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Murder suspects held on $100,000 bonds

MURDER SUSPECTS — Arthur Lee Harding and Nina Jonell Henderson are escorted to a police car Friday by Snyder Police Lt. Steve Warren and Sgt. Kevin Fritz. The two were flown to Snyder after being arrested in Louisiana for the murder of Snyder businessman Paul Milford. (SDN Staff Photo by Clay Jacobs)

Couple admits killing Milford

A man and woman arrested in Louisiana for the murder of Snyder businessman Paul Milford have admitted they killed him, the chief investigator in the case said Friday.

"They've indicated that they had taken his life and that's why they were leaving Snyder," local Police Lieutenant Steve Warren said during a press conference after he arrived back in Scurry County with murder suspects Arthur Lee Harding and Nina Jonell Henderson.

Harding, 44, and Henderson, 29, were arrested on murder warrants outside a Monroe, La. motel Wednesday evening. The two suspects waived extradition rights and were flown to Snyder Friday afternoon. They are being held in Scurry County Jail on $100,000 bond each.

Milford, owner of Fast Oil Change in Snyder, was reported missing by a business aquaintance on Nov. 4. His body was found March 29 in a cistern northwest of Snyder near Fluvanna. An autopsy revealed that the 49-year-old man had been shot twice in the chest with a small-caliber weapon.

Lt. Warren said Harding was in possession of a small caliber firearm when he was arrested.

"The weapon is the one that we believe was used in the homicide," said Warren, who declined to name the make or caliber of the firearm.

Harding, who was an employee of Milford's, has been a suspect in the case since November when he and Henderson also left Snyder.

"There is an indication that there was a disturbance over payroll," said Lt. Warren, when asked if police know why the murder occurred. He said police believe that Milford was killed inside the Fast Oil Change building.

Milford had told friends on Nov. 2 he was going to Abilene to purchase supplies for his business. His billfold was discovered in Abilene on Nov. 11 and his 1982 GMC Suburban was found abandoned in a parking lot there three days later.

Lt. Warren said Friday that police believe the wallet and vehicle were deliberately taken to Abilene after the murder to mislead authorities.

Working with Texas Ranger John Billings, police were able to trace Harding and Henderson to East Texas, where the couple had apparently been involved in a check kiting scheme.

"We knew they were there, but they were constantly moving," said Lt. Warren.

On Tuesday, authorities received information that the couple was in West Monroe. Law enforcement officers located the pair and eventually arrested them outside the Texas Motel in Monroe at 10:12 p.m. Wednesday.

Aiding in the arrest were Lt. Warren, Ranger Billings, members of the West Monroe Police Department and metro officers.

"There was no struggle. They were in custody before they knew it," said Warren.

According to police, Harding and Henderson had been living by using money from the check writing scheme. There were no checks involving Fast Oil Change, he said.

"These were bogus checks they were having made up," said Warren. He said the couple had apparently written $15,000 to $20,000 in bad checks since the murder.

Although Lt. Warren said Harding and Henderson have admitted they killed Milford, he declined to elaborate further, saying only that the couple had given a statement to police.

Police did not say which of the two admitted to actually shooting Milford.

Ask Us

Q—When you buy new tires you are charged an additional $2. How much of this money does the dealer keep?

A—According to the Texas Water Commission, dealers receive 2½ cents per tire when the tire is sent to a processor. TWC can use up to 12 cents, the State Comptroller gets up to 4 cents and the rest goes to pay for shredding tires for recycling or disposal.

In Brief

Execution set

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The Utah Supreme Court upheld the death sentence of a man for his role in the 1974 slayings of three people shot after they were forced to drink drain cleaner.

Williams Andrews, 37, is scheduled to die by injection July 30.

On a 4-1 vote Friday, the high court ruled that a new state law providing for the possibility of life in prison without parole for capital murder doesn't apply to Andrews because it isn't retroactive.

More fighting

ALGIERS, Algeria (AP) — Security forces battled armed fundamentalists Saturday in eastern Algeria, and at least one death was reported.

The latest violence erupted after the banned Islamic Salvation Front called on followers to "express by all their means their rejection of the verdict" against seven fundamentalist leaders who were sentenced to prison earlier this week by a military tribunal.

Local

Ira ISD

Ira ISD board of trustees will convene in a special meeting at 1 p.m. Sunday to discuss bids for a gym roof.

New offices

The Soil Conservation Service (SCS) and Agricultural Stabilization & Conservation Service (ASCS) will be relocated in new offices at 5309 Big Spring Highway beginning Monday.

There will be no change in hours or telephone numbers.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Friday, 86 degrees; low, 66 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Saturday, 69 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 18.52 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Saturday night, a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms, Otherwise mostly cloudy. Low in the upper 60s. Rain chance 20 percent. Southeast wind 5-15 mph. Sunday, mostly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms in the morning becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon. High in the lower 90s. Rain chance is less than 20 percent. South wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset Saturday, 8:48. Sunrise Sunday, 6:52. Sunset Sunday, 8:47. Sunrise Monday, 6:53. Of 199 days in 1992, the sun has shone 179 days in Snyder.

New leaders emerge at 57th county rodeo

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

New leaders emerged in several events in the second performance of the 57th Annual Scurry County Rodeo Friday night at the county rodeo arena.

Saturday's 8 p.m. show was to wind up the three-day run of the yearly event.

Clinton, Okla. cowboy Dale Hirschman took over the bareback riding lead after his 69 on Friday. Hirschman nudged WTC student Chris Stanford of Berhallen into a second-place tie with Snyder's Rush Clark, who was awarded a 67 on his Friday ride.

Another new leader following the rodeo's second night was Lubbock calf roper Jeff Chapman. Chapman roped and tied his calf in 8.984 seconds to place him at the top of the standings. Amarillo's Marty Yates was in second place with his 10.058 clocking, also earned on Friday.

The pair knocked Odessa's Kenny Williams, who turned in a 10.164 on Thursday, to third place, overall.

Vernon team ropers Turtle Powell and Jody Stubbs combined for a 6.820 Friday. The pair trails only Tyler and Tod Thompson of Munday, who registered an event-best 6.103 in the opening performance Thursday. In third position is the Ira team of Dero Shaw and Cabble Mackey, who notched an 8.808 Friday.

Changes close to the tops of the leader boards were also seen in bull riding and saddle bronc riding.

Kevin James of Stephenville, who rode his bull for 69 points Friday, moved into third place in the overall standings, while Will Jordan of Springtown took over second position in saddle bronc riding with his 65. James trails leading bull rider Max Payne of Pampa, who scored a 72 Thursday.

Snyder's own Rayland Goswick was second in Friday's round with a 63.

The man to beat in saddle broncs is still Channing, N.M.'s Walter Parman, who carded a 67 Thursday.

Top Friday times in breakaway

(see RODEO, page 10A)

Urologist joins specialty clinic

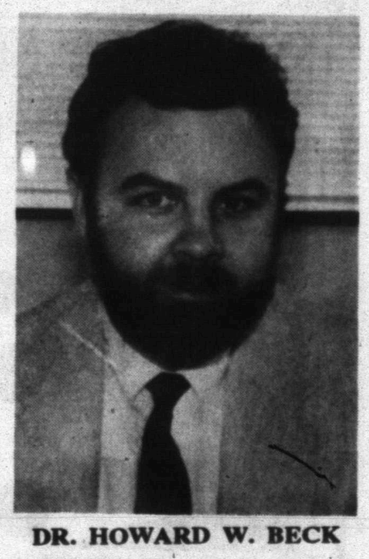
Howard W. Beck, M.D., the newest member of the Medical Specialty Clinic at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, began seeing his first patients on Thursday.

Beck, who specializes in urology and urological surgery (adult and pediatric), plans to be in Snyder once a month on Thursdays, usually every third to fourth week. He currently practices at the Lubbock Urology Clinic, along with his associate, Dr. Lynn Avant. He is also a member of the medical staff at several Lubbock hospitals, including Lubbock Methodist, St. Mary of the Plains, University Medical Center and Highland Hospital.

Beck is board eligible in urology/urological surgery. He completed his residency in preliminary general surgery at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences at Little Rock, Ark. in 1991. He has been practicing for one year. In six months he will be eligible to take the required examinations to become board certified in his field.

Beck, a native of Lubbock, completed pre-med requirements at Texas Tech University in 1982. He received his medical degree from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston in 1986.

Originally, Beck majored in mathematics his freshman and sophomore years at Tech, but switched to medicine because he wanted a more "people oriented career that also involved the sciences."



DR. HOWARD W. BECK

He chose urology because he wanted to combine patient care with surgery.

His father, Dr. George Beck, is an anesthesiologist and practices in Lubbock.

Beck said he is "looking forward to running the general urol-

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Monday...

County faces long agenda

Scurry County commissioners will consider rezoning the county airport and a request to change the day for issuing county pay checks at a 10 a.m. Monday meeting.

Also on the agenda is acceptance of a bid proposal for leasing mineral rights on Cogdell Hospital property, resignation of a hospital board member, presentation of the appraisal district budget for 1993 and a petition to close a street in the Alamo Heights Subdivision.

The court will consider the establishment of a designated drop zone at the county airport for parachute jumping.

At a recent meeting, Airport Manager Darrell Mize told commissioners that the airport is considering bringing in a parachute demonstration team in hopes to draw people to the airport. In order to hold the demonstrations, the airport must have a designated drop zone.

The court will discuss future rezoning requirements for the airport's runway protection zone, which is an area that is clear of buildings and towers on the runway approach.

According to Mize, the Texas Department of Aviation will redefine the required dimensions for runway protection zones in March of 1993. Scurry County Airport must comply with the regulations in order to be eligible for grant money from the TDA.

County Auditor Eddie McHaney and County Treasurer Rita Staton will present a request to the court to change the day for issuing pay checks to county employees from Friday to Wednesday.

Commissioners will make a final decision concerning the lease of mineral rights on the property at Cogdell Memorial Hospital for exploration purposes. At a Friday meeting, bids were received from HAT Oil and Gas Company of Snyder and R.E. Glasscock and Cole Oil and Gas Company, both of Midland.

The court will open bids for a centralized computer system to be used by all criminal justice-related county offices. Bids were received from United System Technologies, Inc. in Irving and Software, Inc. of Plano at Friday's meeting.

A petition from J.E. Compton to close a street near Hillside Memorial Gardens will be presented to the court.

The court will consider the resignation of Brenda Hedges from the Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers. Hedges' resignation was accepted by the hospital board at a June 25 meeting.

The court will consider a request from County Clerk Frances

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The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Some things are backwards. You go to school to learn to express yourself, and then you get married and learn to keep quiet."

The media folks jumped all over the vice president over the spelling of "potato." Dan Quayle corrected a public school student, suggesting that the correct spelling is "potatoe."

Well, Bill Clinton didn't want to be outdone, so he chose Tennessee Sen. Al Gore to be his running mate. Gore is considered an environmentalist and helped to lead the fight to save the white owl.

If you think Gore can spell "owl," just check out his first name.

Speaking of environmentalists, we like the story about Dunn area farmer and rancher Othal Ellis who was doing battle with the coyote, and making a little money by selling their pelts.

Ellis got a letter from Jane Fonda which severely chastised his activity against the coyote. She called his actions "barbaric."

Ellis wrote the actress back, saying that the coyotes were a menance to livestock, and that they were killing his sheep.

Fonda answered back and said that she understood his economic concerns, but in the interest of the helpless critter, she suggested that Ellis only trap the coyote that was killing his sheep.

Ellis wrote back, "That's the one I'm trying to get."

Leon Autry told the coffee shop crew about a man from the tiny Haskell County community of O'Brien who checked into a swank Dallas hotel.

The desk clerk said he had never heard of O'Brien.

"Just goes to prove where the smart people are," said the West Texan. "There ain't nobody in O'Brien who ain't heard of Dallas."

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Supreme Court rules against woman

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Friday rejected the plea of a California woman attempting to regain possession of French abortion pills seized from her by the U.S. Customs Service.

Customs officials seized the French early abortion pills, called RU486, when Leona Benten, 29, arrived at New York's Kennedy International Airport on July 1. The pills are not approved by the Food and Drug Administration.

Ms. Benten is eight weeks pregnant.

In its ruling, the full court refused Ms. Benten's request to reverse a 2nd U.S. Court of Appeals order blocking the Customs Service from releasing the pills.

"We believe that petitioners have failed to demonstrate a substantial likelihood of success on the merits" of their claims to the court, the justices wrote.

Justices Harry Blackmun and John Paul Stevens dissented.

On Thursday, the Bush administration argued that federal judges don't have the power to overturn the U.S. ban on importation of the pill. In a brief to the Supreme Court, the Justice Department said the FDA's decision to enforce the "concededly valid statute against an unmistakably clear violation is not the proper subject of judicial review."

As the justice responsible for emergency cases arising in New York, Justice Clarence Thomas had requested the brief. He then referred the matter to the full court for a ruling.

Abortion rights groups arranged Ms. Benten's trip to England to get the pills and alerted Customs officials to her arrival to challenge the U.S. ban, which they say stems from the Bush administration's anti-abortion stance.

Blackmun dissented, saying he would grant Ms. Benten's application to remove the 2nd Circuit U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals' stay that prevented Customs from releasing the pills. But Blackmun did not put his reasons in writing.

In a brief dissenting opinion, Stevens wrote that "the only legitimate governmental interest" relevant in Ms. Benten's case is in avoiding any significant health risk associated with the use of the French abortion pills.

"There is no evidence in this record that this applicant faces any such risk," he wrote, adding, "I am persuaded that the relevant legitimate federal interest is not sufficient to justify the burdensome consequence of this seizure."

The Justice Department said the government was merely enforcing "the unambiguous command of the Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, which forbids importation of unapproved drugs such as RU486." The act requires that companies seeking approval for a drug submit data proving safety and effectiveness. That has not been done in the United States.

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Fund is set up for Hull family

A fund has been established at Snyder National Bank to help defray medical and travel expenses for Barbara Hull, wife of Freddie E. Hull of Snyder.

Mrs. Hull is in ICU at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock.

The family appreciates all thoughts and donations.

Benefit dance set for Nettles

A benefit dance for Eddie Nettles is scheduled from 8 p.m. until midnight July 24 at the American Legion.

An auction and drawings will be held.

Music will be provided by the Silver Spur and Crossfire bands. The Deep Creek Cloggers will also entertain.

Any merchant wishing to donate merchandise is asked to call 573-9215.

Nettles, a 37-year-old Ira electrician, was the victim of an electrical accident on May 23. He is currently in rehabilitation at RIOSA, in San Antonio.

Astro-graphs By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

July 18, 1992

If you really take pains to search it out, there is a very good chance you could find a second channel for income in the year ahead.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Others might be able to get away with telling tall tales today, but not you. If you embellish your accomplishments, you're setting yourself up to be challenged by others. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In joint ventures today, there should be a clear-cut understanding of expenses so that they will be shared equally. Without an agreement, this may not be the case.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be on guard in your one-to-one encounters today; others might not deal as fairly with you as you will with them. Forewarned is forearmed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Instead of looking for justification to neglect tasks, seek reasons why you should accomplish them. Letting things pile up on you now could cause real headaches later.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You'll enjoy being around people today, but if the group is too large, there's a possibility you might feel rather uncomfortable. Do something fun with fewer participants.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You're a good starter today, but you might begin to lessen your drive just wnen the goal line is in sight. If you do, your admirable beginning might be for naught.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Usually, you're not taken in by others too easily. Today, however, could be an exception, and you might buy a cock-and-bull story told you by a spellbinder.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) This might not be one of your better days to bargain hunt, so be careful. Before buying anything, examine the merchandise closely for imperfections.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It could prove unwise to seek advice today from someone who provided you with poor counsel recently. Even though this individual means well, a lack of wisdom to guide you will prevail.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) To make a favorable impression on others today, it's imperative you stand on your own two feet. Companions might shy away from you if they feel you're not carrying your fair share of the load.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Try to temper your hopes with realism today, so that you won't end up being disappointed. When making assessments, see things as they actually are, not as you wish they were.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is not the day to bank too heavily on Lady Luck in matters that affect your status. She might be too busy helping your competition.

Your Birthday

July 19, 1992

You might establish yourself with a new circle of friends in the year ahead. You won't forget or ignore your old pals, however you're not apt to bring them together with your new ones.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You have a gift today for turning things you're involved in with others into pleasurable activities. Even the sourpusses might crack a grin. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Some important changes you didn't orchestrate might take place today. However, they could benefit you more than anyone else.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If there is something important you hope to achieve today, you're likely to be luckier doing it with a partner than on your own. Find an ally who's a real contributor.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) An unexpected opportunity to utilize your special talents might present itself today. It may pertain to a situation that could prove profitable.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your popularity with your peers could be rather impressive today. Wherever you make your presence felt, when measured against you, others will pale in comparison.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Desirable results are likely today in two important situations. Much to your credit, you may achieve them unaided by Lady Luck.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) This is a good day to try something fun you always wanted to do but never got around to. It pertains to something that has strong competitive elements.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might be a bit extravagant today and still come out on the profit side of the ledger. Don't be foolish with your resources, but don't deprive yourself either.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be assertive today in pressing forward in a venture in which you recently became interested. You could be very fortunate at this time where new endeavors are concerned.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Strong, intuitive feelings should not be ignored today, especially those you think might enhance your status or material security. These signals could be very revealing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you've been contemplating getting involved in a new endeavor, this is a good day to study the situation seriously. It could be a wise move.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Geminis frequently work best when they tackle several situations simultaneously. You could be a good achiever today — if you establish more than one important objective.

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75th birthday happy

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Comedian Phyllis Diller spent her 75th birthday suspended on wires over a stage in St. Louis, rehearsing for her role as the wicked witch in "The Wizard of Oz."

"As I was flying around I thought, isn't it wonderful to be doing something magical on my 75th birthday," she said in a telephone interview. "I thought, I'm so blessed."

Miss Diller, known for her portrayal of a frumpy, middle-aged housewife with a husband named "Fang" on numerous variety shows, said she is healthy and looking forward to many more years in show business.

"The Wizard of Oz" closes its six-day run July 25.

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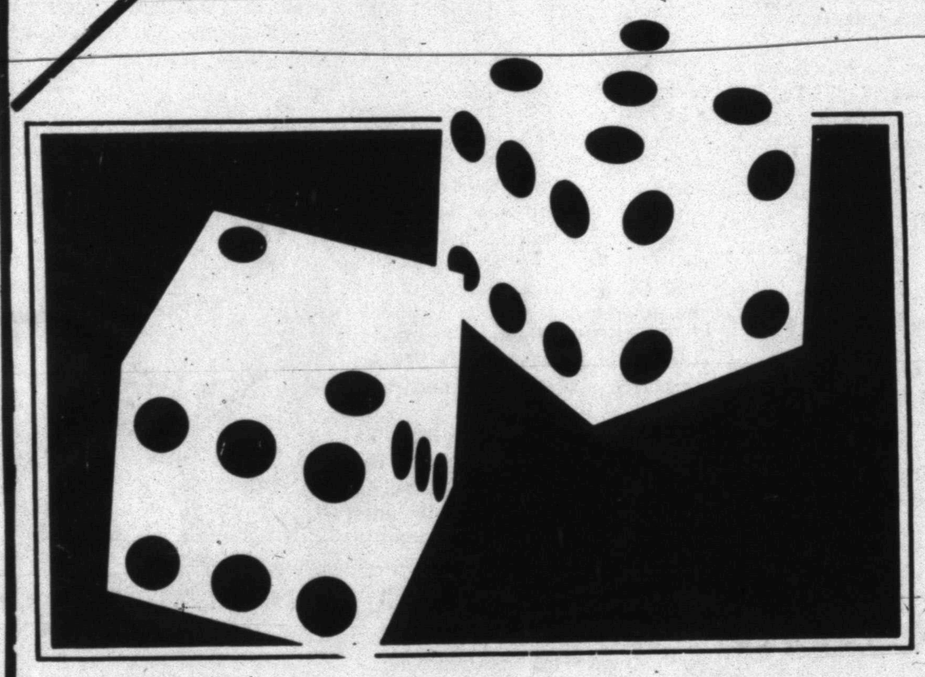

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Different reasons cited for decline in crime

DALLAS (AP) — They were fed up. Their strategies differed, but their goal was the same: get crime under control.

Police chiefs and city officials statewide, staring at an increasing crime rate and feeling pressure from their communities, are taking aggressive steps toward lowering crime.

This month, officials in five of the state's largest cities reported decreases in overall crime for the first half of the year.

Dallas Police Chief Bill Rathburn reported decreases in every category of crime and a 12 percent drop overall. Rathburn said several factors have contributed to the decline, including the addition of 42 officers to the narcotics division.

"Our belief has been and is that if we get the buyers off the street, that will have a direct impact on crime," he said. "(Drug users are) committing other crimes to support drug habits."

In addition, a violent crime task force has been in action for about 22 weeks, during which police made 2,000 arrests, Rathburn said. Violent crime in Dallas has decreased about 10 percent so far this year.

Rathburn also said the community has become more supportive of the police.

"In Dallas, there is a public attitude that we are tired of being victimized by crime," he said. "There are people, politicians, community activists, who have not traditionally supported the police.

"We haven't won the war yet, but we can claim some victory. When I say 'we,' I mean the community."

Fort Worth Police Chief Thomas Windham also credited a renewed involvement by the community for his city's 6 percent decrease in overall crime this year.

Windham said the implementation of Fort Worth's Code-Blue program was a big factor in the drop. In the program, officers teach citizens how to help prevent crime in their neighborhoods with resident patrols.

"We really believe (the program) is working very, very well," Windham said. "And I'm confident it will continue to work better.

"We're going to continue to emphasize that program and expand that program. We believe that we may be able to bring it down even farther than we have," he said.

But Windham, who last year faced the biggest overall increase among Texas' largest cities, 15.7 percent, said there is still a long way to go toward reducing crime.

"Although the reductions are encouraging, I don't think we should breathe any long sighs of relief or think we've got crime under control," he said. "Comparing this year to last year, we still have a tremendously high volume of crime in Fort Worth and in the state of Texas."

In Houston, crime fell 16 percent during the first half of the year from the same period last year. Rick Hartley, a spokesman for the Houston Police Department, said the drop is due to an overtime program started this year by Mayor Bob Lanier.

"We feel that a significant amount of (the decrease) is contributed to an overtime program the mayor implemented, allowing the police department to put 650 additional officers on the streets," Hartley said. "Not only is crime down, but response times are down and clearance rates are up.

"We're certainly optimistic that with the continued overtime, we will keep the crime rate down throughout the year."

El Paso and San Antonio police departments have reported decreases in crime for the first five months of the year, but have not yet compiled statistics through June. Of the state's six largest cities, only Austin reported an increase in crime.

Dr. Gott by Peter M. Gott, M.D.

Take precautions with kidney stones

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Our daughter has a problem with kidney stones. At first the chemical composition was calcium oxalate. Now it's calcium phosphate, and the stones occur with more regularity. Each attack requires hospitalization, and her urologist does nothing but tend to her until they pass. Isn't there any preventive action that can be taken? How long can the kidneys take this frequent trauma?

DEAR READER: About 80 percent of kidney stones are composed of calcium, usually calcium oxalate; calcium phosphate is unusual. Fortunately, calcium stones can be helped by the following:

- Increase fluid intake to at least a quart of water a day. This will dilute the calcium in the urine and flush out the kidneys.
- Take a prescribed thiazide diuretic. Such drugs are not harmful and will reduce the concentration of calcium in the urine, dramatically lowering the risk of stone formation.

You are right to be concerned about your daughter's condition. Aside from the pain, expense and inconvenience of repeatedly passing stones, these calcium deposits may eventually cause renal damage or infection.

I'm not suggesting that your daughter's urologist has failed to give her optimum care, but I am concerned that no preventive steps were taken. Therefore, I recommend she obtain a second opinion from a renologist, a non-surgical kidney specialist.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm an unemployed 47-year-old male with gray hair. I decided recently to use Grecian Formula, yet while reading the label, I found all agents of this type contain lead acetate. Since lead is toxic, is there any risk of using hair coloring as long as it is kept out of the mouth and eyes?

DEAR READER: To my knowledge, the use of hair products containing lead is not harmful to health. Lead is toxic when ingested — or inhaled as a vapor (from burning lead-containing materials).

Nonetheless, you might reconsider the use of hair-coloring. In a culture obsessed with youthfulness, you and I can take a stand: Gray hair indicates that the owner is a seasoned and mature adult. This could be an asset in the job market.

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I almost drove off the road the other day when I heard a brief segment on National Public Radio about home-video pornography.

As hard as it is to believe, this brand-new fad is rapidly becoming the latest money-maker in a gigantic industry. More and more ordinary adults are using camcorders in their own bedrooms, making "amateur" porn videos, and selling the finished product to companies that edit and market the product in stores nationwide.

Many couples, singles and groups even hire paid consultants to "direct" the action and make it look more realistic. Participants in these sleazy scenes allege that performing in home-made porno adds excitement to what may have become somewhat pedestrian activity. Distributors claim that such participants are more "natural," less predictable and appear more "genuine" than professional porn stars.

I have no trouble accepting what goes on between consenting adults behind closed doors. But I don't think I'm being priggish by admitting that I am put off by loving couples who share their very private activities with the world at large.

I suppose this phenomenon reflects a cultural fascination with sexual matters, which seems to be getting out of hand. Anita Hill's explicit testimony during Judge Clarence Thomas' confirmation, the lurid details of William Kennedy Smith's rape trial and the cataloging of Magic Johnson's sexual exploits are additional examples of a trend that may be out of control. Like Pop Art that merely shocks (and eventually mires itself in abominable taste), today's pornographic proclivities raise the question: Where will it end?

As we are increasingly forced to make political decisions respecting privacy, another part of our psyche wants to make public the very acts we battle to keep private. This is an interesting duality that might warrant a few moments' attention by my learned colleagues in psychology.

I acknowledge that no one is harmed by the pornographic videos being cranked out commercially by that lively and engaging couple (AND their attractive friends) in the next apartment. But the expectation that the sex lives of the rich and famous should be made public is dangerous; it can hurt.

I'm not particularly interested in Bill Clinton's alleged peccadilloes any more than I cared a whole lot about Gary Hart's indiscretions or Jack Kennedy's misbehavior. There are more important issues to occupy my time. If a celebrity or a public official chooses to express his or her sexuality in unconventional ways, I really don't feel an urge to know about it. After all, each of us has deliciously diverting secrets tucked away. And that's just the point. There are certain things that are simply not germane to how we carry on adult business.

Far more useful information could be obtained by exposing and identifying the men and women who, through sexual irresponsibility, knowingly transmit diseases, such as AIDS, which affect the whole community. We're a long way from dealing with that hot potato, however.

I guess we have to amuse ourselves with the numbingly sordid details of sexual expression in people who are richer, smarter and better looking than we — interspersed, naturally, with shaky, hand-held, dimly lit, self-conscious porno tapes exhibiting people who are not richer, smarter or better looking than we. Kinda makes you wonder, doesn't it?

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Senior Center Menu

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Ham Spoonbread w/Gravy
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TUESDAY
Liver & Onions
Potatoes in Savory Butter
Turnip Greens
Lettuce & Tomato Salad
Peach Cobbler

WEDNESDAY
Chopped Sirloin au jus
Baked Potato
Cauliflower w/Cheese Sauce
Perfection Salad
Stewed Prunes

THURSDAY
Baked Chicken
Buttered Rice
Mixed Vegetables
Sliced Tomatoes
Watermelon
Gingerbread w/Vanilla Sauce

FRIDAY
Fried Fish
Macaroni & Tomatoes
Hominy-Cheese Casserole
Green Pea Salad
Pineapple Pudding

Perot watches selling well

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Now that Ross Perot has pulled out of the presidential race, people are scrambling to get their hands on wristwatches with the Texas billionaire's likeness, an Arizona dealer says.

"They're buying them at 10 or 20 at a time," said Pat Shindler, who works at Designer Creations in this affluent Phoenix suburb.

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Campaign revival discussed

AUSTIN (AP) — Some Ross Perot supporters Friday vowed to revive the Dallas billionaire's campaign, which they said was killed by his paid political professionals who ran roughshod over volunteer workers.

At a news conference, John Opincar, a Perot volunteer from Austin, said he received anonymous death threats that he suspected came from the "Dallas Clique."

Opincar and Rosemary Conway of Austin, another Perot volunteer, said the 40 to 60 Perot campaign operatives based in Dallas were hired to help volunteers comply with election laws to get Perot's name on the ballot.

But soon the operatives started using dirty political tricks to replace volunteer leaders with those they liked, the volunteers said.

"Over time, they became our worst enemy," said Opincar. "Using tactics borrowed from the annals of Nazi Germany, they slandered, browbeat, vilified, excoriated and intimidated us," he said.

Ms. Conway said she feared for her life if she revealed the names of those who threatened volunteers.

A spokesperson for Perot's former campaign did not immediately return a telephone call from The Associated Press.

But the handful of Perot supporters who gathered in Austin held Perot blameless, saying he did not know his operatives were acting this way.

"If anyone is justified in feeling betrayed today, it is Mr. Perot," said Opincar.

"Everything they have done is totally in opposition to what Mr. Perot is all about," Ms. Conway said.

Despite Perot's decision Thursday to drop his presidential efforts, the supporters said they will continue trying to get him elected to the White House.

"We believe him to be the only legitimate agent of change available in today's political arena," said Opincar, who has with other "deposed" volunteer leaders formed the Grassroots Continuum.

The group hopes to change Perot's mind about not running, and will continue to work for his election. In addition, the group hopes to rekindle the movement led by Perot and become a political power itself.

"We cannot and will not sink back into the quagmire of apathy and disillusionment," Opincar said.

Perot supporters statewide agreed to stay politically active.

In Houston, Carlos Broughton, Gulf Coast regional director of the Perot campaign, said he hoped to draw hundreds of Perot supporters to a rally in Houston next weekend.

"We want to demonstrate that we're bringing the organization together," Broughton, who runs an offshore oil drilling company, said. "At this stage, we need to regroup the soldiers.

"I want to assure everyone that this movement is alive, that it will rise up and continue to go. There's been too much hard work put into it."

Elizabeth Spates, the Houston area campaign's deputy director, read numerous telegrams the group had received since Perot bowed out.

"We are still there to do battle for him," Ms. Spates said. "He was a threat and challenge to the established parties."

Berry's World

Celebrity Cher call Perot

DALLAS (AP) — Singer-actress Cher phoned Ross Perot during a Friday night televised call-in show and offered to "give up everything I'm doing and come and be one of the volunteers."

But she said she would only join Perot "as long as I know that if I got into it, that you wouldn't quit and that we could really do something."

"Whether you like it or not you are the focus," Cher told Perot. "It's that you are the father of this patriot movement whether you like it or not."

Perot dropped out of the presidential race Thursday, then began to outline an effort to galvanize his grassroots organization into a potent political movement. He appeared on CNN's "Larry King Live," the same show on which he launched his quixotic presidential quest in February.

"I'm so passionate about what you're doing and I feel so strong I love my country so much," the politically active actress told Perot.

The Dallas billionaire discouraged Cher from quitting work to become a volunteer, but said he would speak with her privately by telephone. "I would love to have your help," Perot said.

Pageant begins summer shows

Summer productions of the Kendrick Religious Pageant, "The Life of Christ," began last week and will be presented each Thursday and Friday night at 9 p.m. through Aug. 14. Admission is $5 for those six years of age and over. Under six is free.

This pageant, now in its 28th year of production, is the complete life of Christ from the birth through the resurrection.

The production is non-denominational with the script being taken word for word from the King James version of the Holy Bible.

Free parking and clean restrooms are on the grounds for the convenience of those attending. Over night camping facilities are also available with or without hookups. RV hookups are $6 per day with advance reservations.

Also located on the pageant's grounds is Texas' only all Religious Diorama and Museum which is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. On production days the Diorama closes at 3 p.m.

The Diorama is scenes from both the Old and New Testaments set with 140 life-sized figures as realistic as is possible with narration also from the King James Bible.

Admission to the Diorama is children 6-11 $2 and adults $2.50 Each tour lasts 11/2 hours.

The pageant is located halfway between Cisco and Eastland on U.S. Highway 6 (formerly Highway 80).

For further information contact the Life of Christ Pageant Route #2, Box 46, Cisco, Tex. 76437 or call 817-629-8672.

Fogleman attends ATPE workshop

AUSTIN — Hundreds of educators from around the state "Accepted the Challenge" and prepared for the upcoming school year during a recent Leadership Training Workshop sponsored by the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE).

Local ATPE leaders met at the Hyatt Regency on Town Lake in Austin last week, and received training in many areas including site-based decision-making, outcome-based education, technology in the classroom and how to become politically active.

Thomas Fogleman, West Elementary principal, represented the Snyder ATPE unit. He is also the state board member who represents Region 14.

Financial Focus

Every once in a while you are offered a deal you can't refuse. The North American Securities Administrators Association, in cooperation with the Council of Better Business Bureaus (BBB), has such a deal: an Investor Alert bulletin that ought to be required reading for anyone who owns or plans to own a mutual fund.

The bulletin was created in response to the unprecedented growth of the mutual-fund industry. Today, one in four U.S. families owns shares in at least one or more of the 3,000-plus mutual funds that are available. In the past 10 years, individual investors' holdings of mutual funds have grown from $94.5 billion to more than $1 trillion. The Investor Alert is the Better Business Bureau's effort to keep investors informed.

The seven information-packed pages do a credible job of explaining the basics of mutual funds. The bulletin begins by telling what a mutual fund is and the differences among the major types of funds, such as growth, income, sector and more. There is even a handy glossary to explain terms that may be confusing. The bulletin concludes with the advice to buy only funds whose objectives parallel yours as closely as possible.

The section on mutual-fund sales charges, or "loads," is particularly helpful. It dispels the myth that you can buy a fund at "no cost" by defining such hidden charges as 12b-1 fees, back-end loads, contingent deferred sales charges and more. The advice to study the fund's prospectus before investing can help you avoid costly surprises.

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Dear Abby

Mom's Death From Smoking Doesn't End Family's Pain

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I have been carrying around a letter I clipped from your column several years ago. For me, it was the most important column you have ever written. I am enclosing a copy.

I am begging you to run it again. It had such a strong impact on two people I love very much; I truly believe it saved their lives.

VICKI IN ANNAPOLIS, MD.

DEAR VICKI: With apologies to those who dislike re-runs, here it is:

DEAR ABBY: (July 7, 1989) I am writing this letter in the waiting room of the intensive care unit of the Boulder (Colo.) Community Hospital. My mother is on a respirator due to severe lung damage. She has asthma and smoked cigarettes for 50 years. Now she has emphysema and pneumonia.

Before she was hooked up to the respirator, she begged me to help her. Now I can only comfort her and pray for her. For years, the family asked her to quit smoking, but it was something she couldn't — or didn't want to — do. My mother is a strong woman, but her addiction to cigarettes got the best of her, even after seeing my father go through surgery for lung cancer eight months ago.

(Aug. 6, 1989) I was interrupted when I started to write the above letter and am now able to finish it.

My mother passed away on July 18. She was only 65 years old. It's too late to save her now, but it may not be too late for some of your readers.

Smokers, please think about the pain and suffering you can cause yourself and your family by continuing to smoke.

I don't have a mother now, and my children, ages 12 and 18, don't have a grandma anymore. Please, please quit smoking now, if not for yourself, then for those who love you.

SUSAN ORTEZ, DENVER

DEAR SUSAN: My heart goes out to you and your family. If your letter inspires only one person to quit smoking, it will be well worth the space in this column. Thanks for writing.

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DEAR ABBY: I may have the solution for "halitosis." I, too, had a sudden, persistent and embarrassing problem with bad breath. I asked my general physician, ENT specialist and my dentist. None of these professionals was able to pinpoint my problem.

After a year and a half, I solved the problem myself when I realized that the antibiotics I had been taking might be the culprit. They had not only killed the bacteria that were making me ill many months earlier, they had also killed the "good" bacteria that I needed for fresh breath.

After eating a cup of non-fat plain yogurt daily for a couple of weeks, the proper bacterial balance was restored and I am kissable again!

I hope this helps. I got all this information from the public library and pamphlets from my health food store.

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DEAR COLUMBUS FAN: Congratulations for having ingenuity, common sense and a determination to solve your own problem.

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Flood survivors mark fifth anniversary

BALCH SPRINGS, Texas (AP) — Most of the parents whose children never came back from a church camp five years ago still find it too painful to talk publicly about the flood that claimed the 10 teen-agers' lives.

But a number of the teen-agers who survived are willing to discuss how they dealt with the tragedy.

"I'm finally over it, I believe," says Jennifer Bowman, who was 13 at the time of the flood near Comfort, the Austin American-Statesman reported. "It's something that you put in the back of your mind, but you don't forget."

The July 17, 1987, flood that swept down the Guadalupe River caught a church bus and van in its raging waters.

The teen-age passengers were almost all classmates at the Balch Springs Christian Academy near Dallas and had spent a week at the Pot O' Gold Youth Camp.

They were leaving after a camp administrator said she'd received warnings a storm may have caused the Guadalupe River to swell out of its banks.

Richard "Whitey" Koons, youth pastor of the Seagoville Road Baptist Church attended by many of the teen-agers, said high waters made the bus stall. So he ordered the 43 passengers out of the bus and accompanying van.

That was only minutes before both vehicles were swept down the river by a wall of water that also scattered the campers.

Many reached trees and clung to them, frightened and soaked to the skin, for 41/2 hours before being rescued. Other teen-agers were swept down the river and died.

Survivors still talk about Tonya Smith, 13, who told a friend, "Tell mom and dad I love them and I'll see them in heaven," before being carried away by the current to her death.

For years after the flood, Ms. Bowman was haunted by nightmares.

Wendy Jonas, now 21, says the first year after the flood was filled with questions for all of the campers. They wondered about their survival, and the fate that took their friends.

"Things like that were constantly going through my head," she says. "Why did it happen? Why not me?"

Part of the healing process, she says, was coming to an acceptance that she may never know those answers.

Ms. Bowman says she, too, had to stop questioning.

"It's changed my life dramatically, knowing the unexpected can happen — it can happen any time," she says. "I used to have the idea that it couldn't happen to me. Now I know it can, and it's helped me deal with a lot of things."

The first non-stop flight from Europe to the United State ended as Capt. Dieudonne Coste and Maurice Bellonte of France arrived in Valley Stream, N.Y., in 1930 aboard their plane, "The Question Mark."

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

July 18, 1992

Today is the 200th day of 1992 and the 29th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1936, the Spanish Civil War began with a revolt of the army chiefs, led by Gen. Francisco Franco.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: William Makepeace Thackeray (1811-1863), English novelist; Clifford Odets (1906-1963), dramatist; Hume Cronyn (1911-), actor, is 81; Red Skelton (1913-), comedian, is 79; John Glenn Jr. (1921-), U.S. senator-astronaut; Dick Button (1929-), figure skating star-broadcaster, is 63; Dion Di Mucci (1939-), musician, is 53; Elizabeth McGovern (1961-), actress, is 31.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1970, future baseball Hall of Famer Willie Mays of San Francisco stroked his 3,000th base hit.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "If a man's character is to be abused, say what you will, there's nobody like a relation to do the business." — William Makepeace Thackeray

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1889, a storm dumped 19 inches of rain in 2 hours, 10 minutes on Rockport, W.Va. Tygart Creek rose 22 inches in 1 hour.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (July 14) and last quarter (July 22).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET
Why does the end of the money always come before the end of the week?

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THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

July 19, 1992

Today is the 201st day of 1992 and the 30th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1848, the first women's rights convention, led by Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Coffin Mott, was held at Seneca Falls, N.Y.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Edgar Degas (1834-1917), artist; Lizzie Borden (1860-1927), acquitted of ax murder; Charles Mayo (1865-1939), surgeon; Rosalyn Yalow (1921-), medical physicist, is 71; George McGovern (1922-), U.S. politician-historian, is 70; Vicki Carr (1941-), singer, is 51; Ilie Nastase (1946-), tennis star, is 46.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1877, about 200 spectators paid one shilling apiece to attend the first Wimbledon tennis championships.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The whole campaign was a tragic case of mistaken indentity." — George McGovern, on his unsuccessful 1972 presidential bid.

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1960, the low temperature at both the Cow Creek and Greenland Ranch stations in Death Valley, Calif., was 102 degrees. Highs were 126 and 124 degrees, respectively.

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TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET
Our minister has nightmares about cleanliness being next to godliness: He dreams about a coin-op laundry opening next to the church.

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'Rabbit Twister' event slated

"Ole Coke County, Home of the Rabbit Twisters," will be presented in Mountain Creek Amphitheatre, Robert Lee, the last two weekends in July (July 24-25 and July 31-Aug. 1).

Sponsored by the Coke County Pageant Association, Inc. the annual historical musical and drama involving approximately 75 county "Rabbit Twisters," or their descendants, depicts early years of settlers who settled this country.

Pre-time "choir sing-out" begins at 8 p.m. Production time is 8:30 p.m.

For further information call or write: P.O. Box 26, Robert Lee, 76945 or call 915-453-2831 or 453-2957.

8 FFA'ers attend confab in Amarillo

Eight members of the Snyder Future Farmers of America (FFA) chapter attended the 64th annual FFA convention last week in Amarillo.

Members attending included Monica Robinson, Stephanie Uptergrove, Shayla Jeter, Lovie Hand, Dell Blackwell, Duffy Galloway, Justin White and Sonja Pennington.

FFA advisers attending were David Frazier and Bob Hand. This 64th convention featured the election of the new state FFA officers, selection of the first Mr./Miss Texas FFA team and guest speakers and business meetings in general sessions of the convention. More than 2,000 members were recognized for achievement, and $891,000 in scholarships were awarded.

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Journey to Eternity (13)

THE DIVIDED KINGDOM

By Homer Anderson

Rebellion and insurrection followed the death of Solomon. Rehoboam, lacking his father's wisdom, precipitated revolt by Jeroboam **(I Kings, Chapter 12)**. The ten tribes to the north under Jeroboam became known as Israel. The two tribes in the south under Rehoboam were called Judah.

The divided kingdom lasted for slightly more than 300 years. Israel was conquered by Assyria in 721 B.C., and most of its people were carried into captivity **(2 Kings 17:6)**. Over the years that followed they intermarried with their captors and lost their identity as a separate and distinct people, thus becoming known as Samaritans. Their failure to maintain the distinctive worship of the one true God further opened a great gulf between them and the two remaining tribes to the south. The bitterness between the two deepened and widened over the years, appearing again in the Bible as the hatred between the Jews and the Samaritans of Jesus' time.

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Senior Center activities announced

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A snooker tournament will also begin Monday morning.

The Scurry County chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons will meet at 1 p.m. Monday in the Senior Center. Prospective new members are invited. An executive session is planned at noon in the center's dining room.

Emily Hataway will be singing in the center's dining room on Wednesday. Her program will begin at 11:15 a.m. Everyone is invited to sing favorite songs in the Friday Sing Along which starts at 11:30 a.m.

Senior citizens in the swimnastics group are reminded that they will meet on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for the next two weeks and then take a break during August while the Western Texas College swimming pool is closed for repairs. A new schedule for swimnastics will be announced when fall classes begin at the college.

Local residents who would like part-time or temporary help are invited to call the Senior Center at 573-4035 for information about Experience Unlimited. This program serves to get prospective employees and senior citizens together but does not determine wages, hours to be worked and other such details. These arrangememts are made by the employers and employees.

The Senior Center is open each weekday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and invites county residents 60 and older to become involved in its activities. The building is located at 2603 Avenue M.

Actress likes role

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Marcia Strassman says she's anxious to repeat her role in Walt Disney Co.'s movie series "Honey, I (latest plot twist) the Kid(s)."

"I know this is going to sound unbelievably Pollyanna of me, but I would be perfectly happy to do one of these 'Honey' movies each year for the rest of my life," she said. "I get paid to have fun."

Miss Strassman plays the wife of inventor Wayne Szalinski (Rick Moranis) in "Honey, I Blew Up the Kid," the sequel to the 1989 film "Honey, I Shrunk the Kids."

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Snyder teams nab UGSA title berths

MIDLAND — A two-hour rain delay slowed down the final day of play at the United Girls Softball Association national tournament Saturday morning after two Snyder teams clinched berths in the championship playoffs in Friday games.

Snyder's Division I and Division III teams coasted through the first two days of pool play with a combined 6-0 record.

Division III's All-Stars used a Bianca Rocha homer, her second in the tournament, to cruise past San Angelo, 16-8, in Friday action.

Snyder's Division I crew posted a 9-4 decision over San Angelo, then followed with an 18-3 whipping of Andrews in its Friday games.

Division III was to have faced Andrews at 9:45 a.m. and Big Spring at 1:15 p.m. before Saturday's 6 p.m. championship battle.

The Division I Stars took on Big Spring in an 11:30 a.m. matchup Saturday before heading into the 6 p.m. title tilt.

Championship opponents for the Snyder squads were to be decided by the outcome of other Saturday games.

In other action Friday, Division II stayed in the chase for a title berth by beating Andrews 19-11 after losing a 6-2 contest to San Angelo earlier in the day.

Snyder's Division IV team was eliminated from playoff contention following a 16-12 loss to Andrews and a 9-8 defeat by Sweetwater.

Division II was to tangle with Big Spring at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, needing a win to remain in the chase for a spot in the 6 p.m. championship game.

Division IV had no games scheduled for Saturday.

UGSA National Tournament
Midland
Snyder Pool Play
DIVISION I
Thursday
Snyder 18, Ft. Stockton 0
Snyder 15, Sweetwater 10
Friday
Snyder 9, San Angelo 4
Snyder 18, Andrews 3
Saturday
Big Spring at 11:30 a.m.
Championship at 6 p.m.
DIVISION II
Wednesday
Ft. Stockton 15, Snyder 14
Thursday
Snyder 12, Sweetwater 11
Snyder 14, San Angelo Black 13
Friday
San Angelo Green 6, Snyder 2
Snyder 19, Andrews 11
Saturday
Big Spring at 11:30 a.m.
Championship at 6 p.m.
DIVISION III
Wednesday
Snyder 16, Ft. Stockton 6
Thursday
Snyder 11, Sweetwater 7
Friday
Snyder 16, San Angelo 8
Saturday
Andrews at 9:45 a.m.
Big Spring at 1:15 p.m.
Championship at 6 p.m.
DIVISION IV
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Thursday
Pampa 9, Snyder 8
Big Spring 11, Snyder 10
Friday
Andrews 16, Snyder 12
Sweetwater 9, Snyder 8
Saturday
Championship at 3 p.m.

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All Stars oust Clyde

Snyder Little Leaguers post 12-7 victory

MERKEL — Snyder Little League All-Stars, with their backs to the wall following Thursday's upset loss to Clyde, came back and claimed a 12-7 victory against the same Clyde squad Friday to earn a spot in the District 1 championship Monday in Abilene.

Snyder, managed by Grady Gafford, will face Abilene Key City for the district crown. Key City eliminated Sweetwater West on Friday, 5-3, to set up Monday's meeting.

Snyder, Area 2 champion, enters Monday's battle with one playoff loss. In order to advance in the Little League playoffs the locals must beat the undefeated Abilene squad twice.

Snyder jumped out of the blocks quickly Friday, taking a 10-1 advantage by the third inning, which featured a three-run homer by Kyle Beck that cleared Cory Mandrell, Tommy Fields and Paul O'Connor off the bases.

Leadoff hitter David Smith started the onslaught, walking aboard, taking second on a passed ball and stealing third, before Paul O'Connor hammered an RBI double that pushed Smith home.

Next, Beck singled, scoring Toby Delce, who walked and went to third on O'Connor's double.

In the second inning, Cory Mandrell singled, went to third on a pair of passed balls and was walked across after free passes were issued to teammates Smith, Delce and O'Connor.

Dustin Fish followed with a two-run single that stretched the Snyder advantage to 5-0.

Beck's third-inning dinger capped a five-run inning that all but ended Clyde's hopes.

Clyde scored a run in the third, then rallied for six in the fourth, including 2-RBI singles by Brandon Hawk and Beau Holland.

Beck was Friday's winning pitcher, pitching five innings, allowing seven runs on six hits and nine walks.

O'Connor and Clay Berryman each tossed one inning of relief for Snyder.

Five Clyde pitchers were touched for 12 hits and six walks in the loss.

Top hitters for Snyder include O'Connor, who was 2-for-3 with and RBI single and a double that drove in a run; Beck, who was 2-for-4 on the night, including his 3-run tater; and Johnny Pena, who rapped a single and a double in four at-bats.

Little League district semifinals
Merkel
Thursday
Clyde 4, Snyder 3
Abilene Key City 12, Sweetwater West 1
Friday
Snyder 12, Clyde 7
Abilene Key City 5, Sweetwater West 3
District 1 championship
Monday
Eddie St. Pierre Field
Abilene
Snyder vs. Abilene Key City at 8 p.m.

Mussina handcuffs Rangers in shutout

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Baltimore's Mike Mussina didn't pitch well Friday night. Then the game started.

The right-hander, who struggled in warm-ups, was nearly perfect in an 8-0 victory over the Texas Rangers. Mussina (10-3) struck out 10, walked just one and surrendered only Kevin Reimer's fifth-inning double on the way to his fourth complete game.

"This is probably the best game that I have thrown since I've been in the majors," the 23-year-old said.

It didn't look like it would be a banner outing before the game.

"When he warmed up he was flustered," said Baltimore catcher Jeff Tackett. "His pitches were high; his balls were away and the change-up was up. But in the game he had everything. He hit all the locations, kept his pitches down and he was hitting the corners."

Baltimore hitters gave Mussina more than enough support, battering All-Star game winner Kevin Brown (14-5) for five runs on 11 hits over six innings. It was Brown's first defeat since June 14.

"You can't have good games every time out, unfortunately," Brown said. "When I haven't had good games this year I've been able to keep us in the game. That didn't happen tonight."

Every batter in the Orioles' starting lineup had at least one hit by the end of the sixth inning, when Brown exited with three strikeouts, no walks and a five-run deficit. The Orioles had 14 hits overall.

Mussina, however, had a perfect game going through the first four innings before surrendering a leadoff walk to Ruben Sierra. Reimer's double ended the no-hit bid before Mussina retired the last 14 batters he faced.

"Mussina pitched a great game," Texas manager Toby Harrah said. "He'd throw a 2-0 breaking ball or change right where he wanted to. He had great command of all his pitches."

Said Baltimore manager Johnny Oates, "He is about as consistent as I've seen anybody come into the big leagues in quite a while. He's had 29 starts and he's had only one start when he's struggled at all."

Brown surrendered a run in the second. The Orioles added two runs in both the fifth and sixth innings to chase Brown, the AL's win leader at the All-Star turn.

Leo Gomez hit an RBI double in the second before the Orioles broke open the game in the fifth and sixth.

Glenn Davis and Randy Milligan knocked in runs in the fifth. Mike Devereaux and Cal Ripken drove in runs in the sixth. Devereaux's RBI single sparked a three-run eighth for the Orioles.

Baseball glance

By The Associated Press
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AMERICAN LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	54	35	.607	—
Baltimore	50	39	.562	4
Milwaukee	46	42	.523	7½
Boston	42	45	.483	11
New York	42	47	.472	12
Detroit	42	49	.462	13
Cleveland	36	54	.400	18½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	55	34	.618	—
Oakland	52	37	.584	3
Texas	49	43	.533	7½
Chicago	44	44	.500	10½
Kansas City	39	50	.438	16
California	37	52	.416	18
Seattle	37	54	.407	19

Friday's Games
Kansas City 4, Cleveland 3
Milwaukee 4, Chicago 3, 11 innings
Minnesota 3, Boston 2, 10 innings
Baltimore 8, Texas 0
California 12, New York 4
Detroit 4, Oakland 3
Seattle 8, Toronto 6

Sunday's Games
Boston (Dopson 6-4) at Minnesota (Krueger 9-2), 2:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Bones 5-5) at Chicago (Hibbard 7-4), 2:35 p.m.
Cleveland (Scudder 6-8) at Kansas City (Aquino 0-1), 2:35 p.m.
Detroit (Ritz 2-3) at Oakland (Nelson 1-1), 4:05 p.m.
New York (Young 1-2) at California (Blyleven 3-3), 4:05 p.m.
Toronto (Wells 4-4) at Seattle (DeLucia 3-5), 4:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Rhodes 1-0) at Texas (Burns 2-2), 8:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Pittsburgh	50	40	.556	—
Montreal	46	44	.511	4
St. Louis	45	44	.506	4½
New York	43	47	.478	7
Chicago	41	48	.461	8½
Philadelphia	37	53	.411	13

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	52	36	.591	—
Atlanta	51	37	.580	1
San Diego	47	44	.516	6½
San Francisco	44	45	.494	8½
Houston	41	49	.456	12
Los Angeles	40	50	.444	13

Friday's Games
Montreal 3, San Diego 0
New York 1, San Francisco 0
Philadelphia 11, Los Angeles 3
Cincinnati 8, St. Louis 1
Chicago 2, Pittsburgh 1
Atlanta 5, Houston 0

Sunday's Games
San Diego (Lefferts 10-6) at Montreal (Gardner 8-7), 1:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Ojeda 5-4) at Philadelphia (Abbott 0-11), 1:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Burkett 6-5) at New York (Schourek 1-3), 1:40 p.m.
St. Louis (Clark 2-3) at Cincinnati (Hammond 5-5), 2:15 p.m.
Atlanta (Leibrandt 7-3) at Houston (Henry 3-6), 2:35 p.m.
Chicago (Castillo 6-7) at Pittsburgh (Smith 8-7), 8:05 p.m.

Braves drop Houston, 5-0

HOUSTON (AP) — Even John Smoltz is beginning to appreciate and enjoy his own dominant pitching.

Smoltz and reliever Kent Mercker combined for a five-hit shutout of the Houston Astros as the Atlanta Braves won their seventh straight game in a 5-0 victory Friday night at the Astrodome.

"Right now, I can't see myself pitching two or three bad games in a row," said Smoltz, who boosted his confidence last year by seeing a sports psychologist.

"I feel like a solid pitcher now rather than just a thrower."

In eight innings, Smoltz (11-6) allowed no walks and has won six of his last seven decisions. Atlanta leads the major leagues with 15 shutouts.

"When you've got good pitchers, you're going to lead the league in shutouts," Atlanta manager Bobby Cox said.

Smoltz missed what could have been his eighth complete game as Mercker replaced him in the ninth inning and extended his consecutive scoreless streak to 19 2-3 innings over 17 games since May 23.

"John had thrown 127 pitches, and I wanted to save him," Cox said. "Our bullpen has been great, so why not use it?"

The Astros, who have lost 11 of their last 13 to the Braves in the Astrodome, including all four games this season, realize the superior pitching they've faced.

Sport Shorts

Club hosts qualifying tournament

Snyder Country Club will host a local qualifying golf tournament for the National Oldsmobile Scramble, Saturday, July 25.

Entry fee is $35 per player and includes a dozen Top-Flite balls.

Winners at the local level advance to the regional tourney at Bear Creek in Dallas.

For more information on forming a team call the club pro shop at 573-7101.

West claims all-star victory

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — Stoney Rowland of Meadow scored a game-high 14 points Friday to lead the West to a 67-54 victory over the East in the Texas Six-man Coaches Association All-Star Basketball game.

The West All-Stars led for most of the game on their way to a 40-22 halftime lead.

Rowland made two 3-pointers to start the second half, beginning a run that ended with the West leading 60-31 with 11:27 left in the game.

The East outscored the West 12-1 in the final three minutes to pull within 14 by the end of the game.

Rowland, who was voted the game's most valuable player, was the only player to score in double figures. Phil Sustala of Abbott and Richard Hurst of Star each scored eight points for the East.

Ira's Kory Clark scored a three-pointer for the West.

Cowboys suffer first casualty

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys training camp was barely an hour old when the first casualty limped to the sidelines Friday.

Rookie offensive lineman Tom Myslinski, a fourth-round draft choice from Tennessee, suffered ankle and knee injuries in a brief scrimmage.

Myslinski sprained his left ankle and injured ligaments in his left knee.

Coach Jimmy Johnson said Myslinski, who is now on crutches, could be out at least two weeks.

Myslinski said "it could be longer than that. It could be a month."

The 6-foot-2, 291-pound Myslinski was playing at guard.

Johnson, a stickler for conditioning, had his squad participate in a live, 12-play "middle drill" just an hour deep into the Cowboys first training camp practice.

"We had a few glitches, and a few missed snaps and handoffs," Johnson said. "But we did have some good hitting. Chad Hennings showed he can be powerful and tenacious. He's going to be a good player for us."

Hennings, a rookie defensive end out of Air Force, has spent the last five years in the military piloting fighter jets.

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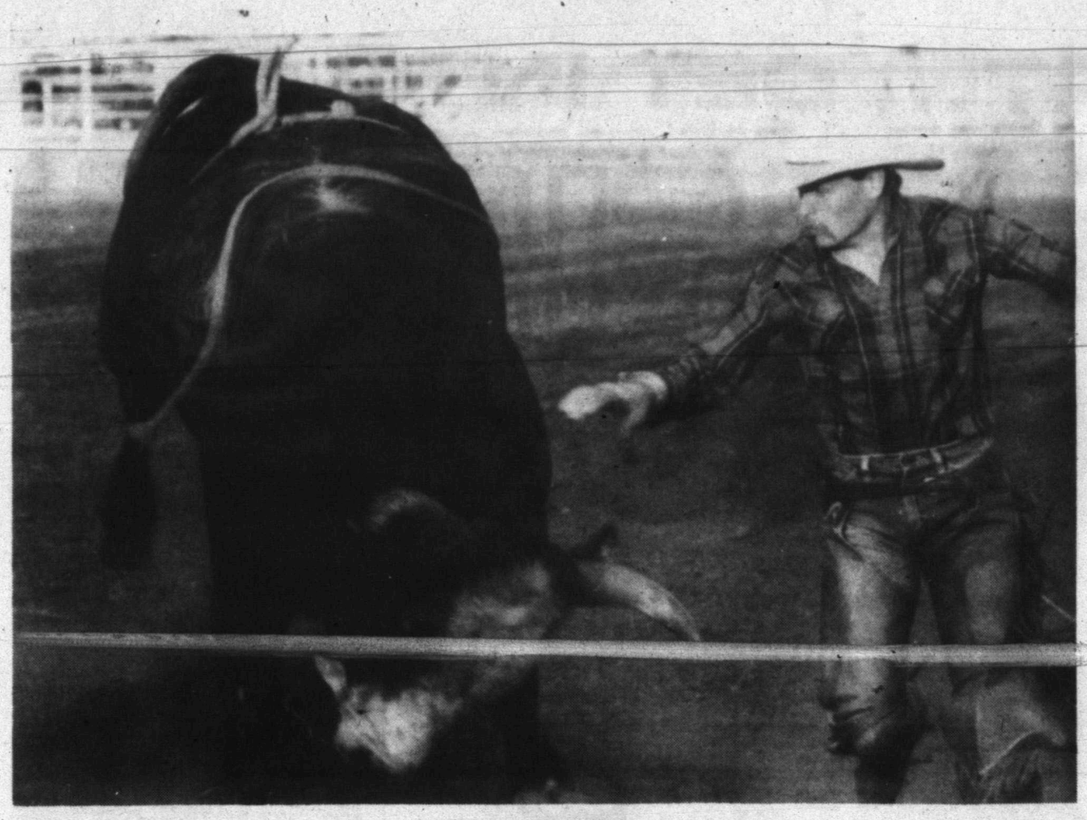

SEE YA LATER — Larry Williams of Floydada scoots out of harms way Thursday during the first section of bull riding at the 57th Annual Scurry County Rodeo. The rodeo was scheduled to wind up with an 8 p.m. show Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)

British Open...

Faldo vaults into lead at -12

GULLANE, Scotland (AP) — Nick Faldo showed the perfect way to play Muirfield. John Daly showed the way not to.

Faldo took a 12 under par, three-stroke lead into the third round of the British Open Saturday, and hadn't even stepped on the course when Daly was done with a wild 80 that put him at 10-over, 223.

"Links golf just doesn't fit my game," lamented Daly, the power-driving 26-year-old who stormed to the PGA championship last year on the far different Crooked Stick course in Indiana. "It's a totally different type of golf. I'm not going to remake my game. It's very hard for me to punch shots. I haven't learned how to do it."

Someone asked Daly how many bunkers he'd visited on his strange tour of the links on this gusty day.

"How many have you got out here?" he asked.

Told there were 147, he replied, "Well, I was in about 132 of them. I'm glad I didn't break my wrist out there."

Daly said he may never play another British Open unless he finds one on a course that fits his game. He'll have a hard time doing that, because all the courses are of the links variety.

For his final round Sunday, Daly figured he'd just treat it like a day of practice.

"I'll most likely be a 'one-some,' so I'll probably finish in an hour and 10 minutes," he said.

His third round began with trouble on his 4-iron second shot, which he pull-hooked en route to a double bogey.

"I heard a 'fore' on my backswing, and that's how my day went," he said.

The worst it got was on the par-four 12th, when he triple-bogeyed, courtesy of a wedge shot into a bunker and three putts, the last one left-handed.

Still, he was pleased to be playing when he and many others thought he'd be gone by now.

"My main goal was to make the cut, and if I got lucky the top 15," he said. So far, it doesn't look as if he'll be quite so lucky.

While Faldo waited to begin his third round, and the winds began blowing harder by midday.

The British Open

Recent tournament winners

Year	Winner	Country
1991	Ian Baker-Finch	Australia
1990	Nick Faldo	England
1989	Mark Calcavecchia	USA
1988	Seve Ballesteros	Spain
1987	Nick Faldo	England
1986	Greg Norman	Australia
1985	Sandy Lyle	England
1984	Seve Ballesteros	Spain
1983	Tom Watson	USA
1982	Tom Watson	USA

Source: PGA Tour — NEA Graphic

The British Open is the oldest of the four major events that make up the Grand Slam of golf, and it is the only one not conducted in the United States. First played in 1860, the British Open is run by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, a Scotland-based organization that rotates the event among several courses in Britain. The other major golf tournaments are the Masters, the U.S. Open and the PGA Championship.

Yugoslav athletes await word from IOC

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — A United Nations committee on Friday prolonged the agony for Yugoslav athletes waiting to learn if they will be allowed to participate in next week's Olympics.

Sources said a committee of the U.N. Security Council postponed a decision on a compromise plan that would allow athletes from the turbulent country to participate in the Olympics, which start July 25.

The Spanish government had requested a quick decision because, without U.N. approval, it would have to uphold U.N. sanctions against Yugoslavia and bar the entry of Yugoslav athletes.

The International Olympic Committee has proposed allowing Yugoslavs to compete as individuals under the Olympic flag and anthem. They would wear white uniforms with no markings and be known as the Independent Team. Under the plan, the competitors would represent only themselves and not Yugoslavia.

Sources on the sanctions committee said Austria, Hungary and Ecuador had objected to the proposal, because it "looks like the Yugoslav team in disguise." Britain's representative suggested the committee ask the IOC to consider allowing the Yugoslavs to participate as individuals without being grouped as a team. The suggestion was accepted, and the committee's chairman was drafting a letter to the IOC seeking the clarification.

The chairman, Jose Ayala Lasso of Ecuador, said the sanctions committee would meet Monday to discuss the IOC's response before issuing a ruling. The IOC Executive Board meets Saturday and could clarify its proposal then.

Under the British compromise, the Yugoslav athletes would not wear the same uniforms and would not parade as a team in opening ceremonies.

U.N. sanctions approved May 30 prohibit Yugoslavia, a former six-republic federation now consisting only of Serbia and Montenegro, from taking part in international sporting events.

The sanctions were imposed May 30 to punish Serbia for its involvement in the war in the former republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The first day of the IOC meetings at Barcelona was dominated by the Yugoslav issue, including the IOC's efforts to bring in athletes from Bosnia and Macedonia, another former Yugoslav republic.

Each would send delegations of about 15 people, including 10 athletes from Macedonia and seven from Bosnia, according to IOC Director General Francois Carrard.

Carrard said Macedonia accepted the IOC's proposal to take part under the same terms as Yugoslavia.

He said it was "quite likely" the Macedonians would take part, regardless of the U.N. decision on the Yugoslavs. Macedonia has broken away from Yugoslavia but has not yet received international recognition as an independent state.

It was not yet clear what the Macedonian team would be called. Carrard suggested there could be a series of Independent Teams, referred to as A, B and so on.

Bosnia refuses to compete along with the Yugoslavs and wants to send its own team.

"They have indicated clearly they would like to participate under their own colors," Carrard said. "They don't want to be on the same team as athletes from Serbia and Montenegro."

"We will consider this request with sympathy," Carrard said. "The IOC is doing its best to enable Bosnian athletes to participate. ... The desire of these athletes to compete is very touching and very moving."

The capital of Bosnia is Sarajevo, which hosted the 1984 Winter Games. The city has been under siege for three months by Serb irregulars who oppose Bosnia's independence from Yugoslavia.

Carrard indicated it was possible the IOC would grant provisional recognition to the Bosnian Olympic Committee, even though it has not yet met the requirements set out in the Olympic Charter.

"We'd like to find a solution," he said. "I think we can find exceptional solutions to exceptional circumstances."

Two other former Yugoslav republics, Croatia and Slovenia, received IOC recognition earlier this year. They competed as independent nations in the Winter Games at Albertville and will do so again at Barcelona.

Rodeo results

Scurry County Rodeo
Friday's results

Bareback: 1. Dale Hirschman, Clinton, Ok., 69; 2. Rush Clark, Snyder, 67. **Saddle broncs:** 1. Will Jordan, Springtown, 65. **Bull riding:** 1. Kevin James, Stephenville, 69; 2. Rayland Goswick, Snyder, 63. **Calf roping:** 1. Jeff Chapman, Lubbock, 8.984; 2. Marty Yates, Amarillo, 10.058. **Breakaway roping:** 1. Mitzi Mayes, Manor, 3.918; 2. Geanna Brooks, Aledo, 4.032. **Barrel racing:** 1. Stacy Rinehart, Lubbock, 17.522; 2. Bennette Barrington, Lubbock, 17.855. **Team roping:** 1. Turtle Powell and Jody Stubbs, 6.820; 2. Dero Shaw and Cabble Mackey, Ira, 8.808.

Overall standings

Bareback riding: 1. Dale Hirschman, Clinton, Ok., 69; 2. (tie) Chris Stanford, Berhallen, 67; Rush Clark, Snyder, 67. **Calf roping:** 1. Jeff Chapman, Lubbock, 8.984; 2. Marty Yates, Amarillo, 10.058; 3. Kenny Williams, Odessa Texas, 10.164. **Breakaway roping:** 1. Shawn Wise, Vernon, 3.053; 2. Kody Newman, Stanton, 3.131; 3. Lee Ann Walker, Midland, 3.879. **Saddle broncs:** 1. Walter Parman, Channing, N.M., 67; 2. Will Jordan, Springtown, 65; 3. Craig Morgan, Ft. Stockton, 64.

Barrel racing: 1. Janna Himes, Fluvanna, 17.423; 2. Joann Middleton, Levelland, 17.492; 3. Mindy Morris, 17.515. **Team roping:** 1. Tyler Thompson, Tod Thompson, Munday, 6.103; 2. Turtle Powell, Jody Stubbs, 6.820; 3. Dero Shaw, Cabble Mackey, Ira, 8.808. **Bull riding:** 1. Max Payne, Pampa, 72; 2. Dale Gideon, Lubbock, 70; 3. Kevin James, Stephenville, 69.

NFL appears headed back to courtroom

NEW YORK (AP) — It looks like the antitrust suit against the NFL by eight players will return to court after its two-week hiatus.

Efforts by commissioner Paul Tagliabue and lawyers for the players to reach a settlement that could bring a new labor agreement and a new form of free agency to the league appear to have stalemated again — nothing new in the labor dispute that has gripped the league for nearly five years.

"My feeling is that they have to lose in court before some of the owners will come over," said Jeffrey Kessler, one of the two lead attorneys for the eight players suing the league for free agency. "The commissioner has made some efforts, but I don't see much chance right now for settlement."

NFL officials, meanwhile, note that even if the players win — and they don't concede that they will — appeals and other actions could drag the process out another three to five years.

"We don't need that," an aide to Tagliabue said Friday. "We want an agreement. The question is how we get it."

The main sticking point now appears to be the difference between four years and six years — the players want free agency after four years, the owners are offering six years.

The owners meet in Dallas on Monday when Tagliabue will have another chance, probably his last, to convince them to come up with a proposal that might be acceptable to the players.

"There's still a chance," Gene Upshaw, executive director of the NFL Players Association, said Friday. "We'll know a lot after their meeting on Monday."

But Upshaw isn't optimistic. Nor is anyone else on either side.

Until the 1952 Olympics in Helsinki, only one Russian had ever won a gold medal in the Games.

Bowling News

TRIPLE THREAT
7-16-92

Team	W	L
W. Monroney	31½	13½
M. Shrimplin	30	15
D. Lyle	25	15
M. Carroll	21½	23½
D. Simpson	21½	23½
B. Lowrance	19	26
C. Teague	18	27
L. Smith	17	28
R. Pavlik	16½	23½
G. Graves	15	25

High Series: M. Shrimplin 569. **High game:** L. Smith 260. **High handicap series:** D. Simpson 653. **High handicap game:** D. Simpson 260.

Splits converted: D. Simpson 3-10; R. Pavlik 2-7.

KINGS & QUEENS
7-15-92

Team	W	L
Melba & David	25	11
Chuck & Cindy	20	16
Michelle & Jerry	17	19
Kathy & Scott	16	20
Tom & Norma	16	20
Dana & Jeff	14	22

High Series: Cindy Lindsey 498. **High game:** Scott Warren 184. **High handicap series:** Michelle Lumpkin 615. **High handicap game:** Tom Seabourn 223.

Splits converted: Dana Stone 2-7; Roger Pavlik 5-7; Scott Warren 4-5-7.

Former A&M star...

Dickey still hears the cheers

By ERIC ZARATE
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — Stadiums have a different meaning for Curtis Dickey these days.

Dickey used to bask in the cheers showered by thousands of Texas A&M or pro football fans as he raced down the sideline for a touchdown. Today, he is a security guard at Arlington Stadium, and he prays Texas Rangers games do not go into extra innings.

"When that happens, I'll be dragging the next day at work," said Dickey, who works full time for Ladd Uniform Co. of Fort Worth. "I have to stay until everybody's gone from right field. The 10-game homestands can get kind of tiring, too."

The broad-shouldered Dickey patrols Section T at the stadium. Last year, his first at the stadium, Dickey worked in several places. But this year he requested Section T seats.

"This is where the action is," Dickey said. "This is where they start the wave."

He works the crowd from a different perspective now.

"In the stands I can see what it's like when I was out there playing and they were hollering for me — or booing for me," says Dickey, who in 1979 rushed for 276 yards against Iowa State in the Hall of Fame Bowl. "I don't cheer; I sit back and listen to it. The home runs are what I like. That's the most exciting part."

Dickey doesn't join in on the wave; he prefers to remain low-key. But he keeps the pedestrian traffic moving, tosses out disorderly drunks and doesn't approve of profanities with so many children around. He's probably the only security guard at Arlington Stadium who gets autograph requests.

"I'm sure Curtis appreciates all the adoration, but he's not the type to thrive on it," said former Aggie coach Emory Bellard, who recruited Dickey out of Bryan High School in 1975. "He always seemed more comfortable with just two or three friends around."

Bellard said Dickey's movements were always graceful. Dickey was also a world-class sprinter at Texas A&M.

"He's as fluid a person as I've ever seen," said Bellard, who resigned from A&M in 1978 and now coaches at Spring Westfield High School near Houston. "He had the smoothest, best walk of any athlete I've ever seen."

That same stride easily navigates the 61 steps from the bleacher walkway to the stadium's top row. Dickey makes the journey two or three times a game. The regulars often greet him, showing off to others that they know Curtis Dickey.

"He's cool," Sam Houston High sophomore Richard Taylor said. "If Curtis sees someone giving you trouble, he'll come up and help you."

"He's neat. I got his autograph," said Phillip Kregel, 7, of Denton.

Kregel's mother, Dawn, is impressed with Dickey, who was a 1980 No. 1 draft pick of the then-Baltimore Colts.

"My husband thinks a lot of you," she told Dickey.

The fans tend to be better behaved when the Rangers are winning, Dickey said. Bat night and cap nights can be real headaches, he said.

"When they have calendar giveaways, they become airplanes when the Rangers are losing," Dickey said.

But when Ranger right fielder Ruben Sierra waves to the crowd, Dickey said, "They just start going wild."

Later, on a 20-minute break, Dickey said the past football glory — and paychecks — were nice. He spent five seasons with the Colts and 1985-86 with the Cleveland Browns. Operations on both knees ended Dickey's football career.

Six years removed from the game, Dickey is satisfied with his current occupations.

"Pro football's all politics and business right now," he said. "The average pro football career is four years. I feel fortunate that I was over that."

Dickey earns about $400 per week from Ladd and $29 a night for Rangers games — plus $7 hourly after 10:45 p.m.

Dickey, 35, said he is OK financially. An annuity will kick in at age 39, and a National Football League pension starts at age 55.

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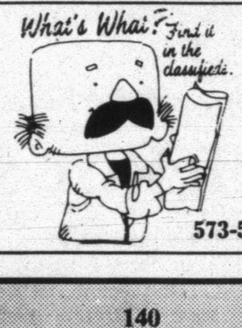

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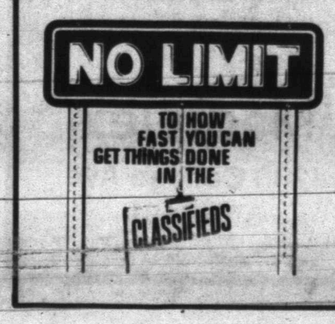

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Perot sends mixed signals about future plans

DALLAS (AP) — Ross Perot says in one breath he expects to "vote quietly" in November, but in the next he indicates a desire to play power broker by galvanizing his volunteers into a movement with a message — if not a candidate.

Returning to the airwaves from which he sprang, Perot sent the mixed signals Friday as some two dozen leaders of his volunteer drive gathered here Saturday for a hastily arranged meeting at an undisclosed location.

"I'm going to say to the people, 'Let's look at where we can really make a contribution that will help the country and let's optimize this great organization that we have to do that,'" Perot said on CNN's "Larry King Live," the show where he first offered to run for the presidency last February.

"So that, in my mind, is the next step," he said. "I have not gone away. I will stay with them right through the end. I will help and support them any way I can or play any role they want me to."

Perot dropped out of the race Thursday, angering many of his followers. He said again Friday that he didn't want to be a candidate, but left the door open to an 11th-hour protest-vote gambit.

"I do not think that the highest and best use of the country — or the best thing for the country — is to run me as the candidate," he said.

But he said he was willing to bankroll and lead a grassroots group that would offer a platform, ask congressional as well as presidential candidates if they could agree to the platform, perhaps offer the group's endorsement and even deliver a decisive "swing vote" in November.

He said he and his followers still have "leverage" because his name is likely to be on many ballots in November.

The organization, which does not yet exist, also should withhold support from any candidate who engages in negative campaigning, Perot said.

"We can do more in this posture than we could if we are just trying to push one independent candidate," Perot said. "Here now, we've taken on the whole system. We have the ability to influence both parties."

As many as two dozen state coordinators from Perot's grounded campaign flew into Dallas for a hastily arranged meeting. A few gathered Friday night to watch Perot on television.

"What I've heard thus far tonight is what we wanted all along: a grassroots movement from the people," said Ken DeLamar of Mena, Ark.

This morning, state coordinators said they still did not know if they would see Perot Saturday.

"I just got wind of this last night. I'm still not sure what it's about or what we can do," said Scott Hozman, founder of Perot's petition drive in Nevada.

Pennsylvania state coordinator David Kirby said the meeting was spontaneously arranged without the help of Perot's headquarters.

"We're just going to discuss where to go from here," Kirby said.

On ABC-TV's "20-20," meanwhile, Perot said he had given supporters "everything I have" and didn't believe he had let them down by bailing out of the presidential campaign.

On that program, he made no allusions to a possible role as a power broker, saying he would "vote quietly" in November.

IN CUSTODY — Snyder Police Lt. Steve Warren, right, escorts Arthur Lee Harding and Nina Jonell Henderson from a plane at Scurry County Airport Friday afternoon. The pair is being held on $100,000 bond each in the murder of Paul Milford. (SDN Staff Photo)

Army reports at least 34 sex crimes by troops in Gulf War

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Army troops stationed in the Persian Gulf committed at least 34 sex crimes, many of them against fellow soldiers, before and during the war with Iraq, the service says.

Army spokesmen on Friday confirmed the outline of a report by the Army Times newspaper, which said the incidents ranged from an alleged rape aboard a rest-and-relaxation cruise ship in the gulf to a male guard fondling a female comrade.

Some of the victimized women did not report the incidents for weeks or months, the report said.

Brig. Gen. Charles W. McClain Jr., head of Army public affairs, said in a statement that the Army regretted the incidents.

"We wish none of these incidents had taken place, but we are encouraged by the fact that when an incident was reported, no matter when, an investigation was initiated and in many cases subjects were identified," McClain said.

The report came at a time of intense scrutiny of sex crimes in the military. In the Tailhook sex scandal, the best-known incident, 26 women — half of them naval officers — were allegedly fondled as they ran through a gantlet of male officers in a Las Vegas hotel.

In a reflection of the military's heightened sensitivity toward sexual harassment, a senior officer said Friday that the service has canceled the planned promotions of two admirals who were linked to other incidents.

The officer, speaking on condition he not be identified, said the Navy is canceling the planned promotion of Vice Adm. Jerry O. Tuttle, who had been nominated to become assistant chief of naval operations for air warfare.

Jokes in a monthly newsletter Tuttle writes for the Navy's Space and Electronic Warfare Command, which he heads, had offended some female officers.

Also affected is Rear Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, who had been nominated for promotion to vice admiral and command of the 3rd U.S. Fleet based in San Diego.

The Navy's concern stemmed from actions Prueher took as commandant of midshipmen at the Naval Academy in 1989 when a female midshipman was handcuffed to a urinal by a group of male midshipmen.

The Army Times, an independent weekly newspaper, said it obtained reports of 31 Gulf crimes after using the Freedom of Information Act to acquire records of the Army Criminal Investigation Command.

About eight of the crimes involved consensual acts that are prosecuted in the military, such as adultery or homosexual sex, said reporter Greg Seigle.

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Billingsley to appoint election judges, and will authorize County Judge Bob Doolittle to renew a statement of agreement between the commissioners court and Big Spring State Hospital.

Commissioners will consider a budget amendment for the coliseum for comp time purchased from employees, adjustments in salaries and hiring, and benefits for Coliseum Promoter Bernadette Stephens.

A budget amendment of $2,000 will be considered for the child welfare department for clothing allowance for children in school.

Commissioners will consider some six line-item transfers, including $6,579 from coliseum promotions to postage, repairs, lease rentals and concession supplies and lease and installation of sound equipment.

Other transfers include $4,500 from capital outlay to tires, tubes and repair in Precinct 1, a transfer of $5,000 from road materials to repairs in Precinct 3, a $287.75 transfer from capital outlay to microfilm expense for the county clerk's office, a $200 transfer from equipment to supplies and medical fees for the mental health department and a transfer of $961.40 from library postage to new library books.

The court will discuss the retirement settlement of former employee Bob Stanfield and consider payment of bills, including a bill from the City of Snyder for EMS billing to the county for January through May.

Approval of minutes and committee and board reports are the only other items on the agenda.

Rodeo

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roping were posted by Mitzi Mayes of Manor and Aledo's Geanna Brooks. Mayes turned in a 3.918 while Brooks flashed a 4.032. Neither time could unseat Thursday's leader, Shawn Wise of Vernon, who roped her calf in 3.053 seconds opening night.

Fluvanna barrel racer Janna Himes also held her event lead after Friday's rodeo. Himes ran the cloverleaf course in 17.423 seconds, ahead of Friday's winner Stacy Rinehart of Lubbock, who clocked in at 17.522 and Bennette Bennington, also of Lubbock, who posted a 17.855.

Urologist

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ogy clinic at Cogdell."

His wife, Suzanne, is an allergist. They have two children, Kristen, 4, and Andrew, two weeks old.

In his spare time, Beck said he likes to play with his children, jog and work in the garden.

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Altercation sends 3 to emergency room

Snyder police submitted two reports for aggravated assault following an early morning altercation which sent three people to Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room.

Police Capt. Ron Gloyd was on routine patrol about 2:38 Saturday morning when he heard several shots fired in the 1000 block of 28th Street. Upon investigation, he located a group of people who were involved or were witness to the incident.

According to those on the scene, a 6-year-old male and a 33-year-old male had been shot. Minutes later, Cogdell emergency room employees notified police that they had an 18-year-old male who had been assaulted.

Gloyd said the juvenile and 33-year-old male were also taken to the emergency room. Although all three appeared to have either been cut or struck with a blunt instrument, none of the three were apparently shot, officials said.

All three were treated for injuries and released.

A suspect has been contacted and gave a statement but no arrests have been made and the case is still under investigation, Gloyd said.

Police made three unrelated arrests late Friday and early Saturday.

At 10:20 p.m. Friday, officers arrested a 21-year-old man in the 3700 block of Muriel for driving while intoxicated, resisting arrest and having no Texas driver's license.

At 11:48 p.m. police arrested a 22-year-old man in the 2200 block of College Avenue for driving while intoxicated.

And, at 1:05 a.m. Saturday, police arrested a 42-year-old man in the 1300 block of 13th Street for public intoxication. He is also being held on outstanding El Paso DPS warrants for speeding and failure to appear, and a Giddings County Sheriff's Office warrant for theft by check.

At 6:09 p.m. Friday, a woman called the police department and asked officers to check on the welfare of her 16-year-old granddaughter. Police located the juvenile and transported her to the police department where they contacted her parents. Children's Protective Services was contacted and took custody of the girl.

Police also began an investigation into the theft of miscellaneous items at 3900 Midland. A report for Class A theft was filed.

Obituaries

Foy Paul Lewis

1910-1992

ODESSA — Services were set for 2 p.m. Saturday at Eisenhower Church of Christ for Foy Paul Lewis, 82, who died Thursday at Medical Center Hospital. Burial was to follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Don Carroll and Bill Butler were to officiate.

He was the brother of Laura Chandler of Snyder.

Born March 4, 1910, in Snyder, he was married to Verva Marie Shepherd on Oct. 1, 1934, in Welch. She survives. Mr. Lewis lived in Odessa since Feb. 3, 1973, moving from Baileyboro, Tex. He was a retired farmer and a member of the Eisenhower Church of Christ.

Other survivors are two sons, Ernest Lewis of O'Fallon, Ill., and Charles Lewis of Odessa; three daughters, Wilene M. Wright of Lubbock, Betty L. Clampitt of Lubbock and Maralyn R. Butler of Ransom Canyon; a brother, Marvin Lewis of Waco; another sister, Elector Rayburn of La Vernia; 12 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

SO investigates shooting report

County deputies Friday investigated a report of shots being fired from a vehicle on U.S. Highway 84 near Dermott.

At 11:08 a.m. Friday, Gene Groce notified the sheriff's office that he and his wife and son had heard shots fired when they walked out of their house.

According to Groce, his wife and son noticed an older model green pickup with the bed heavily loaded driving by. The son saw a subject point a pistol out the passenger side window and shoot.

No damage was reported in the incident.

In an unrelated incident, a 41-year-old male was arrested by the Department of Public Safety at 11 p.m. Friday near Ira on misdemeanor charges of driving while intoxicated.

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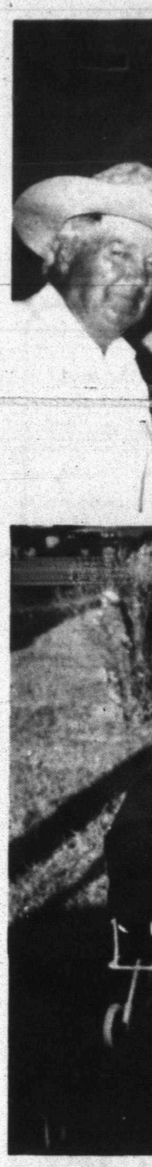

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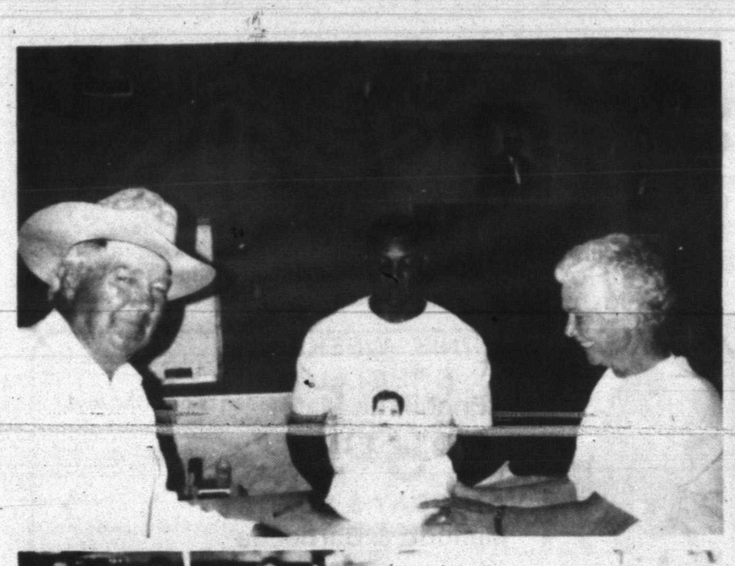

MILLERS DONATE MEAT — Riley and Mary Miller of Justiceburg furnished buffalo meat for the Scurry County Boy's Club booth at the Fourth of July activities at Towle Park. In the bottom picture, Ronnie Wooldridge enjoys a buffalo burger and his wife, Shana, chose a smoked turkey leg from the Boys' Club booth. These two foods will be served at the upcoming White Buffalo Days by the club. (Contributed Photos)

Perot HQ takes on dual personality

DALLAS (AP) — Ross Perot's headquarters looked like two different places Friday. In one room, volunteers determinedly tried to carry on his presidential bid while, in another, paid staffers and movers glumly carried out supplies and equipment.

"It's just two different personalities," said Michelle Kaihani, a paid staffer who worked in Perot's phone bank but had been reassigned to help close out state offices.

"The volunteers are still so enthusiastic. But on the other side, it's just very quiet."

Perot stunned both his volunteers and his hired staff Thursday by saying he would not run for president despite their efforts to qualify him on ballots in 24 states.

Perot cited renewed strength of the Democratic party in his decision, but close aides said he had been surprised by the intense scrutiny and pressure of being an almost-candidate.

The volunteers he exhorted to put him on Election Day ballots refused to let go, however. State coordinators from at least 30 states were flying to Dallas for a strategy meeting Saturday.

Bob Hayden, a leader in the Los Angeles Perot office, was organizing the meeting, according to volunteers at the Dallas phone bank. Hayden was flying to Dallas Friday afternoon and could not immediately be reached.

Support for Perot continued to pour in on the headquarters' fax machine and phone bank. Volunteers were handling more than 1,000 calls an hour with a backlog of more than 200 calls at any moment, said Rose Roberts-Cannaday, phone bank director.

"People just won't quit. They're saying they won't let him quit," she said.

"There's got to be an awful lot of people out there that still believe," said volunteer Bob Wolfson.

Perot's son, Ross Perot Jr., in a visit to the headquarters, said his father had been "tremendously touched by the volunteers" and would continue to work with them.

"They can't lose faith. They've revitalized American politics," Perot Jr. said.

But asked whether his father would reconsider entering the race, Perot Jr. said: "I don't think that's realistic."

A computer equipment supplier moved out more than a dozen unused workstations and an office supply company moved out leased equipment.

Data entry personnel were the first to be let go from the paid staff. Issues researchers, the media office and support staffers will work through Monday, officials said. Field office coordinators and top aides will probably need a month to close the operation, an aide said.

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Workers at mill hit by bitter strike vote to oust unions

JAY, Maine (AP) — International Paper Co. workers voted to oust two unions whose unsuccessful strike five years ago divided this mill town, officials said Friday.

Most of the workers who voted in the two-day decertification tally ending Friday afternoon were replacements hired during the 16-month strike at the Androscoggin Mill, which dominates this small western Maine town.

The vote was 616-361 to scrap union representation, company and union officials said. Another 94 ballots were challenged. National Labor Relations Board spokesman Joe Kane said he didn't know the reason for the challenges.

The vote means the mill that employs more than 1,000 workers will become the only non-union mill among more than a dozen paper-making plants in Maine.

Union leaders had mounted an uphill drive to persuade employees once denounced as "scabs" to retain collective bargaining.

Company officials supported the decertification proposal, while denying that the campaign in Jay reflected a broader anti-union effort.

Similar elections have resulted in unions being decertified at IP mills in De Pere, Wis., and Lock Haven, Pa. The Jay strike began in June 1987, coinciding with strikes at smaller mills in De Pere and Lock Haven, as workers resisted management demands for looser work rules and wage concessions.

Local union leaders called off the walkout in October 1988, after national union officials ended support.

The company says about two-thirds of its 45,000 employees at 120 plants are unionized.

Four NLRB officials were supervising the election, in which workers were deciding whether to decertify United Paperworkers International Union Local 14 and Local 246 of the International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers.

Replacement workers filed petitions seeking a decertification vote while the strike was in progress, but the NLRB put off an election until it could resolve union complaints against the company.

Since the strike was launched, IP has twice unilaterally imposed contracts at Jay. The current pact expires Sept. 30.

The company says its workers at Jay average more than $36,000 annually, nearly double the average state wage.

The mill workforce, pegged at 1,200 when the strike began, is down to less than 1,100. It is made up of 707 replacement workers, 316 former strikers who have been recalled and 53 "crossover" employees who quit the union and returned to work during the strike.

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Promotions of 2 admirals cancelled

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Navy is cancelling the promotions of two admirals who were linked to sexual harassment cases unrelated to the Tailhook sex-abuse scandal, a senior officer said Friday.

The officer, speaking on condition he not be identified, said the Navy is cancelling the promotion of Vice Adm. Jerry O. Tuttle, a three-star admiral who had been nominated by the White House to become assistant chief of naval operations for air warfare, the top position in the service's troubled aviation arm.

Tuttle was to have replaced Vice Adm. Richard Dunleavy, who retired last month.

Also affected is Rear Adm. Joseph W. Prueher, who had been nominated for promotion to a three-star grade. He was to assume command of the 3rd U.S. Fleet based in San Diego.

The New York Times, which reported the cancelled promotions in its Saturday editions, said Adm. Frank B. Kelso II, the chief of naval operations, decided to make the withdrawals when it became clear that a lengthy Senate confirmation process for Tuttle and Prueher would leave two key Navy slots open for weeks or months.

The Senate must confirm all promotions to admiral grade. The Senate already has delayed thousands of Navy and Marine Corps promotions until the Pentagon certifies that each officer was not implicated in the Tailhook scandal in which 26 women were sexually assaulted by drunken aviators at a convention in Las Vegas in 1991.

The concern in Tuttle's case was jokes that offended some female officers in a monthly newsletter he writes for the Navy's Space and Electronic Warfare Command, which he heads. One joke was: "Beer is better than women because beer never has a headache."

In Prueher's case, the Navy's concern stemmed from actions he took as commandant of midshipmen at the Naval Academy in 1989 when a female midshipman was handcuffed to a urinal by a group of male midshipmen.

The Times report said Tuttle and Prueher are the highest-ranking naval officers to suffer the fallout of Tailhook. Navy Secretary H. Lawrence Garrett III resigned last month in response to the handling of the scandal.

JONATHAN BARROW

Boy attends special camp

Jonathan Barrow, 11, son of Johnny and Suzanne Barrow of Snyder, recently attended the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville. Sponsored by the Snyder Lions Club, the camper rode horses, went swimming and even camped out under the stars.

The camp serves children who are visually or hearing impaired or have physical disabilities, ages 7-16. Camp programs are adapted, if necessary, so that everyone may participate. A well-trained staff supervises each camp activitity at a ratio of one counselor to two campers.

This camp is free to all children who are eligible.

For more information, or if you know of someone who can benefit from these programs, call your local Lions Club or write Texas Lions Camp, P.O. 247, Kerrville, 78029-0247. Or call 512-896-8500.

Album falling on music charts

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Rapper Ice-T's album "Body Count" is falling on the charts, even though it has received wide publicity because of its controversial track "Cop Killer" and explicit lyrics.

"Body Count" fell 11 spots on the Billboard magazine charts, according to figures released Friday.

TOMATOES — Lloyd Chambers of 415 31st St. is holding several tomatoes harvested from his garden. The two tomatoes he is holding weigh 1½ pounds each. (Contributed Photo)

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Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

Charles Bethel draws a crowd whenever he goes to the lake or a boat show. People can't help it. They are just naturally drawn to his prize possession — a propane powered 1968 flat bottom boat with V-drive.

The 25-year-old boat, which he converted to propane in 1988, has been written up in national publications. It may be the first and only boat in the U.S. which has been converted to propane.

Bethel, vice president of Bethel Oil, bought the boat 12 years ago as a ski and pleasure craft. It's not really new enough, light enough or fast enough to be a serious racing competitor, but throughout the years it has provided Bethel and his family and friends with lots of pleasure. It can seat four people.

However, he has raced it for the past three years anyway. Next up is Big Spring. This will be his third year to compete in the annual August event.

To convert the boat to propane, Bethel changed the carburetor, distributor and gas tank. What follows is a somewhat simplified explanation of how the process works.

Liquid propane travels from the tank to the converter which is filled with water. The water, heated by the motor, circulates and vaporizes the liquid propane which then travels through the carburetor and into the motor.

Bethel said a consideration during the planning stage was that since propane needs a stronger ignition, he had to use high-quality and extra-powerful spark plugs and wiring.

The motor is a dedicated 454 cubic-inch Chevy engine and the boat can travel between 75-80 mph.

A gauge keeps him informed of remaining propane in the tank, which is located in the front. The tank's walls are thicker than a regular gas tank and hold up to 24 gallons. It's enough fuel to power the boat for an entire day. When it was gas powered, two to three fillups were required for a day at the lake.

Propane powered vehicles are much more common in Europe and Australia than they are in the U.S. Bethel said every year they get repeat customers from out-of-the country who buy propane carburetion parts from them.

An Australian also purchased conversion parts which are very hard to find and very expensive in his country. To make room for the parts in his luggage, Bethel said, the man left some of his clothes behind when he went back.

Bethel has no fear of propane. To him, it's just like any other fuel. "It's very safe. I wouldn't let my grandmother drive a propane car if I didn't believe that," he said.

Bethel prefers propane, partly because it costs less than gasoline or diesel and is cleaner burning. He has yet to change the oil since making the conversion four years ago.

When he does change it, it won't be because the oil is dirty but because the additives in the oil eventually start to break down.

Bethel started planning the boat's conversion several years before he actually did any work. The cost was minimal because he salvaged parts from other vehicles. He worked on evenings and weekends.

Always a racing enthusiast, Bethel drove a ¼ -mile racing car for years. He elected to sell the car and rebuild and convert the boat instead, because he thought he would use the boat more often. He has never regretted that decision.

Future plans may entail replacing the hull with a lighter weight material so the boat can become more competitive.

Bethel has been around boats and water since he was a child, and has always enjoyed camping out and water skiing. He once restored a 1958 fleetform boat as a birthday present for his dad, Wayne Bethel. They still take it to the lake for family outings.

Bethel is also in the process of restoring trucks purchased decades ago for Bethel Oil.

He is currently working on a 1951 truck which his granddad, the late Al Bethel, purchased for the then fledgling business. It was the second truck he had bought and young Bethel whiled away many an hour riding around in it with his granddad.

As the decades passed, it was replaced with newer models. Since Bethel "doesn't like to see anything go to waste and didn't want to see it completely rust out," he said he started restoring it about three months ago. Of all the trucks he has worked on, the 1951 model draws the most interest.

Previously, he had restored a 1971 model. He would also like to add a 1961 model to his collection.

Propane-powered vehicles are nothing new to Bethel, who was reared in the family business. "We became involved with propane before it started to gain in popularity," he said.

He is very proud of his duel fuel 1989 pickup which can travel about 1,400 miles between fillups. He especially likes this feature because he doesn't like to stop once he gets on the road. Should he run short of propane, a flip of a switch will change the vehicle to gasoline.

He said he usually changes the oil in it every 10,000 miles or so.

Bethel is a graduate of Snyder High School and Western Texas College where he obtained an associates degree. He has attended Angelo State University in San Angelo.

He moved back to Snyder in 1988. His mother is Lynn Bethel, local piano teacher.

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"Mule Tales," by J.M. "Mule" Kayser who was featured in the July 4th Scurry County Folks col-

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PRIDE AND JOY — Charles Bethel's pride and joy is this propane-powered boat which he converted in 1988. He likes to use propane because it is a cleaner fuel than gasoline and he can spend a fun day at the lake with just one fillup. Bethel also likes to restore antique company trucks such as the 1951 model parked behind him. Bethel has fond memories of this truck because he used to ride in it as a boy. (SDN Staff Photo)

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MELODIOUS SESSION — Several summer piano students of Mrs. Barbara Tune presented a program of rag, jazz, pop and hymns at the Senior Citizens Center recently. Standing around the piano from left are Cara Stansell, Brandi Doyle, Becky Romero, Melanie Kidd, Jennifer Bigham, Vadrian Clay, Tiffany Jones, Jennifer Roemisch and Amber Rich. Seated are Vanessa Jones, Jason Hall, Callie Bane and Susan Bigham. (SDN Staff Photo)

Double ring vows...

Towle Park ceremony

Christin Danae Stokes became the bride of Michael Shane Carroll on May 16 at 6 p.m. in Towle Park. Charlie Reynolds officiated the double ring ceremony.

Danny Stokes of Big Spring and Sheila Melton of Snyder are the bride's parents and Dale and Sue Turnbo of Snyder are the parents of the groom.

Emmitt Hataway directed the wedding music featuring, "In His Love" and "Together."

The bride's father presented her in marriage.

Matron of honor was Dena LaRoux of Tucson, Ariz., sister of the bride. She wore a black gown with a white rose bouquet. Bridesmaids were Danielle Stokes and Kaci Stokes of Big Spring. They were dressed in black gowns with predominatley white corsages and carried bouquets of black and white.

Best man was Terry Leatherwood, cousin of the groom. He and the father of the bride wore black tuxedo jackets, white shirt, black bow ties and cummerbunds, black jeans and boots. They were dressed like the groom with the exception of the groom's tuxedo with tails.

Melissa Neves registered guests at a table covered with a white cloth decorated with black bows.

The reception was held at Reta's Cake Shop. The bride's table was covered with a white cloth and held the unity candle, black candles, a bouquet of flowers and a fountain, where punch was served.

The wedding cake featured black and white staircases. Serving were Lisa Wegner of San Angelo, Brandi Borchardt and Tori Borchardt of Big Spring, cousins of the bride.

The groom's table was also covered with a white cloth decorated with black bows. Marti Carroll, Allison Carroll, sisters-in-law of the groom, served a yellow cake iced with chocolate and topped with a model truck.

MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL SHANE CARROLL

During the reception, Pat Reynolds and Doug Morrell sang together, "Cherish the Treasure."

Following the couple's honeymoon to Six Flags, they have made their home in Snyder. The groom attended Snyder High School and was active in FFA, received his GED through Western Texas College and is employed with Patterson Petroleum.

The bride is an SHS graduate where she was a member of the National Honor Society, JV cheerleader and DECA president.

SNYDER PD PROGRAM — Johnnie McNew, Deep Creek Chapter of ABWA, introduced the program, Sgt. Trevlyn Pitner, at a meeting held at a local restaurant. (Contributed Photo)

Deep Creek ABWA meets

The Golden Corral Steakhouse was the meeting site for Deep Creek Chapter of American Business Women's Association on July 2 at 6:30 p.m.

President Donna Dupree presided and Sergeant Trevlyn Pitner presented the program.

Pitner stated the duties of his job and commented on several activities of the local police department, including the 911 and work load of the dispatchers. He concluded with questions from the ABWA members.

Committee reports were heard and secret pals exchanged gifts. Eva Pyburn of California was a guest and hostess was Stella Bailey. Christin Kruger received the hostess gift.

Dorothy Dortch gave the benediction.

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umn, is now on sale at the following locations: AJ Silkscreen, 1722 26th St., Scurry County Museum, and the Western Texas College Book Store.

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Bridge by Phillip Alder

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♦ A K 5 4
♣ 10 4

WEST
♠ J 9 4 2
♥ 9 8 6 3
♦ Q J 10 8 6
♣ - - -

EAST
♠ Q 10 7
♥ J 10 7 5
♦ 9
♣ J 9 7 6 3

SOUTH
♠ A K
♥ K 2
♦ 7 3 2
♣ A K Q 8 5 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
3 NT	Pass	6 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♦ Q

The quote is oft misquoted

By Phillip Alder

Certain proverbs are actually misquotes — for example, "Pride goes before a fall." The original words are, appropriately, in the book of Proverbs in the Bible: "Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall."

Many bridge players are haughty, and some of them play so quickly that they end up self-destructing in contracts that are guaranteed with a different line of play.

How would you play in six no-trump on today's deal? West leads the diamond queen.

South's rebid of three no-trump showed a solid six-card or longer suit and stoppers in the unbid suits. North's raise to six no-trump was quantitative.

Declarer won trick one in the dummy and immediately led a club to his ace. When West discarded a heart, South stopped in his tracks. Suddenly his 12 "certain" tricks had shrunk to 11. Eventually declarer conceded one down.

The only danger to the contract was a 5-0 club split, which happens almost four percent of the time. If declarer had considered this possibility, he would have noticed that he had a safety-play available.

At trick two, cross to hand with, say, a spade to the ace. Then lead a low club toward dummy's 10.

If West has all five clubs, he will collect only the jack, either now or later. If East has all the clubs, after dummy's 10 loses to the jack, declarer can cross to dummy, lead the club four and finesse his eight. In either case, the contract comes home.

When in a small slam, remember that you can afford to lose one trick.

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Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY

Six tables; Dot Casey directed games.

1. Margaret Birdwell, Sue Carter.
2. Dot Casey, Coleen Palmer.
3. Rogene Spruell, Malven Stevenson.
4. Shirley Stewart, George Stewart.
5. Ann Looney, Pat Floyd.

SUNDAY

Four tables.

1. Shirley, George Stewart.
2. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.
3. Frances, Mal Stevenson.

TUESDAY

Four tables.

1. Rube McKinley, Louise Thompson.
2. Pat, Robby Floyd.
3. Tizzy Hall, Margaret Birdwell.

Scurry County Library News and Views

BOOK FEATURE

"A Return to Love," by Marianne Williamson.

We are born with a natural tendency to focus on love, with creative and flourishing imaginations. But, we are taught as children that we're separate from other people, that we have to compete to get ahead. We are taught fear, rather than love.

"A Return to Love" is a spiritual travel guide for our journey back to the truth we were born with. Marianne Williamson examines the love that is a potent force, a source of miracles, and the key to inner peace.

NON-FICTION

"Pizzas & Pasta"

"Why Some Positive Thinkers Get Powerful Results," by Norman Vincent Peale.

"The Jordan Rules," by Sam Smith.

FICTIONS

"Vox," by Nicholson Baker.

"The Elf Queen of Shannara," by Terry Brooks.

"Dangerous Thoughts," by Celia Fremlin.

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Thompson, Berry repeat vows in Midland church

MIDLAND — Julie Thompson and Murray Dean Berry exchanged wedding vows in a double ring ceremony at 7 p.m. on July 11 at First United Methodist Church in Midland. Dr. Russel Parchman, pastor, officiated.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Gary Harris of Midland and parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Powell Berry of Abilene. The groom is the grandson of L.A. and Hazel Berry of Snyder.

The chapel was decorated with candelabras, holding white candles, highlighted with greenery. The family pews were designated with English ivy and fern. Red roses were held in each arrangement near the mother's seats and presented to the mothers by the bride, symbolizing the joining of the two families.

Candlelighters were Mike Lemen and Duane House.

Cousins of the bride Reggie Franklin and Melissa Wheller, vocalists, presented "Only God Could Love You More," "There is Love," and "The Lord's Prayer."

The bride, given in marriage by her stepfather, was attired in a gown of white peau 'de soi with Belgium lace and tulle inserts, lavishly beaded with pearls and iridescent beads. Her scalloped skirt was held with fabric roses trailing to the chapel length train. Her illusion veil was held by a beaded lace headpiece.

The bride's cascading bouquet was of white roses and rubrum lilies, adorned with ivy, stephanotis, baby's breath, was completed with sprinkling of pearls.

Matron of honor was Joely Tomlin of Midland, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Tami Parks of Austin; Hiedi Brown of Stephenville; Amanda Mertink of Midland; Shawn Thompson of Midland, the bride's sister-in-law; and Brandee Harris of Midland, stepsister of the bride.

Trent Thompson, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer.

The groom's best man was his father. Groomsmen were Greg Berry of Fort Worth, brother of the groom; Ray Berry of Excelsior, Minn., brother of the groom; Kirk Whillock of Houston; Chris Cokinos of Houston, Tracy Munden of Abilene; and Bo Davis of Abilene.

MRS. MURRAY DEAN BERRY

Ushers were Duane House of Dallas, David Coolidge of Houston and Mike Lemen.

The male attendants wore black tuxedos.

Christy Franklin of Waco, cousin of the bride, registered guests.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Midland Country Club. The bride's table was skirted in white. The four-tiered wedding cake was decorated with tiers separated with white columns filled with pink roses and rubrum lilies and greenery.

Serving at the bride's table were Melissa Wheeler of Stanton, and Christy Franklin of Waco, both cousins of the bride.

The groom's table had a gold lame skirt with crystal ivory cloth top. Gold lame, draped around the table top, was held with ivory roses and English ivy. A pair of Persian brass filigree lamps centered the table holding a chocolate cake, adorned with chocolate covered strawberries.

Serving at the groom's table were Shannon Ashford of Sweetwater and Sherea Griffin of Odessa.

The couple makes their home in Midland following their honeymoon to Jamaica.

The bride is a graduate of UTPB with a BBA in finance and the groom is a Texas A&M graduate with a BBA in engineering technology.

Study compares school kids, home taught kids

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Youngsters taught at home by parents don't lag in social development when compared with those of the same age who attend conventional schools, a University of Florida study says.

The study compared behaviors and social development test scores of two groups of 70 children ages 8 to 10. One group was educated exclusively at home; the other in public or private schools in Lake, Orange and Seminole counties.

Children were videotaped at play, and their behavior was observed by trained counselors who did not know which children were educated at home or in traditional schools.

The study found no big difference between the two groups of children in self-concept or assertiveness, which were measured by the social development tests. But the videotapes showed that youngsters who were taught at home by their parents had consistently fewer behavioral problems, according to psychotherapist Larry Shyers. Shyers did the study for his doctoral dissertation in the university's College of Education.

"The results seem to show that a child's social development depends more on adult contact and less on contact with other children than previously thought," Shyers said.

He said the study suggests that children taught at home behave better because they tend to imitate their parents, while traditionally schooled children model themselves after other children in the classroom.

"Traditionally schooled children were considerably more aggressive, loud and competitive than home-schooled children of the same age," he said.

Home-schooled children tended to talk quietly, play well together in groups and take the initiative in inviting other children to join them.

Shyers said home schooling has become more common as dissatisfaction with public schools has grown. He said more than 6,000 home schools are registered in Florida, with between 10,000 and one million estimated nationwide.

However, studies indicate that between 50 and 70 percent of students educated at home eventually end up in traditional classrooms because of parents' fears that their children won't develop social skills.

Home-schooled children score as high or higher on standardized achievement tests than children in conventional schools, said Shyers, who is chairman of the Florida Board of Clinical Social Work, Marriage and Family Therapy and Mental Health Counseling.

Anniversary celebrated by Keenans

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Keenan celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 18 with a reception at the Country Club Manor in Amarillo.

They were married July 20, 1942, in Snyder by the late Judge Davidson.

Mrs. Keenan is the former Bernice Starnes, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. J.A. Starnes, longtime residents of Scurry County.

They have one son and two daughers, Mike Keenan of Round Rock; Julia Haverinen of South Paris Maine and Sandi Goodman of Garland. Mr. and Mrs. Keenan have eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK KEENAN

Friends of all sizes

By Carol Deegan,
Associated Press Writer

ALEX IS MY FRIEND. Written and illustrated by Marisabina Russo. Greenwillow Books. 32 pages. $14. Ages 3 and up.

Marisabina Russo's "Alex Is My Friend" deals with the subject of physically handicapped children.

The book introduces children to Ben, the main character, and Alex, who meet as toddlers at their sisters' soccer game. Their friendship grows, along with Ben's realization that Alex will always be physically small.

The gouache paintings for this picture book are filled with expression and vivid colors. But its most important feature is its story line. Children will come to realize through Ben's narrative that friends come in all shapes, sizes and colors.

By Kathy Liu
For AP Special Features

Highwayman fame

LONDON (AP) — Claude Duval, a French manservant turned highwayman, came to England in 1660 to work in the household of the Duke of Richmond.

Later, as a highwayman, Duval gained fame both for his daring robberies and his gallant treatment of victims, particularly ladies of rank.

Polly's Pointers by Polly Fisher

Keep guacamole fresh

DEAR POLLY — We love to serve guacamole at parties, but when I make it ahead of time, the top of the mixture always turns brown and bitter. Is there a way to prevent this? — ANN

DEAR ANN — Ah, guacamole! Ecstasy on a tortilla chip! Here are a couple of ways to keep it bright and cheerful-looking:

Put a piece of plastic wrap directly onto the surface of the dip. Be sure it clings uniformly with no air pockets or gaps. This will keep the surface fresh and green-looking.

If, for some reason, you don't want to press plastic onto the dip (for example, if you've molded and decorated the guacamole and want to preserve the surface), float a thin film of lemon juice on top of the guacamole. The lemon juice, which will add a little extra lemon flavor to the top layer of guacamole but not enough to make it unpleasant, will also keep the dip green and fresh-looking.

If your dip does discolor, you can simply mix in the brownish part, or skim it off. The guacamole underneath should still be green.

By the way, here's a recipe for an absolutely heavenly variation on guacamole. It's not at all authentic, and if you call it avocado dip instead of guacamole, no one will complain.

In a food processor, put an 8-ounce package of cream cheese; 2 ripe avocados that have been peeled, seeded and cut into chunks; 2 tablespoons chopped, sweet onion (Vidalias or other sweet Spanish type); 2 teaspoons lemon juice; 1½ teaspoon minced garlic; ½ teaspoon chili powder; and ¼ teaspoon salt. Process until everything is smooth. Serve as a dip with tortilla chips or raw vegetables. Delicious! — POLLY

When the summer vegetables start coming in, make the most of them with some fresh new recipes. Polly's newsletter, "Vegetable Varieties," offers delicious preparations using corn, zucchini, eggplant and more. Send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope for each copy to POLLY'S POINTERS, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 93863, Cleveland, OH 44101-5863.

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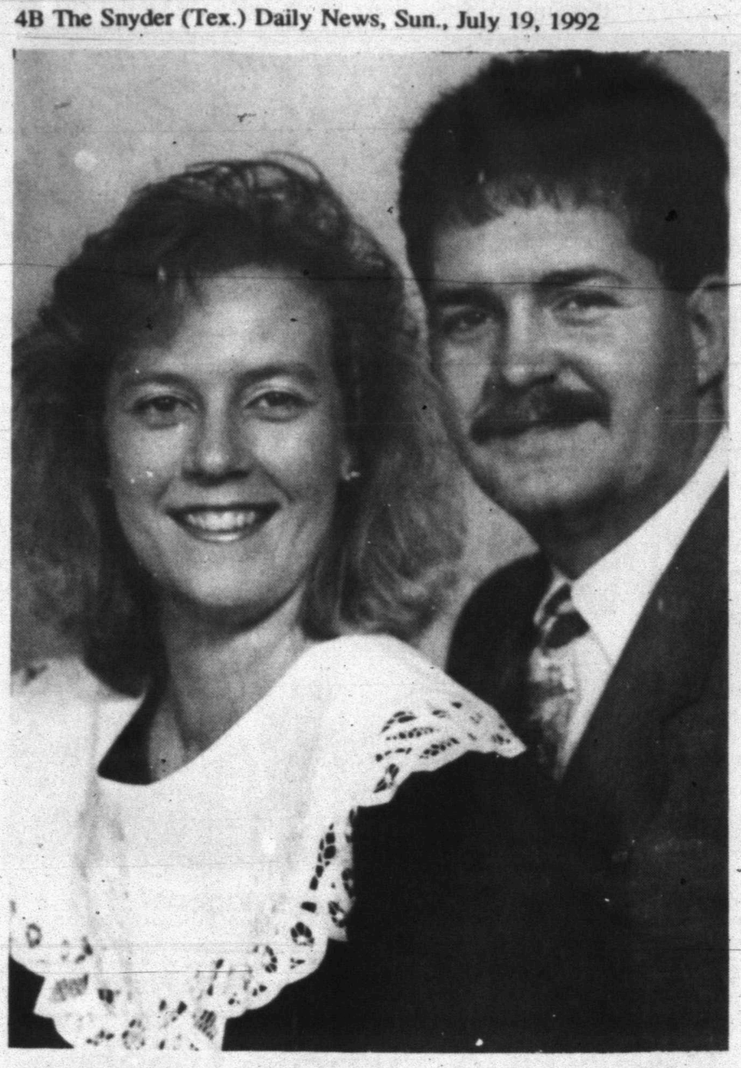

ANNOUNCING ENGAGEMENT — Mrs. Juanita Schoppa of Brea, Calif., and Elroy Schoppa of La Habra, Calif., announce the engagement of their daughter, Vickie Sue Schoppa of Petersburg, Va., to Dale Thomas Matlock of Sattler, Tex. He is the son of Jane Matlock of Ira and Donald Matlock of Sattler. An Aug. 22 wedding is planned. The prospective bride is a graduate of Sonora High School in California and she received a BS degree in restaurant, hotel and institutional management from Texas Tech University. She is currently employed by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service. The future groom is a graduate of Spur High School and is currently attending Southwest Texas State University in San Marcos. (Contributed Photo)

MARRIED — Ann Marie Guerrero and Pastor Martinez Jr. both of Prospect Heights, Ill., were married on July 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the bride's parents home. Parents of the bride are Jose R. and Alice Guerrero of Snyder and the groom's parents are Pastor Sr. and Rafaela Martinez of Chicago, Ill. Officiating was Justice of the Peace Wanda Rushing. (Contributed Photo)

The Kentucky Derby, which has been held at Churchill Downs in Louisville since its inauguration in 1875, is a 1¼-mile horse race. Prior to 1896, it was a 1½-mile race.

The United States won the land that is now Wisconsin following the Revolutionary War, but the British were not ousted until after the War of 1812.

Learning cooperation

NEW YORK (AP) — A theater group is offering what it calls Broadway-quality productions this summer at movie theater prices to help expose youngsters to the stage.

"The Three Clowns," an original musical play put on by Theater Arts Productions of New York, will be shown at a group rate of $4 per child (for each group of 300) and an individual rate of $6 per child and $10 per adult.

"The Three Clowns," which runs in July and August, is about the lives of five people — three clowns, a circus proprietor and a owner of the circus building. It is designed for children 6 to 12 years of age.

Theater Arts Productions of New York, an organization that was founded to provide the feel of Broadway at lower prices, says the central theme of the play is cooperation. "The Three Clowns" is designed to help youngsters develop humanitarian and communicative skills through drama and music, the organization says.

William Roth, founder and executive director of the non-profit company, says one of the group's primary objectives is to help New York City school children develop an appreciation of the theater.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Chapter No. 2063 of AARP will meet at Senior Center; Mrs. Georgene Galloway will present a program, "Early Schools of Scurry County; 1 p.m. Board members will meet at noon.

American Cancer Society Board meeting; Cogdell Memorial Hospital's board room; all members urged to attned; 5 p.m.

Advanced duplicate bridge; 811 E. Broadway Ave., Sweetwater; 7 p.m.

VFW Post 8231 and Ladies Auxiliary; VFW Hall; 7:30 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; Morning Side Baptist Church fellowship hall; 7:30 p.m. For information call: JoAnn at 573-9839; Dorothy at 573-6712; Anne at 573-8322; or Shirley at 573-8881.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8626, 573-9924 or 863-2349.

TUESDAY

Ladies Golf Association; Snyder Country Club; 9 a.m. tee time.

Weight Watchers; First Assembly of God; 5:30 p.m.

Parenting Support Group; 2513 College Ave.; for more information, call Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse at 573-1141.

Hobbs co-dependent 12-step group to meet at the Hobbs school gym; call Sharon or Jimmy Prayton at 735-3640 (Rotan) for information; 7 p.m.

Sport Card Swap Club; Willow Park Inn, for information call 573-1961; 7 p.m.

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

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

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-9924, 573-5867.

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge Hall; 8 p.m.

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon; 8 p.m.; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information, call 573-3956, 573-2101, or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club Salad Luncheon and Game Day; reservations by 5 p.m. Monday, call 573-3427; $6 per person, serving begins at 11:30 a.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961 or 573-8885.

THURSDAY

Advanced Duplicate Bridge; 338 E. 15th St., Colorado City; 1:30 p.m.

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

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

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

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-9924 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

Al-Anon; 8 p.m.; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information call 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 573-9924. (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 573-2349, 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

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

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

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1/2 cup all-purpose flour
1/4 cup finely chopped walnuts
Powdered sugar

Heat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly spray an 8-inch square baking pan with light vegetable cooking spray. In medium saucepan over low heat, melt spread. Add sugar; stir until well blended. Remove from heat; stir in cocoa and espresso powder. Add egg substitute; stir to blend. Stir in flour and nuts. Spread batter into prepared pan. Bake in a 350-degree F oven for 25 minutes or until edges begin to pull away from the sides of the pan. Cool in pan on wire rack. Sprinkle powdered sugar over top. Cut into bars. Makes 16 bars.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mr. and Mrs. Hilario Fuentez of Snyder announce the engagement of their daughter, Eva, to Frank Salcido, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Salcido of Midland. They plan to be married on Oct. 24 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland. (Contributed Photo)

MELTONS NOTE ANNIVERSARY — The children of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mason of Snyder announce their parents' 60th wedding anniversary, Sunday, July 26. Mr. and Mrs. Mason's children are Jimmy Mason of Midland, Cindy Roberson of Odessa and Sheila Melton of Snyder. (Contributed Photo)

Questions kids often ask parents

By 3-2-1 CONTACT Magazine, For AP Special Features

It Had to Be Yew

Question: What is 100 years old, is found in a forest and treats cancer? The answer: a Pacific yew tree.

Taxol, a cancer-fighting drug, is made from the bark of the Pacific yew. It takes three 100-year-old trees to make enough of the drug to treat one patient for one year. Problem is, there are very few of the slow-growing trees left. So there's not enough taxol to treat all the patients that need it.

But now two researchers at the University of Mississippi have found a way to get taxol without killing the rare trees: go for the trimmings!

They discovered taxol in the needles of yew shrubs, which are very common.

"There are 20 million of these bushes in garden shops around the U.S.," says researcher Edward Croom. "When the plants are trimmed, the trimmings are tossed."

But why throw away a good thing?

It turns out the researchers were able to get three times more taxol from the shrub's needles than from the same amount of tree bark. In a year, they hope to have enough taxol to start treating patients. Now that's tree-mendous news!

What Causes a Sonic Boom?

The loud "bang" of a supersonic jet is caused by a plane traveling faster than the speed of sound.

A flying plane sends sound waves rippling in all directions. Some waves move away from the front of the plane. A supersonic plane catches up with its sound waves. (Supersonic means "faster than the speed of sound.")

The waves pile up and create high air pressure. When this invisible wall of pressure sweeps past you, you hear a sudden, very loud noise.

These shock waves boom like thunder and even shake buildings. Many parts of the plane form shock waves, but we usually only hear the ones made by the nose and the tail. Sometimes the two shock waves arrive so close, they sound like one.

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Demos euphoric, confident — just like in 1988

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Once again, a Democratic nominee and his running mate held arms aloft and stood before a convention hall brimming with euphoria and confidence. It was a familiar tableau.

Four years before, Democrats linked arms with the same balloons-and-music, happy-times faith that the White House was within their grasp.

Michael Dukakis was 17 points ahead in the polls. Republican George Bush seemed to be reeling on the ropes. And Dukakis' selection of Texas Sen. Lloyd Bentsen as his running mate was widely trumpeted as a masterstroke.

The rest is history.

This year, nominee Bill Clinton's surge in the polls, the rare unity of the party and the bombshell withdrawal of independent challenger Ross Perot from the race created tremendous Democratic bliss.

AP analysis

Delegates and party officials insist things are different this year than in 1988 — and that they've really got the best shot at the White House in years.

Maybe so. But analysts say the Democrats shouldn't put too much importance on the exhilaration that swept through the convention that ended on Thursday night.

"I think it's always a false euphoria," said University of Pennsylvania political scientist Kathleen Jamieson. "The people with the highest stake in victory are all assembled in one place, all energized."

She said crowd enthusiasm is totally misleading at two times in a presidential campaign — at the convention and in the crowds of diehard supporters encountered in the final days.

Although Clinton might get an initial surge from Perot backers, the final destination of Perot supporters was much less clear.

"I think it's a lot harder for Democrats in a two-way race. But I don't think it's a cakewalk for Bush because he has alienated so many people who voted for him before," said Earl Black, a political science professor at the University of South Carolina.

Neither Democrats nor Republicans wasted any time courting the deserted Perot supporters, though Perot did not endorse either candidate.

Addressing his remarks to Perot's "army of patriots for change," Clinton said in his convention speech: "Join us and together we will revitalize America."

Bush, from a far less lofty podium, echoed an identical appeal.

"We share the same principles with many of these people," Bush said at a hastily arranged news conference that interrupted a fishing vacation in Wyoming.

Bush campaign ads were being readied and the president was preparing to embark on a heavy schedule of pre-convention campaigning.

Over the next weeks, "We will make a concerted effort to appeal to the Perot voters," Bush campaign spokeswoman Torie Clarke said. "We'll say, 'Look, we know where you're coming from.'

"I think there will be a short-term bump for Clinton and a long-term gain for us," Clarke added.

Democrats vowed to work to extend that bump through the election.

"I've always viewed the Perot voters as gettable. They're discontented with Bush. They've seen Bush and they've moved away from Bush," said Phil Angelides, chairman of the California Democratic party.

A delegate from California's San Fernando Valley reacted swiftly to events with a sign Thursday night that said "Welcome to All Perot Supporters — If You're Still Sore, Vote Clinton-Gore."

Perot's withdrawal was generally expected to help Bush in the South, in Texas, in Florida and in the smaller Western states. At the same time, Clinton should get a bigger boost in California and the Northeast, particularly in New York and Pennsylvania.

A key battleground will be the suburbs. Perot had been making inroads in these areas among Reagan Democrats and baby-boomers not associated with either party.

"The suburbs have been our bedrock vote in the last three elections and I think they will be again when we get the election properly framed," said Republican consultant Roger Stone.

The lessons of over confidence and false euphoria weren't lost on one subdued spectator at Thursday's conclave.

"I know a good convention does not necessarily win the election," said 1988 nominee Dukakis.

"I don't think you will see Bill Clinton and Al Gore making that same mistake."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Tom Raum has covered national conventions for The Associated Press since 1972.

Seale wants kidnapping charge dropped

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — The public defender for Arthur D. Seale has requested the dismissal of federal kidnapping charges against his client and asked that the federal trial be moved from New Jersey.

Seale, 45, is charged with kidnapping Sidney J. Reso, the Exxon executive authorities say was kidnapped, shot and locked in a sweltering self-storage locker for five days.

Seale faces kidnapping, extortion and mail fraud charges in federal court, and kidnapping and felony murder charges in Superior Court in Morristown.

Chester Keller, Seale's federal public defender, filed a motion Thursday asking that the federal kidnapping charge be dropped because there is no evidence that Reso was transported across state lines, which is necessary for the federal kidnapping charge.

"There is no allegation in the indictment that the victim was transported across state lines," Keller said.

Keller also asked that the federal trial be moved from New Jersey, arguing that extensive media coverage had tainted potential jurors.

"I don't think the defendant can get a fair trial in this state, given the extraordinary amount of pretrial publicity,'" Keller said.

Keller's brief referred specifically to a newspaper story in which Morristown residents expressed outrage and called for the death penalty against the Seales.

Calls to the U.S. Attorney's office were not answered Thursday evening.

Reso, the president of Exxon's international division, vanished from his driveway after leaving his Morris Township home for the short drive to his Florham Park office.

Seale and his wife, Irene "Jackie" Seale, were arrested at a Hackettstown rental car agency when they met after midnight June 19. Their arrests followed a four-hour series of ransom notes and phone calls directing agents throughout rural, western New Jersey.

The ransom demand of $18.5 million is believed to be the biggest in U.S. history. Agents were prepared to make a phony ransom drop, but the Seales were captured before it was made.

Mrs. Seale pleaded guilty in federal court June 30 to extortion charges and has promised to testify in federal court against her husband. Authorities say she will plead guilty to state kidnapping charges as part of a plea agreement.

Mrs. Seale directed investigators June 27 to a secluded area of the Pine Barrens in Burlington County where Reso's body was found in a shallow grave.

Investigators say Mrs. Seale told them her husband shot Reso in the arm during the April 29 kidnapping.

She said the 57-year-old Reso spent five days in a wooden box in a stifling self-storage locker in Washington Township. His mouth was covered with duct tape, his feet bound and his wrists handcuffed.

Seale, a former Hillside police officer and Exxon security adviser, has pleaded innocent to all charges. His federal trial is scheduled for Sept. 9 before U.S. District Judge Garrett Brown in Trenton. Both Seales are being held without bail on the federal charges.

The Seales are both 45 years old, have been married for 25 years and have two children.

Spousal immunity law said archaic

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — It took a brutal crime for state lawmakers to examine a provision of state law apparently unchanged since medieval times.

The prosecutor handling the kidnapping and killing of Exxon executive Sidney J. Reso told the Senate Judiciary Committee Thursday the time has come to scrap a law allowing criminal defendants to prohibit testimony by their spouses.

"The genesis of this rule is in medieval times, where women upon marriage ceased to enjoy civil and penal rights" and essentially became property of their husbands, Morris County Prosecutor Michael Murphy said.

The modern day implication is the man accused of masterminding Reso's kidnapping and death, Arthur D. Seale, can prevent testimony against him by the chief witness — his wife, Irene J. Seale.

"This archaic statute has wreaked havoc on efforts to seek justice," Murphy said.

A 1980 U.S. Supreme Court ruling overturned a similar evidence rule in federal law, but it still exists in New Jersey and 13 other states, according to Josephine Potuto, chairwoman of constitutional law at the University of Nebraska.

Committee Chairman William Gormley, R-Atlantic, said he would introduce a bill allowing a spouse to testify but preventing prosecutors from compelling testimony, a model used in 11 states and in federal courts.

In three states, spouses are not allowed to testify at all, with or without a defendant's consent, she said.

She said the Supreme Court upheld states that changed their rules to support prosecutions of major crimes, so a change by New Jersey could be made to affect Seale's prosecution.

She said the prohibition against retroactive legislation usually applies to making something a crime that was legal at the time it occurred.

Reso, 57, who had a heart ailment, died May 3 inside a dingy, stuffy storage locker four days after he was abducted from his $650,000 home in Morris Township.

He was shot in the arm during a struggle in the Seales' van minutes after his abduction, the FBI said. He was bound, gagged, placed in a wooden box where the temperature reached 100 degrees, and left in the shed, the FBI said. His body was found June 27 in a grave in the Pine Barrens.

Reso was president of Exxon's international division. Exxon Corp. is based in Irving, Texas.

Irene Seale, who has pleaded guilty to extortion and conspiracy, may testify against her husband in federal court, but he faces the most serious charges in state court.

Murphy said he expected the federal prosecution to go first, with the state trial not coming until the winter or spring.

Arthur Seale is accused of state charges of felony murder, extortion, aggravated assault and kidnapping.

In federal court, he also faces kidnapping charges, but they may not hold up since the hostage was not taken across state lines. He also faces federal charges of extortion, conspiracy, sending threats through the mail and interstate travel in the aid of extortion.

Drug bust leads to gun collection, stolen paintings

MIAMI (AP) — A drug sting led to the discovery of an antique gun collection stolen from Texas' Hunt brothers 22 years ago as well as paintings taken from Houston art galleries, authorities said.

The 11 paintings and 19 weapons, along with silver jewelry and Rolex watches, was found at the home of Luis Sarmiento, 56, who is now jailed on drug charges, Drug Enforcement Administration officials said Thursday.

"He calls himself a liquidator," said Anthony Bocchichio, the No. 2 man in the Miami DEA office. "That's a new term for a fence."

The stolen paintings were valued at roughly $200,000, he said, while the value of the gun collection — apparently taken from a Dallas-area home owned by Nelson Bunker Hunt and William Herbert Hunt in 1970 — was unknown.

The Hunt family made its fortune in oil, but the brothers lost more than $1 billion in the 1980s trying to corner the silver market.

The gun collection included a blunderbuss, muzzle loaders, and several flintlock pistols, and constituted a DEA first as collateral from a drug dealer, Bocchichio said.

"They've used property, but I never saw antique weapons before," he said. Some of the weapons were given by Sarmiento as collateral for the first 10 kilograms of a 73-kilogram cocaine buy, while others were found at his home, the DEA said.

Eight of the paintings recovered were stolen in 1985 from the Wicket Gallery in Houston, where they were on loan from the Crane Gallery in Boston, the DEA said. Most were modern, but at least one was an antique. Their values ranged from $5,000 up to $20,000.

Three other paintings, including "A Colorful Kimono," were taken around the same time from the Connally and Alterman Art Gallery in Houston, the DEA reported. That gallery was once connected to former Texas Gov. John Connally, said DEA spokesman Jim Shedd.

Another batch of paintings was recovered, but it was unclear if they were stolen, said Bocchichio.

He refused to say how the DEA became aware of Sarmiento, but did say undercover agents met with him to negotiate a cocaine deal.

Along with guns and jewelry, Sarmiento signed over two Dade County homes worth $600,000 for the 10 kilograms of cocaine, the DEA said.

Sarmiento, a Colombian-born Miami resident, was on special parole from a previous drug conviction at the time of his arrest Tuesday, and is now facing two cocaine-trafficking counts, the DEA said.

As serious crime dips on city transit, snacking arrests rise

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Serious crime is down on the city's buses and streetcars — and arrests for snacking are up. Many offenders are children, and their parents are upset.

Among 39 people charged in May with eating on buses or streetcars were Corinna Sandifer, 15, and her 14-year-old sister, Natalie Johnson. Both were taken to jail and fingerprinted.

"It was real scary," Natalie said. "We were both crying in the police car. They put Corinna in this little room with no windows except for a little one in the door."

Police said many of the snacking arrests have involved juveniles, but they could not say how many.

The crackdown has upset some parents, who feel that arresting children can be traumatic.

"She's having a very hard time. She doesn't want us to talk about it, she cries and leaves the room if we do," Barbara Sandifer said of Corinna.

A special nine-officer police unit has patrolled the city's buses and streetcars since 1980, on the lookout for serious crimes such as theft as well as illegal eating and drinking.

Sgt. Jeffrey Vappie, the unit's second in command, speculated that arrests for snacking have gone up in recent years as serious crime has dropped. The number of serious crimes dropped from 150 in 1980 to 17 this year, he said.

"I think people are making too much of this. We enforce all the laws covering the transportation system," Vappie said. "We have complaints all the time about people eating on the buses and leaving trash and soft drink cans on them. If it got out of hand, it could be a serious problem."

Officers usually issue a summons to adults, but state law requires them to arrest anyone under 17 who commits a crime.

The maximum sentence is 90 days in jail, but judges have been ordering small fines instead. Police Sgt. Marlon DeFilio said scolding youngsters won't work, because there is no way to know if they are repeat offenders.

Vappie defended the arrests of Natatie and Corinna, who were taken into custody by two plainclothes officers for eating frozen desserts when they boarded a bus. Although Corinna and Natalie were not handcuffed, Vappie said they should have been.

"Police policy is that anyone taken into custody is to be handcuffed," he said.

Once at the station, the girls said, they were fingerprinted and held in a cell.

In another case, 12-year-old Mary Moore was arrested for eating cheese curls on a bus.

"Here's this little girl that's never been in trouble and they tell her to quit crying while they're fingerprinting her," said her grandmother, also named Mary Moore.

Barbara Sandifer said police should come up with alternatives to arresting children, such as citing the parents or making the youngsters clean buses on Saturday.

"With all this crime going on, they go after my daughters like this," she said. "Why arrest good kids and give them a record?"

Vappie's response: It's the law.

"Why is everyone picking on me and my men for it?" he said. "What's the big deal? ... Don't violate the law and you won't have a problem."

Singer undergoes liver transplant

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Singer John Phillips of the Mamas and the Papas was in good condition after a liver transplant to replace the organ he destroyed with years of alcohol and drug abuse, his doctor said.

"He's doing well. He's completely alert and moving around," Dr. Ronald Busuttil said Thursday. "He should be able to go back to a normal pre-illness lifestyle — as long as he doesn't drink or take any drugs."

Phillips' hits with the Mamas and the Papas included "California Dreamin'" and "Monday, Monday."

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Buffalo Reef

By Bill McClellan

Did you see this?

"PAMPLONA, Spain (AP) — A Spanish man was seriously gored by a bull today during the final day of the San Fermin festival's running of the bulls, which this year left 35 people injured. ...

"Local officials say the inexperience of the runners is the main cause of injuries, although the festival's famous all-night drinking binges are considered a factor."

A factor?

Maybe there should be a label on each bottle of Carta Blanca.

WARNING: The Mexican Surgeon General's Office has determined that all-night drinking binges may impair your ability to operate machinery, drive a car or get out of the way of a half-dozen angry bulls, stampeding down a narrow street.

The truth is, a lot of those people wouldn't realistically think of "running with the bulls" if they hadn't been tossing back shots all night. After an evening of lemon-and-salt spiced tequila and beer chasers, they suddenly find themselves saying, "Wul' I wul' if you wul'."

Hmm...

WARNING: The Mexican Surgeon General has determined that all-night drinking binges could cause you to believe you could operate machinery, drive a car, or get out of the way of a half-dozen of angry bulls, stampeding down a narrow street, when in fact, you will probably lose a finger, have a wreck, or be trampled and gored.

"The San Fermin festival, which dates back at least to 1591, each year draws tens of thousands of Spanish and foreign tourists, many of whom test their courage by running with the bulls each morning."

Which proves there is a very, very minute line between courage, stupidity, and being gassed out of your mind.

Of course, there are varying degrees of courage.

I, for instance, am proud of the fact that I have the courage to admit that I am not stupid enough to "run with the bulls." I'd much rather run away from the bulls, or better yet, enjoy my cerveza from a safe place and just wave as they run past.

Country Life

By Deanie Francis Mills

KNOCK, KNOCK.

"Gosh, I wonder who that could be. Nobody drops by on a Monday evening. Who is it?"

"The Quayle Murphy Brown Patrol."

"Come in, come in! I'm watching one of my favorite repeats."

"So. We see. You enjoy glorifying women who choose to have children out of wedlock, thus denigrating the role of fathers in our society."

"You know, I read about the Quayles in TV Guide. According to Marylin Quayle, they don't watch TV at all, except for C-Span and the McNeil-Lehrer hour. So, let me get this straight. They not only have never seen Murphy Brown in the first place, but they have absolutely no idea of what the vast overwhelming majority of American families enjoy, which is regular television viewing — a major influence on our society — is that correct?"

"No, that is incorrect. The children are allowed to watch golf tournaments on the weekends."

"Wow. They really like to walk on the wild side, eh?"

"That's off the subject, Mrs. Mills. Back to Murphy Brown, one of the most important issues facing our society today."

"Oh yeah. I forgot. Well, to tell you the truth, if Dan Quayle did lower himself to watch the program, he would learn two things: one, the father of the child, who is Murphy's ex-husband, abandoned her to take off on a photojournalist tour in Asia; and two, although she was encouraged by her coworkers to get an abortion because of the very real fear that she would be fired from her network job, she chose to bear the child anyway. So, that leads me to a question, what's a woman to do? According to the Quayle camp, she's not supposed to have a child out of wedlock, and she's not supposed to have an abortion."

"Absolutely correct."

"Hmmm. She's supposed to grab some body off the street, marry him, and live a miserable life?"

"All children need a father."

"What about fathers who abuse their children, drink heavily, beat their wives, or do not honor their marriage vows in any way? What about fathers who abandon their families and refuse to pay child support? Who deal drugs? Who disappear and can't even be found by their children, much less their ex-spouses?"

"The Quayle delegation is firm on its position."

"Oh, look at this! All of Murphy's male friends have gathered together to give her their own private baby shower! She knows they'll be around, if the child needs a male role model. This is really cool."

"We're going to have to write you up. Apparently we can't count on you for a vote."

"Let me put it this way. If Dan Quayle ever runs for President, I'll put Murphy Brown down as a write-in vote. What the heck. Considering our choices this year, I might do it anyway."

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*I'll see you next Saturday, July 25, at Wal-Mart from 2-4 p.m., for a book signing.

News Quiz

By JANICE HUGHES
Associated Press Writer

1. Democratic presidential candidate Bill Clinton's choice for vice president, Sen. Albert Gore Jr., did not: (a) lead congressional support for the Strategic Defense Initiative anti-missile program; (b) vote with President Bush on starting the Persian Gulf War; (c) write a popular book called "The Earth in the Balance."

2. The Group of Seven countries included in their final summit statement all but one of the following points: (a) an endorsement of a gradual release of a $24 billion aid package to Russia; (b) an agreement on the need to help the countries of eastern and central Europe improve the safety of nuclear reactors; (c) an agreement to slow down world trade talks and reach an accord in late 1993.

3. The institution of higher learning that received $100 million, the largest individual gift ever to a public college or university, is: (a) Rutgers University; (b) Glassboro State College; (c) Williams College.

4. Abortion rights advocates went to federal court recently to challenge: (a) the Supreme Court's ban on U.S. firms' manufacturing of abortion pills; (b) the government's import ban on the French abortion pill; (c) U.S. customs officials' seizure of three suitcases filled with the drug at a New York airport.

5. Bonnie Dunbar is: (a) a top aide to the Housing Secretary in the Reagan administration charged with 13 felony counts in an influence-peddling scandal; (b) Ross Perot's longtime aide and new campaign press secretary; (c) the Columbia shuttle's payload commander who has spent more time in space than any other woman.

6. The Children's Defense Fund, a Washington, D.C., advocacy group, says that the number of U.S. children living in poverty rose during the 1980s by: (a) 100,000; (b) 1 million; (c) 500,000.

7. Highway roadblocks severely disrupted transportation routes across Europe recently. The French protests stem from: (a) disputes between farmers and restaurant owners; (b) farmers' anger over agricultural subsidy cuts; (c) highway workers' disagreements over vacation benefits.

8. The U.S. Navy's new acting secretary, with the responsibility to restore order to a service embarrassed by a sexual harassment scandal, is: (a) Sam Zakhem; (b) Thomas Klestil; (c) Sean O'Keefe.

9. At the center of an ongoing custody case involving the federal government and a South Dakota Sioux reservation is: (a) a Tyrannosaurus rex named Sue; (b) the largest and most complete brontosaurus skeleton ever found; (c) a 65-million-year-old mastodon shin bone.

10. Commissioner Fay Vincent redrew the map of U.S. baseball by putting the following four teams in new divisions: (a) Los Angeles Dodgers, Chicago White Sox, St. Louis Cardinals and New York Mets; (b) Cardinals, Dodgers, Houston Astros and Chicago Cubs; (c) Cubs, Cardinals, Atlanta Braves and Cincinnati Reds.

ANSWERS: 1.a 2.c. 3.b 4.b 5.c 6.b 7.b 8.c 9.a 10.c.

Look Back

By JoAnn Nunley

5 YEARS AGO

Scurry County 4-H Horse Club members qualified for state competition held in mid-July. They were Shawn Hays, first in western horseman, second in showmanship; Debbie Schwarz, first in grade mares, fourth in stakes race, eighth in barrel racing; Shanna Hays, first in registered mares and showmanship, fourth in western pleasure and western horsemanship; Deana Schwartz, sixth in pole bending, 10th in stakes race, and Stephanie Weaver, second in pole bending, third in barrel racing, and fifth in stakes race.

Britt Canada was instructor for Computers for Kids class at Western Texas College. At the conclusion, David Martinez was recognized for most improved; Jay Smith received most creative; and Jessica Tycer received best all-around student.

10 YEARS AGO

Dr. Wilton Jones was honored at a farewell reception held at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He closed his local practice to assume duties as a medical director with the Veterans Administration in Big Spring.

15 YEARS AGO

Seeking the Scurry County Farm Bureau Queen's crown were Pam Burrus, Tori Dennis, Cathy Hess, Alice Hollis and Gina Willman.

Milton Ham was named mayor pro tem at a city council meeting.

20 YEARS AGO

George Lee, water and sewer superintendent, was named to direct the water pollution control and abatement program here, required by S.B. 835 which ordered cities of 5,000 population or more to establish such programs on a local basis.

Members of the Scurry Lodge No. 706 AF&AM installed by Jack Hightower, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Texas, were Wendell Rehm, worshipful master; H.D. Strickland, senior warden; Lloyd Arbold, treasurer; G.P. Proctor, secretary; Burman Elkins, junior warden; Dan Holt, junior steward; David Hayes, chaplain; Donald R. Bible, junior deacon; and David Holt, senior deacon.

25 YEARS AGO

Lucky 13 Club held its formal initiation at the home of Vicki Mize, president. Other officers were Cary Lynn Richardson, vice president; Debra Raines, secretary; Cheryl Arnold, treasurer; Jena Ellis, historian; Vicky Minor, reporter; and Chere Reneau, program chairman.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Last week, several of us passed through Snyder on our way home from a vacation in New Mexico. I am writing to tell you how much we appreciate the courtesy and assistance of everyone we met while we were there.

Unfortunately, we managed to lock the keys in our car when we stopped at Kentucky Fried Chicken. The two young people who were working were very considerate and helped us to communicate with the police, who were very prompt in responding to the call.

When the first young officer, whose name we did not get, was unable to open the door, he called for Officer Plock, who, after failing to open it on the first attempt, returned with another instrument and succeeded in opening the door.

We decided to spend the night in Snyder, and the next day one of our group left his camera in the room at the American Motor Inn. We called from Sweetwater, and the manager promised to mail the camera, which we received three days later.

I must commend everyone for their attention and unfailing patience. We have told everyone about our adventures and will continue to recommend your town as a friendly, helpful place to stop and visit, if only for a brief time.

Best regards,
Ruth E. Smith
Monroe, LA

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the Scurry County Museum Association I wish to thank all the people who participated in, and assisted us, with the museum's "Profiles In Faith" exhibit. Your efforts helped make the exhibit a successful event.

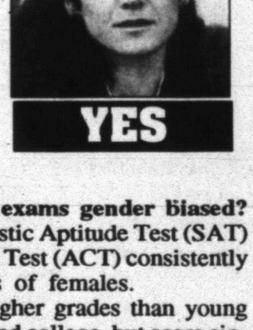
On behalf of the Scurry County Museum Association I would like to express our thanks to all the members who responded to the museum's request for assistance in replacing the collection room air conditioner.

Shirley Leftwich
County Museum Director

AT ISSUE

Are Tests Gender Biased?

Cinthia Schuman is the executive director of the National Center for Fair & Open Testing (FairTest), which is devoted to ensuring that standardized exams are fair, open, valid and educationally sound.



YES

Are college entrance exams gender biased?

Absolutely. The Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) and the American College Test (ACT) consistently underpredict the abilities of females.

Young women earn higher grades than young men in both high school and college, but score significantly lower on both the SAT and ACT. Relying on test scores means girls lose out in college admissions, scholarships and gifted and talented programs. The Educational Testing Service, maker of the SAT, itself admits to an unexplained gender gap on its test. The SAT and ACT also create unfair barriers to higher education for African-Americans, Hispanics and students from low-income families.

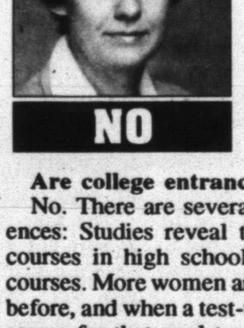
What, if anything, needs to be done to make the tests more fair?

Make them optional in the college admissions process. Neither the SAT, the ACT nor any other test is needed by admissions officers to select students. More than 112 colleges and universities don't require such tests for admission. This figure includes highly competitive schools such as Bowdoin College in Maine and large state universities like the California state university system. In fact, institutions that drop the tests find they recruit a larger, more diverse and more academically able pool of applicants. It makes more sense to emphasize 3½ years of high school work rather than a test taken in three hours on one Saturday morning.

What impact do these tests have on higher education?

The SAT and ACT damage education by unfairly limiting the opportunities of young women and members of minority groups. In addition, the tests divert attention from real educational activities, such as writing and reading, since high schools often narrow their curriculum to coach for these tests, on which students, states and colleges are often judged. Thus, teaching and learning come to resemble "Trivial Purusit" and "Jeopardy!" rather than being academically challenging.

Gretchen W. Rigol is executive director of Admission and Guidance Service for the College Board, a national, non-profit association committed to promoting educational opportunity and improving academic standards.



NO

Are college entrance exams gender biased?

No. There are several reasons for score differences: Studies reveal that women take different courses in high school, particularly fewer math courses. More women are taking the SAT than ever before, and when a test-taking pool grows, average scores for that pool tend to decline. Women who take the SAT are more likely to be the first generation going to college, so they may receive less direct academic assistance than do their male counterparts.

What, if anything, needs to be done to make the tests more fair?

They are fair. Each SAT is reviewed by a sensitivity panel to ensure that individual questions, the test as a whole and descriptive materials do not contain language, symbols and examples that might be regarded as sexist, racist or otherwise potentially offensive, inappropriate or negative toward any group. Each new test also is reviewed by a special committee made up of educators from across the country.

Additionally, each test undergoes a statistical analysis that compares how well students perform. Questions that clearly indicate large differences among groups are carefully scrutinized and are eliminated from the SAT. This ensures that tests do not artifically benefit or discriminate against any group.

The way to eradicate score differences is to create an agenda and stragegy for bringing about educational quality for all students.

What impact do these tests have on higher education?

The SAT is the common yardstick whith which colleges can compare applicants' abilities. The high-school record alone does not enable this because of variations in graduating standards from high school to high school and teacher to teacher.

Today's and tomorrow's post-technological society demands citizens who can read with depth and comprehension, reason and discern complex relationships, and think critically. The SAT measures these skills.

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BIG SPRING.

Liberal 'godmother' a Demo party tradition

NEW YORK (AP) — Texan Billie Carr is as much a tradition at Democratic National Conventions as booming oratory, brass bands and "Happy Days Are Here Again."

"If one looked up at the Texas delegation and didn't see Billie Carr, one would look back to make sure it was the Texas delegation," Texas party chief Bob Slagle said.

Last week's conclave was the sixth as a delegate for Ms. Carr, the Houston operative known as the "godmother of liberal politics in Texas."

And that, she says proudly, does not count two other national conventions she attended as a nondelegate.

One was the 1968 convention in Chicago, where Ms. Carr and other liberals failed to win delegate seats from former Texas Gov. John Connally and other conservatives.

"And there was '28 when my parents took me when I was 27 days old," she said of the only Democratic convention ever held in Texas.

Since her politically active parents pinned an Al Smith button on their baby at that Houston gathering, politics has been Ms. Carr's life.

Texas Democrats say only former U.S. House Speaker Jim Wright and U.S. Rep. Jake Pickle of Austin may have attended more conventions than Ms. Carr.

She has written a brief history of her experiences at the party's state and national conventions. She also is the author of a pamphlet on how to organize at the precinct level that has sold more than 30,000 copies.

And she has produced a videotape called "Delegate 1," which explains the delegate selection process at county, state and national conventions.

For national and state candidates, Ms. Carr's blessing is one of the most sought-after endorsements of any Texas Democrat.

Conventions are her payback for 40 years of toiling in the vineyard, pushing her progressive brand of politics.

"The comraderie," she quickly exclaimed when asked what she likes best about the conventions.

"It's wonderful to be with people who think the same way you do," said Ms. Carr, a 64-year-old veteran member of the National Democratic Committee.

"Sometimes you feel like, I'm out here doing all this work trying to save the world and nobody cares," she said. "Then you come to these (conventions), and you find a lot of people care."

Ms. Carr and her fellow band of liberals now feel more accepted in the party than in decades past.

"They used to call us the unwashed. We were the young people, the blacks, the Hispanics, the women," she said.

"In the '50s, we were called Communists," Ms. Carr remembered. "Now, we are the party."

"Billie Carr is an indispensable element in the Democratic Party," Slagle said.

She and other liberals succeeded in the party because they understood how to play the political game and change party rules to their advantage.

Her worst convention was in Chicago in 1968, when she and other progressive Texans were rejected as delegates, she said.

In her paper on the history of conventions, she wrote of being on the receiving end of "terror and abuse personally."

"We marched with candles all night at the park with the young soldiers with bayonets on one side and the yippies on the other side," she recalled.

"There is no question that there was a police riot in Mayor (Richard) Daley's city of Chicago," Ms. Carr wrote.

And the best convention for Ms. Carr?

"You always say the best one is this one," she said. "It's what's happening now.

"I feel more enthusiasm and excitement this year. And there are young people at this one.

"I think for me it's the best because of my relationship with Bill Clinton," she said of the presumed nominee. She first met Clinton when he was in his early 20s, working with her and other Texans on the George McGovern presidential campaign in 1972.

"It's interesting that I've been in the party long enough now that someone I worked with as a young person is now running for president of the United States," she said. "That's exciting."

Youths take part in rappelling event

AUSTIN (AP) — Michelle Dominguez, 16, couldn't help screaming as she looked over her shoulder while she stood poised on the edge of a cliff ready to descend a 50-foot rock face on the end of a rope.

The Johnston High School student and member of the Austin Parks and Recreation Department's Youth Ranger Program had spent several minutes in silence gathering herself for her first experience in rappelling. But when she looked down into the boulder- and rock-strewn Bee Creek Preserve creekbed, she was anything but quiet.

Afterward, she said the program has given her a gift.

"I have conquered my fear," said Dominguez, who had been even more afraid of the canoe rescue on Town Lake than rappelling down the cliff.

For the young adults in the program, this summer job is more than a paycheck. It is a way to learn about nature and how to take care of nature preserves. It also is a way to learn how to guide tours through the Austin Nature Center.

The mixture of fear and triumph is becoming a regular occurrence for the seven members of the Youth Ranger Program. Along with learning canoe rescues and rappelling, they have gone caving in South Austin.

At a Tuesday session as always, the rangers cheered each other on as they tried the new and scary experience.

The Youth Ranger Program is one of many summer work projects run through the AustinTravis County Private Industry Council Inc., a non-profit corporation that has a contract with the city to provide jobs for youths, said Bill Demestihas, the council's executive director.

Counselors say one goal of the program is to teach mutual support.

"Mainly, my favorite thing is just working with others and working with a team," said Sebastian San Miguel, 15, a Reagan High School student, who is also the father of an infant son.

Counselors with the program, which is based on a U.S. Forest Service program, said an important ingredient is what young people learn about themselves.

"They have to be thinking very seriously about how to take care of themselves" in new situations, said Lee Stone, one of the Youth Ranger counselors.

This year, there is $2.5 million in federal funding for summer jobs for about 1,150 young people ages 14-21 in Travis County, Demestihas said. About half comes from the urban aid package passed by Congress in June in response to riots in Los Angeles in April.

The jobs program is for students from low-income families who are Travis County residents and are eligible to work in this country.

Heston reads controversial lyrics

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — Actor Charlton Heston urged Time Warner executives to stop distributing an album by rapper Ice-T with songs about killing police and sodomizing girls.

The actor, a crusader for conservative causes, described himself as a Time Warner shareholder but said he was speaking as a private citizen who felt obliged to join a furor over Ice-T's "Body Count" album.

Heston read excerpted lyrics of "KKK Bitch," in which the singer describes some friends having sex with Southern Nazi and skinhead girls while he falls in love with two 12-year-old nieces of Tipper Gore.

Mrs. Gore, the wife of Democratic vice presidential nominee Albert Gore, fought for warning labels on records with explicit language. She declined comment.

Speaking at the company's annual shareholders' meeting Thursday, Heston told Time Warner President Gerald Levin and the company's board of directors that he wasn't criticizing Ice-T. "I condemn instead the responsible officials in this company," he said.

"It's often been said that if Adolf Hitler came back with a hot movie synopsis, every studio in town would be after it," Heston said in prepared remarks. "Would Warner's be among them?"

Protests over the album began with police groups that said the song "Cop Killer" encourages the assassination of police. Police demonstrated outside the meeting in Beverly Hills while officers inside addressed company officials.

Levin assured police representatives that Time Warner respects law enforcement but said the company has an obligation to "ensure that the voices of the powerless, the disenfranchised, those at the margins are heard."

Levin said the record would not be recalled, but Time Warner will produce commercial-free TV shows debating the issues it raises and hold similar forums at major urban universities.

He acknowledged that the album is raw and phrased in the language of the streets. But he said it is a bitter protest meant to express rage and frustration at police brutality and systematic racism.

"It is not a call for anti-police violence," Levin said.

Ice-T sales are far less than one tenth of 1 percent of Warner Music Group's $3 billion in annual sales, he said.

Tilton suits are refiled

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — An attorney for three women suing Texas evangelist Robert Tilton has refiled those lawsuits in Tulsa County district court to add three defendants.

The cases, dismissed June 30 from U.S. District Court, were moved from federal court to county court Thursday so Tilton's Tulsa-based attorney and two Tulsa companies could be added as defendants.

The women — Beverly Crowley of Wynona, Dorothy Ries of Tulsa, and Eiliene Gaines of Wagoner County — allege Tilton and his Word of Faith ministry conspired to defraud them of contributions.

The women, each represented by Tulsa attorney Gary Richardson, seek more than $10,000 each in damages.

They are suing Tilton, his wife, Marte, and the Word of Faith Outreach Center Church.

The new lawsuits also name as defendants Tilton's attorney, J.C. Joyce; Response Media Inc., which developed marketing strategies for the ministry; and Internal Data Management, which handled the ministry's prayer requests.

Sidney Dunagan, a Tulsa lawyer who represented Tilton in federal court, previously called the lawsuits frivolous. He could not be reached for comment Thursday.

U.S. trade ambassador touts Bush's free trade record

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — U.S. Trade Representative Ambassador Carla Hills Friday promoted the Bush administration's efforts to reach a free trade agreement with Mexico as she continued a campaign swing through Texas.

"This is not just a border phenomenon," Ms. Hills said. "This is good for Texas, it's good for California, but it's good for all 50 states."

Among the top 10 states that would benefit from a free trade pact are Michigan, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio, the ambassador told the San Antonio Chamber of Commerce.

Increasing exports creates jobs, she said.

"The proven way, of course, is through trade, trade and trade," Ms. Hills said, adding for each $1 billion in exports 20,000 jobs are created.

Ms. Hills has been touring Texas this week to talk about the proposed free trade agreement among the United States, Canada and Mexico. Her trip also has included stops in Dallas, Austin, Victoria, Laredo and Harlingen, and she headed to Houston this afternoon.

The Bush-Quayle campaign is paying for the trip.

As Ms. Hills said she hopes the proposed agreement remains a bipartisan issue, she questioned how committed Democratic presidential nominee Bill Clinton would be to a trade pact.

"Well, I'm not exactly sure how much he favors it. He has said he would favor it under certain circumstances that haven't been spelled out," she said. "But I certainly can represent to the American people that this is a top priority of President Bush."

Clinton has said he supports a free trade agreement if certain environmental and labor issues are addressed.

Hills declined to speculate what would happen to the pact if the Democratic ticket

"I don't have a perfect crystal ball, and I expect President Bush to win in November," she said.

Ms. Hills had said she hopes to negotiate an agreement by this summer. Then the pact would go before Congress for a vote before it could be enacted.

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LEGAL TITLE OF BANK: West Texas State Bank [475]
PO Box 1396
Snyder, Texas 79549

STATE BANK NO. 1805-12
FEDERAL RESERVE DISTRICT NO. 11 13 22664

CITY: Snyder | COUNTY: Scurry | STATE: Texas | ZIP CODE: 79549 | CLOSE OF BUSINESS DATE: 06/30/1992

Dollar Amounts in Thousands	Bil	Mil	Thou	
ASSETS				
1. Cash and balances due from depository institutions: a. Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin		2	983	1.a.
b. Interest-bearing balances			344	1.b.
2. Securities		43	194	2.
3. Federal funds sold & securities purchased under agreements to resell in domestic offices of the bank & of its Edge & Agreement subsidiaries, & in IBFs: a. Federal funds sold		3	500	3.a.
b. Securities purchased under agreements to resell			-0-	3.b.
4. Loans and lease financing receivables:				
a. Loans and leases, net of unearned income (38 023)				4.a.
b. LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses (1 201)				4.b.
c. LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve (-0-)				4.c.
d. Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance, and reserve (item 4.a minus 4.b and 4.c)		36	822	4.d.
5. Assets held in trading accounts			-0-	5.
6. Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)		1	354	6.
7. Other real estate owned			24	7.
8. Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies			-0-	8.
9. Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding			-0-	9.
10. Intangible assets			-0-	10.
11. Other assets		1	201	11.
12. a. Total assets (sum of items 1 through 11)		89	422	12.a.
b. Loans deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j)			N/A	12.b.
c. Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823(j) (sum of items 12.a and 12.b)		89	422	12.c.
LIABILITIES				
13. Deposits: a. In domestic offices		79	859	13.a.
(1) Noninterest-bearing (9 253)				13.a.(1)
(2) Interest-bearing. (70 606)				13.a.(2)
b. In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and IBFs				13.b.
(1) Noninterest-bearing (-0-)				13.b.(1)
(2) Interest-bearing (-0-)				13.b.(2)
14. Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase in domestic offices of the bank & of its Edge & Agreement subsidiaries, & in IBFs: a. Federal funds purchased			-0-	14.a.
b. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase			-0-	14.b.
15. Demand notes issued to the U.S. Treasury			624	15.
16. Other borrowed money			-0-	16.
17. Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases			-0-	17.
18. Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding			-0-	18.
19. Subordinated notes and debentures			-0-	19.
20. Other liabilities		1	118	20.
21. Total liabilites (sum of items 13 through 20)		81	601	21.
22. Limited – life preferred stock and related surplus			-0-	22.
EQUITY CAPITAL				
23. Perpetual preferred stock and related surplus (No. of shares outstanding -0-)			-0-	23.
24. Common stock (No. of shares a. Authorized 120,000)				
b. Outstanding 120,000)		2	400	24.
25. Surplus (exclude all surplus related to preferred stock)		2	600	25.
26. a. Undivided profits and capital reserves		2	821	26.a.
b. LESS: Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities			-0-	26.b.
27. Cumulative foreign currency translation adjustments				
28. a. Total equity capital (sum of items 23 through 27)		7	821	28.a.
b. Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j)			N/A	28.b.
c. Total equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j) (sum of items 28.a. & 28.b)		7	821	28.c.
29. Total liabilities, limited – life preferred stock, equity capital, and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1823 (j) (sum of items 21, 22, and 28.c)		89	422	29.
MEMORANDA: Amounts outstanding as of Report of Condition date:				MEMO
1. a. Standby letters of credit. Total			170	1.a.
1. b. Amount of Standby letters of credit in memo 1.a. conveyed to others through participations			-0-	1.b.

NOTE: This report must be signed by an authorized officer(s) and attested by not less than three directors other than the officer(s) signing the report.

I/We, the undersigned officer(s), do hereby declare that this Report of Condition has been prepared in conformance with official instructions and is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief.

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER(S) AUTHORIZED TO SIGN REPORT: Derwin Thompson — DATE SIGNED: 7-16-92

NAME AND TITLE OF OFFICER(S) AUTHORIZED TO SIGN REPORT: Derwin Thompson, Senior Vice President & Cashier — AREA CODE/PHONE NO.: 915 573-5441

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this Report of Condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with official instructions and is true and correct.

SIGNATURE OF DIRECTOR — SIGNATURE OF DIRECTOR: Nan Connon

DEBBIE WOOD — Notary Public — State of Texas — My Comm. Exp. 6-12-1994

State of Texas, County of Scurry, ss:
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16 day of July 19 92
and I hereby certify that I am not an officer or director of this bank.
My commission expires June 12 19 94
Debbie Wood
Signature Notary Public

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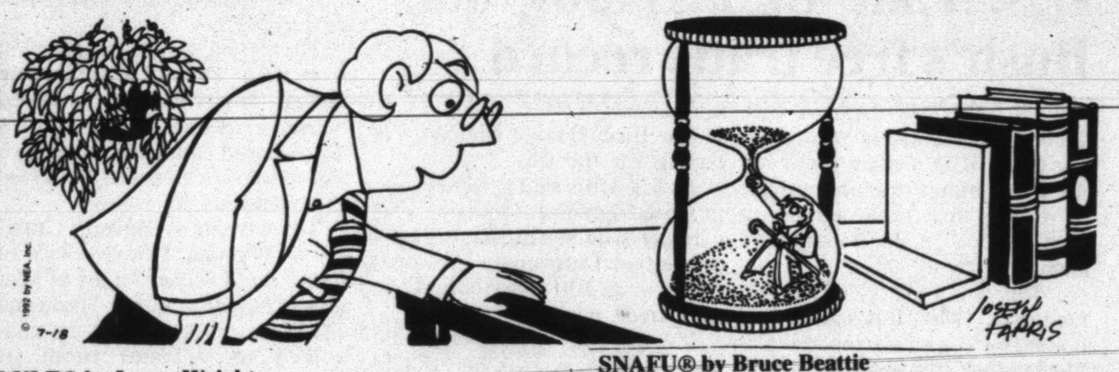

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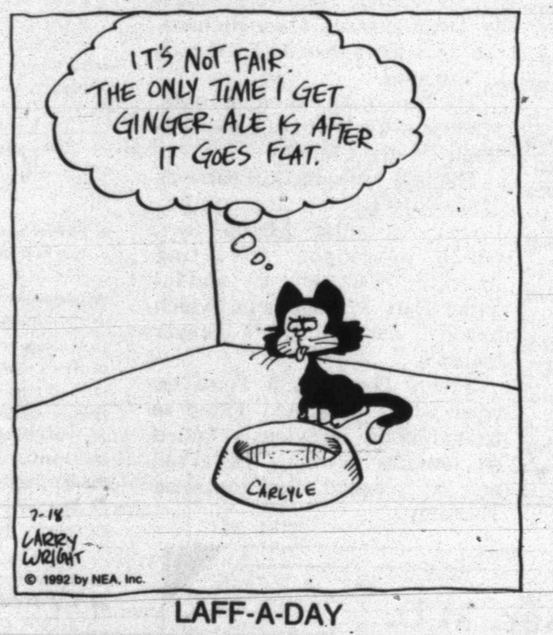

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"I assume this marriage is uncontested?"

DENNIS THE MENACE

NEA PUZZLES

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12 Bushy hairdo
13 Copycat
14 Go wrong
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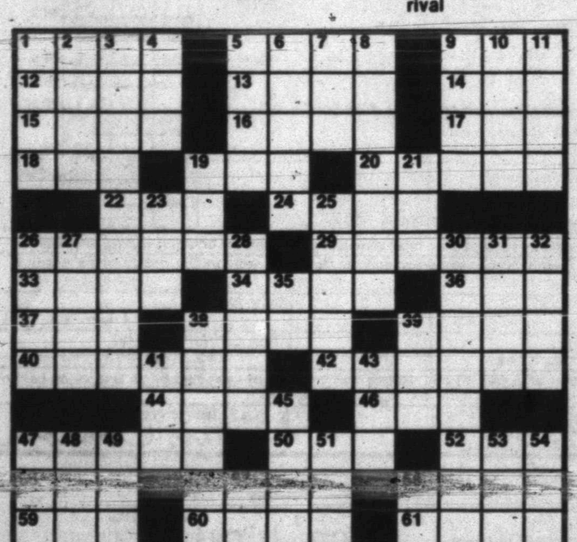

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Gulf War offered lessons in smoke in warfare

DUGWAY PROVING GROUND, Utah (AP) — Every Army division that went into combat in the Persian Gulf War had the ability to use smoke, one of the most ancient tools of warfare, as a battlefield obscurant.

As it happened, the brevity of the ground war and the dust, sand and smoke of battle made human-made obscurants largely unnecessary.

But a month before the war, an Army battalion made a Saudi Arabian air base vanish beneath a layer of fluffy white fog. The experiment persuaded Air Force brass to add the technique to their defenses.

"Operational concept-wise, it worked," said Maj. Ed Presson, assistant director for camouflage, concealment and deception at Florida's Eglin Air Force Base.

Presson and others discussed the role of obscurants in the gulf because much of the information has been declassified.

There's nothing new about smoke as a defense. It cloaked some battles in the Peloponnesian War in the fifth century B.C., and the Soviets used it extensively in World War II. In the 1973 Yom Kippur War, the Israelis used smoke to conceal their tanks from antitank missiles.

Utah's Dugway Proving Ground, a sprawling installation in the remote Western desert, was designated as one of the Army's smoke and obscurant test sites in 1976.

Scientists test generators that produce visible and infrared obscurants, smoke grenades launched from combat vehicles, and rockets with phosphorus warheads that disperse a blinding smoke.

At Dugway, the focus is on technical testing — determining the properties of smoke and munitions designed to protect ground troops. Some operational testing is done when troops engage in war games on the post's 841,000-acre expanse.

"As a countermeasure to various types of weapons systems, smoke and obscurants are viable and relatively inexpensive," said smoke group leader Dennis Bodrero.

Much of the Army's emphasis had been on the smoke-and-obscurant capabilities of the military of the former Soviet Union, which used the tactic more than 1,000 times in World War II.

The Air Force already was equipped with aircraft decoys, false runways, camouflage netting and similar concealment techniques. And aircraft long have jettisoned metallic chaff to fool a radar-guided missile.

But for two years before Operation Desert Shield began in August 1990, the Air Force had been developing and testing a smoke-generation system designed to cover a large fixed facility like an air base.

The Gulf War, and King Faud Air Base south of Dhahran, offered compelling reasons to demonstrate for the first time in a combat zone the effectiveness of a smoke defense against attacking aircraft homing in visually, Presson said.

"We had this big area, a big base, and the smoke system makes a smart way of doing things against the Iraqi threat," Presson said. "The Air Force had never done this before, unlike the Army. Some commanders had never seen smoke covering runways."

Presson contacted Army Lt. Col. Darryl Kilgore, a smoke expert now with III Corps at Fort Hood, Texas, who brought three dozen smoke generators mounted on humvees.

The exercise began early on a mid-December morning. High above, an AWAC reconnaissance plane warned of an impending raid as a dozen A-10 jets with a list of targets began the mock attack.

The generators spewed clouds of fog oil that enveloped the six-square-mile base.

"If you were in a helicopter looking down on it, it would be very much like being in an airplane and looking down at the clouds ... it looked like white fluffy cotton balls," Kilgore said.

The attackers failed to find their targets and the experiment was declared a success, said Presson.

Youthful fan working on Roy Orbison book

WINK, Texas (AP) — Brian Maughan's collection of Roy Orbison memorabilia is not the type you might acquire at a Sotheby's auction.

Brian owns none of the late singer's personal effects.

His collection even contains photocopies — of clippings, press releases, canceled tickets — as well as originals.

But then, Brian isn't collecting Orbisonia for mercenary reward.

He treats the six fat scrapbooks, 87 long-play records, more than a hundred 45s, more than 40 cassettes, scores of posters and other items as valuable source material.

The sophomore at Oklahoma City's Grant High School is six years into a quest for the truth about Orbison, the Vernon-born, Wink-bred singer who died in 1988, a man about whom Brian Maughan knows two biographies have been written and a third — by Orbison's widow, Barbara — is in the mill.

"My goal right now is to write another biography, the best one yet, and have it out by this time next year," Brian, 15, said at the recent Roy Orbison Festival in this West Texas town where "Roy" was reared.

"I think it would be great if the people here in Wink had raised enough money to have the statue (a planned larger-than-life bronze of Orbison) here and I had the book out, both by next year," he added, referring to the event that is the first weekend in June each year.

Never mind that Brian is not a professional writer — "English is not my best subject, but I'm a pretty good student and I know a story line when I see one."

Never mind that he's a novice in the unjust and venal world of books. "I've heard about all that," he said.

It's a journey that has had Brian Roy-crazy since, well, he was a child.

"It started when I was 9. I was watching 'Austin City Limits.' Well, Roy came on, and I turned to my dad and said, 'Who IS this guy?'

"Just the voice, how he could hit the full notes, the voice like no other. I told my dad right there this was my favorite singer. Neither of my parents, in spite of the fact they're baby boomers, were big Roy Orbison fans."

"Brian was 11 when Roy died," said Brian's mother, Charlotte, an accountant for Oklahoma City schools. "Within a few days after that happened, I was putting Brian to bed when he looked up and said, 'Y'know, Mom, I'm gonna write a book about Roy Orbison.'

"'Y'know, a mother thinks that's just a boy talking and that's just what I thought at the time, that this would go away at some point. It never did. And when he was 12, we were at my sister-in-law's in Temple, Texas, and Brian heard there was gonna be a Roy Orbison Day in Vernon, the town where Roy was born, on the anniversary of Roy's birthday.

"Brian looked at me and said, 'Oh, Mom, please take me.' Well, I took him and we went back the only other time they've had a Roy Orbison Day there.

"What I remember about Vernon is that Barbara, Roy's widow, was there, and Brian just walked up to her and said, 'Hi, I'm Brian Maughan from Oklahoma City and I'm writing a book on Roy,'" Charlotte Maughan recalls. "What amazed me is that she said that if he'd write to her, she'd help him with his book.

"What actually happened was that by the next year, she was tied up with so many other things that she couldn't help Brian, but she was very nice to him."

While Barbara Orbison didn't provide the assistance Brian wanted, he was more successful with other family members, according to Brian's mom.

"When Brian was in Nashville doing research, Wesley (Roy's only surviving son by his first wife, Claudette) came up to our motel and spent some time looking through Brian's scrapbooks on Roy," Mrs. Maughan said. "He's also gotten to know Sam (Roy's younger brother and only living sibling) pretty well, and Sam's been pretty helpful."

And Bennie Birchfield, Roy's closest friend at the time Roy died Dec. 6, 1988. And Pam Higginbotham of Grand Prairie, whose father was Roy Orbison's mother's brother.

Higginbotham says some information in the two published Orbison biographies "is untrue and has really hurt the family," as she put it. "Brian's book, I believe, will be fair. He's very smart, he's thorough in his research and I trust him."

In the course of his research — mainly via correspondence with other Orbison collectors through fan newsletters and the like — Brian has shared information and made friends with "some of the real die-hards about Roy."

A serious fan Brian met along the research trail was Charlotte A. Bohacheff of Bay St. Louis, Miss. Bohacheff, Brian said, "is going to meet me in Nashville for two weeks later this summer to finish our research, then she's going to help me with the business part of the book."

Brian is careful with his money.

"I made all the money I've used for my collection myself, mowing lawns," said Brian, whose father, Roy Maughan, owns a modest business, Roy's Air Conditioning, in Oklahoma City. "When you make your own money, you tend to be pretty careful about how much you spend for something, and especially in collecting the kind of stuff I do, where people a lot of times want way too much for something..."

"Personally, I think the most I've ever paid for anything was $30," he said, almost wincing. "That was for a record, 'Roy Orbison Sings Hank Williams.'"

Charlotte Maughan said her son never was into sports, even though he's lived his life in football-crazed Oklahoma. As he puts it, Brian was "not sports-active at all ... Sports are OK, I'm just not into that. I have played musical instruments, the cello and guitar, but frankly, I'm not too good at that."

What he is good at is writing letters, probing, looking for information or songs he doesn't have. And recognizing that there's always information that's been hidden or otherwise not made public.

"We know, for instance, that Roy cut at least seven more songs that have never been released," said Brian. "We know that Roy was very lenient in the way he let people use his name and his recordings. Partly because of these things, what happens is that some stuff Roy did just escaped and may still be out there."

A major challenge in writing the book, Brian knows, will be to portray the singer in a way that doesn't reek of groupie — or boyish — adulation.

"I am aware of that, but I think that if I just write the truth, it won't happen," he said.

And "the truth" about Roy Orbison — even about Roy's recordings — is not all pretty.

"My favorite song of Roy's was one called 'Coming Home,' that a lot of people have never heard," said Brian. "It is on the 'Class of '55' LP when Roy went back to Memphis with Carl Perkins, Jerry Lee Lewis and Johnny Cash. I think it was the only song on the record Roy sang by himself. I also like "In Dreams" and "Crying" a lot.

"But, to be honest," Brian confessed, "there are a few songs Roy did that I just can't stand and I'd rather not name them."

Asked about his favorite Roy Orbison collectible, Brian removed his dark glasses and thought a second. "My MOST cherished piece? Actually I don't have a single one," he said. "It probably would have to go back to the music. If I had to let go of everything else, I'd just hang on to the music."

And if his larger dreams come true — after, of course, the book is published — Brian Maughan will wind up in the music business.

But as a singer?

"Oh, no," said Charlotte Maughan. Brian, who ponders life as a record producer or label owner, "does sing along a lot and he thinks he sounds pretty good. But, no ..."

Maples' publicist steals her shoes

NEW YORK (AP) — Donald Trump says he was puzzled by the disappearance of up to 200 pairs of shoes from his girlfriend Marla Maples' apartment. But now police say the mystery's been solved with the arrest of her publicist.

Chuck Jones, 49, of Greenwich, Conn., was arrested Wednesday and charged with stealing dozens of pairs of high-heeled shoes from Miss Maples' Trump Parc apartment, police said.

"She was just missing shoes," Trump said Thursday on the tabloid TV show "A Current Affair." "They were gone and they were taken in vast quantities and always having to buy shoes, and not being a clothes hog, I said, 'Are you Imelda Marcos?'"

Jones was charged with burglary, possessing stolen property and possessing three unlicensed handguns.

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Boys Town provides troubled youth a home

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Accepting criticism was one of the first principles Alfonso Rodriguez learned when he walked through the doors of Boys Town in Nebraska in 1985.

The program's emphasis on politeness and good manners were difficult to grasp for a 12-year-old who had been abandoned by his parents in a Laredo orphanage six years earlier.

In 1990, Rodriguez came to San Antonio's version of Boys Town, where he still had some maturing to do.

"I almost got kicked out. ... We started going to some places we weren't supposed to," Rodriguez, now 18, said half-jokingly of the bars on St. Mary's Street. "They gave me a lot of chances."

Rodriguez, a robust and athletic-looking young man, is one of 84 youngsters cared for by San Antonio's Boys Town since it was founded in 1987.

The city's Boys Town chapter, the only one in Texas, operates five long-term residence homes for both boys and girls.

Troubled youngsters are referred to Boys Town by the courts, state and city agencies, or by private or voluntary placement.

One of the program's success stories is Rodriguez, a 1992 graduate of Marshall High School who plans to study languages and hotel management at UTSA this fall. He now helps younger residents cope.

"I try to be a role model, for them to do things right," he said.

To keep up with the demand for its services, Boys Town dedicated a new emergency youth shelter last month.

It stands out as a modern, spacious facility that serves as a short-term home for up to 16 youths at a time.

Opened last December, the former day-care center on 503 Urban St. near downtown was remodeled and styled to simulate a home.

Since December, the shelter has served 99 youngsters ages 10-18. Three hundred children are expected to use the facility each year.

"We try to make it as homelike and as less threatening as possible," said Rick Culp, Boys Town director for San Antonio.

The shelter's interior is painted with soft, peach colors. Brown sofas and tables line the walls along with a television, a Nintendo game set and a pool table. To give the staff a constant view of youngsters, few walls divide the interior or recreation rooms from the kitchen.

Michael, 13, arrived at the shelter more than a month ago after "not doing too good in school and getting in trouble with the police."

With a rapid-fire voice and a wide-eyed look, Michael began to relate his story. "I was involved with gangs and drug trafficking," he said, talking with street savvy. "I thought I wasn't good enough to get out of it."

Michael said he now can see things from a different perspective because of the skills he learned at Boys Town.

"I would find the best possible solution that I could come up with," he said, when asked whether he would return to the streets.

Another Boys Town program — parenting skills classes — aims to enhance and stabilize family relationships so that children can be reunited with their families.

The Rev. Val Peter, executive director of Boys Town nationwide, said the program uses the latest in research to analyze patterns of troubled behavior and offer parents special training to cope with problems at home.

"The idea is to work and spend more time with the couples and give them skills to discipline kids in order to prevent the removal of kids from families," Culp said. "We don't put people behind the wheel of the car without training them."

Synchronized plan could deter bacteria

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Health workers across the Rio Grande from El Paso are asking residents to kill deadly cholera bacteria with a household chemical that would cost only 50 cents per household.

Ciudad Juarez residents should pour a liter of chlorine bleach into their toilets and flush them Sunday, the Federal Health Department recommended.

Dr. Guillermo Barrios Lopez, health department chief, made the appeal Thursday.

Doctors say chlorine is known to destroy the bacteria that has killed thousands of people in South America and has made 4,000 ill throughout Mexico.

Barrios has called for all Juarez residents to simultaneously flush the chlorine down their toilet bowls or tanks at 10 p.m. Sunday.

A liter — or slightly more than one quart — of bleach costs about 50 cents in Juarez. The city's water board and health department have regularly poured chlorine into the water supply and the sewers, where the deadly El Tor strain of cholera bacteria was found last month and again two weeks ago.

But Barrios said government workers do not have the means to kill cholera bacteria in each home, so residents' cooperation is needed.

Hector Murguia, president of the Juarez Chamber of Industry, said he would ask factory and business owners to donate chlorine bleach to their employees.

Public Record

New Vehicle Registrations

Lee Watson, 1992 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Malcolm Rainwater, 1992 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Cynthia Ann Barnes, 1992 Buick from Howard Gray Motors.

Tiffany Fowler and Jeff Fowler, 1992 Chevrolet Blazer from Big Country Chevrolet.

George T. Vicary, 1992 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Chevrolet.

Samuel H. Clements, 1992 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Chevrolet.

John E. Cline, 1992 Chevrolet from Big Country Chevrolet.

Jerry Boyd, 1992 Mercury from Wilson Motors.

Gary Cram, 1992 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Marriage Licenses

Pastor Martinez and Ann Marie Guerrero, both of Prospect Heights, Ill.

Danny R. Gunderson and Tena Diane Daniel, both of Snyder.

Timothy Robert Tompkins and Katy Denise Head, both of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Royce C. Walker, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Joe Max Beck, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. John Brock, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Jimmy R. Digby, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Bobby Nolan, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. LaFrances Presley, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Gilbert Sanchez, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Ray Turner, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. Scott Glenn Winsor, et al, delinquent tax suit.

Scurry County Appraisal District vs. James Edward Neblett, et al, delinquent tax suit.

City of Snyder vs. Insurance Marketing Resources, Inc., deceptive trade practices.

Mauricio Salinas vs. Inadale Cooperative Gin Company, damages and personal injury.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Micheal Joe Lindsey and Teresa Ann Lindsey, divorce granted.

Warranty Deeds

Billy Z. Evans, et ux, to F.R. Williams, et ux, a 2.16 acre tract in the southwest quarter of Section 56, Block 3 of H&GN survey.

F.R. Williams, et ux, to Terry Dale Williams, et ux, a 2.16 acre tract in the southwest quarter of Section 56, Block 3 of H&GN survey.

Mona Pierce to Rodney Eugene Bomar, a four-acre tract in the north part of Section 39, Block Y of T&P Railway Co. survey.

Martha Ann Young and Bert August to Mona Pierce, a four-acre tract in the north part of Section 39, Block Y of T&P Railway Co. survey.

Jack Bryant, et ux, to Lynn Fenton, Lot 10, Block 21 of Bootheland West Addition.

Maria V. Botello to Vincente Rodriquez, et ux, the north half of Lot 4, Block 29 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Jana Lynn Heffernan Michalski to Lana Sue Hataway, the south 50 feet of Lot 1, Block 37 of Blankenship Addition.

West Texas State Bank of Snyder to Vera McClanahan, the north 19 feet of Lot 28, Block 8 of Parkway Addition, Section 2.

Don Adams to Myron Fenton, Lot 1, the east one-third of Lot 3 and the east 10 feet of the west 100 feet of the north half of Lot 3, Block 39 of Blankenship Addition.

Jayson D. Jones, et ux, to Geneva M. Williamson, Lot 3, Block 2 of Park View Addition.

Carmakers could prevent deaths from rollovers

NEW YORK (AP) — Crushed car roofs cause many of the 10,000 deaths annually in vehicle rollover accidents, but the auto industry has done little to fix the structural weaknesses that cause the problem, a television program says.

Reinforcing a vehicle frame and roof could cost as little as $50, the ABC-TV program "20-20" says in an investigative piece aired Friday.

Auto companies contacted by the show declined to comment on camera, but gave written responses that asserted their cars are safe.

Mike Parris, a spokesman for Ford Motor Co., said later that the company knew of no "responsible research" that showed a relationship between rollover injuries and inadequate roof strength.

GM spokesman Jack Dinan said his company's research has concluded most rollover accidents can be blamed on driver error. A Chrysler Corp. spokesman, Tom Houston, said Chrysler cars meet or exceed all federal rollover standards.

Vehicle rollover accidents are responsible for more than 10,000 deaths and hundreds of thousands of injuries in the United States each year.

Clarence Ditlow of the Center for Auto Safety, a Washington-based public interest group, told The Associated Press that about 6,000 of the deaths are caused by ejection from autos and 4,000 by crushed roofs.

Particularly hazardous are the so-called sport utility vehicles such as jeeps and vans, Ditlow said.

European autos have more strength built into the frame and aren't so prone to roll over, Ditlow said.

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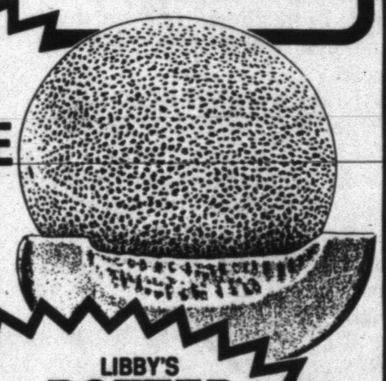

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