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Ask Us

Q—When does the musical drama "Texas" open, and how can tickets be reserved?

A—"Texas" opens June 7 at Palo Duro Canyon State Park and runs through Aug. 19 nightly at 8:30 except for Sundays. Call (806) 655-2181 for reservations and ticket prices.

Local

Booster club

Snyder High School All-Sports Booster Club will meet at 7 this evening in the First Christian Church.

Splash day

Splash day at Towle Park pool will be Thursday, the last day of school. The pool will be open from 2:30-5 p.m. Admission is free on splash day.

'Key' series

"Prophetically Speaking" is the next tape in the Key to the Kingdom series and will air at 7 this evening on Snyder Cablevision Channel 2.

Placement

Placement tests for students planning to take summer classes at Western Texas College will be given at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m. Wednesday at the counseling center in the Student Center. Cost is $10.

Yearbooks

Snyder Junior High has several 1994-95 Tiger Times yearbooks for sale. They may be purchased for $14 at the office or Room 113.

Luncheon

Martha Ann Woman's Club luncheon and game day will be held Wednesday. Lunch is $7 and will begin at 11:30. Games of choice will follow. Lunch reservations are needed by 5 p.m. today by calling 573-3427.

Receptions

A retirement reception for SISD teachers Monette and Bob O'Day will be held at 4 p.m. Tuesday at First United Methodist Church.

A retirement reception honoring Dolores Ayala, an aide at East Elementary, will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesday in the school library.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 88 degrees; low, 55 degrees; high Sunday, 89 degrees; low, 65 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1995 to date, 4.94 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Low in the mid 60s. South wind 10-15 mph. Tuesday, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. High in the upper 80s. South wind 10-20 mph and gusty.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:37. Sunrise Tuesday, 6:43. Of 141 days in 1995, the sun has shone 130 days in Snyder.

States can't limit Congressional terms

WASHINGTON (AP) — States may not limit the time anyone serves in Congress, the Supreme Court ruled today. The court struck down as unconstitutional an Arkansas term-limit measure, a step 21 other states have taken in various forms.

The broadly worded 5-4 decision could put more pressure on Congress to pass a constitutional amendment that would limit anyone in the House or Senate to a fixed number of terms.

Passage of a constitutional amendment has proved difficult so far. It requires a two-thirds vote in each chamber. And once enacted by Congress, any proposed amendment would have to be ratified by 38 states.

Congressional reaction to today's decision also could loom large as an issue in the 1996 elections.

Writing for the court, Justice John Paul Stevens said the Constitution's framers intended "that neither Congress nor the states should possess the power to supplement the exclusive qualifications set forth in (its) text."

"In the absence of a properly passed constitutional amendment," Stevens said in the court's 61-page majority opinion, "allowing individual states to craft their own qualifications for Congress would thus erode the structure envisioned by the framers ... to form a more perfect union."

Stevens was joined by Justices Anthony M. Kennedy, David H. Souter, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen G. Breyer.

Justice Clarence Thomas authored an 88-page dissent, in which he was joined by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and Antonin Scalia.

"Nothing in the Constitution deprives the people of each state of the power to prescribe eligibility requirements for the candidates who seek to represent them in Congress," Thomas said. "The Constitution is simply silent on this question."

Arkansas voters amended their state constitution in 1992 to limit how many times someone could appear on the ballot. Those who had served two six-year terms in the Senate or three two-year terms in the House could run, but only as write-in candidates.

The measure was challenged successfully by the League of Women Voters of Arkansas. The state Supreme Court ruled that states cannot add to the Constitution's list of qualifications for congressional membership — minimum age, state residency and U.S. citizenship for a number of years.

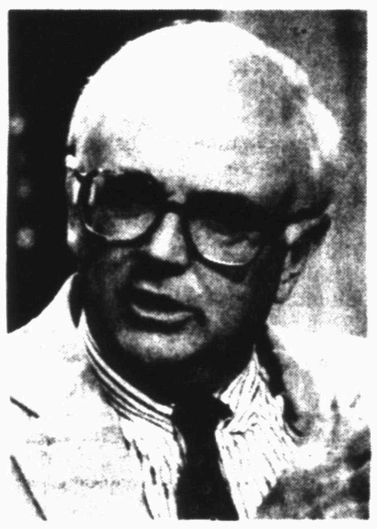
Besides Arkansas and Colorado, congressional term limits were approved by Alaska, Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

DARE TREAT — Sixth graders at West Elementary were treated to hamburgers for lunch Friday prepared by law enforcement including representatives from the police, sheriff, Texas Parks and Wildlife and Price Daniel Unit, and Delwyn Davis, DARE instructor. Having desserts and drinks are Bridgett Cagle, left, and Shannah Carr. (SDN Staff Photo)

Aspin suffers massive stroke

Former Defense Secretary dead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Former Defense Secretary Les Aspin, who drew political fire that contributed to his departure from the Pentagon, died after suffering a massive stroke. He was 56.



LES ASPIN

Aspin, an 11-term congressman who looked more like the rumpled professor that he was than like the military leader that he became, was praised by his president and his successor as a strategic intellectual.

"Les Aspin was unique. He brought the light of his joy in living, and the heat of his intellect, to every occasion. He never met a person who didn't like him. And we will all miss him," President Clinton said in a statement issued by the White House.

Aspin was Clinton's first defense secretary. After he resigned in December 1993, he was replaced by his deputy,

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County to take bids on lease space

New PUC rules could see electric rates at baseball parks soar

Scurry County commissioners had expected this morning to approve a lease with St. Mary of the Plains Hospital but learned they'll have to go out for bids instead.

Approving the lease was seen as a formality after Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers recently approved leasing St. Mary Hospital office space at the medical complex here.

This morning, however, County Judge Ricky Fritz told the court that no action can be taken because the county must take bids on the space before a lease can be approved.

Fritz said County Attorney Pete Greene told him that the county must take bids on all property, whether leased or sold.

Fritz said he will prepare a bid package to be submitted to commissioners for their approval on May 30.

The Cogdell Hospital board of managers had approved the terms of the lease when it met on April 27 for the county-owned offices located at 5301 Trinity and 5303 Trinity.

The county and the hospital are expected to benefit by some $59,000 when the lease is finalized.

TU Electric manager Daryl Thomas met with the court this morning and advised them of new Public Utiltity Commission rules that could see electric rates at county-owned baseball fields, especially at the North Park baseball diamond, soar if certain guidelines are not followed.

Thomas said if the field lights are turned on before 8 p.m., the electric meter will revert to demand rates and will result in monthly charges at the field to exceed $800 as opposed to its present $22.

Fritz and the court ask for the public to help in this matter. They are considering several alternatives to prevent the high electrical rates, including assigning an employee to oversee the lights and perhaps adding timers to each field.

In other action, the court approved the appointment of Laurie Brown to the County Welfare Board and approved a line-item transfer of $800 from general payroll to benefits for the airport manager.

Fritz presided while commissioners C.D. Gray Jr., Roy Idom, Ralph Trevey and Jerry Gannaway were in attendance.

County in action

- *Agreed to go seek bids for leasing medical office space.*
- *Was advised of new PUC rules which would result in high electric rates at local ball fields.*
- *Appointed Laurie Brown to the County Welfare Board.*
- *Approved a line-item transfer of $800.*

Sales tax rebates fall 8.8 percent

May sales tax rebates to Snyder from State Comptroller John Sharp's office indicate a drop of some 8.85 percent — down to $123,296 from 1994's total for the month of $135,280.

The figures include sales tax rebates collected on March sales by businesses filing monthly returns and reported to the Comptroller in April, and those businesses filing quarterly returns for January, February and March.

The rebate to Scurry County was down also — 5.41 percent. Rebates last year totalled $62,548 while the county received $59,159 this year.

Statewide, sales tax to cities indicated an increase of 1.5 percent and to counties, an increase of 4 percent from last year.

Total payments to the city of Snyder so far in 1995 are down slightly from 1994 — $583,275 this year as compared to $594,411 over the same period last year.

The total decrease is less than two percent — 1.87%.

Total rebates to Scurry County indicate an increase of 5.32 percent from last year - $278,531 as compared to $264,446 in 1994.

Tax rebates received by area cities for May included:

—Abilene took in $2,133,106, up 2.98 percent from the $2,071,265 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $8,671,692 is up 3.97 percent.

—Andrews received $74,335, down 8.24 percent from the $80,992 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $316,714 is down 1.37 percent.

—Big Spring took in $360,150, down 3.23 percent from $372,177 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $1,517,179 is up 3.90 percent.

—Colorado City received

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To law libraries...

Court to hear inmates' access case

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today agreed to use an Arizona case to clarify how much access prison inmates must be given to law libraries and legal assistance.

The court said it will hear Arizona prison officials' argument that the requirements set by a lower court amount to improper "micro-management" of the prison system by judges.

The lower court's ruling expanded such inmate access.

Twenty-two Arizona inmates filed a class-action lawsuit against state prison officials in 1990, saying inadequate access to law libraries unconstitutionally denied them meaningful access to the courts.

U.S. District Judge Carl Muecke ruled for the inmates, saying the prison system's law libraries and legal assistance programs were inadequate.

In 1993, the judge issued a permanent order requiring most Arizona prisons to have fully equipped law libraries open at least 50 hours a week.

Muecke said inmates who requested it must be given at least 10 hours of library use each week, and that prisoners in medium- and minimum-security facilities must be allowed to browse the shelves. Legal assistants must be provided to inmates who are illiterate or do not speak English, under the judge's order.

The judge also said inmates must be allowed to speak to a lawyer by telephone at least three times a week.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld those requirements last December. Noting that 35 percent of Arizona inmates cannot read English above the seventh-grade legal and 14.5 percent cannot speak English, the appeals court said such people must be given legal help as well as access to law libraries.

The Supreme Court agreed to delay the effect of the lower court rulings until the justices decided whether to hear Arizona officials' appeal.

In the appeal acted on today, the state officials argued that Muecke's order "crossed the line between constitutional interpretation and micro-management of a state's penal system."

Eighteen other states supported the appeal in a friend-of-the-court brief that said Muecke's order would "dramatically expand" the access to law libraries that states must provide to prisoners.

The inmates' lawyers noted Muecke found that inmates with literacy problems had cases dismissed or were unable to file legal actions because of their inability to get legal help.

Muecke's order exempted prisons that did not already have a law library, the inmates' lawyers noted.

The case is Lewis vs. Casey, 94-1511.

Drug firms finance biotech medicine

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — It can be a perfect partnership: A drug giant that's out of blockbusters finances a cash-hungry biotech competitor so a potential breakthrough in genetically engineered medicine can hit the market.

Mainstream pharmaceutical companies are going on a bargain-basement shopping spree in the nation's beleaguered — but scientifically promising — biotechnology industry. Experts say the bailout may signal that biotech's financial recovery is finally beginning.

"This sector will provide the future of therapeutics, but it has shifted in a big way to 'big pharma,'" said industry analyst Howard Wachtler of Medical Venture Holdings Inc. in New York. "It's what's kept the industry going."

How to get some of this bankroll and stay afloat is the hot topic as 2,500 industry leaders gather here this week to learn what's in the biotech pipeline — and to mingle with mainstream drug giants checking out the prospects.

"Things are looking up," said Carl Feldbaum, president of the Biotechnology Industry Organization, which is hosting the meeting. "But it is hard, and we have to face up to that."

The nation's 1,200 biotech companies, already short of cash in their expensive quest to manufacture genetically engineered therapies, staggered last year under the failure of nearly a dozen high-profile drugs. After 10 years of investments, biotech companies have managed to bring just 29 drugs to market — albeit some breakthroughs like the first treatments for cystic fibrosis and multiple sclerosis.

Although the industry has 270 biotech drugs now in human trials, Wall Street investors have pulled their funding in favor of safer bets. But in January, the pharmaceutical industry flocked to bail these companies out.

Mainstream drug makers invested $1.4 billion in biotech companies in the first quarter of this year, 10 times the amount they invested during the same period in 1994, the investor relations firm Feinstein Partners Inc. reported last month. Stocks brought in just $207 million, down from $692 million in the first quarter of 1994, Feinstein Partners found.

In just three months, drug giants infused 24 biotech companies with enough cash to carry them for several years, the report said.

It makes more sense to help along cutting-edge technology in return for a share of the profits than to build the infrastructure necessary for new genetic techniques, Richard Koenig of pharmaceutical leader SmithKline Beecham explained.

SmithKline has invested in at least five biotech companies, and Ligand Pharmaceutical Corp.'s pursuit of drugs to grow blood cells is its latest interest. "The idea is to get in early on very new, leading-edge technologies," Koenig said.

But the upturn doesn't mean biotech is out of the woods, cautioned Karen Bernstein, editor of BioCentury, a newsletter that tracks the industry. At the same time, attempts to lower health care costs are making hospitals slower to accept expensive biotech drugs, she said.

Pick 3

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

9-0-4

(nine, zero, four)

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth about $18 million dollars.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 4, 7, 13, 32, 33 and 37.

There were 180 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth $1,645. There were 11,356 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning $94. And there were 215,445 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic $3.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be $27 million, if sales continue as expected.

DATE BOOK

May 22, 1995

Today is the 142nd day of 1995 and the 64th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1849, Abraham Lincoln became the first future president to receive a patent.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Richard Wagner (1813-1883), composer; Mary Cassatt (1844-1926), artist; Arthur Conan Doyle (1859-1930), writer; Al Simmons (1902-1956), baseball great; Laurence Olivier (1907-1989), actor; Charles Aznavour (1924-), singer, is 71; Harvey Milk (1930-1978), City Councilman; Richard Benjamin (1938-), actor-director, is 57; Susan Strasberg (1938-), actress, is 57; Morrissey (1959-), singer, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1977, Janet Guthrie became the first female driver to qualify for the Indianapolis 500.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Singularity is almost invariably a clue. The more featureless and commonplace a crime is, the more difficult is it to bring it home." — Arthur Conan Doyle

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1986 parts of Sichuan Province of central China were hit by a devastating hailstorm. More than 34,000 homes were destroyed and more than 100 people were killed.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar, Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Day after last quarter.

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HERMLEIGH UIL — Hermleigh second through eighth graders entered UIL events in 1994-1995. (See related story.) Elementary winners in the top photo are back row (l-r) Janet Eckert, Lori Eckert, Amber Harbin, Shannon Barnes, Billy Lambaren, Ramon Granado and Lisa Sanchez; third row: Natasha Pippen, Whitney Rogers, Crystal Atkinson, Christina Arellano and Sabrina Terry; second row: Julie Mireles, Kendra Nachlinger, Lacy Doggett, Amber Yruegas, Shawn Roemisch, Jimmy Luna and Aaron Bayer; front row: Reecie Sauceda, Karl Smith, Justin Williamson, Dustin Williamson, Amanda Bayer, Shae Rinehart and Courtney Bridges. Seventh and eighth grade winners are shown in the bottom photo. Back row (l-r) Tony Molina, Jared Higgins, Caleb Callaway, Randi Herrington, Trey Roemisch and Tiffanie Moore; front row: Josh Hudgins, Brad Roemisch and Jennifer Roemisch. (SDN Staff Photo)

Clinton administration says, right to pray in school exists

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is challenging the Christian right to join the administration in a campaign to inform public school officials that students already have rights to prayer in school.

White House adviser George Stephanopoulos said clearing up confusion about religious practices in school was far better than passing a constitutional amendment that could lead to "coercion of conscience in the classroom."

Stephanopoulos discussed the issue of religion in school Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press" with Christian Coalition Executive Director Ralph Reed.

He said there was "an awful lot of confusion" about exactly what was allowed in the classroom. Permitted, he said, were such activities as students getting together in groups to pray, expressing religious views in classrooms and gathering around a school flagpole for prayer before school starts.

"We would invite the Christian Coalition to join the Clinton administration and other religious groups from across the country in a national campaign to make sure that every school principal, every teacher, every school superintendent knows exactly what is permitted under the law right now," Stephanopoulos said.

The White House aide said Clinton also supports the right of schools to have religious leaders offer prayers at convocations or sporting events.

"I welcome the words, but the words have really got to be backed by action," Reed responded, saying that the reality is that a rabbi or priest is not allowed to say a prayer before a public school graduation ceremony.

An amendment to the Constitution guaranteeing such a right is needed to stop the "systematic marginalization of faith in the public square," Reed said. "This goes to the issue of the centrality of faith in the social fabric."

But Stephanopoulos said an amendment would "strike the wrong balance" in the constitutional separation of church and state. "What we want to avoid, more than anything else, is coercion of conscience in the classroom," he said.

The Christian Coalition last week announced its "Contract With The American Family," which calls for legislation on various social issues and includes a call for the amendment on religious expression in public. It mentions that the Christian Coalition also supports constitutional changes to ban abortion but does not demand immediate congressional action on that issue.

"They realize that there's not support in Congress for that," Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, an abortion opponent, said on ABC's "This Week With David Brinkley."

UIL wins reported for HISD

Hermleigh second through eighth graders entered UIL competition in 1994-1995. Winners are listed below.

ELEMENTARY

—Shae Rinehart, 1st in creative writing.

—Karl Smith, 4th in creative writing.

—Amanda Bayer, 2nd in ready writing.

—Courtney Bridges, 1st in storytelling.

—Valerie West, 3rd in storytelling and 5th in spelling.

—Dustin Williamson, 1st in ready writing.

—Justin Williamson, 5th in ready writing.

—Shannon Barnes, 3rd in music memory and 5th in spelling.

—Janet Eckert, 3rd in music memory.

—Lori Eckert, 5th in listening skills.

—Ramon Granado, 3rd in music memory.

—Amber Harbin, 4th in oral reading.

—Billy Lambaren, 5th in number sense.

Lisa Sanchez, 3rd in music memory.

Junior High

—Tony Molina, 4th in science.

—Jared Higgins, 6th in number sense.

Caleb Callaway, 4th in spelling.

Randi Herrington, 2nd in number sense, 3rd in maps, charts and graphs, 2nd in oral reading and 3rd in dictionary skills.

—Trey Roemisch, 4th in listening skills.

—Tiffanie Moore, 2nd in impromptu speaking and 4th in ready writing.

—Josh Hudgins, 4th in dictionary skills.

—Brad Roemisch, 6th in dictionary skills and 5th in listening skills.

—Jennifer Roemisch, 3rd in dictionary skills.

Businessman admits stealing 'chip' secrets

NEW YORK (AP) — An Argentine engineer says he stole secrets from two leading U.S. computer chip makers and gave the information to China, Iran and Cuba, The New York Times reported Monday.

The engineer, Bill Gaede, said the information included designs and instructions on how to make 386, 486 and Pentium chips that power most personal computers, the newspaper said.

Gaede said he stole the information from Advanced Micro Devices Inc., where he worked from 1983 to 1993, and Intel Corp., where he worked in 1993 and 1994. He said he was first motivated by a love of communism but later stole for personal gain.

The information he passed to Cuba was given to the Soviet Union and East Germany in the last years of the Cold War, Gaede said. At one point, he said he surrendered to federal authorities and cooperated with the FBI.

The newspaper said much of the detail Gaede provided was corroborated, but that his account of his involvement with foreign governments and the FBI could not be confirmed. The FBI declined comment.

None of the nations cited by Gaede have sophisticated chip manufacturing operations, so it's not expected the stolen information would damage U.S. companies anytime soon, the Times said.

Gaede, 42, lacked a valid visa but obtained highly sensitive jobs at the two leading semiconductor makers, the newspaper said.

Oil Patch News

Mitchell County

Parker and Parsley will drill the No. 15-C Mitchell Fee in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Planned for a depth of 3,250 feet, location is in Section 9, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Parker and Parsley will drill the No. 16-C Mitchell Fee in the same field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Planned depth is 3,800 feet, and drill site is in Section 9, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Parker and Parsley will drill the No. 17-C Mitchell Fee in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Planned for a depth of 3,300 feet, location is in Section 9, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Garza County

Patterson Petroleum Inc. will drill the No. 7 Slaughter unit in the Happy field, 10 miles south of Post. The venture is planned for a depth of 8,500 feet, and location is in Section 19, Block 2, T&NO survey.

Brothers Production Inc. will drill the No. 5-17 Lott in the Trabow field, eight miles west of Justiceburg. Contracted for 8,400 feet, location is in Section 17, Block 2, T&NO survey.

J.M. Huber will drill the No. 5-4 Aycock in the BLP field, nine miles northeast of Post. Planned for a depth of 8,400 feet, drill site is in Section 5, Block 4, K. Aycock survey.

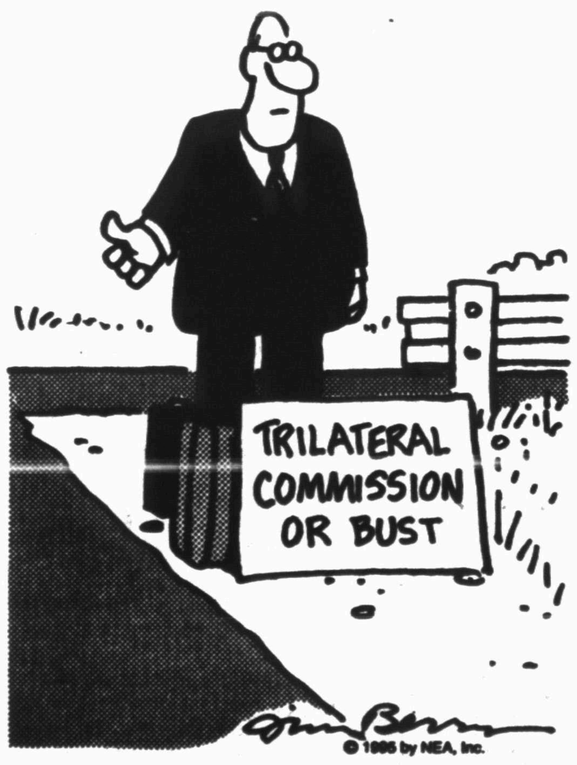
Renaud Oil Corp. will drill the No. 1-S Conner in the Rattlesnake Creek field, two miles north of Post. Planned for a depth of 3,250 feet, location is in Sectio 1,218, BS&F survey.

Primrose Operating has completed the No. 14-P Exxon Fee in the Dorward field, three miles east of Justiceburg. The well was finaled to produce 31 barrels of 39 gravity oil and 194 barrels of water. Perforations were from 1,882-2,538 feet, and location is in Section 4, Block 6, H&GN survey.

Howard County

Costilla Petroleum Corp. has completed the No. 1 Canyon unit in the Talbot field, 10 miles north of Big Spring. The well was completed the produce 41 barrels of oil and no water. Perforations were from 8,635-655 feet, and location is in Section 39, Block 32, T2N, T&P survey.

Berry's World



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Connie Chung ousted as anchor at CBS

NEW YORK (AP) — Connie Chung says she was surprised to find out that, starting tonight, Dan Rather will anchor "The CBS Evening News" without her.

"I thought that it was business as usual," Chung said Sunday. "That we were carrying on with the dual anchorship, and everything was fine."

Chung's removal from the network's flagship newscast ends an uneasy two-year partnership that saw viewership plunge.

Meanwhile, her weekly news magazine, the 2-year-old "Eye to Eye with Connie Chung," has been struggling in the ratings and wasn't expected on the CBS fall schedule, to be announced this week.

Chung, who was lured from NBC News in 1989, is now negotiating a release from her CBS contract, which has less than a year to go.

"I'm asking for a mutually agreeable separation," she said. "I'm hopeful."

Chung said she learned she was off the "Evening News" from her agent, Alfred Geller, after he met with key CBS executives Thursday afternoon. She was offered other duties, including substituting for Rather on the "Evening News." She said no.

"I think that in 1995, it's inappropriate for the only woman on the three major network news programs to have anything less than a co-equal status," Chung said.

In making Chung's departure official over the weekend, CBS News seemed to concede that the duo failed to "redefine the role of the anchor," as originally promised. Indeed, from day one, it was widely regarded outside CBS as a flop.

Now, with Rather once again flying solo, as he did from 1981 until June 1993, the CBS News veteran resumes command of a telecast mired in third place among the three evening newscasts, and with its prestige tarnished in the process.

Chung rejects the notion that her joining Rather at the anchor desk played any part in the broadcast's ratings slide.

But, she added, "I think I'm being asked to take the fall."

CBS News executives denied that their decision was based on anything but a judgment that the "Evening News" duo hadn't clicked.

Indeed, too often "The Dan and Connie Show" detracted from the real news by stirring up its own.

Increasingly in recent months, the news media feasted on rumors of bad blood between Chung and Rather, and of her efforts to one-up him for plum assignments.

On "Eye to Eye" in January, Chung's "between you and me" interview with House Speaker Newt Gingrich's mother backfired when Mrs. Gingrich disclosed her son had referred to Hillary Rodham Clinton as "a bitch." An angry Gingrich charged that Chung had tricked his mom.

Then, in April, Chung raised eyebrows when she showed up in Oklahoma City to cover the bombing, with Rather nowhere in sight. It turned out he was told by management to stay away, reportedly to give Chung a clear shot at the story.

But within hours, Chung's efforts led to a public-relations firestorm with Oklahoma City viewers, who found her interview style condescending. Before it was over, she appeared on a local newscast to try to patch things up.

"It was hurtful to have unfair criticism taken seriously," said Chung, summing up the past months. "I appreciated the support that I received on those issues, but it surely would have been nice to have had more support."

Dear Abby

Mom Feels Guilt for Wanting Career More Than Custody

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am currently separated from my husband. We have a 2-year-old daughter — I'll call her "Sherry." We agreed that Sherry should stay a week at his house, and then a week at mine. (I live with my mom.) This is working OK for now, but I can't see it working until Sherry is 18.

Here is my dilemma: If I continue to share custody of Sherry, I will always struggle. I have an average job with no college degree, and I really want to pursue schooling and have a career. Also, I have a difficult time emotionally when I have Sherry because she's spoiled rotten and acts like a brat. It stresses me out to be with her. Her father wants full custody, and I'm ashamed to admit that I do not.

People tell me I will regret giving her up, but they don't know how hard it is to go to college and care for a child.

Abby, I am very confused about what to do. I feel like a bad mother for not fighting tooth and nail for full custody like most mothers would.

My husband says it would be no problem for him to have Sherry full time. He can afford to hire a nanny. Should I let him have her? Please respond as soon as possible.

FEELING GUILTY

DEAR FEELING GUILTY: Don't feel guilty. I admire your honesty. Feeling as you do, you would be doing all of you a favor to give your husband full custody of Sherry.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: Please don't think I'm weird for asking this question, but where do jet planes flush their commodes? With so many daily flights and thousands of passengers, this must be a big problem for the airlines.

If the commodes are flushed in flight, which states do they dump on?

No, I am not from Flushing, N.Y. I am ...

LA NOY (TAD) GUNN,
BALMORHEA, TEXAS

DEAR TAD: I asked Jon Austin, director of media relations with Northwest Airlines.

After he stopped laughing, he explained: "There is a holding tank in the bottom of the plane for human waste. When the plane lands, a hose is attached to the tank to drain the contents into a truck with a septic tank. The truck then disposes of the waste, as regular municipal waste, in accordance with the city's regulations."

* * *

DEAR ABBY: Your column is a joy — and educational as well. However, when you explained democracy in your "isms" column, you should have said:

In a democracy, everyone has two cows. A vote is taken, the losers cry "discrimination," the lawyers sue (on a contingency basis), and then the government takes at least 39 percent.

Please God, help us work together and find a way to keep the "crazies" from blowing up what's left.

Thanks for your inspiration, Abby.

JACK STEVENSON,
LAKE DALLAS, TEXAS

DEAR JACK: I, as well as the overwhelming majority of the citizens of this democracy, join you in that prayer.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, May 23, 1995

Fresh faces you encounter during your travels in the year ahead will assume significant roles in your future. This is important to note because you might take more trips than usual.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Hopes and expectations founded upon realistic premises have very good chances of being fulfilled in this brief cycle. Be a person of action, not contemplation. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Timing will be very important today, so don't play your cards prematurely. Let the other guy expose his hand, and then make your move.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your luck might take a broad turn for the better today, touching several important areas of your life. Get ready to move if opportunity knocks.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Challenging developments will bring out your better qualities today. Do not deliberately seek opposition or competition, but don't run from it either.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your best asset today will be your ability to draw out useful information from others pertaining to subjects about which something unsettling can be resolved.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today you might learn more by being a teacher than by being a student. While working on a friend's problem, you may discover an answer you've been seeking.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Think for yourself and make your own judgments whenever possible, but today, you might need someone wiser than yourself to make a decision for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Service or favors performed for others at this time could carry big rewards. Help whenever you can, especially within your family.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A romance might start to blossom today with someone you know and respect as a friend. Mutual admiration is already very strong with both parties.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A recent commercial involvement of yours which initially seemed like a bum deal could turn out rather well for you. Learn not to rush to judgment.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your views and opinions might be challenged today, but they aren't likely to be subdued, nor should they be. Stand up for what you believe to be right.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Someone who has helped you in the past may do something nice for you again today without being asked. Their action could benefit you in a material way.

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Bolton gives adress

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Michael Bolton's ride to fame was no express trip.

"I've always gotten a kick out of being referred to as an overnight success. I believe the correct figure is over 7,200 nights," he said during a commencement address Saturday at the University of Connecticut.

Using himself as an example of perseverance, Bolton told the graduates that he had to overcome a bad start to his music career.

"The first record I recorded for them (CBS records) arrived with my name spelled Michael Bolotkin on the label, with the wrong version of the wrong song," he recalled.

About a year later, CBS sent Bolton a letter saying he was free to sign a deal with other labels.

"That would be the equivalent to receiving a letter from your girlfriend saying that you're now free to date other people."

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club,for information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M.; for more information call 573-8971 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 863-2349, 573-8626 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 7:30 p.m.; call 573-8322 for more information.

TUESDAY

American Cancer Society; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 5 p.m.

Dialogue, cancer support group; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for inofrmation call 573-3956, 573-2101,573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club's monthly luncheon/game day; reservations needed by 5 p.m. Monday by calling 573-3427; $7 per person; serving begins at 11:30; games of choice will follow.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

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

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

SOS (singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Center; 7 p.m.

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd. Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.

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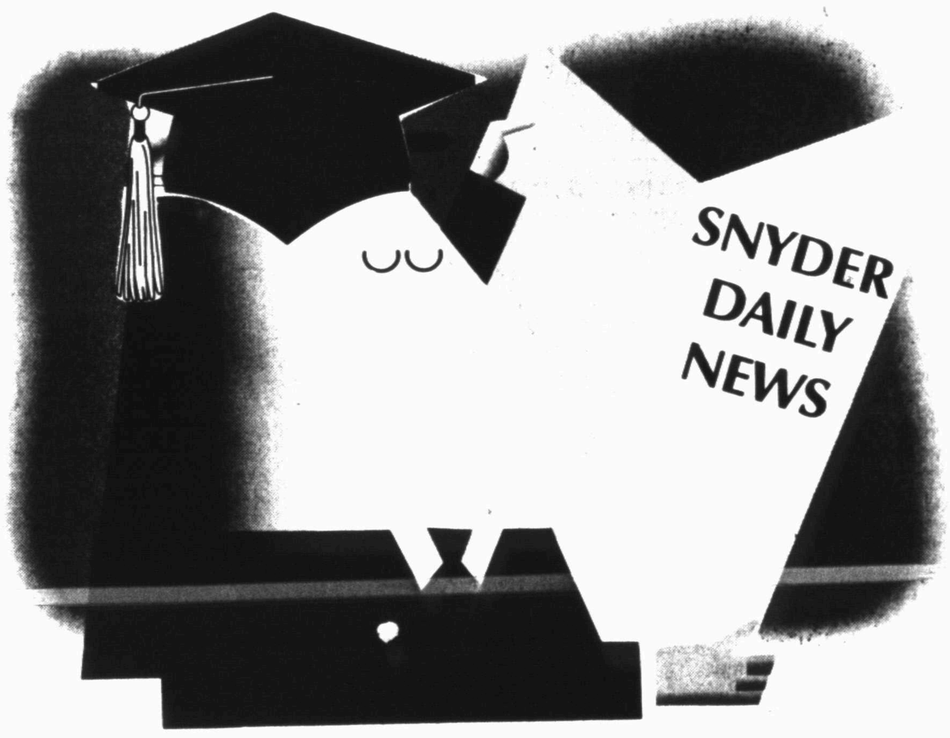

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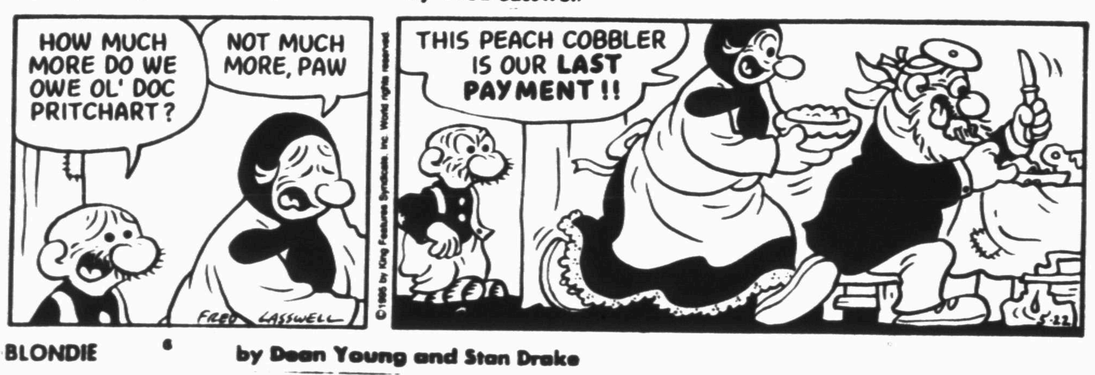

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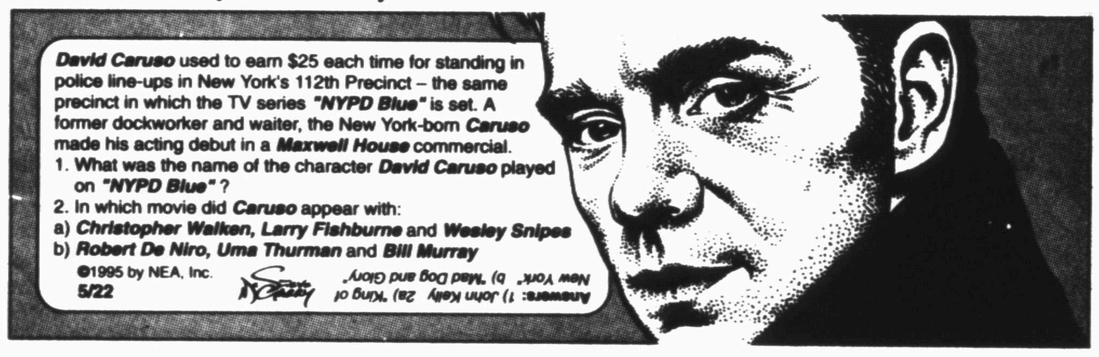

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18 Relaxes
20 Church officers
22 — de cologne
24 How was — — know?
25 Lobe ornament
29 Author Joyce Carol —
33 Female deer
34 Twofold
36 Microwave (sl.)
37 Bite
39 Appearance
41 Mr. Franklin
42 Scary
44 Most orderly
46 Droop
48 Fam. member
49 Avidly
53 People of Belgrade
57 Genetic material (abbr.)
58 TV science series
60 Story
61 Mama pooch
62 Like 4 or 6
63 Beef fat
64 Tuber
65 — Arnaz
66 Exile isle

DOWN

1 Powerful one
2 Employ
3 Ariz. Indians
4 Male title
5 Roman 300
6 Assist
7 Arrow poison
8 — Mussolini
9 Camp beds
10 Dill seed
11 Friends
19 Pronounced
21 Of the dawn
23 E pluribus —
25 Advantage
26 First-rate (2 wds.)
27 Bring up
28 Profit
30 Duct
31 — out (makes do with)
32 Dispatched
35 Dregs
38 Sage
40 River nymph
43 Merited
45 — fly
47 Hand warmer
49 Taro root
50 Biblical tribe
51 Vasco da —
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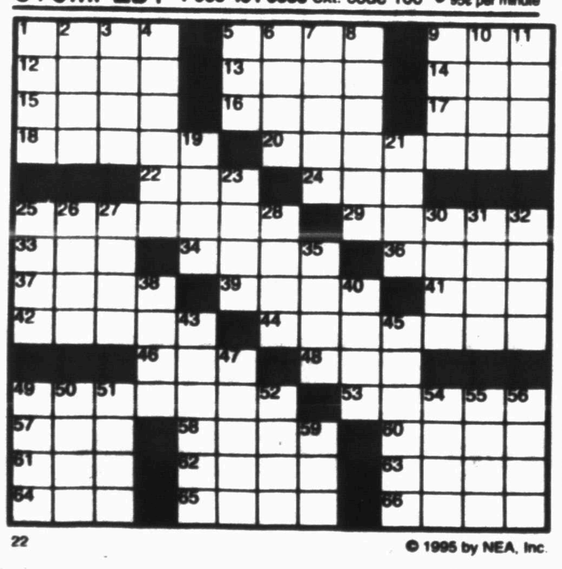

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Sports

For SWC crown...

Grand slam lifts Tech past A&M

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Jason Totman hit a grand slam home run to lift Texas Tech to an 8-6 victory over Texas A&M in the championship game of the Southwest Conference Baseball Tournament Sunday.

Totman's fifth-inning homer wiped out a 2-0 Aggie lead, and a three-run blast by David Lindstrom in the sixth helped the Red Raiders build an 8-3 advantage.

Totman was named the tournament's most valuable player after the game. He reached base his first six times up to bat in the tournament and finished with a .647 average (11-for-17), tying a tournament record with 11 hits.

"We placed a lot of obstacles in front of the team," said Tech coach Larry Hays. "We feel really beat up, but I'm proud that we won four of those seven games (at A&M). Not many teams could do that with the kind of team Texas A&M is."

The Aggies rallied for two ninth inning runs on a homer by John Curl before fourth-ranked Tech closed it out.

The Red Raiders, who also won the regular-season championship, earned the league's automatic bid to the NCAA playoffs with the victory, improving to 48-12 in the process. They beat A&M twice in three days after losing the first championship game Saturday.

The No. 19 Aggies fell to 40-20-1, but expect to receive an at-large invitation to the NCAA when bids are announced Monday.

A&M took a 2-0 lead when Sean Alvarez hit a two-run homer in the second inning.

Tech loaded the bases in the fifth on an error, a hit batter and a walk, setting the stage for Totman. The senior second baseman hit his fourth home run of the season off A&M starter Tim Clarkson (3-1).

The Aggies threatened to score in the fifth, but managed just one run as the Raiders' bullpen slammed the door.

"Travis Smith was the difference in the ballgame," said Aggies coach Mark Johnson of the Raider relief pitcher, who bailed Tech out of a fifth-inning jam.

SWEETWATER TEAM - Charles Powell tees off Saturday morning in the President's Flight of the annual Snyder Country Club Pumpjack Partnership while his partner, Tom Rees, watches. Larry Anderson and Billy Brock won the tournament with a score of 121 for the two-day event, finishing one shot ahead of the team of Alton Patterson and Randy Weaver. (SDN Staff Photo)

Rockets, Spurs vie in Texas shootout

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — On the basketball court, All-Star centers Hakeem Olajuwon and D[illegible]n ar[illegible] relent[illegible] competitors. Off the court, they consider themselves like-minded friends.

"He's just a fantastic individual. He's a highly intelligent man and very thoughtful, sincere," said Robinson, whose San Antonio Spurs face Olajuwon's Houston Rockets tonight in Game 1 of the Western Conference finals.

Offered Olajuwon on Robinson: "(I have) a lot of respect, the way he carries himself, a God-fearing man. So that is an attraction right there."

The best-of-7 series promises to be a momentous matchup between them.

"This is definitely the biggest stakes that we've had since we've started playing each other," Robinson said.

The defending NBA champion Rockets advanced with a 115-114 Game 7 victory Saturday at Phoenix.

It was the eighth straight playoff elimination game the Rockets have won in two years and the first time a visiting team won a Game 7 since Philadelphia in 1982, a streak that reached 20 games. Indiana matched the feat Sunday against New York.

The Spurs, who had the NBA's best regular-season record, 62-20, reached the conference finals for the first time in 12 years by defeating the Los Angeles Lakers on Thursday in Game 6.

This marks the first time two Texas professional sports teams been in such a high-level contest. Houston and San Antonio last met in the playoffs in 1981 when the Rockets beat the Spurs in the first round.

"I didn't play for the state championship in high school, so this will be fun," Spurs guard Doc Rivers said. "They need to get some kind of trophy for the winner, a state trophy."

The Robinson-Olajuwon duel could be their biggest yet.

Texas ends homestand with Brewers shutout

ARLINGTON (AP) — Texas Rangers first baseman Will Clark says the AL West is no longer populated by patsies.

"I don't know why people say we're pushovers," Clark said after Texas wrapped up a 7-3 homestand with a 6-0 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers on Sunday. "The division is definitely solid. We took a lot of heat last year. The thing is, you don't try to win a division by playing under .500. You've got to win every game possible."

Kenny Rogers threw the Rangers' first shutout and complete game of the season to run his scoreless streak to 26 innings, a club record for left-handers. The victory capped a two-day stretch in which the AL West went 8-0.

Prior to Saturday night, the four AL West members had never gone unbeaten in a single day since the divisional format was changed at the start of the 1994 season.

When the '94 season was halted by the players' strike, the Rangers led the division with a mark of 52-62. That was worse than the last-place teams — Boston and Milwaukee — in the AL East and Central.

If the Rangers plan on remaining competitive, they can't have Rogers, the ace of their staff, throw 146 pitches like he did Sunday on a regular basis.

Rogers needed a long afternoon for his first shutout and complete game since he pitched the first regular-season perfect game by a left-hander in major league history last July 28.

"I felt fine, but I don't want to get up to that level," Rogers said of his pitch count. "I wouldn't have been disappointed if they would have taken me out. The shutout is secondary. I'd like to keep it at about 110 pitches."

Rogers (4-2) won his fourth consecutive decision, shaking off hamstring problems that limited him to five innings in his previous start.

Baseball at a glance

By The Associated Press

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	14	8	.636	—
NewYork	12	9	.571	1½
Detroit	10	13	.435	4½
Toronto	10	13	.435	4½
Baltimore	9	13	.409	5

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	15	6	.714	—
Milwaukee	11	12	.478	5
KansasCity	9	13	.409	6½
Chicago	8	14	.364	7½
Minnesota	8	16	.333	8½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
California	15	9	.625	—
Seattle	12	10	.545	2
Oakland	13	11	.542	2
Texas	13	12	.520	2½

Saturday's Games

Cleveland 7, Boston 5
Detroit 10, Toronto 6
New York 7, Baltimore 2
California 7, Chicago 5, 10 innings
Oakland 11, Kansas City 1
Seattle 10, Minnesota 6
Texas 7, Milwaukee 6, 11 innings

Sunday's Games

Detroit 2, Toronto 1
New York 5, Baltimore 0
Seattle 5, Minnesota 2
Cleveland 12, Boston 10
California 8, Chicago 6
Oakland 7, Kansas City 2
Texas 6, Milwaukee 0

Monday's Games

Seattle (Wells 1-2) at Detroit (Groom 1-1), 1:15 p.m.
Kansas City (Appier 4-1) at Toronto (Darwin 1-2), 1:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Bones 2-1) at Cleveland (Nagy 2-0), 7:05 p.m.

National League At A Glance

By The Associated Press

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	17	6	.739	—
Atlanta	14	10	.583	3½
Montreal	12	12	.500	5½
NewYork	10	14	.417	7½
Florida	5	18	.217	12

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	15	7	.682	—
Houston	13	10	.565	2½
Cincinnati	11	11	.500	4
St.Louis	11	14	.440	5½
Pittsburgh	9	14	.391	6½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Colorado	14	10	.583	—
SanFrancisco	13	12	.520	1½
SanDiego	11	13	.458	3
LosAngeles	10	14	.417	4

Saturday's Games

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

Sunday's Games

Atlanta 5, Florida 1
Philadelphia 5, New York 3
Colorado 5, Cincinnati 2
Houston 5, Montreal 2
St. Louis 9, San Francisco 7
Chicago 2, Los Angeles 1, 13 innings
Pittsburgh 6, San Diego 1

Monday's Games

Florida (Weathers 1-0) at Montreal (Perez 2-0), 7:35 p.m.
Houston (Drabek 1-3) at Cincinnati (Rijo 2-2), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Navarro 4-0) at Colorado (Swift 1-0), 9:05 p.m.

Astros edge Expos, 5-2

HOUSTON (AP) — Craig Biggio continued his hot hitting with a two-run homer and Greg Swindell got his first career victory over Montreal, leading Houston to a 5-2 victory Sunday and a sweep of the three-game series.

Biggio has hit safely in 14 of his last 15 games with a .400 average over that span. He homered to left in the sixth, his third of the year, after John Cangelosi led off the inning with a single off Gil Heredia (1-3).

Swindell (3-1) got his third straight victory and improved his career record against Montreal to 1-4. He went 6 2-3 innings, allowing four hits with four strikeouts and two walks.

Montreal lost its fourth straight game and was swept for the first time this season.

Snyder Youth Baseball

LITTLE LEAGUE

Cardinals 7, Astros 6

The Cardinals squeaked by the Astros in Little League action Saturday, 7-6.

The winning pitcher for the Cardinals was Tate Thompson, allowing seven hits. Chris McLeod led Cardinals' hitting with three singles and a double. Heath Connor, John Ryan Rasmus, Zach Starnes, and Thompson all contributed with a single each.

Garrett Luft led the Astros with two doubles. Heath Pinkerton followed closely with two singles. Daniel Highfield had one double, while La'Bow Rivers and Shawn Roemisch finished with a single apiece. Pinkerton pitched for the Astros, allowing eight hits.

Athletics 6, Braves 5

The Athletics nipped the Braves, 6-5, in Little League play, Saturday.

Levi Mandrell came out the winning pitcher for the Athletics, allowing eight hits. P.J. Hernandez led Athletics' hitting with two doubles, while Adam Roemisch led Athletics' scoring with two runs. Mandrell contributed with a single and a double.

Brandon McGuire pitched for the Braves, allowing four hits. Jesse Haines hit a homerun and a single to lead Braves' batting. Nathan Smith, McGuire, and Dustin Davenport contributed with a single each. Stephen Ortegon added a single and a double, while Josh Heaton finished with a triple.

FARM LEAGUE

Cardinal 12, Astros 12

The Cardinal and Astros tied, 12-12, in Minor League action Saturday.

Geoff Pinkerton led the Cardinals with two singles and three runs. Tanner Reed and Adam Lucero contributed with two singles each. Bret McClendon added two doubles and one run for the Cardinals.

Marcario Martinez led the Astros with two singles and three runs. Marcus Villareal and Tim Green contributed with a single and three runs each. Josh Pickerol added two singles and Josh Knox added a single to Astros' hitting.

Braves 12, Athletics 6

The Braves swept by the Athletics, 12-6, in Farm League action, Saturday.

Joshua Guitierrez and Matthew Vasquez led Braves' batting, each with a single and a double. Randal Rich, Blake Grimmitt, Michael Fletcher, Johnathon Freeman, and Jessie Snyder each contributed a single. Ryan McKamie added a double, while Cody Wall finished with a triple and three runs.

Joshua Key led the way for the Athletics with a double and a triple with one run. Tyson Kubena and Tommy Hull each contributed a single and a double, scoring one run apiece. Trake Lee and Chad Martin finished with a single each, and Eric Dickeroff finished w[illegible] a triple.

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An 11-under-par 59 on Saturday, followed by a 62 on Sunday provided the Snyder duo of Larry Anderson and Billy Brock with a 121 for first place in the Snyder Country Club Pumpjack Partnership.

Anderson and Brock were one-stroke winners over Alton Patterson and Randy Weaver who had a 60 on Saturday and a 62 on Sunday.

The two-man scramble saw Bill Hunter and Jack Poe finish third with a 126 while Dave Sharrock and John Medlicott had a 131. Rounding out the championship flight was the twosome of Ben Garcia and Tommy Fletcher with a 136.

Bart Talkington and Robert Womble won the President's Flight with a 61-63--124. Bill Moss and Harlan Lambert were runners-up with a 130 while George Powell and Don Powell placed third, also with a 130.

In the first flight, Shawn Ragland and Kelly Ragland bagged the championship with a 127. Second place went to Hobie Bolen and Mickey Neff while Mike Macy and Ed Lewis finished third with a 132.

Second flight winners were Fred Leonard and Mike Hatfield with a 132. Walt Staats and Gerald Epperson were second with a 135 while Rod Waller and Neal Carter placed third with a 140.

In the third flight, Sid Lee and Chuck Edwards fired a 139 for first place while Bob Hart and Wayne Key placed second with a 143. Third placed was garnered by Mike Jones and Riley Sterling with a two-day total of 147.

In the fourth flight, Jeff Minor and Dude Jones fired a 148 for first place while Rex Robinson and Don Sealy were second with a 149. Taking third were Larry Bufkin and Steve Olsen with a 151.

Day money winners in each flight were Dave Sharrock and John Medlicott in the championship flight, Kyle Doby and Cuppy Graham in the president's flight, Ricky Williams and Randy Glasscock in the first flight, Rickey Daniell and Tim Hester in the second flight, Sam Davenport and Gary Foster in the third flight, and Freddie Everton and Delores Gonzales in the fourth flight.

Championship Flight

1. Larry Anderson, Billy Brock 59-62--121; 1. Alton Patterson, Randy Weaver 60-62--122; 3. Bill Hunter, Jack Poe 64-62--126; 4. Dave Sharrock, John Medlicott 65-66--131; 5. Ben Garcia, Tommy Fletcher 69-67--136.

President's Flight

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Spurs, Rebels win division cage crowns

The Spurs and the Rebels captured tournament crowns in their division Saturday in the Girl's Little Dribblers tournament.

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For Fast Break, Cameron Mackey led with 11 points while Dana McCright bucketed nine. Whitney Webb put in eight points while Leslie English had two and Vanessa Freeman contibuted one.

In the junior division, the Spurs rolled past the Sharpshooters, 33-14, behind a 15-point effort by Celeigh Sterling. Hailey Putnam canned 10 while Michelle Nettles pumped in four. Kristina Mayer and Kimberly Walker each contributed two points.

For the Sharpshooters, Afton Sutter was the leading scorer with eight points while Stacey Vaughn collected four and Ira Gonzales had two.

All-Star teams were announced following the championship games. The two teams will travel to the national tournament which starts June 6 in Weatherford.

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Reported crime dips; youth murders up

WASHINGTON (AP) — FBI figures show that serious crime reported to police recorded a small decline in 1994, for the third straight year, but experts said the statistics mask an explosion in the number of gun murders by teen-age boys.

"The overall crime rate hides the grim truth," said James Alan Fox, dean of the College of Criminal Justice at Northeastern University, "because it mixes together two crime trends going in opposite directions."

"The rate adults commit crime is dropping fast. The 76 million baby boomers, who dominate the numbers, are getting into middle age and are not so violent as when they were younger," he said. "But the rate at which boys are committing crimes, particularly homicide, is skyrocketing."

The FBI said police reports of seven major crimes dropped 3 percent last year from 1993. That included a 4 percent decline in violent crimes and a 3 percent reduction in the far more numerous property crimes, the bureau said.

Declines occurred in every region of the country and in cities of almost every size.

Robbery dropped the most, by 6 percent; murder and rape each were down 5 percent; aggravated assault declined by 2 percent, the FBI said.

Among property crimes, burglary went down 5 percent, followed by motor vehicle theft, down 2 percent, and larceny-theft, down 1 percent.

Partial figures for arson — not included in the totals because only some police agencies keep statistics on that crime — also showed a 1 percent drop.

Every region said there was a decline in reported crime: 5 percent in the Northeast, 2 percent in the South, and 1 percent in the Midwest and in the West. Violent crime declined in all regions, and property crime showed a reduction in all but the West, where it remained at the 1993 level.

Among cities, the largest decline in overall reported crime was 6 percent in those with more than 1 million residents. All others showed smaller declines, except cities of 10,000 to 24,999 residents, where overall reported crime remained level.

In suburbs, crime showed no change overall, and it increased by 1 percent in rural areas.

The FBI's total of seven major crimes reported to law enforcement had declined 2 percent in 1993 and 3 percent in 1992.

Violent crime — murder, rape, robbery and aggravated assault — had been unchanged in 1993 from the 1992 figures. Property crime had declined 2 percent in 1993 and 4 percent in 1992.

The FBI's preliminary annual report has no data on the age of offenders.

But Fox said final FBI data from 1985-93 show that the number of adults aged 25 or older committing murder declined 20 percent. In the same period, homicides committed by 18- to 24-year-old males increased 65 percent and those committed by 14- to 17-year-old males rose by 165 percent.

"We're now in the lull before the crime storm" that will occur when those teen-agers get older, Fox said. As the children of baby boomers age, "by the year 2005, we will have 23 percent more teen-agers than now."

The problem is confined to boys with guns. The homicide rate among teen-age girls has not risen.

"Since 1984, the number of teen-agers committing murder with a gun has quadrupled. The number of teen-agers committing murder with all other weapons has stayed the same," Fox said.

"The age data are really scary," said James Fyfe, a professor of criminal justice at Temple University and a former New York City policeman. "There's no question our harshness on crime has had some effect on the numbers, but it's minimal. If a kid is not scared off by doing a year in jail for robbing a convenience store, then 10 years in jail isn't going to scare him either."

CEREMONIAL FIRST SERVE - Mayor David Holt and Snyder ISD trustee Luann Burleson served first during the ceremonies at the newly-refurbished tennis courts at Snyder Junior High School Saturday morning. The eight courts were completely renovated and the city is to build a parking lot just west of the courts to complete the project. Lights were also installed at the courts. (SDN Staff Photo)

Four people arrested by local peace officers

Four people were booked into Scurry County Jail in a relatively quiet weekend for law enforcement officials.

A 34-year-old male was arrested at 10:24 p.m. Saturday at 26th Street and Avenue L and charged with driving while intoxicated.

A 44-year-old male was arrested at 1:14 Sunday morning on South Highway 208 for driving while intoxicated.

Following a family disturbance call at 6:08 p.m. Sunday, officers arrested a 37-year-old male in the 1800 block of 15th Street on an outstanding county warrant for resisting arrest, search and transport. An offense report for family violence was also submitted.

Officers arrested a 39-year-old male at the sheriff's office at 9:36 p.m. Sunday for public intoxication.

In other activity over the weekend, officers were called to Winston Field at 4:23 p.m. Saturday in reference to a possible fight.

Officers were called to the 2400 block of Avenue L at 4:33 p.m. Saturday in reference to someone breaking the glass out of a woman's vehicle Friday night.

Officers were called to the area of Snyder Concrete at 6:39 p.m. Saturday in reference to juveniles playing on equipment.

A grass fire was reported at 6:50 p.m. Saturday approximately one mile northwest of Union.

An officer was requested at Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room at 9:51 p.m. in reference to a dog bite. A three-year boy was treated and released.

Officers were called to the 1900 block of Chambers at 10:25 p.m. in reference to a 13-year-old boy breaking into a residence. The owner of the residence requested no charges be filed and the juvenile was released to his mother.

An offense report for aggravated assault/family violence was filed at 1:05 a.m. Sunday in the 3900 block of Muriel.

An offense report for assault/family violence was submitted at 1:16 p.m. Sunday in the 3200 block of Irving.

Reports of prowlers were made at 2:10 a.m. and 2:35 a.m. Sunday.

At 2:06 p.m. Sunday, a close patrol of the Union Community Center was requested in reference to a back glass being broken.

Officers were called to the C&W Grocery at 6:03 p.m. Sunday in reference to subjects taking cookies and gasoline and not paying for them.

Officers were called to the 4500 block of Fredonia at 8:52 p.m. Sunday in reference to a vehicle being egged.

Snyder EMS was called to 10215 Highway 350 at 10:15 p.m. in reference to a person having a motorcycle accident. An White, 34, was taken to Cogdell by Snyder EMS where he was later transferred to University Medical Center by AeroCare for treatment for head injuries.

Seat belt recall likely

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Transportation Department plans to recall Japanese-made seat belts on millions of cars sold from 1986 through 1991 because of concerns the buckles sometimes fail to latch or unlatch, government sources said.

Eleven automakers — eight Japanese and the U.S. Big Three — have 8.77 million vehicles with the Takata Corp. seat belts for those years. But government sources told The Associated Press on Sunday that not all the car companies had signed on to a final agreement.

The department's traffic safety arm, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, tentatively scheduled a news conference for Tuesday to announce the safety recall, which would be one of the largest in history.

The companies with the belts are: American Honda Motor Co. Inc., Nissan North America Inc., Mitsubishi Motor Sales of America Inc., Mazda Motor of America Inc.; American Suzuki Motor Corp., Isuzu Motors America Inc., Subaru of America Inc., Daihatsu Motor Co., General Motors Corp., Chrysler Corp. and Ford Motor Co.

The Detroit News reported in Sunday's editions that eight companies have already agreed to the recall and the other three were expected to agree today. The News did not identify which companies had not yet agreed.

At least 63 injuries — but no deaths — have been reported from accidents where the belts were used, according to NHTSA documents.

There have been more than 700 complaints that the Takata belts jammed or failed to lock or unlock. Some consumers indicated the orange plastic piece of the belt button had chipped off and fallen into the buckle, jamming it.

Honda has sold an estimated 3.7 million cars with the belts in the United States and has received 200 of the customer complaints, according to NHTSA records. Nissan has sold some 2.01 million; Mitsubishi, 699,181; Mazda 360,433; Suzuki 115,874; Subaru 101,005; Isuzu, 89,902; Daihatsu, 7,514; Chrysler 951,040; General Motors 466,902; and Ford 265,000, according to NHTSA documents.

The list of makes includes some of the companies' most popular vehicles, including the Honda Civic, Accords and Acura; Nissan Infiniti; Mitsubishi Eclipse; and Mazda MX-6 and 323.

The agency has been investigating the belts since October. Automakers supplied by Takata have reported thousands of warranty claims for seat belt repairs or replacements.

NHTSA, the companies and Takata have declined to discuss the cost of a recall.

Double jeopardy DWI defense national trend

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — In a legal development alarming those who crusade against drunken driving, courts are permitting DWI defendants to walk away from criminal prosecution if their licenses are already suspended, on grounds further punishment would constitute double jeopardy.

Trial court judges in at least a dozen states, including New Mexico, have already dismissed drunken driving charges in such instances. The argument has cropped up in most of the 37 states that currently suspend or revoke licenses before prosecuting drunken drivers.

Encouraged by a U.S. Supreme Court decision in a Montana drug case, lawyers who work on driving-while-intoxicated defenses began using the double jeopardy argument in earnest last fall.

Newsletters, seminars, computers and the defense bar's grapevine quickly spread the word.

The best-known beneficiary thus far is singer John Denver, who wrecked his Porsche in August 1994 but had drunken driving charges dropped by a judge in Pitkin County, Colo., in March.

Denver had been cleared in a license revocation hearing; his lawyer argued that pursuing the court case would be double jeopardy.

"I think it's the hottest thing going right now in the DWI area," said Donald Nichols, a Minneapolis lawyer who recently argued in favor of the defense before the Minnesota Court of Appeals. "It will change fundamentally the way we approach this (DWI) problem, if it's successful."

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in Montana vs. Kurth Ranch that a state tax on the possession and storage of illegal drugs amounted to punishment and constituted double jeopardy for those convicted of drug charges, violating the Fifth Amendment.

Defense attorneys pounced on the ruling and applied it to DWI cases.

But prosecutors argue that license revocation is a remedial measure, intended not to punish offenders but to protect the public by keeping the intoxicated driver off the roads.

"Our legal experts do not believe the Supreme Court in any sense intended for the (Kurth Ranch) ruling to be expanded as broadly as the lower courts are doing," said Bob Shearouse, public policy director for Mothers Against Drunk Driving.

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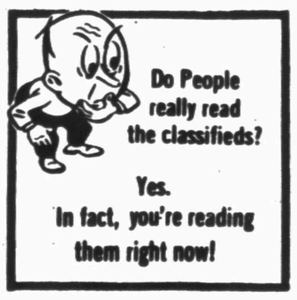

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Obituaries

Granivel Prichard

1925-1995

ASPERMONT — Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Central Baptist Church for Granivel Dee Prichard, 69, who died Sunday at his home. Masonic graveside rites will follow in the Rochester Cemetery under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home.

He was the father of Rhonda Wilson of Snyder.

Born in Aspermont, Mr. Prichard worked as an oilfield driller. While working for Brown and Root, he drilled wells all over the world.

He was a charter member of the Aspermont Masonic Lodge and a past worshipful master. He was a charter member of the Lubbock Scottish Rite, a member of the Hamlin and Stamford Council, Stamford Commandry and the Central Baptist Church.

He married Virgie Prichard on March 21, 1986 in Aspermont. She survives.

Survivors include two other daughters, Vickie Thompson and Ann Craft, both of Aspermont; a son, Rickie Prichard of Lubbock; a brother, William Prichard of Eagle Pass; a sister, Dorothy Eddins of Abilene; seven grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to the Big Country Hospice.

'Buck' Adams

1921-1995

LIBERAL, Kan. — A memorial service is set for 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in the First Presbyterian Church for H.G. "Buck" Adams, 73, who died Saturday morning at his home following an extended illness. The body was cremated.

Born in Topeka, Kan., he married Wynona G. Keller on Nov. 23, 1943 in Snyder.

He attended school in Kansas City, Mo., and ranched at Maple Hill, Kan., before moving to the XI Ranch at Plains, Kan., in 1947. He was a lifelong cattleman, retiring in 1984 to move to Liberal. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Wynona Adams of the home; a son, H.G. "Kell" Adams of Plains, Kan.; a daughter, Kiki Dayton of Liberal; a sister, Marilyn Larrabee of Liberal; and two grandsons.

The family suggests memorials to the Southwest Medical Center Radiation Fund, P.O. Box 1340, in Liberal, Kan.

Newton Nelson

1907-1995

CAMERON — Services are pending at Dorsey Funeral Home for Newton Nelson, 87, brother of R.J. Nelson of Snyder.

Mr. Nelson died Tuesday in Colonial Nursing Home at 9:45 p.m. He was born on Oct. 6. 1907.

Average gas price at pump goes up

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Motorists paid an average of 2.75 cents more for a gallon of gasoline in the past two weeks, the Lundberg Survey reported Sunday.

The overall price of gas, including self- and full-serve, was 127.69 cents a gallon in Friday's survey of gas stations nationwide, analyst Trilby Lundberg said. That price includes 41.5 cents in taxes.

The increase was virtually the same as that of two weeks earlier.

"It's clear that most or all of the current increase relates to strong seasonal demand for gasoline," Lundberg said.

The average was nearly 14 cents higher than in the May 20, 1994, survey, she said. Increases occurred virtually everywhere in the nation.

At self-serve pumps, prices per gallon were: regular unleaded 121.48 cents; mid-grade unleaded 131.23 cents; premium unleaded 139.62 cents; leaded 122.16 cents.

Full-serve prices per gallon were: regular unleaded 151.72 cents; mid-grade unleaded 160.40 cents; premium unleaded 167.47 cents; leaded 149.08 cents.

Let's rename the cuckoo clock "dysfunctional Audubon devices."

Ebola death toll passes 100

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) — The latest outbreak of the devastating Ebola virus may have struck this central African nation as long ago as December, three months earlier than previously believed, medical workers said.

As the death toll hit 101 Sunday, health workers in Kikwit, the city 250 miles east of Kinshasa where the epidemic was thought to have started in March, found hospital records linking the virus to a household of 12 people. Seven family members died in December.

At least one of the victims did have Ebola, and researchers were trying to determine whether the others did as well, the World Health Organization said Sunday.

Doctors said if the victims had little contact with other people and died quickly, the family might not be linked to the current outbreak. If they had contact, however, the outbreak would be three months older than previously thought.

Tests for the virus were being conducted in a new field laboratory in Kikwit, WHO said. Previously, blood samples had to be sent to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

WHO experts in Geneva predicted the epidemic, which has an incubation period of up to three weeks, will not end any time soon.

WHO spokesman Thomson Prentice said the most important job now was to prevent further spread of the disease within families. The virus is spread by bodily fluids, which are easily passed on by victims who suffer from diarrhea, vomiting, and blood pouring from their eyes, ears and noses as they die.

Many who have cared for the sick have become infected.

Four more deaths in the Kikwit area brought the death toll to 101. At least 36 others were infected.

The rising number of deaths prompted officials to speed up the relief effort, flying medical supplies in a day ahead of schedule to help health workers prevent the spread of the virus, said Larry Sthreshley, a relief coordinator.

The plane carried face masks, gloves and other protective clothing. In the past week, relief shipments have supplied 40 bicycles, eight motorcycles and several cars to help investigators search house-to-house for more Ebola cases.

Police with warrants usually must knock before entering

WASHINGTON (AP) — Police with court warrants are constitutionally required, in many cases, to knock and announce their presence before entering a home to conduct a search, the Supreme Court ruled today.

Ruling unanimously in an Arkansas case, the court said the question of whether police knock and announce themselves must be considered in deciding whether a search was reasonable under the Fourth Amendment.

Writing for the court, Justice Clarence Thomas said, "We hold that in some circumstances an officer's unannounced entry into a home might be unreasonable under the Fourth Amendment."

Such "knock and announce" rules exist in most states and also apply to all federal law enforcement agents. Today's decision means those states that don't have such rules will have to adopt them.

The Fourth Amendment protects "the right of the people to be secure in their ... houses ... against unreasonable searches."

Thomas wrote that the ruling "should not be read to mandate a rigid rule of announcement that ignores countervailing law enforcement interests."

Thomas noted that courts have allowed police to enter homes without announcing themselves in emergencies, such as when there is a threat of physical violence or a danger that people inside a house might destroy evidence.

Today's decision left it to lower courts to determine when unannounced police searches will be allowed.

The justices were told that only six states — Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Kansas, Maryland and New Jersey — impose no knock-and-announce requirement, either by statute or state court order.

The notion that police officers must give notice before carrying out a search warrant authorizing their entry into someone's home is older than the United States. It was an explicit requirement of English law dating back to 1603.

Whether a general knock-and-announce requirement is constitutionally required had been ambiguous since a splintered Supreme Court dealt with the issue in a 1963 decision.

Arkansas prosecutors argued against "constitutionalizing" such a requirement, saying that in today's world such a rule could pose a greater risk of injury for all involved.

The Clinton administration also had urged the court not to make knock-and-announce rules constitutionally required, but make the failure to do so a factor in determining whether a search was reasonable.

Today's ruling reversed an Arkansas Supreme Court decision in the case of Sharlene Wilson, whose Malvern home was searched Dec. 31, 1992, after police with a court warrant entered through an unlocked screen door.

Nuclear-tipped antibodies might fight lymph cancer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Radioactive antibodies designed to hunt down cancer cells and kill them are showing success against lymph tumors that aren't cured by ordinary treatments, doctors reported today.

If it works as well as its developers hope, this approach should allow doctors to deliver high doses of deadly radiation directly to cancer rather than bombarding the entire body, as is now done.

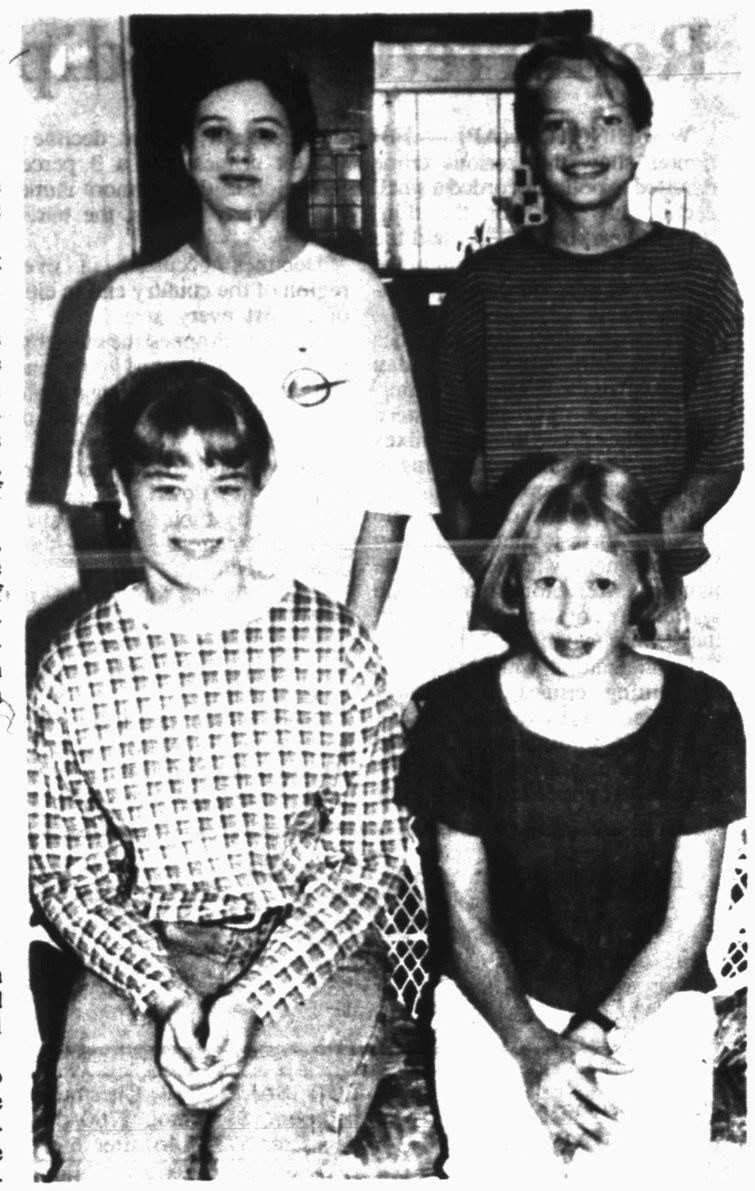
More testing is necessary, but Dr. Oliver W. Press of the University of Washington said research so far "suggests this is an effective new treatment."

The therapy is being tested on people with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, which strikes about 51,000 Americans annually. While this is considered to be one of the more treatable kinds of cancer, less than half of all patients are cured using radiation and chemotherapy drugs, the standard first-line treatment.

When initial therapy fails, some patients can be cured with relatively high doses of radiation followed by bone marrow transplant to replace marrow that is killed by the treatment.

This approach subjects the lungs, liver, kidneys and other healthy organs to the same amount of radioactivity that the tumor gets. The potential unintended damage limits the level of radiation doctors can administer.

With the new approach, doctors use manufactured antibodies that zero in on cancerous cells but largely bypass normal ones.



TIP RECOGNITION — These Snyder Junior High School seventh graders recently earned high scores in Duke University's Talent Identification Program (TIP). (See accompanying story.) Standing in back are Trey Gorman, left, and Kevin Taylor. Seated in front are Elizabeth Brown, left, and D'Ann Hager. (SDN Staff Photo)

Four 7th graders recognized by TIP

TIP, the Duke University Talent Indentification Program, is sponsoring a series of recognition ceremonies to honor some of the most talented seventh graders in the United States. Nearly 14,000 students are invited.

Four are in Scurry County — Trey Gorman, Regina Hager, Kevin Taylor and Elizabeth Brown who recently moved from Gilmore.

Students invited to the TIP ceremonies earned scores that would be the envy of many graduating seniors and while only in the seventh grade.

TIP sponsors both a Grand Recognition Ceremony, for the very highest scoring students, and state recognition ceremonies. Students invited to the Grand Recognition Ceremony earned scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Testing Assessment (ACT) higher than 70% of college-bound high school seniors as part of TIP's 15th annual talent search. Of the more than 68,000 students who applied in the 1994-95 talent search, only 1,795 qualified for this honor. These students also qualify for state recognition.

TIP's Talent Search identifies seventh-graders in sixteen states in the Southeast, Midwest, and Southwest who have scored in the top three percent on a national achievement test. Students participate by taking either the SAT or the ACT. Talent search participants receive a variety of educational materials and publications. A results summary and counseling guide help students interpret their scores and provide suggestions for using their ability more effectively. TIP's publications help students find out more about academic opportunities and about the needs and interests of people like themselves. These publications include a guide to educational opportunities, a newsletter, and a magazine on college choices mailed to TIP students in the tenth grade.

TIP is a nonprofit, educational organization designed to identify and develop academic talent. Over the past decade, TIP has established itself as the largest program of its kind in the nation. Since 1980, over 800,000 students from all parts of the world have taken part in a TIP program. The program receives support from student fees and donations from individuals, corporations and foundations.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	67¼	66⅝	67	+ ⅜
AT&T Corp	50⅞	50⅝	50⅝+	⅛
AirTouch	27	26⅞	27	+ ⅛
Albertsons	29⅝	28¾	29	— ⅛
Alldsignal	39⅞	39⅛	39⅝+	⅜
Alltel		23⅛	23⅛	23⅛
AmStores	25	24⅞	25	+ ⅛
Ameritech	43⅞	43⅜	43⅞+	⅛
Amoco	66⅞	66⅛	66⅝+	⅛
AndarkPtr	41⅛	41	41⅛+	⅜
ArmcoInc		7	6¾	7
AtlRichfld	113¾	113⅜	113⅜+	⅝
ATMOS Egy		19	18¾	19
Aviall		8⅞	8⅝	8⅝
BakerHughes		22⅞	22⅝	22⅝
BancTexas		⅛	⅛	⅛
BellAtl	54⅞	53⅞	54⅝+	⅝
BellSouth	61⅛	60⅝	61⅛—	⅛
BethSteel	15⅛	14⅞	15⅛+	⅛
BritPet		85¼	84⅞	85¼
Caterpillar s	61⅞	60	61⅞+	1⅜
CenSoWst	24⅞	24⅛	24⅝+	⅛
Chevron	47⅞	47⅛	47⅞+	⅛
Chrysler	42⅛	42⅛	42⅛+	⅛
Coastal	31⅛	30⅞	31⅛+	⅜
CocaCola	58⅝	58⅛	58⅝+	⅛
ColgatePalm	72⅝	72	72	+ ⅛
ComclMetals	27⅛	27⅛	27⅛+	⅛
Cooperln	38	37⅞	37⅞—	⅛
CyprusAmax	26	25⅞	25⅞—	⅛
DallSemicn	19⅛	19	19⅛+	⅜
DeltaAirl	63⅞	63⅛	63⅛+	⅜
DigitalEq	47⅞	47	47⅞+	⅜
Dillard	27⅛	27⅛	27⅛+	⅛
DowChem	72⅛	71⅞	72	— ⅛
DresserInd	23⅝	22⅞	23⅝+	⅜
DuPont	68⅛	67⅞	67⅞+	⅜
EastmanChem	58⅛	57⅞	58⅛+	⅛
EstKodak	60⅝	59⅞	60⅝+	⅜
Eljerlnd	5⅛	5	5⅛+	⅛
Enserch	17⅛	16⅞	17⅛+	⅜
Entergy	22⅞	22⅜	22⅝+	⅛
Exxon		70⅛	69⅞	70
FlowerInd	17⅛	17⅛	17⅛—	⅛
FordMotor s	29	28⅞	28⅞+	⅛
GTE Cp	32⅞	32⅛	32⅞+	⅛
GenDynam	45	44⅞	44⅞+	⅜
GenElec	57	56⅞	57	+ ⅛
GenMills	59⅝	58⅛	59⅛+	1⅛
GenMotors	47	46⅞	46⅞+	⅛
GenMotors E	42⅞	41⅞	41⅞—	⅛
GePacif	77⅞	77⅛	77⅞+	⅛
GlobalMar		5	4⅞	5
Goodrich	49⅛	48⅞	48⅞—	⅛
Goodyear s	41⅛	40⅞	41⅛+	⅛
GtAtlPac	24⅛	24	24	— ⅛
Halliburta		37⅞	37	37⅞
Hanson ADS	19	18⅞	18⅞—	1-16
HarteHanks		24⅛	24⅛	24⅛
Houstlnd		40⅛	40⅛	40⅛
IBM	94⅛	93⅛	94⅛+	⅛
IntlPaper	80	78⅞	80	+1⅛
JohnsnJns	63⅛	62⅞	63⅝+	⅜
K mart	13	12⅞	12⅞—	⅛
Kroger	26⅛	26	26⅛+	⅛
Litton	36⅝	36	36⅝+	⅛
Lowes Cos		28⅛	28	28⅛
Lubys		19⅝	19⅝	19⅝
Maxus		5⅝	5⅝	5⅝
MayDeptStrs	38⅛	38	38⅛—	⅛
Medtronic s	76	75¼	75⅛+	⅛
Mobil	99⅛	98⅛	99⅛+	⅛
Monsanto		81⅛	81	81⅛
Motorola	59⅝	58⅝	59⅝+	1⅛
Nationsbk		53⅞	53⅛	53⅞
Navistar	15⅝	15	15⅝+	⅛
NoramEngy		6⅝	6⅛	6⅛
Nynex	40⅛	39⅞	40⅛+	⅛
OryxEngy	13⅝	13⅜	13⅜—	⅛
PacTelesis	26⅝	26⅞	26⅝+	⅛
PanhECp		24⅝	24⅛	24⅛
Penney JC	45⅝	45⅛	45⅛+	⅛
Pennzoil		50	49⅞	49⅞
PepBoys	28⅛	28⅛	28⅛—	⅛
PepsiCo	45⅛	44⅞	45⅛+	⅛
PhelpDodge		55	54⅞	54⅞
PhilipPet	36⅛	36⅛	36⅛—	⅛
PilgrmPrd		7⅞	7⅞	7⅞
Polaroid	37	36⅞	37	+ ⅛
Praxair	24⅝	24⅛	24⅝+	⅛
ProctGamble	68⅝	68⅛	68⅝+	⅜
PubSNwMx	13⅛	13⅛	13⅜—	⅛
RoyalDutch	121⅝	121	121⅝+	⅜
SBC Comm	43⅛	42⅞	43⅛+	⅛
SFePacCp s	23⅛	22⅞	23⅛+	⅛
SaraLee	27	26⅞	26⅞+	⅛
SearsRoeb	55⅝	55	55⅝+	⅜
SherwinW	36⅛	35⅞	36⅛+	1
SmthBchADS	39⅛	39	39⅛+	⅛
SmthBc eqt	38⅝	38⅛	38⅝+	⅛
SoutheraCo	21⅛	20⅞	21⅛+	⅛
SwstAirlines	22	21⅞	21⅞+	⅛
Sprint	32⅞	32⅛	32⅝+	⅛
SterlingChm	11⅝	11⅛	11⅝+	⅛
SunCo		31⅞	31⅛	31⅞
TNP Ent	16	16	16	+ ⅛
Tandy	48⅝	48⅛	48⅝+	⅛
Templlnl	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛—	⅛
Tenneco	46⅛	46⅛	46⅛+	⅛
Texaco	67⅛	66⅞	67⅛+	⅛
TexasInd	37	36⅝	36⅞—	⅜
TexasInst	119⅝	118⅝	119⅝+	1⅜
TexUtil		33⅛	33⅛	33⅛
Textron	58⅛	58⅛	58⅝+	⅛
Travelers	42⅞	42⅛	42⅝+	⅛
TrinityInds	39	38⅛	38⅝+	⅛
TritonEngy	43⅝	43⅝	43⅝+	⅛
Tyler	3⅝	3⅝	3⅝—	⅛
US West	40	39⅛	39⅞+	⅜
USX Delhi		12	12	12
USX-Marathn	18⅝	18⅛	18⅝+	⅜
USX-USS	32⅛	31⅝	32⅛+	⅛
UnCarbde	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛—	⅛
UnPac	54⅝	54⅛	54⅝+	⅛
UnitedTech	74⅝	72⅞	74⅝+	1⅛
Unocal	29⅝	29⅛	29⅝+	⅛
WalMart	25	24⅞	25	+ ⅛
WstnGlRs	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝—	⅛
WestghEl		14⅝	14⅝	14⅝
WisnDixie	55⅝	55⅛	55⅝+	⅜
Woolworth		15⅝	15⅛	15⅝
XeroxCp	118⅝	117⅝	118⅝+	⅜
ZenithE	8⅛	8⅛	8⅛+	⅛

Rebates

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$38,686, down 5.67 percent from the $40,982 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $153,286 is down 4.59 percent.

—Lamesa received $93,745, up 46.68 percent from the $63,910 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $375, is up 43.07 percent.

—Lubbock took in $1,991,567, up 4.06 percent from the $1,913,803 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $8,773,899 is down 15.60 percent.

—Midland took in $1,110,019, up 2.01 percent from the $1,088,069 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $4,595,461 is up 3.93 percent.

—Odessa received $947,560, down 1.15 percent from the $958,594 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $3,867,147 is down 1.45 percent.

—Post received $22,176, up 13.29 percent from the $19,573 received in May of 1994. The year-to date total of $88,001 is up 13.02 percent.

—Roby received $2,360, down 19.88 percent from the $2,946 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $7,760 is down 37.95 percent.

—Rotan received $16,316, down 1.37 percent from the $16,544 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $58,036 is down 1.67 percent.

—San Angelo received $775,669, down 0.59 percent from the $780,303 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $3,298,118 is up 6.37 percent.

—Sweetwater received $182,291, down 4.43 percent from the $190,750 received in May of 1994. The year-to-date total of $712,961 is up 1.31 percent.

Aspin dead at 56

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William Perry.

Perry called Aspin's death "a loss to the nation, a loss to the men and women of the U.S. military and a loss to me personally. ... The nation has lost a strong strategic thinker and I have lost a valued friend."

Navy Secretary John Dalton said Aspin "was unsurpassed in his passion for an efficient and effective armed force."

Former Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird today called Aspin "a great congressman, an outstanding national security strategist and a wonderful friend."

At the time of his death, he was the head of President Clinton's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board.

Michael Tebo, a spokesman for Georgetown University Medical Center, said Aspin died at 7:55 p.m. Sunday at the hospital.

He was "awake and lucid and speaking" when he was admitted, but his doctors "saw early that it was going to be difficult," his cardiologist, Dr. David Pearle, said in a telephone interview.

"This was a very sudden thing," said Pearle. He said Aspin had been "doing very well" with an "underlying heart disease that's been treated for a few years." He said doctors suspected that the stroke was related to Aspin's heart condition, and an autopsy was planned.

Pearle said Aspin's ex-wife, Maureen, brother, Jim, and close companion of many years, Sharon Sarton of Lake Geneva, Wis., were with him when he died. Aspin and his wife were divorced in 1979 and had no children.

The doctor said Aspin was paralyzed on his left side when he arrived at the hospital Saturday morning, and tests showed it was a large stroke. The patient's condition in such cases typically deteriorates for two to four days after a stroke as the brain swells, he said.

He added that most treatments were withdrawn Sunday morning.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Jack Early, 3727 Ave. U; Ruth Estes, Ira.

DISMISSALS: Mamie Carlton, Robin Downing and baby.

CENSUS: 39 (Med.-8, Long-term Care-31).

RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP — Jamie Beck, center, was presented a $500 scholarship Thursday by Scurry County Sheriff Keith Collier, on behalf of the Sneriffs' Association of Texas. (See accompanying story.) Also shown is Denise Beck, Jamie's mother and longtime Scurry County jailer. (SDN Staff Photo)

Sheriffs' Association awards $500 scholarship to student

Jamie J. Beck is the recipient of a $500 scholarship, presented by the Sheriffs' Association of Texas. A student at Western Texas College, Beck is the daughter of Weldon and Denise Beck. Denise has served as a Scurry County jailer for more than a decade.

The Sheriffs' Association of Texas is offering six different scholarships to eligible persons attending colleges and universities.

The SAT provides funding for one of these scholarships and the funds for the other five are provided by benevolent contributors.

These funds are managed by the SAT for award to eligible persons.

The scholarships are awarded for the spring semester and for the fall semester each year. To apply a student must submit an application to the association on the approved SAT form with all of the supporting information. The application and support information must reach the SAT office by March 1 of each year for the spring semester and by Oct. 15 each year for the fall semester.

The selection committee of SAT will be responsible for applying the request to a fund which will make a student eligible for consideration.

A student may only submit one application for the spring and one for the fall.

Poll says media less cynical

WASHINGTON (AP) — Members of the media, who spend considerable effort reporting the negative side of politicians, actually have a much more positive view of them than does the American public, according to a new poll.

More than half the national journalists surveyed and one-third of the local media said politicians in Washington have a high level of honesty and ethical standards, compared to 18 percent of the public who shared that view.

But the public also criticized news media for being too adversarial, with nearly two-thirds voicing that view. Among the press people surveyed, only one-third agreed.

The general public also characterized itself as far more cynical than the newspeople described themselves, according to the poll by the Times Mirror Center for the People and the Press.

The poll, conducted in March and April, contrasted views of the media and the public, as well as politicians, business executives and other opinion leaders. It revealed a gulf in the outlooks of the press and public.

Religious leaders got a high ethical rating from three-quarters of the national press, compared to 55 percent of the public. Chief executive officers of major companies got a high rating from just over half the national media, compared to one-third of the general public.

As to coverage of President Clinton's presidency, the press gives itself fairly high marks — two-thirds giving an A or B grade compared to 47 percent of the public.

Nonetheless, nearly half of the newspeople said the national press has given too little coverage to the achievements of the Clinton administration. The public believed the press has made too much of Clinton's character problems and the Whitewater issue, but the press held the opposite view.

Even Republicans said there was too much emphasis on Clinton's character, apparently reflecting "a measure of public frustration with ... the press practice of doing 'gotcha' journalism," said Andrew Kohut, director of the Times Mirror Center.

But the public gave Clinton only a slightly better report card than the media — 44 percent said they approved of his performance, compared to 42 percent of the newspeople.

Newspeople surveyed said overwhelmingly that media criticism of House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., and the new Congress has not been too negative, but nearly half the public said that criticism was valid.

When asked about their personal cynicism, only talk radio hosts as a group matched the outlook of the general public, with nearly half describing themselves as highly cynical. By comparison, only a quarter of the media and 13 percent of opinion leaders said they were cynical.

The often-alleged liberal bias of the media was not supported in self-descriptions obtained through the poll. Twenty-two percent of journalists described themselves as liberal, compared to 19 percent of the public surveyed. But only 5 percent of the journalists called themselves conservative, compared to 39 percent of the public.

Newspeople most often described themselves as political moderates, at 64 percent, compared to 39 percent of the general public. Thirteen percent of talk radio hosts surveyed described themselves as liberal, 45 percent moderate, and 37 percent conservative.

Bridge By Phillip Alder

NORTH 5-22-95
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♥ 7
♦ A 6 5 3 2
♣ K J 10 7

WEST
♠ J 9 7 6 4
♥ Q 10 2
♦ K Q J 10 8
♣ - - -

EAST
♠ Q 10
♥ K 9 6 5 4
♦ 9 7
♣ 5 4 3 2

SOUTH
♠ 8 5 2
♥ A J 8 3
♦ 4
♣ A Q 9 8 6

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♦	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
6 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ K

Bidding fine, play perfect

By Phillip Alder

When I first learned bridge, the vast majority of the players at my local club played a one-club opening bid as forcing for one round, with a one-diamond denial. The one-club opening usually hid a balanced minimum, but might have been natural with long clubs or a hand with 17-20 points that was just short of a two-level opening bid. It is a method of which I am not fond. But within reason, it doesn't matter which bidding system you use as long as you and your partner know what you are doing. One agreement is worth any amount of guesswork.

In today's deal, North made a three-heart splinter bid, showing an excellent hand for play in clubs with at most one heart. South bid what he hoped he could make.

At first glance, South saw that he could ruff his three heart losers in the dummy. So, after winning trick one with dummy's diamond ace, he played a heart to his ace, ruffed a heart in the dummy and returned to hand with a trump. West's spade discard caused a momentary pause in the action.

Now a crossruff would be needed. And South knew the correct technique. Immediately he cashed dummy's two top spades. Then he continued with a diamond ruff in hand, a heart ruff in the dummy, a diamond ruff in hand, a heart ruff in the dummy and another diamond ruff in hand. South cashed his club ace and graciously conceded the last trick to both West's top spade and East's last trump.

When planning a crossruff, cash your side-suit winners first.

Phillip Alder's new book, "Get Smarter at Bridge," is available, autographed upon request, for $14.95 from P.O. Box 169, Roslyn Hts., NY 11577-0169.

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Gastritis pain mimics heart attack

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I recently had an acute attack of gastritis and was sent to the emergency room with severe upper stomach pain resembling a heart attack. Please give me some information on this condition.

DEAR READER: Gastritis (inflammation of the stomach) is a common consequence of certain viral infections; it is also a manifestation of food poisoning. It can result from some medications, notably anti-inflammatory drugs, such as Motrin and Naprosyn, that are frequently used to treat arthritis and minor pain.

Gastritis stimulates the nerves leading from the stomach, producing upper abdominal or chest discomfort that the brain cannot distinguish from the coronary pains of angina or heart attack. Other disorders that may mimic cardiac pain include aortic aneurysm, pancreatic inflammation and gallstones.

These afflictions can be differentiated using tests, such as cardiograms, X-rays and blood examinations.

Evidently, in your case, the heart tests were normal and the emergency room doctor concluded, by exclusion, that your problem arose in your stomach.

You should ask your family physician about ways of preventing future attacks of gastritis (by modifying your diet, for example) and what to do if you experience a repeat episode.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've heard old folks say to take a dose of sulphur and molasses. What does this do for a person and, if I decide to try it, what is the mixture?

DEAR READER: Sulphur and molasses is a folk remedy that was, decades ago, touted as treatment for a variety of ailments, including anemia and bronchitis. It didn't work then and it doesn't work now. Today, there are more up-do-date products for treating disease.

I don't know the proper proportions of the ingredients. To find this information, go to your public library and find a book on old cures and folk remedies.

To give you further information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Help II: Herbs and Other Healing Fads." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

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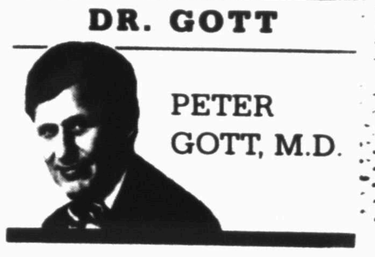

PETER GOTT, M.D.

Seniors, family members and friends pray openly at service

SANTA FE (AP) — A judge's reversal of an earlier ruling and an appeals court ruling has allowed about 230 Santa Fe High School seniors, their parents and friends to pray openly during the school's baccalaureate exercise.

In addition to praying openly without fear of arrests, the court actions also allowed those attending Sunday's service to hear a minister speak about the wisdom of reliance on God.

The legal battle began April 4 when two parents, a student and the American Civil Liberties Union filed suit against the Santa Fe Independent School District in federal court.

The lawsuit claimed the school district had violated student's First Amendment rights since 1993.

On May 5, U.S. District Judge Sam Kent issued an opinion that students could pray, but he threatened to jail any student who named a specific deity.

Five days later, Kent reversed his decision, saying a student-led prayer could mention a specific deity, but could not promote a specific religion. The 5th Circuit ruling Friday allowed ministers to recognize school officials during the ceremony.

The school district is still expected to develop a policy on with school prayer, Bible distribution and use other religious materials on campus by Aug. 4.

The Rev. Robert D. Sarricchio of Santa Fe First Assembly of God said it was "the toughest sermon" he ever delivered.

"This is something God wanted me to do," Sarricchio said after the program. "It was a real challenge," he said, not only because of the legal maneuvering that preceded the sermon, but also because his son, Vincent W. Sarricchio, II, was among the graduates.

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Two die in crash

NEDERLAND (AP) — Two men were killed Sunday when their World War II trainer crashed while rehearsing for an air show at the Jefferson County Airport.

Godfrey Cunningham, a 41-year-old airport employee from Beaumont, and Henry Ketchum Jr., 71, a Dallas pilot, died when their aircraft stalled in midair and dove to the ground about 100 feet from a runway.

No fire or explosion resulted from the 9 a.m. accident involving the AT6 trainer, a two-seat, single-engine plane.

Jim McCoy of Nederland said he was watching the rehearsals when the accident happened. "There was no way anyone could've survived when it hit," McCoy said.

The wreckage was located less than 250 feet from a nearby housing development.

The National Transportation Safety Board will conduct an investigation to determine what caused the accident, Department of Public Safety spokesman Richard Vasser said.

Jefferson County Airport Administrator Byron Broussard said the pilot was rehearsing with nine other planes for second-day performances at the Jefferson County Air Show. Cunningham had volunteered to fly with the group during the rehearsal.

The planes were flying in three sets of three, with Cunningham and the Dallas pilot leading one trio, Broussard said. As the planes began to break formation, someone began calling, "Mayday! Mayday!" over the radio, he said.

"I saw (Cunningham's plane) veer off to the left and then I heard the call," Broussard said.

Despite the tragedy, the pilots decided to continue the air show, which started three hours late at 1 p.m.

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BUSINESS OF THE MONTH — The Spanish Inn, owned by Chon Rodriguez, Dorothy Rodriguez and Joni Gonzales, was named Business of the Month and received the chamber of commerce sponsored trophy from the last recipient, Elizabeth Potts Realtors. Potts, center, is shown presenting the traveling trophy to Gonzales. (SDN Staff Photo)

Researchers eye news-making surveys

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — After the Democrats got crushed in the 1994 election, analysts had numerous explanations, not all of which are holding up under academic scrutiny.

Nearly 600 survey researchers in a national conference that ended Sunday conducted dozens of post-mortems on the polls that shape the way Americans are told they think, behave and vote.

Surveys taken before and after the last election suggest Republicans captured the U.S. House for three main reasons, according to Scott Keeter, a political scientist and pollster at Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond.

Essentially, voters became more conservative, conservative voters were more likely than others to turn out, and their conservatism was more of a factor in their vote. Those three reasons seemed obvious last November; what's new here is that they stand up to Keeter's rigorous statistical tests of various poll results.

He found "a small but significant shift to the right in public opinion about the appropriate scope of government." For example, there was a 13-point increase from 1992 to 1994 in the percentage of respondents in Times Mirror surveys who do not think it is the responsibility of government to take care of people who can't take care of themselves.

Such measures go up and down over the years, but this time the increase coincided with the mobilization of conservatives to show up and vote their views, sometimes setting aside loyalty to an incumbent.

Keeter did not find much evidence in the poll data for some other explanations, such as general anger at Congress or President Clinton or personal financial anxiety.

Researchers at the University of North Carolina, among others, said it was a mistake for some election analysts to focus on the "angry white male" as a cause of the Republican sweep. Men's and women's views were not so different.

In other discussion at the 50th anniversary conference of the American Association for Public Opinion Research, University of Chicago researchers reviewed how they tried but failed to get the government to pay for an unprecedented, face-to-face scientific survey of sexual practices.

The survey ideally would have included up to 20,000 adults, so that small groups with high-risk sexual practices would be well-enough represented to be studied in depth, said Stuart Michaels of the National Opinion Research Center at Chicago. The study, released Oct. 6, was scaled back to 3,500 people, but was still "a major step forward," he said.

The "Sex in America" study, as it was popularly known, prompted a lot of commentary in the media about whether people were telling the truth, given the high rates of marital fidelity that turned up. The short answer from various researchers: There's no way to really know if people are lying, or even failing to remember, but the researchers took a lot of precautions.

Michaels said they decided the best approach was to send their most experienced interviewers to people's homes, even though that meant using mostly older women to ask the questions.

Another topic at the conference was the problematic way in which answers to a poll can be affected by subtle changes in how questions are asked.

David Moore, managing editor of the Gallup Poll, presented the results of a telling experiment in question order: Only 10 percent of Americans in his poll last year said they can envision a situation where it would be OK for a husband to slap his wife. But it became 19 percent if they were first asked if they can imagine a situation where it would be OK for a wife to slap the husband, an idea imaginable to 43 percent of American adults.

'Drama' awards given

NEW YORK (AP) — "Show Boat" was named best musical production of the New York theater season by the Drama Desk, a group of theater critics, editors and reporters.

The nearly 70-year-old musical by Jerome Kern and Oscar Hammerstein II beat out Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Sunset Boulevard" for the top musical prize that this year included new shows and revivals in the same category.

The award, announced Sunday, included both new shows and revivals in the same category.

"Love! Valour! Compassion!" by Terrence McNally was named best play. It is the story of eight gay men who share a house during three summer holiday weekends.

"Show Boat" won four other awards including best director-musical, Harold Prince, and prizes for sets, costumes and lighting.

Glenn Close was named best actress in a musical for her portrayal of Norma Desmond in "Sunset Boulevard," while Matthew Broderick picked up the actor-musical prize for his work in "How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying."

Ralph Fiennes, who plays the title role in "Hamlet," won for best actor. Cherry Jones received the best-actress prize for her performance as a shy spinster in a revival of "The Heiress." Its director, Gerald Gutierrez, took the best-director of a play award and the production was named best revival.

Because of the meager musical season, no awards were given for music, lyrics, book of a musical, choreography and featured supporting acting in a musical.

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Business and Industrial News

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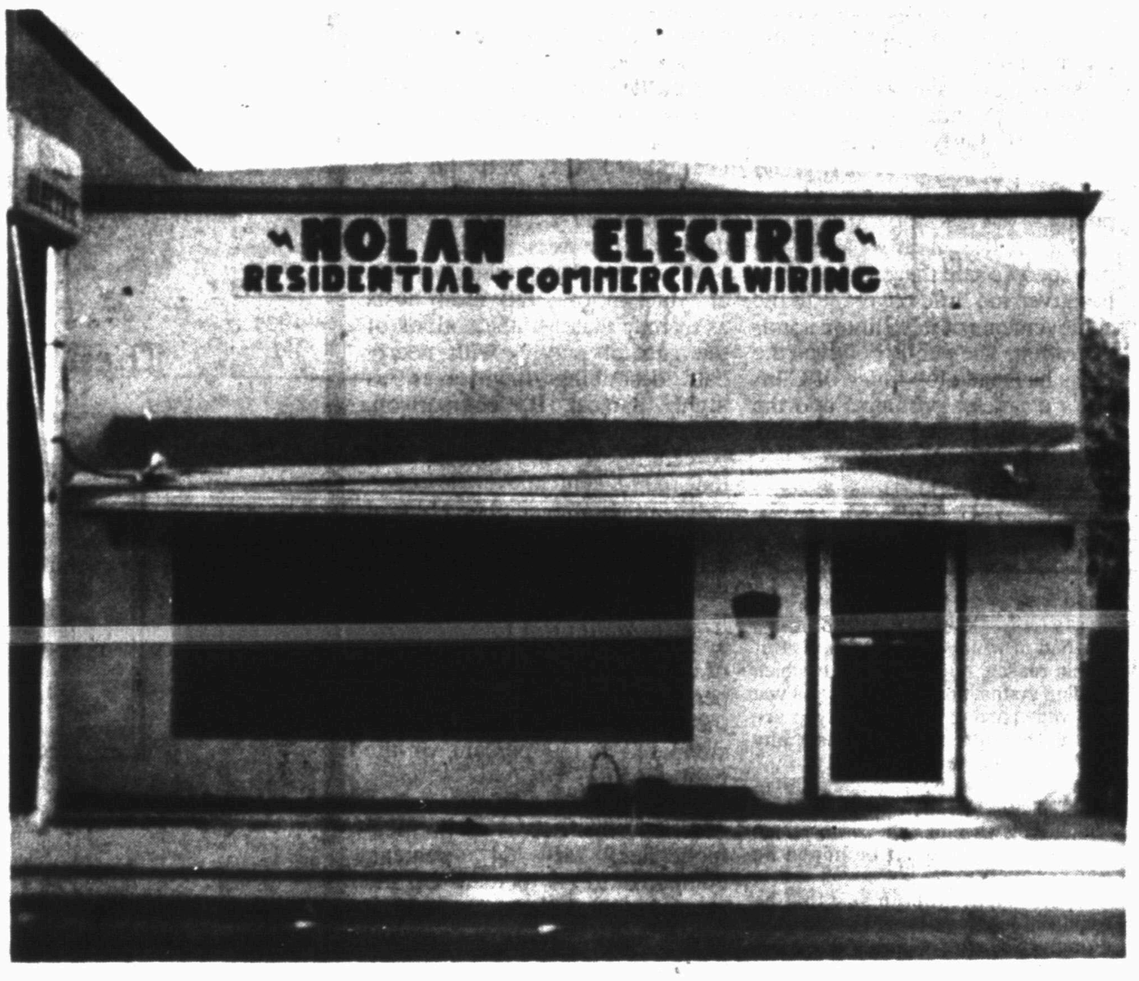

Troubleshooting and service work make up a large part of Nolan Electric's work. If you have an electrical problem, they have two service trucks that are on call during the week. They do their best to serve their customers as quickly as possible.

A good inventory of electrical supplies is an important asset to them. Plugs, switches, fuses, breakers, panels, conduit, conduit fittings, lamps, ballasts: these are all well stocked items. And if they don't have it, they usually can get most well-known items right away. "We have a large variety of electrical suppliers and a truck runs every day of the week except Wednesday," says Bobby.

Bobby and Kim wish to express their appreciation to all of their customers (both old and new) and hope to continue to do lots of work in Snyder. They take lots of pride in doing good professional work and keeping their customers happy with that work.

You may call them at (915) 573-5117. Their phone is answered seven days a week 24 hours a day.

Sen. D'Amato publishes open letter

SYRACUSE, N.Y. (AP) — Rejected as a commencement speaker, Sen. Alfonse D'Amato found another way to get his message across.

The Syracuse Herald-American published an open letter from the New York Republican to his son, Christopher, who graduated Sunday from Syracuse Law School.

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