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Ask Us

Q—Is cosmetic surgery deductible from your income tax?

A—According to the IRS, it is deductible if the surgery is necessary to improve a deformity related to an abnormality, disease or injury. It is not deductible if you simply want to change your appearance, however.

In Brief

Grad change

CONROE (AP) — Intense competition among high school seniors for the top spot in their class has prompted school officials to consider changing graduation honors.

If Conroe school board trustees approve a study committee's recommendation Tuesday night, graduating classes beginning with the 1996-97 class will have no recognition of a valedictorian or salutatorian.

Instead, the highest-ranking students will be recognized in three categories: Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude and Cum Laude.

Intense competition for valedictorian and salutatorian has generated controversy in recent years at Conroe High School, McCullough High School in The Woodlands and Oak Ride High School in Oak Ridge North.

"A lot of kids shoot for No. 1 in the class and it becomes very competitive," said Dave Figari, a district administrator and former Conroe High principal.

Local

Masons

A stated meeting of Scurry Lodge #706 will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the lodge hall.

VFW ladies

VFW Ladies Auxiliary will meet at 7:30 this evening at the home post.

Hermleigh

Hermleigh ISD board of trustees will meet in special session at 8 p.m. Tuesday to consider employment of personnel.

The board will adjourn into a budget workshop at 8:30.

Health Unit

Scurry County Health Unit will not hold clinic on Tuesday. Required immunizations for school registration will be held Wednesday from 1:30-4 p.m. Regular schedule will resume Thursday.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 100 degrees; low, 74 degrees; high Sunday, 100 degrees; low, 75 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 76 degrees. No precipitation. Total precipitation for 1993 to date, 10.99 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight: Partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms. Low near 70. Southeast wind 10-20 mph. Tuesday: Partly cloudy. High in the upper 90s. Southeast to south wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:39. Sunrise Tuesday, 7:02. Of 213 days in 1993, the sun has shone 206 days in Snyder.

Airport, detention...

County okays two contracts

Scurry County commissioners court this morning approved two contracts, each representing a financial savings to county taxpayers.

The first was for short-term confinement for juvenile offenders, and the second was a management contract for operation of the airport.

Larry Thompson, juvenile probation officer for the 132nd Judicial District, recommended that Scurry County enter into a one-year agreement with RICOR of Sweetwater to house short-term juvenile offenders.

Thompson said short-term is up to 10 days without another detention order by the court. Scurry County would pay the private company $65 per day.

In the past, Scurry County has contracted with Lubbock County and has paid $75 per day and had to contract for 100 days, even if those days were not used.

In addition to a lower rate and paying for only days used, Thompson said the county would also realize a savings on transportation to Sweetwater.

The juvenile detention center in Sweetwater has just opened and Scurry and Borden are the only counties to have short-term services. Scurry is also expected to contract for long-term offenders, Thompson added.

The court also tentatively approved a contract with Gary Dean Halton, 43, of Victoria for operation of the Scurry County Airport. The county will pay $40,000 for the 12-month contract beginning Sept. 1.

The contractor will be responsible for paying all salaries associated with operation of the airport for at least 70 hours per week. The county will continue to receive revenues from fuel sales and from hangar rent.

In other business, commissioners okayed a budget amendment in the amount of $11,649 to pay the state comptroller's office for court fees collected from 1989-92.

County Treasurer Charlie Bell said a recent audit by the state comptroller revealed that error in reporting and changes in the percentages due the state resulted in the wrong amount being transmitted to the state. No interest was assessed.

The new airport manager graduated from Alva, Okla. High School in 1968. He served in the U.S. Army from 1968 to 1971.

He then attended Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa from 1971 to 1973.

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SDN Talking Newspaper Poll

Do you agree that President Clinton's proposed gasoline tax is a good way to reduce the deficit ?

Responses
13% Yes
87% No



BREAK FROM PLAY — Samantha Snyder gets a quick drink from a handy "fountain" while taking a break from riding her tricycle. She is the daughter of Gerald and Diana Snyder. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ira ISD to consider options to meet school funding bill

Ira public school trustees will consider their options for compliance with Senate Bill 7 wealth equalization requirements during a 7:30 a.m. special board meeting Tuesday.

Ira ISD is one of 99 school districts identified by the Texas Education Agency that need to reduce their property wealth below the $280,000 per weighted student threshold established by the bill.

The board is expected to consider Option 3, purchasing attendance credits from the state, and Option 4, education of students in other districts.

There are five options. Option 1 is voluntary consolidation; Option 2 is voluntary annexation of property; and Option 5 is tax base consolidation. Those are not being considered by Ira ISD, according to Supt. Rick Howard.

Supt. Howard said trustees may seek approval for both Option 3 and Option 4. The board could then select one, or a combination of both. If the board considers education of students in other districts, Ira will likely attempt to contact with the HOBBS alternative school and a special education co-op.

Ira ISD's taxable values have been certified at $110 million. Of that amount, 13.3445 percent, or the tax value of $12 million, must be dispersed to the state or other districts.

Options 3 and 4 require voter approval and Howard said trustees are considering setting an election for Aug. 28.

To date, 45 of the 99 school districts which are required to reduce their property wealth have chosen Option 3. Thirteen have chosen a combination of Options 3 and 4 while 7 have chosen Option 4. Twenty-nine have not chosen an option.

Other items on Tuesday's agenda are personnel, renewal of an agreement with the HOBBS accelerated educational project and a waiver request for an experimental course and final exam exemptions.

Landfill presentation focus of city meeting

Snyder City Council, faced with major compliance decisions concerning operation of the landfill, will hear an engineering presentation when it meets at 6 p.m. today at City Hall.

Freeze and Nichols, consulting engineers, will present a three-phase plan for bringing the city's sanitary landfill into compliance with state and federal mandates.

The council said the city's sanitation department budget, fueled by landfill regulations, will increase from about $650,000 per year to some $1.4 million. As a result, both residential and commercial refuse collection is expected to double.

Other agenda items include asking for depository bids for city of Snyder funds. Under old business, the council will consider adoption of a resolution for traffic control signs at intersections in the Park Place addition and to modify an existing sign at the intersection of Ave. I and 20th St.

Under informational items, the city wll review minutes of the Development Corporation of Snyder board meeting held July 27. The council will also discuss the Texas Municipal League annual conference to be held in San Antonio Nov. 3-7.

Administration clings to fragile Democratic majority on tax bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration and congressional leaders are predicting they can hold together a fragile Democratic majority to win final approval of a deficit-cutting package of tax increases and spending curbs.

The White House played down a key Democratic senator's defection from the plan Sunday, while working to persuade at least one or two of the six Democrats who voted against it the first time to return to the fold.

President Clinton decided against his usual Sunday golf outing to make phone calls to lawmakers on the bill, key elements of which were adopted by House and Senate negotiators last week.

Negotiators are trying to finish work on a compromise budget today, aiming for final votes before Congress begins its August recess Friday.

"It's all politics now, hard-ball politics," Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole said Sunday, promising that no GOP lawmaker will vote for the budget package.

That makes every Democratic vote count just that much more if the package — which negotiators say would cut about $496 billion from the deficit over five years — is to pass.

On Sunday, Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., who grudgingly went along with the legislation when it passed the Senate by one vote in June, said he would not vote for the compromise reached by House-Senate negotiators.

"I must vote against this plan," Boren said on CBS's "Face the Nation," insisting that it needed deeper cuts in social programs such as Medicare.

But Vice President Al Gore and Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, said Sunday they were confident the needed votes will be found.

"We haven't counted on Senator Boren for quite some time," said Gore on "Face the Nation."

While Gore declined to criticize Boren directly, White House economic adviser Gene Sperling said the Oklahoma senator's approach amounts to "more delay, more talk, more hiding from tough choices when the country and the economy need action."

Mitchell, on ABC's "This Week With David Brinkley," predicted a very close vote on the compromise legislation. But he said he was confident the bill will clear both the Senate and House this week.

"We will pass it," agreed Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan, D-N.Y., chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, adding, also on ABC, that Boren all along had been "doubtful."

No Republican in the House or Senate voted for the original bill.

U.S. pledges to go it alone against Serbs, if necessary

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Senior NATO officials met today to discuss an American plan to use air power to liberate Sarajevo from besieging Serbs and ensure the delivery of relief to the Bosnian capital.

A NATO official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said initial responses to the proposal were mixed, but a consensus appeared to be building in favor. He said the most reluctant nations were those with large peacekeeping contingents on the ground — Britain and France.

The United States, which called the emergency session, warned on Sunday that it was determined to act if its partners remained opposed to letting NATO aircraft attack Serb positions in Bosnia.

But President Clinton today played down the comments by State Department spokesman Mike McCurry, and said he still expected the allies to support a U.S. plan to use air power in the region.

"I think we'll have a common position," he said.

American military intervention would mark a dramatic escalation in the U.S. role in Bosnia, which has been devastated by 16 months of civil war. Officials said military strikes against attacking Serb forces could occur within days.

"The United States is determined to act," McCurry told an in-flight news briefing Sunday while on his way to the Middle East with Secretary of State Warren Christopher.

"We certainly believe it is possible we will act within the NATO framework," he said. But at the same time, "we have made it clear we are determined to act."

Europeans have reacted coolly to the U.S. proposal. Britain questioned whether air stikes could lift the seige of Sarajevo, and France appears to oppose enlarging NATO's role in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

So far, the only agreement among allies has been for the use of NATO air power to retaliate if U.N. peacekeeping forces in Bosnia are attacked, as has occurred at least twice in the last week.

NATO aircraft also patrol the skies above Bosnia, where they have enforced a no-fly zone that has gone largely unchallenged.

Budget bill has familiar ring

By Steven Komarow
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — All the arm-twisting on Capitol Hill has produced a budget bill notable for its lack of anything notable. As much as possible, lawmakers have crafted a plan to make the average voter yawn.

The most meaningful target they could have had, a balanced budget, was abandoned long ago. And the boldest idea offered by President Clinton, a tax based on the heat content of fuels, faded away near the end.

Wary of anything new, lawmakers went for the tested, if not totally effective, techniques of the past to achieve their almost $500 billion in deficit reduction.

The package raises the gasoline tax 4.3 cents. The last major deficit bill, in 1990, raised it a nickel.

Like the last budget deal, this one raises tax rates primarily on the better off.

If the spending cuts also sound familiar, it's because Congress and the White House are again relying on the most indirect means of belt-tightening available.

For example, the budget bill would "cut" Medicare. What that really means is that hospitals and doctors won't see the payments they receive from the government increase as fast as inflation.

So they make up the difference by charging non-Medicare patients more. Which gets passed along to taxpayers in higher insurance premiums.

Spending by government agencies would be cut in the same way. Their spending wouldn't keep pace with inflation.

It appears that even the honeybee subsidy, Clinton's trophy target, will buzz into the future in one of the spending bills before Congress.

It is a tribute to the skill of the congressional budget writers that so much could be not done, and half a trillion in deficit reduction could be projected.

But the question must be asked: If this much could be done in this manner, why not take a little risk and do a truly big reduction, maybe even with a balanced budget at the end of five years? Why no political bravery?

Polls show that the overwhelming majority of Americans believe the federal deficit is a paramount issue, and they're willing to sacrifice to reduce it. But, at the same time, politicians still see that the cause of federal deficit reduction has a constituency.

People may have bumper stickers that say, "I Vote Pro-Choice" or "I Support Term Limits," but you don't see a lot that say, "Drop the Deficit or Die."

So while nearly everyone on Capitol Hill supports the idea of reducing the deficit, they're not willing to take on the competing interests that would get hurt in that effort.

Why, House-Senate negotiators spent half a day last week arguing over a half-cent either way on the gas tax. And they were talking about a minuscule increase compared to the 50-cent boosts discussed in last year's presidential campaign.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Steven Komarow is the AP's chief congressional correspondent.

Harris County judge race now underway

HOUSTON (AP) — The race has begun for Harris County Judge with one candidate announcing his intention to run for the post now that longtime incumbent Jon Lindsay is no longer a contender.

"I would anticipate that it's going to be a wide-open, wild race," said Houston City Councilman Vince Ryan, who became the first to enter the contest.

"I am running for county judge," Ryan declared Saturday just a few hours after Lindsay announced he would not seek reelection. The filing deadline is still four months away.

Lindsay bowed out of the race in the wake of allegations he accepted a bribe in the mid-1980s to reroute a county road. The judge said he would finish out his term and continue to fight the accusations, which he has vehemently denied.

The county judge, the county's chief executive, presides over a government that serves a constituency of 2.8 million. Lindsay's term expires in January 1995.

Lindsay is a Republican, but some local GOP party leaders downplayed the effect of his departure from the race.

"I'm still in shock about the judge not running again ... (but) any well-funded Republican starts off with at least a 7 (percentage) point advantage," said GOP consultant Sue Walden.

"Whoever wins the (Republican) primary will have a strong backing because the party will make it a priority," she said.

But Democrats believe the end of the Lindsay era will level the playing field.

"I think obviously this enhances a Democrat's ability to grab the seat," Harris County Democratic Party Chairman Ken Bentsen said.

The county attorney's office is investigating bribery allegations against Lindsay that have been made by Billy Wayne Chester, a former banker and real estate developer.

Chester said he and his business partner, Robert Corson, bribed Lindsay to reroute a road through a 220-acre development in north Harris County.

Chester reportedly has told federal and county officials that Lindsay also was given a 5 percent share of the profits from a land deal as part of the bribery scheme. The FBI reportedly is investigating the land deal.

Dr. Gott — By Peter Gott, M.D.

Drug therapy relieves neuropathy

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is there a medication to relieve the pain of peripheral neuropathy?

DEAR READER: Peripheral neuropathy (literally, malfunction of the nerves in the hands and feet) is a common complication of diabetes, vitamin deficiency and several other ailments. The condition causes pain and numbness that are often difficult to treat.

Based on a spate of studies showing that amitriptyline relieves the pain of neuropathy, many experts are now recommending this anti-depressant as standard therapy, although no ones knows precisely how the medicine works for this condition. Also, capsaicin, a cream made from hot peppers, has been useful. Ask your doctor about these two treatments, which are available by prescription only.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Diabetes Mellitus." 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: My husband recently had repair of an inguinal hernia. I'm interested in exactly what happened and would like your input.

DEAR READER: Each of us has a natural weakness in the lower abdominal wall, on either side of the pubic bone. This weakened area has a tendency to enlarge and open as we age, sometimes permitting a loop of bowel to protrude through the opening. This is called an inguinal hernia.

Such a hernia can easily be repaired by a qualified, general surgeon. If the defect is relatively small, the surgeon simply over-sews it; if it is large, mesh (like that in a window screen) may have to be used to provide extra support.

Hernia surgery can be performed under local or spinal anesthesia, obviating the risks of a general anesthetic. Complications rarely occur. After a few weeks of recuperation, patients can return to normal lives.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is there any way to correct flat feet in a 12-year-old without surgery, or is my daughter's doctor right that we should leave things alone?

DEAR READER: Frankly, I can't think of a justification to correct, by surgery, the flat feet of a healthy 12-year-old. I believe that she would be much happier using a cushioned insole to give her feet added support. In my opinion, your doctor is on the money.

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U.N. withdrawal criticized by villagers in Cambodia

THMAR PUOK, Cambodia (AP) — As the United Nations prepares to end its largest peacekeeping operation ever, battle-weary Cambodians say the world body has failed in its main aim here — to completely end 15 years of civil war.

During a five-day trip across the country's two tensest provinces, villagers expressed dismay that U.N. forces are to begin withdrawing this month while the clatter of rifle fire and the thump of exploding rockets, grenades, and mines can be heard in some areas.

The Khmer Rouge guerrilla group fought the former Vietnamese-installed government for more than a decade. Now it is fighting the armed forces of the newly elected government.

Villagers are angry that the Khmer Rouge is still around.

"I don't think the U.N. did a good job here because they never dealt with the Khmer Rouge," said Kousum Sarun, a 40-year-old driver in Siem Reap province. "They did not bring peace."

The last U.N. peacekeepers are to leave the country by mid-November.

The 17-month U.N. mission was to monitor a 1991 cease-fire called by the country's four factions, and to disarm and demobilize the factions' almost 200,000 troops. It was then to guide the country through democratic elections last May to end two decades of conflict.

But one of the factions, the Khmer Rouge, refused to lay down its weapons. The other three factions followed suit and skirmishes continued.

By May, the United Nations had spent much of its $2 billion budget — the biggest ever for a peacekeeping operation. Having committed 22,000 personnel and tons of equipment to Cambodia, it pushed ahead with the poll.

About 90 percent of the electorate turned out to vote, and by most measures the elections proved a resounding success.

The Khmer Rouge still controls 20 percent of Cambodia with a fighting force of 10,000 men.

In the northwestern province of Banteay Meanchey, checkpoints remain on roads between villages controlled by the Khmer Rouge and the three other factions. The latter are technically united under the newly elected government.

Soldiers of each faction keep to their own territory. Villagers get from one zone to another by paying hefty bribes to heavily armed soldiers or bandits.

"There has been no change at all," said Ngeth Sophon, 49, a project chief for the U.S. Agency for International Development in the village of Thmar Puok in Banteay Meanchey province.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Aug. 3, 1993

Your skills and talents for being able to manage or being able to supervise things for others may be utilized extensively in the year ahead. Personal gains could result through persons you help.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Turn about is fair play. Today you might have an opportunity to do something nice for a friend who has frequently assisted you. Make an effort to even the score. 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.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You might get what you want today, but it could carry a rather hefty price tag. Don't fulfill your ambitious expectations at the cost of another.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Put your best foot forward today if you have an opportunity to make new social contacts within a rather influential group. These will be people who can do what they say they can do.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Conditions are favorable today for resolving an old, serious family problem. Get everyone together and keep at it until matters are cleared up.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Think carefully before speaking today. There is a possibility you might express yourself in a manner others will find offensive and then not be able to convince them it wasn't intended.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Use your common sense regarding the management of your resources today. If you hope to acquire something big, base your ability to do so upon what you have, not what you hope to get.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Don't be discouraged today if something important isn't achieved on the first try. Fire and fall back to regroup your forces and try again. Repeat this procedure until victorious.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Upon occasion you sometimes get emotional and worry over things that may never happen. Don't let these thought patterns dominate your life today.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Until a misunderstanding with a friend is totally resolved, it might be best not to confide in him/her at this time. Ammunition to use against you could be an irresistible temptation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your ability to achieve your objectives could be impaired today owing to both self-created obstacles and opposition from others. Don't be too demanding of yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might have a touchy situation with which to contend today similar to one that caused you discomfort in the past. Don't make the same mistakes twice.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Business or financial matters should not be treated indifferently today. Be cautious and prudent, and make sure all of your moves are founded upon logical assumptions.

Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Ira seniors to finalize schedules this week

Ira School will begin classes Wednesday, Aug. 11, at 8:30 a.m. Teachers will report for preparation days on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 9 and 10, at 8 a.m.

High school students need to go to the school office on Thursday of this week, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. to finalize their class schedules. Students who cannot come on that day will complete their schedules on the first class day.

New faculty members for the 1993-1994 school year include Joni Gainer, science; Andrea Garner, English; and Darren Janssen, football coach and elementary physical education.

The faculty and staff members along with their families, will have an ice cream supper at Towle Park on Monday, Aug. 9, at 7:30 p.m.

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JFK's heroism noted in 50th anniversary

BOSTON (AP) — A Japanese destroyer sank Patrol Torpedo boat No. 109 in the Pacific on a moonless night 50 years ago, but the heroism of the boat's captain — Lt. John F. Kennedy — has kept the memory bright for many Americans.

Although Kennedy's reputation has taken some hits in recent years, the story of his role in saving 10 men on PT-109 still shines, especially for Gerard Zinser, the only surviving crew member.

"He had us all behind him 100 percent," said Zinser, 75, from his Naples, Fla., home Thursday. "We thought he was a great leader. He had plenty of guts and charisma ... He just had everything."

Kennedy gathered his crew to the floating remains of the ship, then led them as they swam from island to island. He towed Patrick "Pappy" McMahon, who had been badly burned, by gripping the laces of McMahon's life jacket in his teeth.

Several nights he swam for hours with a lantern, hoping to flag down a passing PT boat. They finally were rescued after Kennedy gave a message carved on a coconut to some native scouts, who took it to their Australian contacts. Zinser and William F. Liebenow, captain of the PT boat that picked up the survivors from PT-109, were to join other PT boat veterans today to mark the 50th anniversary of the sinking.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., the former president's brother, and his son, Rep. Patrick Joseph Kennedy, D-R.I., were expected to attend the ceremony on the U.S.S. Massachusetts at Battleship Cove in Fall River, said organizer Guy A. Archambault.

PT-109 collided with the destroyer Amagiri shortly after 1 a.m. on Aug. 2, 1943. A squadron of four PT boats had gone out that night, hoping to torpedo a group of Japanese destroyers.

"It was the dark of the moon," said Zinser, a 1st Class Motor Machinist Mate. "There was very little anyone could see, even their hand in front of their eyes."

The stern of the boat exploded and sank. Two men were killed instantly. Zinser was flung into the water, where he floated unconscious for about 20 minutes.

When he came to, he heard the men shouting to each other and saw Kennedy flashing a lantern. They clung to the boat's wooden bow, some 40 miles behind enemy lines, until dawn. They knew they had to hide if they were going to survive, so Kennedy suggested they swim for a nearby island.

The swim took four hours. But the only food they found was green coconuts, which made them all sick. The next day, they swam another four hours to a larger island.

At night, Kennedy and George Ross took turns swimming out with the lantern, with no luck.

On the seventh day, they ran into some native scouts working for the Australians. Kennedy carved a message into a coconut, which they took to their contact.

The next night, Liebenow picked them up.

The movie "Stand Up and Cheer," featuring the debut of child performer Shirley Temple, opened at New York's Radio City Music Hall in 1934.

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Primrose Operating Co. has completed the No. 156 Fuller-Dorward in the Dorward field, eight miles southeast of Justiceburg. The well was finaled to produce 34 barrels of 36 gravity oil and 104 barrels of water. Gas-oil ratio was 2,000-1 with perforations from 1,975-2,597 feet. Location is in Section 692, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Nolan County

Rand Oil and Gas Corp. has completed the No. 1 Owens in the Rand-Millard field, 3.5 miles northeast of Maryneal. The well was finaled to produce 27 barrels of 45 gravity oil and 39 barrels of water. Gas-oil ratio was 592-1 with perforations from 6,190-7,057 feet. Location is in Section 114, Block X, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Tucker Drilling Co. Inc. will drill the No. 1-D B.K. Harris, a 6,500-foot wildcat located four miles northwest of Maryneal. Location is in Section 77, Block X, T&P survey.

Centaur Petroleum will drill the No. 1 South Headrick, a 7,000-foot wildcat located three miles northeast of Sweetwater. Location is in Section 19, Block 21, T&P survey.

Fisher County

Union Pacific Resources will drill the No. 1 Robert Davenport, a 7,500-foot wildcat located 14 miles west of Longworth. Drill site is in Section 128, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Conoco Inc. has completed the No. 191 Round Top unit in the Round Top field, nine miles west of Hamlin. The well was finaled to produce 127 barrels of 39.6 gravity oil and 2,882 barrels of water. Gas-oil ratio was 16-1 with perforations from 4,864-932 feet. Location is in Section 80, Block 1, H&TC survey.

Union Pacific Resources will drill the No. 1 Margaret Davenport, a 7,500-foot wildcat located 14 miles west of Longworth. Drill site is in Section 175, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Cholla Petroleum will drill the No. 2 Tex-Star, a 4,000-foot wildcat located eight miles southeast of Longworth. Location is in Section 231, James Vaughn survey.

Garza County

Brothers Production Co. will drill the No. 3-32 PLK in the Happy field, 11 miles south of Post. Planned for a depth of 8,320 feet, location is in Section 32, Block 21, T&NO survey.

Howard County

Wiser Oil Co. has completed the No. 1 O'Daniel Ranch in an undesignated field, four miles southwest of Vincent. The well was completed to produce 92 barrels of 54.1 gravity oil. Gas-oil ratio was 7,065-1 with perforations from 7,770-810 feet. Location is in Section 28, Block 27, H&TC survey.

Cobra Oil and Gas will drill the No. 1-20 Jones unit, a 9,500-foot wildcat located seven miles north of Knott. Location is in Section 20, Block 25, H&TC survey.

Bettis, Boyles and Stovall will drill the No. 1-22 Griffin, a 9,000-foot wildcat, six miles southwest of Vincent. Location is in Section 22, Block 25, H&TC survey.

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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.

Ladies Auxiliary of VFW; VFW Hall; 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

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.

Ladies Golf Association; 9 a.m., Snyder Country Club.

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

Snyder Police auxiliary; Snyder National Bank Community Room; 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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.

Deep Creek Chapter ABWA, Golden Corral, 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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.

Saturday's lotto has no winners

by The Associated Press

No one correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, pushing Wednesday's estimated jackpot to $11 million, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 10, 11, 20, 28, 35, 46. The estimated jackpot was $3 million.

There were 150 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth $1,366. There were 7,206 tickets matching four of six numbers, with each winning $103. And there were 136,618 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic $3.

Sales from Wednesday to Saturday's draw were $8 million. Total Lotto Texas sales since the Nov. 7 kickoff were $674.1 million.

Turner accepts role in video

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — No one had to twist Janine Turner's arm to get her to appear in the video for Billy Dean's new song, "I'm Not Built That Way."

"I'm a Texas girl who loves country music, and I'm a big fan of Billy's," Turner said. "And besides, he is by far the most handsome guy in country music today."

The video, filmed at the Cowtown Coliseum in Fort Worth, Texas, has Turner playing a photographer being wooed by musician Dean in a rodeo setting, according to a news release issued last week by Dean's spokesman.

Staff tries to kick overworking habits

WASHINGTON (AP) — When Bill Clinton asked his young aide from the Arkansas governor's office to work at the White House, Craig Smith said no way.

"Look," Smith told the new president, "you're talking 16-hour days, and I have a family."

Clinton shook his head. "It can't be like that. It won't be like that," he said.

It IS like that. But some people are trying to change.

Shocked by the apparent suicide of his lifelong friend, White House lawyer Vincent Foster, Clinton has urged his staff to "pay maybe a little more attention to our friends and our families and our co-workers and try to remember that work cannot be the only thing in life."

His staff seems to be trying to heed the advice, although many are postponing the change of lifestyle until Clinton passes his critical deficit-reduction package.

"I think it's kind of caused a number of us around here to reprioritize the way we're going about our lives," said Mark Middleton, a junior aide in Chief of Staff Mack McLarty's office.

Middleton, who like Foster, Clinton and McLarty, is an Arkansas native, said he has reduced his workload — from 18 to 12 hours a day. "That's still a pretty solid day," he said.

"I haven't gone around office to office, but I think this kind of event always gives people pause and makes them re-evaluate a few things about their own lives," White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers said.

The West Wing, which usually bustles six or seven days a week, was unusually quiet on the first weekend after Foster's death. At one point, a junior press aide said he was the only person in the working section of the White House.

"They're learning — especially the folks from Arkansas — to achieve an appropriate balance," said Skip Rutherford of Little Rock, Ark., who visits the White House often to advise McLarty.

Foster died July 20 of a suspected self-inflicted gunshot wound. Clinton originally said the apparent suicide was a mystery, but it has slowly become apparent that Foster was having trouble coping with his new job and life in Washington. A note found in Foster's briefcase provided concrete evidence that he was deeply disturbed about his work, White House aides said last week.

Many staffers say that for the first time in seven months, they are thinking more about their own personal lives.

"With me, I've come to realize this is one of those jobs you could spend 24 hours a day on and not get it all done," Middleton said.

But for now, the late nights are still common.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 8-2-93
♠ J 7 4 2
♥ K J 5
♦ A Q 4
♣ Q J 3

WEST
♠ 3
♥ A 7 3 2
♦ J 9 8 6 3
♣ A 6 4

EAST
♠ A 10 8 6 5
♥ 10 8 6 4
♦ K 10
♣ 8 2

SOUTH
♠ K Q 9
♥ Q 9
♦ 7 5 2
♣ K 10 9 7 5

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♠	1 ♠
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ 6

The unblock and the pin

By Phillip Alder

If you would like to mix a vacation with bridge, think about going overseas. One of the most popular tournaments is held in Tel Aviv every February. Today's deal won this year's prize for the best-defended hand.

The deal occurred during the Open Teams and featured the Israeli international player Eliakim Shaufel (West) and the American professional Michael Polowan (East).

The bidding wasn't by the book. Polowan's one-spade overcall was very thin; he was trading on the favorable vulnerability. South's jump to three no-trump was an overbid.

Shaufel, holding nine points, knew East had made a light overcall. And judging that South was ready for a spade attack, Shaufel led his fourth-highest diamond.

Declarer decided to retain his options in the suit by calling for dummy's ace. Polowan smoothly unblocked the *king*.

South played on clubs, West winning the third round. Realizing that if declarer had the diamond 10 he would have played low from the dummy at trick one, Shaufel continued with the diamond *jack*. Now the defenders couldn't be stopped from winning six tricks: three aces and three diamonds.

If East doesn't make the spectacular unblock at trick one, declarer still has a view to take when West leads a second diamond. But why give declarer a chance to get it right?

Also, if West had continued with a low diamond at trick five, declarer would have ducked the trick to East's 10 and made his game.

It was a very pretty defense, fully deserving the award.

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Explorers find four previously unknown ancient Mayan towns

WASHINGTON (AP) — The ruins of four towns built by the Mayans have been found in a tropical rain forest in Belize in Central America and at least two appear to have been untouched by looters since they were abandoned more than 1,000 years ago.

Peter S. Dunham, a Cleveland State University archeologist, said the Mayan centers were found during a survey expedition in the mountainous rain forest along the Monkey River in Belize, an area previously believed to contain few such ruins. A report on the expedition is being published today by National Geographic.

Dunham said he and his party arrived at one of the ancient towns shortly after looters had been there.

"After passing more than a millennium undisturbed in the rain forest, it was looted only four days before we arrived," he said.

Dunham said the four ruins appeared to have been towns of 1,000 to 2,500 in population that probably were last used in 700 to 900 A.D.

One site, built on an island in the Monkey River, includes a plaza the size of a football field, built around a pyramid-shaped stone structure. Nearby is a large flat building that could have been a sort of "city hall" for the community, he said.

Another site included five stone monuments that may be 1,000 years old, while another ruin had four monuments, a causeway and two reservoirs that still hold water.

Dunham said the looters dug pits into a fourth site and excavated bits of pyrite, a shiny mineral that is commonly called "fool's gold."

The mineral had obviously been worked by ancient Mayans at the site, he said. Pyrite was used by the Mayans to make mirrors and for decorating their teeth, said Dunham.

There also were deposits of two minerals, hematite and lemontite, that were used by the Mayans to stain houses and pottery. Hematite makes a red color and lemontite is a yellow stain, he said.

The expedition, sponsored by the National Geographic Society, will return to the area during the dry season next year to complete a three-year survey of the Monkey River area.

Dunham said the area, a rugged complex of mountains and canyons, receives up to 200 inches of rainfall annually and can be explored only during the dry season because of the danger of flash flooding.

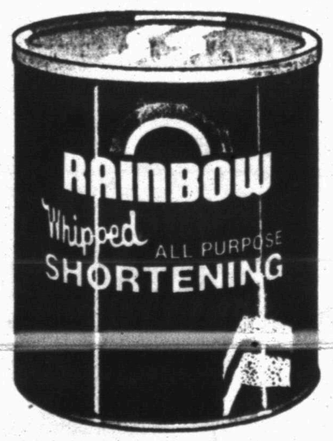
After the area survey is completed, Dunham said he and his group plan to select sites for excavation and detailed study of artifacts that can be recovered from the ruins.

He said his group has now found seven civilization centers in the Monkey River area that have not previously been studied.

Mayan civilization began in Central America about 1000 B.C. and continued until the arrival of Europeans in the 1500s.

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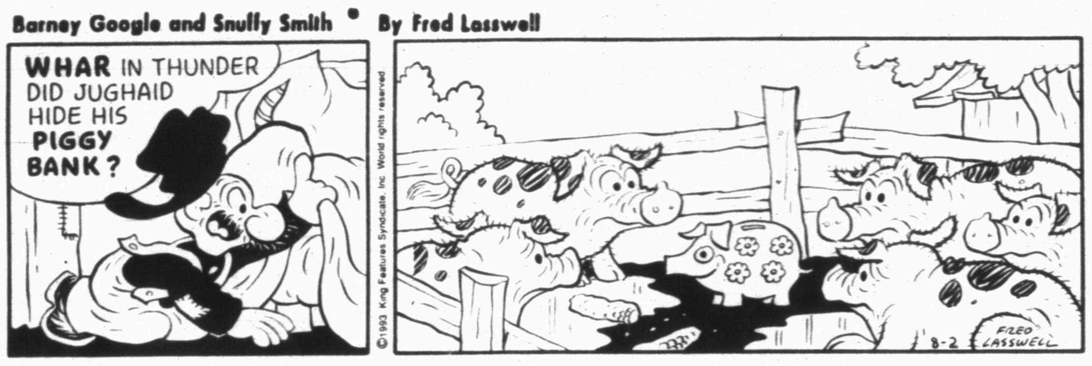
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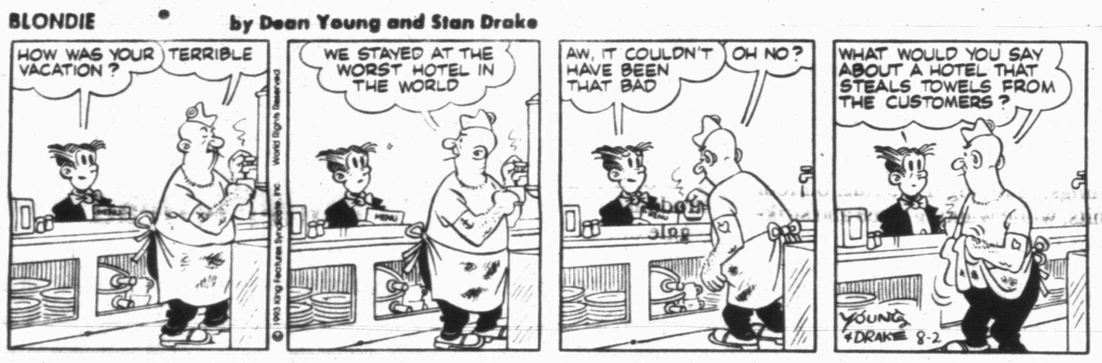
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4 Plods
9 Large
12 It's cold!
13 Author Joyce Carol —
14 Heat unit (abbr.)
15 Meadow
16 Sour substance
17 Shoo!
18 Ox harnesses
20 Hebrew letter
21 Mathematical term
23 The (Ger.)
24 Fragments
28 Noah's boat
30 Sofa
32 Rockfish
34 Youngster
35 Famous actor
36 Vigorous
39 Sched. abbr.
40 Appeared
41 Crane-arm part
43 Cry of pain
44 Bible div.
45 Church instrument
47 Soviet Union (abbr.)
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54 Next to Sun.
55 Guide
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57 — — carte
58 Tears
59 River in Germany

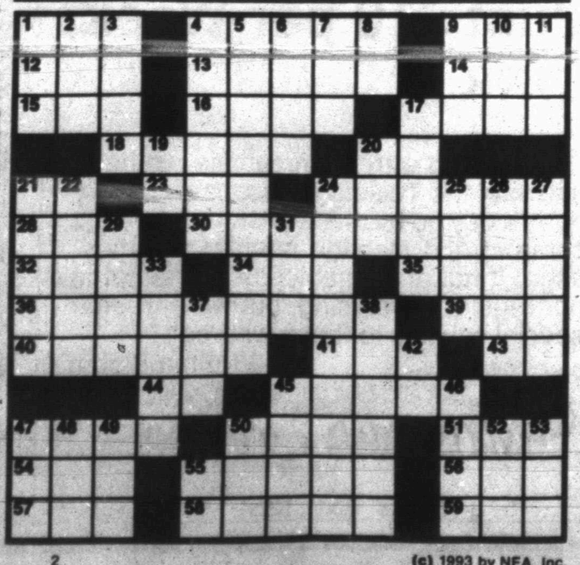
DOWN

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2 Anger
3 Medical picture
4 Waterlogged
5 Tore
6 Cornelia — Skinner
7 Food fish
8 Shipping abbr.
9 UK broadcasters
10 Call — — day
11 Racket-string material
17 Oozes
19 Hypothetical force
20 Metal fastener
21 Peels
22 Actress — Worth
24 Thoroughbred
25 Pigeon shelter
26 Muse of poetry
27 Hat material
29 Leg joint
31 Large tub
33 Protective covering
37 Obtain
38 Smoker's items
42 College deg.
45 Part of stove
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47 Actress Thurman
48 The sun
49 Wild sheep
50 Southwestern Indian
52 Edge
53 Draft agcy.
55 Father of Jr.

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Johnson calls it "ugly"...

Vikings, turnovers sink Dallas Cowboys

IRVING (AP) — Jimmy Johnson is already worried about the Super Bowl victory turning the heads of his Dallas Cowboys.

"We need a sense of urgency and we don't have one," said the Cowboys coach after a 13-7 exhibition loss to the Minnesota Vikings. "Right now there are 27 teams ready to take our Super Bowl rings and stick 'em. It's alarming the way we played. We have some serious problems."

The Cowboys had five turnovers in the loss.

"It's as ugly a game as we have had in some time," Johnson said. "It was very uninspired. It's dangerous to say we will be fine when the season starts. It would take all night for me to list our problems."

Johnson lost his starting strong safety, Darren Woodson, for six weeks with a broken arm.

"I'm having an operation in the morning and the doctors are saying six weeks but I'll be back before that," said Woodson. "I'll just have to win the starting job back again."

James Washington, who had been demoted to second team, will get his old job back.

Minnesota coach Dennis Green said it was a typical exhibition game.

"We brought 75 players and played every one of them," Green said. "We played five different quarterbacks and couldn't get any consistent offense.

"It's a tough situation to play in preseason games like this. The weather was hot and nobody could get the offense to click. But we won and that's good."

Green said he still has no clue to his starting quarterback.

"The job is just wide open," he said. "No one clicked. Hopefully by the time we start the regular season against the Los Angeles Raiders we will have an offense that works well."

Roger Craig's 1-yard touchdown run and two field goals by Fuad Reveiz carried the Vikings to the victory.

Cornerback Carl Lee intercepted a Hugh Millen pass and Reveiz kicked a 43-yard field goal to put the Vikings on top 3-0.

Quarterback Sean Salisbury orchestrated a 45-yard drive capped by Roger Craig's 1-yard run to give Minnesota a 10-0 lead early in the second period.

Millen, who is playing for the world champion Cowboys while Super Bowl MVP Troy Aikman heals from back surgery, suffered two interceptions and three sacks.

He took the Cowboys on a 64-yard drive late in the second period and capped it with a 1-yard scoring toss to fullback Daryl Johnston to trim the Dallas deficit to 10-7 at halftime.

A fumble by Clayton Holmes on a punt return was recovered by the Vikings Ron Carpenter to setup a 31-yard field goal by Reveiz in the third period.

Millen completed 19 of 29 passes for 137 yards before giving way to Jason Garrett late in the third quarter. The Cowboys also lost rookie safety Mike Middleton with a sprained knee and it's not determined how long he will be out.

Minnesota lost starting wide receiver Ronnie West with a sprained knee.

Jim McMahon made his debut with his fourth NFL team and hit two of six passes for 22 yards.

"Jim is still learning the system," Green said. "We need someone with experience."

Minnesota now has a 4-2 record over Dallas in preseason games. It was the first exhibition meeting between the two teams since 1975 when the Vikings won 16-13.

"Coach Johnson was pretty mad after the game," said rookie wide receiver Kevin Williams. "He wasn't a level three in madness but he was a strong two."

Dallas guard John Gesek said "Jimmy was upset about our overall effort and he might be right. There was no level of urgency."

Johnson said there will be when the Cowboys return from London after Sunday's game with the Detroit Lions.

Teaff accepts position as ACFA executive head

WACO (AP) — Grant Teaff announced his retirement as Baylor University athletic director, effective Aug. 31, and said today he will become executive director of the American College Football Association.

"This decision was very difficult because of my longtime investment in Baylor University, Baylor football, and Baylor athletics, said Teaff, who came to Baylor as head football coach in 1972.

Teaff is a Snyder native and Snyder High School graduate who spent 21 years with the Bears program before becoming athletic director last year.

"Baylor University has given my family and me outstanding support for many years and we will leave with the greatest of memories."

Teaff, who said he would consider moving the ACFA headquarters from Orlando, Fla. to Waco. The organization has about 6,500 members.

The university did not immediately name Teaff's successor, but it was expected to be associate athletic director Dick Ellis.



GRANT TEAFF

"I'm excited about the challenge of serving the ACFA membership and leading our association through the challenges of the future. I look forward to the support of the American football coaches and others who love the game."

Baylor President Herbert Reynolds said in a taped message: "On behalf of 85,000 living alumni, I want to thank you for serving as a role model for this university. I appreciate your loyalty to Baylor and your strong desire to win."

Teaff will replace Charley McClendon, who will step down on Jan. 1, 1994.

Teaff, the winningest football coach in Baylor history, handed over the head coaching job at the end of last season to assistant Chuck Reedy.

He has been chairman of the ACFA ethics and rules committees.

Teaff, 59, had a record of 128-105-6 and his teams were 4-4 in bowl appearances. Teaff took Baylor to the Cotton Bowl twice, losing both.

Only three other coaches, Darrell Royal, Frank Broyles, and Jess Neely have won more games in the Southwest Conference than Teaff, who became Baylor's head coach on Dec. 23, 1971.

He recently finished a pictorial history of his career at Baylor called "Seasons of Glory" and is giving all proceeds to the school's women's athletic department.

Jackson inducted into Hall

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. (AP) — Thousands of baseball fans and 38 members of the Hall of Fame came to see Reggie Jackson have another great moment.

In his induction speech Sunday on a packed school field about 11/2 miles from the Hall of Fame complex, Jackson tried to link all eras of baseball.

He eloquently pointed out the good and bad things about baseball. He told each current player how they must carry on the great traditions of the game.

But more than anything, Reggie gave the players of the old Negro Leagues a say they were so often denied and a rightful place in baseball history with him in the Hall of Fame.

Nick Price wins again

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Nick Price has an explanation for his outstanding year on the PGA Tour.

"Someone is looking down favorably on me," Price said Sunday after winning his fourth tournament of the season.

There's more to it than that as the South Africa native, who now lives in Orlando, Fla., is cruising atop the money list and has a chance for the best year on tour since 1980.

His final-round 66 gave him a three-stroke victory in the $1.1 million Federal Express-St. Jude Classic, his third tour win in as many stops.

"I go along for 10 years or eight years over here and I've been making a nice living coming in second every now and then or third or fourth, and suddenly 1993 comes along and I win four times in five months," he said.

"I'm just playing well. I'm hitting the ball in the fairway. I'm hitting the ball on the green and I'm making putts. There's not much more to say than that."

No other golfer has more than two victories this year.

Ray Floyd wins senior event

JERICHO, N.Y. (AP) — Play on the PGA Tour? Play on the Senior PGA Tour? Play on both?

Raymond Floyd, the only player to win on both tours in the same year, isn't ready to address any of those questions until both schedules end in December.

"As long as I'm competitive I'm going to be playing golf," the 50-year-old Floyd said Sunday after matching the tournament record with a final-round 65 to win the $550,000 Northville Long Island Classic by two strokes.

Floyd, who started the final round five strokes off the lead, had three birdies in the first four holes and then added four more in his record-tying round over the par-72, 6,775-yard Meadow Brook Club course.

Five golfers finished in a tie for second at 210: second-round leader Walt Zembriski, who had a 72; Bob Betley and left-hander Bob Charles, each with a 67; and Bruce Lehnhard and Harold Henning, who both shot 68.

Baseball glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	61	45	.575	-
New York	60	46	.566	1
Boston	59	46	.562	1½
Baltimore	55	49	.529	5
Detroit	53	53	.500	8
Cleveland	49	56	.467	11½
Milwaukee	42	61	.408	17½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	58	45	.563	-
Kansas City	54	51	.514	5
Texas	52	52	.500	6½
Seattle	51	54	.486	8
California	48	56	.462	10½
Minnesota	44	58	.431	13½
Oakland	44	58	.431	13½

Saturday's Games

Toronto 3, Detroit 1
New York 5, Milwaukee 4
Texas 8, Oakland 2
Baltimore 4, Boston 0
Cleveland 6, Kansas City 4
Chicago 13, Seattle 10
California 4, Minnesota 3

Sunday's Games

Toronto 2, Detroit 1
Milwaukee 9, New York 2
Boston 2, Baltimore 1
Cleveland 9, Kansas City 5
Minnesota 9, California 2
Oakland 9, Texas 5
Chicago 4, Seattle 0

Monday's Games

Toronto (Stottlemyre 5-7) at New York (Abbott 8-8), 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee (Miranda 0-2) at Baltimore (Valenzuela 6-7), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Bere 5-3) at Texas (Pavlik 6-5), 8:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Detroit (Bergman 1-2) at Cleveland (Lopez 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Hentgen 12-5) at New York (Hutton 1-0), 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee (Bones 6-7) at Baltimore (Moyer 7-5), 7:35 p.m.
Boston (Dopson 7-5) at Minnesota (Banks 7-7), 8:05 p.m.
Chicago (Bolton 2-6) at Texas (Leibrandt 9-7), 8:35 p.m.
Seattle (Johnson 10-7) at Oakland (Welch 8-7), 10:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Pichardo 5-7) at California (Langston 10-5), 10:05

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	67	39	.632	-
St. Louis	59	45	.567	7
Montreal	56	49	.533	10½
Chicago	53	50	.515	12½
Pittsburgh	47	58	.448	19½
Florida	44	60	.423	22
New York	36	68	.346	30

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	71	35	.670	-
Atlanta	64	43	.598	7½
Los Angeles	54	50	.519	16
Houston	54	51	.514	16½
Cincinnati	53	54	.495	18½
San Diego	41	65	.387	30
Colorado	36	68	.346	34

Saturday's Games

Cincinnati 6, San Diego 3
Atlanta 4, Houston 3
Los Angeles 7, Chicago 2, 13 innings
Philadelphia 10, Pittsburgh 2
Montreal 6, Florida 5
St. Louis 4, New York 3
San Francisco 4, Colorado 3

Sunday's Games

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

Monday's Games

Pittsburgh (Wagner 5-6) at Chicago (Harkey 7-5), 2:20 p.m.
Colorado (Blair 4-7) at Cincinnati (Pugh 6-10), 7:35 p.m.
New York (Saberhagen 6-7) at Montreal (K.Hill 7-2), 7:35 p.m.
Florida (Armstrong 7-10) at St. Louis (Tewksbury 10-7), 8:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Pittsburgh (Z.Smith 0-4) at Chicago (Hibbard 8-7), 2:20 p.m.
Colorado (Sanford 0-0) at Cincinnati (Luebbers 2-2), 7:35 p.m.
New York (Tanana 5-10) at Montreal (Fassero 6-1), 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia (Mulholland 10-8) at Atlanta (Avery 11-3), 7:40 p.m.
Los Angeles (Gross 7-9) at Houston (Portugal 9-4), 8:05 p.m.
Florida (Hough 5-11) at St. Louis (Osborne 9-4), 8:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Black 8-2) at San Diego (Brocail 2-7), 10:05 p.m.

Wade Boggs, while with the Red Sox, had a stretch of four seasons with at least 200 hits and 100 walks.

Ex-Ranger Ruben Sierra fuels 9-5 Oakland triumph

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — While Rickey Henderson was absent from the Oakland Athletics' lineup, Todd Van Poppel and Ruben Sierra did their best to make up for it.

While Henderson, traded Saturday night to the Toronto Blue Jays, was milling around saying goodbye to fans and teammates on Sunday, Van Poppel and Sierra were leading the A's to a 9-5 victory over the Texas Rangers.

Van Poppel got his first major league win; Sierra a three-run homer.

Van Poppel (1-3) was making his fifth major league start for the A's. The Arlington, Texas, native was going up against the team he grew up watching, but it didn't seem to daunt him.

"I tried not to think about it. And when I got out there, it felt like I was just pitching against another team," he said. However, he added: "I grew up and watched the Rangers. It was a special moment for me."

The 21-year-old went five innings, allowing three runs on four hits, while walking three and striking out two.

Sierra's three-run shot came in the Athletics' five-run fifth inning.

Jeff Paquette started the decisive rally with a homer, his sixth, off Texas starter Kenny Rogers (8-7) to make it 5-3. Jerry Browne, Henderson's replacement in left, then singled, took second on Mike Bordick's sacrifice bunt and scored on Scott Hemond's double.

Sierra's homer off Texas reliever Mike Schooler, following an out and a walk to Lance Blankenship, boosted the Oakland lead to 9-3. It was Sierra's 17th home run and his eighth three-run shot this season.

Henderson, who holds baseball's career stolen base record with 1,073, was batting .327 with 47 RBIs and 31 stolen bases when his trade to Toronto was struck Saturday night. The A's got minor league pitcher Steve Karsay and a player to be named later.

"It's more pressure for the whole team to produce runs now that Rickey's gone," Sierra said. "It hurts when you lose a player like him, the best left fielder in baseball, and he had to leave."

Blankenship tied the score at 2-2 in the fourth with an RBI single off Rogers. Brent Gates drove in Hemond with a single before Sierra's single scored Blankenship for a 4-2 A's lead.

The A's got another solo home run from Terry Steinbach, his ninth, in the third inning.

Rogers lasted four-plus innings, allowing 10 hits and five earned runs.

Rafael Palmeiro hit a two-run homer in the fourth off Van Poppel, then added a solo homer in the eighth. It was his fourth two-homer game this season and the eighth in his career.

The 26 homers tied Palmeiro's career-best in 1991. The hits also extended his hitting streak to 10 games.

"Pitchers are pitching me tough. I'm just laying off their good pitches and looking for something to hit," he said. "It helps to have Juan behind me."

That would be Juan Gonzalez, who followed Palmeiro's second homer with one of his own, his 31st, to make it 9-5. The two have hit back-to-back homers three times this season.

Win series, 3-1...

Astrodome becomes home of the Braves

HOUSTON (AP) — This place is looking more like the home of the Braves.

Atlanta beat the Houston Astros 3-2 Sunday giving the Braves the series, 3-1, and extending a two-year dominance that is uncanny.

Atlanta has now beaten Houston 19 of the last 21 games in the Astrodome, where most teams struggle due to the expansive field which is custom-made for the Astros' good pitching and few legitimate home-run hitters.

"That record will stand forever. This team has always been tough to beat here and they always will be," Braves manager Bobby Cox said of the record his team has fashioned since Aug. 10, 1991.

"I can't explain it ... I think we're a good team and I think they moved the fences in some. This used to be a no-home-run park and now both teams hit some. But I still find it hard to believe how well we've done here," Cox said.

After losing the opener of the series, 2-0, the Braves hit three home runs the last three games, including David Justice's 25th home run Sunday. The three straight wins, however, probably had more to do with clutch pitching.

John Smoltz scattered seven hits, walked only one and struck out six in eight innings to improve his record to 10-8 Sunday.

"Smoltzie could have gone longer," Cox said. "He had excellent stuff all day long. He was mighty tough."

"I had three pitches today that I felt I can get them out with and today my slider was especially going well," Smoltz said. "I really didn't make a mistake today. I felt as good as I've felt all year.

"Everything's going good for them right now," first baseman Jeff Bagwell said. "And a lot of it has to do with their pitching staff. Smoltz is so good that he gets outs when he needs them."

All-American center is dead

FORT WORTH (AP) — Darrell George Lester, who became Texas Christian University's first consensus All-American in 1935, has died in a Temple hospital following a lengthy illness. He was 79.

Lester, who died Friday, was the center for quarterback Sammy Baugh when the Horned Frogs won 12 games in 1935.

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Parents grieve slaying of their two children

DALLAS (AP) — Investigators continue to search for clues in the murders of a 13-year-old East Texas girl, whose hands and head were severed, and her 15-year-old stepbrother.

James Brian King and Christina Ann Benjamin, whose bodies were discovered last week by a road worker in rural Telico, were buried Sunday.

Lt. Royce Gothard of the Ellis County Sheriff's Department said the girl's naked body was covered with cuts and found in the brush beside a gravel road.

King's fully-clothed body was found nearby in a creek with no visible wounds, Gothard said.

Gothard said no arrests had been made Sunday evening and that there are few clues in the murders. He said the Sheriff's Department has contacted the Texas Rangers for help and is prepared to call the FBI if the case is not solved soon.

Autopsy results from the Dallas County Medical Examiner's officer were pending, Gothard said.

The teens were last seen by their father Tuesday when they left their home to go to the store, Gothard said. They weren't reported missing until Wednesday.

"They've never run off before," said Donna Brown, the girl's mother and the boy's stepmother. "We figured we'd give them a chance to come back first."

Monday night, they went to a convenience store for a soda, Ms. Brown said. Around 1 a.m. Tuesday, her husband James King saw his son talking to someone in a light-colored, older-model Ford.

Investigators still are trying to figure out what happened next to the teens, whom one close friend described as "more than brother and sister ... like best friends."

It's unlikely they were killed in Telico, authorities say. Family and friends say the teens never visited the area where they were found.

Some Palmer residents linked the teens' deaths to members of a Satanic group that has terrorized the town's animals for several years.

"Everybody knows they have a thing about blonde hair and blue eyes," said Amy Jones, 21. "How else do you explain how Christina lost her head and hands and Brian, who is dark-haired, was all there?"

Gothard did not deny the possibility that the killings could be Satanic in nature.

DOE official seeks firing of the director of SSC lab

WASHINGTON (AP) — The top Energy Department official at the super collider has recommended that the department fire the project manager, the Washington Post reported today.

An internal memo by Joseph Cipriano, associate director of the DOE's Office of Energy Research, also recommends slashing the funds requested for the $10 billion project next year. The Clinton administration is seeking $640 million for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1. The House voted in June to terminate all funding, leaving the collider's future in the hands of the Senate. No Senate action is expected before September.

The memo also took aim at the director of the super collider laboratory, physicist Roy Schwitters. "Replacing the lab director now ... may be the only way to keep the lab from falling apart," Cipriano wrote. "Morale is very low, confidence in existing management is practically nonexistent and cost and schedule trends are worsening at alarming rates."

In an interview with the newspaper, Schwitters said the memo was characterized to him by DOE officials as "being an individual's views ... rather than department policy."

Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary in June initiated a review of management at the super collider.

UUMC plans Bible study on 'Genesis'

Do you want to know about what happened "in the beginning?"

Dean Guest, pastor of Union United Methodist Church, will be teaching a verse by verse in depth study on the Book of Genesis.

The study will start Tuesday, Aug 17, at 6:30 p.m. and will continue on a weekly basis. The lessons will be held in the fellowship hall of Union United Methodist Church. The classes will be interdenominational. The public invited. There is no fee.

PD notes 13 arrests

Snyder police made 13 arrests over the weekend and early today, including two on felony charges.

Officers were called to the 250 Club at 8:15 p.m. Saturday where they arrested a 27-year-old man for public intoxication.

At 8:17 p.m. Saturday, police arrested 20-year-old Samuel Vasquez in the 2700 block of Avenue F for felony driving while intoxicated and driving with a suspended license.

Officers arrested a 32-year-old man for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and a 27-year-old man for public intoxication at 1:28 a.m. Sunday in the 1300 block of Coliseum Drive.

At 6:15 a.m. Sunday, officers arrested an 18-year-old man in the 2700 block of Avenue I for public intoxication.

At 6:31 p.m., police arrested a 22-year-old man in the 400 block of 19th Street for driving with a suspended license.

Officers arrested 27-year-old Rafael Torres for felony driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest at 9:09 p.m. Sunday in the 1200 block of 24th Street. Also arrested was a 35-year-old woman for public intoxication, resisting arrest and Class C assault.

Police arrested two men, ages 29 and 31, for public intoxication at 12 a.m. today at Town & Country convenience store.

Police also arrested three male juveniles at 4:07 a.m. today in the 3200 block of 40th Street for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and unlawful carrying of a weapon, a butterfly knife.

At 6:05 a.m. today, Glenda McKinney notified police that someone had broken into her daughter's vehicle and taken some cash. A report for burglary of a vehicle was filed.

In one other report, a woman advised police at 1:12 a.m. today that her common-law husband had assaulted her. A report for Class A assault was filed.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Geraldine Grady, 3001 38th; David Leatherman, Snyder Nursing Center; Brigette Thompson, 2905 College; James Anderson, 3210 Ave. K; Mona Lewis, 1741 Smith; Arnita Vaughan, Hermleigh; Faye Galloway, HCR 69 Box 11.

DISMISSALS: Rebecca Miller and baby, Leslie Hancock, Horace Pruett.

Census: 52 (Med.-16, Long-Term Care-34, OB-1).

DATE BOOK

Aug. 2, 1993

Today is the 214th day of 1993 and the 43rd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1990, President Saddam Hussein of Iraq ordered the invasion of Kuwait.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Tyndall (1820-1893), British natural philosopher; Myrna Loy (1905-), actress, is 88; Beatrice Straight (1918-), actress, is 75; Carroll O'Connor (1924-), actor, is 69; James Baldwin (1925-1987), novelist; Peter O'Toole (1932-), actor, is 61.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1864, Saratoga Racetrack opened in upstate New York.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Life is a wave, which in no two consecutive moments of its existence is composed of the same particles." — John Tyndall

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1975, Providence, R.I., set the state heat record of 104 degrees.

SOURCE: THE WEATHER CHANNEL®1993 Weather Guide Calendar, Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Full moon.

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET

These days, you put your best foot forward at your peril. Someone will trip over it, then sue your socks off.

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Police work three mishaps

Local police officers investigated three traffic accidents Saturday.

Officers worked a two-vehicle mishap at 11:15 a.m. in the 4000 block of Avenue U. Involved were a 1986 Pontiac driven by Judy Rosemary Sanchez of HC 72 Ira, and a 1989 Dodge driven by Elon Foy Banks of 4000 Ave. U.

Police worked a three-vehicle accident at 5:15 p.m. in the 3400 block of College Avenue. Involved were a 1986 Dodge driven by Shayla Jeter of 3782 Ave. V, a 1986 Ford pickup driven by Gary Garson of Abilene and a 1992 Pontiac driven by Michael Black of Rt. 3.

Ten minutes later, police worked a two-vehicle accident in the 4300 block of College Avenue. Involved were a 1986 Chevrolet pickup driven by Robert Pierce of 3511 Ave. X and a 1991 Mazda driven by Sue Anderson of Rt. 1.

So reports three cases

Sheriff's deputies handled three complaints over the weekend, including one which resulted in an arrest.

At 11:15 p.m. Sunday, a man reported that the window of his car had been shot out while he was driving along Highway 208 just north of where the road intersects with FM 1606.

At 1:12 p.m. Saturday, a man reported that a relative had caused damage to the inside of his daughter's trailer. Deputies are investigating.

At 7:30 p.m., a woman reported a subject in a truck littering near the Allsup's store in Hermleigh. Deputies arrested a 34-year-old man for Class C littering.

Markets
Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	663/8	653/4	657/8	+3/8
Albertsons	51	501/2	505/8	-1/4
Alldsignal	705/8	701/8	705/8	+1/2
Alltel s	263/8	261/8	261/8	-1/8
AmStores	435/8	431/2	435/8	-1/4
Amer T&T	633/4	631/4	635/8	+1/4
Ameritech	811/2	813/8	813/8	
Amoco	55	545/8	547/8	+1/8
AndarkPtr	393/8	381/2	393/8	+1/4
Arkla	93/4	95/8	95/8	
ArmcoInc	63/8	61/8	61/4	
AtlRichfld	1165/8	1151/2	1151/2	-1/4
BakerHughes	267/8	263/8	263/4	+1/4
BancTexas	17/8	17/8	17/8	
BellAtl	595/8	591/8	591/8	-3/8
BellSouth	583/4	58	583/4	+5/8
Beth Steel	15	147/8	15	+1/2
Borden	161/4	157/8	16	-1/4
Caterpllr	78	765/8	777/8	+1
CenSoWst	333/8	33	33	-1/2
Chevron	881/4	88	881/4	-1/8
Chrysler	443/8	433/4	441/4	+3/8
Coastal	275/8	271/2	271/2	-1/8
CocaCola	445/8	433/8	435/8	+3/8
ColgatePalm	515/8	51	51	-3/8
ComlMetl	37	367/8	37	
Cooperin	501/8	50	50	
CyprusMn	273/8	263/4	267/8	-3/8
DallSemicn	161/2	161/8	161/2	+1/2
DeltaAirl	505/8	501/4	501/4	+1/8
DigitalEq	361/8	355/8	357/8	+3/8
Dillard	371/2	373/8	373/8	-1/8
DowChem	593/4	591/4	593/8	-5/8
DresserInd	241/4	241/8	241/4	+1/8
DuPont	471/8	467/8	467/8	
EstKodak	541/2	533/4	541/2	+7/8
EljerInd	53/4	53/4	53/4	
Enserch	181/4	181/8	181/8	
Exxon	66	653/4	653/4	+1/8
FlowerInd	163/4	165/8	163/4	
FordMotor	54	53	533/4	+1
GTE Cp	363/8	361/4	363/8	+3/8
GenDynam	903/4	901/2	903/4	+1/2
GenElct	993/8	981/2	993/8	+7/8
GnMill	607/8	605/8	607/8	+1/8
GenMotors	493/8	483/4	491/8	+5/8
GnMotr E	28	273/4	277/8	+3/8
GaPacif	621/8	611/2	621/8	+5/8
GlobalMar	41/2	43/8	43/8	-1/8
Goodrich	461/4	457/8	461/8	-3/8
Goodyear s	421/4	411/2	421/4	+1/2
GtAtlPac	305/8	301/2	305/8	+1/4
Gulf StaUt	181/2	181/2	181/2	-1/8
Haliburtn	395/8	391/8	391/2	-1/8
Hanson ADS	177/8	175/8	177/8	+1/8
HoustInd	461/8	451/2	453/4	-1/4
IBM	443/4	441/8	441/4	-1/4
IntlPaper	637/8	633/8	631/2	-1/4
JohnsnJns	371/4	365/8	367/8	+3/8
K mart	203/4	201/2	203/4	+1/4
Kroger	181/4	181/8	181/8	
Litton	673/4	671/8	673/8	+1/4
vjLoneStar	17/8	17/8	17/8	+1/8
Lowes	373/4	371/2	373/4	+1/8
Lubys	235/8	231/2	235/8	+1/4
Maxus	73/4	71/2	75/8	-1/4
MayDS s	413/4	407/8	413/8	+3/4
Medtronic	611/4	605/8	607/8	+1/8
Mobil	753/8	737/8	737/8	—1 1/2
Monsanto	573/8	571/8	571/8	
Motorola s	931/4	901/8	931/8	+21/2
Nationsbk	501/2	50	501/2	+1/8
Navistar s	265/8	261/8	261/8	-1/2
Nynex	90	895/8	897/8	-1/8
OryxEngy	205/8	201/4	201/2	+1/8
PacTelesis	487/8	481/2	485/8	-1/4
PanhECp	251/8	245/8	251/8	+1/2
PenneyJC s	453/4	451/4	453/4	+3/8
Penzoil	655/8	651/8	651/2	+1/8
PepBoys	207/8	203/4	207/8	
PhelpDodge	471/4	467/8	467/8	-3/8
PhilipPet	303/4	303/8	301/2	-1/4
PilgrmPrd	81/2	81/2	81/2	+1/8
Polaroid	371/8	367/8	371/8	+1/8
Praxair n	153/4	153/8	151/2	-1/8
Primerica s	543/8	541/8	541/8	+1/8
ProctGamble	487/8	481/2	485/8	-1/8
PubS NwMx	121/2	121/2	121/2	-1/4
SFePacCp	183/4	181/2	183/4	+1/4
SaraLee s	233/8	227/8	231/8	+1/8
SearsRoeb s	501/8	493/4	493/4	-3/8
SherwinW	313/4	315/8	315/8	-1/8
SmthBchADS	321/2	323/8	323/8	-1/4
SmthBc eqt	283/4	281/2	285/8	+1/4
Southern Co	415/8	411/2	411/2	
SwAirlines s	33	323/4	33	
SwBell s	405/8	403/8	405/8	+1/8
Sprint	361/2	361/4	363/8	+3/8
SterlingChm	33/4	35/8	35/8	-1/8
SunCo	271/8	263/4	267/8	-1/8
TNP Ent	173/8	171/4	173/8	
Tandy	287/8	285/8	287/8	+1/4
TempiInl	445/8	441/2	441/2	-1/8
Tenneco	493/8	491/4	491/4	-3/8
Texaco	631/4	621/4	621/4	-5/8
TexasInd	241/8	237/8	241/8	+1/4
TexasInst	711/4	703/4	711/8	+3/8
Tex Util	477/8	473/4	473/4	-1/8
Textron	537/8	531/8	533/4	+7/8
Trinity	503/8	501/8	503/8	
TritonEngy	31	307/8	307/8	-1/8
Tyler	5	5	5	
US West	47	465/8	47	+1/8
USX Delhi n	21	207/8	207/8	
USX-Marathn	171/2	173/8	173/8	-1/4
USX-USS	301/4	291/2	30	-1/8
UnCarbde	187/8	185/8	183/4	
UnPac	643/8	637/8	643/8	+3/4
UnitedTech	541/2	541/8	541/2	+1/4
Unocal	283/4	281/8	281/8	-3/4
WalMart s	253/4	251/4	253/4	+3/8
WstnGasRs	355/8	353/8	353/8	
WestghEl	157/8	155/8	153/4	
WinnDixie	571/4	571/8	571/4	+1/4
Woolwth	251/2	25	251/4	+3/8
Xerox Cp	735/8	723/4	731/4	+1/4
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Lebanon's army placed on 'standby'

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — The army command ordered troops at Mediterranean garrisons today to stand by for a takeover of U.N.-policed villages facing Israel's self-styled "security zone," military sources said.

The move would reverse Lebanese government policy and put the army in a position to curb guerrilla attacks — the result Israel said it wanted in launching its air, sea and artillery attacks last week in southern Lebanon.

The attacks killed 140 people, wounded 496 and displaced 500,000. Two Israeli civilians were killed and 24 were injured in northern Israel in the guerrillas' retaliatory rocket barrages.

The week-long fighting was halted Saturday by a U.S.-brokered cease-fire, two days ahead of Secretary of State Warren Christopher's Middle East swing promoting an 11th round of Arab-Israeli peace talks. He was in Cairo today.

Military sources said troops at Lebanon's southern port cities of Sidon and Tyre were being prepared for deployment in U.N.-policed areas once the United Nations approves the coexistence of its peacekeepers and Lebanese soldiers.

The sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Prime Minister Rafik Hariri called U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali overnight and obtained his approval of the move.

They said the Lebanese deployment would begin taking place after a series of coordination meetings with officers of the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon. One source said the deployment would not be immediate.

On Sunday, however, Lebanese troops began to move into southern villages, set up checkpoints, search for weapons and confiscate rockets of the type the guerrillas had fired last week

New levee breaks flood Illinois farmland

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Floodwaters submerged a rural Illinois town today and thousands of St. Louis residents were evacuated out of fears of a propane gas explosion. But forecasters delivered unexpected good news: the area may have already seen its highest river levels.

The Mississippi River was measured at 48.6 feet this morning in St. Louis, below Sunday's high of 49.4 feet and well short of the record 49.7-foot crest previously forecast for today.

"The current thinking may be that the highest point it reached may have been yesterday morning," said National Weather Service forecaster Ted Schroeder. "It may be steadily and slowly falling."

But the relief in St. Louis came at the expense of people downstream. Officials said the Mississippi level dropped because of levee breaks that flooded tens of thousands of acres of Illinois farmland just to the southeast.

The latest levee collapse came early today in Monroe County, Ill., when a barrier burst and brown floodwaters covered the small town of Valmeyer. With nothing to stop the water's flow, farms and small communities for 20 miles were threatened.

Since Friday, waters have attacked the St. Louis area from all sides, testing the St. Louis flood wall, straining a soggy levee in the city's south end and overwhelming farmlands. Thousands of people are without drinking water just to the east in rural Illinois.

St. Louis police ordered the evacuation of about 2,500 people in a 30-square block area where the River Des Peres empties into the Mississippi. Officials are worried that 50 propane tanks, floating in floodwaters at a Phillips Pipeline Co. site, could explode.

"This has the potential for a truly major disaster," said police Chief Clarence Harmon. "This is a mandatory, forced evacuation."

Buses were being rounded up to take residents to an emergency shelter as the city shut off utilities in the area. Efforts to stabilize the tanks were halted Sunday night by a flash fire. It burned itself out in less than a minute.

In St. Charles, just northwest of St. Louis, several sections of a levee along the Missouri gave way early today, forcing the evacuation of about 200 homes. Less than an hour after the break, water was already six feet deep in some areas.

"It's coming through good," police Sgt. Mike Powell said. "It finally just blew through."

Some 1,000 residents in the already soggy area left their homes Sunday after river water poured over a levee.

Nerves remained taut as forecasters predicted the rivers would reach their highest levels ever today when they collide just north of the city.

Forecasters estimated the river crests would collide overnight north of the city where they converge. Officials said the Mississippi would reach 49.7 feet, 19.7 feet above the flood level. The Missouri was expected to crest at 39 feet this afternoon, 14 feet above flood stage, said National Weather Service meteorologist Dan Ferry in St. Louis.

Even after the crest, the threat of damage won't be over. The Mississippi is expected to drop only a few inches a day.

A key unknown was the city's 52-foot floodwall, which never has been tested by such relentless pressure. Workers have been reinforcing it since it sprang a leak recently in an industrial area north of downtown.

"You have to worry," said Delores Suda, director of the city's Emergency Management Agency. "We've seen what happened in other towns with levees and floodwalls."

Nearly two months of flooding in nine Midwestern states has contributed to 45 deaths and caused at least $10 billion in damage to crops and property.

Obituaries

S.T. Minor

1913-1993

Services are set for 10 a.m. Wednesday in the East Side Church of Christ for Samuel T. Minor, 80, of Turpin, Okla., who died Saturday in the Southwest Medical Center. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery. A service for Mr. Minor is also set for 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Western Ave. Church of Christ Liberal, Kan. where Mr. Minor was a member.

Born in 1913 in Memphis, Tex., to Samuel Tipton and Mattie Lee (Lott) Minor, he was a retired farmer and had worked for Scurry County as a road maintainer driver. He and his wife moved to the Liberal, Kan., area in November of 1987, from Snyder.

He was married to Zetta Black on Nov. 15, 1930 in Snyder. Six sisters preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife, Zetta, of the home; one daughter, Mrs. Dale (Enid) Lollar of Turpin, Okla.; one brother, Fred Minor of Tahlequah, Okla; and three grandchildren.

Friends may visit the family from 9 to 10 a.m. Wednesday at East Side Church of Christ.

Sonny Lee

1958-1993

EASTLAND — Services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Arrington-Edwards Funeral Home for Carlton "Sonny" H. Lee, 35, who died Friday at Presbyterian University Hospital in Pittsburg, Pa.

Lee, a 1977 graduate of Snyder High School, was chief liaison officer for the National Commission on AIDS, and a long-time health-care research and policy expert. Cause of death is believed to have been acute toxic injury resulting from an experimental drug which was being tested as a cure for chronic Hepatitis B. Mr. Lee had been a participant in the clinical trial administered by the National Institute of Health.

After graduating from Snyder High School, Mr. Lee attended Western Texas College, graduating in 1980. He was president of the local Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, national junior college honorary fraternity and in 1980 was named to the organization's National Hall of Honor.

He then earned a degree in international studies and political science from the College of Public and International Affairs at American University in Washington, D.C. At American University, Mr. Lee was a member of Pi Sigma Alpha's National Political Science Honor Society.

From 1979 until 1981, he served as the legislative director to Congressman Charles Stenholm.

Between 1981 and 1984, Mr. Lee acted as a congressional liaison and government affairs expert for several organizations, including the International Development Institute in Washington, and the Texas and Natural Resources Advisory Council in Austin.

From 1985 to 1986, Mr. Lee served as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Sierra Leone, West Africa. He worked for the Northern Integrated Agricultural Development Project, funded by the World Bank, managing tree crop nurseries. It is believed that during this period, Mr. Lee contracted Hepatitis B. In recent years, he devoted considerable energy to ensuring adequate health care and counseling for Peace Corp volunteers.

From 1987 to 1988, Mr. Lee was a congressional liaison for the Human Rights Campaign Fund, working to secure the enactment of federal law addressing AIDS. He was instrumental in securing Senate passage of the first comprehensive federal AIDS initiative.

Mr. Lee also played a critically important role in the enactment of several civil rights measures for people with AIDS and all people with disabilities.

Since 1989, Mr. Lee had been Chief Liaison Officer of the National Commission's Chair and coordinator of all legislative activities.

Survivors include his father and mother, Carlton and Joy Lee of Snyder; his grandmother, Nellie Phillips of Olden; and three sisters, Annette Truluck of Charleston, S.C.; Darlene Kriewald of Austin and Susan Humble of Levelland.

In lieu of flowers, the family has requested memorials to a favorite charity.

Rev. F. Williams

1907-1993

SWEETWATER — Services are set for 11 a.m. Tuesday in Mount Rose Baptist Church for The Rev. Frank K. Williams, 86, pastor of the church for 53 years. Burial will follow in the Sweetwater Cemetery.

Rev. Williams died Friday in a local hospital.

Born in Brazos County near Bryan, he dropped out of high school at 16 and got a job working cattle in Fisher County. At 19, he was a deacon in Mount Rose Baptist Church in McCaulley, and was ordained for the ministry in 1926. He served the McCaulley church for four years.

He also pastored Little Zion Baptist Church in Sylvester for two years, and later pastored St. John Baptist Church in Roby for eight years. He also had done farming and layed railroad track. He received his high school diploma at 31, and attended night classes at Hardin-Simmons University in 1940. He received his bachelor's degrees from Butler College in Tyler and Cole College in Shreveport, La. In 1961, Union Theological Seminary of Atlanta awarded him a doctor of divinity degree.

In October of 1990, church members celebrated Williams' 50th anniversary as pastor of their church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Exelena Williams.

Survivors include a son, Howard Williams of Dallas; 15 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

County

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Presently he is director of maintenance for Air Exec in Victoria. Prior to that he was self-employed in Rockport. He was director of maintenance for Bar-K Aviation in Victoria from June, 1985 to January, 1987.

From 1977 to 1985, he managed the city airport and maintained the maintenance shop in Alva, Oka. He also worked in corporate airplane maintenance for J.D. Hodges Trucking Co. in Woodward, Okla., and prior to that he was employed by Western Aero in Woodward and for Airmen, Inc. in Norman, Okla.

County Judge Bob Doolittle presided at this morning's session. Commissioners present were Jerry Gannaway, Ralph Trevey, Roy Idom and C.D. Gray Jr.

The court recessed until 2 p.m. today at which time commissioners will resume their 1994 budget workshop.

Galloway recovering from injuries

Eighteen-year-old William Duffy Galloway is in serious condition at Lubbock Methodist Hospital following a pickup-train collision last Friday.

Galloway, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Galloway of 4017 Houston Ave., received head injuries when the 1988 GMC pickup he was driving collided with a Santa Fe railroad train.

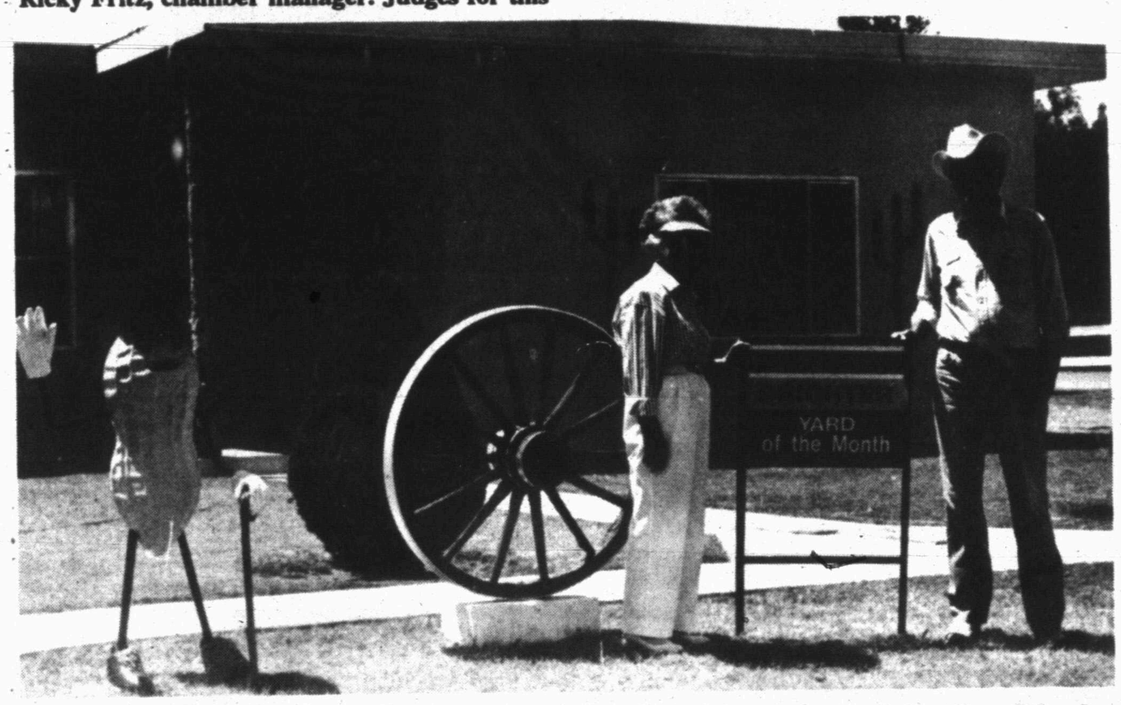
He was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room where he was treated for a skull fracture and other injuries and flown to Lubbock by an Aerocare helicopter later in the afternoon.

The accident was the second at the Avenue E crossing within the past year and the fourth vehicle-train wreck in Snyder in the past 11 months. The Avenue E crossing contains flashers, but no crossarm barricades.

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BUSINESS YARD OF THE MONTH — Guy Graves of Snyder National Bank accepts the Most Improved Business of the Month sign from Ricky Fritz, chamber manager. Judges for this month's contest were Snyder Garden Club members Geleska Baze, Polly Autry and Bobby Newton.(SDN Staff Photo)



YARD OF THE MONTH — The residence of Mr. Hulen Ballard, 1601 Ave. K, was chosen winner of the Yard of the Month by Snyder Garden Club members, represented by Geleska Baze, left. The beautification project sponsored by the chamber of commerce and the city of Snyder continues through August when another area will be judged for the "best" yard. (SDN Staff Photo)

Texan spends summer working on George Washington estate

FORT WORTH (AP) — Robert Corbett of Caddo in Stephens County has spent his summer drawing minimum-wage dollars by tromping on clay in a brick pit in an area that George Washington himself called "a hell hole."

Corbett, 19, is one of eight college students selected as interns to spend the summer making bricks and tilling fields in 18th century dress at Mount Vernon, Washington's historic estate on the shores of the Potomac.

Corbett and his seven fellow interns spent their summer working on a new exhibition area at Mount Vernon, converting a once swampy, mosquito-plagued field near the Potomac River dubbed by Washington as a "hell hole" into a new exhibit area focusing on Washington's agricultural activities.

When completed in 1996, the area will contain a working 18th century farm, including a replica of Mount Vernon's unique 16-sided brick barn, a stable and crops of wheat and corn.

The reconstruction is being underwritten by a $1.75 million grant from the W.K. Kellog Foundation in Battle Creek, Mich.

Corbett learned about the Mount Vernon internships through the Stephens County 4-H program, applied, and was accepted.

He quickly found himself ankle deep in an 1770's brick pit, as well as building cattle pens with 18th century hand tools and tilling fields with plows and implements that relied on man-behind-a-plow power rather than a tractor with an air-conditioned cab and a tape deck blaring songs from "The Grateful Dead."

"It was very challenging," the fifth generation Texas ranch youth said in a telephone interview from Mount Vernon. "It was like nothing I have ever done before. Climbing down into that clay pit and treading clay all day is equivalent to hauling hay back home, or fighting range fires in August."

He knows what he's talking about — he's fought four such range fires on his family's beef cattle ranch in Stephens County.

"The family visited Robert at Mount Vernon earlier this summer and I tried that brick pit myself," said his mother, Jerry Corbett.

"It was pretty slimy and the lady who was running the thing had arms like a wrestler."

The barn will require 32,000 bricks. When the interns leave in mid-August, they hope to have made 5,000. Right now, they're at 2,700 and counting. They average 200 a day.

And, while he's in the pit, treading straw into the brick clay, he also has to explain to the tourists what he is doing.

"That's fun. I've met a lot of people from Texas coming through to see Mount Vernon and that helps me keep in touch with home," Corbett said.

Corbett is a sophomore biochemistry major at Texas A&M University, working in genetics research on grain sorghums. He simultaneously completed his last two years of high school and his first two years of college while a student at the three-year-old Texas Academy of Mathematics and Science in Denton.

While at the academy, he showed beef cattle at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth.

When his tour at Mount Vernon ends Aug. 15, he will return to the family ranch with a greater appreciation of how things were in colonial America.

"Considering the technology of the time and they tools they had, the buildings they built were wonderful," he said. "They didn't have the modern machines we enjoy, but they got the job done."

Abortion foes look at tactics

DALLAS (AP) — Smoke bombs scattering abortion clinics. Protesters being carried away in handcuffs. Zealous preachers screaming the gospel, pleading for a stop to the "baby-killing."

These are many of the images from the anti-abortion movement, highlighted three weeks ago during Operation Rescue's 10-day "Cities of Refuge" campaign.

While such scenes have become an icon for the anti-abortion movement, some insiders say those tactics no longer work. They say it's time for the movement to change — or die.

"This is a crossroads for the pro-life movement," says Bill Price, president of Texans United for Life. "Its credibility and its future are at stake."

Price has been an ardent critic of Operation Rescue, calling the group and its tactics "radical." Prior to the 10-day campaign, Price urged Operation Rescue to cancel its protests.

"There are some very deep philosophical differences (between our groups) regarding tactics and strategy. We still have the same objective ... but we have some very deep differences regarding how to reach the end," he says.

Anti-abortion leaders say such explosive tactics, which culminated in March with the slaying of a Florida doctor at an abortion clinic, have caused a rift between the two groups and in the movement.

"Operation Rescue has become a negative force in the pro-life movement. Their tactics are counterproductive," Price says. "They have become more radical since they began four or five years ago. This is something that I think hurts the movement terribly.

"Mainstream groups have made a serious mistake by allowing them to go unchecked and unchallenged. As a result, Operation Rescue has been allowed to shape the public image of the pro-life movement, and that's a killer to our cause," he says.

Rev. Phillip "Flip" Benham, director of the Dallas-Fort Worth chapter of Operation Rescue, fervently disagrees that the anti-abortion cause is dying at the hands of his group.

"It will not kill the church of Jesus Christ and that's what we are," he says.

Benham says Operation Rescue's tactics are not guided by violence but by the Church.

"What we are doing is not radical ... it's just Christianity," he said. "You didn't see wild-eyed terrorists out there protesting. You saw mammas and daddies, little boys and girls who are simply trying to save little babies.

"The church of Jesus Christ is not going to sit down because Bill Price wants us to."

With the state's anti-abortion faction butting heads, one might expect abortion rights advocates to consider advancing their beliefs.

But Tracey Kirchenbauer, interim director of the Texas Abortion Rights League, says the apparent split is more of a hindrance than a benefit to her movement.

"Bill Price has adopted a very smart strategy by saying, 'Hey, those people are the ones who are crazies.' What's happening is Bill Price is able to bring those who have found the violence so distasteful back into the fold," she said. "This makes the anti-choice leaders appear to be split, when they are really working together."

She said the variance in the two sides' tactics is resulting in a two-pronged attack.

Texas Legislature amends FOI laws during last session

DALLAS (AP) — Despite consumer and media efforts to protect state open-government laws, lawmakers and lobbyists in the 73rd Texas Legislature managed to make certain information harder for the public to acquire, The Dallas Morning News reported in a copyright story.

Some of the new restrictions include denying the public information on dangerous health trends, inspections of convalescent homes and financial data on shaky insurance companies, the newspaper reported in Mondays editions.

The rules resulted from amendments that were tacked on to relatively obscure administrative laws.

Open-government experts say passing open government legislation through amendments to nonrelated matters misleads the public.

Attorney General Dan Morales said if legislators "obscure what you're doing to modify these acts, then you don't get the open discussion that it deserves."

Alex Gonzales, a lawyer who specializes in administrative law, said lawmakers have shifted toward adding open-records limitations to administrative laws because it's easier to get them passed that way.

"Overt attempts to modify the Open Meetings Act or the Open Records Act are usually faced with rather stout opposition from consumer and media associations," Gonzales said.

One example of this amendment pattern happened during the 73rd Legislature, when lawmakers expanded confidentiality to include additional records maintained by the Texas Department of Insurance.

Rather than amend the closely monitored Open Records Act, they changed the administrative statute that governs day-to-day operation of the insurance department. That law is well-known only to insurance industry insiders, The News reported.

Now even though the Open Records Act says nothing about the release of information about the solvency of insurance companies, the public will still be denied those records because of the amended obscure law, the paper said.

That seems to violate the spirit of the Texas Open Records and Open Meetings acts, called "sunshine laws" because they force government to conduct its affairs in full public view.

But the very nature of the state's sunshine laws contributed to the administrative law amendments during the session that adjourned in May, Gonzales said.

"The problem is that entire agencies and their enabling acts were under review. ... It was ripe for these kinds of amendments."

"A number of FOI organizations in other states have spotted this trend in their states," said Tom Leatherbury, president of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas, Inc.

"It's certainly not a trend that's going to go away."

Such new restrictive amendments come at a time when the Texas sunshine laws have been diluted by interpretations by the Texas attorney general's office, the News reported.

According to The News' analysis of the attorney general's rulings on open records issues during the past five years, government has been successful in closing records to the public.

Between 1988 and 1989, attorney general's opinions required government agencies to release their records to the public in more than 50 percent of the contested cases.

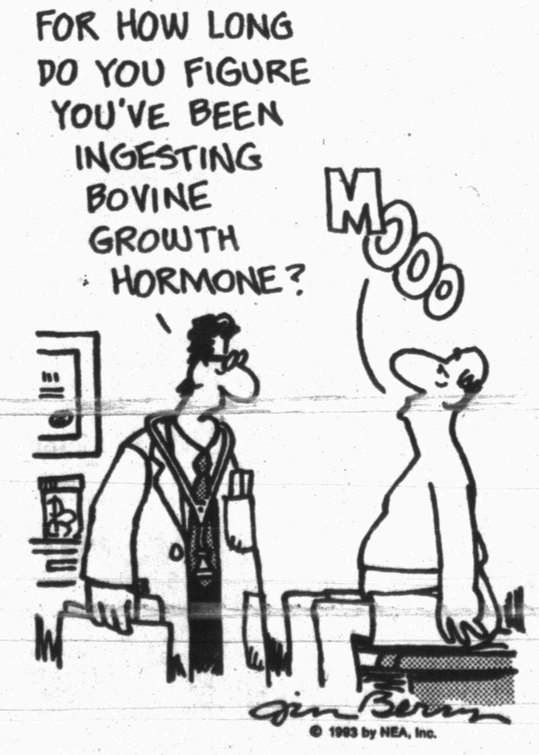
The figure fell to 27 percent in 1990 and 25 percent in 1991 before improving to 33 percent last year.

Legislators also added new exemptions to the traditional open-government laws.

The Open Meetings Act was altered to allow municipal hospital boards and authorities to forgo public notice for closed sessions involving financial or pricing information about certain competitive bids. Those meetings may now be held without public notice.

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Project attacks homicide rate among juveniles

HOUSTON (AP) — Innocence is lost on many children these days.

Mary Hughes, just 17 and a year shy of graduating, was shot during an argument and left to die in her own back yard.

In a bizarre twist, Houston police discovered she died apparently as she schemed to become a killer. A 13-year-old boy has confessed to accidentally shooting Mary while both waited to ambush and murder her parents.

Tragically, when Mary Hughes died in the searing afternoon sun July 14, she wasn't the only youth slain that week in Texas.

Sadly, in the same seven days, her attacker wasn't the only teenager accused of killing.

"It's (violence) just kind of a way of life for a lot of youths," says Theola Petteway, program director at a local inner-city community center.

A total of 449 Texans under age 20 were murdered in 1991, according to Texas Department of Health statistics. The vast majority of those victims were teenagers.

But in Houston, where teen homicides doubled between 1988 and 1990 alone, a local project funded by the Centers for Disease Control is trying to prevent further bloodshed by treating it like a public health threat.

"This certainly shows the characteristics of an epidemic, considering the large number of deaths occurring," says Dr. William Wiist, a city health department epidemiologist who is the project's director. "It's pervasive."

However, instead of finding a vaccine for this malady, the five-year project is tapping peer pressure as a potential cure.

Although peer pressure has pushed many youths into trouble, project participants hope to use it to spare youths from violent behavior.

The project's aim is to reach those considered peer leaders — whether they be straight-A students or budding gang leaders — and show them ways to resolve disputes without violence, without deadly results.

"Kids are influenced by others their age," says Claire Loe, a city health educator and the project's manager. "Kids are more likely to respect what another kid says rather than an adult."

The focus is on young black and Hispanic males because of their high mortality rate. But Wiist says if the program is successful, it could be used as model in other Texas cities and across the nation.

After a year of planning, the project gets in full gear this fall when sixth-grade students at three inner-city middle schools pick their peer leaders.

Once selected, those leaders begin a three-year training program to learn how to reason their ways out of disputes, rather than reach for a gun or some other weapon to resolve the problem.

"We feel if we can get to them (peer leaders), they can reduce the violence and crime in their schools and neighborhoods," Wiist says. "We hope to prevent the peer leaders and others from becoming victims and perpetrators."

All too often, Wiist says, young people are killed by someone in their own age and ethnic group. Other factors include drinking, arguments and easy access to weapons, especially firearms.

"That's the general pattern, you get in a fight and there's a gun around," he says.

Such was the case in Mary Hughes' slaying. She was white, and so is her alleged killer, who said Mary was his girlfriend.

The youth told police the two were arguing when his hunting rifle accidentally fired and a bullet pierced her neck. She apparently had plotted to kill her parents because she was upset with their rules, police say.

That same week, Robert Lozano, 17, was gunned down at a neighborhood barbecue in Grand Prairie apparently by a 16-year-old who was insulted when Lozano honked his car horn at him.

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Man makes life-like fish reproductions

EMORY (AP) — Is it live or is it Memorex? Fishermen viewing a Ron Kelly fish mount might ask some variation of that question.

While scientists in the blockbuster movie Jurassic Park used dinosaur DNA to clone scaly monsters from the past, the Lake Fork taxidermist is cloning his own version of present day scaly monsters caught by lucky anglers.

In the Texas Taxidermy Association's annual June convention and competition, Kelly was awarded a Winner's Ribbon and a score of 97 out of a possible 100 points for a habitat mount of a small male bass prodding a huge female bass during the spawning ritual.

Neither fish was real. They were both reproductions — fiberglass bass replicas molded from real fish and painstakingly painted to create a mirror image of live bass.

Kelly moved form Dallas to Emory five years ago to be near the source of his work. About 80 percent of the fish he mounted were Lake Fork bass. At the time, the taxidermist was doing approximately 20 fish replicas per year, buying the forms from suppliers.

"I'd been fooling around with replicas for a couple of years before I moved, but I wasn't satisfied with them," he said. "The early forms weren't very good. When I moved to Fork, I began getting a tremendous number of bass to mount, and I started experimenting with making my own molds."

That's about the time catch-and-release bass fishing caught fire at Fork and Kelly saw the writing on the wall. Fishermen wanted the conservationist version of having their cake and eating it, too. They wanted to release their bass and have a reasonable facsimile to hang on the wall.

The taxidermist escalated his efforts to create a wide assortment of Texas bass molds. He now has one of the nation's largest lines of largemouth molds. Kelly can clone Texas-sized bass as large as 16.75 pounds, and he has even larger bass molds made from California fish.

This year, Kelly expects to produce 250 fish replicas, a number that represents about 40 percent of his total business.

"Fork is a unique lake because it produces 10-pound bass that range from 23 to 26 inches," said Kelly. "I have 10 different molds for 10-pound bass. Most of my molds are bass from eight to 14 pounds."

Kelly began concentrating on the fish replica business because of catch-and-release fishing. He has discovered that the ability to clone a fish mount far exceeds the demand created by day-to-day fishing luck.

"I had a guy come by not long ago with a picture of a four-pound crappie he caught when he was just a kid," said Kelly. "His family ate the fish. Now that the fisherman is grown, he wants a replica to remind him of the catch. I've had a lot of people order replicas of big fish they caught when they were kids.

"I get calls from people who caught a great peacock bass in Venezuela, and the fish got lost or spoiled in transit. Or maybe they caught a huge rainbow trout in one of the catch-and-release streams in Alaska. In Texas, it's illegal to keep a redfish bigger than 28 inches, and you can't keep any Texas tarpon at all, but you can sure make a replica.

"In fact, today's fish replicas look so realistic that most people don't want the hassle of transporting the real fish."

Kelly said a well-done skin mount of a fish can be expected to last about 20 years. Nobody knows how long a fiberglass replica will hold up because the process hasn't been around very long. Kelly believes the replica will last indefinitely.

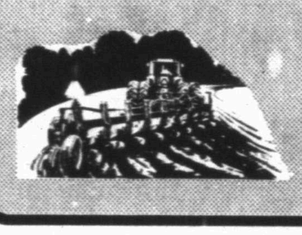
Interior decoration has become the latest market for fish replicas. Trophy-sized fish are commonly used to decorate sporting goods stores, but the popularity of aesthetically pleasing fishing movies such as River Runs Through It has made fish replicas a home decoration item as well.

Kelly recently got a $2,500 order for Alaskan fish replicas from a doctor who planned to decorate his home with the colorful mounts.

A fish replica costs slightly more than mounting the actual fish. To assure a perfect likeness of the fish you caught, it helps if the taxidermist has accurate length and girth measurements along with a clear photograph of the catch.

By knowing the weight and the season in which the fish was caught, a good taxidermist should be able to approximate the dimensions. Fish caught in winter have a different shape than those caught in summer. Fish dimensions compared to weights also vary from lake to lake.

The real key to cloning your trophy catch, said Kelly, is providing the taxidermist a clear color photograph of the fish.



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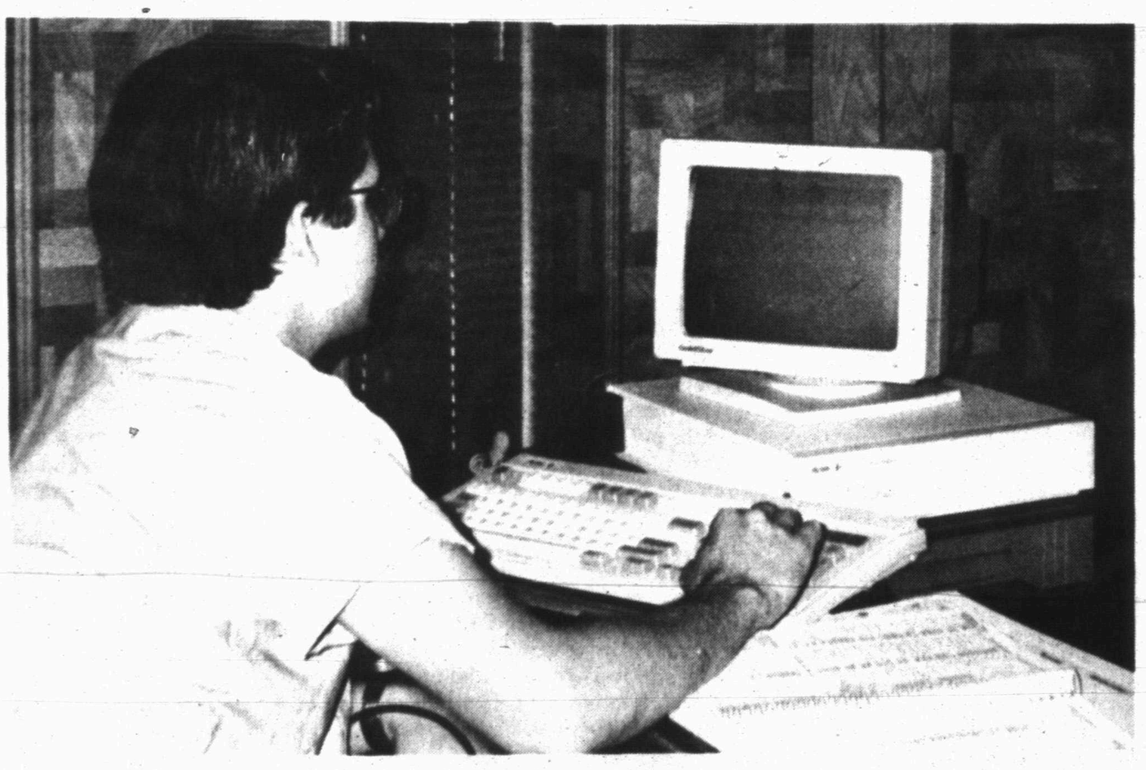


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12-year-old sitter rescues children

HOUSTON (AP) — Four young children escaped from a burning house with the help of their 12-year-old aunt, who had been left to take care of them while their mother went to work, authorities say.

Although everyone escaped injury, fire officials expressed concern that someone so young had been put in charge.

"It was a baby taking care of babies," Houston Fire District Chief Hector Trevino said.

Jeanette Beckwith had her sister take care of the children, ages 2 to 6, while she went to work as a cashier at a service station Sunday morning.

The sisters were talking on the telephone around noon when the fire began. Ms. Beckwith called the fire department and headed home.

The 12-year-old, whose name has not been released, guided the children from the house. The fire gutted one bedroom and apparently began when one child lit a bed on fire with a lighter.

Judy Hay, spokeswoman for the Harris County Children's Protective Services, said it is not unusual for 12-year-olds to be left in charge of smaller children.

But she said a social worker probably will be sent to the house to talk with the family.

Ms. Beckwith said she usually leaves her children at her mother's, but she didn't have a way to get them there Sunday.

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