLAND — Service is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the chapel of George C. Price Funeral Home for Bessie L. Bliss, 84, who died Sunday, Jan. 12, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

William Eudy, minister of Levelland's Cactus Drive Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Sundown Cemetery.

Born Sept. 2, 1912 in Seymour, Mrs. Bliss had lived in Snyder the past four years, having moved from Sundown.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Martha and David Gist of Snyder; four grandchildren and their spouses, Bennie and Dawn Bliss of Hobbs, N.M., Janet and Steve Simpson of Levelland, Karla and Trent Moore of Runnaway Bay and Natalie Dolliver of Snyder; and five great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clifford Ray Bliss, in 1974; a son, H.B. Bliss in 1995; and a daughter-in-law, Linda Griffin Bliss.

L.H. McClinton

1910-1997

FORT WORTH — Funeral service has been set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Laurel Land Funeral Home Chapel for Scurry County native Lee Howell McClinton, 89. Burial will be in the Laurel Land Cemetery.

Mr. McClinton died at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, after a long illness.

Born on Jan. 31, 1910 in Scurry County, he married Elizabeth Jewel Ramsey in 1927 in Snyder. She preceded him in death on May 12, 1992. Mr. McClinton was a rancher and had resided in Snyder until he and his wife moved to Fort Worth in 1949.

Survivors include one daughter, Maxine Burwitz of Fort Worth; two brothers, P.R. McClinton of Fort Worth and Allen McClinton of Big Spring; two sisters-in-law, Bonnie Head and Myrle Ramsey, both of Snyder; and many nieces and nephews.

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One person arrested...

Quiet weekend for peace officers

It was a cold and quiet weekend for local law enforcement agencies as dispatchers handled less than half the normal calls they usually do over a two-day period.

The fire department responded to a call at 9:11 a.m. Saturday from Consuello Hermosillo at 1058 Pyron in Hermleigh in reference to a line to a heater inside the residence on fire. She called back as the trucks were en route and said they had turned off the gas and the fire was out.

Maria Gutierrez requested an officer at Cox's Laundry at 3:13 p.m. Saturday in reference to her daughter's jacket being taken from the premises.

A report for telephone harassment was made at 10:11 p.m. Saturday.

A woman called dispatchers at 10:37 p.m. Saturday in reference to seeing smoke coming from the south side of Central Elementary. Officers checked the building and advised school employees were working on the boilers.

An offense report for family violence was made at 1:36 a.m. Sunday.

A hit-and-run accident was reported in the parking lot of Lawrence IGA at 10:03 a.m. Sunday. Involved was a 1992 Ford pickup belonging to Larry Antognini of 2704 Ave. W and an unknown vehicle which left the scene.

A report of a gas drive-off was made from Skinny's on Coliseum Drive at 5:58 p.m. Sunday.

A 911 call at 10:16 p.m. Sunday reporting a fight in the 600 block of 29th Street resulted in the arrest of a 34-year-old male for assault/family violence.

Police waited too long

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there was no sexual attack and Irvin was not at Williams' home that night. Irvin maintained he hadn't been to Williams house in 1 1/2 years.

Irvin's attorney, Royce West, said witnesses could place Irvin in a sports bar at the time of the attack. He also told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that analysis of his cell phone calls showed he wasn't in the area of Williams' home.

A woman who answered the telephone Sunday at Shahravan's parents' home said: "I'm sorry I can't talk right now." She hung up after refusing to identify herself.

In an interview on ABC's "Good Morning America Sunday," West called Shahravan a "pathological liar" whose accusations could have a chilling effect on other women who may allege rape by a famous person.

"I think the first thing that people will say is ... 'Uh oh, here we go again, here's another rush to judgment, and the credibility of the victim, who may very well have been the victim of the assault, will very well be questioned, and very well scrutinized," West said.

He said men accused of rape but not charged should have as much protection from public identification as the women who file the complaints.

The players' attorneys have criticized police handling of the investigation, taking particular aim at an impromptu news conference Dec. 31 that police have said was necessitated by an onslaught of media requests.

"Our intention from the first day was to do it as we would any other investigation," said Spencer, the police spokesman. "We also made every effort to follow our policies in terms of being accountable to the public in terms of the press by providing the information that we could on this. That includes both our comments and the public record documents that we provided."

Police Chief Ben Click declined an interview request from The Associated Press.

But he told The Dallas Morning News: "The issue of the complainant originally going to a member of the media made it more difficult for us to try to manage the information."

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On January 16, 1997, at 6:00 p.m. in the Snyder High School Library during the regularly scheduled meeting of the Snyder I.S.D. Board of Trustees a public hearing will be held to discuss the AEIS (Academic Excellence Indicator System) Report. This includes performance and profile sections for campuses and district for the 1995-96 school year.

What's Up?

Choir boosters to meet

Snyder High School Choir Booster Club will meet at 5:30 p.m. today in the choir room. Plans for an upcoming chili supper will be discussed. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Key to Kingdom series

The Key to the Kingdom series continues on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The next tape, "God's Glorious Church" (Part 2), will air at 7 tonight.

Victory Baptist revival

Evangelist J.C. House will conduct revival services tonight through Wednesday at Victory Baptist Church, 3303 Apple Street. Everyone is invited.

Ira ISD board to convene

Ira ISD board of trustees will meet at 7 a.m. Tuesday. Agenda items are a public hearing on the district improvement plan, followed by adoption of the plan, and an executive session to consider the superintendent's contract and salary.

Extended clinic set

Scurry County Health Unit will hold an extended clinic Tuesday from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 2-7 p.m. Anyone not having a tetanus immunization within the past 10 years needs a booster shot.

Hermleigh ISD board to meet

Consideration of providing access to the Internet is the key item on a brief agenda for the Hermleigh ISD board, which meets at 6 p.m. Tuesday. Payment of bills and approval of previous minutes are the only other items of business.

Stanfield Parent Council

Stanfield Parent Council will meet Tuesday at 7 p.m. All parents are invited to attend.

Scurry fair board to meet

The Scurry County Fair board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the chamber of commerce office. Phil Robinson is president of the Scurry County Fair Association.

Grief support group

The grief support group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the First Presbyterian Church.

SNS applications due now

Snyder Neighbors Sharing is accepting applications through Wednesday for its 1997 workday. Applications may be picked up at Sam Robertson's Insurance Agency, the chamber of commerce or West Elementary and returned to Snyder Neighbors Sharing, P.O. Box 541, Snyder, Texas, 79550. Applications also appear randomly in the Snyder Daily News.

To be considered, applicants must own and be living in the house, be current on taxes and be age 65 or older or disabled.

Class of 1962 to meet

Snyder High School Class of 1962 will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at 1842 Tuscola to plan a reunion. Those attending are asked to bring addresses. For more information, call 573-9620 or 573-5978.

SISD board reception

In acknowledgement of School Board Recognition Month, a reception honoring SISD board of trustees will be held from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Thursday in the high school auditorium foyer. The public is invited.

Center needing pictures

Snyder Healthcare Center on the Big Spring Highway is in need of pictures to be hung in the living room, halls and rooms. Anyone having pictures they would like to donate is asked to contact Dorothy Treat.

Donkey basketball coming

Snyder High School girl's basketball program will bring donkey basketball to Tiger Gym at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 30. Ticket information will be announced soon.

Scurry Youth Center

Scurry Youth Center, located at the Boys & Girls Club, is open Friday and Saturday evenings from 7 until 11. To participate, you must have a current Boys & Girls Club membership or pay $1 admission.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
8-2-2
(eight, two, two)

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated $25 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday from a field of 50 were: 3-15-25-26-33-47.

If sales continue as expected, Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $35 million.

Two Texans break out of Utah jail

MOAB, Utah (AP) — Two of five inmates who used free weights to break out the brick wall of a Grand County Jail recreation room and escape remained at large today.

Three of the men were apprehended soon after the break on Saturday, but two inmates from Texas remained at large today.

"It was kind of a fluke deal," said Sheriff James Nyland, explaining that initially, an inmate using a barbell accidently bumped it against the wall adjoining the courthouse lobby.

"Lo and behold, he happened to hit the right spot and it knocked a hole in the wall," Nyland told The Salt Lake Tribune.

It didn't take long, probably less than 10 minutes, for other inmates to pick up on the idea and knock a hole big enough to crawl through.

A sheriff's dispatcher said Christopher Robert Conner, 17, a juvenile certified as an adult on charges of kidnapping and aggravated assault with a gun; and 18-year-old Daniel Fredrick Matthews Jr., charged with custodial interference, remained free early today.