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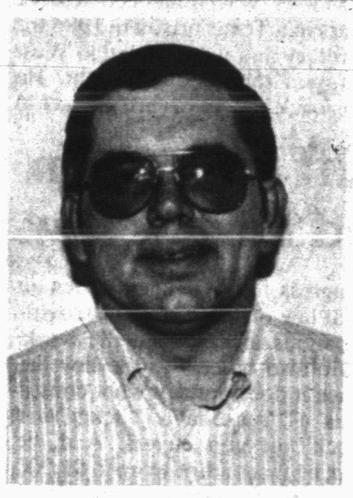
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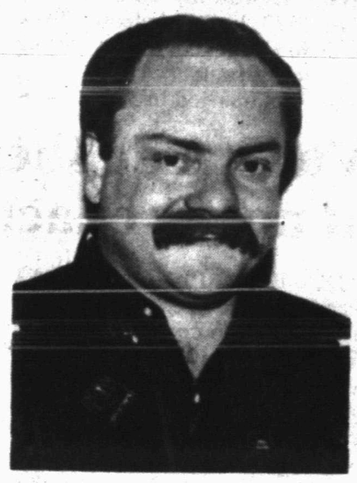
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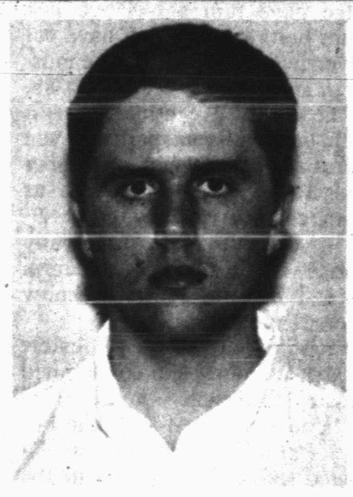
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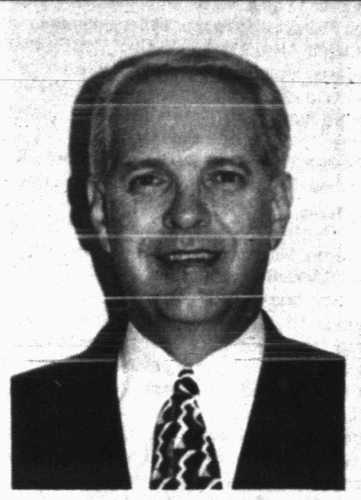
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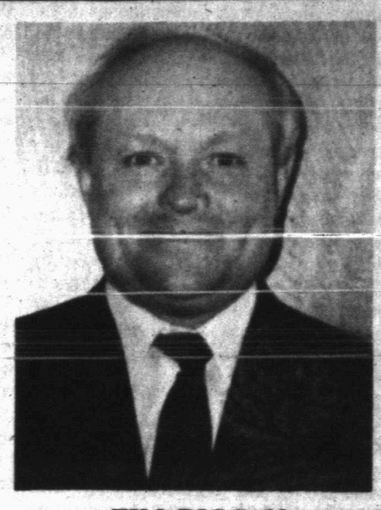
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# Flurry of candidates file at deadline

## *10 of 14 May 7 council and board races are contested*

The deadline for filing in the Snyder City Council and school board elections Wednesday brought out a half-dozen more candidates, and ensures that 10 of the 14 board positions on the May 7 ballots will be contested ones.

It would be easier to name the candidates who won't be facing opposition in May. They include the three running for the Western Texas College board of trustees — Lee Presswood for Place 5, R.C. Patton for Place 6 and Eddie Peterson for Place 7 — as well as Bo Robinson for Place 4 on the Ira school board. All of the other seats up for election are contested.

City council candidates went into the workday Wednesday with no opponents. But in a 30 minute period late in the afternoon, all four drew contestants. Filing were Lynn Gardenhire for District 1, Robert Sanders for District 2, Kenny R. Gambrell for District 3 and Wylie E. "Buff" Hearn for District 4.

Also filing Wednesday afternoon were Tim Riggan for Snyder ISD board Place 2 and Dirk Dunn for Ira ISD board Place 5.

In filing for District 1 on the council, Gardenhire is challenging incumbent Vernest Tippens. Gardenhire is the manager of Whataburger and a member of the chamber's tourism board. He and his wife, Patricia, both originally of Pennsylvania, have two grown children, Raymond and Tracy, and three grandchildren.

Gardenhire is active in the children's church at Victory Baptist Church. He has attended college for two years and transferred to Snyder 18 months ago. He is buying property, and plans on being a permanent resident, he said.

Sanders moved to Snyder 1½ years ago when he purchased H&R Block. He is a member of the chamber of commerce.

His wife, Tina, is in the process of setting up her garment business, "Timber and Threads," on the square.

Sanders graduated from Midwestern State University with a BA in marketing and business administration.

He and his wife attend the First Baptist Church and have a 10-year-old son, R.J.

"I uprooted my family to move to Snyder because I bought a new business and brought my wife's business here," said Sanders. "We plan to be here for the long haul and I'm very interested in Snyder and its future."

Sanders will oppose Jerry Webb in the May 7 election.

Gambrell is seeking the District 3 seat on the council, and will be opposed by Kenneth Gibson II. Gambrell is an assistant parts manager at Big Country Chevrolet and a volunteer fireman. He is a

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# Mexico's president appeals for calm, after assassination

TIJUANA, Mexico (AP) — President Carlos Salinas de Gortari appealed for calm and unity today after an assassin lurking at a campaign rally murdered his party's presidential candidate.

The assassination of Luis Donaldo Colosio on Wednesday in Tijuana threatened to plunge the country into a new political crisis just five months before elections and less than three months after a peasant uprising.

Colosio was shot in the head and stomach while in a crowd of supporters and died three hours later. Authorities first said two men were arrested as suspects, but the attorney general's office said today that only a 23-year-old mechanic was considered a suspect and the other man was held as a witness.

Colosio, the first major politician to be slain since president-elect Alvaro Obregon in 1928, had only a handful of security guards. Gov. Ernesto Ruffo said Colosio asked for a discrete security presence so he could have greater contact with the crowd — a populist style he adopted for his campaign.

Colosio's death was a stunning blow for the embattled leadership of the Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, which is still reeling from the New Year's Day uprising by Indian peasants in southernmost Chiapas state.

The rebels were seeking improved living conditions and reforms to clean up Mexico's fraud-ridden electoral system through which the ruling party has won every presidential election for 65 years.

Salinas, who handpicked Colosio in November as the PRI candidate for the Aug. 21 election, called the slaying a "cowardly attack."

A grim-faced Salinas went to the Mexico City airport this morning to meet a Mexican air force plane carrying Colosio's body.

The body was taken in a motorcade to party headquarters downtown, where Salinas stood at attention beside a coffin draped with a white cloth bearing the red, white and green party symbol. Party activists applauded and chanted "Colosio, Colosio!"

The president declared today a national day of mourning.

# Students are set for UIL contests

Snyder High School students are set for the District 2-4A UIL Academic Meet, which begins Friday morning in Lubbock.

The day-long competition will be held at the South Plains extension campus, beginning at 8 a.m. Also competing will be students from Frenship, Plainview, Levelland, Lamesa and Lubbock Estacado.

Academic events and Snyder students who have entered include:

Informative speaking: Jennifer Early, LaTrisha Lee and Ellen Strayhorn.

Persuasive speaking: Craig Row, Ammie Harrison and Alisha Roe.

Poetry interpretation: Jimmy Hall, Kevin Alejandro, Craig Row and alternate Stephen Taylor.

Prose interpretation: Heather Ward, Amanda Carter, Todd Goodlett and alternate LaTrisha Lee.

Debate: Zee Jenkins.

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Current Issues & Events: Jennifer Early, Craig Row, Jim Pat Griffin and alternate Tasha Naegele.

Keyboarding: Ellen Strayhorn, Paige Gayle, Julie Lang and alternate Jennifer Boren.

Mathematics: Kurtis McCathern, Tom Kerr, Ana Hernandez and alternate Tami Tucker.

Number Sense: Billy Smith and

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# *CMH board oks purchases*

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers this morning approved equipment requests and the monthly financial report.

Approval of previous minutes was the only other action item.

The board approved $47,132 for the purchase of several scopes.

CEO Jeff Reecer noted that the hospital's present scopes, while functional, are in need of replacement. He added that the scopes would pay for themselves in a short time.

Also approved was $3,844 for physical therapy equipment.

During informational items, Reecer told the board that the hospital is still looking for someone to fill the director of nursing position. Several candidates have applied, but Reecer said it is important to have a broader range of applicants.

"We don't want to move too quickly because of the importance of the position," he said.

In other discussion, Reecer told the board that a mock joint commission survey conducted by St. Mary of the Plains went well. Reecer also reminded the board of a reception to be held for Dr. Tom Kerr on Sunday, beginning at 1:30 p.m. in the doctor's office.

February's operating report indicated an average daily census of 14.6, a long term daily census of 36.6, 1,276 home health visits, 79 surgeries, 9 newborns and 627 emergency room visits.

Cogdell had a net income of $70,364 for the month. The hospital's cash balance stands as $1.35 million.

All board members were present to include Sue Mize, Ted Crenwelge, Jimmy McMillan, J.B. Tate Jr., Bill Wilson III and G.A. Parks Jr.

# Attempted murder charge is reduced

Charges against a 17-year-old Snyder man who allegedly stabbed another man over the weekend have been reduced from attempted murder to aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Jesse Castaneda is being held in Scurry County Jail on two counts of aggravated assault, stemming from an altercation Saturday night at Winston Park. Bond has been set at $15,000 on each charge.

Meanwhile, 17-year-old Colton Carthel, who suffered a stab wound below his right shoulder blade, is recovering at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. A hospital spokesperson said Carthel is expected to be released later this week.

According to sheriff's deputies, the incident began Saturday with a disagreement between Castaneda and Carthel at McDonald's. They went to Winston Park to fight, where Carthel was stabbed in the back. Deputies have recovered a pocket knife which was allegedly used in the fight.

Carthel was stabilized at Cogdell Memorial Hospital before being transferred to St. Mary of the Plains Hospital early Sunday morning.

Castaneda, who also received a minor head wound during the altercation, was originally arrested for attempted murder and aggravated assault. Deputies contend that in addition to stabbing Carthel, Castaneda cut 19-year-old Bryan Luna on the lip as Luna was attempting to break up the fight.

The altercation ended, according to sheriff's deputies, when another subject hit Castaneda on the head with a rock. Castaneda received four stitches to his scalp before being released to deputies, who placed him under arrest.

Luna was treated for a laceration to his lower lip at Cogdell emergency room and released.

Sheriff's Deputy Darren Jackson said the case is expected to be presented to the April 4 grand jury.

## The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Age doesn't matter if you don't let your matter age."

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There's a couple of people we'll not soon forget. Both were journalism professors back in the 1960s at Texas Tech.

Bob Rooker had worked for the Associated Press and taught advanced reporting. He was cranky, cynical and sometimes crude when evaluating the work of young reporters.

Ralph Sellmeyer's personality was more gentle, but his focus was on accuracy and fairness. Both profs often warned young journalist not to enter the profession for the money. One could expect to get rich only with rewards of doing your job well.

We already knew about newspaper pay. The summer before entering the 8th grade, we signed on at the Andrews County News to cover little league baseball. The pay was 10 cents an inch, and we figured we could use lots of adjectives and pad our paycheck.

The editor marked out all the descriptive terms and the editor's sister was the bookkeeper whose ruler always measured shorter than our's.

We can remember working full-time at the Lubbock A-J for $70 a week. A couple of years later the pay had zoomed to $75. Just had to remember those Sellmeyer lectures about personal satisfaction.

Just think of the warm fuzzy feeling that ABC's Diane Sawyer must have right now, a five-year contract worth some $5 million a year.

She's still not ahead of Barbara Walters who gets $10 million, or Peter Jennings who earns $7 million, or Ted Coppel with $6 million. Dan Rather makes $3 million, Connie Chung and Tom Brokaw each get $2 million while Sam Donelson earns $1.5. Katie Couric, who makes only $1 million, is renegotiating.

We're just hoping it will rain soon, so we can get a delivery complaint about a wet newspaper.

## Ask Us

Q—Is it illegal to wear headphones while driving? If so, what is the difference in wearing headphones and having your car stereo turned up loud?

A—According to the police department, it is not illegal to wear headphones while driving. However, if your actions cause you to have an accident, or if you fail to move out of the way of an emergency vehicle because you could not hear the siren, you can be given a citation.

## Local

### United Way

Scurry County United Way has changed its meeting from Monday to 7 p.m. Tuesday in the chamber board room.

### To perform

The Benny Benitez Band will perform at Snyder Healthcare Center at 7 this evening. The public is invited.

### Car wash

Union Baptist Church will hold a car wash from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at Wal-Mart. Proceeds will go toward a sound system.

### Class of '79

Snyder High School Class of 1979 reunion committee will meet at 3 p.m. Sunday at 3006 37th St. Anyone interested in helping is welcome to attend. For more information, call Nina Patterson at 573-6902 or Susan Blackard at 573-0989.

### Open house

The public is invited to an open house at Christian Counseling Services, 1823 25th St., from 4:30 until 6 p.m. today.

CCS provides individual and family counseling. Fees range from $10 to $50, depending upon ability to pay.

### Parenting class

Ira ISD's practical parenting class, "Making Good Families Better," will meet at 7:30 tonight at the school. Refreshments and child care is provided.

Tonight's topic is on effective communication with children. Parents are encouraged to attend, and those needing child care should call the school office at 573-2628.

### Weather

**Snyder Temperatures:** High Wednesday, 86 degrees; low, 53 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 63 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1994 to date, 1.11 inches.

**Snyder Area Forecast:** Tonight, partly cloudy. Patchy low clouds and fog late. Low 45-50. Northeast to east wind 10-20 mph. Friday, low clouds and fog early, otherwise partly sunny. A 20 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms. High 70-75. Wind becoming southeast 15-25 mph and gusty. Caution will be advised on area lakes.

**Almanac:** Sunset today, 6:57. Sunrise Friday, 6:41. Of 82 days in 1994, the sun has shone 75 days in Snyder.

## Astro-graphs

By Bernice Bede Osol

### Your Birthday

**Friday, March 25, 1994**

Someone you might meet by chance or through very unusual circumstances in the year ahead could turn out to be one of the most valuable contacts you've ever made. Be friendly to everyone you encounter.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** This could be one of those days when you might not perform too well under pressure, be it in the business world or the social world. Try to keep pace with events. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N. Y. 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Friends you feel are a trifle too assertive or dictatorial should be avoided if possible today. You won't respond well to persons telling you what to do or how to do it.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Ambition and drive are admirable characteristics, provided one doesn't attempt to achieve his/her purposes at someone else's expense. Do your thing today, but do it honorably.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** You won't want anyone to impose their ideas or politics on you today, so you must be careful you're not accused of the same infraction. There's a chance you could get careless.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You're in a cycle where you must guard against overextending yourself financially. Look for ways to limit your spending instead of adding to your debt. Relief can be found.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Usually you strive to be a helpful and fair person, but today could be an exception where you get so enveloped in your own self-interest that you're not aware of others.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Be on guard today or else co-workers might try to unload onto your shoulder some distasteful chores they are trying to avoid. This may occur if they think they can get away with it.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Today's peer pressure might make it hard for you to do things the way you may want to do them. Buckling under will be a big mistake if you act in opposition to your better judgment.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Guard against inclinations today to blame things you do wrong on innocent bystanders, especially family members. Be adult where your shortcomings are concerned.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** If there is something you are trying to learn today that you might have to use in the immediate future, don't leave anything up to chance. Make copious notes if necessary.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** This might not be one of your better days for going bargain hunting. If you see something you like, there's a chance you'll pay more for it than you should and regret it later.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** You'll be more effective and productive today if you can operate independently of others. Alliances or partnership arrangements could severely slow you down.

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## Parents protest selection process for cheerleaders

PASADENA (AP) — Cheerleader tryouts at a Pasadena intermediate school are postponed until the school district decides whether a seventh-grader who was cut from the field may compete.

Superintendent Rick Schneider postponed the tryouts late Tuesday until a complaint filed by Abrey Davis's parents is settled.

Miss Davis, 12, was denied a chance to participate in a week-long cheerleader clinic before next week's scheduled tryouts at Thompson Intermediate School.

Of the 28 girls who applied at the 1,000-pupil campus, Miss Davis and eight others were eliminated after the evaluations by a panel of judges made up of cheerleader sponsors from other schools.

Brenda Davis said her daughter is an A student, a member of the basketball, track and volleyball teams, and a trumpet player in the honors band.

Mrs. Davis said she contacted Thompson principal Vicki Thomas, who would only tell her that Miss Davis lacked leadership abilities and refused to allow her to review the evaluation.

"I didn't know what all she needed to do to be qualified to try out for cheerleader than maybe become president of the United States," Mrs. Davis said.

# Moody blames insanity, child abuse

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — John Glenn Moody blames insanity caused by a genetic disorder and what he considers an abusive childhood for a life of crime that's made him the only West Virginia man on the nation's largest death row.

Moody avoided execution earlier this month when a federal judge gave him a reprieve just hours before he was to have received lethal injection for the murder of an Abilene woman in 1988.

The stay of execution means it could be months and perhaps even years before the former landscaper faces a midnight trip to the Texas death chamber gurney.

"It doesn't bother me any more," he says of his execution dates. "I'm at peace. I know where I'm going."

Moody, 41, from Chester, W.Va., is among 376 condemned inmates in Texas.

"You are treated less than human here," he complains. "I treated my dogs better than the way I'm treated."

Moody contends he has a rare genetic hereditary disorder that causes him mental and physical illnesses.

"I go off easily," he says. "I have intense anger, but I get over it quickly.

"I've been slow of speech and without the capability to think clearly and quickly as long as I remember. I hallucinate. I have blackouts."

One thing he does remember is slaughtering a calf with his stepfather, who handed Moody the head of the animal.

"The eyes were wide open with a blank stare," he says. "That same look of death I see with men today on death row."

As he tells it, his odyssey to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Ellis I Unit about 90 miles north of Houston began at age 11 when he ran away from home to escape a stepfather he considered abusive and got hooked on drugs and alcohol.

"You name it, I've done it," he says. "It was my escape."

In 1970, he was released from an Ohio penitentiary after serving time for assault.

He was married in West Virginia and divorced. He claims two children he has not seen since 1980, ran around with a topless dancer and a motorcycle gang.

"I didn't want to wind up doing something stupid," he says of his reason for leaving West Virginia and coming to Texas in the early 1980s. "I was strung out on drugs and alcohol."

Moody was sentenced to five years in a Texas prison in 1986 for burglary and was paroled to West Virginia the following year. He was back in a Texas prison later in 1987 on another five-year term for burglary and was paroled in February 1988 to Houston. Five months later he was charged with capital murder in Abilene.

"He had a horrible criminal history," says James Eidson, the Taylor County District Attorney who won the conviction that sent Moody to death row.

"He had run away from a criminal history that had virtually everything — property, sexual assault, aggravated robbery. He really shouldn't have been paroled."

Moody talks little about the July 1988 robbery and murder of 77-year-old Maureen Louise Maulden, who was raped, beaten with a fireplace brush and strangled with a telephone cord inside her home. A bloody fingerprint found on the telephone led police to Moody's residence where rings stolen from the house were recovered.

## Val Verde sheriff takes aim at newly enacted Brady law

DEL RIO (AP) — Val Verde's sheriff has become the first Texas law enforcer to challenge the legality of the Brady law, saying his department can't afford to conduct background checks on people seeking to buy handguns.

Sheriff J.R. Koog's bid for a temporary restraining order against the law was rejected March 14. A hearing on a temporary injunction is scheduled for April 15 in San Antonio federal court.

"Congress passed a law aimed directly at chiefs of police and sheriffs, and we have nothing in our budgets to cover it," said Koog, whose legal expenses are being paid by the National Rifle Association.

The Brady law requires a five-day waiting period and background checks of people attempting to purchase handguns.

Koog's lawsuit claims that Congress has mandated duties on local law officers without providing funds to carry out the work.

He also objects to the law because it does not say what constitutes a "reasonable background check" of gun buyers. And, he said, he faces a fine of up to $1,000 and or a year in prison for failing to enforce the law properly.

"I am just trying to find the answer to some of this stuff," Koog said.

He is one of five sheriffs who have sued to halt enforcement of the Brady law. The others are in Arizona, Louisiana, Mississippi and Montana.

Although no response had been filed by late Wednesday to Koog's lawsuit, the U.S. Justice Department said in the Arizona case that law officers are free to decide if other duties are more important than checking the backgrounds of would-be handgun purchasers.

## One ticket wins Lotto

by The Associated Press

One ticket purchased in Central Texas correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket is worth $3 million.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 47, 13, 27, 8, 38 and 29.

## Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are the Lotto Texas Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery:

2-7-4

(two, seven, four)

## Berry's World



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*"Improper use of political influence. Do not pass go..."*

## DATE BOOK

March 24, 1994

*Today is the 83rd day of 1994 and the fifth day of spring.*

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1989, the oil tanker Exxon Valdez rammed a reef in Alaska's Prince William Sound and began to leak 11 million gallons of oil.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Andrew Mellon (1855-1937), financier-philanthropist; Harry Houdini (1874-1926), magician; Edward Weston (1886-1958), photographer; Clyde Barrow (1909-1934), outlaw; Lawrence Ferlinghetti (1919-), poet-publisher, is 75; Steve McQueen (1930-1980), actor; Bob Mackie (1940-), costume designer, is 54.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1965, Geoffrey Liddiard of London won $886,258 in a soccer pool, on a bet of 52 cents.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "Gentlemen prefer bonds." — Andrew Mellon

**TODAY'S WEATHER:** On this day in 1983, a late March snowstorm set many heavy-snow records for so late in the season, from east-central Alabama, across northern Georgia and into parts of the Carolinas.

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**TODAY'S MOON:** Between first quarter (March 20) and full moon (March 27).

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Healing The Brokenhearted

If you happen to hear someone talking about a woman grounded in the Word of God, who has a great ministry of inner healing, who herself had an amazing experience of physical healing, and who has ministered physical healing to many in a totally nonthreatening way, they are most likely talking about Delores Winder.

Delores spent the years between 1957 and 1975 in a physical condition that was deteriorating to the point where she and her husband, Bill, and their 14 year old son, Chris, prepared to face death. During those years, she had four back fusions, and two percutaneous cordotomies (burning out the nerves of the spine to alleviate pain).

On August 30, 1975, she reluctantly agreed to attend a Kathryn Kuhlman meeting in Dallas and within 15 minutes she was restored to full health.

Her healing has been medically documented.

Because of God's goodness to her, she walks in the Spirit proclaiming the miracle working power of God. She does not believe that this miracle was for her alone, nor that great faith is needed to receive healing from God. She herself did not believe in miraculous healing, yet the hand of God touched and healed her. Her ministry is characterized by gentleness and love, and all who see her marvel at her obedience to the Spirit of God.

She and Bill will be at Christian Fellowship Snyder on Friday, March 25, 7:00-9:30pm, Saturday, March 26, 10:15-3:00pm (bring sack lunch), and Sunday, March 27, 3:00-5:00pm. Visitors are asked to come and hear Delores proclaim that God does hear and still heals the brokenhearted. A nursery will be provided for children ages 0-5 years of age. For more information call Christian Fellowship, 915.573.0482.

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BOSS OF THE YEAR — Tommy Cotton, center, Snyder coordinator and training center manager for Abilene State School, was named Deep Creek American Business Women's Boss of the Year at a recent meeting. Also pictured are Irene Canalez, left, and Johnnie Pyburn. (Contributed Photo)



ABWA HIGHLIGHTS — Bonnie Carroll, Deep Creek Chapter American Business Women's program chairman, is pictured with Michael Howard, student minister at Hermleigh Central Baptist Church and KSNY radio news director, who presented the program at a recent meeting. Mrs. Carroll was recently named Woman of the Year for the Deep Creek Chapter. The chapter has changed their meeting date to the first Tuesday of each month, 6:30 p.m. at the Golden Corral. (Contributed Photo)

## Community Calendar

**THURSDAY**

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

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

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

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

**FRIDAY**

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.



LIFE MASTER — Dot Casey was honored with a reception recently at the Snyder Country Club after earning her Life Master certificate in Duplicate Bridge. At the festively decorated event, 10 tables of bridge included out-of-town guests from Abilene, Roscoe, Colorado City, Lubbock and Sweetwater. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Georgetown is official poppy capital of Texas

GEORGETOWN, Texas (AP) — Thanks to a World War I veteran who had a magic touch with seeds, there's a touch of Flanders fields in Texas.

Georgetown is the offical "Red Poppy Capital of Texas," and it got that way because Henry Purl "Okra" Compton brought back some red corn poppy seeds from France after the war and sprinkled them in his mother's garden.

"In Flanders fields the poppies blow,

Between the crosses, row on row..."

So went the famous lines by John McCrae, who captured the symbolism of solace that red poppies offered the soldiers in the trenches. Compton, a hero of the war (pinned down in a trench for 28 days without a gun, he still managed to capture an enemy soldier), brought the seeds back as mementoes.

The poppies blew, and just grew and grew, spreading along roadways, the railroad tracks, along College Street, from 8th Street to San Gabriel Park. Every year they would spring up in new spots. As far as anyone knew, Georgetown was the only place in the country where these poppies made a permanent home, reseeding themselves year after year.

For Compton, history was repeating itself. As a boy, he had planted his father's cotton fields in okra and started an okra plague that covered the county for years. "I didn't join to fight," he said later of his decision to go into the Army. "I was just trying to get out of the okra business."

He died in 1974. The poppies continued to grow.

Then in the 1980s, people noticed the poppies were beginning to disappear. The newly hired city finance manager, Glenn Reynolds, began getting complaints from residents about the city's fancy new lawn mowers cutting down their heritage. He soon learned that red poppies "are an intense part of what local people think of when they think of Georgetown. Poppies are a deeply held essence of what is held dear here."

So to supplement the natural poppies, the city, the Williamson County Sun weekly newspaper, and a citizens' task force sold or gave away millions of store-bought red poppy seeds to be planted in the area.

But the newcomers don't reseed as well as the old ones.

Reynolds then got the city council to fund a research project by Southwestern University to find out why the European poppies do so well and explore the feasibility of having a seed grower produce red corn poppies from Okra's reseeded stock.

"The Georgetown poppies have had a lot of time to acclimatize to the environment here," says Christi Biggers, a biology major who heads the three-year research project under direction of Stephanie Brown, Southwestern's assistant biology professor.

"They don't need as much care once they are planted in tilled soil. I think if we could use Georgetown seeds as a source, they could proliferate around the city, as long as the mowing is kept under control."

Biggers alternates plots of the new and original poppies and has found that the Georgetown variety produce far larger blossoms with more leaves. Both kinds "take" better when the soil is well tilled before planting (the preferred method for planting the tiny seeds is by salt shaker), but the Georgetown poppies still germinate better.

Biggers also developed a survey for local poppy growers to record when they planted the flowers, soil treatments, and when the poppies first appear.

"Southwestern has the knowledge we need to do this research so we can find out the truth about the red corn poppies," says Reynolds.

Meanwhile, the city has created Poppy Zones and a Red Poppy Trail, with signs to educate the public and to keep city mowers from buzz-cutting the flowers before they go to seed each summer.

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Artist Pablo Picasso died at his home near Mougins, France, in 1973. He was 91.



HEALTH PROGRAM TOPIC — "Fostering a More Caring World" was the program topic for Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma's March meeting at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Participants speaking on breast cancer were Georgene Gallaway, Kay Carter and Betty Thompson. Hostesses were Betty Courtney, Marge Smith, Judy Barkowsky, Becky Hale, ElWanda Nall and Thompson. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Bridge By Phillip Alder

NORTH 3-24-94
♠ 10 9
♥ Q J 9 5 4
♦ 8 5 2
♣ Q J 9

WEST
♠ 4
♥ 8 7 6 2
♦ A K Q 10 9
♣ 10 3 2

EAST
♠ Q 7 6 5
♥ A K 10 3
♦ 7 4 3
♣ A 5

SOUTH
♠ A K J 8 3 2
♥ - - -
♦ J 6
♣ K 8 7 6 4

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: West

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Pass | Pass | 1 ♥ |
| 1 ♠ | 4 ♥ | Dbl. | Pass |
| 4 ♠ | Pass | Pass | Pass |

Opening lead: ♦ A

## The final board nail-biter

By Phillip Alder

Today's deal was the last of the final of the 1993 British Women's Team Championship. The pair sitting East-West in the given auction was leading by nine international matchpoints (IMPs). North, Su Burn, doubled four hearts for penalties, a contract that probably would have gone one down. But South, 17-year-old Abbey Walker, preferred to go for game with her distributional hand.

West started with three top diamonds. Walker ruffed and, faced with a sure club loser, had to play the trumps without loss. Many players would cash the ace first — and go down. If West has a singleton, there are four chances in five that it will be a low card, and only one that it will be the queen. So, it is correct to finesse through East on the first round.

Walker led a club to dummy's jack and East's ace. Back came the heart ace, which South ruffed. Walker led a club to dummy's queen and ran the spade 10 through East. The spade nine was overtaken with her jack; Walker drew trumps and claimed for plus 420.

In the other room, West, Liz McGowan, decided her hand was worth a one-diamond opening! North made an in(s)ane one-heart overcall. East, Sandra Penfold, doubled to show four spades. South bid one spade anyway. After two passes, East jumped to three no-trump. And the contract was unbeatable. Declarer won the club lead with her ace, played a diamond to the dummy and led a heart to her 10, North's bid having given the game away. That was plus 600 for a total gain of 14 IMPs: victory by five.

Is Abbey Walker the youngest national champion ever?

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## C-W top ten

Best-selling country western singles of the week:

1. "Tryin' To Get Over You," Vince Gill
2. "T.L.C.A.S.A.P.," Alabama
3. "I've Got It Made," John Anderson
4. "He Thinks He'll Keep Her," Mary-Chapin Carpenter
5. "No Doubt About It," Neal McCoy
6. "They Asked About You," Reba McEntire
7. "Goodbye Says It All," Blackhawk
8. "Standing Outside The Fire," Garth Brooks
9. "That's My Story," Collin Raye
10. "(Who Says) You Can't Have It All," Alan Jackson

(Source: Cashbox magazine)

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Walter Johnson defeated the New York Yankees 60 times, the most for any big league pitcher.


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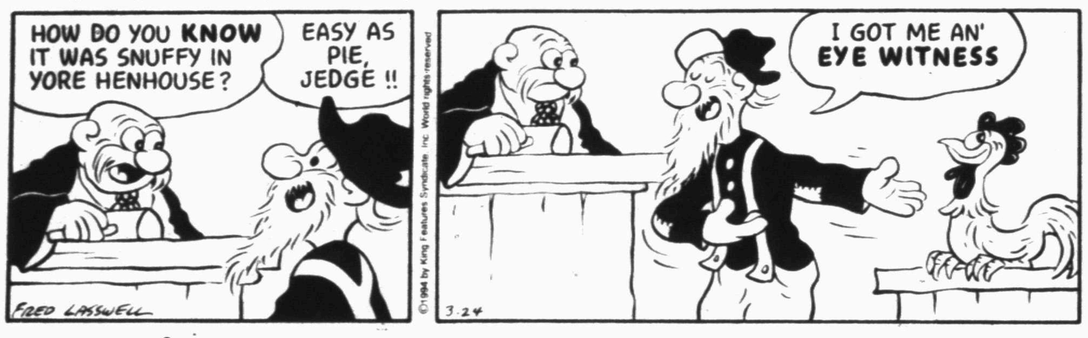

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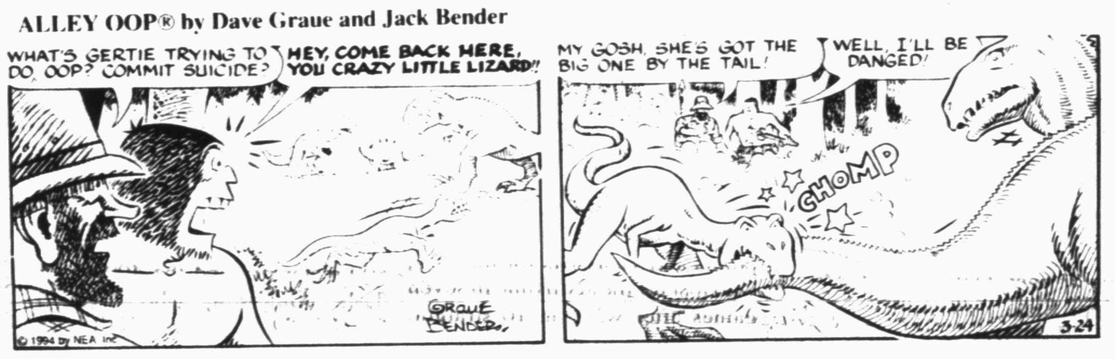

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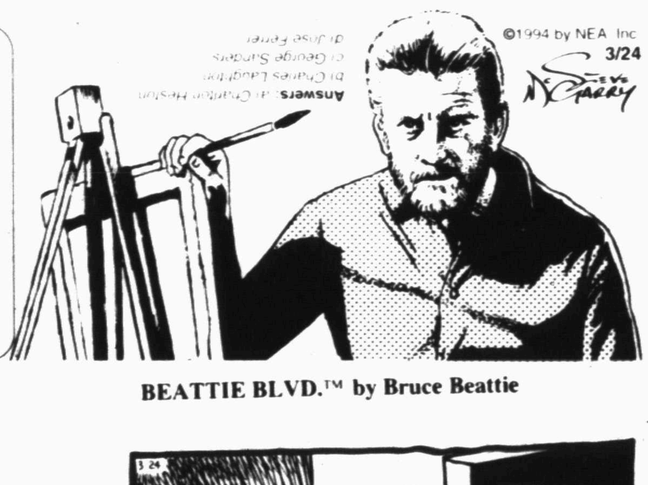

**POP CULTURE™ by Steve McGarry**

The 1956 ***Vincent Van Gogh*** *"Lust for Life"* biopic starred ***Kirk Douglas*** as the tormented artist and featured dozens of actual ***Van Gogh*** paintings from private collections. ***Douglas*** was voted Best Actor by the New York film critics and received an Academy nomination – ***Anthony Quinn*** received the Best Supporting Actor Oscar for his portrayal of ***Paul Gauguin***.

Who played the following artists:

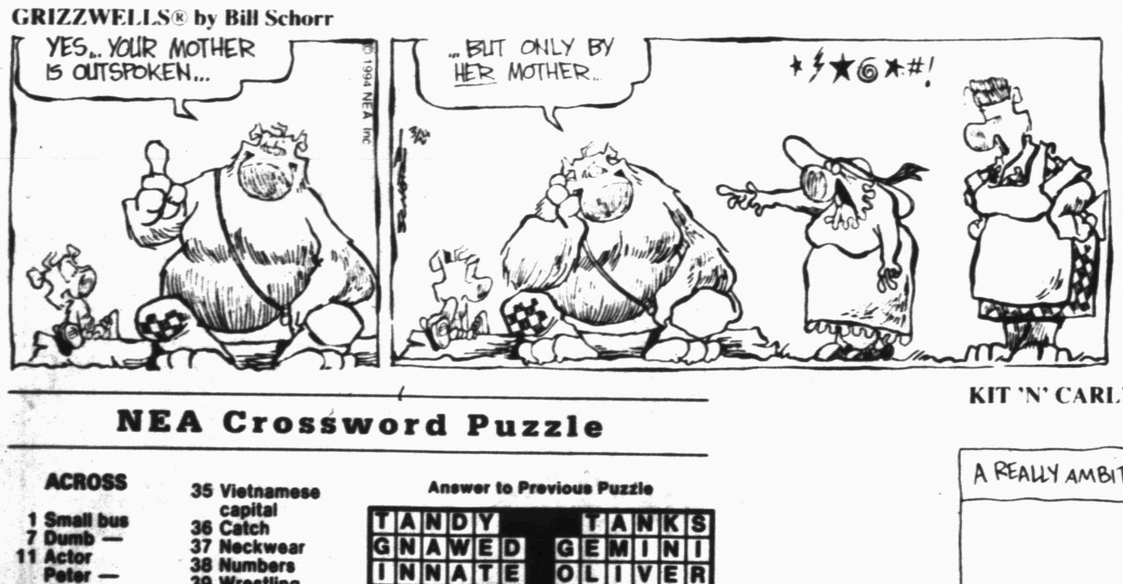
a) ***Michelangelo*** in *"The Agony and the Ecstasy"* (1965)
b) *"Rembrandt"* (1936)
c) ***Gauguin*** in *"The Moon and Sixpence"* (1942)
d) ***Toulouse-Lautrec*** in *"Moulin Rouge"* (1952)

Answers: a) Charlton Heston b) Charles Laughton c) George Sanders d) Jose Ferrer

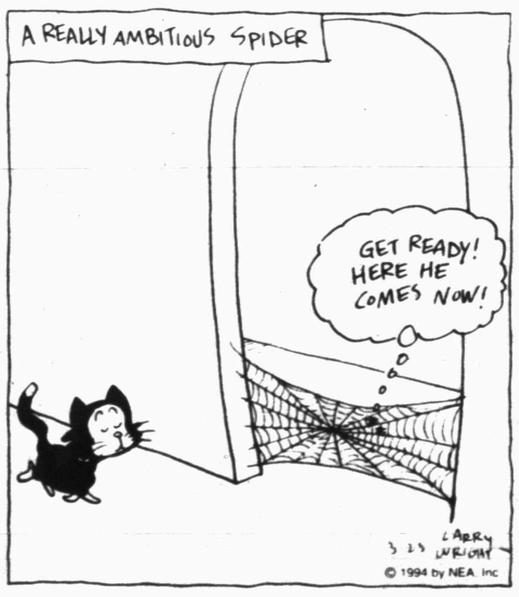



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**ACROSS**

1 Small bus
7 Dumb —
11 Actor Peter —
12 Being in harmony
14 Desert rodent
15 Epic poem
16 Theater sign (abbr.)
17 Many (2 wds.)
19 Princely Italian family
20 Helps
22 Wharf
25 Actress — Remick
26 Falsehood
29 Former immigraton station — island
31 Causing irritation
33 Gathering of ex-students
35 Vietnamese capital
36 Catch
37 Neckwear
38 Numbers
39 Wrestling holds
42 Inflict on (2 wds.)
45 Actual being
46 Kentucky bluegrass
49 One who brings up
51 Actress Amy —
53 Declares
54 Show plainly
55 Snake's sound
56 Smelled strongly

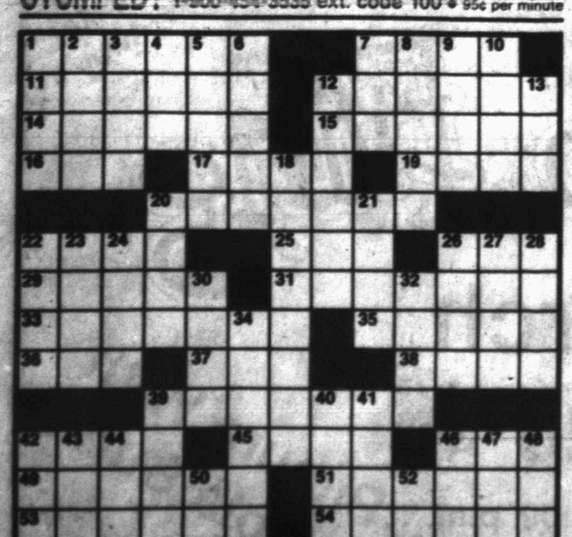
**DOWN**

1 Trots
2 Roman road
3 Bull, in Spain
4 Head (sl.)
5 Mount Saint —, Alaska
6 Shouts
7 Plunge
8 Musical instruments
9 Tears
10 Dillseed
12 High society (2 wds.)
13 — whiz!
18 Greasiness
20 Related
21 High- —
22 Actor Bruce —
23 Olive genus
24 Association
26 Toe the —
27 — — the ground floor
28 Protection (var.)
30 Location
32 Head covers
34 Edmonton hockey team
39 Organs of smell
40 Willow
41 Audacity
42 Actress Joanne —
43 Pledge
44 Small monkey
46 Pale red
47 A single time
48 Grew older
50 Bitter vetch
52 Compete

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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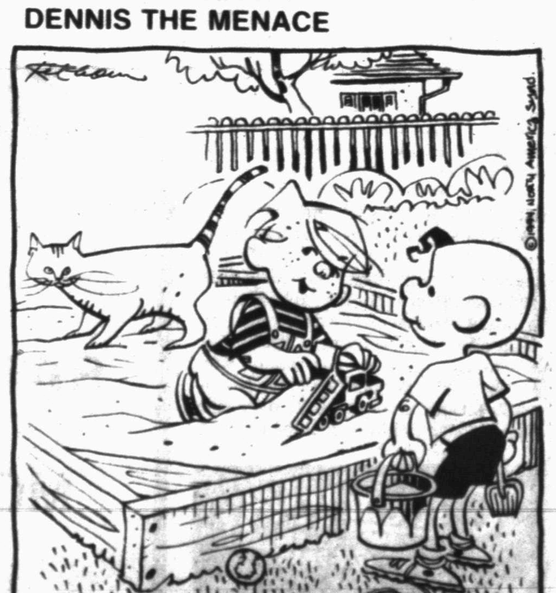
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**LAFF-A-DAY**




"I don't care what your mother let you do! *WE* don't leave dishes in the sink till after the movie!"

**DENNIS THE MENACE**




"I LIKE MY SANDBOX, BUT HOTDOG *REALLY* LIKES MY SANDBOX."

# Statistics not behind Rangers' acquisition of first baseman Clark

PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. (AP) — The Texas Rangers didn't look only at statistics when they signed first baseman Will Clark and said goodbye to Rafael Palmeiro.

"It's tough to praise one without implying you're downgrading the other," General Manager Tom Grieve said. "I don't think you can only look at statistics to determine the best player for a certain team.

Clark missed 62 games in his last three years with San Francisco and his production declined to several career lows with 14 home runs, 43 extra base hits and tied his career low of 73 RBI.

Palmeiro signed with Baltimore, leaving the Rangers after posting career highs of 37 homers, 105 RBI and 79 extra-base hits.

But the Rangers looked deeper than numbers.

"Rafael is a good guy and had a role in the clubhouse," Grieve said. "I don't mean to suggest Will is better in any way but there are things that he brings to the party that are positive and that's not being negative about Rafael."

Clark is a come-early-stay-late, 100 percent player whose passion for the game rubs off on teammates.

"We had to have a first baseman of the quality that we had," Kennedy said. "We didn't get it done with Rafael but we did with Clark. I don't know what numbers he'll put up. All we've asked him to do is be Will Clark."

Clark doesn't even feel the need to demonstrate his leadership qualities.

"The leadership issue is a little overrated," Clark said. "When the season starts you've got 25 guys who take care of themselves. Everybody on this team knows I'll be out there with them all the time. I'm here to have a good time and to win."

Clark doesn't plan to spend the season under the shadow of Palmeiro, who departed amid harsh words for the Rangers and Clark, his former teammate at Mississippi State.

"There was no war of words, it was a one way thing," Clark said. "It wasn't any back and forth. Its a dead dog as far as I'm concerned.

"The only thing that I need to prove is that the Texas Rangers are winners," Clark said. "I'm not doubting anything about my own ability. I'll go let it hang out like I always do and help us win."

The Rangers expect Clark's leadership qualities to balance out any statistical differences.

"I think he'll develop into a leader as the season goes on as people watch and see the way he plays," Grieve said. "It's inevitable that he'll develop into that."

Clark hit .379 in his final 58 at-bats with the Giants last season. The Rangers, obviously, feel he can continue the upsurge this season.

"He's been a guy not afraid to speak his mind, he plays hard every day and his primary goal every second is to win," Grieve said. "His stats are secondary to winning and that's very positive."

## Fishing report

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water muddy, 65 degrees, 11 feet low; black bass are fair to 8 pounds on spinners in shallow water with some bass already spawned; crappie are good in numbers on jigs.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear, 62 degrees, 51/2 feet low; black bass are very good to 10 pounds with numerous other big fish reported on Rat-L-Traps and jig and pig in the shallows.

O.H.IVIE: Water clear, 59 degrees, 11/2 feet low; largemouth bass are excellent with a few over the slot to 9 pounds in 2-10 feet of water on cranks, spinners and worms; smallmouth bass are good to 4 pounds for a possible new lake record on jigs, worms and cranks near the rocky areas; white bass are fair to 3 pounds trolling in the Concho River; crappie are fairly good on minnows and jigs in 2-20 feet of water with some fish spawning up the creeks and rivers; channel catfish are fair on trotlines and over baited holes; yellow catfish are fair on live baited trotlines up the rivers.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear, 60 degrees, 6 feet low; black bass are fair to 71/4 pounds scattered at various depths; striper are fairly good in the 4-8 pound range on live shad and large shiners in 30 feet of water and near the docks at night on large Red Fins and topwaters; white bass are fair; crappie are improving especially at night near lighted docks on minnows; catfish are fairly slow to 9 pounds in 25 feet of water on shrimp.

SPENCE: Water clear, 51 degrees, normal level; black bass are good to 6 pounds on red shad Power Worms, minnows and spinners; striper are fairly good to 18 pounds on shiners; white bass are fair; crappie are fair near Wildcat Marina on minnows; catfish are slow.

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# Outside shooting leads Magic to victory over slumping Jazz

by The Associated Press

The Utah Jazz couldn't stop their slide by surrounding Shaquille O'Neal.

The Jazz blanketed O'Neal, holding him to 11 shots, but the strategy made room for Orlando's outside shooters, and the Magic won 98-93 Wednesday night.

"Every time I touched the ball, guys dropped and I was just trying to hit the open man," said O'Neal, who made seven of his 11 shots and scored 19 points, 10 under his average.

O'Neal's frustration surfaced late in the game when he was whistled for a technical foul with 2:02 left for elbowing Tyrone Corbin. Utah made two of the three resulting free throws, closing to 89-87.

Of his elbow to Corbin, O'Neal said, "I just have to let people know they can't grab on me all night. If somebody's not going to do something about it, I guess I have to. My name's Shaq, not Tree."

Anfernee Hardaway scored 21 points, Dennis Scott 18 and Scott Skiles 11, nine of them in the fourth quarter, for Orlando. Skiles had a 3-pointer with 2:44 left and hit a 17-footer with 11 seconds remaining, giving the Magic a 94-91 advantage.

Karl Malone had 27 points and 17 rebounds and John Stockton 22 points and 12 assists for the Jazz, who lost for the sixth time in seven games after winning 10 straight.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Chicago 99, Philadelphia 87; Atlanta 100, Charlotte 92; Detroit 111, the Los Angeles Clippers 107; Indiana 78, Cleveland 77; and the Los Angeles Lakers 112, Dallas 109.

**Lakers 112, Mavericks 109**

Los Angeles, which officially announced the hiring of Magic Johnson as coach earlier in the day, outscored Dallas 13-2 in the final minutes.

Nick Van Exel, who scored 28 points, led the visiting Lakers down the stretch, scoring five points in the game-winning run before passing for their final three baskets.

**Hawks 100, Hornets 92**

Atlanta became the first Eastern Conference team to clinch a playoff berth as Kevin Willis had 32 points and 16 rebounds against Charlotte.

Willis had five points and an assist in a 7-0 run that gave the Hawks an 85-75 lead with 7:40 remaining. Atlanta extended the margin to 95-81 on Willis' tip-in with 3:54 left before Eddie Johnson's 3-pointer with 56 seconds remaining made it 96-92.

But a free throw by Willis and three by Stacey Augmon closed the scoring as the Hawks extended their winning streak to four games.

Alonzo Mourning led the Hornets with 25 points and 15 rebounds.

**Bulls 99, 76ers 87**

Scottie Pippen scored 31 points on 14-for-19 shooting as Chicago handed Philadelphia its eighth straight home loss.

**Pistons 111, Clippers 107**

Detroit's reserves outscored the Los Angeles Clippers' bench players 53-23 and Isiah Thomas got his 9,000th assist.

**Pacers 78, Cavaliers 77**

Indiana, held to 61 points at Cleveland on Tuesday, turned the tables on the Cavaliers, but it needed the last second to do it.

Dale Davis put back an offensive rebound with 0.8 seconds remaining, giving the Pacers the victory one night after the Cavaliers embarrassed them 93-61.

Gerald Wilkins led Cleveland with 22 points.

## NBA glance

By The Associated Press

EASTERN CONFERENCE

| Atlantic Division | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | 46 | 19 | .708 | — |
| Orlando | 40 | 27 | .597 | 7 |
| Miami | 37 | 29 | .561 | 9½ |
| New Jersey | 34 | 31 | .523 | 12 |
| Boston | 22 | 42 | .344 | 23½ |
| Philadelphia | 21 | 46 | .313 | 26 |
| Washington | 19 | 47 | .288 | 27½ |
| **Central Division** | | | | |
| x-Atlanta | 47 | 19 | .712 | — |
| Chicago | 44 | 23 | .657 | 3½ |
| Cleveland | 37 | 30 | .552 | 10½ |
| Indiana | 35 | 30 | .538 | 11½ |
| Charlotte | 29 | 36 | .446 | 17½ |
| Detroit | 19 | 47 | .288 | 28 |
| Milwaukee | 18 | 47 | .277 | 28½ |

WESTERN CONFERENCE

| Midwest Division | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| x-Houston | 46 | 18 | .719 | — |
| x-San Antonio | 46 | 20 | .697 | 1 |
| Utah | 43 | 25 | .632 | 5 |
| Denver | 33 | 32 | .508 | 13½ |
| Minnesota | 19 | 47 | .288 | 28 |
| Dallas | 8 | 58 | .121 | 39 |
| **Pacific Division** | | | | |
| x-Seattle | 48 | 17 | .738 | — |
| Phoenix | 43 | 22 | .662 | 5 |
| Portland | 40 | 27 | .597 | 9 |
| Golden State | 38 | 27 | .585 | 10 |
| L.A. Lakers | 28 | 37 | .431 | 20 |
| L.A. Clippers | 24 | 41 | .369 | 24 |
| Sacramento | 23 | 43 | .348 | 25½ |

x-clinched playoff spot

Wednesday's Games

Chicago 99, Philadelphia 87
Atlanta 100, Charlotte 92
Detroit 111, L.A. Clippers 107
Indiana 78, Cleveland 77
L.A. Lakers 112, Dallas 109
Orlando 98, Utah 93

Thursday's Games

Boston at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Miami at Denver, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

# SJHS tracksters place at Andrews gathering

Seventh graders Tamara Anderson, Shannon Hall, K.K. McClain and Sharika Wofford combined for third place in the sprint relay to lead Snyder Junior High to a fourth-place overall finish at the recent Andrews Track Meet.

Snyder's eighth graders took fifth at the meet.

Also placing for the SJHS seventh grade were Mary Hollis, Karley Collins, Kelly Petersen and Wofford, who took third in the 800-meter relay; Alicia Peoples, who was good for third in the 800-meter run and the 400-meter dash; Anderson, who claimed fourth in the 200 meters; Hall, who snagged fourth in the 100-meter hurdles; Lindsey Daniell, Petersen, Hall and Peoples, who came in fourth in the mile relay; and Terrie Moore and Petersen, who scored fourth and fifth-place points fo SJHS, respectively, in the 100-meter dash.

Fathima Burks was runner-up in the discus throw, Wofford was third in the high jump and Hall took fourth in the long jump.

Eighth graders grabbing top places for Snyder at the gathering included Christy Tankersley, Kristy Bollinger, Tracie Eicke and Mandy Heaton, who scooted to fifth in the 400-meter relay. In addition, the same four nabbed fifth in the 800 relay; Eicke took sixth in the 100 hurdles; Amber Lyle was fourth and Charlene Carr was sixth in the 400 meters; and Heaton, Lyle, Bollinger and Carr teamed up for fourth in the mile relay.

Snyder's seventh graders had previously finished fifth at the Big Spring meet, where the eighth grade claimed sixth.

The annual Snyder Junior High Track Meet is slated for Friday at Tiger Stadium.

## NCAA glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EAST REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
At Miami Arena
Friday, March 25

Boston College (22-10) vs. Indiana (21-8), 7:38 p.m.
Florida (27-7) vs. Connecticut (29-4), 30 minutes following

Regional Championship
At Miami Arena
Sunday, March 27

Florida-Connecticut winner vs. Boston College-Indiana winner, 1:40 p.m.

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
At Thompson-Boling Arena
Knoxville, Tenn.
Thursday, March 24

Marquette (24-8) vs. Duke (25-5), 7:38 p.m.
Purdue (28-4) vs. Kansas (27-7), 30 minutes following

Regional Championship
At Thompson-Boling Arena
Knoxville, Tenn.
Saturday, March 26

Purdue-Kansas winner vs. Marquette-Duke winner, 6 p.m.

MIDWEST REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
At Reunion Arena
Dallas
Friday, March 25

Arkansas (27-3) vs. Tulsa (23-7), 8:02 p.m.
Michigan (23-7) vs. Maryland (18-11), 30 minutes following

Regional Championship
At Reunion Arena
Dallas
Sunday, March 27

Michigan-Maryland winner vs. Arkansas-Tulsa winner, 4 p.m.

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At The L.A. Sports Arena
Los Angeles
Thursday, March 24

Missouri (27-3) vs. Syracuse (23-6), 8:07 p.m.
Louisville (28-5) vs. Arizona (27-5), 30 minutes following

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Saturday, March 26

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# Tulsa's Tubby Smith emerges from shadow of Richardson

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — A storm system had darkened the skies over Tulsa on April 3, 1991, the night Tubby Smith found himself in a downtown hotel room trying to land his first head coaching job.

When his wife turned on the news, the first image she saw was Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson getting into his car in a tunnel beneath the Westin Hotel.

"The first thing my wife said was, 'Where is that? I think that's right here in this hotel,'" Smith said. "And Nolan was saying he'd let the university know tomorrow morning about his decision" to return as coach at the university where he had enjoyed unmatched success and popularity.

If Smith didn't know it before his interview, he knew it then: Nolan Richardson's shadow at Tulsa was very large, and very real.

"I knew that Nolan had done a tremendous job here, what he had gone through and what he had meant to the community and the university," Smith said. "But you can never really know what it's like."

Tulsa, a private university of about 5,000, was an also-ran in basketball until Richardson showed up in 1980 with his polka-dot ties and uptempo style of play. In his first year, Tulsa went 26-7 and won the National Invitation Tournament.

Three NCAA tournament appearances followed in the next four years — the Golden Hurricane had only been to one before that. He compiled a 119-37 record in five years, the winningest percentage in school history.

And then he was gone to Arkansas, just like that.

Tulsa replaced him with J.D. Barnett, a successful coach from Virginia Commonwealth who emphasized ball control and defense. Despite a national ranking and two more NCAA appearances, it was never the same.

Tulsa missed Nolan, and it showed in rapidly declining attendance. The shadow was a major concern of Barnett's assistants.

"They could never overcome the mystique of Nolan having been here and what he accomplished," Smith said. "No one can ever replace that."

Smith is coming awfully close. In his third year, he guided the Hurricane (23-7) to its first Missouri Valley Conference title, 20-win season and NCAA tournament since 1987.

Last weekend he accomplished what Richardson never did, winning an NCAA tournament game. The Hurricane blitzed UCLA with a 63-point first half in winning 112-102, then upset Oklahoma State 82-80 to reach the Midwest Regional semifinals.

Its next game is Friday night in Dallas against Richardson and his No. 1 seed Arkansas Razorbacks.

"I'm so in love with Tubby and the job he has done at Tulsa," Richardson said. "Tubby is a guy who has worked hard, recruited hard, and taken the program to a higher level.

"If he is able to get his team into the sweet 16 in the NCAA tournament, I believe it is a bigger accomplishment than when I won the NIT. He is moving that progam up to another level."

Rick Dickson, who leaves Tulsa next month to become athletic director at Washington State, considers the hiring of Smith to be his greatest accomplishment.

"Tubby has been even more than what I had hoped he would be," Dickson said. "We needed a real shot in the arm. He's been that and more. I thought this weekend ... it took someone like Tubby to make this happen."

To say Smith was restless the night he saw Richardson on television is an understatement. By the next afternoon he was introduced as Tulsa's coach, and one of the first phone calls he received was from Richardson.

"He was so nice and kind," Smith recalls. "He said, 'Tubby, you know I'm happy to see you get the job, but I'm going to make you even a bigger hero in the city of Tulsa.'

"I said, 'Yeah, coach? There's nothing else you can do. You didn't take the job, I've got a great situation here, my first year of coaching.' He said, 'I'm going to play you the next four years,' and I said, 'Oh no, coach, you don't have to do that.'"

In a state known more for Oklahoma State and Oklahoma, Pooh Williamson and Shea Seals of Tulsa said they idolized Richardson and the Hurricane.

"Growing up, Nolan was the man," said Seals, the top high school player in Oklahoma a year ago.

"I'm happy about playing for Tubby Smith," Seals said. "Now he's the man."

# Vandy makes NIT semifinals by downing Clemson, 89-74

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Left on the outside of the NCAA tournament, Vanderbilt's Commodores are now two wins away from their second National Invitation Tournament championship in five years.

Vandy has pulled itself up from a lackluster loss to Auburn in the first round of the Southeastern Conference tournament. Wednesday night, the Commodores earned a ticket to the NIT semifinals with an 89-74 win over Clemson (18-16).

"We're playing a lot looser, with a lot more confidence and more as a team," guard Frank Seckar said.

Seckar enjoyed a perfect night from the floor, hitting all five of his shots, including four from 3-point range, to finish with 15 points.

Seckar's backcourt teammate, Billy McCaffrey, scored 20 points in the first half and finished with 27 for the Commodores (19-11).

"I've never been in the NIT and I want to win it. I think the whole team has a lot of desire to do that," said McCaffrey, a senior who transferred to Vanderbilt from Duke three years ago.

Vanderbilt defeated Saint Louis 74-72 in the 1990 title game.

In another NIT quarterfinal, Villanova edged Xavier, Ohio, 76-74. Tonight's quarterfinals have Bradley at Siena and Fresno State at Kansas State.

Wednesday night's loss was the last game for Clemson coach Cliff Ellis, who announced earlier this season he was stepping down. Rick Barnes has been hired to replace him.

"At the 14-second mark, I knew it was over," said Ellis. "It's been a good 10 years. I've been very fortunate and lucky to have coached at a school that has been part of the Atlantic Coast Conference, We've had eight tournament appearances, won a championship and had several players drafted (by the NBA)."

But Ellis' and Clemson's loss is first-year Vanderbilt coach Jan van Breda Kolff's gain.

"We're happy to go to the final four of the NIT," van Breda Kolff said. "We were determined as a team to go to New York."

## NIT glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

Third Round
Wednesday, March 23

Villanova 76, Xavier, Ohio 74
Vanderbilt 89, Clemson 74

Thursday, March 24

Bradley (23-7) vs. Siena (23-7) at Glens Falls, N.Y., 7:30 p.m.
Fresno State (21-10) at Kansas State (19-12), 8 p.m.

Semifinals
At New York
Monday, March 28

Villanova (18-12) vs. Bradley-Siena winner, TBA
Vanderbilt (19-11) vs. Fresno St.-Kansas St. winner, TBA

Championship
Wednesday, March 30

Semifinal losers, 6:45 p.m.
Semifinals winners, 9 p.m.

## Annual WTC awards banquet set

Western Texas College Booster Club's annual sports awards banquet is set for today at 7 p.m. at 37th Street Church of Christ.

Athletes in the school's basketball, golf and rodeo programs, as well as the WTC cheerleaders will be honored.

Coaches' awards, entertainment and a dinner catered by The Shack will also be part of tonight's program.

WTC Athletic Director Milton Ham will serve as the event's Master of Ceremonies.

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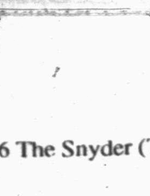
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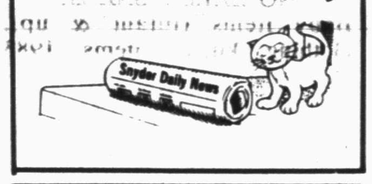
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# Man mistakenly paroled sentenced for crime spree

FORT WORTH (AP) — A man who was mistakenly freed on parole 16 months early shot two people to death with a shotgun and shot another man during a carjacking within three weeks after he was paroled, authorities say.

Ronnie Dee Hall pleaded guilty in December 1990 to dealing cocaine in exchange for an eight-year sentence that required him to spend at least two years in prison.

Prison officials apparently overlooked paperwork indicating that he had used a deadly weapon during the commission of a drug deal, a prison spokesman confirmed Wednesday. Because of the weapon, state law required him to serve a minimum of two years.

It was not a harmless slip, local authorities say.

Hall went on a crime spree within three weeks after he was paroled, officials say.

He shot two people to death in an alley in east Fort Worth and shot another man during a carjacking. He has convicted of two counts of murder and then pleaded guilty to aggravated robbery in the two cases.

Authorities said an accomplice also implicated him in the killing of a third person, a prostitute cut down by multiple shotgun blasts on June 29, 1991, only 16 days after he walked out of the Goree Unit near Huntsville with a fresh parole certificate.

Even his defense lawyer agrees that a mistake was made.

"They screwed up; there's no question about it," said defense attorney Jack Strickland. "I've seen a great many cases where you can say the parole authorities misjudged somebody and never should have let him out. I've never seen an instance like this where they flatly, absolutely made a mistake regarding the law."

Criminal District Judge Sharen Wilson, who signed the eight-year judgment against Hall in 1990, called the parole board's action a "travesty."

"It's a travesty getting eight months for eight years when everyone involved, the attorneys, the judge, said two years minimum," Wilson said yesterday. "It's not for the parole board to replace our judgment in the community with their own."

Texas Criminal Justice Department spokesman David Nunnelee of the Institutional Division in Huntsville said Wednesday that a preliminary review of Hall's case showed that prison personnel overlooked information in his file and passed on incorrect parole eligibility information to parole officials in Austin.

"We are conducting a more intensive review to determine if that is indeed the case and how it occurred," he said.

Judy Telecky, a spokeswoman for the department's Pardons and Parole Division in Austin, said records indicate that the parole board, which made its decision to release Hall in May 1991, considered releasing him even earlier, on March 3, 1991.

Nunnelee said a preliminary finding is that officials overlooked a notation on his judgement papers that indicated Hall was to serve a minimum of two years because he had "used or exhibited" a deadly weapon during the commission of the crime.

"The entire purpose of making that finding is to keep something like this from happening," Wilson said. "We expect the parole board to read the deal, read the judgment and follow the law, which in this case meant keeping him for two years."

Tarrant County prosecutor Terri Moore, who prosecuted Hall last month for the subsequent murders, said, "How can you feel anything but outrage at the system. This is just the kind of thing you fear."

Wilson and Moore said they are researching what legal avenues, if any, can be pursued in the case.

"If there's a legal way to hold the parole board accountable for this, I want to pursue it," Wilson said.

Moore called the crime spree that Hall was convicted of pursuing after his release "one of the worst things I've seen in seven years as a prosecutor."

Authorities say Hall shot Edna Reed Walker, 43, and James Mosely, 40, to death after he became angry when the pair handled his crack cocaine and then decided to buy from another dealer.

On March 3, a Tarrant County jury gave Hall two life sentences plus two $10,000 fines after finding him guilty of two counts of murder for the slayings.

Hall pleaded guilty the same day to an aggravated robbery charge for a carjacking in which witnesses said Hall and an accomplice fired shotguns at two men even after they complied with Hall's demand to give up their truck. The men were not seriously injured.

He was sentenced to 20 years in prison for the carjacking. That term was stacked on the two life sentences, meaning that he will have to serve at least 20 years before he can be considered for parole.

# Civilian prosecutors want to retry military defendants

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Michael Bridgewater's life did not last long. His father's sentence for taking it away wasn't much longer.

Michael was 21/2 months old when his father shook him to death at an apartment in Carthage in 1991. Leslie Bridgewater admitted to manslaughter but got just a year in jail — a military jail, because he was an Army sergeant based at Fort Drum in northern New York.

Another Fort Drum sergeant was accused that year of raping a 13-year-old girl at another off-base apartment. Harvey Booth got two years for indecent assault and giving a minor alcohol.

People in Carthage were furious. Civilian prosecutors say both men escaped meaningful punishment because they were convicted at courts-martial in a justice system that protects soldiers.

"We were not pleased by the lenient sentences," said Jane LaRock, an assistant district attorney in Jefferson County who hopes to prosecute both men in New York's civilian courts. "The local community has great interest in what happens to the citizens, and particularly the children."

New York's highest court, the Court of Appeals, was to hear arguments today from LaRock and from a public defender for the former soldiers, who claims that prosecuting them again in civilian courts would amount to unconstitutional double jeopardy, or trying someone more than once for the same offense.

A lower court agreed and threw out the state's case against Bridgewater and Booth. Jefferson County authorities want the high court to reinstate the charges, which carry up to 25 years to life.

Under military law, the servicemen could have received no jail time, even after pleading guilty or being convicted by a military jury.

Generally, military personnel are tried by courts-martial if their offenses occurred on military property. Wrongdoing that occurs off base is usually prosecuted by civilian authorities.

LaRock argued that the military overstepped its authority in both cases because the crimes occurred in Carthage, outside Fort Drum.

"It is shocking to allow a military court, whose primary goal is to maintain discipline among the members of its ranks and to weed out those who are not good soldiers, to usurp the power of the state to prosecute serious criminal offenses," she said.

Military officials haven't challenged her argument and are staying out of the case, LaRock said. Calls for comment were not returned Wednesday by military prosecutors.

The public defender in Jefferson County, John Hallett, said courts in at least one other state, Oklahoma, have recognized proceedings in military courts as being the same as those in civilian courts for double jeopardy purposes.

"A defendant who has been convicted by a court-martial proceeding has in fact stood trial in every sense of that term," Hallett said in court papers.

Military law contains no double jeopardy protection. "They reserve the right to try all service members, whether or not they were tried in civilian courts," said Lt. Col. Doug Hart, a Pentagon spokesman.

The two cases have prompted Fort Drum authorities and Jefferson County prosecutors to try to avoid crossing paths in the future.

"Since then, and because of these problems, we've been communicating with them more closely," LaRock said.

# Clinton pushes health care reform to those providing health care

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton has summoned some of the nation's health care providers for a house call, hoping they might provide the antidote to criticism of his health care reform plan.

Some 200 health care administrators, doctors and nurses were invited to the White House on Wednesday and urged to work in support of the administration's health care reform goals.

"I implore you ... go tell your patients, your colleagues, your friends, your neighbors, and most important, your senators and representatives, that the time to do this is now," the president told the crowd assembled on the South Lawn on one of the first warm, sunny days this year in the nation's capital.

Delaying action on health care reform would "make it just like a hangnail or an ingrown toenail," Clinton said. "It's just going to get worse."

The president's words found a receptive listener in at least one member of the audience, Dr. Margo Hilliard Alford, senior vice president of Houston's Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital and a member of the National Association of Public Hospitals.

Like Clinton, she argued that any health care reform plan must include coverage for all Americans.

"We have people who have pets who have better health care in this country than other American citizens and other human beings," she said in an interview.

The 262-bed public hospital is one of three in the Harris County Hospital District. Seventy-five percent of the district's patients are either unable to pay for their care or are on Medicaid, Ms. Alford said.

"Houston has the world's largest medical center and yet ... almost a third of our population are uninsured or possibly underinsured and may not qualify for services," she said.

Ms. Alford said she would support compromise that achieves the goal of universal coverage.

She acknowledged that many in Houston's medical community are opposed to the Clinton plan. "There are still a lot of naysayers and detractors, people who say it's going to ration health care," she said. "But having worked in the public hospital setting for several years and having grown up in Houston, rationed health care is a reality for hundreds of thousands of people."

The medical community's concerned has been mirrored on Capitol Hill, where many have faulted the plan for forcing businesses to provide coverage to employees and for its mandatory insurance purchasing alliances. The critics also have suggested the plan would create a new layer of bureaucracy and hike costs for many Americans.

*Gainesville slayings...*

# Florida jury recommends death penalty

GAINESVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Serial killer Danny Harold Rolling should be sentenced to death for murdering five college students in August 1990, a jury recommended today.

Jurors deliberated for five hours over two days before returning their unanimous recommendation on all five murder counts. The only other option was life in prison. Circuit Judge Stan R. Morris will decide the sentence, subject to appeal.

The 39-year-old drifter from Shreveport, La., pleaded guilty Feb. 15 to five counts of first-degree murder, three counts of sexual battery and three counts of armed burglary for the slayings. Thus the jury trial was only on the question of sentencing.

In closing arguments Wednesday, the prosecutor portrayed Rolling as a calculated killer; his public defender said Rolling was mentally ill and had endured years of physical and emotional abuse from his father.

Jurors deliberated four hours Wednesday.

The students were slain in their off-campus apartments in August 1990, just before the fall semester. They attended the University of Florida and Santa Fe Community College. Rolling beheaded one of his victims.

Prosecutors cited aggravating factors to support their contention that the death penalty was warranted, including Rolling's extensive criminal history and the fact that some victims had been raped.

# Fighter jet, transport plane collide, fireball kills sixteen

POPE AIR FORCE BASE, N.C. (AP) — An abandoned fighter jet careened across a runway after a collision with a transport plane, hurling flaming debris at paratroopers waiting for a jump.

At least 16 people were killed and 82 injured.

"I saw a huge fireball rolling at us. I only had a second to try to run," Army Sgt. Gregory Cowper, told the Fayetteville Observer-Times. "The fire caught up with me and I started rolling. ... Ammunition was going off.

"I couldn't tell where it was. I looked to my left. There was a man on fire. I looked to my right, and there was a man on fire."

The F-16D fighter and the C-130 Hercules transport collided less than 300 feet above the Air Force base Wednesday afternoon after both pilots thought they were cleared to land, said Brig. Gen. Bobby Floyd, a wing commander.

"For some unknown reason they both appeared at the same time in the same place," Floyd said. "Obviously, there was a failure to communicate."

The C-130's five-member crew landed safely despite losing a piece of the tail. The F-16 pilot and a flier being trained ejected safely, but their abandoned jet crashed in flames and skidded across the runway at 180 mph.

Flying metal punctured the fuel tanks of a C-141 transport plane preparing for takeoff, destroying the plane in a blaze. All six crew members aboard the C-141 escaped injury.

The jet's flaming hulk then skidded into a staging area where about 500 Army troops from the 82nd Airborne and other Fort Bragg units were preparing for jumping exercises. The C-141 was going to take the paratroopers up.

About 60 soldiers were hospitalized, most with burns and broken bones. A medical team specializing in burn injuries was sent from Fort Sam Houston near San Antonio. The names of the victims were not immediately released.

"It was mass mayhem. It was very, very horrible," said Army Sgt. Lawrence Male, whose burned hands were wrapped in huge mitts of white gauze.

# Six more candidates file

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Snyder High School graduate, and attended Sam Houston State University and Western Texas College.

He and his wife, Jennifer, who was also born and reared in Snyder, are members of Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Hearn has been the minister at First United Methodist Church for the past six years. He received a degree in animal science from Texas A&M and his master's and doctorate from Asbury Seminary.

He is a member of the Ministerial Alliance and serves as a board member for Noah Project West, the Practical Parent Education committee and the West Elementary site-based committee. He is a past board member of Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse.

He and his wife, Sandy, have four children: Amanda Harmon of Idalou, Audra Hitchcock of Grand Prairie; Melanie Long of Lubbock and Bay John Long, a junior at Texas A&M.

In filing for the District 4 seat, Hearn will be opposing incumbent I.E. Martin.

Snyder ISD board has two places up for election, and both are contested. Running for Place 3 are Pam Zeck and Richard Chambers. Making a bid for Place 2 are incumbent Geraldine Parker and Riggan.

Riggan, 42, is a limited partner with Edward D. Jones and Co. in Snyder, having lived here since 1981.

Riggan said he has three children in Snyder schools and desires to become more involved and active in the school system. "Anyone who knows me, knows I am very family oriented."

Riggan added, "I believe I can see the importance of all categories of the school system. Academics have become even a higher priority for me, but for well-rounded children, we need arts and athletics, also. With a declining tax base and increasing cost, we all realize there are some tough decisions to be made in the future.

"I realize children need to receive a quality education, have a positive attitude and desire to become successful in order for them to be productive as they become our leaders of the future. "Hopefully, the experience of being in business the past 19 years will be helpful in the decision-making processes of the school board."

Riggan grew up in the Mulberry Canyon area and graduated from Trent High School in 1969. He earned his bachelor's degree in agricultural education from Tarleton State University in 1974.

Riggan went to work for the Farmers Home Administration in Brownwood and then joined Farmland Industries in the firm's insurance and retirement department. After joining Edward D. Jones, he opened the office in Snyder.

Riggan and his wife, Dianna, have three children who attend the Snyder public schools. Russell is a freshman, Stoni Brooke is in the 7th grade, and Tyler is in the fourth grade.

Riggan is serving his second term as a member of the Board of County Development and he is a AJRA director. He was also a member of the chamber's AJRA National Rodeo Finals committee in Snyder.

Riggan is a Gold Coater and serves as a deacon at the 37th Street Church of Christ.

At Ira, Robinson is unopposed for Place 4 but Place 5 incumbent Sid Wall drew a contestant Wednesday in Dirk Dunn, a 25-year-old farmer and Ira High School graduate.

Nine people are running for three at-large places on the Hermleigh board of trustees. They include incumbents Jimmy Hudgins and Tony Lambaren, as well as Jay Roemisch, Andres Rodriguez Jr., Chip Roemisch Jr., Carole Haynes, John Williamson, Rex Glass and Brian Blair.

All except Williamson have served at least one term on the board previously.

# UIL contests

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Chris Reeves.

Ready Writing: La Veeda Newsome, Charlie Beasley and Kurtis McCathern.

Spelling & Vocabulary: Tiffany Jones, Brandi Doyle, Laura Stansell and alternate Katye Galloway.

Science: Kurtis McCathern, Robert Clarady, Tom Kerr, Veana Clay and Sara Fisher.

Saturday, Snyder will enter District 2-4A one-act play competition in Plainview.

## Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

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| AMR Corp | 611/4 | 60 | 601/8 | —11/4 |
| Albtsn s | 30 | 295/8 | 297/8 | -1/8 |
| Alldsignal s | 391/2 | 387/8 | 39 | -1/8 |
| Alltel s | 267/8 | 263/8 | 261/2 | -1/2 |
| AmStores | 541/8 | 533/8 | 541/8 | +1/4 |
| Amer T&T | 533/8 | 531/8 | 531/8 | -1/4 |
| Ameritech | 403/8 | 401/4 | 403/8 | |
| Amoco | 551/8 | 547/8 | 547/8 | -1/4 |
| AndarkPtr | 467/8 | 461/2 | 465/8 | -3/8 |
| Arkla | 71/2 | 71/4 | 71/4 | -1/8 |
| Armcolnc | 55/8 | 51/2 | 55/8 | |
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| ATMOS | 281/2 | 281/4 | 281/2 | -1/8 |
| Aviall n | 165/8 | 161/2 | 165/8 | |
| BakerHughes | 195/8 | 191/4 | 193/8 | -1/4 |
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| BellAtl | 531/4 | 523/8 | 531/4 | +5/8 |
| BellSouth | 561/8 | 551/2 | 557/8 | +5/8 |
| Beth Steel | 223/4 | 223/8 | 223/8 | -3/8 |
| Bordea | 145/8 | 143/8 | 141/2 | -1/8 |
| Brit Pet | 663/4 | 661/2 | 665/8 | —11/8 |
| Caterpllr | 1197/8 | 1183/8 | 1185/8 | —21/8 |
| CenSoWst | 251/4 | 243/4 | 25 | -1/4 |
| Chevron | 907/8 | 901/2 | 905/8 | -3/8 |
| Chrysler | 577/8 | 561/4 | 561/2 | —15/8 |
| Coastal | 331/4 | 33 | 331/4 | |
| CocaCola | 421/4 | 413/4 | 421/8 | +1/4 |
| ColgatePalm | 603/8 | 597/8 | 597/8 | -3/4 |
| ComlMetl s | 257/8 | 25 | 25 | -3/4 |
| Cooperln | 391/4 | 387/8 | 39 | |
| CyprusAmax | 321/2 | 321/8 | 321/4 | -1/4 |
| DallSemicn | 19 | 183/4 | 183/4 | -3/8 |
| DeltaAirl | 48 | 471/2 | 475/8 | -3/4 |
| DigitalEq | 323/4 | 321/8 | 321/4 | -5/8 |
| Dillard | 331/4 | 33 | 33 | -1/8 |
| DowChem | 653/4 | 651/4 | 653/4 | |
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| Entergy | 321/8 | 313/4 | 313/4 | -1/2 |
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| FlowerInd | 18 | 177/8 | 177/8 | |
| FordMotor | 621/4 | 61 | 611/2 | —17/8 |
| GTE Cp | 317/8 | 311/2 | 313/4 | |
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| GenMills | 553/4 | 551/2 | 553/4 | |
| GenMotors | 591/8 | 585/8 | 583/4 | —13/4 |
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| Navistar s | 251/8 | 247/8 | 247/8 | -3/8 |
| Nynex s | 365/8 | 361/4 | 363/8 | +1/2 |
| OryxEngy | 171/8 | 17 | 171/8 | |
| PacTelesis | 543/4 | 541/2 | 545/8 | -3/8 |
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| PhelpDodge | 575/8 | 57 | 57 | -1/2 |
| PhilipPet | 287/8 | 281/2 | 281/2 | -5/8 |
| PilgrmPrd | 91/4 | 9 | 91/8 | -1/8 |
| Polaroid | 333/8 | 327/8 | 331/4 | +3/8 |
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| WestghEl | 131/8 | 13 | 131/8 | |
| WinnDixie | 563/4 | 565/8 | 565/8 | -1/8 |
| Woolwth | 195/8 | 191/4 | 191/2 | -1/8 |
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| ZenithE | 11 | 105/8 | 107/8 | |

## Obituaries

### Mrs. Palmer

**1914-1994**

Graveside services are set for 2 p.m. Friday in Hillside Memorial Gardens for Willie Vay Palmer, 79, who died Wednesday night at Southern Manor in Lubbock. Her grandson, Keith Floyd, will officiate.

A resident of Snyder since 1949, Mrs. Palmer and her husband, Jesse W. Palmer, owned and operated Snyder Laundry and Dry Cleaning for many years. They were married on May 6, 1930, in Canyon. He died in 1981.

Born on Nov. 5, 1914, in Gonzales, Mrs. Palmer was a member of the Faith Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Milton Palmer of Lubbock; five daughters, Linda Robinson of Snyder, Frankie Green of Graham, Virginia Floyd of Mesquite, Carolyn Smith of Hawley and Sally Summerville of Snyder; three sisters, Azle Lancaster of San Antonio, Babe Hoyle of Amarillo and Jean Stoddard of Amarillo; 22 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

### Mary Adams

**1911-1994**

McCAMEY — Graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Resthaven Cemetery for Mrs. Mary Adams, 83, who died Wednesday in a McCamey Hospital.

She was the mother of Robert C. Adams of Snyder.

Born in Artesia, N.M., Mrs. Adams was the eldest of seven children. Except for time spent at the University of California at Los Angeles, she had lived most of her life in Upton County.

She retired from the McCamey ISD in 1985 after having taught 30 years. She was a life-long member of the United Methodist Church where she also taught Sunday school.

She married H.W. Adams in Carlsbad, N.M. on Oct. 10, 1930. He died in 1974. She was also preceded in death by a son, William Edgar Adams; a brother, C.F. "Hoot" Gibson; and a sister, Ailene Jones.

Survivors also include a daughter, Mary Anne Andrews of Hobbs, N.M.; two granddaughters, Allison Adams of Dallas and Amber Adams of Huntsville; three sisters, Maxine Stark of Comfort, Freda Bedell of Lake Whitney and Lenora Collins of Marana, Ariz.; and a brother, Dan Gibson of San Angelo.

### Louise Duffey

**1928-1994**

ANDREWS — Services are set for 2 p.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church for Louise Duffey, 65, who died Wednesday morning in Permian General Hospital. Burial will follow in the Andrews Cemetery.

Mrs. Duffey was secretary and treasurer of Roberts Publishing Co. and was a stockholder of the Snyder Daily News.

A native of Andrews and a graduate of Baylor University, she is survived by her husband, John Duffey of Andrews; a daughter, Denise Mizuta of Honolulu; a son, Steve Duffey of Tyler; and two brothers, James Roberts of Andrews and Wesley Roberts of Austin.

# Pipeline explodes in N. Jersey

EDISON, N.J. (AP) — An explosion today in an underground natural gas pipeline destroyed eight apartment buildings in a fierce blaze. Twenty-nine residents were injured and hundreds forced to flee.

The explosion shortly after midnight rocked the large Durham Woods Apartments and shot up a pillar of flame that could be seen as far away as Pennsylvania. One resident died of a heart attack.

"It sounded like three 747s were revving up their engines," said tenant Jim Nemeth. "I ran out and all I saw was red. It was like daylight. I thought we had been bombed."

Most of the injured, all complex residents, were treated for smoke inhalation or burns on their feet. The heart attack death of a 32-year-old woman resident, whose identity was not released, was being counted as explosion-related, authorities said.

Authorities said they had no people confirmed to be missing. But dogs trained to sniff out bodies were being brought to the scene to search through the smouldering rubble.

At least eight buildings in the complex were destroyed. The mayor's office said there are more than 60 buildings in all, each having eight to 12 apartments.

"One building was vaporized," said John Matty, a dispatcher for the Middlesex County Sheriff's Department. "There are bricks blown all over the place."

Lisa Sternstrom, one of an estimated 1,500 residents rousted by the blast, said the blast jolted her out of bed.

"I looked out my patio door and all I saw was a large orange glow," she said. "I guess from the sound of the boom, I thought maybe it was a plane that had crashed around the apartment complex."

She and other residents decided that the railroad tracks that run near the complex would be the best exit route. "We ran barefooted along the railroad tracks for about a mile and I kept looking back, thinking we were going to die."

The cause of the blast was not immediately known, said John Barnett, spokesman for the line's owner, Texas Eastern Transmission of Houston.

# Burglary investigated

Snyder police investigated a burglary in an otherwise uneventful 24 hour period ending early today.

O.D. Brewer contacted officers at 7:50 a.m. Wednesday in reference to someone breaking into the Northside Exxon station. Gum and soft drinks were taken. A report for burglary of a business was filed.

At 4:55 p.m., a man contacted sheriff's deputies to complain that he had been assaulted by another subject. A report for assault was filed.

At 10:18 p.m. Wednesday, officers arrested a 35-year-old man in the 1000 block of 16th Street on a warrant for driving with a suspended license.

## Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Nathan Williams, 1923 Santa Fe Ave.; Josie Guzman, 502 College Ave.; Brian Squiers, 3001 34th; Juanita Trejo, Snyder Oaks Nursing Center.

DISMISSALS: D.N. Buchanan, Newell Hazelwood, Skylar Jones, John Kincheloe.

Census: 43 (Med.-6, Long-Term Care-35, OB-1, Nursery-1).

## Births

Jim and Shari Zoda of Coppell announce the birth of their son, Zane Jarrod Zoda, born on March 24 in HEB Hospital. He weighed seven pounds, 10 ounces and was welcomed home by a brother, Zack.

Grandparents are Nona and Carl Williams of Snyder and Marilyn and Joe Zoda of Lake Kiowa, formerly of Snyder.

Kurt and Terri Sherick of Abilene are parents of a daughter, Lexie Briana, born at 6:16 p.m. on March 2 in Hendrick Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, 15 ounces and has two brothers, Riley and Austen.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Murphy of Snyder and Harold Sherick and Jacki Stoker, both of Abilene. Great-grandmother is Virgil Turner of St. Joseph, La.

# Petroleum prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Petroleum cash prices Wednesday as compared with Tuesday prices.

| | Wed. | Tue. |
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| **Refined Products** | | |
| Fuel oil No. 2 NY bbr bg gl fob | .4875 | .4895 |
| Gasoline unl prem RVP NY bbr bg gl fob | .5085 | .5115 |
| Gasoline unl RVP NY bbr bg gl fob | .4535 | .4550 |
| Prices provided by Oil Buyer's Guide. | | |
| X-prices are for RVP grade of gasoline. | | |
| **Petroleum - Crude Grades** | | |
| Saudi Arabian light $ per bbl fob | 13.05 | 13.15 |
| North Sea Brent $ per bbl fob | 14.85 | 14.75 |
| West Texas Intermed $ per bbl fob | 14.90 | 15.20 |
| Alask No. Slope del. US Gulf Coast | 13.90 | 14.20 |
| Alask No. Slope del. West Coast | 13.00 | 13.56 |

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

# What's at the root of hair loss?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 35 and occasionally color my hair, which is long and normally quite thick. Within the past two months, however, my hair has been coming out by the ton and by the root. I'm on daily doses of estrogen from a recent hysterectomy and take good multi-vitamins, but I can't seem to get to the root of the problem.

DEAR READER: Loss of hair can accompany many medical conditions, including thyroid disorders, anemia, skin diseases (such as seborrhea), and fever. In addition, many medicines may cause thinning hair, as can reactions to hair-coloring solutions.

Finally, most forms of hair loss in adults are hereditary, although spotty baldness may result in perfectly healthy persons for no known reason. Some studies have shown that even stress and anxiety can lead to hair loss.

Thus, as you can see, you have some work to do to discover the cause of your problem.

I suggest that you be examined by a dermatologist, who should be able to arrive at a diagnosis and recommend treatment. I do not believe that your hysterectomy, estrogen replacement or vitamin supplements are playing a role.

Because psoriasis often causes thinning hair, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Eczema and Psoriasis." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 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: Is reheating coffee bad for your health? A friend insists the oil in coffee separates when cooled, causing something detrimental to our health. Since I heat coffee daily in my microwave, I'm concerned.

DEAR READER: I am not aware that reheating coffee is detrimental to health, although this practice may affect the taste of the brew.

I believe that you can safely continue your habit of reheating your coffee, but the drink would certainly be more flavorful if it were freshly prepared.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've had a chronic cough for over two years. Lung function tests, bronchoscopy and a tissue biopsy were negative. My doctor has me on Azmacort to thin the mucus and has indicated I must use it constantly since I'm prone to respiratory infections.

DEAR READER: Your doctor has prescribed a brand of inhaled cortisone steroid that is customarily used for the treatment of asthma. Azmacort may diminish your cough if the symptom is caused by excess mucus in narrowed bronchial passages: in a word, asthma. But it will merely mask an infection, not prevent it.

I would feel more comfortable if you were to be examined by a pulmonary specialist. Even though Azmacort may be appropriate therapy, other sprays (such as Proventil) or pills (such as antibiotics) might be more beneficial. I believe that a second opinion is in order.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Living With Chronic Lung Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have a nervous disorder that causes me to shake. I dropped out of school because of this, have passed up numerous jobs, and it's controlling my life. This doesn't only happen when I'm with people; I experience it when I'm alone, also.

DEAR READER: There are many causes for constant tremor, ranging from thyroid disorders to benign familial tremor, an inherited, harmless but annoying affliction that is present from childhood.

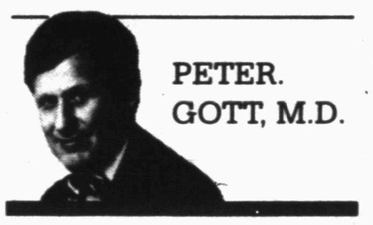
You should bring this symptom to your doctor's attention, because blood and nerve tests may be in order. If you are shaky because of simple nervousness, counseling or short-term drug therapy (with medication such as Xanax) may help you control it — or you may need treatment for an underlying metabolic imbalance.

Patients with familial tremor are frequently aided by low doses of prescription beta-blockers, medicines usually used for hypertension and heart disease.

Ask your doctor for advice.

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**DR. GOTT**



PETER. GOTT, M.D.

# Parents, prosecutors stunned by four-year sentence for teen

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The 4-year sentence handed down for a 14-year-old boy who was convicted of capital murder in a botched carjacking has been criticized by the victim's parents, prosecutors and San Antonio residents.

A jury Wednesday set the 4-year term as punishment for Johnny R. Hernandez, the youngest person ever charged with capital murder in Bexar County.

He had been found guilty of delinquent conduct on Tuesday in the Jan. 23, 1993, shooting death of Michael Guynes, 19, of the Dallas suburb of Farmers Branch.

District Judge Andy Mireles said he started getting calls from irate citizens after news accounts of the jury verdict were broadcast Wednesday afternoon.

Prosecutors Bert Richardson and Mike Ramos had asked the jury to assess a minimum sentence of 33 years.

"What it means is that somebody got away with murder," Ramos said after the sentence was announced. "I don't know what the jury could've been thinking. I was expecting something like 30 or 40 years."

Guynes' parents, Larry and Joellen Guynes, who had sat through the trial, said they did not think the sentence was severe enough.

Capital murder committed by adults is punishable with death by injection or life in prison. The maximum sentence for a juvenile convicted of the same charge is 40 years.

A 16-year-old accomplice who entered a plea bargain in the case received a 15-year sentence. As part of the agreement with the state, he testified against Hernandez and identified him as the triggerman.

Hernandez will receive credit for the six months he already has served at the Bexar County Juvenile Detention Center. He will be placed in the custody of the Texas Youth Commission until his 18th birthday at which time a judge can decide if he will be transferred to an adult prison, left at TYC or released from custody.

Jurors contacted at home by the San Antonio Express-News after the verdict said the age of the defendant weighed heavily on their decision.

Several jurors had tears in their eyes when they entered the courtroom to give their verdict.

"I know some of the media is upset and thinks the sentence was too light but I wish people would understand it was a very difficult decision," one of the jurors said.

A juror said the majority thought Hernandez could be rehabilitated in 4 years.

Some of the jurors did not believe Hernandez was the triggerman, but all believed he had been at the scene when Guynes was murdered, a juror said.

"We felt he (Hernandez) had to be disciplined. We felt he had not been disciplined in the home," a juror told the newspaper.

Another juror appeared very upset about the outcome of the trial.

"I'm in such a state. I think talking about (what went on in the jury room) would be an invasion of privacy," the juror said. "I don't think justice was done."

Defense attorney Mark Stevens said he was satisfied with the jury verdict. He had asked for probation.

"The jury worked extremely hard. They did what they thought was right. Our defense was Johnny didn't do it," he said.

# Election judge indicted on illegal voting charge

AUSTIN (AP) — A Travis County grand jury has indicted a precinct chairman for the Democratic Party who worked as an election judge on charges of illegal voting, perjury and illegally "assisting" two voters with their ballots.

Fred D. Mann, 64, was charged with assisting two voters during the early balloting in the Democratic primary in February, but officials said he was believed to have filled in part or all of about two dozen ballots. The questionable ballots included some for people who did not vote and for people who voted but left some of the contested positions blank.

Investigators decided the questionable ballots totaled about two dozen, but officials withheld about 90 ballots from Travis County vote tallies until they determined that the votes would not affect the outcome of races, Tim Weltin, executive director of the Travis County Democratic Party, said.

Mann is prohibited from voting because he is serving 10 years on probation after a plea bargain in 1992 on a charge that he stole more than $4,500 from the insurance company where he worked. The case also prohibits him from serving as a precinct chairman, but Democratic Party officials were not aware of his plea bargain, Weltin said.

The case came to light after members of the Travis County clerk's office reported irregularities during the early voting at an Austin grocery store, Assistant District Attorney Claire Dawson-Brown said. Mann was then working for the clerk's office, which is responsible for early voting in party primaries.

During the investigation, officials learned that Mann was on probation for misapplication of fiduciary property and that he had allegedly voted in three elections in 1992 and 1993 despite the fact he was prohibited from doing so, Ms. Dawson-Brown said.

The charges returned by a grand jury were three counts of illegal voting, one count of perjury charging that he lied about the conviction when applying to become precinct chairman and two counts of illegal assistance of voters. Illegal voting is a third-degree felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison. The other charges are Class A misdemeanors punishable by up to a year in jail.

Mann was appointed chairman of Precinct 126 in 1991 and was elected in 1992 and again this year, Weltin said. He was unopposed on the ballot.

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# Taxes

By Jim Luther
AP Tax Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — It's difficult to hear or read a reference to the federal income tax that doesn't include such words as confusing, complicated and complex.

True, you can't file even the simplest tax form — 1040EZ — without encountering such terms as adjusted gross income, taxable income and standard deduction and wondering whether you've claimed every exemption and deduction you're entitled to.

Perhaps the system will never be simple. But keeping in mind that the vast majority of taxpayers need never worry about such things as net operating losses, amortization and the alternative minimum tax, here is a primer on how the income tax works:

Some definitions:

— Gross income is everything you made last year unless specifically exempted from tax, such as interest on municipal bonds.

— Adjusted gross income, or AGI, is what is left after subtracting such adjustments as Individual Retirement Account contributions, alimony paid and penalties for early withdrawal of savings.

— Taxable income is the figure actually subject to tax. It is derived by subtracting deductions and personal exemptions from AGI.

— Marginal tax rate is what the government takes from the last dollar of taxable income you earned. Most people pay only one rate: 15 percent; most middle-income families pay 15 percent on the biggest portion of their income and 28 percent on the rest. There are three other rates applying to those with more income: 31 percent, 36 percent and 39.6 percent.

— You won't find the term on your tax return, but effective tax rate is your total income tax divided by AGI. This is simply a way to measure your tax burden. If AGI is $40,000 and your tax is $5,600, your effective rate is 14 percent.

Here's an example, assuming a married couple with two children, income of $67,000 and itemized deductions of $10,800:

Subtracting $3,600 of alimony the husband paid his former wife results in AGI of $63,400. Subtract the itemized deductions and personal exemptions (four worth $2,350 apiece) to get taxable income of $43,200.

Because this couple's taxable income is under $100,000, they don't have to calculate their tax liability. Instead, they simply use the tax tables in their Form 1040 instructions. Their bottom line: $7,306.

Because that figure is rounded off to keep the tax tables simple, it overstates the couple's liability by $7.

Here is how the liability is calculated using the tax rate schedules (which anyone with taxable of $100,000 or more must use): The first $36,900 of taxable income is taxed at 15 percent ($5,535). The remaining $6,300 faces a 28 percent rate ($1,764). The total is $7,299, for an effective rate of 11.5 percent.

Now, consider a single person with $75,000 income, $3,600 of alimony payments, no dependents and itemized deductions of $10,800:

The alimony is subtracted, leaving AGI of $71,400. Subtracting the itemized deductions and one $2,350 personal exemption results in taxable income of $58,250. The tax tables show a liability of $13,587.

Under the tax-rate schedules, the first $22,100 would be taxed at 15 percent ($3,315); the next $31,400 at 28 percent ($8,792), and the remaining $4,750 at 31 percent ($1,472.50). That totals $13,579.50.

This single taxpayer in the 31 percent bracket has an effective rate of 19 percent.

Assume this person won $75,000 in the state lottery, boosting total income to $150,000. AGI is $146,400. Then it gets complicated.

Higher-income taxpayers lose some or all their personal exemptions and a portion of some itemized deductions — including state and local taxes — as earnings rise.

In this example, with $146,400 AGI, the exemption drops to $1,598, a figure calculated on the worksheet on Page 25 of the Form 1040 instructions. Assuming that $2,000 of the $10,800 of deductions was for medical expenses and investment interest, the worksheet on Page A-5 of the instructions results in allowable deductions of $9,661.50.

Subtracting the $1,598 exemption and the $9,661.50 allowable deductions from AGI results in taxable income of $135,140.50.

The first $22,100 is taxed at 15 percent ($3,315); the next $31,400 at 28 percent ($8,792); the next $61,500 at 31 percent ($19,065), and the remaining $20,140.50 at 36 percent ($7,250.58). That is a total tax of $38,422.58, and an effective rate of 26.2 percent.

## Eagles plan reunion tour

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hell hath frozen over for the Eagles.

Don Henley, lead singer of the 1970s rock group, used to say the band would reunite when "hell freezes over." So on Wednesday, he announced the Eagles' reunion tour with a news release headlined, "Extra!!! Hell Freezes Over."

The tour will start May 27 in Irvine and include stops in North America, Europe, Japan and Mexico.

The lineup includes Henley, Glenn Frey, Joe Walsh, Don Felder and Timothy B. Schmit; Henley and Frey were members of the original group in 1971.

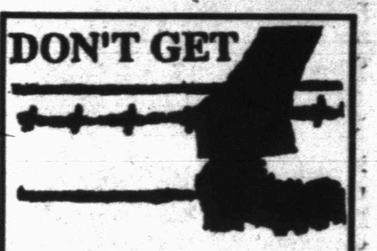
The group's hits include "Hotel California," "Take It Easy," "Best of My Love," "Lyin' Eyes," "New Kid in Town" and "Life in the Fast Lane."

Henley, Frey and Walsh enjoyed solo careers after the band broke up in 1980. Since then, Henley and Frey occasionally have feuded in public.

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# Dear Abby



## Body to Be Cremated Can Be Viewed in Rental Casket

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: "An Avid Reader in Woonsocket, R.I." wrote you about a funeral home that charged $1,200 for a casket when the deceased was to have been cremated. Perhaps you didn't know that if the deceased is to be cremated, it is possible to rent a casket for the viewing. I have two experiences with this — one in Florida, where the rental was $500, and one in Rhode Island, where we paid $1,200. (The cost covered the use and refurbishing for later use by someone else.)

The $700 difference is easily explained. In Florida, the funeral home had one casket that was used only for rental. In Rhode Island, we were allowed to choose what we wanted, and we chose something a little more elaborate.

I have spoken to many people who have never heard of this practice. Perhaps it would be worthwhile to inform your readers.

ANOTHER AVID READER
IN NEWPORT, R.I.

**DEAR ANOTHER AVID READER: Perhaps you're right. Yours was one of many letters sparked by that column. I checked with John Blake, executive director of the Continental Association of Funeral and Memorial Societies, who informed me that the average price range for casket rental is between $400 and $600.**

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DEAR ABBY: In response to the couple who was burned up over the cost of a cremation casket: Many families purchase a casket when choosing cremation for a loved one. The casket containing the body is placed in the retort (cremation chamber) and will be cremated with the body. Our statistics show that approximately 17 percent to 20 percent of all cremations in the United States include a casket.

Many funeral directors offer rental caskets to be used for visitations and religious services. The body is then cremated in an inexpensive, combustible, closed, leakproof container.

JACK M. SPRINGER,
CREMATION ASSOCIATION
OF NORTH AMERICA

**DEAR MR. SPRINGER: Those who wish to burn the casket along with the deceased will be pleased to know they are in good company. However, the rest should know that for a cremation, all that is needed is an original combustible container, which costs approximately $50. If you don't have a viewing, only the combustible container is necessary.**

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DEAR ABBY: I am the wife of a funeral director and want to set you and your readers straight. You are correct that the FTC prohibits funeral directors from telling customers that cremation requires a casket. However, you failed to tell your readers that the crematory requires a container of some sort for the protection for their staff. (These containers normally cost $125.)

You made it sound like all funeral directors are crooks when you said, "If the funeral director misleads a customer and sells him (or her) a casket, he is in violation of federal law." My husband always explains the FTC law, but has to explain the crematory requirements.

When people use our services, they are not always in the best of shape emotionally. They are dealing with the shock of their loss and don't always hear what has been told to them. An experienced funeral director will take time to explain the correct procedures whether he is dealing with a full funeral service or a cremation.

We live in Minnesota, and all the cremation facilities require a container for cremation.

KRIS MARKHAM

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# Three new vaccines unveiled by scientists

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three promising vaccines for polio, malaria and cholera are the first to emerge from a global search for a super vaccine that, in one oral dose, would protect children against a dozen major diseases.

"We see a different world," said Dr. D.A. Henderson, the architect of smallpox's eradication who now is an assistant U.S. health secretary. "These are some of the most exciting developments."

Doctors are searching for ways to get more and better vaccines to all children, particularly the 20 percent who now don't get even the basic shots against such diseases as measles, polio and whooping cough.

The Children's Vaccine Initiative is a global effort by the World Health Organization and other agencies to fund such research. The goal is to vaccinate children against most major killers in one oral dose given at birth, with a booster for developing countries that battle such scourges as malaria and cholera.

At a meeting here Wednesday, CVI researchers unveiled three new vaccines that use the technology needed for an eventual super vaccine:

—French researchers just discovered that replacing ordinary water in the polio vaccine with heavy water allows the delicate vaccine to survive in warm temperatures.

Polio vaccine must be kept refrigerated, which hinders immunization in the rural and tropical areas. The molecules in heavy water, which is water containing an extra, non-radioactive isotope of hydrogen, form a protective shell around the virus to stop deterioration, the researchers found. The vaccine should enter development by summer.

—Walter Reed Army Institute of Research developed a malaria vaccine by putting seven antigens onto a harmless virus that travels through the body and kills the deadly parasite wherever it's hiding.

Malaria-infected mosquitoes bite a person, sending the parasite into the blood. It travels to the liver to incubate and then re-enters the blood as active infection. Current vaccines are being developed to attack malaria in either the blood, liver or in a mosquito that bites an infected person — but not all three at once.

"This is a major breakthrough," said Walter Reed's Dr. Jerald Sadoff, who will test the vaccine in people this summer. "It's the first time we've made a combination vaccine in a single virus."

—An oral vaccine made from the world's deadliest cholera, a new strain called Bengal cholera. The strain surfaced last year, killing more than 5,000 people in India and Bangladesh, some in just nine hours. It is impervious to current vaccines.

The new vaccine, developed by Walter Reed and the Virus Research Institute of Cambridge, Mass., is made of live but weakened cholera that is genetically engineered so it travels through the intestines to the immune system without stopping to cause diarrhea. It undergoes its first human trials at Fort Dietrich, Md., this summer.

The scientists also outlined new research into making vaccines work like time-released drugs so children won't need numerous doses at different ages, and into combining current vaccines. SmithKline Beecham Pharmaceuticals announced it is about to seek approval in Europe for a vaccine combining DPT and hepatitis B into the same shots.

# Clinton is not avoiding Q&A sessions

By Walter R. Mears
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — The answers may be debatable, but President Clinton's willingness to face the questions is not. Unlike some of his predecessors, he isn't avoiding televised question-and-answer sessions with reporters, despite his woes over Whitewater.

Indeed, he's holding his 54th presidential news conference tonight in an attempt to deal with the fallout of the long-lost Ozark land investment that haunts his White House and has become the label for a case that so far seems neither quite right nor quite scandalous.

Clinton complains that he and his wife are being presumed guilty with no proof.

Both the Senate and House have voted to hold Whitewater hearings, although the dates and formats are still to be negotiated. There's a special prosecutor on the case. The issue threatens to weaken Clinton politically and divert attention from his 1994 agenda just when he needs the strength to push on health care and other proposals.

In similar circumstances, prior presidents often chose to shun

## AP analysis

news conferences, where questioners pick the subjects. That is not Clinton's strategy, although Whitewater questions clearly have irked him. He's coming back for more tonight, knowing that the controversy will be the prime topic.

Clinton has been known to joke about the White House being a bunker these days, but he has been accessible in full-scale news conferences — 38 in 1993, 15 so far this year by White House count — and in countless Q&A sessions after his daily jogs, at photo sessions or in other settings.

There's no guarantee that a question asked will be answered fully, and there are tough Whitewater points to be settled by the president, Hillary Rodham Clinton and administration appointees. That will have to happen in official proceedings, the special prosecutor's and the eventual hearings in Congress.

After all, it was grudging, piecemeal disclosures and an early attempt to withhold documents from investigators that transformed Whitewater from a footnote into a headache.

"There is no previous president who has been asked to undergo this level of scrutiny about something that happened so long before he became president, in the absence of any credible evidence that any violation of the law occurred," Clinton said in an interview with USA Today.

Granting that, Rep. Robert Michel, the House Republican leader, was right when he said "this thing has a life of its own, keeps dragging on." Michel said the sooner Congress investigates, the sooner the Clintons will have a chance to get it out of the way.

But in the meantime, Clinton's willingness to answer questions in the glare of TV cameras is a ready comeback to Republican critics looking for grounds to accuse him of a cover-up. There have been suggestions that Mrs. Clinton should hold a news conference herself to deal with her Whitewater role the way Geraldine Ferraro handled questions about her family finances when she was the Democratic vice presidential nominee in 1988. There's no hint that she will.

Clinton is doing the talking, holding news conferences at a pace exceeding that of presidents in the age of televised questions and answers. He's averaging nearly four a month, with no letup during the weeks since the nettlesome Whitewater questions became the focus.

In contrast, Ronald Reagan didn't have many news conferences to begin with, fewer when the Iran-Contra cloud formed over his White House. George Bush had them often during his first three years, seldom and then not at all in the final months of his unsuccessful campaign. The Bush White House tried to counter media complaints by claiming he'd held 268 news conferences, a number reached by counting about every time he'd answered a news question.

By more objective accounting, Bush did hold 142 during his one term. Reagan had only 50 news conferences in eight years. Jimmy Carter held 59, Gerald R. Ford 39. Richard M. Nixon conducted 37 in the presidency cut short by his Watergate resignation.

And none at all in his final five months.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.

# Phony credentials given by teachers

HOUSTON (AP) — A television station has uncovered inconsistencies in the way the Houston Independent School District hires teachers for its bilingual education program.

The KTRK-TV report this week said several Spanish-speaking teachers hired through the state's Alternative Certification Program for teachers provided HISD with phony college transcripts from Mexico and South America.

The credentials of at least six teachers are being reviewed. HISD Superintendent Rod Paige told the station the district has found 40 teachers in the bilingual program that don't have college degrees.

"Obviously persons who are not qualified should not be teaching," Paige said.

One bilingual teacher listed first a degree from a Matamoras, Mexico, teaching college, then one in Reynosa. Reporter Wayne Dolcefino took her transcripts to the administrators at the two colleges who declared them false.





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