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Ask Us

Q—Has a buyer been found for recycled plastic in Snyder?

A—No. The Extension Service Council, Environmental Concerns Committee and the City of Snyder, which together sponsor the recycling containers in the city, are still attempting to find a buyer for plastic.

In Brief

Embargo eyed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Clinton administration officials are on the verge of recommending the end of the U.S. trade embargo against Vietnam but are waiting to see how the idea is greeted by the president's close aides, The Washington Post reported today.

Dropping the embargo was discussed at a meeting to assess a trip to Vietnam earlier this month by Assistant Secretary of State Winston Lord. ''There were some good reasons for doing it,'' according to an unnamed senior administration official cited by the newspaper.

Fraud plea

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston businessman, dubbed the meanest man in America by a television news program, has pleaded guilty to federal fraud charges.

Michael Makris, indicted in a national loan brokerage scheme, agreed to plead guilty Thursday to one count of wire fraud and a count of interstate transportation of counterfeit securities. In return, 20 other counts of wrongdoing will be dismissed.

The 66-year-old Makris was once described by ABC-TV's news show ''2020'' as the ''meanest man in America'' after he was accused of withdrawing his promise to fund an international youth athletic event.

Makris, acting as a loan broker, was accused of entering into agreements with people or business entities across the United States seeking funding for real estate and other projects.

Local

VFW 8231

VFW Post 8231 and the Ladies Auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the post home.

No mail

The post office will have no mail service or delivery tomorrow, New Year's Day.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Thursday, 55 degrees; low, 33 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Friday, 33 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, 16.29 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 30-35. Southwest wind 10-15 mph becoming northwest around midnight. New Year's Day, mostly sunny. High 55-60. Northwest wind 5-15 mph. Rest of the New Year's weekend, partly cloudy. Low upper 20s to lower 30s. High upper 50s to lower 60s.

Almanane: Sunset today, 5:51. Sunrise Saturday, 7:42. Of 364 days in 1993, the sun has shone 357 days in Snyder.

Don't drink and drive, DPS warns

Buckle up, don't drink and drive, and watch your speed are the messages being stressed by the Texas Department of Public Safety and Snyder Police Department for the New Year's weekend.

"Virtually every DPS trooper available will be working during the 54-hour period this Friday through Sunday," said Trooper Sally Arredondo, with the safety department's education service. "They'll be enforcing DWI laws, speeding laws and safety belt laws."

According to DPS statistics, there were 17 alcohol-related motor vehicle accidents in Scurry County which caused injury during 1992. The number of drivers and passengers injured was 21. Statistics also show there were another six alcohol-related accidents in which there were no injuries.

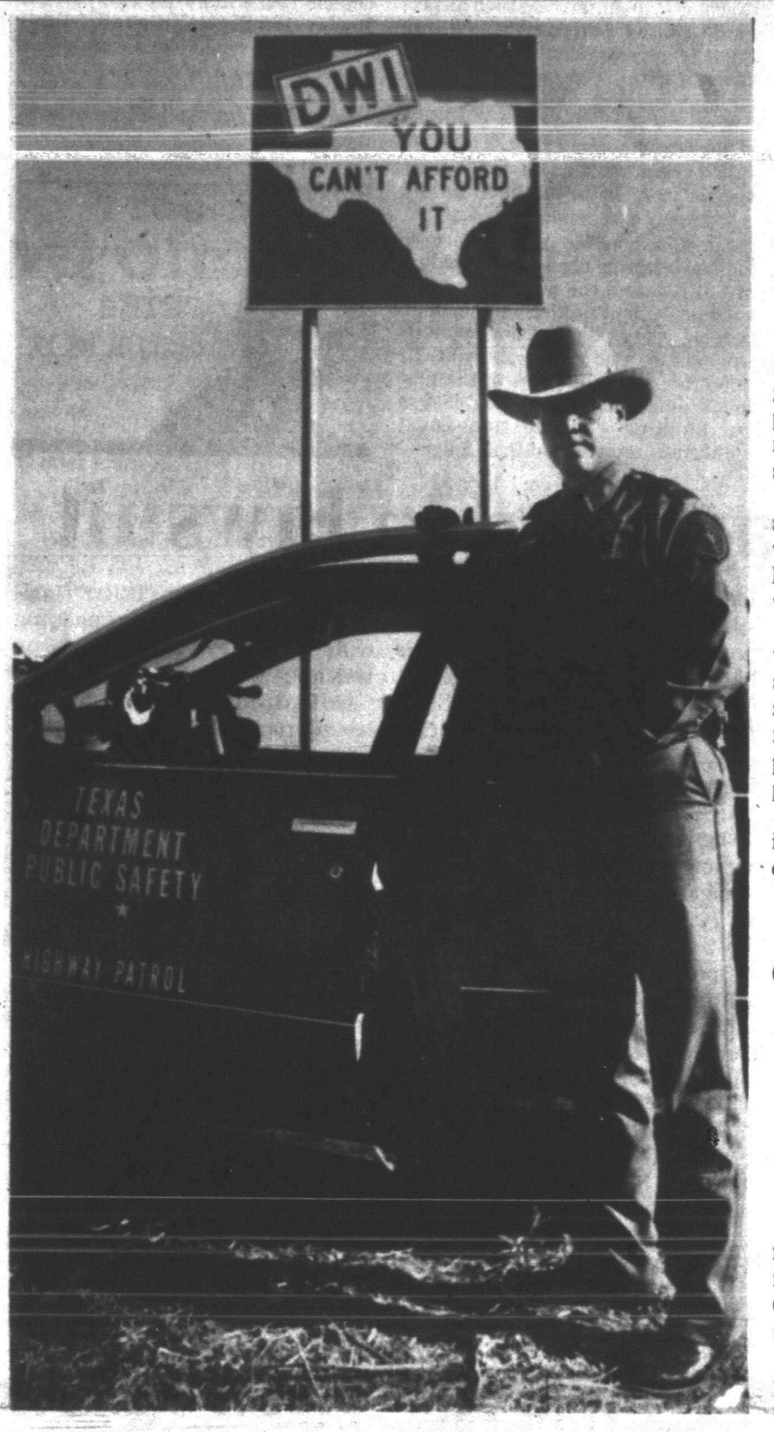
Traffic accidents killed 3,057 people in Texas in 1992. And 1,222 of those who died were involved in an alcohol-related incident.

Like the DPS, Snyder Police Department is placing a strong emphasis on DWI arrests, said Chief Lannie Lee.

"We've had about a 50 percent increase in DWI arrests this year over last year," said Lee. "I'm not sure whether that means more people are drinking, or whether it's the emphasis we're placing on it, but it's probably both."

Snyder police made 122 DWI arrests in 1992. That number will probably climb to about 200 this year, Lee said.

"If you drink, don't drive. Appoint a designated driver, or call someone to give you a ride," said Lee. "If you drink and drive, we're going to be out there looking for you."



ON PATROL — Trooper Kevin Wilkie is one of hundreds of DPS troopers who will be on patrol across the state this weekend, checking for motorists who are under the influence, speeding, or not wearing seatbelts. According DPS statistics, 1,222 people were killed in Texas during 1992 as a result alcohol-related motor vehicle accidents. (SDN Staff Photo)

Grand jury term extended to mull new indictments

AUSTIN (AP) — U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison wants to get through her trial as quickly as possible and will not delay it by invoking senatorial privilege, her spokesman says.

''We're going to get this done as fast as we practically can,'' David Beckwith told The Houston Post. ''Anyone who says otherwise is just blowing smoke.''

Mrs. Hutchison, a Republican, was indicted on charges that when she was state treasurer she used state employees and equipment for personal and political purposes and destroyed records as part of a coverup.

She has denied any wrongdoing and says the charges are part of a Democratic plot to hurt her 1994 re-election effort.

Meanwhile, the Travis County grand jury that indicted Mrs. Hutchison had its term extended, partly because it may consider new indictments against her, officials told the Austin American-Statesman.

The grand jury's three-month term expires this week, but during its final meeting Wednesday, the panel asked State District Judge Bob Perkins for an extension. Perkins granted a 90-day extension.

The possible new indictments are in response to a judge's order Tuesday that threw out four of the five charges against Mrs. Hutchison. Visiting Judge John Onion, who is presiding over the Mrs. Hutchison's pre-trial hearing, said the indictments were too vague. He gave prosecutors 10 days to make the indictments more specific.

Commissioners...

Routine business tops court action

One budget amendment and a flurry of line-item transfers were final day of 1993 action for Scurry County Commissioners Court meeting this morning.

In other business, the court authorized the advertisment seeking sealed bids for county-owned equipment from the sheriff's living quarters.

Sheriff Keith Collier has agreed to vacate the quarters in the law enforcement complex to make room for the city police department offices. Renovation of the space to accommodate the police department is expected to begin early next month.

The court will receive bids for the equipment until Jan. 14, and the bids will be opened and considered at the court's Monday meeting on Jan. 17.

Items to be sold include a General Electric oven, a six-foot folding door, 6-foot wall hanging cabinet, shelving, two bath tubs, two tub hydrants and five light fixtures.

The lone budget amendment approved was for the jail where four dispatchers were shifted to the county as part of an intergovernmental contract to double as jailers. The amount was $19,000. It was noted, however, that the jail had exceeded its projected revenue, therefore sufficient funds were available to offset the budget amendment.

Auditor Eddie McHaney, in presenting the line-item requests, said all the tranfers were accommodated by moving funds within the same department.

Many of the requests were for salary shortfalls due to an extra pay period falling in 1994. Employees are paid every two weeks, and the extra pay period occurs about every six years, McHaney said. Elected and appointed officials are paid monthly.

Other items included utilities, supplies, repairs and equipment. Transfers approved this morning included $3,067 for the library, $31,149 for the jail, $990 for justice of the peace, $1,030 for the tax office, $3,384 for district clerk, $880 for county attorney, $700 for district attorney and $650 for the coliseum.

Others included $28,135 for county-wide maintenence, $807 for the Boys Club, $16,527 for community centers, $4,979 for pool contract labor, $551 for the auditor, $2,389 for Precinct 4, $1,929 for the sheriff, $347 for Precinct 1, $420 for county welfare, $342 for Precinct 2, $12,386 for Precinct 3, and $965 for adult probation.

In the absence of County Judge Bob Doolittle, commissioners elected C.D. Gray Jr. to preside over the meeting. Other commissioners present were Ralph Trevey, Jerry Gannaway and Roy Idom.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "So long '93, and the best to you all in the New Year."

The start of a New Year provides the same dilemma — to resolve or not to resolve.

The experts are saying that folks looking for a less stressful year would be better off if they didn't make resolutions which they likely won't keep.

About the only sure thing is the burden of guilt when self-made promises are broken. Others, who also claim to be experts, will say that goal setting is important for self-improvement.

One resolution that you can be sure to keep is the promise that you'll never again make a resolution — or listen to an expert.

There are others at this time of year with lots of advice for success. Some of it isn't bad, such as:

--Don't take yourself too seriously.

--Be yourself.

--Don't borrow trouble.

--Don't spend time brooding about the past since we only have control over the present, and no guarantee of the future.

--Keep busy, and "resolve" to be happy.

We'd add keeping a sense of humor to that list of necessities. That idea reminds us of a sign posted in the office of Ann Martin, secretary to the warden at the Price Daniel unit.

The sign reads: "Due to current financial restraints, the light at the end of the tunnel will be turned off until further notice."

And if you simply think it's unAmerican to start a new year without making a resolution, be sure that it's something realistic, something that you have a chance to keep.

In other words, don't resolve to start 1994 by never putting "1993" on your check.

Year in review...

Agreements, job prospects brighten end of '93

EDITOR'S NOTE — The following is the fourth of a four-part series which reviews key events in Scurry County during 1993. Today's article looks at the final three months of the year.

A shared services agreement between the city and county and the switchover of dispatching and 911 emergency services from the police department to the sheriff's office were top news items in the fourth quarter of 1993.

Perhaps the best news is still in the works, however. Local officials learned in late December that Snyder has been selected as a regional distribution center by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. The state is planning to construct a $5 million, 120,000 square foot distribution center adjacent to the Price Daniel Unit to temporarily house items which will be transferred to TDCJ facilities throughout the area. The operation is expected to employ between 40 and 50 people.

Also announced was a proposal to save costs by constructing 300 beds within the 16 1,000-bed units, which would include the Daniel Unit. If so, this could require up to 40 more employees. A TDCJ official said that 600 beds may also be considered.

Earlier in November, the switchover of all dispatch, communications and 911 emergency service from the police department to the sheriff's office took place. The move, planned for several months, was part of some changes in the intergovermental contract which was being worked out by the city and county.

Encompassing fire protection, landfill operation, jail facilities, ambulance service and seal coating as well as dispatching, the intergovernmental contract was finalized and approved at the end of November.

A lack of rain and warm weather played havoc with Scurry County's cotton crop in 1993. Officials estimated in late December that the crop was between 22,000 and 25,000 acres, compared to 42,000 in 1992.

Dalton Moseley anounced his retirement as superintendent of Snyder public schools. Moseley, who will complete the 1993-94 school year, came to Snyder in 1987. He had served the previous seven years as superintendent for the Pecos-Barstow-Toyah ISD.

A change in leadership was also announced at the chamber of commerce. Named as officers for 1994 were Pearlene Stewart, president; Daryl Thomas, president-elect; Howard Limmer, vice president; and Jeffrey Martin, secretary/treasurer. Pam West and Pat Cain, Thomas, and Limmer were named as new board members. Also, in December, Tom Restivo was named to replace board member Randy Perkins, who resigned in November.

With December brought the opening of the filing period for the March primaries. By the end of the year, every incumbent had filed, and most had challengers.

An election of a different sort was also in the works. Members of the VFW began circulating petitions to have bingo placed on the ballot in May.

Deaths in the fourth quarter included long-time Snyder High School baseball coach James Milton "Speedy" Moffett, who died on Oct. 19 at age 82, and Leighton "Doc" Griffin, a long-time Snyder businessman who was active in civic involvement. He died Oct. 26 at age 80.

Other events of note in the fourth quarter of 1993 were:

OCTOBER

—In a unanimous vote, Development Corporation of Snyder board members decided to hire Johnson & Associates of Austin to locate a director to oversee economic development for Snyder and Scurry County. American State Bank donated space for an economic development office.

—Snyder High School student Kurtis McCathern was named a semifinalist and and Terrell Jones and Jennifer Early were commended students in the 1994 National Merit Scholarship Program. McCathern will continue in the competition for more than 6,500 Merit Scholarships, to be awarded in the spring of 1994.

—Snyder High School's Pride of the West Marching Band received a 1 rating in the Class 4A Regional marching contest at Lubbock. The band placed fifth in Area competition a week later.

NOVEMBER

—It was announced that Torch Energy Advisors, a Houston-based firm, would become operator of the Snyder Gas Plant beginning Dec. 1. Texaco had operated the gas plant since Aug. 1, but announced its intention to resign.

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CF drug offers hope

WASHINGTON (AP) — The first new treatment drug for cystic fibrosis in 30 years won't cure the disorder, but it may keep patients alive long enough for science to develop an even better therapy.

The Food and Drug Administration approved a genetically engineered drug Thursday for treatment of cystic fibrosis. Specialists said it holds promise of easing the struggle to breathe that many CF patients experience.

But the drug, a manufactured human enzyme called DNase, is only a way station en route to a cure, said Dr. Robert J. Beall, executive vice president of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

"This is a major milestone in CF therapy," he said. "We hope that this will keep patients in a holding pattern until more advanced therapies come along."

For now, said Beall, patients and their relatives are excited about the promise of DNase.

"It's an unbelievable medicine," said Risa Gans, 34, a Hollywood, Fla., CF patient involved in the initial testing of DNase. I wouldn't want to go back the way I was, struggling for every breath. Life was a battleground every day."

Ms. Gans said that before she started taking the drug she was hospitalized typically twice a year for lung infections and was constantly on antibiotics.

Since she started taking DNase in March 1992, Ms. Gans has not been in a hospital and said, "I can go hours now without coughing." Her lung capacity has increased from 47 percent to about 70 percent.

Cystic fibrosis is caused by a genetic flaw that prevents cells lining the airways and the digestive tract from processing chloride and sodium. This leads to a buildup of a thick mucous in the lungs, a condition that causes repeated infections and, eventually, pulmonary collapse.

DNase corrects this by liquefying the mucous, allowing the material to be coughed up and eliminated.

Beall said the next most promising treatment on the horizon is a way of inserting into cells of the airways a normal gene that will correct the disorder.

This type of treatment, called gene therapy, is made possible by the discovery of the genetic flaw that is responsible for cystic fibrosis and the development of a way to deliver a normal gene into the lungs of CF patients.

Putting the normal gene into the lungs of laboratory animals was accomplished in 1992, and this year researchers began experiments with human patients.

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Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Branchial cysts should be removed

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Can you tell me anything about branchial cysts? Are they inclined to be cancerous?

DEAR READER: Branchial cysts are the remnants of embryological structures called branchial grooves, which — for unknown reasons — may persist after birth.

These cysts commonly appear in early adulthood, most frequently in the upper one-third of the neck. Unlike malignancies that are hard, branchial cysts are soft, squishy, nontender and usually enlarge. Because they can become infected and, at the very least, are unsightly, branchial cysts should be surgically removed. They are not malignant, nor will they turn cancerous.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've recently been diagnosed with Huntington's disease and would like to know more about the condition.

DEAR READER: This inherited disease causes progressive random movements of the limbs (chorea) and intellectual deterioration. Patients initially exhibit anti-social behavior and psychiatric disturbances, such as profound apathy or irritability. Within months or years, severe mental changes develop, in conjunction with facial grimacing, difficulty walking, trouble speaking, and other disorders of movement.

The diagnosis is made on CT scan, special X-rays of the brain.

There is no treatment.

Genetic counseling is vital, because half the offspring of an affected parent are at risk and the disease may not become evident until after the childbearing years. Chromosome analysis will indicate if an adult is carrying the defective gene. Because of the profound emotional and ethical issues surrounding such testing, most authorities recommend that individuals at risk (those with a family history of the affliction) be referred to specialized centers. Many major teaching hospitals offer such facilities.

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

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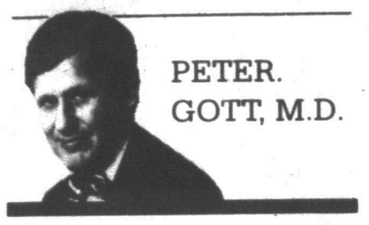

PETER. GOTT, M.D.

Upjohn targeted in lawsuit

HOUSTON (AP) — A $1 billion lawsuit has been filed against Upjohn Co., accusing the drug company of conspiring to conceal what the suit called the dangerous side effects of the sleeping pill Halcion for two decades.

The lawsuit was filed in Dallas state district court on behalf of three Halcion-users who committed suicide, another who attempted suicide and a fifth who clubbed his father into a coma. Besides Upjohn, there are eight other defendants named in the lawsuit.

The plaintiffs allege that Michigan-based Upjohn relied on falsified clinical studies and paid off researchers "to whitewash Halcion" in an effort to influence approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

The suit was extraordinary not only because of the amount of damages sought, but because it alleges that the drugmaker conspired with researchers to dupe the government about Halcion years before the FDA approved it.

Upjohn spokesman Phil Sheldon refused to comment specifically on the latest lawsuit regarding Halcion except to say that the drug is "completely safe and very effective" when used as its label indicates.

Sheldon said Halcion continues to be the most commonly prescribed sleeping pill in the world despite foreign government restrictions and negative publicity that have cut sales in half since 1991. Sales of the drug have totaled $1.9 billion since 1979.

The lawsuit, filed Dec. 22, alleges that one of the earliest clinical studies of Halcion began in 1973 — nine years before FDA approval for sale — in a Houston clinic operated by Dr. Louis Fabre.

Fabre is accused of falsifying his results in several ways, including giving his patients more than one drug at a time and following one test with another without allowing time for the drugs to leave a patient's system.

The lawsuit says Upjohn knew as early as 1974 that Fabre's results were falsified, but used them to obtain FDA approval for Halcion and "continues to cite his research as legitimate."

The plaintiffs also say one of Fabre's patients nearly died after taking Halcion and a sister drug, Xanax, for a year.

"Upjohn sent a man to Houston with $150,000 in cash in a suitcase to pay her off (or her family in the event she died) to prevent legal action against Upjohn," the lawsuit claims.

A. Scott Alford, a Houston attorney for Fabre and his clinic, Fabre Research Clinics Inc., released a statement saying the doctor and the clinic "deny any and all allegations made in the recent lawsuit filed in Dallas, Texas."

Alford said Fabre had not yet been served with the lawsuit and is unfamiliar with specific allegations, but as the allegations appeared in the Chronicle, he "unequivocally denies any wrongdoing with regard to his research on Halcion."

Alford said Fabre has offered to let attorney Michael Mosher review his research, but the plaintiffs' lawyer has declined.

Halcion has been under siege around the world almost since its marketing began abroad in the 1970s. As recently as this year, the United Kingdom retained its ban of the product after a lengthy review.

Also named as defendants in the latest lawsuit were: Dr. William C. Dement of Stanford University; Dr. Judith Jones of Georgetown University; Dr. Robert H. Straw, an Upjohn vice president; Dr. Mitchell B. Balter, who allegedly set up a pilot Halcion study in Baltimore; Dr. Eugene Bonham, a suburban Fort Worth physician; and Richardson Medical Center, a suburban Dallas hospital. Both Fabre and his clinic are named as defendants.

3 meningitis cases treated

TYLER (AP) — Three East Texas children are being treated for severe cases of meningococcal meningitis, a rapidly spreading inflammation of the brain or spinal cord that can prove fatal within hours.

A 4-year-old Longview girl, Heather McPherson, was listed in critical condition Thursday night at Schumpert Medical Center in Shreveport, La., a nursing supervisor said.

Two Gilmer sisters, whose names were not released, also were hospitalized at Schumpert. Their conditions were unavailable.

Dr. E.A. Clark, an emergency room physician at Longview's Good Shepherd Medical Center, played a role in the initial treatment of the girls. Miss McPherson arrived at Good Shepherd Tuesday morning and was transferred promptly to Schumpert, Clark said.

But a second girl, who complained of similar symptoms, showed up Wednesday morning.

DATE BOOK

Dec. 31, 1993

Today is the 365th day of 1993 and the 11th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1935, the Parker brothers were granted a patent for their new board game, "Monopoly."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Charles Cornwallis (1738-1805), British general; George C. Marshall (1880-1959), general-statesman; Odetta (1930-), folk singer, is 63; Anthony Hopkins (1937-), actor, is 56; John Denver (1943-), singer-songwriter, is 50; Ben Kingsley (1943-), actor, is 50; Diane von Furstenberg (1946-), designer, is 47; Donna Summer (1948-), singer, is 45.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1961, Paul Hornung, on leave from the Army, scored a touchdown and kicked four field goals and four extra points for the Green Bay Packers in their 37-0 victory over the New York Giants in the NFL championship game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Ring out the old, ring in the new / Ring, happy bells, across the snow; / The year is going, let him go; / Ring out the false, ring in the true." — Alfred, Lord Tennyson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1978, a Texas ice storm produced 1-2 inches of ice in a 100-mile-wide swath from near Gainesville to near Paris.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Dec. 28) and last quarter (Jan. 4).

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Lotto Texas players won 18 million prizes worth $700 million plus

AUSTIN (AP) — Lotto Texas players won 18 million prizes in 1993 worth a total of nearly $720 million, a Lottery official said Thursday.

Nora Linares, acting executive director of the Texas Lottery Commission, outlined some other Lotto highlights for the year:

— A total of 87 players won a jackpot for matching all six of the winning numbers selected during the twice-weekly drawings. Their prizes totaled nearly $551 million, for an average of $6.3 million apiece.

— The largest prize went to Rebecca Brown of Irving on Sept. 8. She won $38.6 million.

— The estimated jackpot reached $50 million twice, including the May 1 drawing when a record 14 players split the prize.

— Since the May 29 advent of Quick Pick, in which the Lotto computer randomly selects the player's six numbers, 15 of 42 jackpot winners have been Quick Pick tickets.

— More than 17,200 people just missed winning the big jackpot. The average prize for picking five of six numbers correctly was $1,481.

Couple claim lotto prize

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A Louisiana couple has claimed their $6.4 million share of a Lotto Texas jackpot, and promptly announced they will split the money with their eight children.

Earl and Dixie Scott, of Many, La., on Thursday picked up a check for $323,666. They will receive a $319,500 payment each Dec. 15 for the next 19 years for a total of $6.4 million.

"We always told the children that if we ever won the lottery, we'd split it with them," said Mrs. Scott, a 55-year-old registered nurse for a home health care agency in Hemphill.

After sharing their winnings with their children, the Scotts said they will move across to the Texas side of Toledo Bend Reservoir. "We're coming to Texas to build a house, but we're not going to leave the lake," said Earl Scott.

The couple split the jackpot, which was drawn Dec. 22, with Oliver Dooley, a 67-year-old retired painter from Vidor.

Pick 3

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

3-2-2

(three-two-two)

State blamed

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — Cameron County, recently sued by inmates for overcrowding at the county jail, says the state is at fault for not taking its inmates fast enough.

"I would suggest that the wrong people are getting sued," Commissioner Carlos Cascos said Thursday.

Three inmates sued the county this month in federal court, contending that their constitutional rights are violated by overcrowding at the jail. The inmates allege they are crammed into cells and lack adequate health care.

Chief Deputy Carlos Tapia of the Sheriff's Department said the jail would not be overcrowded if the Texas Department of Criminal Justice had space to take inmates who already have been sentenced to the state penal system.

Overcrowding has been blamed for a string of violent incidents in county jails around the state, including a riot last week in Laredo that sent at least 10 inmates and a guard to hospitals.

Some inmates are sleeping on mattresses on the floor of the 546-capacity Cameron County Jail, Tapia said. As of Wednesday, 723 inmates were in the jail, including 234 who should be in the state system, he said.

Cascos said the county must work with the judicial system to explore the possibility of releasing some non-violent offenders while they await trial.

"At the same time, we may have to put pressure on the state, and sometimes the only way you get attention, unfortunately, is through litigation," he said.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Saturday, Jan. 1, 1994

Enterprises or endeavors initiated by others in which you're asked to participate could turn out lucky in the year ahead. Keep an open mind regarding proposals from friends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Any bright concepts you conceive today should be shared with friends. That which you devise could be good for them as well as for yourself. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today could turn out to be both exceedingly rewarding and peculiarly unusual. What you can't do for yourself might be done through others.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You have the ability today to sift out facts of little significance from those which are of real worth. Your conclusions and decisions should prove fortunate.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Success in your endeavors is a strong probability today, but it might not be due to your initial surges. Second efforts may be required.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You should come off quite well today in a social setting, mixing with friends and acquaintances who want to enjoy themselves. You'll be a welcomed catalyst.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You can accomplish your purposes today, but not necessarily in the ways you initially anticipate. Be flexible and change your aims in accordance to changing conditions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Dealing effectively with others on a one-to-one basis could well be your best asset today. Arriving at agreements, whether they be large or small, should come comfortably.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Generally speaking, you could be rather lucky today, especially in situations where money or profit are key factors. Make these elements points of focus.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're not the type of person who likes to impose him/herself or your views on others, but today could be an exception, because you'll know what you have to say may be beneficial for all.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Material gains are indicated today, because your instincts are exceptionally keen in this category. If something of value can be acquired, you'll know how to get it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Something you'll do or say today could have a strong positive influence on several friends. They may not say anything at the time, but each might tell you about it later.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There could be a busybody intervening in your confidential affairs today, but you won't find her annoying. It will be Lady Luck herself and you'll warmly welcome her presence.

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Juveniles involved in crime increases

By The Associated Press

The bullet that struck Kevin Bacon while he was having a meal with his family at an Irving mall was fired by a gun-wielding juvenile — a fact many police officials in Texas say is no surprise.

The killers, some say, are getting younger and younger. But that doesn't necessarily mean that crime is on the upswing in Texas' largest cities.

Bacon, 37, was killed in front of his wife and two young daughters as they sat down Monday to eat pizza in the suburban mall. But his death does not figure into Dallas crime statistics, which are far from the record year of 1991, when 500 murders were reported.

"We're going to have an overall decrease in crime this year in Dallas for the fifth consecutive year. No other major city can say that. But while overall crime is decreasing, the involvement of juveniles in crime is on the increase," said Sgt. Jim Chandler, a Dallas Police Department spokesman.

"What you're seeing is more gang involvement in crime, more youth involved in crime. The public's attention on that kind of overshadows the fact that overall crime is down in Dallas and has been for five consecutive years," Chandler said.

This month's shooting death of 24-year-old Manuel Duran Jr. at an auto repair shop in San Antonio broke the city's record for the number of homicides committed in one year.

Duran's Dec. 6 killing pushed the number of homicides in 1993 to 221, breaking the previous year's record of 220. As of Tuesday, 229 people had been murdered in San Antonio.

"San Antonio is trying to do the best it can in terms of trying to stop the homicide rate," said police Capt. Gilbert Sandoval.

But even with more homicide detectives and a new, team-oriented approach to solving cases, Sandoval said, killings have increased. Contributing to the grim statistic, he said, were increases in homicides linked to family disturbances, gang violence, drive-by shootings and drug violations.

"Fifty percent of the people involved in homicides are people who have had some kind of police record or some kind of police contact," he added.

As of Dec. 26, 320 people had been murdered in Dallas, far behind the pace of 1992's 391 killings. In Houston, 420 people had been killed as of Nov. 30, compared with 427 at the same time last year and 466 in all of 1992.

Houston police spokesman Joe Gamino blames the media for the public perception that crime is getting worse when statistics seem to indicate otherwise. Houston's 701 homicides in 1981 was a peak for the city.

"Turn on your TV every night. What is the lead story every night? violence. Look at the papers. That's the problem," Gamino said.

All three cities report that robberies are on the decline. Through November, there were 9,687 robberies in Houston compared with 10,158 at the same time last year. There were 2,801 through Nov. 30 in San Antonio, compared with 3,485 in all of 1992. In Dallas, 7,345 armed robberies were reported through Sunday, compared with 9,532 in all of 1992.

There have been 9,379 aggravated assaults reported through Sunday in Dallas, compared with 10,667 in all of 1992. In San Antonio, 2,684 assaults have been reported so far this year, compared with 2,811 last year.

Information about assaults in Houston was not immediately available.

Crack down on bogus travel agents due

WASHINGTON (AP) — With no special training or qualifications, a growing number of Americans are getting travel agent credentials just to qualify for huge vacation discounts and VIP treatment.

The credentials can be obtained for cash or as a favor from a travel agent friend, say those familiar with the practice, which apparently breaks no law.

"It's extensive, particularly in the entertainment industry," said Anastasia Mann, who operates a Los Angeles travel agency.

"They say, 'I'll give you my business. But I want to be on your list.' The companies that won't cooperate don't get the corporate business," she said.

Added Sue Kaplan, another Los Angeles travel agent: "Our system tolerates in the travel industry what it doesn't in other industries."

Fearing a black eye, the industry is developing a counterfeit-resistant identification card to "weed out the phony agents," said Paul Ruden, counsel for the American Society of Travel Agents.

The card will include a hologram to prevent forgeries and assure suppliers that those who get agent discounts are working to earn them.

The punishment for transgressors would be expulsion from travel agency trade groups, which could hurt business. Membership in ASTA, which represents about half the nation's 32,000 travel agency outlets, is an emblem of professional credibility.

There's no hard estimate on how many phony agents there are, although the industry says the number is growing.

Not everyone sees a problem. Former congressman Jim Bates, a California Democrat, said he purchased a card that identified him as a travel agent a couple of years ago and was glad for the discounts.

"It's a sales gimmick. I don't think I see anything wrong with it," said Bates, now a political consultant in San Diego and part-time rancher in Idaho.

Bates' name was used by World View International of San Diego in advertisements that said that for $495 anyone can become an "independent contractor" and get cut rates.

"In three trips, I saved over $1,000. I'm sold on World View and recommend them to my friends," the testimonial from Bates said.

Bates said in an interview he does not recall paying $495 to World View. But he said he has no complaint with the travel agency, which claims thousands have paid to become its "independent" agents.

Tim Donlan, who heads World View, did not return repeated calls to his office.

Those who purchase credentials or get them from friends receive no formal training. Travel agencies generally do not require their employees to undergo training, but many agencies prefer that applicants complete courses — usually lasting six weeks — that familiarize them with the increasingly complex computerized reservation systems.

For those who offer the discounts, such as hotels and airlines, the issue of bogus agents is more one of credibility than economics.

"It's no big financial loss," said Jack Williams, a marketing executive with American Airlines. "But it's a problem. It leaves the impression we have a bunch of crooks and we don't have that at all."

In some cases, a bona fide agent will place the name of a friend or customer on an approved list of agents submitted to travel providers such as airlines, cruise lines, hotels, group tours and car rental companies.

The cut rates can means hundreds of dollars in savings. For example, a travel agent typically pays one-fourth full coach fare for air travel. Hotel discounts tend to vary widely.

Mattox-Fisher exchange jabs

AUSTIN (AP) — Democratic U.S. Senate hopefuls Jim Mattox and Richard Fisher are accusing each other of negative campaigning.

On Thursday, Fisher, a Dallas businessman, accused Mattox of lying. Mattox denied the charge.

Both want the Democratic nomination for the position held by U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, a Republican who is seeking re-election. U.S. Rep. Mike Andrews, D-Houston, also is running in the March 8 Democratic Party primary.

Mattox, former state attorney general, has said Fisher supported Republican presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush.

In a letter, Fisher said he has never voted for a Republican for president. He told Mattox to "stop lying and stick to the facts."

Mattox answered, saying, "I have not lied about you and never will." He cited a published report that said Fisher voted for Republicans. Mattox also provided a list of Republicans to whom Fisher has given money.

Fisher said he has given money to candidates in both parties, and mostly to Democrats.

Mattox chided Fisher for contributing $2,000 to U.S. Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Indiana, who has voted against several domestic issues supported by most Democrats, including the Family Leave Act.

Fisher said, "Dick Lugar is a friend of my family. I don't agree with him on many of his votes, but he's a fine friend and good senator."

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 12-31-93
♠ Q J 10 8
♥ A Q
♦ K 7 6
♣ 10 6 4 3

WEST
♠ 5
♥ J 10 9 8 6
♦ 9 8 5 3
♣ A J 8

EAST
♠ 9 2
♥ 7 5 4
♦ Q J 10 2
♣ Q 9 7 5

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

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ J

Seeing isn't always believing

By Phillip Alder

Are you experiencing a sense of deja vu? If so, don't worry. The West and North hands in today's deal are exactly the same as in yesterday's. And the auction is identical — though this time South has overbid.

After West led the heart jack, South thought he had to find East with the club ace. Then he saw a way to put up a smokescreen.

After winning trick one with dummy's heart queen, declarer drew two rounds of trumps. He cashed the diamond ace, played a diamond to dummy's king and ruffed the diamond seven in hand. Then South led his heart *king* to dummy's ace. Finally, South played a club to his king.

West paused to count the hand. South was "known" to have started with six spades, two hearts and two diamonds. Therefore, he held three clubs. West saw that if South had the club queen and he, West, won this trick, the contract would make. A club lead away from the jack would be won by dummy's 10; a heart return would concede a ruff-and-discard. So West played his club eight.

Trying hard not to smile, South showed his cards, claiming the slam.

How should West have known? By watching East's signals. On yesterday's deal, when East held 9-7-5 of clubs, he played the five the first time: his lowest card to show an odd number. Here, though, his first play was the nine, a high card to show an even number. This should have alerted West. But he had been hoodwinked by South's clever play.

West agreed that J.M. Barrie summed it up well when he wrote, "Life is a long lesson in humility."

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Deputies say superiors were warned of riot

LAREDO (AP) — Two deputies say their warnings to superiors were ignored before inmates rioted last week at a county detention center, according to a story in The Laredo Morning Times.

Both sources spoke on condition of anonymity, the newspaper said.

One deputy said inmates told him directly that some form of uprising would happen hours before the riot started on Dec. 20, injuring at least 10 inmates and a guard.

"I told my superior and he called the officer in charge," the deputy was quoted as saying in the newspaper's Thursday editions.

He said the lieutenant in charge, who was not identified in the story, took no action. The Webb County Detention Center was rendered inoperable in the rampage because fires burned out the kitchen, the law library and administration offices.

The deputy said tension was high between black and Hispanic inmates, and guards often were severely understaffed.

"Every officer had to take care of 100 inmates all of the time. There was always one guard for one barrack or two. There were times when I ran the four barracks by myself," he said.

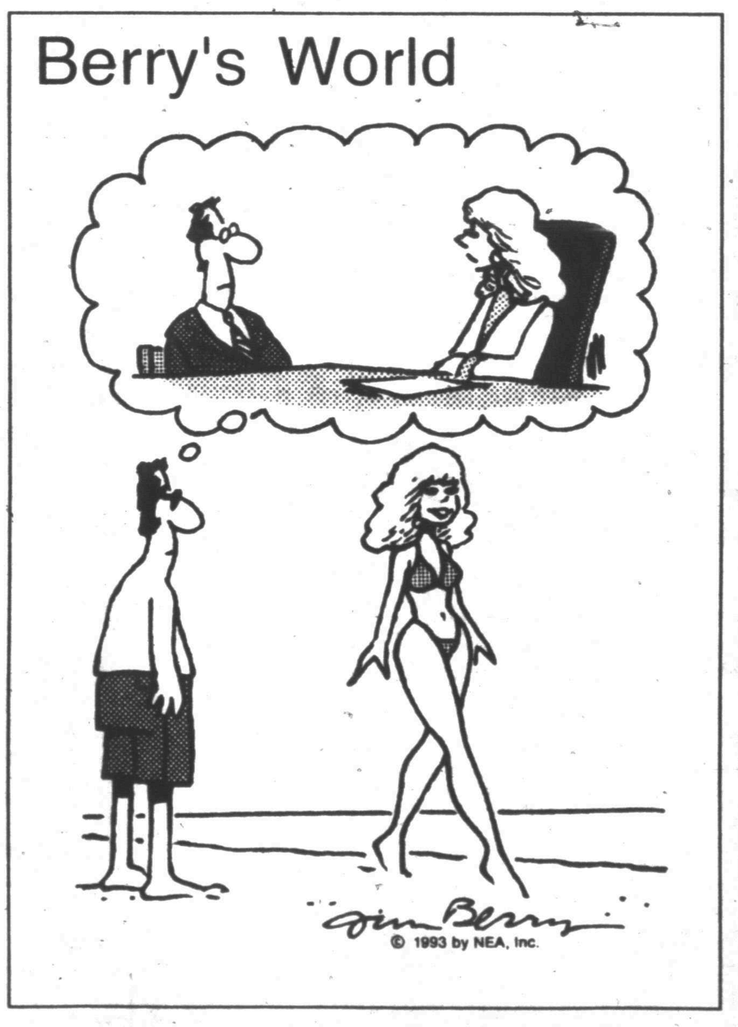
The detention center, a money-making enterprise for the county, had about 430 inmates at the time of the riot. Most were convicts from Harris County waiting for a bed in the overcrowded state prison system.

The deputy blamed the profit motive for the understaffing of guards.

Webb County Sheriff Juan Garza Jr. and other department officials were unavailable to comment, a department spokesman said Thursday.

The deputy said the riot began in a barrack for trustees where an inmate had been stabbed. He said he called for help, and two other guards responded.

Berry's World



Community Calendar

FRIDAY

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.

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Excluding only calfskin ropers
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Excluding Work Shirts And Sale Shirts
Resistol Hats Everyday 20% off Reg. Price
Ladies Fashion Boots $10.00 off Our lower price
Ladies Justin Ropers $75.95 8 Colors
Excluding Black & Bay Apache
All Ladies Blouses $5.00 off
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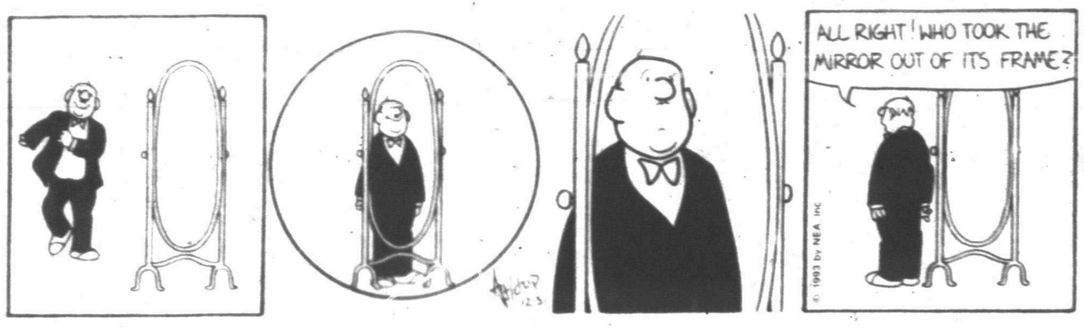

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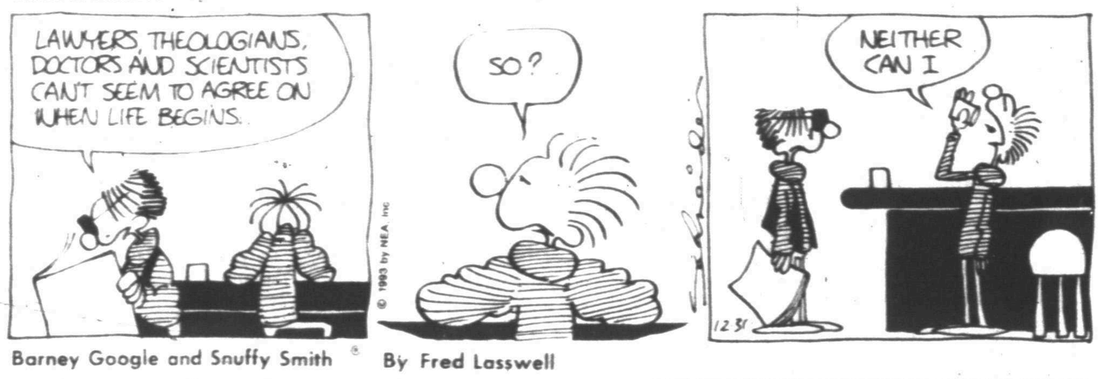

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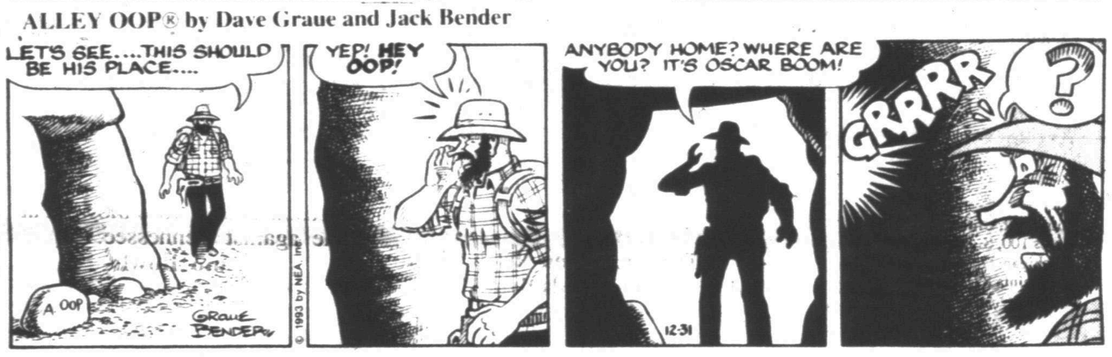

GRIZZWELLS® by Bill Schorr

POP CULTURE™ by Steve McGarry

When a knee injury ended his pro football ambitions, ***Burt Reynolds*** turned his attention to college theatrical productions and won a scholarship to New York's ***Hyde Park Playhouse.*** Following a spell as a stuntman, he began to make a name for himself in a succession of prime-time TV shows and action movies, his big breakthrough coming with a strong performance in 1972's ***"Deliverance"*** – the same year that he made headlines by posing nude for a magazine centerfold!

1. Name the six TV series in which ***Burt Reynolds*** has starred.
2. Name his first wife – a star of ***"Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In."***
3. Name the four movies ***Reynolds*** made with ***Sally Field.***

Answers: 1) "Riverboat" "Gunsmoke" "Hawk" "Dan August" "B.L. Stryker" "Evening Shade" (He was also the voice of Troy on the series "Out of This World.") 2) Judy Carne 3) "Smokey and the Bandit" "The End" "Hooper" "Smokey and the Bandit II"

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ACROSS

1 Municipality
5 Quote
9 Short sleep
12 Algonquian Indian
13 Busy as — —
14 Two — — kind
15 Vehicles
16 Active one
17 Negative vote
18 Female relative
20 Oven device
22 — Quentin
23 Word to call attention
24 Sgt.
27 650, Roman
29 Oarsman
33 Awakens
35 Tiny opening
36 Not straight
37 Part of airplane wing
40 Slaps
42 Attempt
43 Superlative ending
44 Spire ornament
46 Go wrong
48 Locks of hair
50 Conducts
53 Scold
54 Actress — Chase
56 Grafting twig
58 Barrel (abbr.)
59 Actor James —
60 String fastening
61 As far — — know
62 Freshwater tortoise
63 Abel's brother

DOWN

1 New Deal program
2 Formerly Persia
3 Actress — Garr
4 Positive words
5 Rhythm
6 African native
7 Dentist's concern
8 Weirder
9 Not any
10 At a distance
11 Remuneration
19 Ungentlemanly ones
21 Nearsighted person
24 Seizes
25 Ship's workers
26 Mrs. Charles Chaplin
28 Future LL.Bs.' exam
30 Was dressed in
31 God of love
32 Lease
34 Speak
38 St. Patrick's nation
39 Old musical instrument
41 Join strands of
45 Muslim religion
47 Luggage holders
48 Taxis
49 Citrus fruit
51 Eat
52 Chimney dirt
53 Basketball org.
55 Actress Francis
57 — degree

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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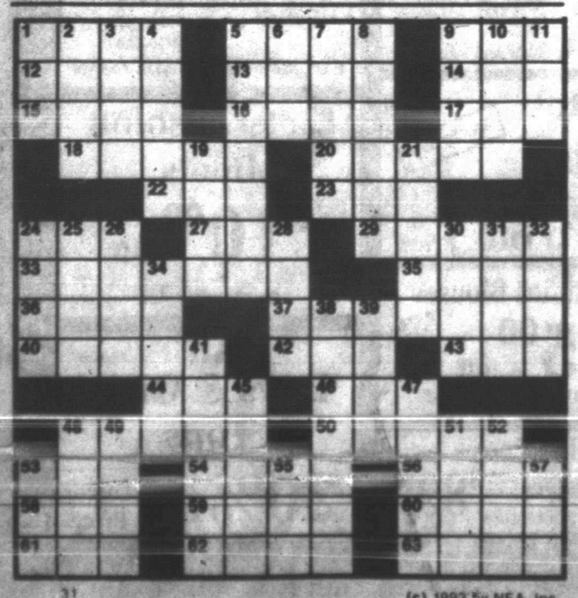

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"I'm going to try to be more optimistic in 1994, but I don't think I'll be able to keep it up very long."

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DENNIS THE MENACE

"NAW, YOU DON'T NEED A NIGHT LIGHT, JOEY. IT JUST HELPS THE MONSTERS TO SEE YOU BETTER!"

SHS rips Paducah at Jayton tourney

JAYTON — All phases of Snyder's game were on track Thursday as the Lady Tigers slammed Paducah, 54-33, in the opening round of the Jayton Holiday Classic basketball tournament.

"We played great defense," said SHS coach Steve Qualls, "and our offense looked sharp.

"The girls did a really good job at both ends of the court. They played great."

The Lady Tigers overcame a shaky beginning for Thursday's victory.

"We missed our first six shots," Qualls said. "The girls were taking good shots, they were just missing them. I think they were probably just trying to hard.

"But we settled down and we hit four threes and played really well after that."

The Lady Tigers bolted to a 29-17 halftime lead with the help of a 3-pointer apiece from Jamie Brown, Meriah Worthen, Annie Ragland and Jodi White.

Snyder went on to post a 25-16 advantage in the second half.

For the first time this season, SHS had three players finish in double figures scoring. Ragland hit 13, White contributed 12, and Worthen added 10.

The Lady Tigers were to battle Guthrie, which ousted Spur from title consideration Thursday, today at 1 p.m. for a spot in Saturday's 7 p.m. tournament championship.

Snyder	14	15	16	9	-54
Paducah	12	5	9	7	-33

Leading scorers: Snyder — Ragland 13, White 12, Worthen 10, Brown 7; Paducah — Walker 12; Record: Snyder 5-9.

Tigers take second at S'water

Snyder standout Adrian Sneed suffers sprained wrist

SWEETWATER — Snyder finished second at the Sweetwater Trail of Lights Classic basketball tournament with Thursday's 73-55 loss to the host Mustangs in the tourney final.

Maybe bigger than losing the title game is the loss of senior wing Adrian Sneed, who suffered a severely sprained wrist during the contest.

"I thought he broke it," Snyder coach Bud Birks said. "That was my first thought. But we took him and had x-rays and it turned out to be a real bad sprain."

Sneed, who scored 12 points before being hurt, leads the Tigers in scoring this year, averaging almost 16 points a game. The returning All-District 2-4A senior was named the tournament MVP two weeks ago at the Brownfield Rotary Invitational.

Birks reported that Sneed will be out, "quite a while," but was uncertain as to exactly how many games the Tiger offensive leader would miss.

"You never want to see a kid get hurt," Birks said, "but he's going to be out for a while so we have to look at it as an opportunity for some other kids to get more playing time.

"It will give some others a chance to step in and I fully expect the kids to fill in and play well.

"This bunch has played as a team all year and I know thay'll do that while Adrian is out."

Thursday's loss ended a 6-game win streak for SHS that included the championship of the Brownfield tourney.

"I'm real proud of them," Birks said. "I think the loss may be a blessing in disguise. It helped us to see some things we need to work on.

"We played real hard, but we didn't play real well. Our effort was good but the execution wasn't there."

Snyder led 14-9 after one quarter, but a 24-14 margin by the Mustangs in the second frame changed the complexion of the game.

Sweetwater's lead grew to 53-42 after three quarters, before a 20-13 run in the last eight minutes wrapped up the tournament title.

Sweetwater's Zollie Steakley led all scorers with 20 points.

Snyder was paced by Ricky Post, who put in 13 and Jon Patrick, who canned 12.

The Tigers move to 13-4 with the win. Sweetwater improves to 10-8.

In other action Thursday, Abilene Wylie tripped Stephenville, 73-59, for third place, and Vernon took the consolation trophy with a 59-43 win over Midland Greenwood.

Snyder will travel to Lubbock High Tuesday, then will visit Seminole in a week before opening District 2-4A competition Jan. 14 at Frenship.

Snyder	14	14	14	13	-55
Sweetwater	9	24	20	20	-73

Leading scorers: Snyder — Post 13, Patrick 12, Sneed 12; Sweetwater — Steakley 20, Allen 14, Black 11; Records: Snyder 13-4, Sweetwater 10-8.

Trail of Lights Classic
Sweetwater High School
Tuesday, Dec. 28
Pool play

Snyder 59, Vernon 49
Sweetwater 79, Stephenville 73

Wednesday, Dec. 29

Wylie 89, Vernon 80
Stephenville 63, Greenwood 49
Snyder 65, Wylie 53
Sweetwater 69, Greenwood 46

Thursday, Dec. 30

Consolation final — Vernon 59, Greenwood 43
Third place — Wylie 73, Stephenville 59
Championship final — Sweetwater 73, Snyder 55

College bowl barrage begins

Independence, Peach and Alamo scheduled for today

by The Associated Press

Ready or not, the end of the college football season is here.

A day and a half of almost nonstop bowl action got started today when Virginia Tech and Indiana played in the Independence Bowl. The Peach, Alamo and Gator Bowls also are on tap tonight.

On Thursday night, Ohio State beat Brigham Young 28-21 in the Holiday Bowl and Southern Cal beat Utah by the same score in the Freedom Bowl.

The best matchup of today's games is No. 18 Alabama vs. No. 12 North Carolina in the Gator Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla. It was just a year ago that Alabama upset Miami in the Orange Bowl for the national championship.

This season has been a disappointment for the Crimson Tide, who haven't won since Nov. 13 when they beat Southern Mississippi. That victory was followed by losses to Auburn (22-14) and Florida (28-13). Alabama also was upset by LSU and tied Tennessee.

North Carolina, on the other hand, is having one of the best seasons in school history. The only blemishes on its record are losses to No. 1 Florida State and unranked Virginia.

A victory in the Gator Bowl would make this only the third North Carolina team to post an 11-win season.

"There has been absolutely no doubt in our minds that Alabama will be ready to play," said North Carolina coach Mack Brown, responding to speculation that Alabama was not too excited to be playing in the Gator Bowl.

Alabama has played in more bowl games (45) and won more (25) than any program in the nation, but 31 of those postseason games have come in the Sugar, Cotton, Orange or Rose bowls.

"I noticed several of you guys have mentioned about the disappointment of being in this game," Alabama coach Gene Stallings said. "There are disappointments from time to time. We are disappointed any time we lose, but somewhere along the line you have to get over that disappointment and get ready to play the game."

THURSDAY NIGHT
Holiday Bowl
Ohio State 28, Brigham Young 21

At San Diego, Raymont Harris set Holiday Bowl records with 235 yards and 39 carries and scored on three short runs to lead No. 11 Ohio State (10-1-1). A 52-yard pass from John Walsh to Eric Drage gave BYU (6-6) the ball at the Ohio State 6 with 32 seconds left in the game. Tim Nowatzke dropped a third-down pass in the end zone, and Walsh overthrew Drage in the end zone on fourth down.

Freedom Bowl
Southern Cal 28, Utah 21

At Anaheim, Calif., Rob Johnson's torrid offense of 345 yards and three touchdown passes stifled a second-half comeback by Utah (7-6). The Trojans (8-5) won for the first time in Anaheim Stadium after consecutive losses to Fresno State in last year's Freedom Bowl and North Carolina in the season-opening Pigskin Classic.

FRIDAY
Independence Bowl

The matchup at Shreveport, La., between No. 22 Virginia Tech (8-3) and No. 21 Indiana (8-3) pits two teams who have lost a total of six games to ranked opponents this season.

Peach Bowl

At Atlanta, Tommy West, who replaced the fired Ken Hatfield just over a month ago, makes his coaching debut for Clemson (8-3). Kentucky (6-5) looks on its first bowl appearance since 1984 as an opportunity to make up for a regular season-ending 48-0 blowout at home against Tennessee.

Alamo Bowl

Some pundits have questioned what business Iowa (6-5) has playing in a bowl game. Hawkeyes coach Hayden Fry has almost said so himself this week, saying the Golden Bears (8-4) are faster, more talented and more varied offensively.

SATURDAY
Orange Bowl

Who's No. 1? Florida State (11-0) is the 17-point favorite. For Nebraska (11-0) to claim the title, the Cornhuskers must overcome both the Seminoles and the jinx. Tom Osborne's teams have lost six straight bowl games.

Sugar Bowl

Although he has not indicated he will be leaving, Steve Spurrier — on the short list of some NFL teams for their head coaching spots — may be coaching the Gators (10-2) for the final time. West Virginia (11-0) is hoping that a victory will earn it the No. 1 spot in the coaches poll.

Cotton Bowl

Texas A&M (10-1) hopes to break the recent trend of five straight Southwest Conference losses — four in which the SWC got no more than three points. Notre Dame (10-1) inflicted the most recent of those defeats, beating the Aggies 28-3 last season.

Rose Bowl

It's been a long time — eight seasons — between Rose Bowl appearances by UCLA (8-3). That must seem like nothing to Wisconsin (9-1-1), which last represented the Big Ten when it lost to Southern Cal 31 years ago.

Hall of Fame Bowl

Neither Michigan (7-4) nor North Carolina State (7-4) was able to win the key games this season.

Citrus Bowl

The Nittany Lions (9-2) didn't play too well in the latter part of the season, the exact opposite of Tennessee (9-1-1).

Carquest Bowl

Boston College (8-3) already won what most considered its Super Bowl when it beat Notre Dame. To win, Virginia (7-4) must stop Eagles quarterback Glenn Foley.

Heritage Bowl

Southern (9-1) carries the SWAC banner against MEAC member South Carolina (8-3) in a rare bowl matching conference champions.

College hoops

by The Associated Press

EAST
Boston College 85, Long Island U. 54
Brown 63, Boston U. 60
Kent 71, Yale 45
Maine 101, Cent. Florida 97
Xavier, Ohio 92, Md.-Baltimore County 66
SOUTH
California 73, Wake Forest 72
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Missouri 78, Mercer 50
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Oregon 76, St. Mary's, Cal. 70
Purdue 108, Weber St. 73
S. Utah 70, Idaho 65
San Jose St. 74, Montana St. 69, OT
Texas A&M 81, Loyola Marymount 79

Albertson's Holiday Classic
Championship
SW Louisiana 83, Boise St. 80, OT
Third Place
Slippery Rock 77, Alcorn St. 67
All College Tournament
Championship
Oklahoma 95, Tulsa 76
Third Place
Texas Tech 93, E. Kentucky 83

Big Island Invitational
Championship
Ohio U. 100, La Salle 80
Third Place
Connecticut 130, Tennessee Tech 78

Bowl lineup

By The Associated Press

Thursday, Dec. 30
Holiday Bowl
At San Diego
Ohio State 28, Brigham Young 21
Freedom Bowl
At Anaheim, Calif.
Southern Cal 29, Utah 21
Friday, Dec. 31
Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.
Virginia Tech (8-3) vs. Indiana (8-3), 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Peach Bowl
At Atlanta
Clemson (8-3) vs. Kentucky (6-5), 6 p.m. (ESPN)
Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.
Alabama (8-3-1) vs. North Carolina (10-2), 7 p.m. (TBS)
Alamo Bowl
At San Antonio
Iowa (6-5) vs. California (8-4), 9:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Saturday, Jan. 1
Hall of Fame Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.
Michigan (7-4) vs. North Carolina State (7-4), 11 a.m. (ESPN)
Citrus Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.
Penn State (9-2) vs. Tennessee (9-1-1), 1 p.m. (ABC)
Fiesta Bowl
At Tempe, Ariz.
Miami (9-2) vs. Arizona (9-2), 1 p.m. (NBC)
Carquest Bowl
At Miami
Boston College (8-3) vs. Virginia (7-4), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)
Cotton Bowl
At Dallas
Texas A&M (10-1) vs. Notre Dame (10-1), 4:30 p.m. (NBC)
Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.
UCLA (8-3) vs. Wisconsin (9-1-1), 4:30 p.m. (ABC)
Heritage Bowl
At Atlanta
Southern U. (9-1) vs. South Carolina State (8-3), 4:30 p.m.
Orange Bowl
At Miami
Nebraska (11-0) vs. Florida State (11-1), 8 p.m. (NBC)
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans
Florida (10-2) vs. West Virginia (11-0), 8:30 p.m. (ABC)

NBA glance

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EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
New York	18	7	.720	—
Orlando	16	12	.571	3½
Miami	12	13	.480	6
Boston	12	17	.414	8
New Jersey	11	16	.407	8
Philadelphia	10	17	.370	9
Washington	8	20	.286	11½
Central Division				
Atlanta	19	7	.731	—
Chicago	18	9	.667	1½
Charlotte	16	12	.571	4
Cleveland	12	15	.444	7½
Indiana	10	16	.385	9
Detroit	8	19	.296	11½
Milwaukee	8	20	.286	12
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	24	4	.857	—
Utah	20	8	.714	4
San Antonio	18	11	.621	6½
Denver	14	13	.519	9½
Minnesota	8	20	.286	16
Dallas	2	24	.077	21
Pacific Division				
Seattle	22	3	.880	—
Phoenix	21	5	.808	1½
Portland	17	11	.607	6½
Golden State	14	13	.519	9
LA Clippers	11	16	.407	12
LA Lakers	9	19	.321	14½
Sacramento	8	19	.296	15

Thursday's Games
New York 102, Washington 84
Orlando 108, Miami 100
Charlotte 115, Chicago 95
Sacramento 97, Detroit 91
San Antonio 107, Indiana 82
Milwaukee 105, Cleveland 103
Houston 110, Minnesota 104
Denver 101, Golden State 96
Phoenix 119, Philadelphia 107
Boston 119, LA Clippers 111
Friday's Games
No games scheduled

NFL glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
x-Buffalo	11	4	0	.733	299	232
Miami	9	6	0	.600	322	318
N.Y. Jets	8	7	0	.533	270	223
Indianapolis	4	11	0	.267	179	348
New England	4	11	0	.267	205	259
Central						
x-Houston	11	4	0	.733	344	238
Pittsburgh	8	7	0	.533	292	272
Cleveland	7	8	0	.467	295	291
Cincinnati	3	12	0	.200	174	299
West						
x-Kansas City	10	5	0	.667	294	267
y-Denver	9	6	0	.600	343	251
LA Raiders	9	6	0	.600	273	296
San Diego	7	8	0	.467	290	273
Seattle	6	9	0	.400	256	280
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
y-Dallas	11	4	0	.733	360	216
y-N.Y. Giants	11	4	0	.733	275	189
Philadelphia	7	8	0	.467	256	281
Phoenix	6	9	0	.400	299	259
Washington	4	11	0	.267	221	331
Central						
y-Green Bay	9	6	0	.600	320	252
y-Detroit	9	6	0	.600	268	272
Minnesota	8	7	0	.533	263	281
Chicago	7	8	0	.467	228	210
Tampa Bay	5	10	0	.333	220	344
West						
x-San Francisco	10	5	0	.667	439	258
New Orleans	7	8	0	.467	297	330
Atlanta	6	9	0	.400	306	358
LA Rams	4	11	0	.267	201	361

x-clinched division title
y-clinched playoff berth

Saturday's Game
Houston 10, San Francisco 7

Sunday's Games
Cincinnati 21, Atlanta 17
Detroit 20, Chicago 14
New England 38, Indianapolis 0
Green Bay 28, Los Angeles Raiders 0
Philadelphia 37, New Orleans 26
Buffalo 16, New York Jets 14
Seattle 16, Pittsburgh 6
Cleveland 42, Los Angeles Rams 14
Phoenix 17, New York Giants 6
Tampa Bay 17, Denver 10
Dallas 38, Washington 3
Minnesota 30, Kansas City 10

Monday's Game
San Diego 45, Miami 20

Friday, Dec. 31
Minnesota at Washington, 3 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 2
Buffalo at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Dallas at New York Giants, 1 p.m.
Green Bay at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Miami at New England, 1 p.m.
Phoenix at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Denver at Los Angeles Raiders, 4 p.m.
San Diego at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m.
Chicago at Los Angeles Rams, 4 p.m.
Cincinnati at New Orleans, 4 p.m.
New York Jets at Houston, 8 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 3
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 9 p.m.

Lady Cards top Trent at Hamlin tournament

HAMLIN — Hermleigh's Lady Cardinals downed Trent, 27-24, in a consolation bracket contest in the second round of play at the Hamlin Invitational basketball tournament Thursday.

The Lady Cards rallied for a 14-5 advantage in the fourth quarter to take the win.

Hermleigh's Connie Payne scored nine points and teammate Brandi Bates had seven to lead the charge.

The Lady Cardinals, 8-5, will take on Seymour, a 59-48 winner over Roby Thursday, in today's consolation final.

The tournament winds up today with consolation, third-place and championship games in boys' and girls' divisions.

In other girls' games Thursday, Eastland topped Brownfield, 44-35, and host Hamlin drilled Munday, 44-23.

Brownfield and Munday will square off in the third-place contest, while Hamlin faces Eastland in the title tilt.

In boys' action Thursday, Hermleigh was topped by Trent, 60-37.

The Gorillas jumped out to a 18-4 first-quarter lead and were never threatened.

Hermleigh, 2-10 and eliminated from the tourney field, was led by Ricky Sosa, who canned nine, and Chris Lambaren and John Hardy with eight each.

Roby, which downed Eastland, 79-67, and Hamlin, a 76-47 winner over Munday, will meet in today's boys' championship matchup.

Eastland and Munday will play for third, and Seymour, an 80-39 winner over Hamlin's JV, will tangle with Trent for the consolation crown.

Hamlin Invitational
Girls
Wednesday's games
Munday 28, Trent 26 (OT)
Brownfield 58, Roby 41
Eastland 40, Seymour 38
Hamlin 47, Hermleigh 29
Thursday's games
Seymour 59, Roby 48
Hermleigh 27, Trent 24
Eastland 44, Brownfield 35
Hamlin 44, Munday 23
Friday's games
Hermleigh vs. Seymour
Brownfield vs. Munday
Eastland vs. Hamlin
Boys
Wednesday's games
Munday 76, Trent 43
Roby 73, Hamlin JV 27
Eastland 51, Seymour 45
Hamlin 77, Hermleigh 40
Thursday's games
Seymour 80, Hamlin JV 39
Trent 60, Hermleigh 37
Roby 79, Eastland 67
Hamlin 76, Munday 47
Friday's games
Seymour vs. Trent
Eastland vs. Munday
Roby vs. Hamlin

Washington won't suspend players

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Washington Redskins may be big losers on the football field this year, but they're 2-0 winners in the courtroom in the last week of their worst season in three decades.

Two judges ruled Thursday that the club does not have to suspend up to 35 players from today's season-closing game here with the Minnesota Vikings because they refuse to pay union dues to the NFL Players Association.

U.S. District Court Judge Joyce Hens Green denied a motion by the players union for a court order directing the Redskins to abide by an independent arbitrator's award earlier Thursday.

The arbitrator, Herbert Fishgold, had directed the club to suspend any player who had not paid their $5,000 annual dues or equivalent fees for non-members by 1 p.m. EST today, two hours before the Redskins and Vikings kick off at RFK Stadium.

Minnesota (8-7) can clinch a wild card playoff berth with a victory over the underdog Redskins (4-11). A Vikings loss would put them in a three-way race with Philadelphia and New Orleans, which wouldn't be decided until the results are in from Monday night's game between the Philadelphia Eagles and San Francisco 49ers.

A long-simmering dispute between the Redskin players and the NFLPA erupted last week when the union sought to enforce a provision in a league-wide labor contract signed last spring requiring the suspension of any players who did not meet last Friday's deadline for paying their 1993 dues.

Led by veteran receiver Art Monk and backup tight end Terry Orr, more than a dozen Redskins said they were willing to face suspension, miss today's game and forfeit one-eighteenth of their annual salaries rather than pay.

For a while, it looked like the controversy and the legal maneuvering surrounding it might disrupt today's game. The Redskins said they had made contingency plans if the courts had upheld the union, but the team did not specify them.

"We're glad this is behind us," Redskins general manager Charlie Casserly said at the team's practice site at Ashburn, Va. "We're happy we'll have all our players for the game."

Added cornerback Darrell Green, the team's union representative: "I said it would work out all along and it did."

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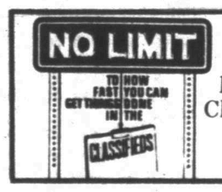

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Police call three deaths double-murder, suicide

JAYTON (AP) — Kent County Sheriff Larry Rider says there hasn't been a double homicide in Jayton in the 26 years he's lived there.

The West Texas community's 600 citizens still were talking Thursday about the incident, in which 31-year-old Terry Joe Kelly killed two friends and then committed suicide.

"Everybody's saying they can't believe it," Rider said.

Kelly was nicknamed "Hoss" because of his large build. He was a frequent customer at Sheila's Deli, one of two popular restaurants in the town.

Suzanne Kirby, 19, was a waitress and 20-year-old Beau Norris worked there for his father, Mike, and stepmother, Sheila.

All three were at the cafe late Wednesday night.

"Beau told his folks they were going home," Rider said. "Terry Joe stayed there a while and then said he was going home. But he must've gone over where they were headed."

Around 12:35 a.m. Thursday, Ms. Kirby called the cafe. She was distressed and mumbling.

"She told Mike that 'Hoss' has shot Beau," Rider said. "Mike came up here and told me about it and I got into an ambulance and went over there."

At the Norris home, Ms. Kirby was found on a bed with a gunshot through the neck and shoulder. She was taken by ambulance to Spur, where a helicopter from a Lubbock hospital picked her up. She died en route, Rider said.

While she was being treated, officers were trying to find Norris and Kelly. They spent half an hour searching the area around the house, then gave up, Rider said.

The first answer came by chance around 3 a.m. from Stonewall County Sheriff Bill Mullen, who was driving through back roads toward Jayton to help with the case.

He came across a stopped pickup and investigated. Kelly's body was found inside; he had been shot in the temple and was holding a Colt .45-caliber revolver, Rider said.

With no blood on the passenger side, it was determined that Norris had to be near the house and officers began another search, Rider said.

"Everybody looked around the house, in the barn and everywhere. Then some more people went back up there and finally looked in the front yard," Rider said, adding that the area went unchecked because "they used the back door all the time."

Norris was dead with a gunshot wound to the forehead, Rider said.

All three bodies were sent to Lubbock for autopsies.

"Nobody knows why it happened because there weren't any witnesses," Rider said. "The Texas Rangers are investigating, trying to find a motive."

The last shooting in Jayton was about three years ago, Rider said.

"But that was not exactly like this," he said. "We've had a shooting that wounded three people. That centered around cocaine, marijuana and whiskey."

Rider said he was especially surprised that Kelly may be to blame.

"I've known him since he was 5 years old," Rider said. "He was always real polite. He was a computer operator. It's got everybody in this county puzzled why he'd do that."

"We think we know what happened but we don't know why. Kelly has never been in trouble. He was not on alcohol or drugs. I guess he just went off his rocker and went to shooting."

Dynamite cache, glass eye lead police to two suspects

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — A cache of dynamite bought by a stranger with a glass eye helped lead authorities to two suspects in the mail bombings that killed five people.

Michael Stevens, 53, and Earl Figley, 56, were jailed a day after six bombs hidden in tackle boxes were sent to relatives of Stevens' girlfriend, Brenda Lazore Chevere.

Four bombs blew up; two were intercepted. Ms. Chevere's sister, mother, stepfather and two others were killed. Law enforcement officials said the 53-year-old Stevens blamed the family for his rocky relationship with Ms. Chevere.

Forensic tests and common sense helped investigators make a case against Stevens and Figley, who were jailed on federal charges of transporting explosives across state lines. They could also face state murder charges.

Even before Tuesday's bombings across upstate New York, federal agents had been investigating the source of 112 sticks of dynamite found in a trash bin behind a suburban Rochester restaurant in September, said Jack Killorin of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Eventually, they traced the dynamite to the Kentucky Powder Co. in Mount Vernon, Ky., where a man who showed a Vermont driver's license with an alias had bought 55 pounds of the explosive and 50 blasting caps in June, investigators said.

A salesman remembered the stranger because he had a glass eye, Killorin said. Figley has a glass eye.

"How many people with glass eyes purchase dynamite ... that winds up in the Rochester area?" Killorin said Thursday.

Then authorities learned that the coding on the dynamite in the bombs matched coding on the explosives found in the trash bin, and ATF agents began looking for suspects in the Rochester area.

Police zeroed in on the suspects when they realized that the bombs were aimed at members of the same family.

"It became pretty apparent who had a motive to do any violence against them," Monroe County District Attorney Howard Relin said.

By early Wednesday, less than eight hours after the explosions, police were on their way to Victor, about 15 miles from Rochester, where Ms. Chevere and Stevens shared a home, Rochester Deputy Police Chief Robert Duffy said.

They found the couple, along with Figley, who was visiting from nearby Farmington, and brought all three in, Duffy said.

Under questioning, Figley told police he bought the dynamite for Stevens, according to court papers.

FCC cracks down on Stern's raunchy live radio talk show

WASHINGTON (AP) — It seems federal regulators have had quite enough of radio personality Howard Stern: They're heading straight for where it hurts most — the pocketbook of Mr. Raunch Talk's employer, Infinity Broadcasting.

Infinity wants to buy a couple of radio stations for $170 million — and if it can't do the deal right away, the price could go up by millions a month.

It's no small matter then that James Quello, a member of the Federal Communications Commission, and two of his fellow commissioners have decided to apply the brakes to the deal. Before any sale, the commissioners want to see new complaints against Stern's sex-drenched radio show taken care of first.

"I talked to my colleagues over the last few weeks; as long as we have these complaints pending against Mr. Stern, we're going to hold off" on approving the transfer of broadcast licenses, Quello said in a telephone interview Thursday night.

[illegible] of listeners each weekday morning — "violates our indecency standards; and I've got letters here from all over the country complaining about him," Quello said.

Two formal complaints have been filed and "we are deferring action until they're resolved; there will be no attempt to rush it," Quello added.

The New York Times first reported the delay in today's editions.

Infinity executives — who wanted the FCC to decide on the deal before New Year's Day — say they've acted responsibly regarding Stern. Infinity imposed a seven-second delay in Stern's broadcasts to block anything that might violate federal standards.

Stern's radio show begins at 6 a.m. — the starting time for the FCC's ban on indecent broadcast material. Such material is barred between the hours of 6 a.m. and 8 p.m.

The FCC defines "indecent" programming as material that is "patently offensive" as measured by contemporary community standards for over-the-air broadcasting and depicts "sexual or excretory activities or organs."

And by that standard, Stern is way over the line, in the FCC's view.

Because of Stern's sexually explicit routines, the FCC in years past has fined Infinity $1.1 million for multiple violations of the indecency rules.

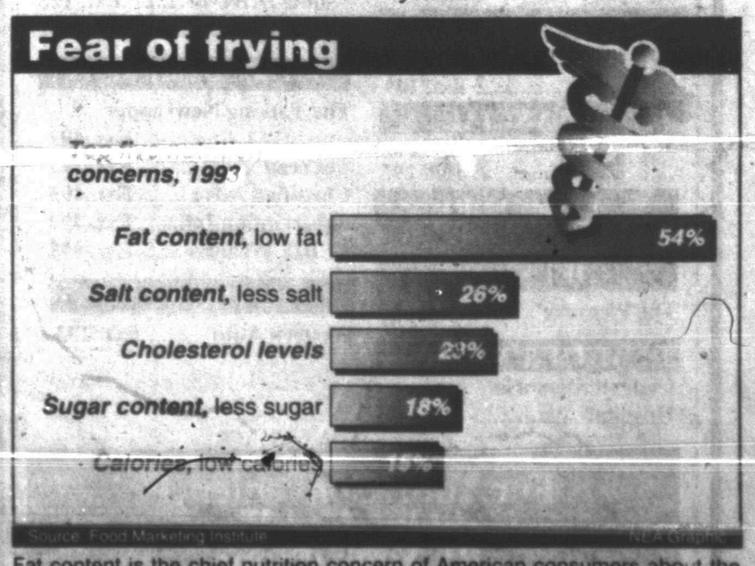
Now the stakes are being raised.

Infinity has offered $110 million for the biggest station in the now-delayed deal, KRTH-FM, Los Angeles.

The Times reported that the contract requires Infinity to pay 10 times the station's cash flow, or earnings before amortization, depreciation and taxes.

After Jan. 1, the price will be pegged to the annualized cash flow for 1994. If earnings in January are 5 percent higher than they were in January 1993, for example, Infinity would have to pay an extra $5.5 million, the newspaper said.

Infinity produces "The Howard Stern Show," but the radio personality has turned multimedia — with a best-selling book "Private Parts" and tonight, a pay-per-view show on cable television systems.



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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	677/8	671/2	677/8	+3/8
Albtsn s	271/8	267/8	27	-3/8
Alldsignal	80	791/4	793/8	-5/8
Alltel s	287/8	285/8	283/4	+1/4
AmStores	441/4	44	44	-1/4
Amer T&T	523/4	52	521/4	-3/8
Ameritech	773/4	773/8	773/4	
Ameritech wi	39	383/4	383/4	
Amoco	535/8	531/8	531/4	
AndarkPtr	447/8	443/4	443/4	-1/8
Arkla	8	73/4	73/4	-1/8
ArmcoInc	61/8	57/8	6	+1/8
AtlRichfld	105	1033/4	1043/4	+7/8
ATMOS	273/4	273/4	273/4	
BakerHughes	201/2	201/4	203/8	+1/8
BancTexas	11/2	13/8	11/2	+1/8
BellAtl	605/8	603/8	603/8	-1/8
BellSouth	581/2	58	583/8	+1/8
Beth Steel	20	193/4	20	+1/8
Boden	173/8	17	171/4	+1/4
Brit Pet	641/8	637/8	637/8	-1/4
Caterplr	901/2	897/8	897/8	-1/4
CenSoWst	31	307/8	31	+1/8
Chevron	883/8	88	88	-1/8
Chrysler	535/8	531/4	533/8	-1/8
Coastal	28	273/4	28	+1/8
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ColgatePalm	621/8	613/8	621/8	+3/4
CooperIn	493/8	491/4	491/4	
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DallSemicn	151/4	143/4	151/8	+1/4
DeltaAirl	551/2	551/8	551/8	+1/2
DigitalEq	341/2	341/8	341/2	+1/8
Dillard	361/8	36	361/8	-1/4
DowChem	57	567/8	57	
DresserInd	207/8	203/4	207/8	
DuPont	491/8	483/4	49	+1/4
EstKodak	561/4	56	56	-1/8
EtjerInd	7	63/4	7	+1/8
Enserch	161/8	157/8	157/8	-1/4
Exxon	64	631/2	64	+3/8
FlowerInd	193/8	191/4	191/4	-1/8
FordMotor	65	641/2	641/2	-1/4
GTE Cp	351/4	35	351/4	+1/8
GnDyn	941/4	931/8	941/4	+7/8
GenElct	1061/8	1055/8	1057/8	
GenMills	61	607/8	607/8	
GenMotors	553/4	55	551/4	-3/8
GenMotors E	293/8	291/4	291/4	-1/8
GaPacif	691/4	683/4	691/4	
GlobalMar	37/8	33/4	37/8	
Goodrich	401/4	393/4	393/4	
Goodyear s	461/4	455/8	461/4	+3/4
GtAtlPac	28	277/8	28	+3/8
Gulf StaUt	197/8	193/4	193/4	-1/8
Haliburtn	321/4	32	321/4	
Hanson ADS	20	197/8	20	+1/8
HoustInd	48	473/4	477/8	+1/8
IBM	571/4	563/8	571/4	+1/4
IntlPaper	683/8	68	681/4	
JohnsnJns	45	447/8	45	
K mart	211/2	211/8	213/8	+1/8
Kroger	201/4	201/8	201/4	+1/4
Litton	645/8	643/8	641/2	-1/8
vjLoneStar	21/8	2	21/8	
Lowes	591/2	59	591/2	+5/8
Lubys	225/8	221/2	221/2	+1/8
Maxus	53/4	51/2	51/2	-1/8
MayDS s	391/4	385/8	391/4	+1/2
Medtronic	837/8	833/8	833/4	+5/8
Mobil	797/8	795/8	797/8	+1/2
Monsanto	743/8	733/4	737/8	-3/8
Motorola s	933/4	923/4	935/8	+1
Nationsbk	491/4	483/4	491/4	+1/4
Navistar s	233/4	231/8	235/8	+1/2
Nynex s	411/8	403/4	41	+1/4
OryxEngy	173/8	171/4	171/4	-1/8
PacTelesis	551/8	547/8	55	-1/8
PanhECp	235/8	233/8	231/2	+1/8
PenneyJC s	531/4	525/8	531/4	+7/8
Pennzoil	531/2	531/8	531/8	-3/8
PepBoys	261/2	263/8	263/8	
PhelpDodge	485/8	483/8	481/2	-1/4
PhilipPet	293/8	291/4	293/8	+1/4
PilgrmPrd	67/8	63/4	63/4	
Polaroid	341/8	337/8	337/8	-1/8
Praxair	163/4	165/8	165/8	-1/8
Primerica s	383/4	381/8	383/4	+3/4
ProctGamble	58	575/8	577/8	+1/8
PubS NwMx	111/4	11	111/4	+1/4
RoyalDutch	1053/4	1051/8	1053/4	+1/2
SFePacCp	22	213/4	22	+1/4
SaraLee	255/8	251/4	253/8	
SearsRoeb s	533/4	531/8	531/8	-1/8
SherwinW	365/8	361/2	365/8	
SmthBchADS	297/8	291/2	295/8	-1/4
SmthBc eqt	271/2	271/4	271/2	+1/8
Southern Co	443/4	443/8	441/2	-1/4
SwAirlines s	375/8	371/4	371/2	+3/8
SwBell s	431/4	427/8	427/8	+1/8
Sprint	35	343/8	347/8	+3/4
SterlingChm	41/8	4	41/8	
SunCo	293/4	295/8	293/4	+1/4
TNP Ent	167/8	163/4	167/8	+1/8
Tandy	491/2	491/4	491/4	-3/8
TempleInl	50	493/4	50	
Tenneco	525/8	521/8	521/2	+5/8
Texaco	651/4	643/4	651/4	+1/4
TexasInd	311/2	311/2	311/2	
TexasInst	647/8	64	643/4	+3/4
Tex Util	431/2	431/4	431/2	
Textron	585/8	583/8	583/8	
Trinty s	433/8	43	431/8	
TritonEngy	301/4	291/2	30	+1/4
Tyler	51/8	5	5	-1/8
US West	465/8	463/8	463/8	
USX Delhi	153/8	15	151/8	-1/4
USX-Marathn	165/8	163/8	161/2	
USX-USS	421/2	423/8	421/2	-1/8
UnCarbde	223/8	221/8	221/4	+1/8
UnPac	63	625/8	63	+1/8
UnitedTech	621/8	615/8	617/8	+1/8
Unocal	271/2	271/4	271/2	+1/8
WalMart s	251/2	251/4	251/4	
WstnGasRs	325/8	323/8	321/2	+1/4
WestghEl	141/8	14	141/8	
WinnDixie	531/2	531/8	531/2	+1/2
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Hopes dim as dolphins disappear

SEA BRIGHT, N.J. (AP) — A limited search resumed today for four dolphins that disappeared this week in a river after unsuccessful efforts to guide them past sheets of ice to the open sea.

Crews on Coast Guard boats, state police boats and a helicopter found no sign of the bottlenose dolphins Thursday in the Shrewsbury River, where the group had been feeding since July.

One of the four disappeared Tuesday night after showing signs of illness and fatigue. The part of the river where the other three were swimming Wednesday froze over that night, and rescuers feared the air-breathing mammals had suffocated.

Two state Marine Police officers and an official of the National Marine Fisheries Service set out in a patrol boat this morning to continue the search. If they spotted the dolphins, rescuers would be called back to the river, said Marine Police Officer Steve Vincent.

Officials conceded Thursday that there was little chance of finding them alive.

The rescue operation was a joint effort by Marine Fisheries, Marine Police and the Marine Mammal Stranding Center, a private, nonprofit facility in Brigantine.

Boats were used for three days to clear a path through the ice for the struggling animals. Efforts to use a net to herd them to open water failed.

The operation drew dozens of spectators, residents who had watched the dolphins since summer and worried as the mammals failed to leave for their yearly southward migration.

Bob Schoelkopf, the stranding center's executive director, said he had asked Marine Fisheries to save the dolphins months ago.

Schoelkopf, although considered an expert by federal and local officials involved in the operation, needs permission from Marine Fisheries to handle federal protected marine mammals.

Douglas Beach, protected species coordinator for the Marine Fisheries' Northeast Region in Gloucester, Mass., defended his agency's action. He said a net capture would be extremely dangerous to the dolphins and their rescuers.

"Animals do get into situations where they can't get out," he said. "We're not in the business of picking up animals because we think they're in the wrong place."

By Wednesday, the dolphins were considered stranded and Schoelkopf was brought in to lead the operation.

But he couldn't move the animals because fast-moving ice floes blocked their path.

White House calls meetings on federal role in experiments

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. (AP) — The White House is calling together officials from four federal agencies to help chart a plan to swiftly uncover the secrets of Cold War government radiation tests on humans.

Monday's meeting at the White House was scheduled as Defense Secretary Les Aspin on Thursday ordered the military to comb its files for information on hundreds of radiation experiments conducted on people in the 1940s and 1950s.

The Department of Veterans Affairs also is looking into whether 14 of its facilities injected low-level radioactive isotopes into veterans during those same decades, a spokeswoman said.

Other agencies are investigating their role in radiation testing as well, hoping to determine who was affected and what the lasting implications may be.

As many as 800 people were exposed to radiation in tests during the Cold War, and while some gave their consent, many apparently were not fully informed of the risks, federal officials say.

In a sign of the importance the Clinton administration attaches to the issue, staff from the departments of Energy, Defense and Veterans Affairs and from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration were summoned for a Monday afternoon session at the White House.

News Briefs

Singer Tammy Wynette critically ill

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Tammy Wynette lay critically ill today with an infection poisoning her system.

Her spirits were high Thursday night, said her spokeswoman, Evelyn Shriver.

"She's alert. The whole family is there," Shriver said. "She's been seeing her husband and kids."

Wynette, 51, entered the hospital Tuesday, a day after she recorded a duet with Aaron Neville.

Doctors said Wynette's bile duct infection was apparently caused by scarring from previous surgery.

She was in the intensive care unit at Baptist Hospital, spokeswoman Aileen Katcher said.

Earlier this year, Wynette teamed up with Dolly Parton and Loretta Lynn to record the album "Honky Tonk Angels," currently No. 12 on the Billboard magazine country music chart.

Throughout her 25-year career, her stormy marriages and numerous hospital stays have threatened to overshadow one of the most successful singing careers in country music history.

Wynette, who once worked as a beautician, is a three-time winner of the Country Music Association's female vocalist of the year award. She has recorded more than 50 albums and sold more than 30 million records.

Her songs include "Stand By Your Man," "D-I-V-O-R-C-E," "I Don't Wanna Play House" and "Womanhood."

One dead in restaurant shooting

HOUSTON (AP) — A woman was killed and her husband injured by a gunman who tried to rob them as they entered a Bennigan's restaurant, police said.

Kennie and Lizabeth Matthews were shot Thursday while meeting co-workers for lunch at the southwest Houston restaurant. The gunman had asked Matthews for his watch, then shot him as he was handing it over in the restaurant's foyer, police said.

More than 40 startled patrons dove to the floor.

"We thought it was another Luby's," said customer John Dobbie, referring to the 1991 shooting melee at the Luby's restaurant in Killeen, when Georges Hennard crashed his truck through the glass wall of the eatery and began randomly firing upon customers. Twenty-two people were killed and another 21 injured before Hennard turned the gun on himself.

"I guess I shouldn't be surprised. This is Houston," said one man leaving the restaurant after he and others were questioned by police. He declined to identify himself.

The suspect pretended to use the restaurant phone while waiting for the Matthews couple to enter the foyer. When they came in, the suspect demanded Matthews' watch.

Matthews, 41, told the suspect it wasn't gold, police said. "I don't care," the suspect said before shooting him. He wasn't able to get the watch, which fell under a door.

"He (Matthews) was shot as he was getting the watch off his wrist," said Houston police homicide investigator Sgt. Fred Carroll. "A few minutes later (the suspect) told her to get down and shot her."

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—More than 400 people viewed exhibits, took tours and witnessed a traditional ribbon cutting as Mobil celebrated the start-up of its $90 million C02 project Nov. 2 at Salt Creek.

—Snyder public schools trustees, meeting Nov. 11, approved a girls high school softball program for the 1994-95 school year.

—Trinity United Methodist Church celebrated its 40th anniversary in mid-November. The church was organized in 1953 by Rev. B. W. Lewis.

—Drama instructor Michael Endy was honored in November during Founder's Day activities at Western Texas College.

—Cy Posey was named Fireman of the Year during the 64th Annual Snyder Fire Department Thanksgiving Banquet.

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—Curt Condray was selected as Snyder Country Club manager, replacing Jeff Poland. Condray came to Snyder from Granbury where he was clubhouse manager at de Cordova Bend Estates.

—Cogdell Memorial Hospital board approved an agreement with EmCare of Dallas to provide 24-hour emergency room coverage.

—Hospital officials were anticipating that an internal medicine specialist would be joining the staff early in 1994. Standing in the way are licensing technicalities, because the physician, Dr. Tom Kerr, is a Canadian.

—Tollie Faver, World War I veteran, received a special commemorative medal. Faver, the only living World War I veteran in Scurry County, is 98.

3 arrested by police

Snyder police made two arrests Thursday and one early this morning.

Police arrested a 26-year-old woman in the 1200 block of 28th Street at 9:26 p.m. Thursday on a warrant for assault/family violence.

At 9:46 p.m., officers arrested a 40-year-old man at Parks and Avenue U on a Tarrant County warrant for misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

Police also arrested a 41-year-old man along Highway 208 at 12:37 this morning for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and on a Taylor County warrant for probation violation.

At 1:07 a.m. today, officers worked an accident in the Club 250 parking lot. Involved were a 1971 Ford pickup driven by Edward Dawson of Loraine and a parked, unoccupied 1986 pickup owned by Brend Shafer of 2504 Ave. X.

Obituaries

Alva Jones

1905-1993

Funeral services are set for 3 p.m. Saturday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Alva Leta Jones, 88, who died Thursday night in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

A life-long resident of Scurry County, she was born Oct. 24, 1905 in Scurry County. Miss Jones was a Methodist and for many years worked in her brother's meat packing plant in Snyder.

She was preceded in death by two sisters and one brother.

Survivors include a brother, E.L. "Skeet" Jones of Snyder; and a sister, Ruth Jones of Snyder.

Cheryl A. Devoll

1951-1993

ROBERT LEE — Services are set for 10 a.m. Saturday in Robert Lee Baptist Church for Cheryl A. Devoll, 42, a former resident of Snyder. Officiating will be the Rev. Roy Epperson, Burial will be in Robert Lee Cemetery.

Mrs. Devoll died Thursday in a San Angelo hospital.

Born in Abilene, she married Donnie Devoll on Oct. 25, 1986, in Snyder. They moved to Robert Lee in 1988. She was a member of the Robert Lee Baptist Church. She worked as a secretary for the Coke County Sheriff's Department.

Survivors include her husband, Donnie Devoll of Robert Lee; two sons, Graig Watkins of Commerce and Randy Watkins of Jacksonville, Fla; two daughters, Amy Devoll and Lacy Devoll, both of Littlefield; her parents, Wiley and Mary Frances Wilkins of Odessa; one brother, Ron Wilkins of Los Alamos, N.M.; and one nephew.

Jose Rivera

1932-1993

COLORADO CITY — Mass is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in the St. Ann's Catholic Church for Jose DeLaLuz Rivera, 61, who died Wednesday in Mitchell County Hospital. Burial will follow in the Mitchell County Cemetery.

Rosary is set for 7 p.m. today in the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel.

He was the father of David Rivera of Snyder.

Born in Roby, Mr. Rivera worked at a cotton gin and also was a cement contractor. He was a member of the St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, Gregorio Rivera of Colorado City; four other sons, Daniel Rivera and Sammy Rivera of Colorado City, Joe Rivera Jr. and Jaime Rivera, both of Fort Worth; nine daughters, Sylvia Espinoza, Genny Rivera, Delia Rodriquez, Audelia Rivera, Gloria Rivera and Barbara Rivera, all of Colorado City, Angie DelReal of Sterling City, and Melisa Rivera and Beatrice Rivera, both of Abilene; three brothers, Will Sebastian Rivera of Abilene, Rosario Rivera of Midland and Valintine Rivera of Hamlin; and two sisters, Josephine Bowers of Sweetwater and Guadalupe Amberize of Florida.

Dear Abby

End of '93 Brings Memories Of Those We've Left Behind

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR READERS: What a year this has been! The Bushes and "first dog" Millie moved out of the White House. The Clintons and "first cat" Socks moved in.

Thurgood Marshall, the first black to be appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court, died at 84. Don Drysdale, famed Dodger pitcher, died at 55, and Roy Campanella, Hall of Fame Dodger catcher, died at 71.

Tobacco heiress Doris Duke died, leaving a cool billion to charity — no heirs. At 63, actress Audrey Hepburn had her last breakfast at Tiffany's. Marian Anderson, first black to sing at the Lincoln Memorial, after having been spurned by the D.A.R., died at 96. Former first lady Pat Nixon died at 81. All the former presidents and their wives attended her funeral.

Arthur Ashe, internationally famed tennis champ, died at 49. He contracted AIDS following bypass surgery in which contaminated blood was used. He left a wife and daughter.

Rudolf Nureyev, the Russian ballet star who defected to the West, died at 55. Handsome singer Billy Eckstine died at 78. Ruby Keeler, one-time wife of Al Jolson (star of "The Jazz Singer" — the first "talkie"), died at 83. Star of silent films Lillian Gish (ask your grandmother) died at 99. Oscar-winning lyricist Sammy Kahn died at 79, and Helen Hayes, first lady of American theater, made her last curtain call at 92. Myrna Loy, once heralded as "queen of American movies," died at 88.

Dr. Albert Sabin, who developed the oral polio vaccine in 1961, died at 86. John B. Connally, former Texas governor who was wounded by a bullet intended for President Kennedy, died at 76.

Janet Reno became the nation's first female attorney general; Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg was appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court. (Thank you, Bill Clinton!)

Crown Prince Naruhito of Japan wed former career diplomat Masako Owada in a private ceremony in Tokyo. Her beaded gown weighed 35 pounds.

The World Trade Center in New York was bombed, forcing the evacuation of the 110-story twin towers. Six died; thousands were injured.

More passings: actor Vincent Price, age 82; Raymond Burr, TV's Perry Mason, at 76. Actor-director Bill Bixby, 59, and Frank Zappa, 52, both of prostate cancer. Veteran actor Don Ameche, 85, and singer Helen O'Connell (favorite of World War II GIs) died at 73.

Jean Harris, a woman scorned, was released from prison after serving 12 years for the shooting death of Scarsdale Diet doctor Herman Tarnower.

H.R. Haldeman, who served 18 months in federal prison for his role in the Watergate scandal, died at 67.

Oregon's Sen. Bob Packwood may (or may not) go packing after being charged with sexual harassment by several female office employees. Also in deep doo-doo: Singer-dancer Michael Jackson faces child molestation charges by a 13-year-old boy. "Merely being accused has already cost Jackson his lucrative endorsement contract" with Pepsi, says The New York Times.

A biography of G-man J. Edgar Hoover detailed allegations of homosexuality and cross-dressing. He headed the FBI for 48 years, until his death in 1972.

Prince Charles and Princess Diana are living apart. Sad ending to a storybook romance.

Donald Trump and longtime girlfriend Marla Maples announced (a) the birth of their daughter, Tiffany, and (b) their marriage.

Perennially young actress Loretta Young married Jean Louis, famed designer, after a 45-year friendship.

Farewell to 1993 — pray for world peace and good health for President Clinton and Vice President Gore.

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Some GOP eye 'uncrisis' in health care

By Jill Lawrence
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some Republicans are testing the appeal of a novel political argument: There is no health care crisis and therefore no need for President Clinton's massive plan to revamp the system.

The conventional wisdom is that voters are on a rampage over health care. If that's true, this advance guard is heading in a dangerous direction.

But they see more political risk in going along with Clinton: the prospect that he will win full credit, and re-election in 1996, for reforms they contend will ultimately prove disastrous.

Under the Clinton plan, people would choose among health-insurance plans offered by huge regional purchasing alliances. All employers would have to participate. There would be a standard minimum benefits package, government controls on premium increases and coverage for all by 1998.

Clinton is counting on popular dissatisfaction with the status quo to get his reform package passed. Therefore, goes the new GOP thinking, it's imperative for Republicans to defuse the crisis mentality underlying the debate.

"That notion is politically inspired and designed to intimidate Republicans from standing up and saying that Clinton's plan will make things worse," said Bill Kristol, formerly Dan Quayle's chief of staff and now head of an enterprise called the Project for the Republican Future.

Kristol recently circulated a memo laying out his prescription for Republicans: Remind Americans they have the best medical system in world history. Dwell on the Clinton plan's impact on doctor choices, treatment options and costs. Then recommend small but significant changes that already have broad support, such as prohibiting insurance exclusions for pre-existing conditions.

So far the most prominent purveyor of this approach is former Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, a declared presidential possibility for 1996.

"The vast majority of Americans that I talk to believe the health care system works well for them," Cheney said this month on CNN. "I don't find very many people who think that ... the White House plan makes sense."

Some Republicans have bought Clinton's premise of a crisis and proposed large-scale alternatives of their own.

At the minimalist end of the scale is Sen. Phil Gramm of Texas, also a prospective Clinton rival in 1996, who has proposed tax-free savings accounts to buy catastrophic coverage and pay medical bills. Even Kristol suggests more needs to be done.

Yet a third 1996 possibility, Senate Republican leader Bob Dole, is hedging his bets. Earlier this month, he declared that health care is no crisis, merely a problem. He also floated the idea of an early congressional vote next year on a "small market reform package" of ideas that already have consensus.

Both are in line with the Kristol memo. At the same time, however, Dole characterized that strategy as "the scorched earth policy" and said he disagreed with it.

One can hardly blame Dole for leaving his options open. Each side in this argument says the other is misreading the public mood, and there's polling ammunition for all. Eight in 10 people say the health system needs to be changed; eight in 10 also say they like their own health care.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Jill Lawrence covers politics and national trends for The Associated Press.

Food aid falls far short of needs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Without increased food aid this year, the world's developing nations will have less than half the grain they need to satisfy minimum nutritional standards, the Agriculture Department says.

Last year, 60 developing nations received 10.8 million tons of grain — falling considerably short of the 27 million tons needed to meet minimum nutritional standards, USDA said.

An annual needs assessment by the department projects another shortfall in 1993-1994, despite part of the need being filled by a dramatic increase in production in southern and eastern Africa.

Congressional committees have approved $1.6 billion in aid for fiscal 1994, down $100 million from last year.

The report projects that the 60 countries will receive about 10.2 million tons of food aid in 1994 — only 74 percent of what they need to maintain status quo consumption levels and less than half the recommended amount.

The report predicted the tighter food aid budgets despite large leftover stocks of grain, the second-largest world wheat harvest on record and a decline in demand from major importers.

Cereals account for 90 percent of world food aid, the report said, with the United States supplying 60 percent of all donated grain.

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It's the third $10,000 gift Springsteen has made to the Rainbow Kitchen, which provides about 150 lunches daily to poor and unemployed people.

To host awards

PARIS (AP) — Gerard Depardieu has more to offer than just his presence as host of the 19th annual Cesar awards, France's version of the Academy Awards.

Wine from Depardieu's own vineyard will be served at the banquet that will follow the Feb. 26 ceremony, organizers said Thursday.

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