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WEDNESDAY

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Ask Us

Q—Has the Girl Scout Association taken God out of its oath?

A—No, the oath has not changed, according to a spokesman for the West Texas Girl Scout Council in Abilene. However, national leaders did vote to allow girls to vary the wording of the oath to allow for individual religious belief. The GS organization, she said, strives to be an inclusive organization, serving all girls, not to exclude any girl due to race, color, religion, handicap or national origin.

Local

Stanfield

Stanfield Elementary family night out will be held this evening at Taco John's.

Snyder Oaks

. The Deep Creek Cloggers will be performing at Snyder Oaks Care Center at 7 this evening.

Appraisal

Scurry County Appraisal District board of directors will meet at 8 a.m. Thursday in the appraisal district office.

Club board

Scurry County Boys and Girls Club board will meet at 7:30 this evening in the chamber board room.

The board will vote on a nominating committee's slate of officers.

SISD board

Snyder public schools trustees will meet at noon Thursday with Dr. E.C. Leslie, consultant with the Texas Association of School Boards, to discuss the search for a superintendent.

Fund-raiser

West Elementary will hold a fund-raiser from 5 until 8:30 this evening at Pizza Hut. Those attending must have a coupon which can be picked up at the school. The cost is $5 for adults, $3 for children. Half of the proceeds will go to the parent council.

Jury trial

Final arguments were to begin this afternoon in 132nd District Court in the trial of Cecil Don Vineyard, charged with possession of child pornography.

The defense rested its case at 10:55 a.m. today without calling any witnesses. Judge Gene Dulaney said he would submit a charge to the jury at 1:30 p.m. Closing arguments will follow.

Vineyard, 53, is being represented by Snyder attorney Mike Brown. District Attorney Ernie Armstrong is presenting the state's case.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Tuesday, 32 degrees; low, 13 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 17 degrees; no precipitation.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low 30-35. South wind near 10 mph. Thursday, cloudy with a 20 percent chance for showers. High 45-50. South wind near 10 mph, becoming east 10-15 mph by late afternoon.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:07. Sunrise Thursday, 7:41. Of 18 days in 1994, the sun has shone 18 days in Snyder.

Chance for a million

Possibility 'unnerving,' says Lyle

David Lyle is doing the best he can to stay calm, but he admits that being selected as one of seven finalists eligible for the Texas Lottery's 29th Millionaire Grand Prize Drawing has him tied in knots.

"The prospect of one million dollars will definitely make you nervous," said Lyle, just hours after being notified Tuesday that his was the first name picked for the Jan. 27 drawing.

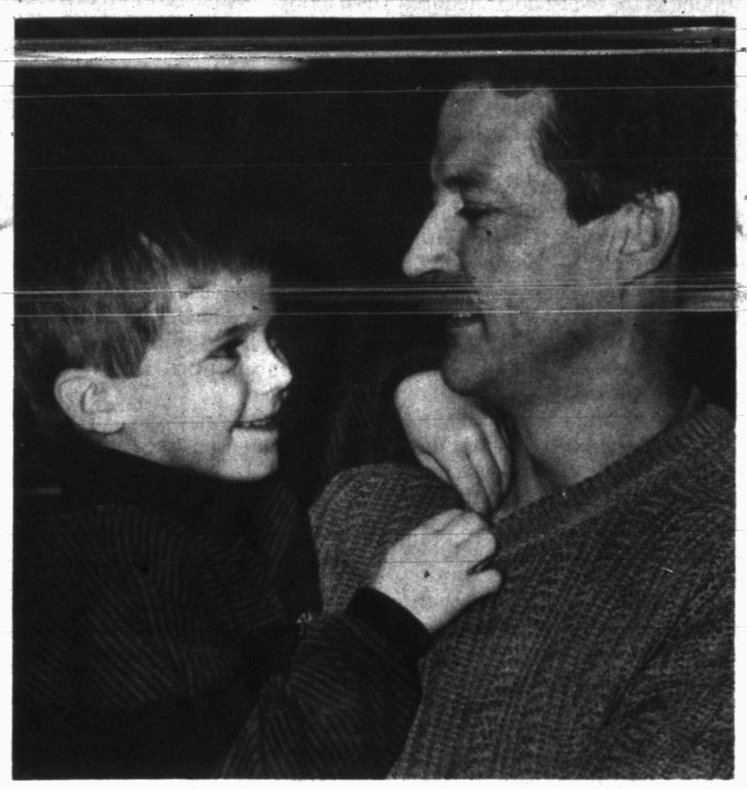
Lyle, the manager of Snyder Lanes, was notified of his good fortune in a 2 p.m. telephone call from the Texas Lottery Commission.

As a finalist, Lyle is guaranteed at least $10,000 — actually $7,200 once the government takes 28 percent off the top. There are two $10,000 prizes, two $15,000 prizes, a $25,000 prize, a $50,000 prize, and the big $1 million winner.

The drawing will be held at 6 p.m. on the 27th at the Civic Center in Alpine. The festivities will begin at 4:30 p.m. for "A Taste of the Big Bend," an event featuring Tex-Mex food and music, sponsored by the Alpine, Fort Davis, Marfa and Presidio chambers of commerce.

The Fort Davis soldiers will es-

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A MILLIONAIRE? — David Lyle tells his son, five-year-old Austin, that he may soon be a millionaire. Lyle is one of seven finalists for the Texas Lottery drawing to be held Jan. 27. (SDN Staff Photo)

Icy grip still permiates east

by The Associated Press

It was so cold they stopped making beer in Milwaukee. People in Atlanta were asked not to bathe. And a family in New Hampshire opened their refrigerator to chill their food.

Across most of the eastern United States, record low temperatures have closed schools, businesses, roads and airports. Thousands of people have been without electricity or drinking water, and utilities are struggling to keep up with record demands for power.

Power companies in New Jersey, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia and parts of Pennsylvania cut service to thousands of homes for 15 minutes this morning to offset an electricity shortage. Other companies asked customers to voluntarily cut back usage.

The Tennessee Valley Authority, which serves all or parts of seven states, expected an all-time power demand today, eclipsing its record 24,627 megawatts on Dec. 22, 1989.

At least 66 deaths have been blamed on the cold snap that began over the weekend. Most of the victims were killed on icy roads or had heart attacks shoveling snow. Some froze to death, including a baby born Monday in an unheated house in Dayton, Ohio, where it was a record 25 below zero Tuesday.

"It's the wind. It bites right through your face," Jerry Fitzpatrick, a repairman entering Wisconsin's state Capitol.

Letter carriers just bundled up and suffered.

"It's colder than a boss' heart," said Ron Macke, who delivered mail in snowy, 8-below St. Louis County on Tuesday. "I wore everything I owned, and it was still cold."

Record lows were recorded in dozens of cities, including minus 40 in St. Cloud, Minn.; minus 22 in Lousville, Ky.; minus 27 in Indianapolis and minus 22 in Pittsburgh.

The weather was blamed for 10 deaths in Ohio; seven in Georgia; five each in North Carolina and Tennessee; four each in New York, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Wisconsin; three each in Virginia and Kentucky; two each in Iowa, South Carolina, New Jersey, Maine, Illinois, Oklahoma and Maryland; and one each in Alabama, New Hampshire and West Virginia.

Schools and universities canceled classes today in much of the Midwest after deadly wind chills and temperatures well below zero were forecast.

Minorities disappointed over county-wide elections ruling

DALLAS (AP) — Proponents of minority-dominated judicial districts say the U.S. Supreme Court's refusal to abolish county-wide elections of trial judges spells trouble for blacks and Hispanics.

"I'm extremely disappointed because of what it means for minority voters — that they're not going to be able to choose the candidates they want," said Dallas attorney William Garrett, a plaintiff in a 1988 lawsuit calling for minority-dominated judicial districts in Texas.

Supreme Court justices on Tuesday left intact a federal appeals court ruling that upheld county-wide elections in nine of Texas' most populous counties — Harris, Dallas, Bexar, Tarrant, Travis, Lubbock, Midland, Ector and Jefferson. Blacks and Hispanics say the at-large voting dilutes their political clout.

The 1988 lawsuit was originated by the League of United Latin American Citizens. San Antonio attorney Rolando Rios, who handled LULAC's challenge, did not immediately return a call by The Associated Press Tuesday.

Texas has a 12 percent black population, but as of two years ago, there were only nine blacks among the 386 state trial judges, or .02 percent.

In 1991, the Supreme Court said a key provision of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965 applies to the election of state and local judges. That ruling was viewed as a boost to blacks and Hispanics hoping to win election to scores of judgeships across the country.

Stock show set to begin this evening

The 50th annual Scurry County Junior Livestock Show opens this evening in the coliseum annex building.

Scotty Windham of Abernathy will start judging the 282 swine entries at 5 o'clock. Show superintendent is Clarence Spieker of Hermleigh.

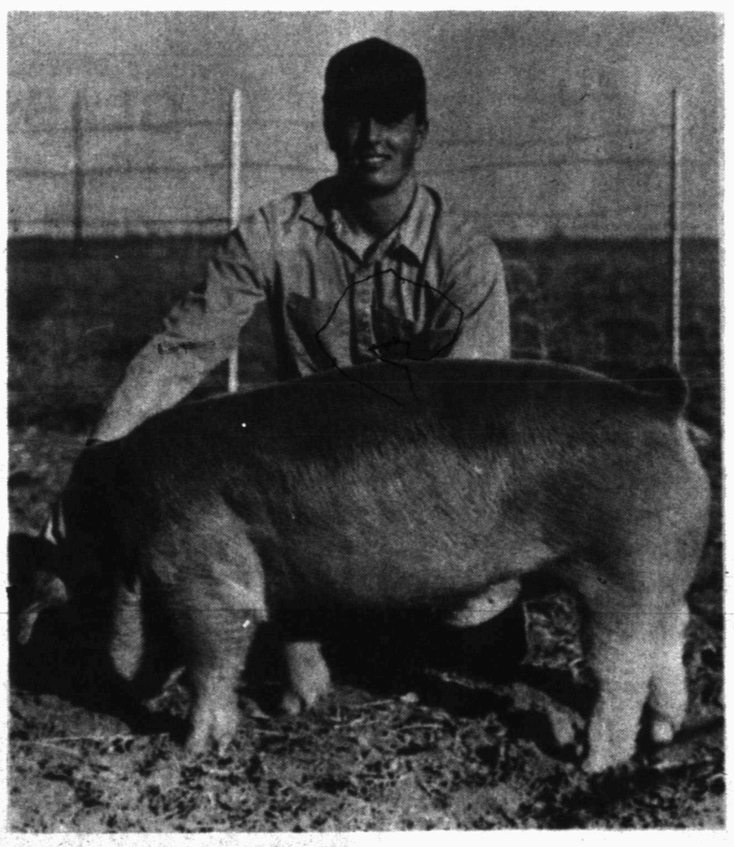
The grand champion trophy for the hog show is given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Koonsman. The reserve champion trophy is donated by Ezell-Key Feed and Seed.

Showmanship trophies are given by Ezell-Key Grain Co. and championship buckles are donated by The Shack.

The livestock show will continue with the lamb judging Thursday at 6 p.m. and steer judging on Friday at 7 p.m.

Being held in conjunction with the show is commercial steer judging.

The final events scheduled for Saturday will begin with lunch at 12 noon, followed by a buyer's mill and a premium auction.



LIVESTOCK SHOW HOPEFUL — Ira High School junior Travis Collom poses with one of two hogs he will enter in the livestock show this evening. Collom has been showing hogs since the third grade. (SDN Staff Photo)

First Baptist plans major renovations

First Baptist Church has finalized plans for the renovation of its worship center and sanctuary, a project totaling almost $400,000.

Work is expected to begin Feb. 15 and conclude by July 1, said T.O. Upshaw, chairman of the renovation committee.

Details of the renovation project include taking out the existing pews, laying new carpet, knocking down the walls of both sides of the building and extending the choir loft.

New windows will also be installed, said Upshaw, and a lighted Bible scene will be added to the sanctuary.

In addition, a new public address system will be installed at a cost of $50,000. Once the work is finished the PA director will be on the main floor of the auditorium so "he can hear what the people hear," Upshaw said.

Total cost of the renovation project is $397,000.

Keith Mathis will serve as the general foreman and much of the work will be done by members of the congregation. As much as possible, Upshaw said, the church will use local materials and contractors. Some bids let by the church include electrical and sheetrock work.

During the 20-week project, Sunday morning worship service will be moved to the multi-purpose building located across the street from the church while the Sunday evening service will be held in the chapel.

Next Sunday will be the last services held in the present auditor-

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RECEPTION — Dr. Gil Fleer and his wife, Ruth, were honored at a reception Tuesday in the board room at Western Texas College. Dr. Fleer retired as psychology professor and counselor at WTC at the end of the fall semester. He is being congratulated by WTC president, Dr. Harry Krenek. (SDN Staff Photo)

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "An inconsiderate husband is one who's deaf, but never bothers to tell his wife."

A recent item in the San Antonio Express-New caught the eye of Wallace Jones, who lives northeast of Snyder.

A regular feature in the Alamo City daily is called "Texas Lore" and is written by Patrick M. Reynolds.

The written material on the state's first intercity bus service was accompanied by two drawings. It read:

"The first intercity bus service in Texas began operating between Colorado City and Snyder on October, 29, 1907. The vehicle, one of the first commercialy designed motorbuses in the country, was hand-built by the Western Motor Co. of Logansport, Indiana at a cost of $735. It had no muffler.

"There were no roads between the two towns and that first bus to Snyder arrived late because it was stuck in a ditch for a few hours. Thereafter business propspered until the citizens told the owner, W.B. Chenoweth, to take his noisy machine elsewhere.

"He moved to Big Spring and started a bus service from there to Lamesa. The 55-mile trip took 8 or 9 hours."

The information is contained in Volume 10 of Texas Lore, available for $5.75. Cost for a 10-volume set is $39.95 and is available from Ingle and Associates, 401 Pebble Way, Suite 138-A, Arlington, Tex., 76006.

Being stuck in a ditch reminds us of the farmer who stationed a team of mules nearby to rescue stranded travelers.

After announcing his customary charge, one customer exclaimed, "At these prices, you're probably willing to do this day and night."

"Can't," replied the farmer. "At night I gotta haul water for the hole."

For Iran-Contra principals, slower was better

By Pete Yost
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The lesson of the Iran-Contra scandal is this: The longer it takes to investigate something, the better the chances that something will go wrong for the prosecutors. In seven years, anything can be brought to a halt — even an open-ended criminal probe.

It took prosecutors that long to get some answers from those at the top in the Iran-Contra arms and money affair, starting with a damage control exercise by the Reagan administration in 1986, followed by congressional inquiries and finally a $36 million independent counsel probe.

Even now, the picture isn't clear. Did then-Attorney General Edwin Meese spearhead a cover-up? Yes, says Iran-Contra prosecutor Lawrence Walsh. No, says the unindicted Meese.

"I underestimated the job when I took it," Walsh admitted Tuesday.

The Reagan White House swapped arms for hostages and diverted some of the proceeds to run a clandestine Contra arms supply network operated by National Security Council aide Oliver North, circumventing a congressional ban on U.S. military aid to the rebels.

AP analysis

All the major participants in Iran-Contra deny they did anything improper. But this much is known:

Congressional investigators asked Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger whether he'd taken notes of key meetings on the Iranian arms sales. No, said Weinberger, who, while speaking with the investigators was sitting a few feet away from his notes, stashed in a piece of office furniture. It wasn't until five years later that prosecutors found them — by this time boxed up in the Library of Congress.

Another case in point: the Iran-Contra notes of former White House chief of staff Donald Regan. They turned up in 1992, five years after Walsh issued blanket subpoenas for every document relevant to Iran-Contra.

In a major oversight, Walsh didn't conclude until 1991 that White House production of Regan's documents had been late and incomplete.

Under questioning, Regan said he still had copies of his notes. The originals — the Bush White House reported — could not be found. Had the originals been destroyed? If so, by whom? And when? Too much time has elapsed and the answer probably will never be known.

Regan's and Weinberger's notes suggested that Meese had created a false account of a possibly illegal arms-for-hostages deal by declaring Reagan hadn't known about it, when he actually had.

"The trail was cold" by the time prosecutors got the documentary evidence they needed to prove a cover-up by those at the top, Walsh said in his report. "With the principals professing no memory of often-critical events," Walsh's office "did not uncover sufficient evidence of an obstruction to justify a prosecution."

The attitude of Reagan and his aides is best described in the tape-recorded diary that then-Vice President George Bush kept in 1986 and 1987.

The White House revealed their existence to prosecutors a month after Bush lost the 1992 presidential election.

In his diary, Bush deplored the fact that Secretary of State George Shultz turned over 700 pages of personal notes to congressional Iran-Contra investigators.

"I would never surrender such documents and I wouldn't keep such detailed notes," Bush huffed to his diary.

Slowly climbing the investigative ladder, Walsh didn't reach the top until 1992, only to have Bush pardon Weinberger two weeks before the ex-defense secretary was to go on trial — in a case in which Bush was a potential witness.

By the time Walsh had gathered enough information to question Bush in detail, Bush was out of the White House — and he refused Walsh's requests to be questioned further.

The bottom line: "The criminal investigation of Bush was regrettably incomplete," Walsh's report declared.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Pete Yost covered the trials of Oliver North, and John Poindexter and Walsh's grand jury investigation of the White House, Reagan's Cabinet and the CIA.

Prevention is key to fighting crime, attorney general says

DALLAS (AP) — Before Janet Reno became U.S. Attorney General, she was a Dade County, Fla., prosecutor faced with the "terrible phenomenon (of) youth violence."

Visiting Texas on Tuesday, Reno said she sees the same problem here.

"We have all got to join together to let the youth of America know that there is no excuse whatsoever for hurting other people, for putting a gun up beside somebody's head," she said.

Reno and Gov. Ann Richards spoke at the Greater Dallas Crime Commission's awards luncheon. Reno gave the keynote address and Richards was named 1993 Crime Fighter of the Year for her role in increasing the number of prison beds in Texas and rewriting the state penal code.

Reno stressed the need to address such social ills as teen pregnancy and youth gangs.

One way to control the problem, she suggested, is through rehabilitative programs and job training .

"Unless we make an investment in our children, you will never, ever be able to build enough prisons 10 years and 15 years down the line to cope with all the problems that we face today," she said.

Targeting the same problem, Richards announced that Charles Terrell, the chairman of the crime commission, would head a statewide Youth Summit on Violent Crime and Juvenile Justice.

Before the luncheon, Reno toured a Dallas Police Department mobile storefront outside an elementary school. She praised the business community for donating the crime-fighting vehicle and said such a commitment by the private sector makes a difference.

Reno later toured southeast Fort Worth and its federally funded Weed and Seed area. Fort Worth officials credit the program with helping curb the city's crime problem. Major crimes in Fort Worth fell by 24 percent in 1993 from 1992, officials said.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Jan. 20, 1994

Key friends will be involved in activities in which you'll participate in the year ahead. It looks like you might be part of three different groups for three different purposes.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In a competitive development today, don't be overly assertive where you have to depend upon back-up. The ranks behind your banner might collapse under fire. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be doubly attentive today if someone is providing you with critical information. In fact, it might be wise to make notes instead of committing it to your memory.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Friends who have complicated their affairs might look to you today to help them sort things out. Regrettably their problems may pertain to things with which you're unfamiliar.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't bring outsiders into domestic disagreements today between you and your mate. The contribution they'll be able to make may not be helpful to anyone.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Malingers might be looking to palm off their duties and responsibilities on you today if they think they can get away with it. There is a chance they may be able to.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This is one of those unusual days where every time you take a position it might be in opposition to the popular view. There's a lesson that can be learned from this.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's best not to boast about your achievements today, because this might tempt someone who dislikes you to take measures to unwind what you have wound up.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If an associate says something about you today you feel is unwarranted, it may be smart to let it go unchallenged rather than making it an issue.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't make the mistake today of trying to shore up an important relationship with material things. Bonds can be strengthened, however, through gestures and deeds that are sincere and loving.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your judgment might not be up to par today and this may also be true of someone with whom you have a partnership arrangement. It could be a case of the blind leading the blind.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) True humility is a virtue, but humbling yourself in an unbecoming manner is not. Instead of flying false colors, you'll be more respected letting your ego emerge.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be careful what you say today to a friend who is presently attracted to an individual you dislike. If your remarks are uncomplimentary, your pal may not want to talk to you for awhile.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The Lotto Texas Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in this order:

9, 7, 8

(nine, seven, eight)

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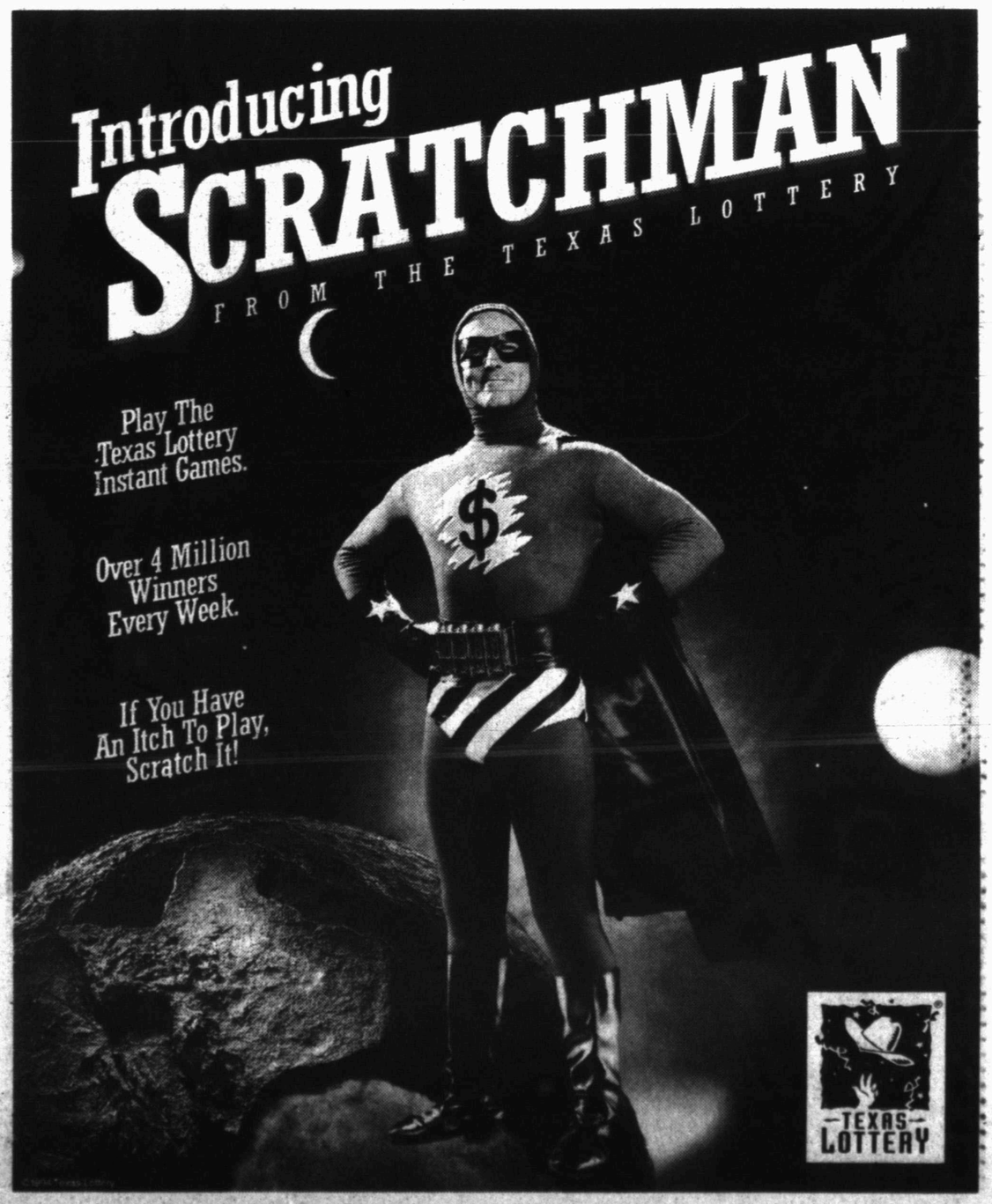
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By Phillip Alder

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♥ 8 5 4
♦ 7 4 3
♣ A J 10 8 4

WEST
♠ K 10 9 3
♥ Q 10 7 6 3
♦ 10 8
♣ Q 5

EAST
♠ Q 7 6
♥ J 9 2
♦ J 9 6 5
♣ K 9 2

SOUTH
♠ A 5 4
♥ A K
♦ A K Q 2
♣ 7 6 3

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 6

Don't delay — go to the gallows

By Phillip Alder

Madame Defarge had a strange hobby: knitting. True, that doesn't sound strange. But when you remember that she used to knit while watching people being guillotined during the French Revolution, it does take on a macabre air.

In bridge, though, there are deals in which kings or queens must be sacrificed for the common good of the partnership. The key play in today's deal has been highlighted many times in the literature, but it is still rarely made by a player below the expert level.

Against three no-trump, West led his fourth-highest heart. South captured East's jack with his king and played a club to dummy's 10. East defended well by ducking his king, but declarer returned to hand with a diamond to his king and led another club. When West put in the queen, declarer played low from the dummy.

West continued with the heart queen, but South was soon claiming 10 tricks: one spade, two hearts, three diamonds and four clubs.

West should have sent his club queen to the guillotine at trick two. The sacrifice of one monarch would have caused the total collapse of the declarer's republic.

If South plays low from the dummy, West leads another heart. And when East wins a trick with his club king, the defenders cash three heart tricks.

If South wins West's club queen with dummy's ace and continues with the club jack, East ducks. The club suit is dead and South cannot win more than eight tricks.

When declarer is trying to establish a long suit in an otherwise entryless dummy, it is usually right to play second hand high.

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Sign contract

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Bob Knight signed a five-year contract for his Indiana Hoosiers to wear Converse Run 'N Slam basketball sneakers while they shake 'n' bake on the court.

The coach said Monday that the shoes were a unanimous choice by coaches and players after tests on several brands.

The Hoosiers began wearing the Converse shoes on Jan. 8.

Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Scurry County Penwomen will not meet at the regular time but will meet on Jan. 26.

Cosmorama Study Club; Marge Mathis Smith Ranch; "We'll Add Carnations," covered dish supper; hostesses, Mmes. Ray Smith, Jack Gorman, Carl Ashley; 7 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

Honey Do's Extension Homemakers Club; home of Virginia Fogle, 2307 41st; Southwestern crafts, Mexican buffet; 9:30 a.m.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

Construction begins on Dallas center

DALLAS (AP) — Construction has begun on a higher education center in downtown Dallas, the first phase of a development planned to include residential and retail space.

The Downtown Education Center will be ready to accept students by summer, said David Biegler, chairman of the board of the Central Dallas Association and chairman of Enserch Corp.

The Alliance for Higher Education will administer educational programs and provide on-site management of the center, which is undergoing a $2.7 million renovation in an old Joske's Department Store building. The alliance is a consortium of 26 North Texas colleges and universities.

Fund-raising for the project is ongoing. But John Adams, chairman of the Greater Dallas Chamber and chairman of Texas Commerce Bank, said renovation of the first 50,000 square feet of the building will begin immediately.

Likes to kiss Gere

NEW YORK (AP) — Lolita Davidovich says filming a candlelit love scene with Richard Gere was a dream, even if she had trouble seeing him.

"We had to grope around. Richard was on the bottom wearing sweatpants, no less," the 32-year-old actress said in February's US magazine. "He's a delicious kisser."

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Study says prenatal care may not be racially equal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Doctors may be less likely to tell black women to quit smoking and drinking during pregnancy than they are to tell white women, according to some of the first research into just what constitutes prenatal care.

Black babies are twice as likely as whites to die before their first birthday, usually because of low birth weight. Doctors have pointed to prenatal care as a solution, saying the nation needs to get black women into their offices earlier and more often.

But do all expectant mothers get the same message during those prenatal examinations? Apparently not, concluded a study published in Tuesday's American Journal of Public Health.

"These are basic things that everybody should get," said Dr. Milton Kotelchuck of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. "It's a very disturbing finding, to imply that all prenatal care isn't equal."

Kotelchuck and Dr. Michael Kogan of the National Center for Health Statistics analyzed a 1989 government survey of 8,310 new mothers, all of whom received some prenatal care. The survey, taken every eight years, is considered the nation's most comprehensive. Thirty percent of the women had babies who weighed too little at birth. Half the women were black.

The black women were 30 percent more likely than whites to report never being told to quit smoking, although the majority of both groups had heard the message. Thirty-six percent of the black mothers said they weren't told to quit smoking, compared with 29 percent of the whites.

The black women were 30 percent more likely to say they weren't told to quit drinking, the study found. Forty percent of the black women said they weren't told, as did 30 percent of the whites.

There was no racial difference in advice on breast feeding or drug use.

The data comes just months after a large study found black mothers were twice as likely as other women of all races to drink, smoke and use drugs during pregnancy.

Mailings ask five jurors to vote their conscience

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The judge in the federal murder trial of 11 religious followers of David Koresh said five jurors have received mailings from a group interested in getting them to vote their conscience.

As the trial opened its fourth day of testimony Tuesday, U.S. District Judge Walter Smith questioned jurors who received the mailings, asking them if they had read the material and if the letters had altered their ability to serve.

The jurors, whose identities have been ordered secret by Smith, indicated that they followed previous instructions by the judge not to read any unusual mailouts. The five members of the panel indicated the mailings would not impair their ability to serve in what is expected to be a two-month-long case.

Larry Dodge, state coordinator of the Fully Informed Jury Association, said Tuesday his group was responsible for sending out roughly 370 brochures to a pool of people who were called for jury selection last week.

"We want to spread the word that juries can vote on the verdict according to conscience," Dodge said. "So, we pick on trials like this where there are a lot of issues of conscience, such as freedom of religion and a right to bear arms."

Dodge declined to reveal how he obtained the names and addresses of the jurors but said the remaining panel members would be receiving mailouts in the next few days.

He said that the mailing doesn't contain any material directly relating to the Davidians trial. He said it's a brochure informing them, "Jurors have the right to acquit a defendant, even when it's clear that he has broken the law, if they believe the law itself is wrong or wrongly applied."

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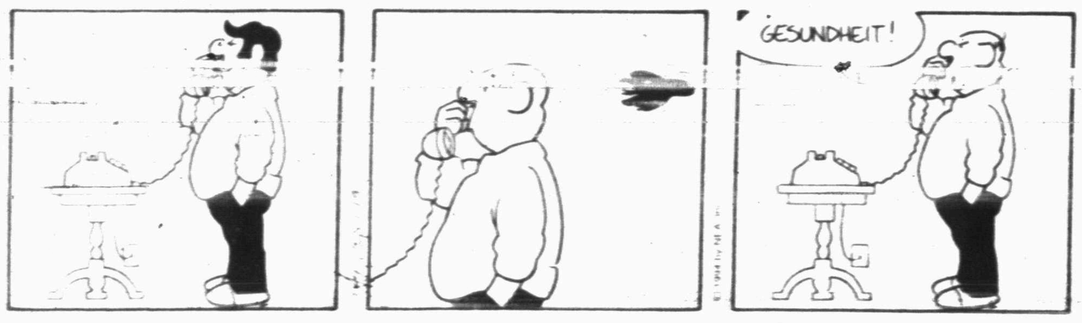
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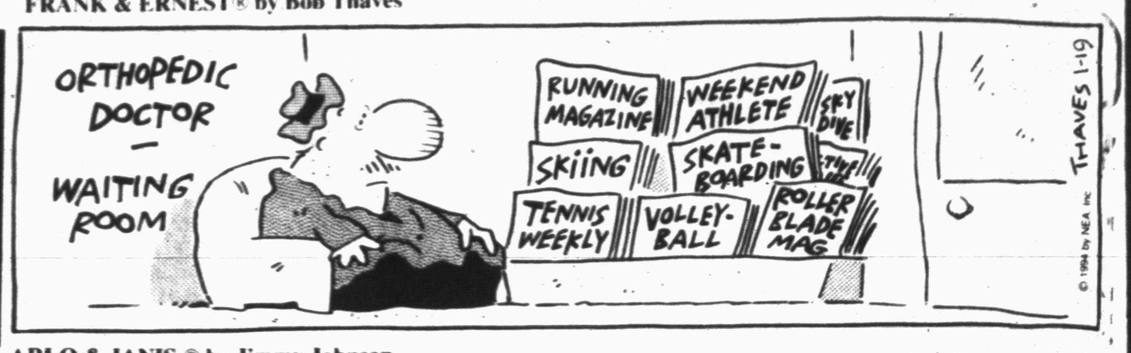
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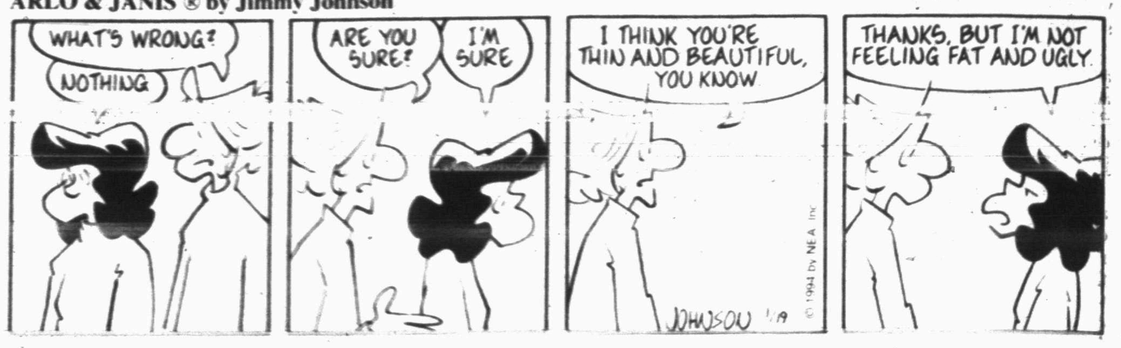
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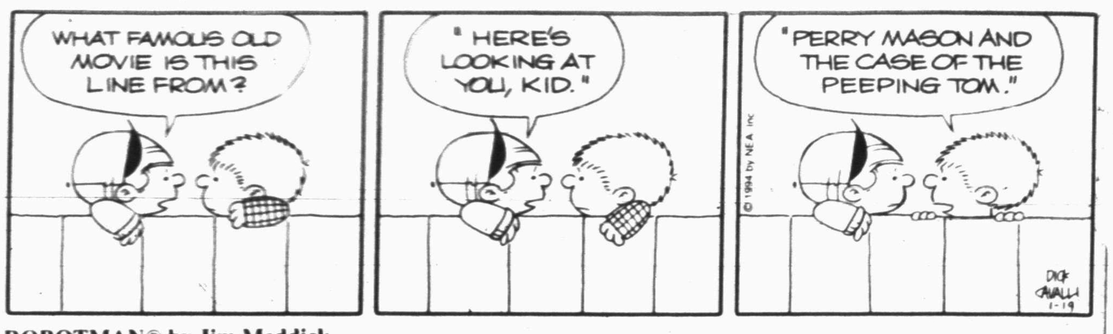
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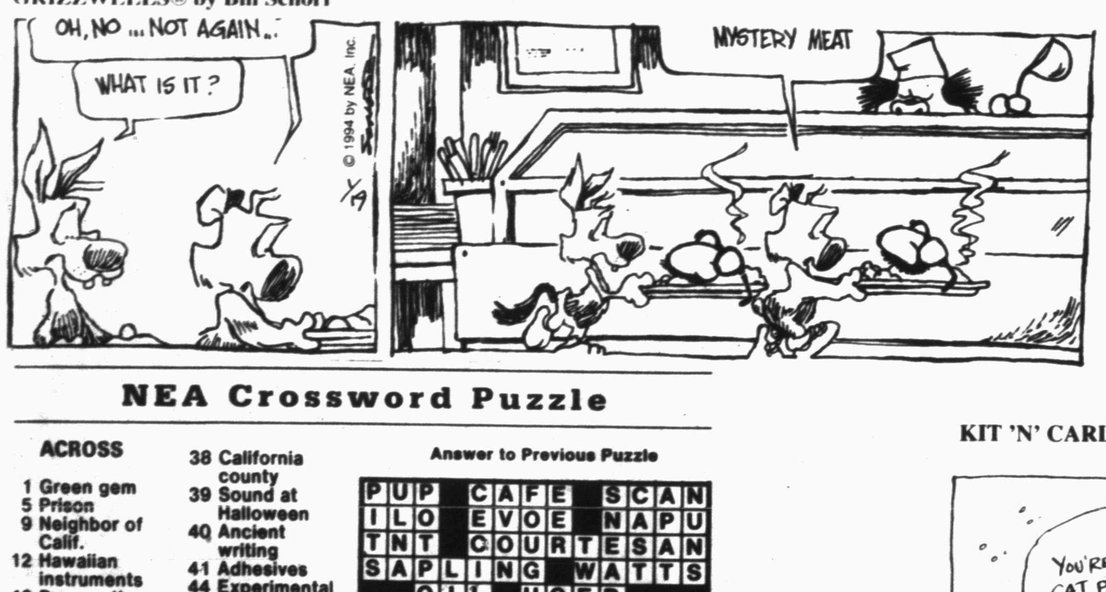
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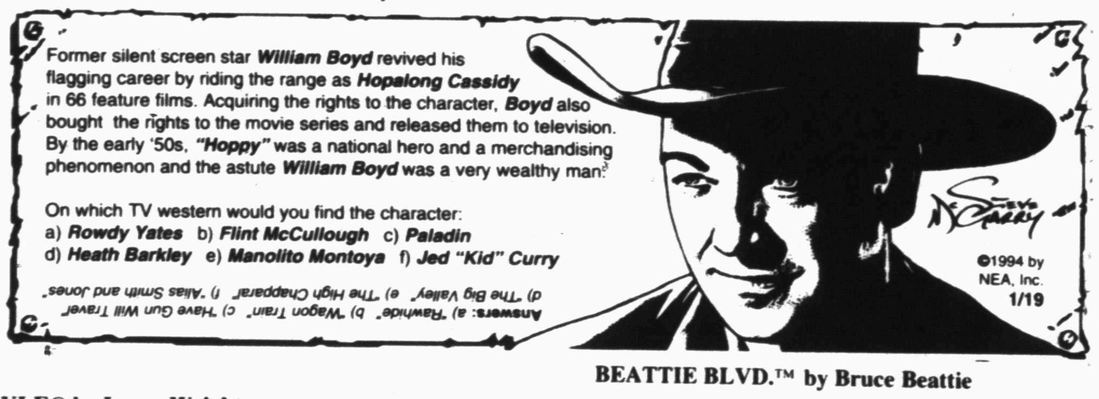
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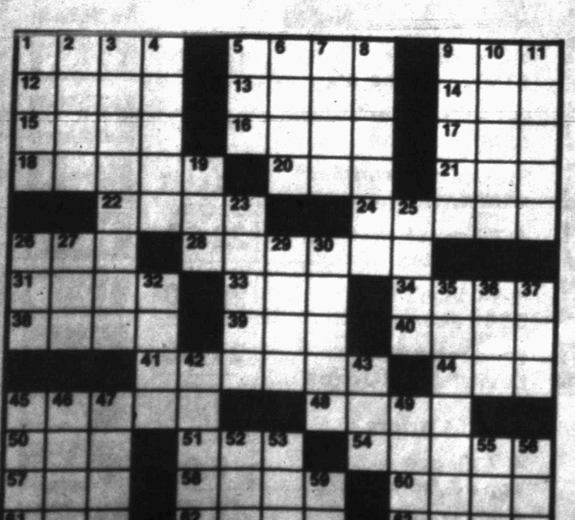
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21 Before (poet.)
22 Actress Sue —
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26 Investigative agcy.
28 Polar lights
31 Wheel tracks
33 Playing marble
34 Actor — O'Neal
38 California county
39 Sound at Halloween
40 Ancient writing
41 Adhesives
44 Experimental room
45 Swear
48 Certain
50 56, Roman
51 Grain
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57 Before Sept.
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63 Author — Ferber
64 Unhappy
65 Actual being
66 Relax

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1 Tribal magic
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4 Literary composition
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11 Male servant
19 Hawaiian timber tree
23 Removes feeling from
25 Actress Teri —
26 Next to Sat.
27 Baker's product
29 Public disturbance
30 Musical instruments
32 Soaks up
35 Christmas
36 Collection of facts
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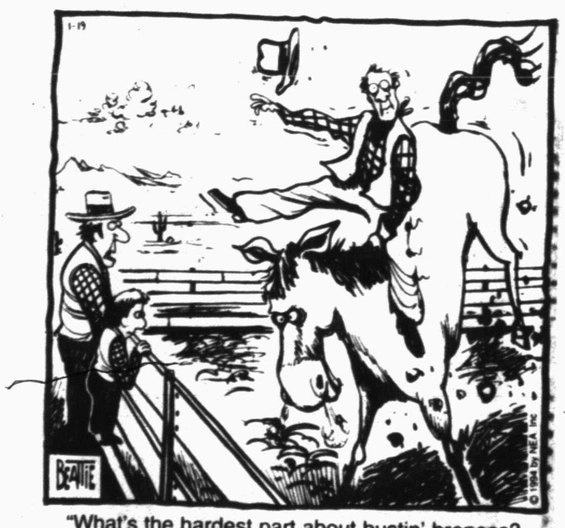
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Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Ways to avoid medication side effects

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has been told he has sero-negative rheumatoid arthritis. He's 42 and in constant pain. Is there a diet that would help? Prednisone makes him swell like a frog.

DEAR READER: Rheumatoid arthritis, joint inflammation caused by a misguided immune system, appears when the body mistakenly attempts to destroy its own normal tissues — the joint linings, in this case.

The affliction, marked by painful and swollen red joints, is ordinarily diagnosed by a blood test, called the rheumatoid factor. About three-quarters of RA patients show a positive test; the remaining quarter have an equivocal or absent rheomatoid factor. This group is said to be "sero-negative," and is diagnosed by other criteria, such as the pattern and severity of the disease.

Regardless of the results of the rheumatoid factor test, RA patients are treated identically.

First, non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs are used. These include aspirin, Motrin, Indocin, Feldene, Voltaren, Ansaid, Tolectin, and others.

For patients who don't respond to this therapy, a second line of drugs is employed: gold, penicillamine, hydroxychloroquine, or sulfasalazine.

Steroid drugs, such as prednisone, are reserved for the third line of defense in severe or resistant cases. Steroids are highly effective and produce miraculous results. However, they cause many unwanted side effects, such as diabetes, osteoporosis, cataracts, and susceptibility to infection. Consequently, they must be used with caution and in the smallest doses possible. One complication of steroid therapy, fluid retention, may be the reason your husband experiences swelling.

Finally, immunosuppressive medication, such as methotrexate and azathioprine, may be necessary to control the pain and stiffness in patients who cannot tolerate steroids.

In my experience, diet does not play a significant role in causing or curing RA.

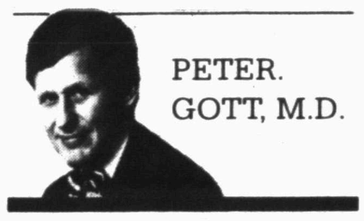
Although the treatment of this common affliction is not altogether satisfactory (because of the drugs' side effects), most patients can be helped by a program of medicine, in conjunction with physical therapy and surgery (replacement of badly affected joints).

Therefore, I suggest that your husband be examined by a rheumatologist. Such a specialist can initiate and supervise his therapy, using some of the drugs I mentioned. For example, your husband might be helped by gold injections, which would enable him to reduce the prednisone or use it only when necessary.

Because rheumatoid arthritis shares many characteristics with lupus, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Lupus: The Great Imitator." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

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Taxes

By Jim Luther
AP Tax Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — There is an extra line on the one-page Form 1040EZ this year and it could make taxes simpler for a few million people.

The new line allows a user to check whether filing status is single or joint — reflecting the fact that 1040EZ is available for the first time to many married couples. It still has only 10 numbered lines, compared with 33 for Form 1040A and 65 for Form 1040.

All three basic forms have been changed this year to show that the presidential-campaign checkoff has been tripled. Form 1040 has a new line to allow higher-income people whose taxes were raised retroactively to delay paying part of the increase.

But in most respects the forms are the same as last year. So are the rules for deciding which form to use, except on 1040EZ. Here they are:

1040EZ: You and your spouse must be under 65 and not blind, and claim no dependents or tax credits. Both spouses must file on the same return. Your 1993 taxable income — after subtracting personal exemptions and the standard deduction — must have been less than $50,000. You may have had up to $400 of taxable interest, but the rest of your income had to be from wages, tips and taxable scholarships. You may not use 1040EZ if you or your spouse worked for more than one employer last year and had wages over $57,600.

If you file 1040EZ, you don't have to worry about any accompanying schedules or specialized forms.

1040A: This form may be used for any filing status: single, joint, married filing separately, head of household or qualifying widow. But taxable income must have been under $50,000 and consisted of wages, tips, scholarships, interest, dividends, unemployment compensation, pensions, Social Security or withdrawals from Individual Retirement Accounts. You may not use 1040A if you claim adjustments for alimony paid or self-employment health insurance premiums.

Any of four separate schedules may be filed with 1040A: Schedule 1 to report interest and dividends; Schedule 2 for the child-care credit or to report employer-financed dependent care; Schedule 3 for the credit for the elderly or disabled, and Schedule EIC for the earned-income credit.

1040: If you had income that cannot be reported on 1040A, file 1040. This includes farm earnings, capital gains, barter income, self-employment earnings, prizes and state and local income tax refunds.

You have your choice of dozens of specialized forms and schedules to file with 1040. Among them:

— Schedule A, itemized deductions.

— Schedule B, dividends and taxable interest.

— Schedule C, profit or loss from a business in which you are the sole proprietor.

— Schedule C-EZ, (a shorter Schedule C), for gross business profits of $25,000 or less, expenses of $2,000 or less, no inventory and no employees.

— Schedule D, capital gains and losses.

— Schedule E, profits and losses from rentals, royalties and partnerships.

— Schedule EIC, earned-income credit.

— Schedule F, farm income and expenses.

— Schedule SE, for calculating the self-employment tax for Social Security and Medicare owed by anyone with a profit of at least $400 from self-employment.

— Schedule R, credit for the elderly or disabled.

— Form 1040X, if you have to correct your return after you file.

— Form 2106, employee business expenses.

— Form 2119, reporting the sale of your principal home.

— Form 2441, claiming the dependent-care credit or employer-paid child care.

— Form 3903, claiming a deduction for job-related moving expenses.

— Form 4684, deductions for losses caused by theft or fire and other casualties.

— Form 4868, to get an automatic four-month extension of filing time.

— Form 4952, for determining the deduction allowed for interest paid on money borrowed to make investments.

— Form 6251, for calculating whether you have to pay the alternative minimum tax.

— Form 8615, for computing the "kiddie tax" — the tax liability of a child under age 14 who had investment income over $1,200 last year.

Postal stamp pulled because wrong man used for portrait

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a million-dollar case of mistaken identity apparently unprecedented in U.S. history, the Postal Service is pulling back and destroying 104 million commemorative stamps of Old West notables.

The move, announced late Tuesday, followed complaints by family members and Western history buffs that the stamp portrait of early black rodeo star Bill Pickett was based erroneously on a photograph of a brother and fellow cowboy, Ben Pickett.

"Subjects selected for American stamps represent America's culture and heritage. To release a stamp that was less than our best would be a disservice," Postmaster General Marvin Runyon said.

Beyond the demands that the error be corrected, officials said the move was prompted by concerns that the episode challenged the integrity of the Postal Service's procedures to insure accuracy.

"Unfortunately in this case, we found that the design, research and validation process was not followed thoroughly," Runyon said in a statement. "We are now in the process of historically validating each of the subjects in the Legends (of the West) series to ensure accuracy."

The commemorative set of 29-cent stamps, sold in sheet form, honors Pickett and 15 other famous personalities of the Old West — William "Buffalo Bill" Cody, Annie Oakley and Wyatt Earp among them.

The Postal Service had spent about $1 million printing 250 million of a planned 400 million stamps in the series and about 104 million had been distributed to post offices nationwide for sale beginning in late March, spokesman Ali Jaffer said,

Linn's Stamp News reported that 10 sheets — each bearing one Pickett stamp along with others in the series — already have been sold in Bend, Ore. Jaffer said that was unconfirmed.

Stamps with errors are avidly sought by collectors and dealers.

The case of mistaken identity was the first in the 147 years of stamp production in the United States, The Washington Post reported. Jaffer also said he knew of no precedent.

No date has been set for release of the revised series.

Backed by history buffs, Frank S. Phillips of Silver Spring, Md., a great-grandson of Bill Pickett, raised the identity question with the Postal Service, saying family photographs showed the portrait was that of Ben Pickett, not Bill Pickett.

Stamp painter Mark Hess of Katonah, N.Y., told the Post he used a photograph that appeared in several Western history books that identified a black cowboy holding a rope as "Bill Pickett, Bulldogger."

But Phillips said a research aide to Bill Pickett's biographer had mistakenly pulled Ben Pickett's photo from a folder marked "B. Pickett."

Phillips said he was happy the stamp would be withdrawn and replaced. "It's the best thing to do, regardless of the cost," he was quoted today by the Post. The paper said Hess also will paint the replacement portrait.

Bill Pickett perfected the rodeo event of bulldogging — wrestling steers to the ground. His special technique was to bite the animals in their lower lips, hitting a nerve that caused them to collapse.

Portable laser might be new treatment for carpal tunnel

HOUSTON (AP) — A small laser device produced by a Houston firm might eventually prove successful in helping to treat sufferers of carpal tunnel syndrome.

General Motors, which has invested about $300 million in the MicroLight 830 and conducted tests with its workers, expects to release a study on the device's effectiveness this spring.

Carpal tunnel syndrome usually afflicts those who perform repetitive tasks with their hands, such as typing on computer keyboards. Those stricken complain of pain and numbness in their wrists and hands.

The MicroLight, which resembles a small flashlight, is a portable cold laser that uses a specific wavelength to penetrate the skin up to an inch without producing heat or damaging tissues.

The laser is designed to thrust a stream of photons, or light energy, to the cells, resulting in increased blood and oxygen flow and reduced swelling. In therapy, a doctor holds the laser against the wrist for a few minutes every other day for five weeks.

The product was developed by doctors and engineers in Denmark and is made by the Houston-area firm LaserMedics.

"I think it will be successful, a good treatment option," said Dr. Bernardino Arocha, one of several doctors experimenting with the device.

Arocha said he has treated 17 patients with the MicroLight, 14 of whom showed varying degrees of improvement.



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Retired admiral also lives up public life

AUSTIN (AP) — His navy blue suit sharply creased, his red tie squarely knotted, the retired admiral said that the messy process of Washington infighting and media criticism were his reasons for abandoning ship.

Then, Bobby Ray Inman headed for home, where he said he would sleep soundly as a born-again private citizen.

"I don't need this," said Inman, 62, who ended three decades of government service in 1982 and has spent the past 10 years as a businessman in Austin.

"I've already given 30 years of service to my country. I am simply not prepared to pay the current cost of public service in distortion of my record."

Inman strode into the small hotel meeting room precisely at noon Tuesday, the time he had scheduled for his announcement.

Taking the stage alone and standing ramrod straight, he fired the first salvo in what would become an hour-long broadside. His targets were what he called a few powerful but misinformed newspaper columnists and television talk show pundits who don't seek balanced reporting.

He described his view of the seas that swirled around him since Dec. 16, when President Clinton nominated him to succeed Defense Secretary Les Aspin.

At home in Austin, "the heartland," he said, friends couldn't fathom why anybody would take the pounding.

"I did not anticipate the degree of animosity that's popped up in some areas," he said.

"While the view I heard in the Eastern Seaboard was that one has to expect this as the daily cost of public service ... essentially throughout the rest of the country I heard, 'Why would you put up with that garbage just to do public service?'

"And the longer I thought about it, I decided the rest of the country has it right."

Throughout his hour-long news conference, Inman remained soft-spoken. Arms folded before him, eyeglasses tucked in his front jacket pocket, he described in sometimes minute detail the events as he viewed them.

He even explained that, for a time, he and his wife purchased the cleaning supplies used by the housekeeper for whom he eventually paid $7,000 in back Social Security taxes as the most recent Clinton "Nannygate" nominee.

"Right now, she's afraid she might lose her house," he said in the one moment where emotion seemed about to break through.

During a lengthy Navy career, Inman held a variety of key government posts, last as deputy director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

He said all of that was enough. He said he hadn't asked President Clinton for the defense secretary's job — "I don't need another title for my resume" — and that his family wasn't enthusiastic.

"The impact on the family who didn't want to go back in this fishbowl anyway was intense," he said. So on Jan. 6, he decided to withdraw but waited until President Clinton returned from Europe to announce the decision.

Occasionally, he pointed a finger. Once, he rocked on his heels. Then, a slight grin appeared.

What will Inman do next?

"Go back to enjoying my life," he said.

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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Widow's Diet 'Secret' Is Simply Moderation

DEAR ABBY: Some time ago, an item appeared in your column about an elderly lady who lost weight on a diet she composed. She lost weight on it and went from a size 14 to a size 6. I forgot what eating pattern she followed.

Could you let me have a copy of that program? Thank you!

HELEN MASON,
COSTA MESA, CALIF.

DEAR HELEN: The letter was written by an 85-year-old widow, who was enjoying a new lease on life. Here is it ...

DEAR ABBY: This is in reply to "Enjoying Life in Florida," who felt comfortable about her body even though she was heavy. I could have written that letter. When I was a bride, I was 5 feet tall and weighed 105 pounds. After 32 years of marriage, I was widowed, and within a year, my weight had doubled.

Now, here is where we part company. I would like to tell "Enjoying Life" how I took off weight. On my 80th birthday, I was a basket case. Arthritis was racking my knees and other joints, and I ached all over. In addition, I had high blood pressure, indigestion, and all of the other problems that go with obesity. Then I decided to do something about it.

Today, I'm 85; I wear a size 10 dress, and even more important, I am free of pain. I walk a mile in 20 minutes. (I can outwalk most people half my age!) People who know me are astonished that I did this without help from any organized group or special diet foods.

Here's my advice to people who want to do what I did. Remember, you didn't get fat overnight. Ease into your new habits. Never talk about what you are doing, just do it! Let others "discover" that you are losing weight.

First, cut down the size of your portions, then limit your meals to healthy foods such as fruits, vegetables, cereals, lean meat and nonfat milk. Drink at least 10 glasses of liquids a day (most of it should be water). When you cut out the fats and sweets, you will be surprised at how good the other foods taste. Even a baked potato can be a treat.

Start exercising. Begin slowly, then gradually increase the time, but do it so regularly that it becomes a habit.

Moderation is the key to success. Substitute common sense for bad habits. Life for me didn't begin at 40. It began at 80.

HAPPY AT LAST IN OKLAHOMA

DEAR HAPPY: **What an inspirational letter! Too bad we'll never know how many men and women over 50 followed your lead. Thanks for the wake-up call.**

* * *

DEAR ABBY: A young lady in our town is getting married next month. Her shower invitations arrived and on them was this message:

"Please remember to attach the receipt to your gift that you bring."

Abby, we are speechless and wonder if this is a new and acceptable practice. I am enclosing my name, but since this is a fairly small town, please sign me "Stunned in Salem County," and maybe the bridal party will recognize this. Mailed from ...

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Ruling deals blow to minority interests

AUSTIN (AP) — The Legislature may again be a battleground over the way trial judges are selected after the U.S. Supreme Court left intact a lower court ruling upholding county-wide elections in nine populous counties.

"The only way to have single-member districts now is to go through the legislative process," Gov. Ann Richards said after Tuesday's ruling, which involved Harris, Dallas, Bexar, Tarrant, Travis, Lubbock, Midland, Ector and Jefferson counties.

State Sen. Rodney Ellis — who had also urged smaller districts for trial judges as a way to boost minority representation — said he was "devastated" by the Supreme Court's ruling.

"It essentially guts the Voting Rights Act," said Ellis, D-Houston.

"The same courts we minorities once turned to as our last bastion of hope in our civil rights struggle is now the branch of government that is turning against us the fastest and with the broadest brush," he said.

The Supreme Court left intact the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision without commenting on the case, in which blacks and Hispanics said at-large voting dilutes their political power.

Texas has a 12 percent black population, but as of two years ago, there were only nine blacks among the 386 state trial judges.

The minorities say they'd have a better chance at the bench with smaller districts, including some in which minority voters make up the majority.

The Supreme Court said in 1991 that the federal Voting Rights Act applies to the election of state and local judges. It sent the case back for more study by the federal appeals court, which had thrown out the lawsuit.

The New Orleans-based 5th Circuit last August ruled that there was no Voting Rights Act violation.

In the meantime, in an effort to end the lawsuit, state Attorney General Dan Morales had drafted a settlement to change judicial elections. The settlement agreement was endorsed by Richards, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and the Democratic majority in the Texas House and Senate.

But several judges opposed it, including Texas Supreme Court Chief Justice Tom Phillips and two trial judges who had intervened in the case, Sharolyn Wood of Houston and Harold Entz of Dallas.

So the 5th Circuit court refused to return the case to the federal trial court where the lawsuit was filed so a settlement could be approved.

Morales, along with lawyers for black and Hispanic voters, had argued that was wrong, and that the 5th Circuit had misinterpreted the Voting Rights Act.

Now, Morales said he is reviewing options and will soon be prepared to discuss specific reform proposals.

"Texans must move with dispatch to ensure a balanced judiciary, free of undue political influence. Almost all Texans agree that the status quo is unacceptable," he said.

Texas Chief Justice Phillips, who opposes single-member districts for judges, nevertheless said the state should adopt a new method of judicial selection.

"Current judicial campaigns are too partisan, too expensive and too long, and they have not produced sufficient ethnic and racial diversity among our judges," he said.

Phillips said he hoped all sides would work together to improve the process by amending the Texas Constitution. A constitutional amendment requires a two-thirds vote of the Legislature and approval on a statewide ballot for passage.

DATE BOOK

Jan. 19, 1994

Today is the 19th day of 1994 and the 30th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1649, Puritans under Oliver Cromwell put England's King Charles I on trial for treason, after which Charles was beheaded.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: James Watt (1736-1819), inventor; Robert E. Lee (1807-1870), Confederate Army general; Edgar Allan Poe (1809-1849), writer; Paul Cezanne (1839-1906), painter; Jean Stapleton (1923-), actress, is 71; Dolly Parton (1946-), is 48; Janis Joplin (1943-1970), singer; Chris Sabo (1962-), baseball player, is 32.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1898, Brown defeated Harvard, 6-0, in the first official college hockey game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "All that we see or seem / Is but a dream within a dream." — Edgar Allan Poe

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1978, the first recorded Atlantic subtropical storm with tropical characteristics to form in January developed 1,500 miles east northeast of Puerto Rico.

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TODAY'S MOON: First quarter.

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Riddley, 'Dogs down Tigers

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

There was too much Steven Riddley on the floor for Plainview Tuesday to suit the Snyder Tigers.

Riddley, a returning all-district post, scored a game-high 30 points to lead the fourth-ranked Bulldogs to a 59-40 District 2-4A basketball win at SHS.

"He's something," Snyder coach Bud Birks said after the game. "He's everywhere. I remember everyone saying that he was the best player on the floor at the state tournament last year. I can sure believe it."

Riddley scored all the points in a 7-0 second quarter surge that lifted the 'Dogs to a 30-17 halftime lead.

The 6-1 senior post slammed a put back, hit a spinning jumper, and converted a three-point play in a span of 1:25 in the second quarter, as well as making a block and two steals.

On the night, Riddley hit 11 field goals and was a perfect eight-for-eight from the free-throw line.

"Besides him," Birks laughed, "I think we played them pretty close.

"We fought hard and we got after it," Birks said. "If you don't play well or you don't play smart, if you play hard, you can give yourself a chance to win.

"We played hard, we just played an outstanding basketball team."

Adrian Sneed pulled Snyder to within 11-7 early in the second on a steal and the ensuing basket. A Jim Pat Griffin fall-away on the heels of a Riddley hoop made it a 13-9 game before Riddley dunked at the 3:30 mark to start an 11-4 Plainview run.

Plainview's pressure defense kept SHS offensive threat Sneed in check, allowing the returning all-district wing just five points and only one field goal.

The Tigers' leading scorer was Ricky Post, who hit 10 points. Jimmy Henry followed with eight and Jon Patrick had seven, including the team's only trey.

Trailing Riddley for the Bulldogs were Dibi Ray, who wound up with seven, and Rob Bass, who hit five.

The Tigers slip to 14-7 on the season with Tuesday's loss. They are still searching for their first 2-4A win after two starts.

Plainview improves to 19-3 on the year and 2-0 in loop games.

In other action involving league teams Tuesday, Frenship nipped Estacado, 56-54, and Levelland handed Lamesa a 50-47 defeat.

Snyder will host Estacado Friday at SHS.

PLAINVIEW (59) — Ray 3 0-0 7; Gonzales 1 0-0 3; Williams 2 0-0 4; Riddley 11 8-8 30; Bass 2 0-2 5; Marshall 1 0-0 2; Bryant 1 0-0 2; Stacey 2 0-0 4; Parr 1 0-0 2; TOTALS 24 8-10 59.

SNYDER (40) — Cromeens 1 2-2 4; Griffin 3 0-0 6; Sneed 1 3-5 5; Patrick 3 0-0 7; Post 4 2-2 10; Henry 4 0-2 8; TOTALS 16 7-11 40.

3-point goals: Snyder 1 (Patrick); Plainview 3 (Ray, Gonzales, Bass); Total fouls: Snyder 13, Plainview 15; Fouled out: none; Technicals: none. Records: Snyder 14-7, 0-2; Plainview 19-3, 2-0.

Plainview	11	19	17	12	-59
Snyder	5	12	8	15	-40

2-4A basketball

Girls

Team	Season	District		
Frenship	22	3	4	0
Levelland	21	3	4	0
Plainview	15	10	2	2
Lamesa	10	14	2	2
Snyder	7	14	0	4
Estacado	1	20	0	4

Tuesday, Jan. 18
Plainview 54, Snyder 18
Frenship 77, Estacado 32
Levelland 62, Lamesa 39
Friday, Jan. 21
Estacado at Snyder
Lamesa at Plainview
Levelland at Frenship

Boys

Team	Season	District		
Frenship	20	3	2	0
Plainview	19	3	2	0
Levelland	20	4	1	1
Estacado	16	5	1	1
Snyder	14	7	0	2
Lamesa	12	14	0	2

Tuesday, Jan. 18
Plainview 59, Snyder 40
Frenship 56, Estacado 54
Levelland 50, Lamesa 47
Friday, Jan. 21
Estacado at Snyder
Lamesa at Plainview
Levelland at Frenship

Plainview pressure too much for SHS

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

Plainview's blistering pressure defense wilted Snyder's Lady Tigers Tuesday in a lop-sided 54-18 District 2-4A girls' basketball affair.

The Lady Bulldogs gave up just four points in the second and third periods, building a 36-11 lead.

"I take all the responsibility," SHS coach Steve Qualls said in a post-game interview. "I got a chance to see Plainview play twice at the Caprock Tournament, and I thought we would handle that mid-court pressure a little bit better.

"Like I told the girls," Qualls continued, "I get on to them for making mistakes and bad decisions. Well, the coach made a bad decision. We did not prepare as well as we could have. I told the girls this was my fault. We'll do a better job of preparing for them next time."

Plainview's speed on the break and defensive quickness made all the difference in Tuesday's matchup.

"It looks like we could play with them, but they're so dadgummed quick. They cover the floor very well.

"We missed a lot of shots, some easy ones, and we made a lot of bad decisions," said Qualls. "That was all due to their pressure."

Plainview led 13-7 at the end of the opening quarter, before a 23-4 burst that lasted until the end of the third.

The Lady Bulldogs were paced by Roslyn Dunn, who scored a game-high 15 points, including three 3-pointers.

Katrisa O'Neal added 12, as did Tanisha Ollison.

Snyder's leading scorer was Annie Ragland, who canned 11 points. Her 3-pointer in the first quarter was the only long-distance connection for the Lady Tigers.

Meriah Worthen, Marissa Barrera and Vanessa Williams each finished with two points for SHS.

"We'll look at the films and find out what we did wrong," Qualls said. "Then we'll have to just put this game behind us and go on."

Plainview made it a clean sweep of the SHS girls Tuesday, taking a 30-21 win over the Lady Tigers' JV.

Snyder slips to 7-14 on the season and is still looking for its first win in district competititon.

Plainview moves to 2-2 in loop games and 15-10 overall.

In other games Tuesday, Frenship and Levelland both won, setting up Friday's showdown for first place.

Frenship handed Estacado a 77-32 defeat, while Levelland ripped Lamesa, 62-39.

The Lady Tigers will host Estacado Friday.

PLAINVIEW (54) — Crosslin 3 0-0 6; Ollison 6 0-0 12; Cross 1 0-1 2; Dunn 5 2-6 15; O'Neal 5 2-2 12; White 1 0-0 2; Hastey 1 0-0 2; Brunson 0 0-2 0; Thompson 1 1-1 3; TOTALS 23 5-12 54.

SNYDER (18) — Barrera 1 0-0 2; Ragland 3 4-4 11; Williams 1 0-0 2; Shipp 0 1-2 1; Worthen 1 0-3 2; White 0 0-1 0; TOTALS 6 5-10 18.

3-point goals: Snyder 1 (Ragland); Plainview 3 (Dunn 3); Total fouls: Snyder 13, Plainview 17; Fouled out: none; Technicals: none; Records: Snyder 7-14, 0-4; Plainview 15-10, 2-2.

Plainview	13	8	15	18	-54
Snyder	7	2	2	7	-18

21-A basketball

Girls

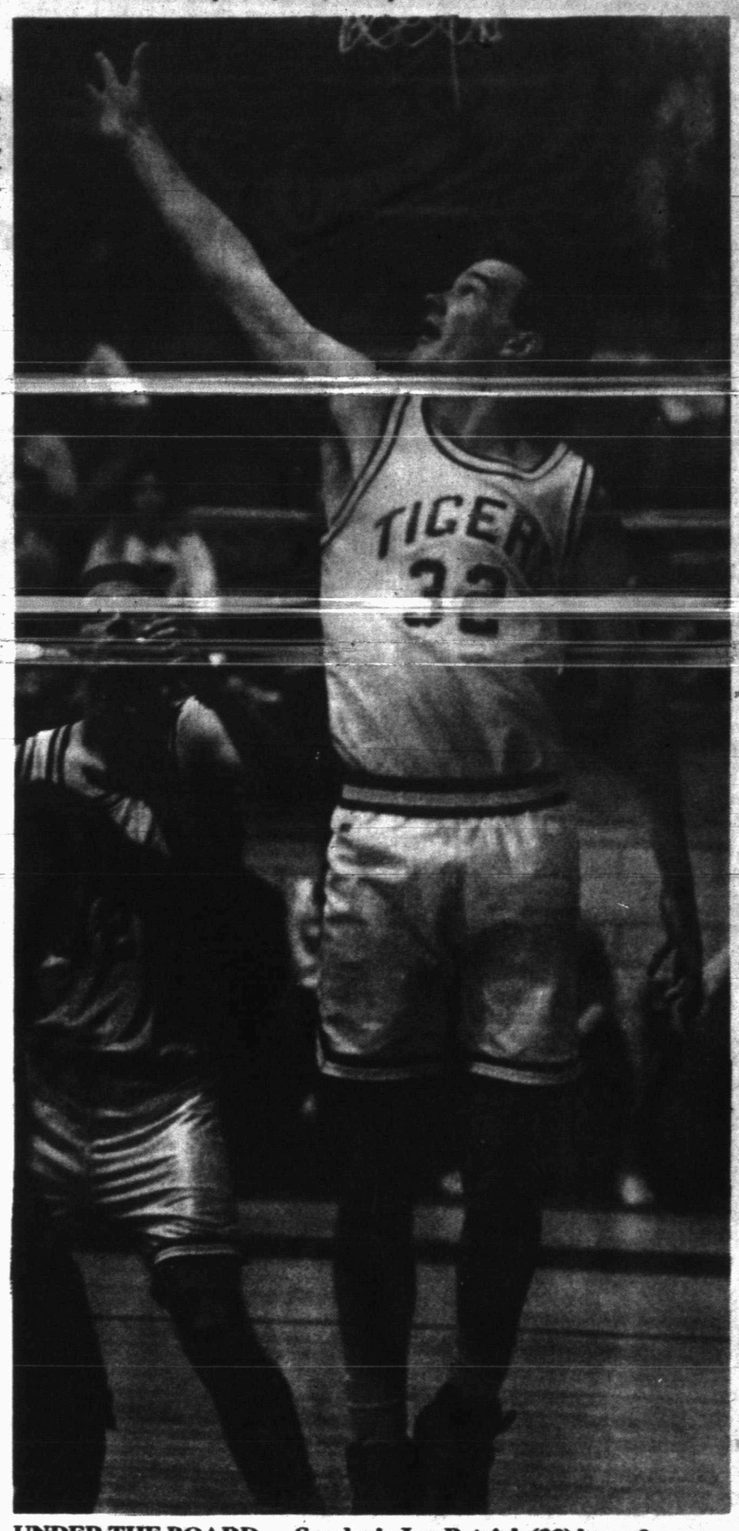
Team	Season	District		
Hermleigh	12	6	4	0
Ira	9	10	3	1
Highland	10	8	2	2
Westbrook	4	10	2	2
Blackwell	3	15	1	3
Loraine	3	12	0	4

Tuesday, Jan. 18
Hermleigh 46, Highland 44
Ira 60, Westbrook 46
Blackwell 46, Loraine 35
Friday, Jan. 21
Open

Boys

Team	Season	District		
Loraine	15	2	4	0
Highland	11	6	3	1
Hermleigh	4	12	2	2
Westbrook	7	8	2	2
Blackwell	8	11	1	3
Ira	3	14	0	4

Tuesday, Jan. 18
Highland 49, Hermleigh 46
Westbrook 60, Ira 55
Loraine 54, Blackwell 46
Friday, Jan. 21
Open



UNDER THE BOARD — Snyder's Jon Patrick (32) leaps for a rebound during Tuesday's District 2-4A matchup at SHS. The Tigers fell to the No. 4 Bulldogs, 59-40. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lady Cardinals hold onto top spot

HIGHLAND — Hermleigh's Lady Cardinals maintained their hold on first place in the District 21-A girls' basketball race with Tuesday's 46-44 victory over Highland.

The Lady Cards outscored Highland 35-11 in the second and third periods to offset a 13-4 deficit in the first and a 20-7 Lady Hornet run in the fourth.

Hermleigh was led by Connie Payne, who scored 18, and Kelly Gonzales, who chipped in 12.

The Lady Cards are unbeaten in four loop contests and carry a 12-6 overall slate.

Highland, the preseason district favorite, slips to 10-18 and 2-2.

Highland claimed a split in Tuesday's games by tripping the HHS Cardinals 49-46 in the nightcap.

The Hornets took a 25-17 halftime lead and fought off a Hermleigh rally in the fourth to claim the win.

Hermleigh's Ricky Sosa was the team's top scorer with 14. Billy Luna added 12.

The Cards fall to 4-12 on the season and 2-2 in 21-A contests. Highland improves to 11-6 and 3-1.

Girls

Hermleigh	2	21	14	7	-46
Highland	13	4	7	29	-44

Leading scorers: Hermleigh — Payne 18, Gonzales 12, Roemisch 8, Bates 8; Highland — Moore 19, Cornutt 11, Burke 6, Barnes 5; Records: Hermleigh 12-6, 4-0; Highland 10-8, 2-2.

Boys

Hermleigh	9	8	17	12	-46
Highland	15	10	19	5	-49

Leading scorers: Hermleigh — Sosa 14, Luna 12, Breitweiser 6, Sanchez 6, Blair 3, Hardy 3, Roemisch 2; Highland — Miller 26, Harbuck 11, Sutton 4, Davidson 4; Records: Hermleigh 4-12, 2-2; Highland 11-6, 3-1.

Freshmen rip Sweetwater

SWEETWATER — Snyder's freshman A boys' basketball squad ripped host Sweetwater Monday, 70-32, behind a 31-point effort from Patrick Cumbie and Eric Tovar's 11.

The A team posted a 49-38 victory in its Saturday tilt against Levelland.

Ricky Henderson hit 15 and Matthew Fambro added 12 in Saturday's win.

Snyder's B team fell to Sweetwater in Monday action, 50-45.

Robert Durst led SHS with 17 points in the loss. David Wagner and LeDerrick Richardson each canned eight.

The SHS A team will return to action Thursday when it faces Merkel at 2:30 p.m. in the opening round of play at the Sweetwater Freshman Tournament.

The B crew will be idle until a Jan. 27 home game against Lamesa.

Ira slams Westbrook in 21-A girls' contest

IRA — The Ira Lady Bulldogs strengthened their hold on second place in District 21-A with a 60-46 whipping of Westbrook in a home cage matchup Tuesday.

Ira bolted to a 21-6 advantage in the opening period and stretched the margin to 40-19 by halftime.

Westbrook went on a 22-10 fourth-quarter run, but the damage had been done.

Jennifer Rankin hit a team-high 17 points and Jody Rankin scored 14 for Ira. Angie Robinson and Misty Chance each finished with eight.

The Lady 'Dogs, 9-10 on the season and 3-1 in league games, trail only Hermleigh in the current district standings.

Westbrook slips to 4-10 and 2-2.

In Tuesday's late game, the Wildcats went on a 14-6 scoring binge in the pivotal third quarter to hand Ira a 60-55 loss.

The 'Dogs, 3-14 on the year and 0-4 in loop encounters, were led by Cole Sterling, who hit 17. Ronal White contributed 12 and Coy Henderson chipped in 10.

Westbrook moves to 7-8 for the campaign and 2-2 since district play began.

All district teams will be idle Friday. Ira will visit Blackwell Tuesday to wind up the first half of the loop schedule.

Girls

Westbrook	6	13	5	22	-46
Ira	21	19	10	10	-60

Leading scorers: Jennifer Rankin 17, Jody Rankin 14, Chance 8, Robinson 8, Calley 5, Oliver 5, Northcott 2, Johnston 1; Westbrook — Hale 18, Putman 12, Duran 8, Rich 4; Records: Ira 9-10, 3-1; Westbrook 4-10, 2-2.

Boys

Westbrook	17	15	14	14	-60
Ira	15	12	6	22	-55

Leading scorers: Ira — Sterling 17, White 12, Henderson 10, Howard 8, Beltz 8; Westbrook — Hill 17, Conaway 15, Browne 14; Matlock 9, Daniels 5; Records: Ira 3-14, 0-4; Westbrook 7-8, 2-2.

JV boys nip P'view, 48-43

Wayne Braziel scored a team-best 13 points as Snyder captured a 48-43 win over Plainview's JV Tuesday at SHS.

Marcus Byram added 11 for the Tigers, Jeff Hobbs put in 10, Beau McLeod chipped in four, followed by a basket apiece from Robbie Huestis and Ronnie Durst.

The Tigers, 11-7 on the season, will return to the floor Friday when they host Estacado.

College hoops

EAST
Pittsburgh 77, Boston College 75
Rider 83, Monmouth, N.J. 74
Robert Morris 70, St. Francis, Pa. 61
Syracuse 92, St. John's 82
Wagner 73, Mount St. Mary's, Md. 72
SOUTH
Florida 59, Kentucky 57
Virginia Tech 81, Liberty 65
MIDWEST
DePaul 78, Massachusetts 76
N. Iowa 102, Chicago St. 80
Purdue 83, Indiana 76, OT
SOUTHWEST
Texas Tech 80, Southern Meth. 73
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Idaho St. 71, S. Utah 69
St. Mary's, Cal. 87, Sacramento St. 67

NBA glance

By The Associated Press

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
New York	25	9	.735	—
Orlando	20	16	.556	6
Miami	16	18	.471	9
New Jersey	15	20	.429	10½
Philadelphia	15	21	.417	11
Boston	15	23	.395	12
Washington	12	23	.343	13½
Central Division				
Atlanta	25	8	.758	—
Chicago	24	11	.686	2
Charlotte	20	16	.556	6½
Cleveland	17	18	.486	9
Indiana	15	18	.455	10
Milwaukee	10	26	.278	16½
Detroit	8	27	.229	18

WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midwest Division				
Houston	28	8	.778	—
San Antonio	26	12	.684	3
Utah	24	13	.649	4½
Denver	16	21	.432	12½
Minnesota	12	23	.343	15½
Dallas	2	33	.057	25½
Pacific Division				
Seattle	28	5	.848	—
Phoenix	26	9	.743	3
Portland	22	15	.595	8
Golden State	20	14	.588	8½
LA Clippers	13	22	.371	16
Sacramento	12	23	.343	17
LA Lakers	11	25	.306	18½

Tuesday's Games
LA Clippers 126, Miami 124
Milwaukee 123, Detroit 91
Boston 95, Houston 83
Portland 104, Denver 103, OT
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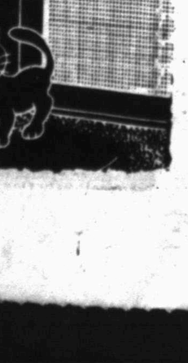
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NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Reba McEntire has an offer for country music fans: Give up a gun, see a show.

The country star said Tuesday that people who turn in a gun in each city where she performs this year will get a free ticket to her show. She plans to begin in mid-February with her show in Waco, Texas.

"I'm not anti-guns. I'm anti-killing," McEntire said. "I'm trying to eliminate the handguns at home, the antique guns under the bed and the deer rifles propped up by the wall that kids can mess with."

McEntire has 125 shows scheduled for this year. Tickets usually are about $22.

More than 6,000 people perished in 1900 when a hurricane, floods and a tidal wave hit the Galveston, Texas, area.

Construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad was completed in 1883. The last spike was driven near Garrison, Mont.

Mattox to win labor backing

AUSTIN (AP) — Former state attorney general Jim Mattox says he expects to win organized labor's support in his bid for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate in the March 8 primary.

"The momentum is with us," Mattox said Tuesday after speaking to delegates of the Texas AFL-CIO. "The polling has clearly shown that we've been the choice of the Democratic Party."

Joe Gunn, president of the 200,000-member Texas AFL-CIO, said Mattox probably would win the group's support.

"If I was a betting man I believe I would put the odds on (Mattox winning the endorsement)," he said.

But the other major Democratic primary candidates — Mike Andrews, a congressman from Houston, and Richard Fisher, a Dallas businessman — urged the group to keep its options open should Mattox fail to advance to the general election in November.

All three candidates accused Republican U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison of voting against the interests of working people. And they also verbally jabbed each other.

Fisher said if Mattox is the Democratic nominee, he will lose by a wider margin than Bob Krueger did in last year's special election. Mrs. Hutchison defeated Krueger in a runoff with 67 percent of the vote.

But Mattox said, "Just remember that was coming from a fellow who came in fifth and was beat worse than Bob Krueger was." Fisher received 8 percent of the vote in the 24-candidate special election prior to the runoff.

Both Andrews and Fisher conceded that Mattox, a former state attorney general and longtime labor supporter, would probably win the group's endorsement.

Gunn said if Mattox does not win the Democratic nomination, then the organization will re-evaluate Andrews and Fisher.

Andrews criticized Mrs. Hutchison for voting against President Clinton's budget plan. Andrews, who voted for the proposal, said it would extend tax credits for working families, reduce the deficit and create jobs.

Fisher depicted himself as representing a new generation of Democrats who can help the party, which he described as being in a tailspin.

Mattox emphasized his roots in the Democratic Party and his fights on behalf of working families.

In other political developments:

— Gov. Ann Richards, a Democrat, reported receiving nearly $3.8 million in political contributions from July through December, while her likely Republican opponent, George W. Bush, reported contributions totaling more than $2 million from Sept. 15 through December.

The campaign finance reports were filed with the Texas Ethics Commission.

Richards reported spending $1.5 million on her re-election campaign, while Bush reported spending $613,930.

About 82 percent of Richards' contributions came from in-state, her campaign reported. "Ann Richards enjoys unprecedented support from all segments of the Texas population," said campaign spokesman Chuck McDonald.

The Bush campaign reported that 94 percent of his contributions came from in-state. "The extent of our support in money and in numbers of contributors is beyond our expectations and shows the growing response to Bush's message of change," said Bush's state finance chairman Bobby Holt of Midland.

Two win at SHS

Two senior speakers from Snyder High School garnered the fourth place sweepstakes award at the Sandhills Classic Texas Forensic League Tournament Saturday in Monahans with 60 points.

Kurtis McCathern took first place in Lincoln Douglas debate on the topic: *Resolved that when called upon by one's government individuals are morally obligated to risk their lives for their country.*

He also took first place in foreign extemporaneous speaking with a speech on the future of Germany's economy.

Todd Goodlett took first place in dramatic interpretation performing a selection from *Of Mice and Men.*

The duo ranked behind Odessa High School, Andrews High School and Lakeview High School San Angelo speech squads in the sweepstakes category.

The first place award for Goodlett qualified him for the TFA State Tournament. McCathern had already qualified in his two events to attend the state meet.

However, Snyder High School does not fund TFA competition; thus both boys are self-coached in TFA competition. The next TFA tournaments will be held in Lubbock at Texas Tech and Abilene Cooper High School the end of January.

Snyder's ADDA chapter meets on 2nd Tuesdays

Attention Deficit Disorders Association Southern Region is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing educational and support resources to health care professionals, educators and individuals with Attention Deficit Disorders and their families. ADDA Southern Region is based in Houston and is continually developing chapters throughout Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico to meet the needs of local members.

The association has now formed the Scurry County Chapter which meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Snyder National Bank board meeting room. Call Charleta Scott, 573-9522, for more information.

To foster the optimal psychosocial development of ADD.ADHD children and to enable ADD/ADHD adults to be fulfilled, productive members of our society, the association is concerned with the development of community resources and services for the early detection and treatment of Attention Deficit Disorders. Monthly meetings, educational programs, support services, a newsletter, referral service, and the development of media publicity are some of the association's activities aimed at educating ADD/ADHD individuals, families, the community, educators and health care professionals to the special needs of ADD/ADHD children and adults. Families, professonals, and all those interested in the special needs of ADD/ADHD individuals are encouraged to become members of ADDA Southern Region.



RECEIVE PLAQUES — Patricia Cunnington presented plaques to winners in three catagories in the lighted Christmas parade last month. Best Use of Lights went to Scurry County employees for their float, "Children's Fantasy." Accepting are, from left, Beverly Glasscock and Elizabeth Scarberry. The other two winners not pictured included, Best Theme, "Nativity," by Colonial Hill Baptist Church, headed by Billy Tim Atwood; and Most Unique went to Ira ISD for its entry, "Country Christmas," headed by David Brown. Cunnington was chairman of the parade, sponsored by the local chamber of commerce. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Commuters jam alternate routes in LA

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Commuters venturing back to work this morning jammed alternative routes as road crews ripped down chunks of damaged highway, part of the Herculean task of repairing the nation's busiest freeway system.

Drivers from the bedroom community of Santa Clarita were forced off severed Interstate 5 and backed up 10 miles on a weaving 20-mile route of surface roads. A white ribbon of headlights marked the detour around the crushed remains of a towering interchange.

"These are not one-hour delays we're talking about," traffic reporter Jill Angel said on KCBS-TV. "These are three- and four-hour delays."

Some people were jolted awake at 6:10 a.m. today by a 4.4-magnitude aftershock. More than 500 aftershocks have rumbled through since Monday's quake.

Thousands of jittery people continue camping out in parks and shelters and people find themselves in ever-longer lines for gas, food, water and transport.

President Clinton was to visit the damaged areas today. The White House said he would avoid the freeways to keep disruptions to a minimum.

The bodies of a man and woman found in the rubble of a Van Nuys house Tuesday night brought the death toll from Monday's quake to 42.

Along the crippled Santa Monica Freeway, which normally carries 290,000 cars east-west through central Los Angeles each day, crews used cranes and cutting torches to tear steel and concrete from a crumbled overpass.

For the next five days, crews will work round the clock to take down the collapsed sections of the Santa Monica Freeway, Interstate 5 and state Routes 14 and 118, all vital links in the region's highway network.

The state Transportation Department said it hopes to rebuild the damaged freeways by the end of the year — a program that is expected to cost at least $100 million.

By Inman's departure...

Pentagon leadership left in lurch

WASHINGTON (AP) — Bobby Inman's surprise withdrawal as defense secretary nominee slams the brakes on the leadership transition that had been under way at the Pentagon since Les Aspin announced his resignation just over a month ago.

Senior defense officials whom Inman had asked to stay on after Aspin left, including William Perry as deputy defense secretary, now are back in the lurch at least until President Clinton chooses another nominee to oversee the military.

"That's the most serious part of it," former Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said today. "A year into the administration we don't have any civilian leadership at the Pentagon."

In a letter to Clinton explaining his decision, Inman wrote that he was fed up with "rush-to-judgment distortions of my record, my character and my reputation."

Mark Gearan, Clinton's communications director, said a choice of a successor is "not imminent." Clinton has done "preliminary work," Gearan said.

Among those mentioned Tuesday as possible selections were Deputy Defense Secretary William Perry; CIA Director R. James Woolsey; Norman Augustine, chairman of the defense contractor Martin Marietta Corp.; Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., chairman of the House Appropriations defense subcommittee; Rep. Dave McCurdy, D-Okla., chairman of the House Armed Services subcommittee on military installations, and former Republican Sen. Warren Rudman of New Hampshire.

Republican Sen. Trent Lott, a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said it would take at least a month to confirm a new nominee.

Cheney, interviewed on ABC, noted that the Defense Department was "the one charged with the very security of the nation itself. And to go this long without having ... strong civilian leadership is a real problem."

Kathleen deLaski, Aspin's press secretary, said Aspin agreed to a White House request that he stay "until a successor is found."

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Agent identifies Davidian who shot him

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — An ATF agent today identified one of 11 Branch Davidians facing federal murder charges as a person who fired shots at him during a deadly raid at the religious compound of David Koresh early last year.

ATF special agent Eric Evers told an eight-woman, four-man jury that Livingston Fagan used a military-style assault rifle to fire shots at him as he and other agents attempted to search the compound and arrest Koresh on weapons charges last Feb. 28.

"There is no doubt in my mind that man (Fagan) shot me," said Evers, who testified that he was shot four times and sustained chest and shoulder injuries.

Defense attorneys say Fagan and the 10 other disciples of Koresh who are on trial were defending themselves against an ill-conceived "government onslaught." They retaliated only after being fired upon by 100 black-clad agents who rushed the compound from two unmarked cattle trailers, the attorneys said.

On cross-examination, attorney Rocket Rosen attempted to show Evers may have been mistaken about who shot him because he didn't give a more detailed description of Fagan to authorities. Rosen also pointed out that Evers was never asked to identify Fagan in a police lineup.

Church

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ium, Upshaw said.

He said that while they have wanted to renovate the auditorium, which was built in the late 1950s, for the past two years, "hard planning" did not begin until a year ago.

Other renovation committee members include Derald Lambert, Regina Lancaster, Travis Bunch, Paula Gilbert, Wilson Howell and Louise Thompson. Bob Schumacher of Nashville, Tenn., serves as consultant.

The last time the auditorium was remodeled was in the early 1960s, Upshaw said.

He said they waited until they had paid off the remaining debt for the multi-purpose building, their last building project.

By July 1, the target completion date, Upshaw said they hope to have the entire cost raised within the congregation. If not, local financing will be arranged for the rest.

First Baptist Church begins this renovation project without the services of a full-time pastor. Don Taylor resigned in December and moved to Enid, Okla.

Since then, Upshaw said supply preachers have been preaching in the church on Sundays. Lay members of the congregation have assumed responsibility for what are normally considered pastoral visits such as visits to the hospital and newcomers to the community.

Upshaw said a search committee has already been selected and has begun the process of finding another pastor.

Chance at $1 million

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cort the finalists onto the lottery stage.

Lyle purchased his Lucky Star ticket at Snyder Lanes, which sells the scratch-off tickets as well as Lotto and Pick 3 tickets. On the wall near the cash register, is a placard that announces the final drawing.

Ironically, said Lyle, he had pointed to the placard earlier in the day and in jest, told his father, D.B. Lyle, "If they're going to call me they better hurry up."

When the call did come later, he thought it was just someone from the lottery commission calling about business.

"I got on the telephone and she said 'Are you sitting down?' and I thought, 'oh, no, I don't believe it,'" Lyle said. He said he tapped his father on the shoulder, pointed to the placard, and then emphatically pointed to himself.

The first person he told, other than his dad, was his wife, Sammie.

The news of Lyle's good fortune traveled fast.

"I never knew I was so popular," he said with a grin.

Others chosen as finalist were Dorothy Ayers and Sharonda Hudspeth of Austin, Wanda Bryce of Winnie, Savannah Brewer of Deer Park, Mary Pecina of Hearne and Sandra Bigham of Victoria.

Alternates are Leonard Dunn of Tahoka, Erma Green of Corpus Christi and Guadalupe Suarez of Houston.

Lyle pointed out that of the seven finalists, he is the only male.

"I'm hoping that's a good omen," he said. "Maybe it is. Could it be?"

Lyle and Sammie have two children, five-year-old Austin and 13-year-old Amber.

The Millionaire Grand Prize Drawing began in June of 1992. This month's drawing is the 29th and final one.

Peace officers note 4 arrests

Local peace officers made four arrests and worked three traffic accidents Tuesday.

A woman came to the police department at 3:50 p.m. to report her 14-year-old daughter as a runaway. The juvenile was located in the 1400 block of Avenue K at 8:34 p.m. and arrested by police, who later released her to her parents.

At 4:23 p.m., police arrested a 21-year-old man at 25th Street and Avenue O for public intoxication.

A sheriff's deputy made two arrests at 9:41 p.m. along Highway 350. Taken into custody were a 31-year-old woman for public intoxication and a 21-year-old man for driving at an unsafe speed and no liability insurance.

Drew Price contacted sheriff's deputies at 2:45 p.m. to report criminal mischief done to his residence along CR 452. Suspects have been identified and the investigation is continuing.

Snyder police worked three traffic accidents, the first of which occurred at 9:06 a.m. in the City Automatic Laundry parking lot. An unattended 1979 Ford van owned by First United Methodist Church rolled into a parked, unoccupied 1981 Oldsmobile owned by James Allison of 4400 Ave. U. The impact knocked the Oldsmobile into the laundry building. Damage to the building is estimated at $250.

At 1:55 p.m., officers worked an accident in the Allsup's parking lot. Involved were a 1993 Chevrolet Suburban driven by LaDonna Brown Cross of 2606 46th St. and a 1994 Toyota pickup driven by Stacy Annette Risner of Austin.

Police worked another two-vehicle mishap at 2:41 p.m. at 26th Street and College Avenue. Involved were a 1984 Chevrolet pickup driven by Aubrey Williams of Hermleigh and a 1982 GMC pickup driven by Olton Lee Smith of 4212 Irving.

Markets
Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	707/8	697/8	703/4	+7/8
Albtsn s	261/2	261/8	261/2	+3/8
Alldsignal	783/4	773/4	783/8	+5/8
Alltel s	275/8	271/4	275/8	+3/8
AmStores	431/8	43	43	
Amer T&T	551/2	55	551/2	+1/2
Ameritech	751/2	75	751/2	+3/8
Ameritech wi	377/8	373/4	377/8	+1/4
Amoco	547/8	541/2	547/8	
AndarkPtr	481/4	471/8	481/4	+1
Arkla	83/8	81/4	83/8	+1/4
Armcolnc	61/8	6	6	
AtlRichfld	1091/8	1081/2	1085/8	-1/8
ATMOS	281/2	273/4	28	-1/2
BakerHughes	215/8	213/8	213/8	-1/8
BancTexas	11/2	11/2	11/2	
BellAtl	553/8	545/8	551/8	+1/2
BellSouth	561/4	553/4	561/4	+5/8
Beth Steel	223/4	221/8	221/2	+1/4
Borden	151/4	147/8	151/8	+1/4
Brit Pet	66	655/8	657/8	+1/8
Caterplir	933/4	927/8	931/2	+3/4
CenSoWst	291/4	287/8	287/8	-1/4
Chevron	893/4	891/4	891/2	+1/8
Chrysler	631/2	621/2	623/4	+1/4
Coastal	291/2	29	291/2	+1/2
CocaCola	411/4	403/4	41	
ColgatePalm	595/8	591/2	595/8	-1/8
ComlMetl s	273/4	275/8	273/4	+1/4
Cooperln	513/4	511/2	513/4	-1/8
CyprusAmax	295/8	291/4	291/2	
DallSemicn	18	175/8	177/8	-1/8
DeltaAirl	553/4	551/4	555/8	+1/8
DigitalEq	335/8	33	331/8	—33/8
Dillard	345/8	341/4	341/2	+1/4
DowChem	605/8	601/4	601/2	+3/8
DresserInd	225/8	221/4	221/2	
DuPont	531/4	525/8	531/8	-1/4
EstKodak	443/4	44	441/4	+1/4
Eljerlnd	73/4	71/2	73/4	+1/8
Enserch	18	171/2	18	+1/2
Exxon	653/8	651/8	653/8	+1/2
FlowerInd	19	19	19	-1/8
FordMotor	691/2	685/8	691/8	+1/2
GTE Cp	343/8	341/8	341/8	-1/8
GnDyn	931/8	93	93	+1/4
GenElct	1083/4	108	1085/8	+1/4
GenMills	581/2	581/4	583/8	-1/4
GenMotors	621/4	615/8	613/4	-3/8
GenMotors E	283/4	281/2	283/4	+1/8
GaPacif	747/8	741/4	743/8	-1/8
GlobalMar	41/8	37/8	4	
Goodrich	417/8	413/4	413/4	+1/8
Goodyear s	475/8	471/8	471/4	+1/4
GtAtlPac	247/8	243/4	243/4	
Haliburtn	341/8	331/2	337/8	-1/8
Hanson ADS	21	203/4	207/8	-1/8
HoustInd	441/8	437/8	437/8	-1/8
IBM	57	561/2	565/8	-1/2
IntlPaper	751/2	741/8	743/8	
JohnsnJns	435/8	425/8	425/8	—1
K mart	197/8	193/4	193/4	
Kroger	207/8	203/4	203/4	
Litton	705/8	701/2	701/2	
vjLoneStar	23/8	21/4	23/8	
Lowes	61	601/8	601/8	-3/4
Lubys	221/2	221/4	221/2	+1/4
Maxus	53/8	51/8	51/4	+1/8
MayDS s	395/8	391/8	391/2	+3/8
Medtronic	823/8	81	811/8	-7/8
Mobil	79	781/4	783/4	+3/8
Monsanto	791/2	791/4	793/8	+1/8
Motorola s	1003/4	991/2	1005/8	-1/8
Nationsbk	493/8	487/8	49	-1/4
Navistar s	265/8	263/8	265/8	+1/8
Nynex s	393/8	381/2	391/8	
OryxEngy	177/8	175/8	173/4	+1/8
PacTelesis	563/8	557/8	561/4	+3/8
PanhBCp	241/8	237/8	24	+1/8
PenneyJC s	511/2	51	513/8	+1/2
Pennzoil	553/4	543/4	555/8	+7/8
PepBoys	27	265/8	265/8	
PhelpDodge	531/2	531/4	533/8	-1/8
PhilipPet	295/8	293/8	291/2	
PilgrmPrd	71/8	71/8	71/8	-1/8
Polaroid	355/8	351/4	351/4	-1/8
Praxair	171/4	17	171/8	+1/8
ProctGamble	583/4	573/4	581/2	+3/4
PubS NwMx	13	127/8	13	
RoyalDutch	1087/8	1081/4	1083/8	+3/8
SFePacCp	26	251/4	253/8	-3/4
SaraLee	233/8	227/8	233/8	
SearsRoeb s	517/8	515/8	515/8	-1/8
SherwinW	341/2	341/8	343/8	+1/8
SmthBchADS	327/8	325/8	323/4	+5/8
SmthBc eqt	301/4	30	301/8	
Southern Co	433/4	431/2	435/8	+1/8
SwAirlines s	367/8	361/8	361/2	-1/2
SwBell s	395/8	391/4	391/4	
Sprint	361/4	353/4	36	+1/4
SterlingChm	41/8	41/8	41/8	
SunCo	311/2	311/4	311/4	+1/8
TNP Ent	171/4	171/8	171/8	-1/8
Tandy	447/8	441/4	443/8	-3/8
TempInl	537/8	531/2	533/4	-1/8
Tenneco	563/8	561/8	561/4	-1/8
Texaco	653/8	65	651/8	
TexasInd	331/4	33	33	-1/8
TexasInst	693/4	691/4	695/8	—11/4
Tex Util	391/4	385/8	383/4	-3/8
Textron	591/4	59	591/8	
Travelers s	40	391/2	397/8	+3/8
Trinty s	463/8	457/8	457/8	-1/4
TritonEngy	301/2	303/8	303/8	
Tyler	53/8	53/8	53/8	-1/8
US West	431/4	427/8	431/4	+1/8
USX Delhi	163/8	16	163/8	+1/8
USX-Marathn	17	163/4	167/8	+1/8
USX-USS	437/8	433/8	437/8	+3/4
UnCarbde	25	245/8	25	+1/2
UnPac	67	663/4	667/8	
UnitedTech	65	643/4	647/8	+1/4
Unocal	291/8	29	291/8	
WalMart s	251/8	247/8	247/8	-1/8
WstnGasRs	321/2	32	32	-1/2
WestghEl	135/8	131/4	135/8	+1/4
WinnDixie	511/8	505/8	503/4	-1/2
Woolwth	251/2	251/4	253/8	-1/8
Xerox Cp	991/2	917/8	921/8	+1/8
ZenithE	81/4	81/8	81/8	-1/8

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Kelsey Laird, 2106 Huffman.

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Gunmen kill two

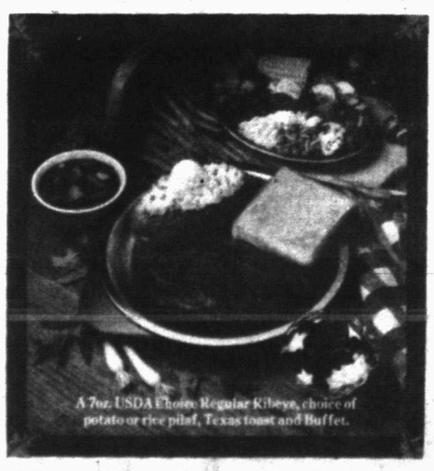
HOUSTON (AP) — Two men were shot to death Tuesday when a pair of gunmen walked into a downtown barber shop, opened fire and drove away, officials said.

Houston police Sgt. J.L. Waltmon said two men walked into the Jet Set barber shop about 5 p.m. and fired only at the two victims, whose names were not immediately released.

"Apparently they knew what they were after and who they wanted to shoot at," Waltmon said. He added that the assailants made no demands when they walked in the shop.

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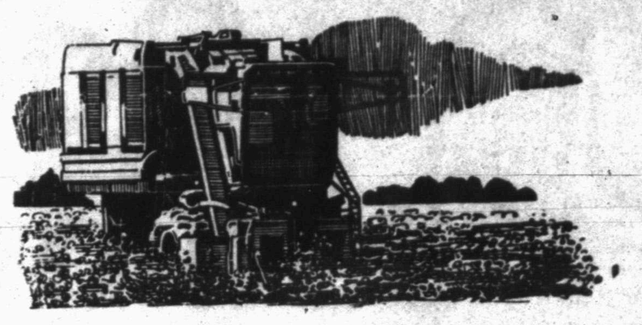
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SCS Notes

By Terry Hefner,
District Conservationist

Solid waste management has been and continues to increase in its complexity and cost. All across the state landfills will be closing due to strict new laws from the Environmental Protection Agency and Texas Water Commission. Regional landfills will have to be constructed to spread out the enormous construction costs due to the ground water protection components that are required. Another part of the new law is a mandatory reduction of the solid waste stream of 10% by 1995, of 25% by 1997 and of 40% by the year 2000. This means that all communities should be, if they are not already, considering ways to reduce their solid waste stream flow.

To date there appears to be only two viable alternatives for waste paper, either pay someone to transport it to a paper recycler at a large expense since most paper recycling plants are on the coast, or to handle the paper locally.

With help from Big Country RC&D and the Snyder SCS Field Office, Western Texas College is utilizing waste paper in the form of large pellets — 2 to 4 inches long with a ¾ inch diameter — as alternative to conventional mulch for wind erosion reduction. The pellets hold down the soil and break up the wind's impact. It is expected to have less soil blowing away when it's dry and less sediment carried away in the streams when it rains according to Jimmy Apel, Big Country RC&D Coordinator. The pellets have other advantages over shredded paper. The compacted paper takes longer to decompose and is easier to transport, allowing more pounds of newspaper per truckload.

There's a future for paper pellets nationwide, with cities buying portable equipment to grind paper and extrude it as pellets Apel says. He says that after toxicity and wind tunnel tests are done on the 1 acre test plots at WTC and the same size plots in Mitchell, Howard and Garza Counties, we will expand to larger plots of 40 acres and 100 acres. Then we can meet with farmers and interested organizations to show them how to use recycled paper pellets.

For more information about paper pellets contact the Soil Conservation Service at 5309 Big Spring Highway or call at 573-6317.



PELLETS — Terry Hefner, district conservationist, holds pellets made from recycled paper. They will be used in a conservation program at We[illegible]Texas College. (SDN Staff Photo)

Production of Upland cotton up 56%

AUSTIN — The 1993 Texas Upland cotton production is expected to total 5.10 million bales, up 56 percent from last year but down 2 percent from the December 1993 forecast, according to figures released by the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service.

"Overall the crop turned out very good except for some dryland areas on the Plains and in the Blacklands," State Statistician Dennis Findley reported.

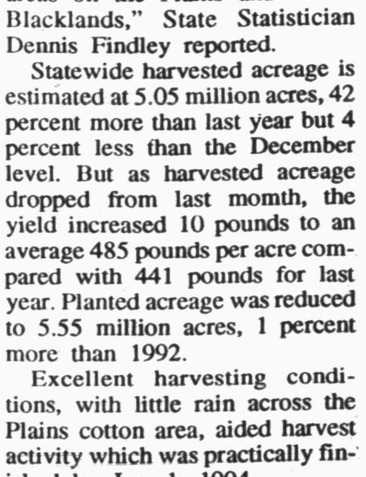
Statewide harvested acreage is estimated at 5.05 million acres, 42 percent more than last year but 4 percent less than the December level. But as harvested acreage dropped from last momth, the yield increased 10 pounds to an average 485 pounds per acre compared with 441 pounds for last year. Planted acreage was reduced to 5.55 million acres, 1 percent more than 1992.

Excellent harvesting conditions, with little rain across the Plains cotton area, aided harvest activity which was practically finished by Jan. 1, 1994.

Production on the Southern High Plains is expected to total 2.60 million bales, almost double the previous year's production when crop acreage losses were widespread. Average yield, at 543 pounds, is 71 pounds above a year ago.

The Northern High Plains crop, estimated at 810 thousand bales, was 10 times greater than last year, due mostly to the extremely heavy acreage loss last year. In the Low Plains, production is estimated at 520 thousand bales, 20 percent below a year ago.

United States Upland cotton production is expected to total 15.8 million bales, up 1 percent from last year. Yield is expected to average 602 pounds per acre compared with 693 pounds in 1992. Harvested acreage is estimated at 12.6 million acres, 16 percent above a year ago.



Texas Farmers Union hosts 90th annual state convention

WACO — Joe Rankin, president of Texas Farmers Union, at the organization's state headquarters in Waco, said, "Delegates and guests from across the state will meet at the Ramada Hotel in Fort Worth, Friday Jan. 28 and Saturday, Jan. 29, to celebrate our 90th annual state convention."

"Although the organization had its beginning in 1902 at Point, Rains County, Texas, the first two years were spent in organizational efforts and no official conventions were called; so this year's meeting is of special significance for our members. Ninety years of continuous service to the family farmers and ranchers of this state and nation is a good record by any standards," Rankin said.

The state president also indicated, "Our organization has grave concerns about the recent passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), and the long range affects it will have on the family farm system of agriculture in this nation." "We will work with the present administration and the Congress to the best of our combined ability to protect our family farmers and ranchers — and the food and fiber we supply as the world's greatest producers," Rankin continued.

Scheduled events for the two-day meeting include the following speakers:

—Mike Moncrief, state senator; Bob Bullock, lieutenant governor; and Pete Geren, congressman, Friday, Jan. 28 from 2 to 6 p.m.; and from 8 to 10 p.m. Andrea Wooten, president, Green Thumb, Inc.; George Ellis, state director, Farmers Home Administration.

—Saturday, Jan 29, 8 to noon Martin Frost, member of Congress; Peggy Garner, commissioner, Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission; Harold Bob Bennett, state executive director, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service; Noon Luncheon: Pete Laney, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

—Saturday, Jan. 29, banquet session — 7 to 9 p.m.: Molly Ivins, political columnist of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram; Lee Swenson, president, National Farmers Union.

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Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

The Escherichia coli (E. coli) pathogen continues to make headlines and may continue to do so.

Most strains of E. coli are harmless but some will cause distinct symptoms of diarrhea disease. Such E. coli are commonly found in intestines of human and warm blooded animals but do not cause the same response as a new strain of the E. coli pathogen, E. coli 0157:H7.

This new strain of E. coli that surfaced in 1982 is now recognized as an important cause of foodborne illness with outbreaks having been reported in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom.

Symptoms of the new strain of E. coli can range from self-limiting watery diarrhea to life-threatening symptoms such as severe bloody diarrhea, kidney failure and blood clots in the brain. It causes severe bleeding in the intestine. Major symptoms include sudden onset of severe abdominal cramps, followed within 24 hours by watery diarrhea that later becomes very bloody; and vomitng with little or no fever.

The incubation or the time from exposure until symptoms develop is from three to nine days. The illness usually lasts from two to nine days with the midpoint being four days. It occurs more often in the elderly.

The illness may affect the central nervous system and may cause blood clots in the brain and death.

To prevent contracting this foodborne illness, follow these simple rules:

—**Cook all ground beef until it is well done and the juices run clear.** Grinding meat exposes it to the air and mixes many sources of the meat together. Thorough cooking kills most bacteria that could be present. Less heat gets to the center of the ground beef and bacteria present may not be destroyed unless the cooking is thorough.

—**Microwave carefully.** If your oven is a lower wattage than what is shown in the instructions, you'll need to cook food longer or at a high setting. Cover and rotate food for even cooking. Let food stand outside the oven after cooking if so directed. The food will finish cooking as it stands.

Colorado City livestock auction

COLORADO CITY — All classes of cattle steady and stronger and all packer cows and bulls 1-2 dollars higher. 1,218 head at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, Jan. 15.

Heifers: 200-400, 92-118; 400-600, 86-95; 600-800, 76-86.

Steers: 200-400, 105-125; 400-600, 88-105; 600-800, 80-88.

Bred cows good: 600-800; older bred cows: 400-550; pairs good: 700-850; older pairs: 500-625; good packer bulls: 55-66; fat bulls: 52-55.

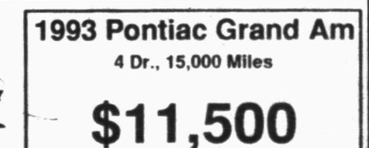
Ratite seminar set

The National Ratite Breeder's Association is sponsoring a seminar Jan.-21-23 at the Ramada Hotel in Wichita Falls.

Anyone wishing to attend needs to call the National Ratite Breeders Association office at (402) 291-6722.

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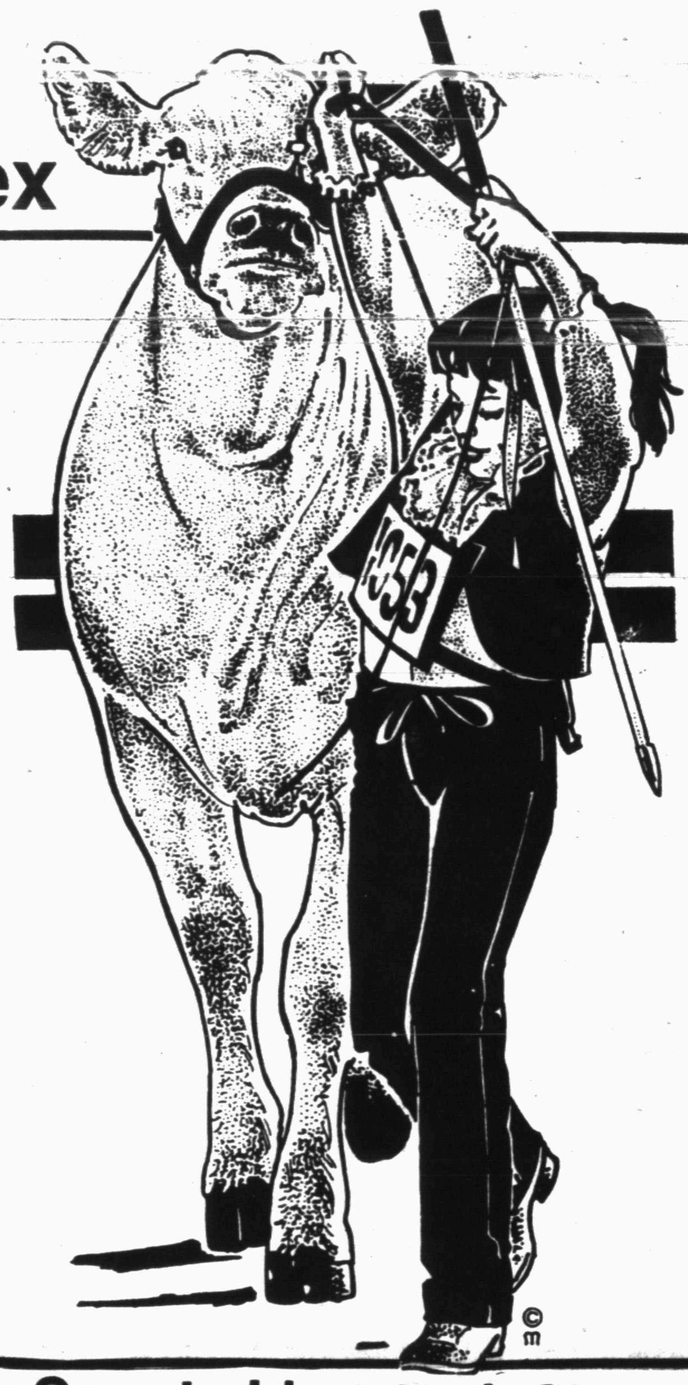
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