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Ask Us

Q—When do we move our clocks back an hour?

A—Daylight Savings Time ends on Halloween, Sunday, Oct. 31.

Local

Bulldogs meet

The Bulldog Backers will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Ira School cafeteria.

Lions Club

The Lions Club will not meet on Tuesday. A family outing is planned Saturday at Towle Park, beginning at 3 p.m.

Grand jury

A Scurry County grand jury will convene at 9 a.m. Tuesday in 132nd District Court for its September session. The grand jury is expected to consider 12 cases.

Masons

Scurry County Lodge #706 will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Boosters

Snyder All-Sports Booster Club will meet at 7 this evening in the high school student center.

4-H Club

Canyon Reef 4-H Club will hold its first meeting of the 1993-94 year Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the East Elementary cafeteria.

ADD meeting

Parents and teachers are invited to attend an Attention Deficit Disorder support group meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Snyder National Bank meeting room.

Call Charlesta Scott at 573-9522 for more information.

VFW post

The VFW and Ladies Auxiliary will meet at 7:30 this evening at the post home. The Ladies Auxiliary district president will be at the meeting.

Those attending should bring their donations for the VFW grocery basket.

Game bus

The reservation period for anyone wishing to ride on a chartered bus to Monahans for the Sept. 10 varsity football game has been extended to Tuesday.

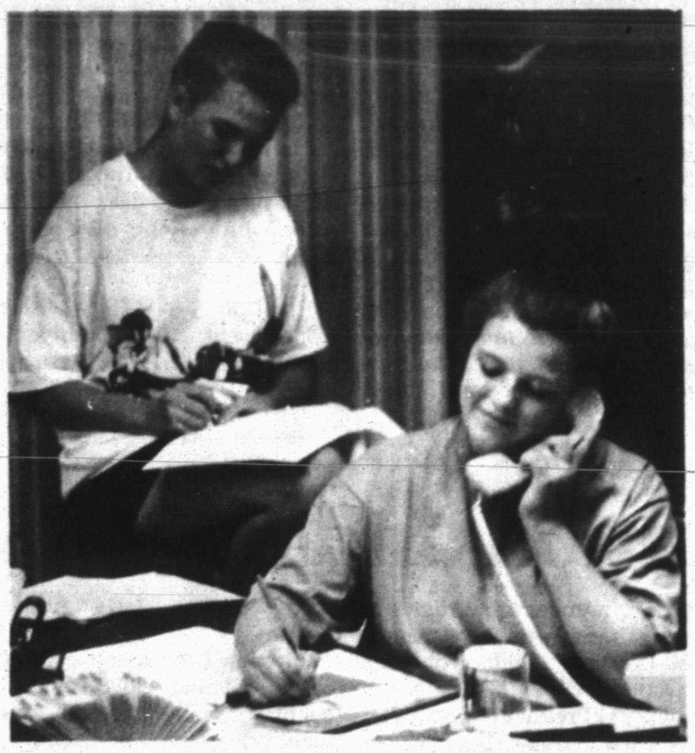
To make reservations, call Booster Club President Larry McAden at 573-6192. The cost is $20 per person.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 89 degrees; low, 59 degrees; high Sunday, 90 degrees; low, 57 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 57 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, 12.26 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the lower to mid 60s. East to southeast wind 5-15 mph. Tuesday, partly cloudy. High around 90. South wind 10-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:01. Sunrise Tuesday, 7:23. Of 248 days in 1993, the sun has shone 241 days in Snyder.



TAKING CALLS — Members of G-20 are at the chamber of commerce taking pledges for the annual Jerry Lewis Telethon until 6 p.m. today. G-20s pictured are, left, Katie Potts and, right, Shawndalyn Callaway. (SDN Staff Photo)

County hopes to finalize its 1994 budget this week

Scurry County commissioners court will meet at least twice this week in hopes of finalizing the 1994 budget and setting a tax rate.

Commissioners will convene at 9 a.m. Tuesday for a final budget workshop in hopes of formally adopting the budget on Wednesday.

The proposed county budget, excluding hospital, is $5.8 million. To finance the spending document, commissioners have been considering a three percent tax rate increase.

Also on Wednesday's 10 a.m. agenda, the commissioners court is expected to set the tax rate. A three percent hike would place the tax rate at 49.87 cents compared to the current rate of 44.31 cents.

County tax values declined almost $69 million from 1993 levels, a drop of 8.6 percent. The county's effective tax rate, the rate needed to raise the same revenue as in 1993, is 48.43 cents.

Major increases in the proposed county budget are health insurance costs and purchase of a county-wide computer system. Health insurance costs are up some 25 percent while the county has budgeted $65,000 for computer purchases.

The county was also faced with the problem of adding four female jailers to the payroll as a result if state jail commission standards. However, the county worked out a new shared services agreement with the city which included the relocation of female dispatchers to the sheriff's office to double as jailers. The move saved city and county taxpayers approximately $100,000.

Also new in the county budget is a contract for the management of the airport. The county is expecting a savings of some $10,000 and hopes that the airport operations can approach a break-even status.

Also part of the county budget is a $395,000 tax subsidy for Cogdell Hospital to help finance the hospital's $18 million budget. The hospital's tax increase is $20,000. Hospital Administrator Tim Lancaster had told the court some outdated equipment needs to be replaced.

Also on Wednesday's agenda is consideration of a half-cent tax on telephone services. The communications tax would generate some $30,000 and would reduce the budget deficit of some $95,000 which would be balanced by the use of reserves.

Jobless rate drops almost 1% in July

Unemployment in Scurry County fell almost one percent during July, according to information from the Texas Employment Commission.

Unemployment dipped from 6.5 percent in June to 5.7 percent in July, the statistics indicate. According to the commission, Scurry County had a potential civilian labor force of 11,338 for July, of which 10,688 people were employed. The remaining 650 people out of work represents 5.7 percent.

According to TEC, the City of Snyder experienced a jobless rate of 6.2 for July, down from 7.0 in June. This was based on a labor force of 7,618, of which 7,147 people were employed.

July's unemployment percentages for area counties includes:

—Andrews: 5.7 percent, based on a labor force of 7,025, of which 6,625 were employed.

—Borden: 4.4 percent, based on a labor force of 819, of which 783 were employed.

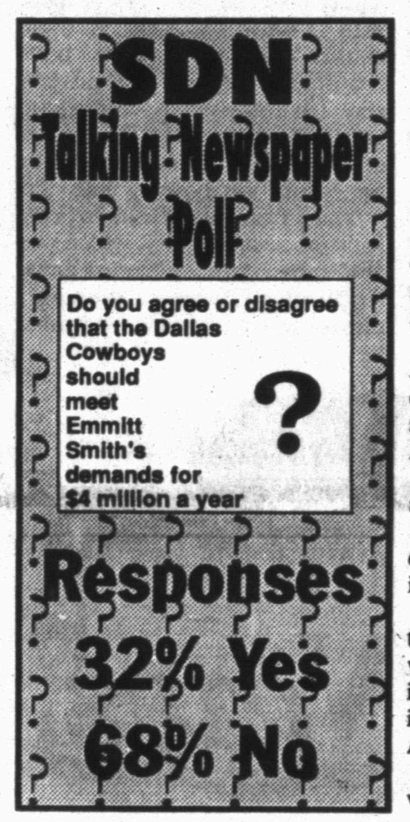
—Dawson: 7.0 percent, based on a labor force of 8,447, of which 7,854 were employed.

—Garza: 6.4 percent, based on a labor force of 2,356, of which 2,205 were employed.

—Howard: 5.0 percent, based on a labor force of 15,474, of which 14,708 were employed.

—Mitchell: 6.8 percent, based on a labor force of 3,624, of which 3,379 were employed.

—Nolan: 8.2 percent, based on a labor force of 7,868, of which 7,221 were employed.



Officers kept busy with eleven arrests

Snyder police made 11 arrests over the weekend on charges ranging from driving while intoxicated to theft.

Officers arrested 33-year-old Juan Manuel Rivera for felony driving while intoxicated at 1:31 a.m. Sunday in the 1800 block of Avenue R.

At 9:01 p.m. Saturday, police arrested a 37-year-old man in the 1300 block of 25th Street for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

Police made a third DWI arrest, this one also a misdemeanor, when they took a 31-year-old man into custody at 11:31 p.m. Sunday in the 100 block of College Avenue.

Officers arrested a 62-year-old woman for public intoxication at 7:48 p.m. Saturday in the 800 block of 34th Street.

At 9:41 p.m. Saturday, police were called to a disturbance in the 3000 block of 40th Street where they arrested a 29-year-old man for Class C assault/family violence.

Early Sunday morning, at 12:08, police responded to a disturbance in the 3700 block of Avenue U where they arrested a 35-year-old man for assault/family violence.

At 1:20 a.m. Sunday, police arrested a 23-year-old man in the 4400 block of Avenue U for public intoxication.

Officers arrested a 26-year-old woman at 2:59 a.m. Sunday in the

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Twins twice...

'Lightning' strikes area couple again

By Shirley A. Gorman
SDN News Editor

Lightning isn't supposed to strike twice, but sometimes it does. One might say that is what happened to James and Leisa Martin, who have had two sets of twins in two years.

The couple have 20-month-old twins girls — Ariel and Autumn — and four-week-old twin boys — Reno and Kamron.

Ariel was named for the character in Walt Disney's *The Little Mermaid*. It's just a coincidence that their Ariel also has red hair, Leisa said.

When they learned they were expecting twins, they also chose the name Autumn.

Reno was named for Reno Rains, the lead character in the syndicated television series, *Renegade*. Kamron was chosen from a book of baby names because it goes with Morris, Leisa's grandfather's name. However, they changed the spelling.

One set of fraternal twins is considered unusual. But two sets in two years — with no single birth in between — is extremely rare.

Leisa has never taken any fertility drugs and both sets of twins were cesarean births, at 37 weeks.

James, an employee of Cogdell Memorial Hospital, is the charge nurse for the night shift at Price Daniel Unit's infirmary.

Leisa works in the private office of Mark Piland, who is also the Mitchell county attorney. She is on maternity leave through the end of this month, and she also works at the bingo parlor.

She said Piland is a "very understanding boss."

James also took a couple of weeks off, but returned to work last week.

The Martins and family and friends were astonished when Leisa's doctor, former Snyder resident Dee Roach, told her — one month before delivery — that she was going to have twins.

They were amazed when she learned early in her second pregnancy about the second set of twins.

The family causes a commotion whenever they are out together. They are even approached by total strangers.

Leisa said she receives "lots of sympathy" when people realize that she has two sets of twins under two years of age.

Leisa said people's reactions usually fall into two categories. Older people tell her "it's a blessing," but the younger ones say, "better you than me."

Things have certainly changed for the Martins. Since Leisa also works, support of family and friends is essential. They said they receive valuable assistance from her parents, Tex and Jolene Blankenship, who live 1½ miles from them.

Leisa's mother kept the girls for the first year before they started going to day care. She will also keep the boys for two months, then they too will attend day care.

This summer, Leisa's nieces also spent several weeks with them. Before the boys were born they decorated the sidewalk and the lawn. "It was great having them here. They were a lot of help to me."

The family has already outgrown the mini-van they drive. Four car seats and one stroller are all that fit. Since there isn't room for anything else, shopping is rather impossible. They are considering trading for a Suburban but in the meantime, James said, they are going to start taking a small trailer with them.

These days the Martins also buy in volume, especially diapers and formula, and hunt for sales and clip coupons. They also make the rounds of garage sales and Leisa is a member of the Mother of Twins Club in Abilene which allows her to sometimes obtain items she needs through fellow members and the club's bi-annual garage sales.

To date, she is the only member who has two sets of twins.

The club's motto is "God picks the mothers of twins."

Already an avid bargain hunter, Leisa is using her experience to obtain needed items for her growing family. She has also been able to obtain things her family needs from friends who have children.

She shops out of season, often finding good buys on toys and children's clothes. Ariel wears one size bigger than her sister Autumn.

They buy diapers by the case with one case lasting the girls for a week. It takes 2½ cases of formula to feed the babies for a

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DOUBLE OR NOTHING — James and Leisa Martin of Colorado City have their hands full these days. They recently had their second set of twins in two years. Daughters, Ariel and Autumn, enjoy being "big" sisters to Reno and Kamron who were born in August. James is the charge nurse for the night shift at Price Daniel Unit's infirmary. (SDN Staff Photo)

Clinton seeks GOP help in Congress

By Steven Komarow
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton now will see whether the bitter partisanship that marked passage of his budget in Congress will dog him as he tries for national health insurance and the rest of his legislative program.

He didn't have any Republican votes for his deficit-reduction plan. He's going to need them now.

The House and Senate return from their summer break this week to confront the issue of gays in the military, one that doesn't cut cleanly across partisan lines.

Powerful Democrats as well as Republicans have opposed Clinton's efforts to soften the ban on service by homosexuals, even though the president backed far away from his campaign pledge to end all anti-gay rules.

Democrats are also lining up against the North American Free Trade Agreement, which opponents say would encourage U.S. companies to move their jobs to low-paying positions in Mexico.

And, although he isn't sending his health care plan to Congress until later this month, there's almost no chance that Democrats would line up behind the administration as they did with the budget.

Among those who support national health care, some — including Democrats — favor a system similar to Canada's, where standardized billing and record-keeping saves billions of dollars in overhead. Clinton favors a competing network of insurance systems.

"A single, simple system, paid for in a very open way, would be acceptable by the American people," said Rep. Jim McDermott, D-Wash., one of the lawmakers not yet ready to embrace the Clinton approach to health care reform. But McDermott indicated on NBC's "Meet the Press" that he likely would not buck the president when it's time for a final vote.

The tax increases — or premiums — needed to fund a new system also are sure to alienate some Democrats.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell said Sunday, also on NBC, that he would oppose a tax on alcohol — as is likely to be suggested by Clinton — while supporting more taxes on cigarettes.

But as these new issues and disagreements surface among Democrats, the Republicans also are showing little of the unity in opposition they showed in the budget fight.

Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., already has promised to help Clinton with the trade pact, which was originally negotiated by Bush. And many Republicans have been working on the health care issue longer than Clinton, and they'll play an active role in crafting the final legislation.

"We've made a great effort not to draw lines in the sand," Sen. John Chafee, R-R.I., said Sunday on NBC, discussing the health care issue. "I don't think this is going to split along party lines."

Dole has argued repeatedly that Republicans are not opposing Clinton on everything. In the Senate, for example, they have supported almost all of his Cabinet and judicial appointments.

Clinton's appointment of Joycelyn Elders as Surgeon General will likely be confirmed Tuesday even though some conservatives oppose her. Some Republicans also are expected to vote this week for Clinton's national service program, which provides college benefits for people who serve in community service jobs.

Dole's support of NAFTA is an example of how the Republicans can pick their shots. If Clinton doesn't find a way to turn around the trend against the pact, that might turn into a case of Clinton losing with only his own party to blame.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Steven Komarow is chief congressional correspondent for The Associated Press.

Lotto Texas

by The Associated Press

No tickets purchased in the latest Lotto Texas correctly matched all six numbers drawn for the twice-weekly game, making the next drawing worth an estimated $40 million, state lottery officials said Sunday.

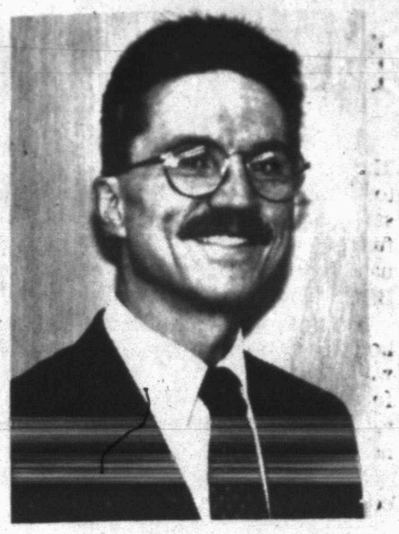
The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 2, 9, 22, 29, 33, 40. That jackpot was worth an estimated $25 million.

Although there were no jackpot winners, lottery officials said 356 tickets were sold with five of the six numbers. Each ticket was worth $1,109.

There were also 16,916 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning $84. And there were 287,533 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic $3.

Lottery officials said that if sales continued as expected, the estimated jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be $40 million.

Sales up to Saturday from the previous draw were $15.7 million.



DR. STEPHEN SMITH

Dr. Smith to leave Snyder

Dr. Stephen Smith, pastor of First Presbyterian Church for the past 10 years, will be leaving Snyder to accept a position with a Dallas church.

He will preach his last sermon here on Sept. 12. Dr. Smith's new duties will be as associate pastor of Preston Hollow Presbyterian Church which has 2,700 members.

He cited his decade in Snyder as, "one of the highlights of my life. Snyder is a place I will always remember fondly."

Dr. Smith has been an active member of the Snyder community. Positions he has held include president of the Ministerial Alliance and the Rotary Club. He was also the initial president of the Council For Educational Excellence. He has served on the Scurry County Welfare Board.

His wife, Susan, has been a teacher at Borden County for the past seven years.

They have three children, Andrew Smith, a seventh grader at Snyder Junior High School; John Purcell, a sophomore at Snyder High School; and Jennifer Purcell, a sophomore at Texas Tech University.

Romania revisited...

Barking dogs, corruption and poverty

EDITOR'S NOTE — The writer was a correspondent for The Associated Press in Romania from 1975 to 1987. He returned recently and filed this report on the situation in the country.

By Viorel Urma
Associated Press Writer

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — The clock strikes midnight. Suddenly, a dog starts barking across the street. Others respond, filling the air with a cacophony of yelps and bayings. A howl comes from a distance.

This is Bucharest, once known as the "Paris of the Balkans," trying to get some sleep after another hot, dusty day. Faced with a crime explosion unparalleled in their history, wary Romanians are keeping dogs in their yards and apartments to frighten off potential burglars.

"Electronic alarm systems are too costly. Everything that has four legs and barks is just as good," said Mircea Pascu, 49, whose car was broken into one night in his front yard. "If there are no intruders, dogs bark at stray cats to keep in shape."

Inflation of 200 percent a year, higher taxes and the loss of more than 1 million jobs through market-oriented reforms have contributed to growing poverty and lawlessness. According to government statistics, 31 percent of Romania's 23 million people are below the poverty line.

Many Romanians want to bring back the death penalty, which was abolished after Communist dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was overthrown and executed in December 1989. The number of murders and attempts has tripled since then, to 1,500 last year. Thefts, robberies and rapes are skyrocketing.

Some say Premier Nicolae Vacaroiu's government, dominated by former Communists, is guilty of economic mismanagement and is not doing enough to stop the violence.

The Association of Romanian Journalists has urged the media to stop reporting on government activities. It accused Vacaroiu and his Social Democracy Party of ignoring press reports that prominent members of the government are involved in illegal deals.

"Most of the government members are old politicians who still think they can simply carry on undisturbed, no matter what the press reports," said Dumitru Tinu, editor of the daily Adevarul (Truth).

In one of the many corruption cases, Cristina Tincu, a Cabinet counselor, sought to sell government homes set aside for foreigners for bribes totaling $100,000 over the price of the hard-sought residences but was caught by police. In the biggest political scandal this summer, Romania's commercial shipping fleet, appraised at $650 million, was sold to a Greek shipping company for $335 million. Media reports and opposition politicians said government officials accepted bribes to approve the deal.

Vacaroiu, himself accused in the press of influence-peddling, has said 29,000 cases of official corruption are under investigation.

Author writes about black female aviator

WASHINGTON (AP) — She was a pioneer American aviator. Her flights drew big crowds. She was daring and exciting and beautiful, too. And she died tragically while flying. But unlike her contemporary, Amelia Earhart, Bessie Coleman made no splash in history.

Bessie Coleman was black.

The world's first black female aviator got her pilot's license in 1921 — two years before Earhart. She flew in Europe, starred in air shows, and tried her best to become famous. But outside of the segregated black world in which she lived, few people ever paid attention.

Now the author of an acclaimed biography of Earhart is working to change that, with a new book, "Queen Bess: Daredevil Aviator."

Doris L. Rich first heard about Coleman while doing research for "Amelia Earhart: A Biography." Over and over, she came across her name in early aviation history. But no one gave details.

It took a lot of digging to find any.

Coleman didn't leave records; she could barely write. And the mainstream press rarely wrote about her. Old copies of the weekly black newspapers that covered her appearances are not easy to come by.

"With Earhart, I was flooded with information," says Rich. "Every time I found a fact about Bessie, I was deeply grateful that day."

Looking back, it's hard to believe anyone could have lived Coleman's life. Born in 1892 in east Texas, she grew up in a three-room shotgun shack, picking cotton and taking in white people's laundry. She went to Chicago in 1915 and became a manicurist in a black beauty shop.

Then one day she decided to fly.

How she came to the idea is unclear. But she had always set her sights high, Rich says.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I wish to acknowledge the fact that Dr. Stephen Smith is leaving our community to take a position in Dallas. Dr. Smith has served for the past decade as pastor of First Presbyterian Church here. I feel I am losing both an excellent colleague and a good friend. The community of Snyder is also losing someone who contributed to the feeling of goodwill, community spirit and Christian ecumenicity that will be sorely missed.

On behalf of many other ministers in the community I extend to Steve our best wishes and God's speed in his new position and offer him our prayers and support.

Sincerely,
Tim Griffin, pastor
First Christian Church
Snyder, TX 79549

Tabloid stories

CHICAGO (AP) — Jerry Seinfeld said he was "in a tabloid rocket to the moon" after he dated a 17-year-old girl.

The supermarket tabloids had a field day after the 39-year-old star of NBC's "Seinfeld" appeared at a basketball game with the teenager.

"She's a very sweet girl and very pretty," the comedian said in an interview in the October issue of Playboy magazine. "I didn't know how old she was. I knew she wasn't 40. I took her to a basketball game, and that was the whole thing."

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Felderhoff Production Co. will drill the No. 1 McJimsey, a 7,500-foot wildcat located six miles southwest of Ira. Drill site is in Section 138, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Sharp Image Energy will drill the No. 4-B Ira, a 7,800-foot wildcat located one mile northwest of Ira. Location is in Section 138, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Patterson Petroleum Inc. will drill the No. 1 Parks, a 7,500-foot wildcat located one-half mile southwest of Snyder. Drill site is in Section 123, Block 3, H&GN survey.

R.H. Odom will drill the No. 2-A Odom in the Tonto field, seven miles northeast of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 2,000 feet, location is in Section 388, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Kriti Exploration Inc. will drill the No. 1 Graham R. Smith, a 7,900-foot wildcat located eight miles south of Snyder. Location is in Section 4, Block 1, J.P. Smith survey.

Mitchell County

Parker and Parsley Development Co. has completed the No. 285 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. The venture was finaled to produce 54 barrels of 31.7 gravity oil and 139 barrels of water. Perforations were from 2,701-944 feet, and location is in Section 8, Block 29, T&P survey.

Howard County

Conoco Inc. has completed the No. 55-A H.R. Clay in the Howard-Glasscock field, three miles east of Forsan. The well was finaled to produce 45 barrels of 26.1 grvity oil and 153 barrels of water. Perforations were from 1,678-3,070 feet, and location is in Section 139, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Conoco has completed the No. 24-D G.O. Chalk in the Howard-Glasscock field, seven miles east of Forsan. The well was completed to produce 70 barrels of 30.1 gravity oil and 48 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,756-768 feet, and location is in Section 124, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Parallel Petroleum Corp. will drill the No. 1-16 Hamlin in the Patience field, 15 miles north of Big Spring. Planned for a depth of 10,500 feet, drill site is in Section 16, Block 33, T&P survey.

Garza County

Primrose Operating Co. has completed the No. 160 M.A. Fuller in the Dorward field, seven miles southwest of Justiceburg. The well was finaled to produce 29 barrels of 36 gravity oil and 94 barrels of water. Gas-oil ratio was 1,000-1 with perforations from 1,984-2,640 feet. Location is in Section 111, Block 5, H&GN survey.

United Oil and Minerals Inc. has completed the No. 1 Lott Ranch, a wildcat located nine miles south of Post. The well was completed to produce 87 barrels of 37 gravity oil and seven barrels of water. Gas-oil ratio was 344-1 with perforations from 8,107-188 feet. Location is in Section 34, Block 1, T&NO survey.

Primrose Operating will drill the No. 27 Birdie Alexander in the Dorward field, seven miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned for a depth of 3,000 feet, location is in Section 112, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose will drill the No. 13 J.C. Dorward in the Dorward field, six miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned depth is 3,000 feet, and drill site is in Section 114, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose Operating will drill the No. 3 Dorward unit in the Dorward field, seven miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned depth is 3,000 feet, and location is in Section 112, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose will drill the No. 4 Dorward unit in the Dorward field, eight miles southeast of Justiceburg. Contracted for 3,000 feet, location is in Section 111, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose will drill the No. 10-B Dorward in the Dorward field, 3.5 miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned for a depth of 3,000 feet, location is in Section 138, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose will drill the No. 11-D J.C. Dorward in the same field, four miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned depth is 3,000 feet, and location is in Section 139, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose will drilll the No. 10-P Exxon Fee in the Dorward field, three miles southeast of Justiceburg. Contracted for 3,000 feet, location is in Section 4, Block 6, H&GN survey.

Primrose will drill the No. 163 M.A. Fuller in the Dorward field, eight miles southeast of Justiceburg. Planned for a depth of 3,000 feet, location is in Section 111, Block 5, H&GN survey.

Primrose will drill the No. 162 Dorward-Fuller in the Dorward field, eight miles southeast of Justiceburg. The venture will be drilled to 8,000 feet, and location is in Section 691, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Nolan County

Walter Exploration Inc. will drill the No. 2 Robtann, a 4,200-foot wildcat located 12 miles southeast of Sweetwater. Location is in Section 4, Block X, T&P survey.

JVA Operating Co. Inc. will drill the No. 2-A Price in the JMM field, 12 miles southwest of Maryneal. Planned for a depth of 7,600 feet, location is in Section 220, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

Petrotex Inc. will plug and abandon the No. 1 Allridge in the Hylton-Moore field, six miles southest of Shep. Drilled to 5,878 feet, location ws in Section 170 Block 64, H&TC survey.

Petrotex Inc. will plug and abandon the No. 1 and No. 2 Armstrong in the Hylton-Moore field, six miles southwest of Shep. Drilled to 5,100 feet, location was in Section 171, Block 64, H&TC survey.



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Marcos burial spawns cottage industry

BATAC, Philippines (AP) — The mayor of this sleepy northern town has some advice for the thousands expected to show up for the funeral of former President Ferdinand Marcos: "Don't bring food. Bring money."

Marcos' body returns to his hometown on Tuesday from Hawaii, where he died in exile nearly four years ago, and Batac is trying to cash in on the crowds of mourners expected for a four-day wake.

Shops are stocking up on Marcos T-shirts, buttons and caps, with pictures of the strongman and slogans such as "Marcos, a True Hero."

This farming community of 50,000 has few restaurants and only one small inn, so Mayor Jesus Nalupta has been encouraging townspeople to open their doors to visitors and prepare food to sell.

Ordinances regulating street vending have been temporarily suspended so anyone will be allowed to set up stands to sell food and other goods.

"Business will be booming," Nalupta said. "I expect this will be the start of real progress in this town if the president will be here because he is our best tourist attraction."

Although Marcos is reviled in much of the country as a corrupt dictator, he is widely admired in Ilocos Norte among his fellow Ilocano-language speakers, the third largest linguistic group in the Philippines.

Adelina Lumagip, who runs a small shop across the street from Marcos' future tomb, said she was doing a brisk business selling Marcos T-shirts at $5 each.

"We're happy he's finally coming home," Lumagip said.

Marcos died in September 1989 in Hawaii, where he was driven into exile by the 1986 uprising that installed Corazon Aquino as president. She refused to allow his body to be buried in the Philippines.

Her successor, Fidel Ramos, agreed to burial in Marcos' home province, Ilocos Norte, 400 miles north of Manila. But Ramos, a cousin of Marcos', said he would not attend the funeral and ruled out state honors for the former president.

During his 20-year rule, Marcos imposed martial law, suspended civil liberties, arrested thousands of opponents and allegedly rifled the national treasury.

In preparation for the wake and funeral, black and white banners bearing Marcos' picture were hung from buildings in the province.

One banner erected by the local Kiwanis Club read: "May your coming home bring unity and peace among your people."

Marcos' body is to be flown Sunday night from Honolulu to Guam, where it will remain before a chartered jet brings it on Tuesday to Laoag, the capital of Ilocos Norte.

Burial is set for Friday in a stone mausoleum built in the garden of his family home in Batac, 10 miles to the south.

Marcos' widow, Imelda, who was in Laoag making the final arrangements, hopes the burial in Batac will be temporary and eventually the government will allow the body to be buried in Manila in the national Heroes Cemetery.

Nalupta, the mayor, is in no hurry to see the body leave. He hopes the mausoleum, specially constructed for Marcos, will become a regional tourist attraction.

"If people will use their imagination, they can make a lot of business, not only during the wake but years after," he said.

"In Manila, there is the possibility for his tomb to be vandalized because he had enemies there," he added. "But here, we can protect him 99 percent because all the people love him."

Body of missing girl identified by father

PLANO (AP) — The body of a missing 7-year-old Dallas girl was found along a gravel road 24 hours after she disappeared from a soccer match, police say.

The father of Ashley Nicole Estell, Richard Estell, positively identified the body at the Collin County Medical Examiner's office Sunday night, Plano Police chaplain Travis Case said.

"This day surely is the saddest and darkest in our lives," Richard and Diana Estell said in a statement released Sunday evening.

Ashley vanished Saturday from Plano's Carpenter Park while her parents watched her brother play soccer.

Some 1,000 volunteers — some from as far away as Fort Worth — came Sunday morning to help look for the child.

Her body was found about six miles from the park along a dirt road near Highway 121 and Custer Road about noon, said officer Bill Bonds.

Bonds declined to comment Sunday on the condition of the body or possible cause of death. However, he confirmed the case was being investigated as a homicide.

Lt. Steve Nagy said Sunday night there were no new clues. "We're hoping the public can help us out on this one," he said.

Even police were traumatized by the tragedy, the department's chaplain said. It was especially tough on officers who have children that age, said Case, pastor of Central Baptist Church.

"People always think of police officers as real tough guys. But if there's anything that tears an officer up, it's dealing with children like this," he said.

Case said he had spent the day counseling officers and others.

"The whole community is devastated. I've been here since 1976 and we've never had anything like this."

Ashley disappeared from the park around noon Saturday. Her parents said they last saw her about 11:20 a.m. when she walked to a playground area. She was reported missing about 12:15 p.m.

Government waste could be cut back

NEW YORK (AP) — The average American thinks more than a third of the $1.5 trillion federal budget could realistically be cut as wasteful, according to an Associated Press poll.

When President Clinton outlines his plans Tuesday for "reinventing government," he will be appealing to a widespread cynicism. In the poll, 95 percent said the government wastes lots of money.

Based on a study led by Vice President Al Gore, Clinton is expected to propose numerous changes in the way the federal government buys services, hires workers, makes budgets, pays benefits, collects fees and divides duties among agencies.

When asked in the AP poll, "What percent of the federal budget do you realistically think could be cut as wasteful?" the average response was 37 percent. One in 10 wanted to do away with more than half the budget.

Assuming the nation doesn't shirk its debt service or defense plans, the only way Congress could cut more than 30 percent would be to chip away at benefit programs such as Social Security and health care for the elderly. The poll shows most Americans don't consider such popular programs wasteful.

Seven in 10 people polled say foreign aid is wasteful. But to cut its $19 billion from the budget would be like dipping 3 tablespoons out of a 1 gallon pail.

The telephone poll of 1,004 adults was taken the last five days of August by ICR Survey Research Group, part of AUS Consultants. Results have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Opinion was lopsided on how much the federal government wastes: 72 percent said "a great deal" and 23 percent said "quite a lot." Two percent said "not very much," and 3 percent were not sure.

Welfare seemed wasteful to 59 percent overall, but not to most blacks and to those earning less than $15,000.

Two-thirds of those polled said Social Security spending is efficient, not wasteful.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

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How many trumps do you need?

How many trumps would ease your mind on Labor Day? How many would take your mind off winter, which is beckoning from just a short way down the road? Nine? 10? More?

Today's deal occurred in a game in Florida many years ago. Sitting South was Bill Root, one of America's top experts. North was Harold Harkavy, who "played like the world's best player that day," according to Root.

Most Norths would open one no-trump, even if using a range of 16-18 points. That good five-card club suit makes the hand worth 16 points.

South had an automatic response of one spade. North was planning to rebid one no-trump when West introduced his diamond suit. Now North had a two-Tylenol headache. He couldn't bid no-trump without a diamond stopper. He didn't want to rebid in a five-card suit. Harkavy "solved" the problem by passing.

Root didn't want to sell out, so he bid an invitational three clubs.

Now Harkavy had another problem. He was strong enough to accept the invitation, but what should he bid? If Root had a diamond stopper, maybe he would have rebid two no-trump, not three clubs. So Harkavy opted to support spades with his doubleton!

Root, buoyed by his strong spades, went on to game.

West cashed three diamond tricks before switching to his singleton club. Root won with dummy's jack, drew trumps and claimed 10 tricks: four spades, one heart and five clubs.

Note that no other game contract can be made. Could you and your partner have matched this result?

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Solar-powered home constructed

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — Dennis Weaver and his wife, Gerry, put their home up for sale to move to a solar-powered Colorado house made of recycled cans and tires.

Weaver, who played Chester Goode in "Gunsmoke" and Sam McCloud in "McCloud," recently created the Institute of Ecolonomics, a fund-raising organization for environmental projects. He also is a director of ECO, or Earth Communications Office, a non-profit activist group.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 6 p.m.

Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8626, 573-1141 or 863-2349.

TUESDAY

Alpha Study Club; Martha Ann Woman's Club; hostesses, Pearl Wallr and program by Aline Parks; 3 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

Snyder Christian Women's Club "Apple Festival" Luncheon; MAWC; Martha Weatherby of Midland, apple crafts; Myrna Dozier of San Antonio, speaker; Glenda Hollingsworth of Snyder, soloist; lunch $7, drink only, $1; for reservations call 573-1876 or 573-3996; 12 to 2 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

Noah Project Advisory Committee; Martha Ann Woman's Club; noon.

Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving; Snyder Savings & Loan Community Room, 27th & College; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

Texas NAACP head seeks investigation

BEAUMONT (AP) — The Texas NAACP president says he wants the FBI to investigate the death of a black man gunned down in an apparent random attack after he left a nearby town because of racist threats.

William Simpson, 37, was fatally shot the night of Sept. 1 in Beaumont just hours after he moved from Vidor, which now has no black residents. A teenager was arrested the next day, but he has not yet been charged in Simpson's death.

Beaumont police have said it appears that Simpson was killed by suspected gang members who demanded money from him.

But Gary Bledsoe, president of the state chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, said he will ask the FBI to make sure that Simpson's slaying was not racially motivated.

"The jury is still out. There are still a lot of questions regarding the shooting," Bledsoe said. "There's no question there needs to be a federal investigation."

Bledsoe, in Beaumont on Sunday to appear on Montel Williams' syndicated television talk show, said he also plans to seek the help of U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno.

The 7-foot, 300-pound Simpson was the last black man to leave a housing project in Vidor, a town of about 11,000 that has long been associated with the Ku Klux Klan.

Simpson had said he was forced to leave because of the racial taunts, obscene gestures and threats of lynching.

"There are good people here, don't get me wrong," he said. "But it's overshadowed by the negativity, the hostility, the bigotry of this town."

Several other black people had moved into the Vidor housing project earlier this year, but they left before Simpson.

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DATE BOOK

Sept. 6, 1993

Today is LABOR DAY. It is the 249th day of 1993 and the 78th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1901, President William McKinley was shot by Leon Czolgosz in Buffalo, N.Y. He died Sept. 14.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Marquis de Lafayette (1757-1834), Revolutionary War hero; Jane Addams (1860-1935), social reformer; Joseph P. Kennedy (1888-1969), financier-diplomat; Billy Rose (1899-1966), theatrical producer; Swoosie Kurtz (1944-), actress, is 49; Jane Curtin (1947-), actress, is 46.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1905, Frank Smith of the White Sox no-hit the Detroit Tigers 15-0, the largest margin of victory ever in a no-hitter.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Rest is the sweet sauce of labor." — Plutarch

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1987, heavy rainfall led to a mudslide that engulfed a mountain road about 35 miles west of Caracas, Venezuela. About 200 people were killed as their cars were swamped by the mud.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Aug. 31) and last quarter (Sept. 9).

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BY PHIL PASTORET

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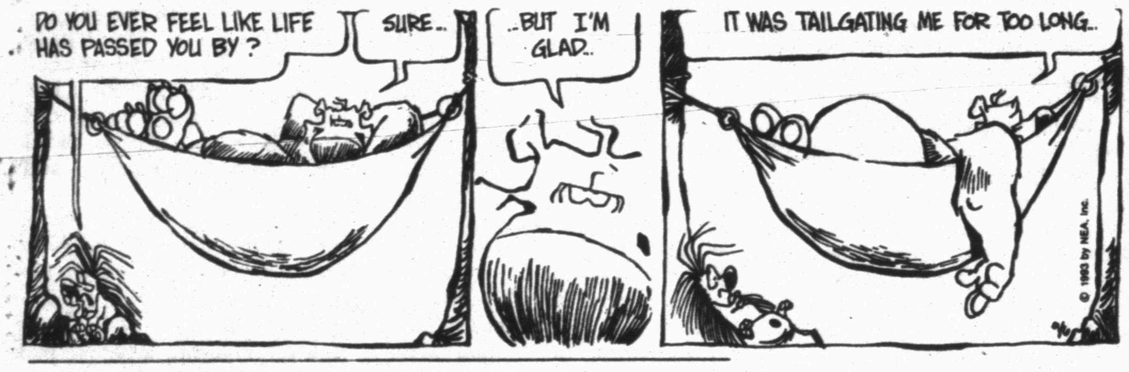
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34 Fumbler's exclamation
36 A rose — — rose
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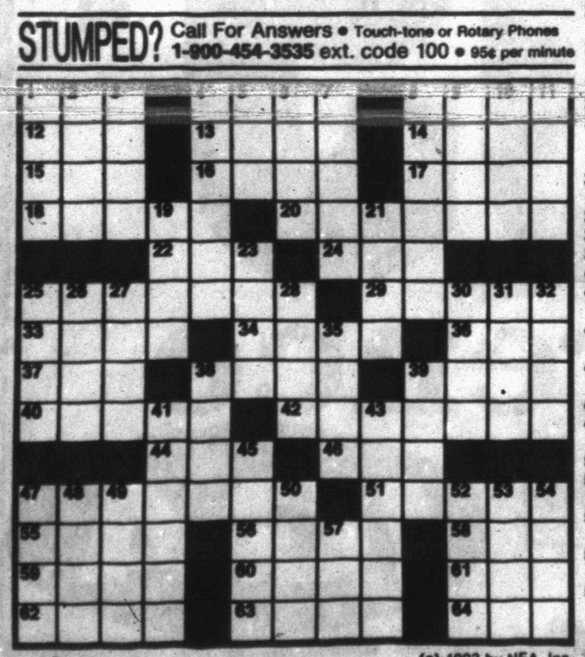
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Big Spring downs SHS at tournament

SEMINOLE — Snyder's Lady Tigers were eliminated from the consolation bracket of the Seminole Volleyball Tournament Saturday, but SHS coach Patty Grimmett was still happy with the overall performance of her team.

"We played pretty well," she said, "and out kids know they did pretty well.

"We split with Pecos and Denver City on Friday, so it was kind of a let-down to lose to Big Spring, because we feel like we can beat them. But our defense really impressed me. We've improved 100 percent. Our defense did a super job."

Big Spring's 15-11, 10-15, 17-15 win dropped SHS to 4-8 on the year.

"It could have gone either way," Grimmett said. "We just made some kind of basic mistakes. We missed four serves in the third game, for one thing."

Bianca Rocha led Snyder's attack with 11 service points, including an ace. C'Ella Clayton hammered eight points; Kristi McClure and Sterling Cave each punched six, Lindsey Griffin put in four, Trish McGrew contributed three, Misty Roquemore added two and Jodi White had one.

The host Maidens knocked off Crane, 10-15, 15-3, 15-2 in the tournament's championship match Saturday. Pecos wound up in third place with a 15-5, 12-15, 16-14 decision over Alpine, and Lamesa topped Big Spring in the consolation final, 15-0, 7-15, 15-8.

Snyder will host San Angelo Lake View and Water Valley in a three-way match Tuesday.

Varsity action begins at 5 p.m. at SHS, while the JV matches, also slated for a 5 p.m. start, will be played at Snyder Junior High.

sports

Patterson aces No. 6 to lead team to Baugh tourney title

Alton Patterson posted a hole-in-one on Western Texas College's Hole No. 6 Saturday to lead his team to a 14-under 56 and the championship of the 2nd Annual Slingin' Sammy Baugh Snyder High School Golf Tournament.

For his ace, Patterson won a new set of irons, donated by WTC.

Patterson's teammates in the 4-person scramble included Jim Blume, Larry Walker and Billy Wayne Harris.

A total of 27 teams, 108 golfers, competed in Saturday's event, which benefits the boys' and girls' golf programs at SHS.

"I really want to thank the sponsors of the tournament," said event director and SHS boys' golf coach Bob O'Day. "I also want to thank the golf booster club, the golf parents, the participants and the members of the boys' and girls' golf teams at SHS for making the tournament a success.

"And of course, a special 'thank-you' goes to Sammy Baugh."

Baugh, who signed autographs at the WTC Golf Shop between the morning and afternoon session of the tournament, teamed up with O'Day, SHS girls' coach Matt Glenn and Marine Col. Kendall Jowers for a 58 and a share of second place.

The teams of Don Sealy, Dutch Stehley, Rex Robinson and Mark Glass, Milton Ham, Rick Kaulich, Rod Waller and Chris Rogers, and Mike Anderson, Trey Richburg, Ken Dierske and Andy Maxey all finished with 58s for a portion of second place.

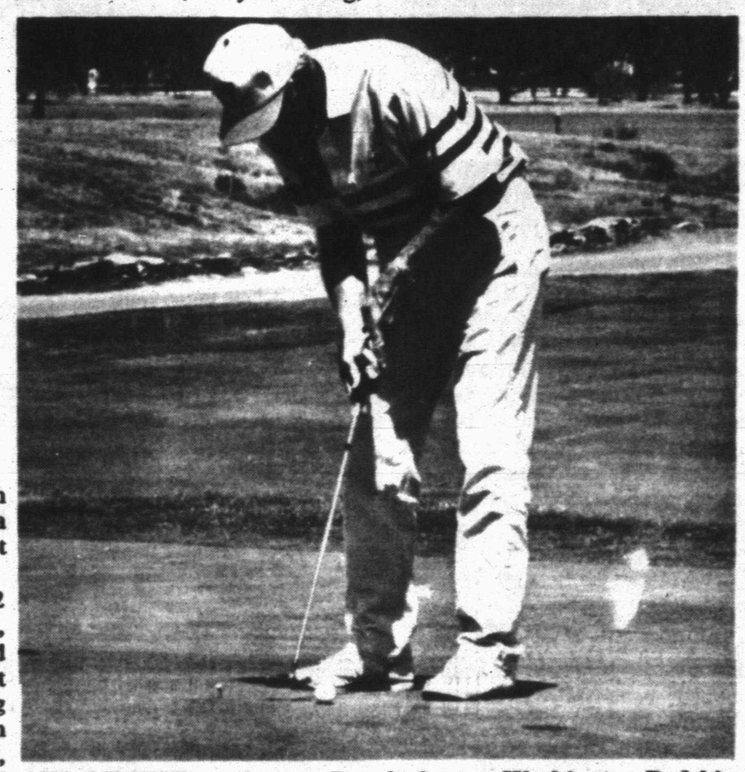
Levens, Patterson, Russell Fisk and Shawn Ragland captured closest-to-the-pin honors and a football autographed by Baugh, while Howard Crenshaw and Caroyn Greene were long drive winners.

Also on Saturday, a Washington Reskins jersey bearing Baugh's retired No. 33 was auctioned. Dalton and Linda Walton were the winning bidders, claiming the jersey for $2,000.

2nd Annual Slingin' Sammy Baugh Snyder High School Golf Tournament
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1. Alton Patterson, Jim Blume, Larry Walker, Billy Wayne Harris 56; 2. (tie) Sam Baugh, Bob O'Day, Matt Glenn, Kendall Jowers 58; Don Sealy, Dutch Stehley, Rex Robinson, Mark Glass 58; Milton Ham, Rick Kaulich, Rod Waller, Chris Rogers 58; Mike Anderson, Trey Richburg, Ken Dierske, Andy Maxey 58; Randy Weaver, Don Stoker, Matt Glenn, Steve Qualls 59; 7. (tie) Mike Rodriguez, Ruben Olivera, Ben Garcia, Charlie Garcia 60; George Boynton, Mike Campbell, Chad Campbell and Lance Jones 60.

Closest-to-the-pin: Russell Fisk, Shawn Ragland, Mike Levens, Alton Patterson. **Long drive:** Howard Crenshaw, Carolyn Greene.



NFL LEGEND — Sammy Baugh, former Washington Redskins quarterback, lines up a putt on the 18th hole of the 2nd Annual Slingin' Sammy Baugh Snyder High School Golf Tournament Saturday at Western Texas College. Baugh and teammates Bob O'Day, Matt Glenn and Kendall Jowers combined for a 12-under 58 to tie for second place at the tourney. (SDN Staff Photo)

Dallas set to open campaign

WASHINGTON (AP) — A year ago, the Washington Redskins went to Texas Stadium to begin defense of their Super Bowl title. This year, the roles are reversed with the Dallas Cowboys starting such a quest at RFK Stadium.

Even if Cowboys owner Jerry Jones and running back Emmitt Smith could close the $1.5 million salary gap that has led Smith to hold out, Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson says he wouldn't play pro football's top rusher the past two seasons in the opener Monday night.

"He's out," Johnson said Saturday of Smith, while acknowledging that the Cowboys are less of a team without him. "Even if he signed, we'd make him inactive."

The Redskins won't believe that until 75 minutes before the 8 p.m. CDT kickoff, when both teams have to submit their final 46-player rosters to the NFL.

"History has a way of repeating itself," new Washington coach Richie Petitbon said, citing 11th-hour contract settlements last season by Dallas receiver Michael Irvin, tight end Jay Novacek and center Mark Stepnoski. "I think Smith is going to be there."

A year ago, Washington had a dream of winning consecutive Super Bowls — a feat achieved by only four teams over the past 27 years.

But the Cowboys won 23-10 and marched to a 13-3 finish. That included a disputed 20-17 loss to the Redskins after which Dallas won its next five games —the finale in the Super Bowl.

After falling from 14-2 in 1991 to 9-7 last year, it's the Redskins now in the role of opening-game spoiler.

"Sure, teams will get up to play us," Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman said. "But pressure is what you allow to creep in on you.

"This is a great rivalry. You can throw just about everything out the window and take this one game for what it's worth."

The teams have split their two meetings in each of the past five seasons.

For the Redskins to come back, Mark Rypien has to return to his 1991 form of 28 touchdown passes with only 11 interceptions. Last, season he had 13 touchdown passes, 17 interceptions and was the lowest-rated quarterback in the NFC.

But Petitbon says he won't be as patient with a slumping quarterback as was predecessor Joe Gibbs. And Rypien knows it.

"Everything I've done up to this point goes out the window if I don't perform Monday night," Rypien said.

Twins break Rogers' streak with 8-3 victory

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Center fielder Shane Mack sparked two rallies with doubles and made a sensational catch to take a fifth-inning homer from Rob Ducey, leading the Minnesota Twins to an 8-3 victory over the Texas Rangers on Sunday night.

Kenny Rogers (14-8) had his six-start winning streak snapped as Texas dropped into third place in the AL West, seven games behind Chicago and a half-game back of Kansas City.

Willie Banks (9-9) allowed one unearned run and two hits in five innings for his first victory since Aug. 3. Mike Trombley pitched one-hit ball over three innings before Rick Aguilera gave up Ivan Rodriguez's two-run homer, his 10th, in the ninth.

Lenny Webster, who entered the game in a 5-for-47 slump, followed Mack's fourth-inning double with a two-out single to make it 1-1. After Terry Jorgensen singled, Webster scored on second baseman Doug Strange's error. Chuck Knoblauch then singled home Jorgensen.

Mack preserved the lead in the fifth when he raced back, leaped until his glove was about 3 feet over the fence and grabbed Ducey's shot. In the Twins' 6-4 loss Saturday, Mack misjudged a liner by Ducey into a triple that keyed a three-run Texas inning.

Kirby Puckett — who specialized in the spectacular as Minnesota's center fielder from 1984 until he moved to right field after this year's All-Star break — tipped his cap to his successor after Sunday's catch.

Puckett then led off the bottom of the fifth with a homer just inside the left-field foul pole, his 18th of the season, for a 4-1 lead.

Baseball glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

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New York	78	60	.565	—
Toronto	78	60	.565	—
Baltimore	75	62	.547	2½
Detroit	71	67	.514	7
Boston	69	66	.511	7½
Cleveland	65	72	.474	12½
Milwaukee	59	80	.424	19½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	78	58	.574	—
Kansas City	72	65	.526	6½
Texas	71	65	.522	7
Seattle	69	67	.507	9
California	62	74	.456	16
Minnesota	58	78	.426	20
Oakland	52	83	.385	25½

Saturday's Games

Kansas City 4, Boston 2
Chicago 11, Detroit 2
New York 4, Cleveland 0
Baltimore 6, Oakland 3
Texas 6, Minnesota 4
Seattle 6, Milwaukee 1
California 4, Toronto 2

Sunday's Games

Kansas City 5, Boston 2
New York 7, Cleveland 2
Chicago 5, Detroit 3
Seattle 3, Milwaukee 2
Baltimore 9, Oakland 2
California 5, Toronto 1
Minnesota 8, Texas 3

Monday's Games

Milwaukee (Navarro 9-9) at Kansas City (Magnante 1-1), 2:35 p.m.
Boston (Sele 6-2) at Chicago (McDowell 21-7), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Fleming 10-2) at Baltimore (McDonald 10-11), 7:35 p.m.
New York (Kamieniecki 9-4) at Texas (Pavlik 9-6), 8:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	85	51	.625	—
Montreal	76	61	.555	9½
St. Louis	74	62	.544	11
Chicago	67	70	.489	18½
Pittsburgh	63	74	.460	22½
Florida	57	79	.419	28
New York	47	90	.343	38½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	88	48	.647	—
Atlanta	86	51	.628	2½
Houston	71	65	.522	17
Los Angeles	69	66	.511	18½
Cincinnati	67	71	.486	22
Colorado	53	84	.387	35½
San Diego	52	84	.382	35½

Saturday's Games

Chicago 9, New York 8
Los Angeles 9, Florida 4
Cincinnati 6, Philadelphia 5
Atlanta 3, San Diego 2
San Francisco 3, St. Louis 1
Montreal 7, Houston 5
Colorado 10, Pittsburgh 4

Sunday's Games

Atlanta 3, San Diego 2
Florida 4, Los Angeles 3
Chicago 2, New York 1
Philadelphia 5, Cincinnati 3
Houston 7, Montreal 1
Colorado 4, Pittsburgh 1
St. Louis 7, San Francisco 6

Monday's Games

New York (Fernández 3-5) at Houston (Harnisch 12-8), 1:35 p.m.
Colorado (Bottenfield 4-10) at Montreal (Boucher 0-0), 1:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Wagner 5-6) at San Francisco (Sanderson 2-1), 4:05 p.m.
Chicago (Harkey 8-8) at Philadelphia (Rivera 12-7), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Smoltz 13-9) at Los Angeles (Candiotti 8-6), 8:05 p.m.
Florida (Weathers 0-0) at San Diego (Benes 15-10), 10:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	1	0	0	1.000	38	14
Miami	1	0	0	1.000	24	20
Indianapolis	0	1	0	.000	20	24
New England	0	1	0	.000	14	38
N.Y. Jets	0	1	0	.000	20	26
Central						
Cleveland	1	0	0	1.000	27	14
Cincinnati	0	1	0	.000	14	27
Houston	0	1	0	.000	21	33
Pittsburgh	0	1	0	.000	13	24
West						
Denver	1	0	0	1.000	26	20
Kansas City	1	0	0	1.000	27	3
LA Raiders	1	0	0	1.000	24	7
San Diego	1	0	0	1.000	18	12
Seattle	0	1	0	.000	12	18

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	1	0	0	1.000	26	20
Philadelphia	1	0	0	1.000	23	17
Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Phoenix	0	1	0	.000	17	23
Central						
Detroit	1	0	0	1.000	30	13
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	36	6
Chicago	0	1	0	.000	20	26
Minnesota	0	1	0	.000	7	24
Tampa Bay	0	1	0	.000	3	27
West						
New Orleans	1	0	0	1.000	33	21
San Francisco	1	0	0	1.000	24	13
Atlanta	0	1	0	.000	13	30
LA Rams	0	1	0	.000	6	36

Sunday's Games

Detroit 30, Atlanta 13
Cleveland 27, Cincinnati 14
Denver 26, New York Jets 20
Kansas City 27, Tampa Bay 3
Green Bay 36, Los Angeles Rams 6
Miami 24, Indianapolis 20
Buffalo 38, New England 14
Philadelphia 23, Phoenix 17
San Francisco 24, Pittsburgh 13
Los Angeles Raiders 24, Minnesota 7
New York Giants 26, Chicago 20
San Diego 18, Seattle 12
New Orleans 33, Houston 21

Monday's Game

Dallas at Washington, 9 p.m.

Shortstop Lou Boudreau was the manager of the Cleveland Indians when they won the World Series in 1948.

Defense paces Saints' 33-21 win over Oilers

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The New Orleans Saints' offense was revamped this summer: new quarterback, new offensive linemen, new backs. In the first game of the season, it hardly seemed to matter.

The Saints beat the Houston Oilers 33-21 Sunday night using the same thing that has given them the third best record in the NFL over the last six seasons — devastating defense and the sure foot of Morten Andersen.

"We had a wide-open game plan on defense," said linebacker Sam Mills. "We had to hit our stride, but we had it when we needed it."

New Orleans took a quarter to get to Houston quarterback Warren Moon, then built the pressure throughout the game. They sacked him three times, including a 10-yard pounding by Vince Buck in the fourth quarter that forced a fumble and left Moon stunned on the Superdome carpet until he was helped to the sidelines.

The game left him with sore ribs and a pounding headache, Moon said, but he'll be ready to play next week.

Mills also sacked Moon and forced a fumble in the fourth quarter that Frank Warren scooped up and ran 47 yards for a touchdown.

Andersen kicked field goals of 28, 37, 18 and 47 yards. It was the 10th time in his career that Andersen kicked four field goals in a game. His 24 consecutive field goals tied the NFL record held by Kevin Butler of the Chicago Bears.

The Oilers made it 33-21 with just under three minutes left when Marcus Robertson recovered a fumble by Lorenzo Neal and ran it 80 yards for a score.

Moon, who completed 21 of 32 for 241 yards and one touchdown, was intercepted once. He marched the Oilers downfield on their first possession of the game — taking them 80 yards on 11 plays, then finding one of his favorite targets, Haywood Jeffires, for a 6-yard touchdown.

"They got us on that first series," Mills said. "But the defense realized there were things there for the taking and we took them."

College grid scores

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EAST

Miami 23, Boston College 7
Penn St. 38, Minnesota 20
Rutgers 68, Colgate 6
Syracuse 35, Ball St. 12
West Virginia 48, E. Michigan 6

SOUTH

Alabama 31, Tulane 17
Clemson 24, UNLV 14
Florida 44, Arkansas St. 6
Florida A&M 23, Tennessee St. 15
Florida St. 45, Duke 7
Kentucky 35, Kent 6
Louisville 31, San Jose St. 24
Memphis St. 45, Mississippi St. 35
N. Carolina St. 20, Purdue 7
North Carolina 44, Ohio U. 3
South Carolina 23, Georgia 21
Tennessee 50, Louisiana Tech 0
Utah St. 34, SW Louisiana 13
Vanderbilt 27, Wake Forest 12
Virginia 43, Maryland 29
Virginia Tech 33, Bowling Green 16

MIDWEST

Indiana 27, Toledo 0
Iowa 26, Tulsa 25
Kansas 46, W. Carolina 3
Kansas St. 34, New Mexico St. 10
Michigan 41, Washington St. 14
Nebraska 76, North Texas 14
Notre Dame 27, Northwestern 12
Ohio St. 34, Rice 7
Wisconsin 35, Nevada 17

SOUTHWEST

Baylor 42, Fresno St. 39
Oklahoma 35, Texas Christian 3
Texas A&M 24, LSU 0
Texas Tech 55, Pacific U. 7

FAR WEST

Air Force 63, Indiana St. 21
Arizona 24, Texas-El Paso 6
Southern Cal 49, Houston 7
Washington 31, Stanford 14

Snyder netters hammer Lake View

Snyder High School's tennis team broke out of an early-season slump in a big way Saturday, handing San Angelo Lake View a 24-4 non-district team tennis loss.

"All the kids played hard," said Snyder coach Teri Hoerster. "They all concentrated harder and played tougher."

The Tiger boys' team swept the Chiefs Saturday, claiming nine victories in singles play and three doubles wins.

The assault was led by Tracey Chavez, who hammered Lake View's Neal Jetton, 6-0, 6-2, in the No. 1 boys' singles match, and Cameron Taylor, who had only a little more trouble dispatching Chris Kasner, 6-4, 6-1, in the No. 2 singles battle.

Chavez and Taylor continued their winning ways, pasting Jetton and Kasner, 6-0, 6-1 in doubles play.

Snyder's girls also shined Saturday, taking a 10-3 advantage in singles matches, then wining three of four doubles contests.

No. 1 singles entrant Christina Gonzales of Snyder ripped Becky Martinez, 6-2, 6-1; and Mendy Winter, playing in the No. 2 spot for SHS, blitzed Rebecca Soto, 6-0, 6-0.

Michelle Spencer took a 6-3, 3-6, 6-2 split-set win over Teresa Rocha in girls' singles, as well.

Gonzales and Winter were 6-1, 6-1 doubles winners over Martinez and Stephanie Sentana, and Spencer and Katie Thornton, who also won her singles match, hung on through three sets for a 3-6, 6-1, 6-1 decision against Soto and Rocha.

Snyder, now 1-3 on the season, will host Brownfieid at 9 a.m. Saturday at Snyder Junior High.

Snyder 24, San Angelo Lake View 4
Snyder players listed first

Boys' singles: Tracey Chavez def. Neal Jetton 6-0, 6-2; Cameron Taylor def. Chris Kasner 6-4, 6-1; Kevin Jones def. Michael Rocha 6-0, 6-0; John Purcell def. Michael Calvin 6-0, 6-2; Greg Jones def. Wesley Scott 6-0, 6-3; Stephen Campbell def. Chris Eveland 8-0; Kevin Jones def. Neal Jetton 6-4, 6-0; Cameron Taylor def. Jeremy Eveland 8-0.

Girls' singles: Christina Gonzales def. Becky Martinez 6-2, 6-1; Mendy Winter 6-0, 6-0; Michelle Spencer def. Teresa Rocha 6-3, 3-6, 6-2; Katie Thornton def. Felicita Gomez 6-3, 6-1; Jamie Bass lost to Mercida Valdez 8-5; Tasha Naegle lost to Stephanie Sentena 6-0, 6-0; Alicia Jones lost to Angie Aguirre 8-2; Jamie Bass def. Lisa Morales 8-6; Jamie Bass def. Rosa Ramirez 8-4; Clay Koenig def. Shawn McClure 8-2; John Purcell def. Amanda Guerrero 8-0; Alex Suarez def. Nicole Greaston 8-0; Alex Suarez def. Amber Reel 8-0; Alex Suarez def. Amanda Reynolds 8-0.

Boys' doubles: Chavez-Taylor def. Jetton-Kasner 6-0, 6-1; Jones-Jones def. Rocha-Calvin 6-0, 6-0; Purcell-Campbell def. Scott-Eveland 6-2, 6-0.

Girls' doubles: Gonzales-Winter def. Martinez-Sentena 6-1, 6-1; Spencer-Thornton def. Soto-Rocha 3-6, 6-1, 6-1; Naegle-Jones lost to Morales-Guerro 4-6, 6-2, 6-2; Koenig-Sharp def. Valdez-Trevino 6-2, 6-1.

Volleyball match rescheduled

Today's scheduled Snyder-Abilene Cooper freshman volleyball game has been pushed back to Thursday due to the Labor Day holiday.

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Administration set to unveil government restructuring plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hoping to capitalize on public outrage over government waste, the White House is touching up plans administration officials say will save $108 billion over five years by reshaping the federal bureaucracy.

The leaner government envisioned by Vice President Al Gore also would include 252,000 fewer workers.

His upcoming report to President Clinton, called the National Performance Review, recommends buyouts and early retirements for employees whose services are no longer needed, said White House officials who spoke Sunday on condition of anonymity.

The administration wants to eliminate or consolidate scores of wasteful programs, allow the private sector to compete for government business, cut red tape that saddles efficient federal workers and expand the use of modern office technologies such as computers to improve efficiency.

The report, scheduled to be unveiled Tuesday, is certain to draw opposition from federal employees who may lose their jobs and from lawmakers who oversee programs on Gore's hit list.

But White House officials are betting that the changes will be popular with the voters.

An Associated Press poll shows that 95 percent of Americans think government wastes too much money. The average American thinks 37 percent of the $1.5 trillion federal budget could realistically be cut as wasteful, according to the poll.

If implemented, Gore's plan would reduce the federal work force by 12 percent, bringing it below the 2 million mark for the first time since 1966.

It is unclear how much money would be saved by the reduction in workers. Officials said $22 billion of the $108 billion in projected savings would come from changing the way government buys supplies and services. Another $5.4 billion would be saved by modernizing the government's computer and information services and $3.3 billion by simplifying paperwork for grant programs to state and local governments.

Here are some of the expected recommendations:

—Conduct an 18-month review and report to Congress on closing and consolidating civilian federal offices. "Members of Congress like to keep offices open, not because they serve customers but because they provide jobs," a draft of the report says.

—Eliminate the Food Safety and Inspection Service by consolidating all food safety responsibilities under the Food and Drug Administration.

—Transfer law enforcement functions of the Drug Enforcement Administration to the FBI.

—Allow agencies greater freedom in setting fees for services, such as food service inspections or access to national parks.

—Make it a felony to knowingly lie on an application for federal benefits.

—Allow people to pay taxes by credit card.

—Reduce the number of managers in the bureaucracy from an average of one for every seven workers to one for every 15.

—Study how to extend electronic mail to every agency and to every employee. "Every federal employee should be reachable by e-mail," the draft says.

—Set funding ceilings for each agency and extend the federal budget cycle from one to two years to allow for more continuity and better planning.

—Urge Congress to reduce the number of restrictions it puts on agencies. These often are designed to ensure that money "flows to favored programs and hometown projects," the draft says.

—Urge Congress to give departments and agencies power to conduct their own recruiting and exams for all positions. The Office of Personnel Management now recruits and screens candidates.

—Make it easier to dismiss federal workers for cause and for managers to deal with poor performers.

State officials hope to locate long-missing piece of furniture

AUSTIN (AP) — The most sought-after item on a list of original State Capitol furniture that officials would like to recover is a desk that was a silent participant in some of Texas' most colorful history.

At least 10 governors used the massive, ornate mahogany desk from 1889 until the 1920s, when it officially was lost.

Six decades later, state officials are now trying to track it down — as part of the ongoing restoration of the Capitol.

The desk served Texas' first woman governor. Another governor probably pondered his impeachment there.

Texas women likely were granted the right to vote there. Controversial pardons for thousands of convicts and the births of Texas Tech University and the Texas Railroad Commission probably occurred there.

"That's probably one of the most important desks ... and we don't know what happened to it," Bonnie Campbell, the Capitol curator, told the Austin American-Statesman. "If we could find this desk, I would be a very happy curator."

It's officially called a curtain desk — a roll-top to most. The desk had four drawers with brass handles on each side.

With a decorative rail on top, the desk had frilly carvings on the drawer fronts and two clusters of pigeon holes. Measuring 50 inches high by 64 inches wide by 41 inches deep, it was so finely detailed that Marshall Field, the wealthy Chicago department store magnate, owned one like it.

The desk, like most of the 2,500 other pieces of furniture bought for the 1888 statehouse, was made by A.H. Andrews & Co. of Chicago, a big office supplier of the day.

Lawrence "Sul" Ross, the legendary Indian fighter and Confederate soldier who was governor when the Capitol furniture arrived in early 1889, first used the desk.

Officials said a total of $150,000 was spent on furniture, $50,000 of it for wooden items. The desk probably cost about $165, although officials are unsure because the original purchase records are missing.

Gov. James S. Hogg, who established the Railroad Commission and the state archives, used the desk after Ross.

Also, Gov. James E. Ferguson, the colorful populist who was impeached in 1917, used the desk. So did his wife, Miriam "Ma" Ferguson, who became Texas' first woman governor in 1924.

In January 1929, the Austin Statesman carried a short story announcing the old desk was to be auctioned with other "discarded furniture" from the Capitol.

But, according to another article days later, the desk was "saved from the auctioneer's hammer" and was to be moved to the Governor's Reception Room, "where there is other antique furniture."

The official trail then went cold. The desk does not show up in any subsequent Capitol photographs, Ms. Campbell said, and state surplus-property listings give no clue about when it left the Capitol.

Arrested judge is barred from presiding over criminal cases

FORT WORTH (AP) — State District Judge Frank Douthitt is only allowed to preside over civil cases pending disposition of a drunken driving charge against him.

"If he's subject to the criminal justice system, I think it's better he not be involved in handling a criminal court," Judge Clyde Ashworth, presiding administrative judge for North Texas, said Saturday.

"I don't think there's anything that would prevent him from being as good a judge as he's always been, but I don't want to put that burden on him," Ashworth said.

Douthitt, a 56-year-old visiting judge from Henrietta, was arrested Aug. 27 on a DWI charge after an automobile accident involving a Fort Worth police car in a parking lot, according to a police report.

The judge was already on probation from a June 1991 DWI conviction in Arlington, according to court records, and a Tarrant County prosecutor said Douthitt had a previous DWI charge in Austin.

Officials said they were waiting to file charges against Douthitt in the most recent case until they receive records on the outcome of the Austin arrest. If records indicate a conviction, Douthitt could be charged in the Fort Worth incident with a felony, punishable by a maximum of five years in prison.

Douthitt was free on $1,000 bond over the weekend. Neither the judge nor his attorney, Bill Lane, returned telephone messages for comment.

'Sesame Street' veteran works magic for children in hospitals

WACO (AP) — When the children's show "Sesame Street" needed a ray of sunshine about 24 years ago, its creators called on Kermit Love to use his magic touch. He created Big Bird.

Today, Love is creating a different kind of magic. He visits hospital pediatric wards with a puppet named Snuggle to bring a ray of sunshine to patients.

The duo recently made an appearance at Scott & White Memorial Hospital in Temple to share the importance of caring and to discuss how parents can prepare their children for a hospital stay. Snuggle, a cuddly bear with beige fur, adds to the show's success.

"Children like Snuggle and they pay attention to him," Love said. "They will remember and relate to his visit for years to come."

Today, the two are sidekicks, but Love created Snuggle in 1981 to advertise Snuggle Fabric Softener created by Lever Brothers. Love said he chose a teddy bear because as a child, he never had one.

"I had a stuffed camel," he said. "And it's hard to hug and snuggle up to a camel."

Love and Snuggle have promoted more than fabric softener. They have toured the United States to encourage children to read. Love said he will spend the next few years visiting hospitals in conjunction with the Children's Miracle Network and Lever Brothers.

Love's career spans more than 40 years in theater, film, television and dance. He worked for "Sesame Street" for many years. Two of his most famous puppets are Big Bird and Snuffleuphaguss, but he has created many more.

"'Sesame Street' was a dull, gray, place before Big Bird," he said. "I created him to give it a ray of sunshine."

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Syrian leader oks plan

DAMASCUS, Syria (AP) — Syrian President Hafez Assad, who wields influence over radical PLO factions that oppose a peace agreement with Israel, endorsed the landmark accord after a 61/2-hour meeting with Yasser Arafat.

If the backing by Assad in fact materializes, it would bolster Arafat's chances to secure backing for the agreement from the PLO's ruling Executive Committee, where the Damascus-based factions are represented.

The meeting could begin this week. Israel has already approved the deal.

The Syrian leader's carefully worded statement Sunday comes a day after King Hussein of Jordan gave his support to the agreement. Jordan, Syria and Lebanon, the other Arab parties to peace talks with Israel, have all chided Arafat for not consulting them about the secret negotiations that reached an agreement for self-rule in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank town of Jericho.

Assad's support was particularly in question. He has long competed with Arafat for control of the Palestinian movement, and relations between the two have rarely been tranquil.

In a statement after their meeting in Damascus, Assad indicated he would not oppose the plan as long as Arafat can gain the Palestinians' backing.

Spokesman Jibran Kourieh said Assad stressed "Syria's support for the rights of the brotherly Palestinian people, who, together with their institutions, have the right to decide what they see suitable."

But Arafat, who also was expected to visit the Persian Gulf, faced opposition elsewhere. Radical Palestinian groups and even members of his own faction say the agreement contains no guarantees for a Palestinian state and avoids dealing with the status of Jerusalem, Israeli settlements and the 3.5 million Palestinian refugees that live outside the occupied territories.

Muslim fundamentalist groups, meanwhile, oppose any deal with Israel.

En route to Damascus from his headquarters in Tunis, Arafat struck an optimistic chord, telling reporters in Cairo: "We're on the verge of finalizing this agreement."

Israeli officials have said the plan could be signed by Sept. 13.

But Arafat said there "are still some obstacles that stand in the way" before the PLO and Israel can formally recognize each other, a key condition.

The PLO formally recognized Israel in 1988, but Israel has also insisted that it revoke or amend its charter.

Israeli Housing Minister Benjamin Ben-Eliezer told reporters Israel has demanded that the PLO issue a clear-cut declaration against terrorism and omit all parts of its charter that talk about the destruction of Israel.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said on Israel radio, "There is no reason for Israel not to recognize" the PLO. "But they have to meet the conditions that will bring this change."

Activity on the Israeli stock market was at a record high Sunday, buoyed by hopes for peace.

In the United States, an administration official said President Clinton sent letters to leaders in Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, Kuwait, Tunisia, Saudi Arabia, Morocco and Yemen, asking them to support the peace process and the PLO-Israeli breakthrough.

In the Gaza Strip, top Palestinian negotiator Faisal Husseini began the tough job of selling the peace plan.

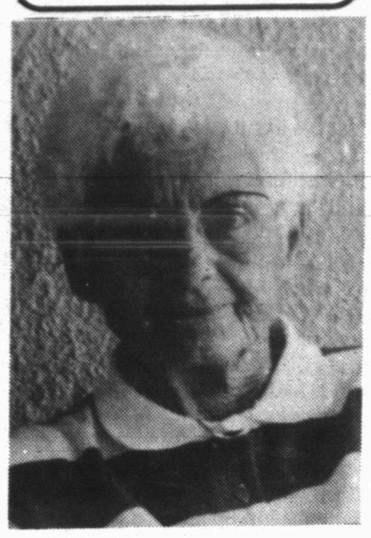
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Obituaries



HILMA E. BOTTER

Hilma Botter

1914-1993

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Hilma E. Henson Botter, 79, of Snyder who died at 5:27 p.m. Saturday in St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock following a brief illness.

A retired nurse, Mrs. Botter was born on June 24, 1914, in Jacksonville, Fla. She moved to Snyder from El Paso nine years ago. She attended Texas Chistian University and had been a reporter for a Fort Worth newspaper and a military clerk at Fort Bliss.

Survivors include five daughters, Judith Persinger of El Paso, Betty Pryor of Denton, Helen Worthington of Silver City, N.M., Mary Ellen Jackson of Littleton, Colo., and Ann Schramm of Lusby, Md.; two sisters, Elaine Bynum of Snyder and Helen Hawkins of Houston; 11 grandsons and one granddaughter; three great-grandsons and one great-granddaughter; and two nieces.

Joyce Bass

1920-1993

Services are pending for Joyce Bass, a resident of Snyder since 1949, who died at 2:45 a.m. today at her home.

Mrs. Bass, 72, was the widow of W. Prentis Bass who died in 1980.

Olla Johnston

1920-1993

HOBBS, N.M. — Services are set for 3 p.m. (MST) in the Prairie Haven Chapel for Olla Mae Johnston, 72, who died Saturday at her home here. Interment will follow in the Prairie Haven Cemetery.

She was the mother of Charles R. Johnston of Snyder.

Born in Woodbury, she married Raymond Johnston on Nov. 18, 1939 in Hillsboro. She was a homemaker and a member of the Castle Ave. Baptist Church.

Mrs. Johnston moved from Whitney, Tex., to Hobbs in 1946.

Survivors include her husband, Raymond Johnston of Hobbs; two other sons, George Dwayne Johnston of Ojai, Calif., and Ronald Edwin Johnston of Lubbock; a daughter, Jean Colvin of Hobbs; two sisters, Margaret Bennett of Hillsboro and Frances Jones of San Antonio; 12 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Hospice Service, Inc. of Lea County.

Addle Burrow

1912-1993

BIG SPRING — Graveside services were set for 2 p.m. today in the Westbrook Cemetery for Addle Brown Burrow, 81, who died Saturday in Robstown. Officiating was the Rev. William C. Wayne.

Mrs. Burrow was the sister of Jim Brown of Ira.

A former resident of Ackerly, Mrs. Burrow moved to Martin County from Colorado City in 1935.

She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Ackerly. Her husband, J.H. Burrow, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter, Martha Lane Lowke of Robstown; a son, Gene E. Burrow of Big Spring; two other brothers, Milton Brown of California and Raymond Brown of Colorado; five grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Playing time for college basketball games was changed to four 10-minute quarters in 1952.

Hutchison blasts DA's investigation

DALLAS (AP) — Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle has gone out of his way to embarrass and humiliate U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison for both personal and political reasons, the senator alleged Sunday.

"An examination of the record shows that Earle is not telling the truth" when he claims to be handling criminal allegations against Mrs. Hutchison the same as previous investigations of fellow Democrats, her office said in a three-page statement.

'He's handled the inquiry against Hutchison is a highly partisan, highly visible and unusually personal manner," the statement said.

The statement accuses Earle of leaking stories to the press and of "going out of his way to generate maximum publicity and maximum embarrassment for her."

Earle could not be reached Sunday, but a top aide downplayed the allegations as political rhetoric. First Assistant Travis County Attorney Steve McCleery said the investigation has been handled the same as past criminal investigations of Democratic leaders.

"They all get handled the same, and (the politicians) all respond the same," said McCleery.

"If you look at the number of elected officials and politically appointed officials that we investigated and prosecuted over the last 10 years, Democrats outnumber Republicans three or four to one," he said.

Mrs. Hutchison, a Republican, has been subpoenaed to appear before a grand jury Sept. 9. The panel is examining allegations that she used state workers and equipment for personal and political purposes during her 21/2-year tenure at the Texas Treasury.

The senator has adamantly denied any wrongdoing and has said the 11-week-old probe is an attempt to damage her reelection efforts next year.

The investigation began June 10 with a raid of the Treasury office.

Mrs. Hutchison's aides said Sunday that the raid and subpoena were orchestrated to get maximum media coverage. The statement claims Earle is after Mrs. Hutchison because he wants her job and because the Democratic power structure in Austin is at stake.

Mrs. Hutchison's campaign claimed that when Earle was investigating former Attorney General Jim Mattox, former House Speaker Gib Lewis and Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, he held private meetings with their attorneys before three Democrats were called before a grand jury. Mrs. Hutchison also claimed that they were never subpoenaed.

McCleery said that Mattox was not only subpoenaed, but that an arrest warrant was issued when he failed to appear before the grand jury.

Mattox was acquitted of commercial bribery charges during a trial in the early 1980s. Lewis did not seek reelection in 1992 after pleading guilty to misdemeanor ethics charges. Mauro was never charged.

U.S. renews search for Aidid following 7 deaths in ambush

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — The United Nations blamed an ambush that killed seven Nigerian soldiers on warlord Mohamed Farrah Aidid, and a U.S. official said the attack demonstrated the need to quickly capture the fugitive leader.

The attack was the deadliest assault on U.N. peacekeepers in Somalia since June, when 24 Pakistani soldiers died. Seven Nigerian soldiers and a U.S. diplomat were wounded Sunday. A Nigerian soldier was also missing.

The Nigerian commander accused the Italian U.N. contingent of not coming to his soldiers' aid.

Later Sunday, Somali fighters fired on a U.N. airfield, and American troops in helicopters responded by attacking the Somali mortar position with cannons and rockets, a U.N. spokesman in Mogadishu said.

Spokesman Maj. David Stockwell said he knew of no Somali or U.N. casualties. He said the Somali fighters took cover in a nearby building used as a hospital, and the U.N. forces held their fire.

The seven Nigerians were killed as they went to the aid of other U.N. peacekeepers surrounded by a mob of stone-throwing Somalis.

Capt. Tim McDavitt, a U.N. military spokesman, said the platoon of Nigerian soldiers returned fire for at least half an hour, but it was not known if there were any Somali casualties.

Somali bystanders said at least 30 of their countrymen were killed or wounded.

McDavitt said that in addition to the seven Nigerians killed and seven wounded, one was missing. Somali bystanders said one Nigerian, a sergeant, had been captured.

An unidentified American diplomat attached to the U.S. liaison office in Mogadishu was shot in the chest after he and five colleagues apparently stumbled onto the ambush, the official said. The diplomat was later listed in fair to good condition at an American military hospital.

In New York, U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali deplored the deaths, and said they demonstrated "the urgent need" to disarm all of Somalia's factions.

Retired Adm. Jonathan Howe, the U.N. special envoy to Somalia, called the ambush a "wanton, unprovoked and premeditated attack" and blamed it on Aidid.

Robert Gosende, the U.S. special representative in Somalia, said the attack emphasized the need to quickly capture Aidid, who has been waging an urban guerrilla war against the United Nations for months.

Police, Canadian, Spaniard targeted as leaders of cult

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) — The leaders of a cult whose members are accused of abusing children and operating a prostitution ring in Argentina are a Canadian woman and a Spaniard, according to police.

Susana Clara Borowick, 33, and Rafael Martinez Gonzalez, 39, the Spaniard, were identified last week as leaders of the 17 adults and more than 140 children detained in a series of raids on The Family. Four of the adults in question are Americans.

The Family is an offshoot of a California-founded cult called the Children of God and has followers in several Western countries.

The Family, which first came to Argentina in the early 1970s, in a statement faxed from Whittier, Calif., denied all allegations of child abuse or that pornographic videos were made by the group. It blamed authorities for "being duped and manupulated by these anti-religious hate groups."

Federal Judge Roberto Marquevich, who ordered the raids after former cult members said the group engaged in physical and sexual abuse of children, incest and prostitution, was expected to begin questioning the adults today.

Marquevich told a broadcast station Sunday that prosecutors will try to prove the existence of a "prostitution network led by cult leaders."

Twelve of the 17 adults have been formally accused of conspiracy to kidnap and conceal children. Another 13 adults arrested last week were released.

Hafez Zeine, the cult's Argentine attorney, said The Family has been the target of similar probes, but has never been found guilty of wrongdoing.

Police

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2300 block of U.S. Highway 84 for outstanding traffic warrants out of Abilene.

At 4:16 p.m. Sunday, police arrested a 32-year-old woman at 25th Street and El Paso for driving with a suspended license and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Police took a 43-year-old woman into custody at Wal-Mart at 6:08 p.m. Sunday for Class B theft.

And at 2:31 a.m. today, officers arrested a 28-year-old woman in the 4400 block of Avenue U on outstanding traffic warrants from Abilene and Lubbock.

Several subjects involved in domestic disputes contacted police in order to file charges. A man came to the department at 1:20 p.m. Saturday to file charges of disorderly conduct against a woman.

At 4:27 p.m. Saturday, a man filed Class A assault charges against another subject.

Police received a report of a fight at 3:44 a.m. Sunday in the 1200 block of 29th Street. Several subjects fled on foot upon the officers' arrival. One man had been assaulted but refused medical treatment. A report for Class A assault was filed.

At 11:35 p.m. Sunday, a man contacted police to file Class C charges against another man.

At 2:10 a.m. today, police were notified that several subjects appeared to be causing criminal mischief at a residence in the 2900 block of 30th Street. The juveniles were transported to the police department and were later released. The owner of the residence declined to file charges.

Mitchell, Chafee back plan to tax benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two senators with key roles in the congressional debate over health care reform are backing plans by President Clinton to tax health care benefits that go beyond the basic benefit package.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, said Sunday that such a tax scheme had been floated by other presidents, including Ronald Reagan, and would affect only a relatively small number of people.

Sen. John Chafee of Rhode Island, who's expected to lead GOP health-care efforts in the Senate, called such taxes "proper" and added: "I'm for that."

The lawmakers spoke on NBC's "Meet the Press" a day after administration officials disclosed new details of the president's health care proposals expected to be unveiled later this month.

A senior White House official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the administration would ask that companies and individuals be taxed on benefits that go beyond the basic package.

Any new taxes on health care benefits are expected to be strongly opposed by organized labor.

Currently, companies can deduct the entire cost of their health plans as a business expense, and employees pay no taxes on contributions to health-care plans.

But the so-called tax cap is an essential feature of the "managed competition" concept that is looked upon favorably by Clinton and many of his top health care advisers.

The administration plans to finance most of the health care costs through premiums paid by employers and workers, with employers paying about 80 percent. But additional revenue will be needed to subsidize premiums for small businesses and to cover poor people unable to pay premiums.

The tax cap would come into play when a worker chooses a policy that costs more than the basic benefit package, which the White House estimates at $1,800 for an individual and $4,200 for a family.

While the average company spends about $4,000 on health care policies for its workers, some companies provide coverage that costs twice that much.

The Clinton plan envisions phasing in the tax cap over a number of years so unions that have won extensive health care benefits won't be hit as hard.

Twins and twins again

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month.

Leisa said they did not know how many other twins were in their familes, but after the birth of their twin girls, they discovered that on her side of the family Leisa's generation had eight sets of twins. James' generation has four sets of twins.

All Leisa knew was that her grandfather who lived in Oklahoma also had a twin sister. He died before her daughters were born.

In 1991, the Martins and their doctor were so sure that she was having a normal pregnancy, that they purchased supplies and built all their plans around that premise.

But a month before the girls were born on Dec. 4, 1991, in the Colorado City Hospital a sonogram revealed two babies.

Since Leisa had already had a baby shower before she discovered she would have twins, an additional baby shower was given for her after the girls were born.

The Martins, who never thought for a moment that they would have twins again, had more advance notice the second time. The boys were born Aug. 10 in Colorado City Hospital, but the couple knew in March that there were two babies.

The Martins are beginning to get used to four babies in the house. They said Ariel and Autumn have always gotten along pretty well and they are easy to put to bed.

Since they don't always have two of everything, they are teaching them to share, James said.

Even though they were still quite young during Leisa's second pregnancy, James said they tried to help them understand that they were going to have two more babies.

Leisa said the girls are quite taken with their brothers. They want to hold them and when they hear their brothers cry they want to give them their bottles. Their parents have to be careful though because the girls try to throw the bottles into their crib.

"They are too young to realize that their brothers can't catch the bottles yet," James said.

Both Ariel and Autumn are on the verge of talking. James said they seem to be able to understand each other, but he and Leisa can't tell what they are trying to say so far.

James said the boys are beginning to sleep better at night. Now he gets up about three times with them. He's an attentive dad who doesn't like to hear his sons cry.

Things did not go as well those first few nights though, as he was up about every 15 minutes.

The family has also started to go out more. Each parent takes charge of a boy and girl. The girls are able to walk without assistance and the boys gets pushed in strollers.

The Martins have been married for eight years and are very "kid-oriented." Barney the Dinosaur has taken over their home and television set since he is their daughters' favorite character. They want every Barney thing they see.

Leisa was known for doing things with children long before she had any children of her own. She was especially active with her brother's children before be moved.

However, that does not mean that they have given up all the things they like to do. They continue to enjoy motorcycle riding and have included the girls on campouts. They are planning a family campout later this month in Ruidoso.

Leisa does not ride a cycle anymore since she sold hers and bought a pop up camper instead. She drives a car pulling the camper while others in their group ride their cycles.

They also attend motorcycle rallies because they are family oriented.

The family will also appear in the upcoming West Texas Fair and Rodeo parade.

The Martins have also started planning for their children. Leisa has placed the money she received at baby showers in saving accounts in their names. She also took out life insurance policies on the girls after they were born and intends to do the same thing for the boys.

Dear Abby



Parents' Grief Is Compounded By Misguided Words of Comfort

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been married for nine years, and we have been trying to have a child for the last five. When I finally got pregnant last year, we were so excited we all but shouted it from the rooftops.

In my eighth month, I delivered a premature, stillborn baby girl. My husband and I tried to maintain our deep faith in God and see it as a blessing in disguise, but it wasn't easy.

Many friends and relatives chose to ignore our misfortune because they probably didn't know what to say. Others tried to comfort us with stories about other "miscarriages." Abby, I did not have a miscarriage — I had a baby. (I know something about miscarriages — I've had two.)

Losing a baby has been a very difficult experience for my husband and me. If anyone reading this ever knows anyone who has had a premature, stillborn baby, a simple "I'm sorry" is enough.

SHANNON BIXENMAN,
SUGAR LAND, TEXAS

DEAR SHANNON: I'm sorry. We spoke on the telephone, and you know I'm sincere. Thank you for allowing me to use your name.

Your letter brings to mind a letter from another grieving mother, which I published four years ago. When a tragedy such as yours occurs, some friends think they can make a grieving mother feel better by minimizing her loss. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I wanted so much to have this child, and we almost made it, but I miscarried a baby boy in my sixth month and he couldn't be saved. This tragedy was heartbreaking enough, but some of the comments from well-meaning friends made it even worse.

Abby, please ask your readers *never* to try to comfort a woman who has lost a premature baby with any of the following comments — and if you can add anything, please do:

— "Cheer up, you're still young. You can try again."

— "You have one child already. Be thankful for what you have."

— "It was God's will. Praise the Lord."

— "You could have been lucky; it might not have been normal."

— "Don't be so downhearted — it isn't as though you lost a *child*.

GRIEVING

DEAR GRIEVING: To the above well-intentioned but inappropriate comments, I can repeat some advice I have frequently offered: To parents, a miscarriage is the loss of a child. They have anticipated, planned for and prepared for this child, which they will never have. (Regardless of how many other children they may have, one child will never replace the one who was lost.)

If a friend loses a child through miscarriage, express your feelings of sorrow as though she had lost a "living" child. Because she has.

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DEAR ABBY: I don't agree with your answer to "Irritated," whose mother-in-law constantly found fault with her. You told her that her choices were limited: either develop a tougher hide or look into family counseling.

Another solution would be for her husband to develop a backbone and tell Mommy in no uncertain terms that she had better lay off, or he and his wife would tune her out of their lives. When I got married, I told my parents that my wife would always come first. They knew that I meant it, and there was never a problem such as the one Irritated has.

HAYDEN LAKE, IDAHO

DEAR HAYDEN LAKE: Your solution sounds ideal, but what if a husband has no backbone — only a wishbone?

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Fear remains about NAFTA accord

EL PASO (AP) — Former garment worker Adriana Rodriguez didn't need Ross Perot to tell her about the "sucking sound" from the south that meant U.S. jobs were being transferred to Mexico.

Perot, the failed independent presidential candidate, used the phrase during last year's election when describing what he believed would be the effect of the North American Free Trade Agreement on the U.S. job market.

As far as Ms. Rodriguez is concerned, she had already heard the sound two years earlier when the garment factory where she worked suddenly moved to Mexico, leaving her without a job and without prospects of finding one.

"That's happening and it's going to keep happening," said Ms. Rodriguez.

She echoed the fears of many garment workers, who believe passage of the trade agreement would accelerate the ongoing flight of jobs like theirs into Mexico, where companies can find cheaper labor.

To her and others, the agreement is a "disaster waiting to happen." The treaty negotiated among the United States, Mexico and Canada would create the world's largest trading bloc by phasing out most barriers to the free movement of goods, services and investment among the countries.

And the workers don't hold out much hope that they or Mexican laborers will actually get any help from a side agreement negotiated to improve labor conditions and promote enforcement of national labor laws in all three nations.

"There's no teeth to the whole package," said Sandra Garza Spector, a business agent with the International Ladies Garment Workers Union.

The agreement announced Aug. 13 will create a tri-national labor council to work cooperatively on labor issues and provides for sanctions that can be invoked if a country persistently fails to enforce labor laws.

The finer details of the labor agreement and another side accord on the environment haven't been made available yet, but the debate over what they will mean is already raging among NAFTA proponents and critics.

Gordon Cook, assistant director of the Institute for Manufacturing and Materials Management at the University of Texas-El Paso, said he hasn't seen anything in the labor agreement of "particular substance."

"If you look at the whole NAFTA agreement, there's really nothing hard and fast in there," he said, "and consequently the environmental and labor side deals of necessity have to be very broad."

The labor accord eliminated a "few loopholes that potentially could have led to some abuses, from the standpoint of just ensuring that you don't have sort of raiding of one country's jobs by the other," said Economist Ray Perryman of Perryman Consultants Inc.

"I personally was not concerned about these issues before these side agreements," added Perryman, who has studied NAFTA's possible effects on the Texas economy and found good things in the offing.

Perryman is part of the camp that believes the NAFTA — currently awaiting approval of lawmakers in the United States, Canada and Mexico — will not cost American jobs.

Many low-paying jobs — like those in the apparel industry and the labor-intensive sectors of agriculture — are already moving to Mexico without free trade and those are the ones being bandied by NAFTA opponents, he said.

The trade agreement, he said, will not accelerate that.

"I guess the real bottom line is there's not a treaty we can write or not write ... that's going to prevent low-paying jobs from going into Mexico," he said.

Mark Anderson, director of the AFL-CIO trade task force, said such sentiments reek of fatalism.

"I think the American people expect a little more than ... 'You're going to get screwed, so what the hell,' " Anderson said.

He called the labor agreement political window dressing rather than an honest effort to protect workers on either side of the border, especially since it doesn't carry any provision for taking action against a specific company that violates labor laws.

"The focus of attention here is this persistent pattern of violation (by a country's government)," Anderson said. "What is persistent? Is it two violations? Is it 10? Is it 1,000?"

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MD telethon begins today

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Jerry Lewis kicked off the 28th edition of his annual star-studded telethon Sunday night, promising word on breakthroughs in the battle against muscular dystrophy.

"We are gonna beat this," Lewis declared as he opened the 211/2-hour fund-raising marathon at the Sahara Hotel on the Las Vegas Strip.

He promised to present both a throng of entertainers during the event, which ends Monday afternoon, and a parade of medical authorities to inform the audience about breakthroughs achieved by the Muscular Dystrophy Association in research during the past year.

As it has in recent years, the telethon opened under a cloud of criticism from activists who say Lewis raises money by evoking pity for the disabled. Hotel security reported no disturbances Sunday.

The Sahara Hotel was the main studio for live appearances, with remote feeds from New York, Los Angeles and Branson, Mo.

Celebrities signed on for the show included Steve Lawrence and Eydie Gorme, Wynonna, Elayne Boosler, Norm Crosby, Tony Orlando, Mel Tillis, Ray Charles, Willie Nelson, Carol Burnett, Garth Brooks and Jack Jones.

Also on hand were The Righteous Brothers, Howie Mandel, Louie Anderson, Frankie Avalon, Lynn Redgrave, Michael Bolton, Andy Williams, Roy Clark, Wayne Newton, John Davidson, Jay Leno, Eddie Rabbitt and George Strait.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1993

Elevate your expectations in the year ahead and aim high, because it will give you a better chance to succeed. You'll fare better shooting for the moon than you will sighting in on a street light and hitting it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Talking about what you intend to accomplish today is likely to be much easier for you than actually doing it. It's smarter to perform first and boast later. 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 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It would be wonderful if we could always take others at face value in commercial dealings. Today if you do so, it might be a very expensive gamble.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Do not let your emotions and feelings supersede your logic today. The way you personally feel about something or someone might not be an accurate appraisal.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You might not take direction too well yourself or perhaps your instructions to subordinants could be confusing. In either case, be careful, because both spell trouble.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Occasionally good things come our way without expending too much effort. Today, however, if you're looking for a free ride, you could be sadly disappointed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Restrictive conditions might be imposed upon you today from outside sources. Keep a cool head, because resistance could make matters worse.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Negative thinking could severely reduce your potential for success today. Instead of filling your mind with reasons why things can't be done, try the opposite tact and see what happens.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Avoid an individual today who you're beginning to feel always ask much more of you than this person is prepared to give of him/herself.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your potential for success is reasonably good today, but through poor execution you might make things more difficult for yourself than they need be. Find easier paths.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today your imagination is quite keen, but, unfortunately, you might use it in counterproductive ways. Don't do anything out of spite towards another.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you are contemplating an investment today in an area about which you know little, it might be wise to stop everything and reevaluate the entire matter.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You might not be too skillful today at being able to deal with reluctant associates who are set upon doing things their way instead of yours. Each must be willing to compromise.

Year after carjacking murder, husband still mourns for wife

SAVAGE, Md. (AP) — From Biswanath Basu's small, toy-strewn front lawn, he can see the quiet intersection where his wife suffered the last terrifying minutes of her life.

Every day, he relives those moments.

A year after Pam Basu, 34, was dragged to her death in a carjacking as she attempted to rescue her 2-year-old daughter, a "For Sale" sign stands in front of Basu's two-story townhouse.

"It's still very vivid and very painful," Basu said recently, days before taking his wife's ashes back to India for a Hindu ceremony meant to put her soul to rest.

Mrs. Basu's death shocked people nationwide and prompted Congress to make carjacking a federal felony. Yet although her killers have been convicted and sentenced to life in prison, her husband still can find no peace.

"I don't even know how long it will take to get everything sort of settled," he murmured. "Sometimes I seem to be able to do things normally. Other times I can't.

"I have this continuing sorrow and void."

As anti-theft devices become more sophisticated and more widespread, criminals are opting instead to take the car while the driver is in it, said Maryland state police spokesman Greg Shipley.

"It's just one more thing that people have had to become aware of in the 1990s," he said.

On Sept. 8, 1992, the Basu family was celebrating a happy milestone in daughter Sarina's life. Basu was proudly videotaping his wife of 12 years taking Sarina to her first day of preschool when two men passed in the background.

Minutes later, as Mrs. Basu, a research chemist, stopped at an intersection 100 yards from her front door, two men pulled her from her BMW. As she fought to rescue her daughter, her arm became entangled in the seat belt and she was dragged almost two miles to her death.

Sarina was left by the roadside unharmed.

Bernard Miller, 17, was convicted of murder in April and sentenced to life in prison with the possibility of parole. Rodney Solomon, 27, was convicted of murder in August and sentenced to life in prison without parole.

But despite the federal law and stiffer penalties enacted in Maryland and other states, motorists are still being victimized across the country:

—Yvonne Los, 32, a mother of two and an Air Force sergeant, was shot to death in May in Moreno Valley, Calif., when she refused to surrender her car. Police believe a group of teen-agers responsible for several carjackings had a policy of shooting uncooperative victims.

—One of the nation's leading amateur boxers, Mark Rayner, 23, was shot to death in April near a Detroit gas station in a botched carjacking.

—Three men, the first to be convicted under the federal carjacking law, were sentenced in April to life in prison without parole for the execution-style slaying of two men during a November 1992 carjacking in Osceola County, Fla.

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By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What information can you give me on eosinophilic fasciitis?

DEAR READER: Eosinophilic fasciitis, a disease of unknown cause, is related to scleroderma, an autoimmune disorder affecting many of the body's organs.

Usually triggered by strenuous physical activity, EF causes pain, swelling and inflammation of the skin over the outer arms, hands, legs or feet. This progresses to deep tissue inflammation that may eventually involve muscles, leading to restriction of arm and leg movements, fatigue, weight loss, malaise and arthritis.

EF may be associated with carpal tunnel syndrome (compression of the nerves at the wrists), heart muscle inflammation and Sjogren's syndrome (another disease of connective tissue).

The diagnosis is made by blood tests and biopsy.

Patients with EF respond quickly to cortisone drugs, which reduce inflammation and restore mobility. Ordinarily, once symptoms are controlled, the dose of the medicine can be reduced, but the drug frequently needs to be continued for up to five years, despite the potential drawbacks, such as osteoporosis, from this long-term therapy.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I think I have hemorrhoids and I want to discuss this with my doctor. Unfortunately, the culture is catching up with me. I am a woman of mature years and was taught such things simply were not discussed, even with a doctor, especially with a male doctor. No wonder women seem healthier. They simply don't admit to certain illnesses. Now I need help using terminology that is neither too clinical nor utterly childish.

DEAR READER: Try telling the doctor you have a painful or itchy (or bleeding) lump near your anus. This should describe the situation enough to break the ice.

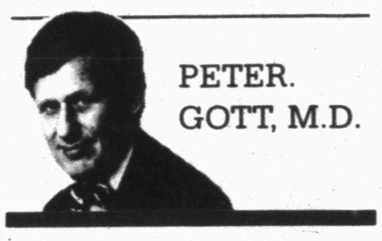
I must say that I'm somewhat surprised by your reticence. In my practice, I'm sometimes inundated by gracious, charming and very proper elderly ladies who insist that I listen to a long, involved litany of their bowel habits. They document, in lurid detail, their problems with evacuation, often with a surfeit of description that runs to tomes. They're not the slightest bit embarrassed.

Also, with the plethora of public advertising about things like hemorrhoids that were once taboo in polite society, more people seem eager to talk about such issues. I think you're in the minority.

In any case, your doctor can't help you unless you level with him. Describe your symptoms to him. But — please — make the dissertation short and to the point.

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PETER. GOTT, M.D.

Guadalupe River merchants glad river traffic is calmer

NEW BRAUNFELS (AP) — Guadalupe River business owners and local authorities say stepped-up law enforcement this summer helped curb some of the chaos that was spoiling the popular stream.

River proprietors also say a consistent and recently slow river flow has kept inner-tubers and rafters coming to town at a steadier pace, rather than in large crowds during a brief span like last year.

Still, drunkenness, trespassing, indecent exposure and litter haven't disappeared along a 22-mile stretch of the Guadalupe north of New Braunfels. As the Labor Day holiday arrived, the town braced for an estimated 65,000 river enthusiasts during the weekend.

"We've made a lot of progress, but we've still got a ways to go," said Comal County Judge Carter Casteel, who has floated the river surveying the situation.

"It's much better than what I saw last year," she said. "The public awareness has certainly made a major dent in this all."

Zero Rivers, owner of Rockin R River Rides, one of the largest outfitters on the Guadalupe, said increased law enforcement has helped. But he contends educating the public is the key to maintaining river quality.

"The way to attack this is not, 'You slobs, quit coming here.' It's education," Rivers said.

Bill Perkins and John Guenzel, who have run the Rio Raft Co. on the upper Guadalupe since 1976, also said more education is necessary, along with more law enforcement.

"The problem is there and it's going to be there, in my opinion, until we get a program of educating the people before they get on the river and enforcing the rules that we have," Perkins said.

After last summer's riotous ending, when tubers and rafters packed the river the final six weeks as water conditions finally were conducive to recreation, local officials pledged to clean things up this year.

"There was a consensus that people had gone too far and gotten too rowdy," said Comal County Sheriff Jack Bremer, who this year set up checkpoints on a major road leading to river establishments.

Officers checked for minors in possession of alcohol, drug possession and criminal backgrounds. The sheriff's department also increased the number of officers on patrol, Bremer said.

From Memorial Day weekend until late August, those efforts had resulted in 330 public intoxication arrests; 182 criminal trespass arrests; 145 driving while intoxicated arrests; 108 possession of a controlled substance arrests; and 37 assault arrests.

Assisting the sheriff's department have been Department of Parks and Wildlife officers; Comal County constables; and Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission officers.

"The word is out that we're not going to put up with any foolishness," Bremer said. "You have to reinforce this for several years."

Just north of New Braunfels, tubers climb and jump from 70-foot-high cliffs into the river, said the sheriff, who has arrested cliff divers on criminal trespass charges all summer. Most are young people, who must return to the city at a later date for court appearances.

Besides cliff diving, Bremer said, some river visitors use foul language, urinate on private property and fornicate in trees. Then there are the flashers.

"The big thing today is both males and females have to moon everybody for some reason," Bremer said. "I'm convinced alcohol is 90 percent of the problem."

Both the sheriff said County Judge Casteel said they have been "mooned."

Litter is perhaps the most obvious river problem. Glass and styrofoam are banned, but beer and soft drink cans litter the river banks and bottoms.

Judge Casteel said she believes the Water Oriented Recreation District, which sets some river rules, is doing better at contracting for river cleanup.

Zero Rivers said his employees clean a stretch of the Guadalupe each week, and other business owners take responsibility for certain sections. Rivers said business owners have had more time to devote to river cleaning this summer.

On Sept. 11, the group Friends For Rivers is hosting its third annual river cleanup, for which Gov. Ann Richards has issued a proclamation urging Texans to volunteer their time.

Some in New Braunfels say the problems of last year and attention paid to the river this summer have brought together several segments of the community — law enforcement, politicians and river outfitters.

"Things seemed to have improved considerably," said Bremer. "Certainly we want tourists to come in and enjoy themselves."

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Chicago delays start of fall term

CHICAGO (AP) — The Board of Education voted Sunday to delay the start of classes until Sept. 14, citing staff vacancies and a hiring freeze imposed by the Legislature.

Schools had been scheduled to open Wednesday, but the school system was shut down for almost three days last week, slowing preparations when the school board failed to submit a balanced budget.

Gov. Jim Edgar signed a bill Friday temporarily waiving the balanced budget requirement so schools could open on time. But lawmakers also imposed a hiring freeze.

"I can not allow children into schools where many classrooms will not have teachers, where safety and security personnel will be inadequate and where meals will not be delivered on time," School Superintendent Argie Johnson said in a statement.

An early retirement program coupled with attrition left the system with about 7,000 vacancies in teaching and other positions. If schools opened, the system would also be in violation of a federal court order because of vacancies in the special education program.

In addition, last week's shutdown left some schools unprepared to open on time because maintenance came to a stop.



Business and Industrial News



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MATT DAHMER, PARTS MANAGER, Pat Gray Body Works, Big Spring, uses a computer to prepare a quick, accurate repair estimate while a customer waits.

F. Murray Abraham injured in accident

WENATCHEE, Wash. (AP) — F. Murray Abraham, winner of an Academy Award for best actor for the 1984 film "Amadeus," suffered a broken wrist and cuts on his face in a car crash that killed another motorist.

Abraham was released from the hospital Sunday. He was driving alone Friday night on a mountain road near Wenatchee when his car collided with another at an intersection.

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