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GRAMMY CONTENDER SELLS TICKETS – Tommy Allsup, left, who will be contending for a Grammy Tuesday for his guitar play on the Asleep At The Wheel album, *Ride With Bob*, sells the first tickets to the West Texas Western Swing Festival set for May. Assisting with the sale to Midland residents Jean and Jim Summers, is chamber of commerce manager Donna Fowler. Allsup, who is helping promote the local swing festival, Vince Gill and Steve Warner are featured on one cut of the album. (SDN Staff Photo)

Includes WTC board...

Filing for local school boards begin Monday

Filing begins Monday for places on the ballot for the May 6 elections for trustee positions on the Snyder, Ira, Hermleigh and Western Texas College boards. It is also the first day to file for a spot on the city's ballot.

The Snyder ISD administration building will be closed Monday for President's Day, but persons wishing to file Monday, may still call Betty Morgan at 573-4188.

The terms of Mike Levens in Place 2 and Richard Chambers in Place 3 are up for election on the Snyder school board.

After Monday, board hopefuls may file at the administration building during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

On the Ira ISD board, the terms of Bo Robinson in Place 4 and Dirk Dunn in Place 5 are expiring.

Persons wishing to file for an Ira trustee position may do so in the superintendent's office Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The terms of Hermleigh trustees Alan Culp, Tim Dacus and Vance Reynolds are expiring. All are at-large positions.

Filing may be done Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. in the superintendent's office.

Snyder city council posts up for re-election are those currently held by Vernest Tippens, Jerry Webb, James Jenkins and I.E. Martin.

Filing may be done at City Hall during regular business hours.

Three positions are up for election on the WTC board, including Place 5, held by Lee Presswood; Place 6, held by R.C. Patton; and Place 7, held by Eddie Peterson.

Those wishing to file for the WTC board may do so in the president's office on the campus.

The filing period ends March 22 for all board positions.

Early voting by personal appearance for the May 6 elections begins April 19.

For Snyder ISD, early voting will take place at the administration building between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Ira and Hermleigh early voting will take place in the superintendent's office of the respective campus.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the WTC administration building between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The early voting period ends May 2.

Other noteworthy dates for the upcoming elections include March 7, which is the first day applications can be accepted to vote early by mail; April 6, which is the deadline to register to vote for the May 6 election; and April 28, which is the deadline for the respective early voting clerk to receive applications for a ballot by mail.

Early voting in the March 14 primary begins a week from Monday, and a total of 11,038 citizens are registered to vote.

Early voting will take place on the third floor of the courthouse.

Locally, voters will be deciding on several contested races, including who will be running in November for Precinct 1 and Precinct 3 county commissioners.

Bill Baldwin and Cloyce Scarberry are challenging precinct 1 Commissioner Ralph Trevey, a Democrat, in his party's primary. Carl Burleson has filed for the post on the Republican ticket.

Precinct 3 Commissioner Howard Limmer is seeking re-election. Joe Bass is challenging him on the Republican ticket. Donna Gray is the third candidate seeking to become Precinct 3 county commissioner. Gray, wife of former commissioner C.D. Gray Jr., is the lone Democratic candidate.

The resignation of Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Charlie Reynolds prompted four people to file as Republican candidates.

Deborah Boyd, Ben Smith, Dwaine Merritt and Kirby McCravey are all seeking the post.

Pat Alexander and Kirk Taylor are running on the Republican ticket for Precinct 1 constable.

In Precinct 2, Pam Bryant has filed to run as an independent for the vacant JP post and Travis Brackeen has filed for the position on the Republican ticket.

Jeff Duck is running unopposed on the Democratic ticket for Precinct 2 constable.

Others who have filed, and who will be unopposed in the primaries are District Judge Ernie Armstrong, District Attorney Dana Cooley, County Attorney Mike Hartman – all on the Republican ticket.

Sheriff Darren Jackson is unopposed on the Demo ballot as is Diana Williamson who is running for the tax assessor-collector post.

State Rep. David Counts, a Democrat, is being challenged by Big Spring businessman Tim Blackshear, a Republican.

U.S. Rep. Charlie Stenholm is unopposed on the Demo ticket, but he has two Republican challengers.

Darrell Clements of Dallas and Shane Hunt of Granbury have filed on the GOP ticket.

Tax collection suits are continuing

Last April, District Judge Ernie Armstrong granted motions for new trials involving 10 delinquent tax suits filed by Scurry County.

Local attorney Mark Hargrove, who had been appointed the attorney for the defendants, filed the motions for the new trials after discovering proper procedure had not been followed.

In a delinquent tax suit, every attempt must be made to contact the person being sued. This includes, if a newspaper agrees, to publishing a "citation by publication."

The newspaper can refuse to publish with payment contingent on collecting past due taxes, but the law says it must be contacted.

In the cases that were granted new trials, the Snyder Daily News was never contacted by the county's tax attorney, Henry Steen of Austin. The notices were posted on a bulletin board in the courthouse, which is considered the last resort in such cases.

The granting of new trials for the defendants started the entire process over, Hargrove said.

"When you have a new trial granted, you have to start over. The county had to go back and start trying to find those defendants again and give them notice that a suit has been filed against them. If the county is unable to locate and personally serve, it is able to use alternative means, which in this case means giving them notice by publishing it in the paper."

In today's edition, 18 notices are being printed, advising defendants that suits have been filed against them.

Two on the list were also among the 10 that were granted new trials in 1999. These are L.E. McCollum and Valeriano Ozuna.

Korean Conflict subject of panel

The Korean Conflict will be the subject of a panel discussion Monday at Scurry County Museum.

Western Texas College professor, Dr. James Durham and retired Lt. Col. Emerson Armstrong will discuss Korea's situation before, during and after the Korean Conflict.

The discussion will be at 7 p.m. and is open to the public. A reception will be held after the lecture.

For more information, call 573-6107. The museum is located on the southwest corner of the WTC campus.

TAAS tests to be given

The state-mandated Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test will be given Tuesday through Thursday at Snyder High School.

On Tuesday, the TAAS writing test will be given for grades four and eight, and exit level.

The exit level math test will be given Wednesday and the exit level reading test will be Thursday.

Sophomore students currently enrolled at SHS and junior and senior students at SHS, who have not shown mastery on one or more portions of the TAAS, and registered out-of-school examinees, are eligible to take the test.

Various classrooms will be the testing sites for sophomores and out-of-school examinees. Juniors, seniors and English limited proficiency students will be tested in the library.

Examinees must be present and on time and no make-up sessions will be allowed.

Out-of-school examinees should be at SHS at 8:30 a.m. with an admission letter and photo identification. Only registered TAAS out-of-school examinees and TEAMS examinees who have photo identification will be admitted.

CRP acreage is okay for grazing

Scurry County has been approved for emergency grazing of CRP (Conservation Reserve Program) acreage.

Joe Hefner, county executive director of the Scurry County Farm Service Agency, said the authorization is for grazing purposes only and no haying will be allowed.

Grazing is authorized through April 30, said Hefner.

Only CRP fields established for permanent cover is eligible for grazing, and temporary cover or dead or dry litter crops are not eligible.

A field visit to the CRP land to determine establishment and conditions will be required in most cases prior to grazing, Hefner added.

For wildlife considerations, 25 percent of each field or contiguous field must remain un-grazed or the stocking rate must be reduced to 75 percent of the acceptable level.

The required payment reduction for grazing through April 30 is 10 percent of the per-acre annual rental payment rate times the number of acres actually grazed.

If interested in this program, and to obtain more information, contact the FSA office at 573-0171.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A kid's car stereo system now costs more than the vehicles we drove at that age."

The life of the Wingate couple likely will never be the same.

It was Ginny Jackson who figured that the van that pulled up to her house that Sunday afternoon was likely just somebody asking for directions.

Instead, it was the Prize Patrol, advising that she and her husband will receive $21 million over the next 30 years.

Used to be it was unique to be a millionaire. That's routine (for some folks) but the current standard for wealth is billionaire.

We recently read about the 100 Richest Texans and 25 of them have assets in excess of a billion dollars. And there wasn't a newspaper guy on the list.

Here's how to become a billionaire, according to the most wealthy of our Lone Star State brethren.

According to San Antonio car dealer Red McCombs, "The way to grow rich is to do better than the guy around you…as we say in sports, the 'go-to guy.' Be the go-to guy, and get paid.

Charles Butt, CEO of HEB, "Be positive, respect the other guy, and hire the right folks."

"Get out of law school, work your tail off and marry a rich woman," was the previous philosophy of ClubCorp Founder. He now embraces this thought, "Know a good idea when you see one."

Robert McNair, owner of the Houston football franchise, says, "Take risks, stay liquid and create value –not wealth."

Investor Fayez Sarofim adds, "Pick the right investment and be patient. I try to double my wealth every four to five years."

According to E. Pierce Marshall, a major stockholder in Koch Industries reveals, "Don't get sued, and don't make me sue you.

Drayton McLane, owner of the Houston Astros and one who sold his family's wholesale business to Wal-Mart, making him a big owner in the retail giant, simply says, "Stick with what you know, and don't get discouraged."

"Location, location, location," says Sanjiv Sidhu, founder of i2 Technologies. He adds, "It's easier to get rich in Texas because you can do business on the East Coast, the West Coast and in between."

Trial lawyer Joseph Jamail advises, "Don't talk down to people." Also it helps to have a rich daddy, but to keep a fortune, don't have a mistress.

Any other suggestions? There's always the lottery.

Scurry County News
January 23, 1896
NEWS FROM FLUVANNA

Jumbo Twinklings (News items sent by the correspondent for the Jumbo community.)

Nearly all the citizens out here are prospering. They are no longer living in their dugouts, but are in good substantial homes.

The Fluvanna homecoming is set for June 9 and 10.

Multi-cultural food day is set

Local citizens are invited to participate in Western Texas College's multi-cultural food day on Tuesday in the college cafeteria.

For $6, one can enjoy an all-you-can-eat buffet with proceeds benefiting the International Student Club.

Menu selections include fried rice with seafood, mafe teou (meat sauce), okonomiyaki (stuffed cabbage rolls), Janson's frestelse (potato dish), and mandazi (bread).

Egg rolls will be served as will coffee, tea and a desert – rod grod med flod, a berry dish.

ASK US

Q-How close was Snyder to dropping to Class 3A?

A-The district turned in an enrollment of 893, which includes 31 SISD students attending the Hobbs School. The cut-off for 3-A was 845.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 82 degrees; low, 29; 7 a.m. Saturday, 29; no precipitation; total for 2000, .88 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, cloudy, low, mid 30s; SE wind 5-15 mph; Sunday, mostly cloudy; high, lower 60s; SE wind, 10-20 mph.



Wolfie Garcia
Mostly Cloudy

Sunset:
6:35 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:21 a.m.

Of 49 days in 2000, the sun has shone 48 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Finish each day and be done with it...tomorrow is a new day; you shall begin it well and serenely.

—Emerson

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Chat room encounter leads to rescue of suicidal woman

BOSTON (AP) — A chance Internet encounter between a Wisconsin man and a Boston woman ended with police rushing to the woman's apartment after she declared in cyberspace that she was trying to kill herself.

"It was really unbelievable and terrifying," Jeff Erlanger, 29, said of his role in Thursday night's rescue.

When the Madison, Wis. resident first signed on to the public America Online chat board he decided on a whim to strike up a private conversation with a woman giving her name online as Sarah.

Sarah said she was from Boston, was a dentist and wanted to become a pediatric dentist. Sarah also said she was manic-depressive, that she had been hospitalized, and that she had previously attempted suicide.

"Then the next thing she told me was that she had cut herself and blood was going down her arms," Erlanger told The Boston Globe for a story in today's editions. "I tried to get her to tell me her last name and she wouldn't. I asked her if she wanted help. She said no."

Erlanger, who works with senior citizens in a program at the University of Wisconsin, initially wasn't sure if the suicide attempt was real or a hoax. But when he decided he had to call authorities, he realized that his computer modem was occupying his only phone line.

"I was stuck between, do I keep talking to her, or do I leave and go to another phone and leave her hanging?" he said.

Erlanger ran to a phone in the lobby of his building and called Madison authorities who directed him to the Boston police. But the 911 operator in Boston said police could do little to help without a full name or address.

Five minutes had passed by the time Erlanger got back to his computer. Sarah then abruptly signed off.

Erlanger called Boston police again and this time gave them an AOL phone number and the woman's screen name. Federal law allows online companies to reveal a person's full name in emergencies.

Boston police tracked the woman to an apartment in the city's Back Bay neighborhood.

They found her with fresh cuts on her wrists, refusing to seek help. She eventually was taken to a hospital where she was treated and examined, police spokesman Kevin Jones said. Her full name was not released.

Domestic rig count up

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the United States rose this week by 11 to 773.

Of the rigs running nationwide, 153 were exploring for oil and 620 were looking for gas, Houston-based Baker Hughes Inc. reported Friday. During the same week last year, 531 rigs were operating in the United States.

Baker Hughes has kept track of the count since 1944. The tally peaked at 4,530 on Dec. 28, 1981, during the height of the oil boom but set several record lows last year, bottoming out at 498 on April 9, 1999.

Of the major oil- and gas-producing states, Texas and Louisiana each gained six, and New Mexico gained two.

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Annual high school art competition set

STAMFORD — Congressman Charlie Stenholm announced plans today for the 19th annual Congressional Art Competition for high school students in the 17th Congressional District of Texas.

Since its was launched in 1982, the nationwide competition has generated thousands of local competitions, involving more that 800,000 high school students.

One winning entry from each congressional district will be displayed in the annual exhibition in a corridor of the U.S. Capitol, an area dedicated to the artistic talent of today's youth.

Students in grades 9-12 from Kent, Mitchell, Nolan and Scurry counties should enter a preliminary contest to be held in Colorado City March 22. Entries should be brought to Colorado City High School by March 20.

Other regional shows will be held in Abilene, Big Spring, Graham, Mineral Wells, San Angelo, and Stephenville. Winners from the entire 32 counties of the 17th District will be announced at an awards brunch in Abilene on April 15. Charlie and Cindy Stenholm will host this honors brunch.

Artwork must be no larger than 32 inches by 32 inches framed (framing not required) and two-dimensional. Eligible categories are paintings, prints, drawings, collages, computer art, or photography.

Artwork must capture the flavor or depict the heritage of the West Texas area and 17th District in any category, which may include, but is not limited to landscapes.

For more information, contact Stenholm's Stamford office at 915-773-3623 or Martha Kiel at Cooper High School (915) 690-3433.





DARE GRADUATES — Ira and Hermleigh fifth graders recently completed the DARE program, which educates students about the danger of drugs. Ira students (top photo) are from left back row, Deputy Maurice Herridge, DARE instructor; Tyrelle Gilbert, Mrs. Linda Gartman, teacher; Darrick Watson, Bradley Henderson, Katie Wall, Nickelynn Withers, essay winner; Sheriff Darrin Jackson; middle row, Corbin Clements, Dustin Farmer, Genvieve Weaver, Cesilie Torres; seated, Aryn Calley, Jessica Odom, Kelbi Pitner, Erica Torres. Herridge is holding Darrin, the Dare Lion mascot. Hermleigh students are (bottom photo) first row, Kelvin Doggett, Bobby Lane, Megan Kariainen, Steve Hembree, K'Leigh Jackson; second row, Mike Barrera, Robert Ritch, Brian Molina, Brittony Kelley, Hank Berkley; top row, Jeff Bilbrey, Deputy Herridge; Sheriff Jackson, Alicia Culp, essay contest winner, and Nick Eaton. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman and Jo Ann Nunley)

Survey reveals Hispanics fear census will skip many of them

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) — Fear is prompting many Hispanics to skip participation in the new census survey, a new poll found.

A Behavior Research Center poll released Friday found that 16 percent of Arizona's Hispanics don't plan to participate.

The poll also found many fear information would be shared with other government agencies (44 percent) or would be sold to private companies (27 percent).

Already aware of the fear, the Immigration and Naturalization Service said Thursday it will postpone routine enforcement actions during the census period to help the government obtain a more accurate count of Hispanics.

About one in four believes that only U.S. citizens need to take part in the headcount that begins April 1, the center said. The poll found that one in five believes the count applies only those born in the United States.

And though the amount of federal, state and other governmental money allocated under many programs is based on population, the center found that many Hispanics (22 percent) simply don't believe that being counted matters in that regard.

Neil Weiner, manager of the Census Bureau's Tucson office, said Hispanics were undercounted by more than 4 percent in 1990 — nationwide, an estimated 8 million people. Weiner pointed about that besides funding, the census also is used to determine congressional districts.

The survey the Phoenix center completed in December has an error margin of less than plus or minus 5 percentage points.

Weiner said he wasn't surprised by the figures, fears and misperceptions the center found.

"I think the actual number may be higher," Weiner said. "We have a lot of people who don't trust us."

On the positive side, more than three-quarters of the 500 Hispanics surveyed agreed completing the census questionnaire would help provide assistance to low-income Hispanic families.

Nonetheless, only about half of them said they definitely would fill out the form.

To battle distrust and misconceptions, Weiner said the bureau plans a series of explanatory advertisements in Spanish. Among other things, the ads will point up that the Supreme Court recently barred the executive branch from obtaining census data.

"We try to let everyone know President Clinton tried to get material from us and he couldn't," Weiner said.

INS spokesman Russ Bergeron said his agency has never sought census information.

"All of our operations, when they are conducted, are targeted operations based on specific information," Bergeron said. "There is no cause for anyone to be concerned that we would do that type of thing during the census.

"What we're basically saying is that we do not want to impede the ability of the Census Bureau from collecting their data, nor do we want to discourage people from participating in the census," he said.

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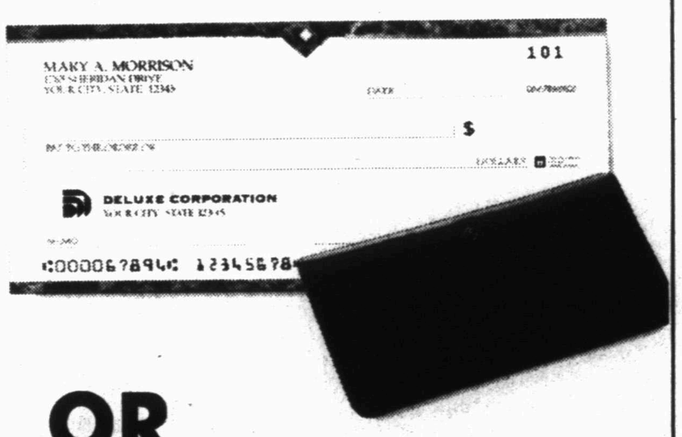
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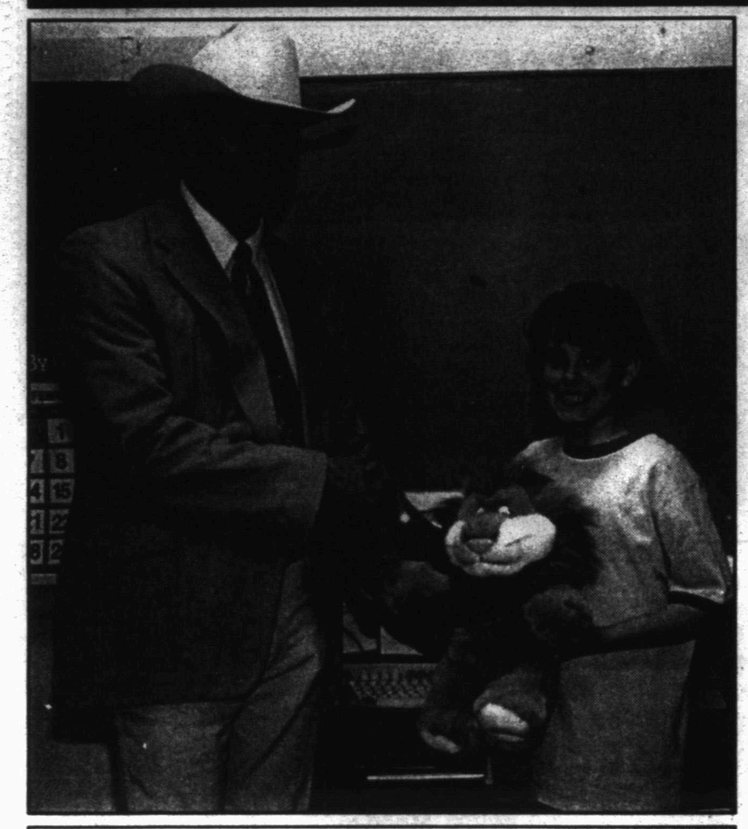
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ESSAY WINNERS — Two fifth graders have won first place in DARE's essay contest. Sheriff Darren Jackson presented a lion to Nickelynn Withers of Ira (top photo) and Alicia Culp of Hermleigh (bottom photo). (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman and Jo Ann Nunley)

Science Fair winners are listed at West

West Elementary School held its annual science fair last week, with 180 students participating. Students worked outside of class to complete their projects. Teachers are Jo Ann Ham and Kathy Scott.

Tyler Ezzell won first place for his project about testing the thoroughness of hand washing.

Second place honors went to Whitney Parks, who determined horse taste preferences.

Tyler Hogan's solar oven earned the third place award.

Matt Reigh's rockets won fourth place.

Bryan Clifton made batteries out of lemons to claim fifth place.

Jessica Calvert won sixth place for determining how long different batteries last.

Seventh place recognition went to Will Floyd who tested different types of insulation.

Jay Weaver made an organic golf tee for eighth place.

Andria Nussey won ninth place for determining "Which is smarter? A Mouse or a Rat?"

Shaela Thompson discovered what kind of liquids plants will grow in to finish in 10th place.



SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS — West Elementary School named its Science Fair Winners Tuesday. (See accompanying story) Back row, from left, Bryan Clifton, Shaela Thompson, Will Floyd, Jay Weaver and Tyler Ezzell; front row, Jessica Calvert, Andria Nussey, Whitney Parks, Matt Reigh, Tyler Hogan. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Woman facing execution blames domestic abuse

GATESVILLE (AP) — A 62-year-old woman scheduled to die next week is pleading with Gov. George W. Bush to grant further review of her claim that she killed her husband in self defense after years of domestic abuse.

"I'm asking you to let me live," Betty Lou Beets said Friday, her voice cracking in a plea broadcast on ABC's "Good Morning America." She is scheduled to die by injection Thursday.

"I'm asking for mercy. And I'm asking for that compassion and I'm praying you will allow it for me."

Beets would be only the second woman executed in Texas since the Civil War and the fourth nationwide since the Supreme Court allowed capital punishment to resume in 1976. There are nine women on death row in Texas and 50 nationwide.

Death penalty opponents have said cases like Beets' are a test of Bush's "compassionate conservatism." The issue also has received renewed attention since Gov. George Ryan of Illinois — a Bush supporter — suspended all executions this month after the release of 13 inmates from that state's death row over the past two decades.

Beets was convicted of murder for the 1983 shooting death of Jimmy Don Beets, a Dallas fire captain and her fifth husband, at the couple's trailer home near Gun Barrel City. She was charged with, but never tried, in the 1981 shooting death of her fourth husband, Doyle Barker. She also was convicted of shooting and wounding husband No. 2.

Acting on a tip, authorities found Beets' body in a shallow grave under a wishing-well flower garden outside her trailer. She had reported him missing two years earlier, saying he never returned from a fishing trip.

A short time after finding Beets' body, searchers found Barker's remains under a shed. He had been missing for four years; Beets had said he left one day and never came back.

Her lawyers are asking the parole board to consider what they say is a decades-long history of abuse by her husbands and recommend her sentence be commuted to life.

"I certainly believe if Governor Bush means what he says when he establishes the kinds of cases he would consider granting clemency in, we fall within the category of those cases in which clemency is justified," said Beets' attorney John Blume.

Bush, campaigning in South Carolina for the Republican presidential nomination, said he will make no decision in the case until he receives a recommendation from the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles. He cannot grant clemency unless the board recommends it.

"The thing I consider is whether or not a jury has heard all the facts and whether or not the person is guilty of the crime committed and whether or not the person has had full access to the courts," Bush said.

A total of 119 inmates have been executed in Texas since Bush took office in 1995. He has spared only one prisoner, citing flimsy evidence.

Prosecutors contend Beets killed her fifth husband to collect an $86,000 life insurance policy and a $760 monthly pension.

Club seeking volunteers for new programs

The Boys and Girls Club of Scurry County is in the process of organizing several new projects to add to the overall curriculum of programs within the club.

A few of the programs being added are Big Brother/Big Sister mentors, fire prevention and safety, Job Ready, midnight madness activities, Project Care, Power Hour, SMART moves, spring basketball league, Torch Club and weight training classes.

Jack McGlaun, executive director, said "We are in need of several volunteers to help with the development and implementation of these programs."

If you are interested in volunteering the time to help youth in the community, contact McGlaun or Stephanie McKnight, club director, at 573-3344. Club hours are Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Prince turns 40

LONDON (AP) — Prince Andrew, who celebrates his 40th birthday Saturday, said he's convinced that life really does begin at 40.

"Life is a series of successes and failures," Andrew, the second son of Queen Elizabeth II, said in an interview published on a royal Web site Friday. "One must learn from the failures and build on the successes.

"I am becoming increasingly convinced that life does, indeed, begin at 40."

The Duke of York also revealed that he would like to reduce his golf handicap, enabling him to qualify for national amateur events.

Date Book

Saturday, Feb. 19, 2000

Today is the 50th day of 2000 and the 60th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1919, in Paris, the first Pan-African Congress was held.

On this day in 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt authorized the internment of Japanese-Americans in camps for the duration of the war with Japan.

On this day in 1986, Congress ratified a United Nations treaty outlawing genocide.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Nicolas Copernicus (1473-1543), astronomer; Stan Kenton (1912-1979), musician; Eddie Arcaro (1916-), jockey, is 84; Carson McCullers (1917-1967), writer; Lee Marvin (1924-1987), actor; John Frankenheimer (1930-), director, is 70; William "Smokey" Robinson (1940-), singer-songwriter, is 60; Amy Tan (1952-), author, is 48.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1986, a mountain in upstate New York was named Ms. King Mountain in honor of tennis player Billie Jean King.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Education is the ability to listen to almost anything without losing your temper or your self-confidence." — Robert Frost

TODAY'S MOON: Full moon.

Sunday, Feb. 20, 2000

Today is the 51st day of 2000 and the 61st day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1792, President George Washington signed the Postal Act, which set up a federal postal system.

On this day in 1962, John Glenn became the first American to orbit Earth.

On this day in 1982, singer Pat Benatar and guitarist Neil Geraldo were wed.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Ansel Adams (1902-1984), landscape photographer; Robert Altman (1925-), producer-director, is 75; Sydney Poitier (1927-), actor-director, is 73; Bobby Unser (1934-), auto racer, is 66; Phil Esposito (1942-), hockey great, is 58; Charles Barkley (1963-), basketball player, is 37; Kurt Cobain (1967-1994), musician.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, Sot Chitalada knocked out Charlie Magri, successfully defending his title as WBC flyweight champion.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I'm never going to be a movie star. But then, in all probability, Liz Taylor is never going to teach first and second grade." — Mary J. Wilson, elementary school teacher

TODAY'S MOON: Day after full moon (Feb. 19).

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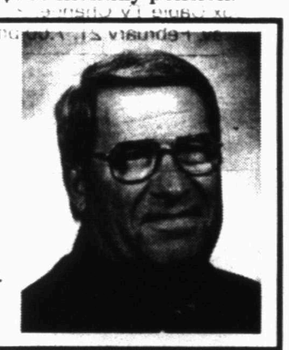
Forman shocked Carrey not nominated

BERLIN (AP) — Milos Forman has an explanation for why Jim Carrey didn't get an Oscar nomination for his portrayal of the late comedian Andy Kaufman in "Man on the Moon."

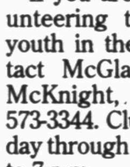
"He's so good, you don't see acting," Forman said Friday at the Berlin International Film Festival. "You see Andy Kaufman. You don't see the sweat of acting, which not everyone appreciates."

Still, Forman said he was "shocked" at the snub, saying he had never worked with an actor "who gives so much of his heart."

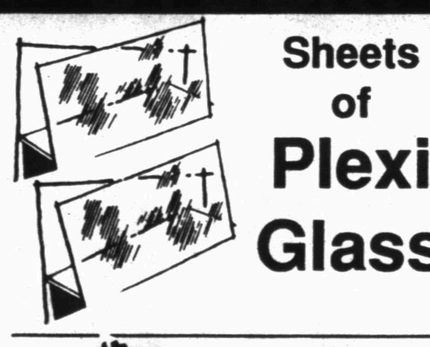
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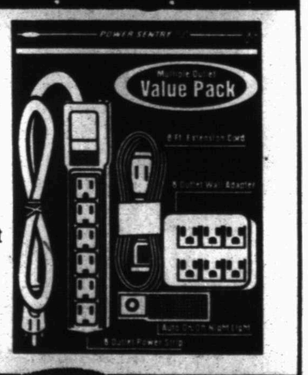
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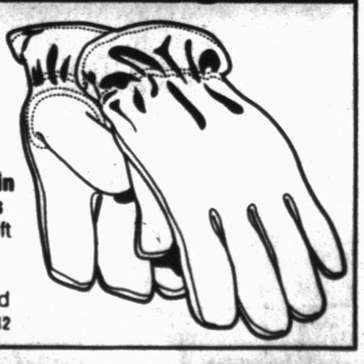
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DONATION — Beth Bradley, second from left, representing Altura Energy Ltd., presented a check for $800 to Jim Rosson, Central Elementary principal, last week. The funds will benefit the Accelerated Reader Program. Also present were Deborah Judah, teacher and AR chairperson; Kathy Brooks, reading teacher; Judy Grimmett, librarian; and Judy Barkowsky, teacher. Altura is one of Central's adopt-a-school partners and Altura employees are allowed $200 each year to donate as they see fit. Four chose Central as their recipient. In addition, Altura employees serve as school and community volunteers at the school each month. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)



LIMOUSINE RIDE – Fifty students from West Elementary were treated to a limousine ride and lunch at the Pizza Inn Wednesday. It was their reward for selling at least 35 candles during the school's annual fund-raiser. The first students to ride were back row from left, Amber Luecke, John Liccardi, Chris Lopez, Jason Cave, Chris Smith; front row, Elizabeth Dominguez, Wendy Reed, Morgan Bilderback, Ashley Hyer. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Bradley says he's the real environmentalist in party

SEATTLE (AP) — Casting himself as the true environmentalist in the Democratic race for the White House, Bill Bradley said the Clinton-Gore administration has not followed through on pledges to protect rivers, oceans and clean air.

"To me, protecting the environment is who I am as a person. It's part of my core," Bradley told a friendly crowd of 300 at a town hall meeting here.

Bradley aides flatly denied a story in Saturday's editions of The Washington Post saying the former New Jersey senator is likely to abandon his campaign if he does not achieve significant victories March 7, when 16 states hold primaries or caucuses.

"We expect to do well on March 7th," spokeswoman Kristen Ludecke said.

Both Bradley and Vice President Al Gore are appealing to environmentalists in their campaigns for the Democratic nomination for president.

Gore supports spending $2 billion over 10 years to set aside more parkland, paying for it with new mining royalties from federal lands, and defends a Clinton administration order limiting logging in national forests.

But Bradley, arriving in Seattle in a green sweater, told the town hall meeting Friday that the Clinton-Gore administration has spent too little money from offshore oil drilling royalties on protecting public lands and has done little to rally the public behind the "Kyoto Protocol" climate change agreement.

He said he fought as a senator for the Superfund law to clean up contaminated land and wrote the law allocating more California water to environmental uses.

Bradley noted that he voted with the League of Conservation Voters 84 percent of the time during 18 years in the Senate, compared with 64 percent for Gore during 14 years in the House and Senate.

"That is the most unreported fact in this campaign, but that's the record," Bradley said.

He said that, as president, he would enforce a moratorium on offshore oil drilling, use money from existing offshore oil production to fully fund the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and create a $250 million coastal and ocean protection fund to help restore marine and coastal habitats.

He also said the next president should insist that sport utility vehicles be required to meet more stringent fuel efficiency guidelines.

Gore has also pledged to halt oil drilling off the coast of California and Florida. But Bradley questioned why Gore couldn't dissuade Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt from extending some three-dozen offshore leases to petroleum companies last year.

Earlier, talking to reporters in Minneapolis on a refueling stop on his way to Seattle, Bradley said reform-minded voters choosing between him and Republican John McCain need not look far for distinctions.

"He's against abortion rights, I'm for abortion rights. He's against gun control, I'm for gun control," Bradley said. "He doesn't have thoughts about how to resolve the 44 million people without health insurance in America. I've put out a very specific program to do that. ... He has an environmental record that's not good. I have an excellent environmental record."

Nearly every place Bradley goes, campaigning at full throttle in advance of the March 7 primaries, he encounters questions about McCain's surprisingly strong challenge to Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

As Bradley logged long days of campaigning throughout the Northeast late this week, the attention remained on today's Bush-McCain showdown primary in South Carolina.

Bradley said there's time to regain the spotlight.

"Most campaigns are fought in the last two to three weeks," he said.

Mackenzie Phillips files for divorce

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Former "One Day at a Time" star Mackenzie Phillips has filed for divorce from her husband of two years.

Phillips, who now stars in the Disney Channel program "So Weird," is seeking to divorce Michael Barakan.

The papers, which cite "irreconcilable differences," were processed by the court this week, her lawyer Sara Wasserstrom said Friday.

"It is a very amicable situation," Wasserstrom said.

The couple have agreed to share custody of their son.

Phillips — the daughter of John Phillips, a founder of the Mamas and the Papas — is best known for her role as Julie in "One Day at a Time," a show about a divorced mother raising two daughters.

Financial Focus

There is no shortage of categories in the investment world. You'll find large-capitalization growth stocks, large-capitalization value stocks, small-capitalization stocks, mid-capitalization value stocks, international stocks and more. It can get confusing. And it can get even more confusing if you try to chase after whichever category is currently performing the best and leading the market.

Market leadership is a notoriously tenuous position. In 1994, international stocks led the way, but in 1995, 1996 and 1997, they lagged behind most other categories. In 1995 and 1997, large-capitalization value stocks led the field, whereas large-capitalization growth stocks took their turn at the top in 1996 and 1998.

Obviously, if you wanted to keep most of your investment dollars in whatever asset class was on top at the moment, you'd need a crystal ball and fast reactions. In a matter of months, a particular category of stocks can slide precipitously. And the market leader at any given moment may already be in decline.

In short, it's virtually impossible to always be with the leaders -- and it makes little sense to try. You can't outguess the market, but you can spend a lot of time, effort and money trying to constantly move money around in pursuit of whatever's "hot" at the moment.

There's a better way to invest: diversify. A well-diversified portfolio will include the different categories of stocks that have led the market through the years -- as well as bonds, money market instruments and other securities.

Why is it such a good idea to diversify? Because, at any given time, different classes of investments will move in different directions. Large-capitalization growth stocks may be doing great, while international stocks are struggling. Small-capitalization stocks may be going through the roof, while large-capitalization value stocks are in the doldrums. If you have a diversified portfolio, you will always have at least some exposure to the best performers -- and some protection against the worst. And when the best and the worst switch places -- as they have often done in the past -- you'll still be covered.

Over time, you may well want to adjust your portfolio, in response to changes in your life. But you'll have to discipline yourself not to overreact to changes in the market, or even in the economy. Successful investing is a long-term enterprise. If you've constructed a diversified portfolio that is designed to meet your individual goals, then you'll be in good shape for tomorrow -- and you won't have to worry about who's at the head of the class today.

Defensive driving now on Internet

HOUSTON (AP) — A fender bender in 1998 turned into an opportunity for David Bruce.

The 28-year-old entrepreneur created DefensiveDriver.com, a Web site that allows motorists to beat fines by taking a six-hour course from home or wherever they have a computer.

Bruce's company is one of two Web-based firms offering the service in Texas.

Kyle Collins, Richard Schiller and David Ianni of Dallas opened Txdriving.com in December. Since then about 1,000 people have completed the course on the site.

Collins and Schiller have operated Comedy Driving, which hires comedians to teach defensive driving, for nearly a decade before branching out on the Web.

"It seemed like a natural progression to offer it at home so the student doesn't have to leave their home," Collins said.

Both courses cost $40, have interactive programs, use animation and graphics to teach students and then test their learning. And both have received the Texas Education Agency's blessing.

"The whole idea is for the test to be convenient and flexible," Bruce told the Houston Chronicle in Saturday's editions. "They can do it at home, or on the road with their laptop."

Getting state approval for the sites took more than a year because the state had no guidelines on approving such e-ventures, said Bruce.

Kathy Kenerson, director of driver training for the Texas Education Agency, said developing safeguards to guarantee the right person completes the test delayed approval. But the companies were able to craft site safety nets that quelled the state's concerns.

"It's not perfect, but we think we have created a good level of security," Kenerson said.

The TEA also wanted to make sure that the student took six hours to complete the course, Kenerson said. The six hours need not be completed in one sitting.

Senior Center Menu

Monday

Closed for President's Day

Tuesday

Beans and ham, turnip greens, golden carrots, onion slices, chocolate chip cookie, cornbread

Wednesday

Lasagna, green beans, whole kernel corn, chilled peaches, chocolate cake w/white frosting, toasted garlic bread

Thursday

Bacon-wrapped beef patty w/gravy, sliced new potatoes, blackeye peas, jellied vegetable salad, banana pudding

Friday

Fried fish, macaroni and cheese, tomatoes w/croutons, green peas & cheese salad; peach pizza

Senior Center News

Western Texas College has scheduled computer courses for senior citizens.

Introduction to computers, basic Internet and basic Windows will be offered in March, April and May. Each class will cost $15.

Due to the tremendous interest in these courses, WTC will schedule additional classes. Call WTC at 573-851, ext. 390, for further information or pre-registration.

Senior Center volunteers are asked to record all hours by Feb. 29 so that full credit may be given at the volunteer recognition banquet set for March 10.

Monday

The Senior Citizens Center will be closed for President's Day.

Tuesday

"88" play begins at 10 a.m. "88" is played with two sets of dominoes and is easily learned by anyone who has played "42." Newcomers are encouraged to join.

Daily exercise is at 11 a.m. This is a low-impact class with gentle stretching. Golden K Kiwanians meet at noon. Swimnastics, a water exercise class, is held at the WTC pool from 2-3 p.m. The senior center will open at 6:30 p.m. for a dance and game night. Senior may enjoy "88," bridge, pool, dominoes, dancing – or just enjoy the music.

Wednesday

The Local Yokels will entertain at 11 a.m. Line Dancers and Cloggers will practice at 1 and 2 p.m., respectively. A volunteer will be available from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1-3 p.m. to help senior citizens with income tax filing.

Thursday

The Sunshine Choir will entertain at Snyder Oaks Care Center beginning at 10 a.m.

Friday

Blood pressure clinic and bridge play begins at 9:30 a.m. "88" play begins at 10 followed by the sing-a-long at 11:30 a.m.

Woman uses cell phone to call police

ARLINGTON, Va. (AP) — A woman who was forced into the trunk of her car by a gunman used her cellular phone to call 911, then stayed on the line while police worked to locate her car as the suspect raced around northern Virginia for almost an hour.

The woman's ordeal ended after about three hours Thursday, when the suspect, fleeing police at speeds up to 100 mph, sideswiped two police cruisers trying to block his way, then spun out of control hitting a tractor-trailer.

The woman, a 24-year-old medical student whose name was not released, suffered only a bump on the head.

"She more than likely saved her life by grabbing her phone from her bag when it all started," Virginia State Police spokeswoman Lucy Caldwell said. "It was certainly the best weapon imaginable in her situation."

Elliott L. Robinson, 19, of Arlington, was being held without bond Friday night in the Fairfax County Jail on charges including carjacking, armed robbery and eluding police, Caldwell said.

Prince William County police dispatcher Linda Norman said she was taken aback when the 911 call came in, but she quickly realized seriousness of the situation.

Norman kept the woman on the phone while her supervisor broadcast a lookout for the 1995 Mitsubishi Gallant with California plates.

Police also received help from the cellular phone's service provider.

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The American Cancer Society will conduct its Relay For Life special ceremony and luminary lighting at 10 p.m. Friday, April 28, at Snyder High School's Tiger Stadium to recognize those touched by cancer in Scurry County.

Individuals or companies can make contributions in memory of those who have lost their fight with cancer and in honor of those who have survived.

Each will be recognized by a lighted luminary candle displayed during the two-day Relay For Life event slated April; 28-29.

Names of the honored individuals will be read throughout the 17-hour event.

Luminary contributions of $5 or more can be made by filling out the form below and mailing it to: Delta Kappa Gamma, c/o Carole Hanes, P.O. Box 82; Hermleigh, Tex. 79526.

A personal message may also be written on the back of the luminary bag along with your name and honoree's name.

All citizens of the community are invited to attend the special ceremony. Proceeds from luminary sales will benefit the Scurry County Unit of the American Cancer Society, and to providing services to cancer patients and their families.

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State considers commercial lodges at six different parks

FORT WORTH (AP) — The state is considering allowing commercial lodges at six public parks across Texas to help promote ecotourism and encourage more people to use the parks, Parks and Wildlife Department officials said.

But some conservation groups are concerned that the private businesses could destroy the state's few remaining wild areas and open the door for marketing a public resource.

Officials, who have been studying privatization projects for a decade, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in Saturday's editions that a thorough environmental impact study will be completed before any decision is made.

"Our first concern is conservation of natural resources," said Bob Cook, the agency's deputy director. "The goal would be to develop a nature-based lodge and educational center, but we appreciate the potential negative impacts if a project is done wrong."

Lodges are being considered for Palo Duro, near Amarillo; Caddo Lake, in East Texas near the Louisiana border; Indian Lodge, in the Davis Mountains of West Texas; Mustang Island, near Port Aransas on the Gulf Coast; Guadalupe River, north of San Antonio; and Brazos Bend, west of Houston, department officials said.

Park officials began working last year with San Antonio-based Presidian Corp., the developer of the Canyon of Eagles Lodge & Nature Park at Lake Buchanan.

Presidian on May 11 plans to deliver to the state an analysis that gauges the environmental effects of development at the six sites, said Steve Dutton, the company's managing general partner.

Conservation groups say park development degrades the environment and leads to new roads and cleared land.

"We don't want to see nature lodges in sensitive habitats or pristine areas," Brian Sybert, natural resources director of the Sierra Club's Lone Star chapter, told the Star-Telegram. "If we have the parks that represent truly wild areas in this state, leave it wild."

Conservation groups also fear that amenities such as swimming pools, recreational vehicle hookups and concessions would naturally follow the development of lodges. "Soon the wilderness getaway looks like the city you just left," said Susan Peterson, vice chairwoman of the Texas Committee on Natural Resources.

Germany was admitted to the League of Nations in 1926.

McCain already declares win; Bush confident in campaign

GREENVILLE, S.C. (AP) — Invigorated by his cross-party campaign appeal, John McCain declared "we've already won" the South Carolina battle for the Republican presidential nomination. Rival George W. Bush was brimming with confidence that a Southern victory would get his campaign back on track.

Both candidates have made it clear they'll march on regardless of the results of Saturday's primary, but the outcome was being closely watched because of the impact it could have on elections coming soon in such key states as Michigan and Virginia.

Polls were all over the map, but a couple of late surveys suggested Bush had developed an edge. Neither candidate would concede an inch and both stumped to the last minute.

McCain said he's sensing intensity from backers that means the turnout would be large, to his benefit. "We're going to have a huge turnout," the Arizona senator said. "We're going to win because everybody is going to turn out."

Bush countered that with the heft of a far superior organization, a lot more money, the backing of virtually all of the GOP establishment and a sharp assault that sent the polls into disarray.

"I'm going to win here," the Texas governor declared. "You mark my words."

The campaign opened with Bush the presumptive favorite, but McCain began charging after a landslide win two weeks ago in New Hampshire sent his poll standings soaring.

Bush then unleashed a sharp assault, bashing McCain in a barrage of television ads and hundreds of thousands of direct mail pieces. After initially firing back, McCain pulled his attack commercials and ended the South Carolina campaign running only positive spots.

Conservative commentator Alan Keyes, the third GOP contender, was only a blip in the polls.

McCain wrapped up his campaign with a series of high-energy rallies, and said the enthusiasm he's seeing will send voter turnout to record levels.

Turnout held the key because of sharply differing strategies the two candidates adopted. Polls showed Bush leading among Republicans, while McCain appeals to independents and some Democrats. The primary was open to voters regardless of party affiliation.

Critics argued that Republicans shouldn't allow Democrats to help settle a family fight, but McCain said he was following in the footsteps of Republican icon Ronald Reagan.

"If you only get the votes of your party, you are resigning yourself to permanent minority status," he said.

There was some evidence McCain was getting aid from Democrats like state Sen. Phil Leventis, who taped messages delivered to thousands of Democratic homes arguing "this is your one chance to be heard."

There was more at stake than South Carolina's 37 delegates, with the real prize being campaign momentum. Some nervous Bush backers worried that another loss on top of New Hampshire could spell serious trouble for the once-presumptive favorite.

Bush offered only scorn as he confidently predicted victory, and he said he was learning "who my friends are."

"If there are some people getting weak-kneed, we need to know who they are in the heat of battle," he said.

McCain claimed a moral victory in advance, arguing his reformer's message has been grabbed by Bush.

"We've already won," he said. "We've changed the parameters of the debate."



DOOR PRIZE — Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Vasquez are the winners of the door prize given away during the first annual Knights of Columbus enchilada dinner. Grand Knight Leon Gutierrez presented the prize. (Contributed Photo)

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Eight Western Texas rodeo team members proved they not only excel in the arena, but in the classroom as well.

Four men and four women from Western Texas College have been nominated for the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association's Academic All-American Team.

Receiving the honor from the men's team are Casey Baize, Ryan Brewer, Luke Richards and Wes Stevenson. They're joined by Lady Westerners Brandee Brock, Terra Bynum, Jill Childers and Sequin Downey.

"This is a great honor for them," said WTC rodeo coach Greg Rhodes. "It takes a lot of work to succeed in athletics and in the classroom.

"This is the first year the NIRA has done this. We have eight nominees, plus of all the people nominated from the Southwest Region, 25 percent of them were students at WTC within the past two years. So that says a lot about the school, and its programs."

In order to garner a nomination, a student must be regionally ranked in their event, and have maintained a 3.0 GPA or better for the past three semesters.

"It's not easy to get nominated, because they don't go by what you did for just one semester," Rhodes said. "You have to have maintained a high academic standing for three straight semesters."

The nominees will be narrowed through the coming months, and the official NIRA Academic All-American Team will be announced at the college rodeo finals this summer.

Spurs answer call, rout Rockets, 116-92

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Three days after being scolded by coach Gregg Popovich for lack of effort, the San Antonio Spurs responded with one of their best games of the season, a 116-92 rout of the Houston Rockets on Friday night.

Tim Duncan scored 19 points to lead the Spurs to their seventh straight victory over the Rockets. San Antonio was coming off of a 92-81 loss at Cleveland on Tuesday.

"Obviously we want to get back on track," Popovich said. "From the beginning, the team deserves a lot of credit. They played intense on the defensive and offensive level. I'm happy for them. There were some great individual plays."

Terry Porter added 17 points for San Antonio and David Robinson had 16. Robinson, who had seven steals against Houston, became the San Antonio career leader with 1,129, surpassing Alvin Robertson.

"We got to give ourselves credit tonight because we came out intense. We were a little embarrassed by our outing at Cleveland," San Antonio point guard Avery Johnson said. "This was a good game for us."

San Antonio fueled its offense by forcing 24 Houston turnovers, converting 37 points off Rocket miscues.

"We shot the ball well tonight," said Duncan, who was 9 of 15 from the field. "We kept at it. We pushed the ball up the court and when you start getting easy baskets, it makes everything easier."

Houston, which absorbed its worst loss of the season, was led by Steve Francis' 18 points. Shandon Anderson added 14.

"I was really surprised by the fact that we weren't competitive," Houston coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "They beat us to a lot of loose balls. I thought we were supposed to be the young team full of energy. Tonight they ran us off the floor. We couldn't do anything right."

San Antonio, which never trailed, jumped to a 33-24 lead at the end of the first quarter as Robinson had 12 points and the Spurs hit 12-of-20 shots.

Connecting on 22-of-42 shots, San Antonio jumped to a 57-41 halftime lead.

The Spurs continued to stretch the lead in the second half, leading by as many as 34 points, 102-68 on Jaren Jackson's 3-pointer with 8:49 to play.

San Antonio and Houston will play for the final time during the regular season this Sunday in Houston.

"Houston is an unbelievably athletic team, they are scary," Popovich said. "It will be a heck of a contest on Sunday."

In first round of Snyder Invitational...

Lady Tigers open six-shot lead

The Snyder Lady Tigers didn't post one of their better scores of the spring on Friday. But their effort was still good enough for a six-stroke lead.

The Lady Tigers fired a 341 in Friday's opening round of the Snyder Girls' Invitational, putting them six shots ahead of Abilene High heading into Saturday's final round.

The 341 total is the second highest for Snyder this spring. The Lady Tigers recorded a 349 in the first round of the San Angelo event two weeks ago, but also held the lead.

All six teams in Division I struggled at times on the Snyder Country Club course. Only eight players came in under 90, with four of them counting for Snyder.

Lacey Kidd paced the Lady Tigers with an 81, and sat one shot back of Abilene High's Devon Day in the individual standings.

Randi Reed turned in an 86 for Snyder, with Sally Barham and Andra Lancaster shooting 87. Kara Harrison finished with a 93.

Saturday's second round was to be held at Western Texas College, where Division II action took place on Friday.

Snyder II carded a 397 on the WTC course to open up a 16-stroke lead on second-place San Angelo Central.

Christan Curry fired a 97 to spark Snyder's effort, with Katie Kerley posting a 98. Lauren Day tallied a 102, and Catherine Whitmore came in with a 111.

Following this weekend's action, the Lady Tigers take part in the San Antonio Invitational beginning Friday.

Division I

Team totals: 1. Snyder 341; 2. Abilene High 347; 3. Abilene Cooper 361; 4. Midland High 369; 5. Lamesa 395; 6. Highland Park II 404; 7. Abilene Wylie 430.

Individual leaders: 1. Devon Day, Abilene High, 80; 2. (tie) Lacey Kidd, Snyder, and Shelly Winchel, Midland High, 81.

Snyder: Randi Reed 86; Lacey Kidd 81; Sally Barham 87; Andra Lancaster 87; Kara Harrison 93.

Bass club sets tourney date

Snyder Bass Club opens its tournament schedule next Saturday with an open event at Lake Allen Henry.

Membership in the club is not a requirement for the first tournament, however competitors must register at Scifres Tire and Auto prior to Saturday, or at Grub's Bait and Grill the morning of the event. Fishing begins at 7 a.m., and entry fee is $15.

Prizes will be awarded to the top seven finishers, and a hamburger meal will be provided following the competition.

The first-place finisher will receive $150, with the runner-up getting $75. Prizes will be given for the next five spots. Also, anyone not weighing in with a fish will be entered in a drawing for additional prizes.

"We like the tournaments to be family oriented, so we're offering quite a few prizes this time, as well as the meal," said club president Michael Head. "And you don't have to own a boat. You can fish from an inner-tube or from the bank."

A meeting will be held after the meal to determine the date and site for the next tournament.

Bulldogs fall to Lorenzo in final playoff tune-up, 70-67

JAYTON — The Lorenzo Hornets outscored Ira by three points in the third quarter, and it ended up being the difference.

Ira dropped its final postseason tune-up Friday night, falling to No. 14 Lorenzo, 70-67, at Jayton High School gymnasium.

The Hornets were the third state-ranked opponent the 15th-ranked Bulldogs faced in their preparation for the playoffs. As in the previous two contests, Ira played well enough to win, according to Head Coach Bubba Edwards.

"We definitely got what we wanted out of our three practice games," said Edwards. "We needed to play some good teams to get ready for the playoffs. We played well in all three games, and even though we came up short, we're not frustrated. The kids know this is what they needed, and now they're focused on the playoffs."

The Bulldogs had two chances to tie the game in the final 16 seconds. But three-point attempts by Logan Daves and Jase Olvera bounced off the rim.

Ira trailed by as many as 14 points in the first half, as Lorenzo's sharpshooters were on target most of the night.

The Bulldogs rallied in the second quarter, knotting the tally at 32-32 by halftime.

"We got a little momentum in the second quarter, and we started defending them a little better," Edwards said. "They're a tough team to defend, because they have excellent shooters who can also drive to the basket."

Lorenzo took the opening lead of the second half, and never relinquished it. The Hornets held an eight-point advantage midway through the third quarter, before Ira cut the deficit to three points entering the final frame.

Bot teams registered 21 points in the fourth quarter.

Daves, the Bulldogs' 6-7 post, proved to be in playoff form, pouring in 34 points and grabbing 19 rebounds.

Richard Wilkins added 10 points for Ira, with Jerek Brown and Jose Juarez draining eight apiece. Nathan Smith chipped in six points, and Drew Wall finished with one.

The Bulldogs enter Tuesday's bi-district playoff with a record of 26-5. Their first-round opponent is Klondike, which sports a 7-21 mark. Tip-off is scheduled for 8 p.m. at Big Spring's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Woods' trails by five after putting woes

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Tiger Woods can handle the big crowds trailing him around the course, and the reporters, photographers and cameramen dogging him.

But putts lipping out of the cup are beginning to get to him.

"The only thing that's getting on my nerves is the ball not going in the hole. That's what really bothers me," Woods said Friday after his 1-under-par 70 left him five shots behind Nissan Open co-leaders Bob Tway and Greg Chalmers.

"I'm just really frustrated with the putts not going in," he said, then added emphatically, "They're GOOD putts.

"You make a good stroke, hit a good putt on the right line speed and it doesn't go in, and that's a little disconcerting at times."

Woods, who had several putts lip out during his round, said the greens at Riviera Country Club were "real thatchy and real bumpy" late in the day, and that it was "a real challenge, no doubt about it."

Chalmers, an Australian who had seven finishes in the top 25 as a PGA Tour rookie last year, shot a 66 to match Tway at 9-under 133.

Tway, a seven-time winner on the tour whose last victory came in 1995, hit all 18 greens on his way to a 67.

First-round leader J.P. Hayes remained near the top with a 70 to go to 8-under. Club pro Jeff Freeman also was at 134 after a second-round 68.

Woods was four shots off Hayes' lead beginning the day, but quickly dropped two shots to par on the par-4, 421-yard 13th with his first double bogey of 2000.

He pushed his 9-iron approach shot to the right of the green and into deep grass. He was short on his shot from there, leaving the ball in the fringe, then chipped nine feet past the hole and two-putted for a 6.

The last time Woods had a double bogey or worse was last November, when he took a triple bogey in the final round of the World Golf Championships in Spain. He also had a double bogey in the second round of that event.

Chalmers, who made five birdie putts of 15 feet or closer and didn't have a bogey, likes the pressure of being at the top of the leaderboard.

Sports Briefs

Track volunteers needed

Snyder High School needs volunteers for the Canyon Reef Relays, to be held March 11.

Anyone interested should contact Tommy Doyle at 574-6039.

Groundhog tourney accepting entries

Snyder Country Club will host the Groundhog Open next Saturday and Sunday. Format is two-man scramble.

To register, call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Pitching clinics held weekly

Fastpitch softball pitching clinics will be held every Wednesday. Class size is limited. For more information, contact Herman Martinez at 573-0390.

Teen activities scheduled

A two-day 4-on-4 volleyball tournament will begin Friday for ages 14 and up. Entry fee is $35 per team, and deadline to register is Sunday. Proceeds benefit the Keystone Club.

The Smart Moves Spring Teen Basketball League, for ages 14-19 will be taking entries through March 10. Registration fee is $10 per player, and includes a new mesh jersey. The league will be limited to eight teams.

For more information on either event, call the Boys and Girls Club at 573-3344.

Clippers hire Abdul-Jabbar

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, the NBA's all-time leading scorer who has said on many occasions he wants to coach, got his wish when he was hired as an assistant by the lowly Los Angeles Clippers.

The coaching job will be the second for the 52-year-old Hall of Famer. The first was last year, when he was paid $1 for working as an assistant with an Apache high school basketball team in Arizona.

Georgia Tech's Cremins to retire

ATLANTA (AP) — Bobby Cremins, the white-haired coach who took Georgia Tech's woeful program to national prominence before watching it fall into mediocrity the last four years, announced he will retire at the end of the season.

Karros, Dodgers reach deal

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Eric Karros, a frequent subject of trade rumors last season, agreed to a three-year, $24 million contract extension with the Los Angeles Dodgers. The club also has an option that could make the deal worth $32 million.

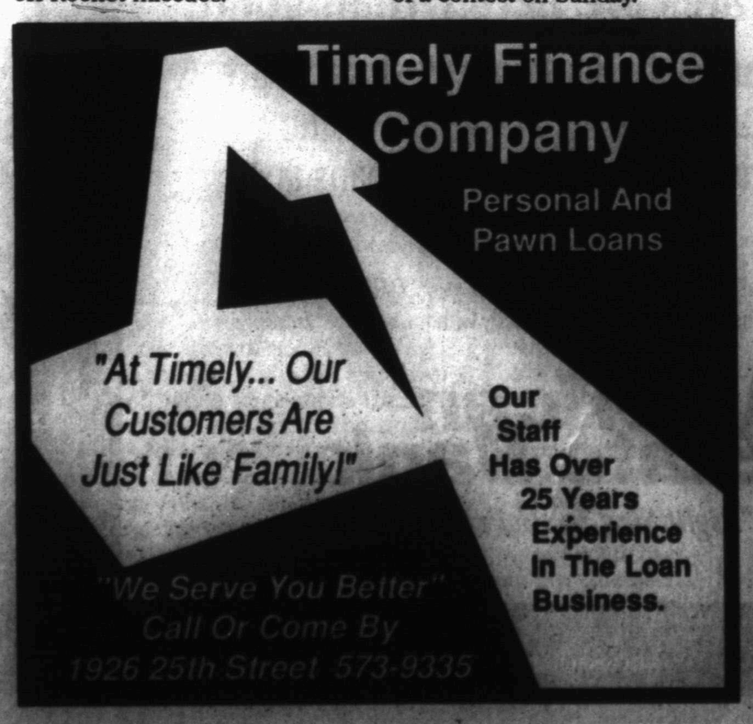
The Dodgers first baseman is entering the final season of a four-year, $20 million deal and could have been a free-agent after the season.

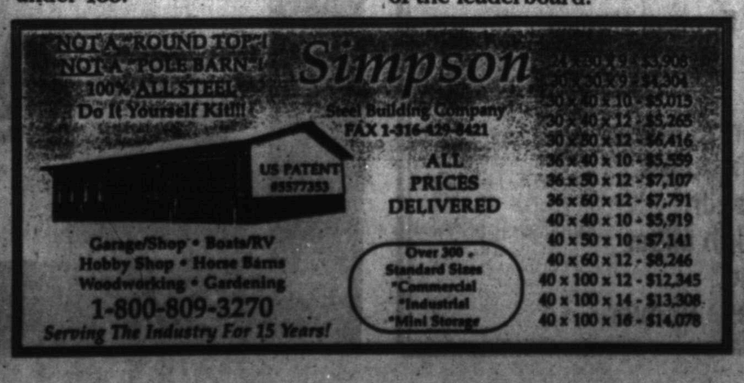
Karros' contract includes a $1.5 million signing bonus, $7 million in 2001, $6.5 million in 2002, and $8 million in 2003. The Dodgers have a $9 million option for 2004 with a $1 million buyout. That year becomes guaranteed if Karros makes 500 plate appearances in 2003.

Tway, Chalmers lead Nissan Open

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Australian Greg Chalmers shot a 5-under 66 and Bob Tway had 4-under 67 to share the second-round lead at the Nissan Open lead at 9-under 133.

First-round leader J.P. Hayes (70) was at 8-under, along with club pro Jeff Freeman (68). Tom Scherrer (68) and Bradley Hughes (66) were at 135.







SPORTS

Hosted at coliseum...

Lady Blue, Cooper nab playoff wins

Lubbock Cooper had to come from behind, while Farwell won going away.

But either way, both teams advanced in the girls' high school basketball playoffs Friday night at Scurry County Coliseum.

Lubbock Cooper opened the twin bill with a 50-44 victory over Midland Greenwood to earn a spot in Tuesday's Class 3A regional quarterfinals.

The Lady Pirates trailed at halftime, before grabbing a one-point lead in the third quarter.

Cooper preserved the win with its defensive effort, limiting Greenwood to only seven points in the final period.

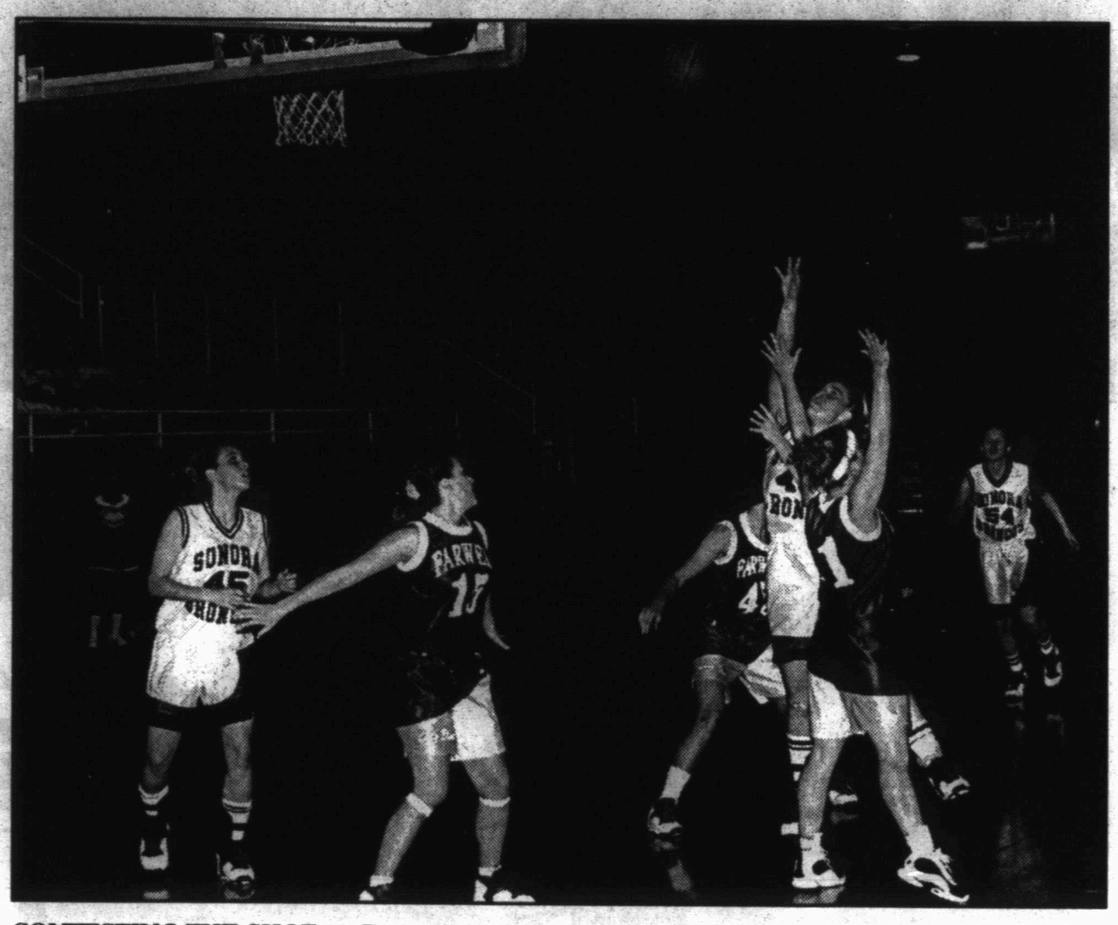
Lindy Becker paced the Lady Pirates with 12 points. Meagan Hatley poured in 16 points to spur Greenwood, while teammate Shanna Zachry added 10.

In the nightcap, Farwell used scoring spurts in the first and third quarters to bury Sonora, 77-41, in Class 2A action.

The Lady Blue, state semifinalists a year ago, jumped out to a 20-7 lead in the opening frame, then put the game out of reach in the third with a 25-4 run.

Farwell's Ashley Crawford led all scorers with 17 points, with teammates Megan Miller and Chelsi Kaltwasser dropping in 12 apiece.

Cindy Jones' 13 points, and Kara Eaton's 10, paced the Lady Broncos.



CONTESTING THE SHOT — Farwell's Cassie Street gets in the way of Sonora's Cindy Jones during girls' playoff action Friday night at Scurry County Coliseum. Farwell downed the Lady Broncos, 77-41, after Lubbock Cooper knocked off Midland Greenwood, 50-44. (SDN Staff Photo)

Tigers tune up for playoffs with win

MONAHANS — The Snyder Tigers picked up their 22nd win of the season, before turning their attention to the upcoming playoffs.

Snyder used a steady rotation of players in its postseason tune-up Friday night, resting its starters for much of the second half of its 69-59 victory over Monahans.

Having secured the District 5-4A title two weeks ago, the Tigers were sluggish in the first half. Monahans held a one-point advantage after the first quarter, before Snyder grabbed a 32-31 lead by halftime.

The Tigers woke up in the third quarter, stringing together a 19-0 run to lead by 20 points midway through the period.

Monahans managed to trim the margin to six points by the start of the fourth quarter. Snyder preserved the win with 16 points in the final frame.

Sonny Cumbie and Heath Pinkerton paced the Tigers with 17 points apiece. Greg McAnaw registered 15 points, which included three long-range buckets.

Snyder enters the playoffs with a 22-10 mark, and receives a first-round bye. The Tigers first postseaon action will be an area match-up on Friday against the Weatherford-Wichita Falls Hirschi winner.

Snyder	15	17	21	16	—	69
Monahans	16	15	16	12	—	59

Snyder
Cumbie 8 0-1 17, Pinkerton 6 3-3 17, McAnaw 5 2-4 15, Wofford 2 0-0 4, Hester 0 3-4 3, Thornhill 3 2-3 8, Knirsch 1 0-0 3, Scott 1 0-0 2. **Totals 26 10-15 69.**

Monahans
Adams 7 1-2 15, Porras 4 0-1 9, Hinojos 4 0-0 8, Morris 2 0-0 5, Johnson 1 1-2 3, Ramos 3 0-0 6, Moore 2 2-3 6, Arroyo 2 0-0 4, Welch 0 3-4 3. **Totals 25 7-12 59.**

Three-point goals: Snyder 7 (McAnaw 3, Pinkerton 2, Cumbie, Knirsch), Monahans 2 (Porras, Morris). Total fouls: Snyder 19, Monahans 18. Fouled out — Thornhill.

Fiery crash overshadows race

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (AP) — The biggest victory of Mike Wallace's career probably won't be remembered as much more than a footnote to a frightening, fiery crash.

Geoffrey Bodine's truck hit the wall at 190 mph and nearly entered the grandstand at Daytona International Speedway. Nine fans and two drivers were hurt.

"It's a shame that wreck happened, because if you people didn't enjoy that, I don't know what turns you on," Wallace said Friday after winning the inaugural Daytona 250 Craftsman Truck Series race. "This is such a huge win and a huge deal for the truck series."

Indeed.

There were a series-record 32 lead changes in the most exciting race of Speedweeks. A day earlier, in the twin qualifying races for Sunday's Daytona 500, there was one lead change.

"If we hadn't had that big wreck, this would have been one of the most phenomenal races anybody had ever seen," Wallace said. "I'm glad to hear that Geoffrey is OK, and sorry that the guys got tore, but I think we gave you a heck of a show."

The crash on lap 57 involved 13 trucks and injured nine fans and two drivers. What remained of a shredded safety fence near the finish line stopped the nearly 2-ton vehicle just 10 feet short of front-row spectators.

They scrambled for cover as debris and flames shot into the crowd, and a black cloud of smoke hung over the track as blinded drivers crashed into the crumpled shell of Bodine's truck again and again.

After smacking into the wall at about 190 mph, Bodine cartwheeled and flipped wildly down the track in flames. When he came to a stop, about the only thing left of his truck was the roll cage that saved his life.

"I've never had a wreck like that in my life," Bodine said.

He wound up with a broken wrist, ankle and vertebrae, and a concussion. This morning, Bodine was in stable condition in the intensive care unit at Halifax Medical Center.

Driver Jimmy Kitchens was released this morning after an overnight stay. His injuries were not serious.

Five fans were treated at the hospital for injuries that included a broken arm and cuts and bruises. Two stayed overnight for surgery — a man with the broken arm and a woman with facial cuts.

Four other fans were treated for minor injuries at the track's care center. None of the fans were burned.

B.A. Wilson, one of the drivers involved in the wreck, thought it was the worst he'd ever seen.

"I thought Bodine was dead," Wilson said.

The crash, which delayed the race for about 21/2 hours during repairs to the fence, began when rookie Kurt Busch tapped Rob Morgan, who in turn sent Bodine into the wall.

Bodine's truck hit the 4-foot-high wall, which supports the 9-foot-high safety fence, and ripped off about 150 feet of wire mesh and snapped support poles.

The Ford disintegrated into an unrecognizable heap of scrap metal. The engine was torn away from the truck body and landed on the grass next to the front straightaway.

Local Sports Schedule

SATURDAY

Basketball: Hermleigh vs. Meadow, practice game at Wilson, 7 p.m.

Golf: Snyder varsity girls host Snyder Invitational

Golf: Snyder varsity boys at Abilene Invitational

Tennis: Snyder boys and girls at Big Spring

Softball: Snyder at Brenham tourney

MONDAY

Basketball: Midland at Western Texas, 7:30

TUESDAY

Basketball: Ira vs. Klondike, bi-district playoff at Big Spring's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, 8 p.m.

Basketball: Hermleigh vs. Roscoe, bi-district playoff at Sweetwater High School, 7 p.m.

THURSDAY

Basketball: Western Texas at Frank Phillips, 6 p.m.

Baseball: Snyder varsity at San Angelo tourney

Softball: Snyder JV and varsity at Midland tourney

FRIDAY

Basketball: Snyder vs. Weatherford-Wichita Falls Hirschi winner, area playoff, TBA

Golf: Western Texas at New Mexico Military tourney

Golf: Snyder boys at Midland Invitational

Golf: Snyder girls at San Antonio Invitational

Baseball: Snyder varsity at San Angelo tourney

Baseball: Abilene High at Snyder JV, 4:30

Softball: Snyder varsity and JV at Midland tourney

Track: Snyder at Frenship's ABC Tiger Relays

Bowling Leagues

Men's Commercial League

Team	W	L
State Farm	56	28
Daylight Donuts	50.5	33.5
Headquarters	50	34
The Shack	47.5	36.5
Rose Barber Shop	42.5	41.5
C&M Roofing	42.5	41.5
Stephens' Office	39.5	44.5
McLeod Jewelers	35	49
Wal-Mart	33.5	50.5
G&W Trucking	23	61

High series: Rick Mammolite, scratch, 604; Danny Lunsford, handicap, 678.

High game: Barney Tate, scratch, 233; Manuel Garcia, handicap, 260.

Splits and special mentions: Darrell Grant, 3-10, 4-9; Butch Evans, 3-10; Edwin Jackson, 5-6.

Jack N Jill League

Team	W	L
Renegades	63.5	16.5
Countryplace	42.5	37.5
Clayton & Mills	41	39
BCEC	39.5	40.5
Alley Kats	29.5	50.5
Ratliff Insurance	24	56

High series: Scratch: Melvin Boatman, 537; Daphne Thompson, 503. Handicap: Ricky Clayton, 666; Daphne Thompson, 596.

High game: Scratch: Melvin Boatman, 192; Daphne Thompson, 192. Handicap: Ricky Clayton, 226; Cindy Reyes, 234.

Roll N Hope League

Team	W	L
Martin Herefords	60	28
KSNY	58.5	29.5
Lawrence IGA	57.5	30.5
Baze Gun Repair	57	31
Spirit Energy	51	37
Snyder Lanes	33.5	54.5
Gutter Dusters	21.5	66.5

High series: Dorris Martin, scratch, 545; Michelle Ewing, handicap, 650.

High game: Rosemary Hernandez, scratch, 216; Rosemary Hernandez, handicap, 247.

Splits and special mentions: Norma Seabourn and Gina Lunsford, 3-10; Wanda Johnson, 5-7; Alma Posey, 5-6; Carolyn Allen, 7-8; Cara Lindsey, 5-10; Michelle Ewing, 2-7, 203, 524; Dorris Martin, 3-10, 545; Rosemary Hernandez, 216, 519; Cindy Aikin, 518.

National Basketball Association

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	31	19	.620	—
New York	30	19	.612	½
Philadelphia	28	23	.549	3½
Orlando	25	27	.481	7
Boston	22	29	.431	9½
New Jersey	20	31	.392	11½
Washington	15	37	.288	17
Central Division				
Indiana	34	16	.680	—
Charlotte	29	21	.580	5
Toronto	27	23	.540	7
Milwaukee	27	25	.519	8
Detroit	25	25	.500	9
Atlanta	20	29	.408	13½
Cleveland	21	31	.404	14
Chicago	11	38	.224	22½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	33	18	.647	—
Utah	30	19	.612	2
Minnesota	28	22	.560	4½
Denver	23	28	.451	10
Dallas	21	29	.420	11½
Houston	21	31	.404	12½
Vancouver	15	35	.300	17½
Pacific Division				
Portland	41	11	.788	—
L.A. Lakers	40	11	.784	½
Phoenix	31	19	.620	9
Sacramento	31	20	.608	9½
Seattle	32	21	.604	9½
Golden State	13	37	.260	27
L.A. Clippers	11	41	.212	30

Thursday's Games
Cleveland 119, Denver 101
Indiana 92, Milwaukee 90
Chicago 83, Miami 76
Dallas 106, Detroit 97
Utah 119, Sacramento 108

Friday's Games
Philadelphia 104, Cleveland 75
Denver 95, Toronto 91
Charlotte 115, L.A. Clippers 87
New Jersey 91, Miami 84
Minnesota 103, Vancouver 91
L.A. Lakers 107, Orlando 99, OT
San Antonio 116, Houston 92
Phoenix 85, Atlanta 73
Portland 93, Washington 85
Sacramento 118, Seattle 85
Golden State 122, Boston 100

Saturday's Games
Indiana at New York, 3:30 p.m.
Detroit at Utah, 3:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Boston at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Dallas at Toronto, 12:30 p.m.
Miami at Charlotte, 3 p.m.
San Antonio at Houston, 3 p.m.
New Jersey at Minnesota, 3 p.m.
Portland at Sacramento, 3 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Philadelphia, 5:30 p.m.
Washington at Golden State, 9 p.m.

National Hockey League

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	36	15	7	4	83	186	137
Philadelphia	28	17	11	1	68	163	131
Pittsburgh	25	26	6	5	61	175	165
N.Y. Rangers	24	27	9	3	60	166	167
N.Y. Islanders	16	35	7	1	40	133	191
Northeast Division							
Toronto	30	21	7	3	70	172	157
Ottawa	28	20	9	2	67	161	144
Buffalo	23	27	9	2	57	143	148
Boston	18	24	16	4	56	149	167
Montreal	22	28	7	3	54	134	137
Southeast Division							
Florida	33	20	4	3	73	178	139
Washington	29	19	9	1	68	156	139
Carolina	24	27	8	0	56	149	164
Tampa Bay	12	37	7	6	37	144	215
Atlanta	11	40	6	4	32	122	210

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	W	L	T	RT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	37	15	6	0	80	179	119
Detroit	35	18	6	1	77	199	154
Nashville	20	33	6	5	51	150	180
Chicago	19	31	7	2	47	162	185
Northwest Division							
Colorado	28	23	9	1	66	166	156
Edmonton	21	23	15	7	64	161	154
Calgary	24	29	6	5	59	149	178
Vancouver	18	29	10	6	52	145	170
Pacific Division							
Dallas	32	21	5	2	71	141	124
Phoenix	31	20	6	1	69	170	151
Los Angeles	28	22	7	3	66	182	163
San Jose	25	29	8	7	65	169	159
Anaheim	25	26	9	1	60	161	166

Overtime losses count as a loss and a regulation tie.

Thursday's Games
Vancouver 2, Buffalo 1
Ottawa 6, Tampa Bay 2
Montreal 3, Carolina 0
Colorado 5, New Jersey 5, tie
N.Y. Islanders 2, Philadelphia 2, tie

Friday's Games
Colorado 4, N.Y. Rangers 2
Los Angeles 3, Detroit 2
St. Louis 2, Nashville 1
Phoenix 4, Dallas 3
Washington 5, Chicago 4
Calgary 4, Edmonton 2
San Jose 4, Anaheim 4, tie

Saturday's Games
N.Y. Islanders at New Jersey, 1 p.m.
Vancouver at Ottawa, 4 p.m.
Los Angeles at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Washington at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Carolina, 8:30 p.m.
Calgary at Edmonton, 10 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Detroit at Chicago, 3 p.m.
Dallas at Colorado, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Rangers, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I would like to encourage the community to come out to support the Western Texas College girls basketball team in the last home game of the season.

They play Midland College on Monday night at 7:30 p.m. in the WTC gym (plenty of parking on the east side of the gym).

The team has had a tough season, but the win-loss record is certainly not indicative of the quality of talent and spirit these girls display both on and off the court.

They are great students as well as outstanding athletes.

Many of their games have been lost in the closing minutes due to "bad breaks." These girls maintain a high level of aggressive play from start to finish. They display good sportsmanship and HEART and should be commended for their efforts to represent the college in a positive way.

I applaud and appreciate their efforts – winning is great, but losing with dignity builds character.

Please come and show your support for these girls, their coach and the cheerleaders.

You will not regret the experience.

Sincerely,
Carolyn J. Barbee

(Other letters to the editor can be found on Page 6B of this issue)

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Hermleigh vs Roscoe

February 22, 7:00 pm at Sweetwater





HERMLEIGH CARDINALS — Members of the Hermleigh Cardinals are (front row, from left) Andy Luna, Angel Vasquez, Jared Higgins, Alfonso Rangel, Jeremy Roemisch and Juan Yruegas. On the back row are Chris McClure, Caleb Callaway, Joey Garza, Billy Lambaren, Tony Molina, Tony Garza and Head Coach Juan Rios. Not pictured is Terrel Culp.

Hermleigh Schools

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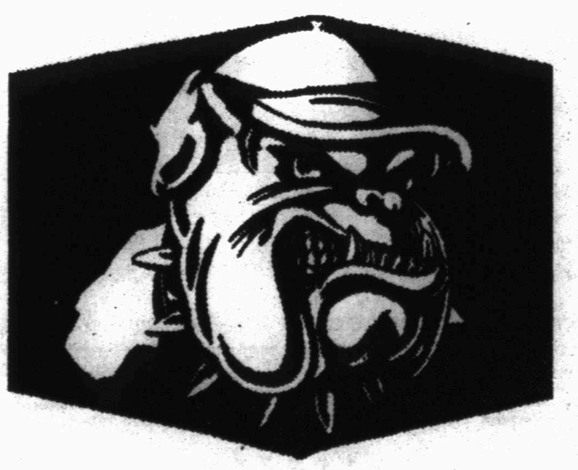
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Hermleigh Booster Club

Ira vs Klondike

February 22, 8:00 pm at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Big Spring





IRA BULLDOGS — Members of the Ira Bulldogs are (front row, from left) Head Coach Bubba Edwards, Jase Olvera, Nathan Smith, Jose Juarez, Terry Jamison and Asst. Coach Toby Goodwin. On the back row are Drew Wall, Bryce Wilkins, Jenson Gainer, Logan Daves, Jerek Brown, Richard Wilkins and Seth Sterling.

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Legal Notice

Bid Notice
The City of Snyder is accepting sealed bids for the purchase of a 2000 model small 1/2 ton pickup. The utility department will use this pickup. The bids will be received until Thursday, February 24, 2000, 3:30 p.m.. The City of Snyder reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Bids will be accepted at the office of the City Manager, 1925 24th Street, P.O. Drawer 1341, Snyder, Texas 79550 until 10:00 AM, CDST, Wednesday, the 1st day of March 2000, for the lease of real property located at 3701 College Avenue. All interested parties are invited to obtain a bid packet from the Office of the City Manager at City Hall 1925 24th Street. These documents will be available week days during regular office hours.

John W. Gayle, City Manager
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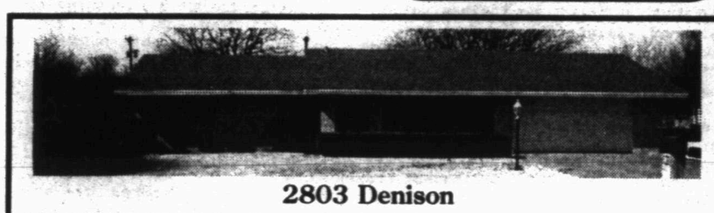
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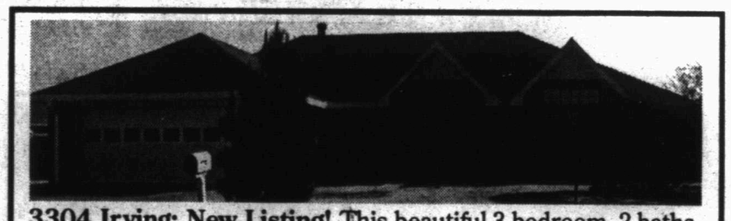


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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Testicle removal causes male menopause

DEAR DR. GOTT: As treatment for prostate cancer, I had my testicles removed. Now I have hot flashes that my doctor assures me will wear off in time. How long is "in time"?

DEAR READER: Cancer of the prostate gland is usually stimulated by the presence of male hormone (testosterone) in the body. Therefore, therapy may include removal of the testicles, a natural source of testosterone.

When men are suddenly deprived of this hormone, they often experience male menopause, similar to the identical affliction in women. Common symptoms include hot flashes, depression, emotional irritability and loss of sexual interest and ability.

Unfortunately, there is no way to predict how long these symptoms will persist — in either men or women. People have difficulty until their bodies adapt to the deficiency of hormones.

The symptoms of male and female menopause can ordinarily be relieved by the administration of supplemental hormones in pill, injection or patch forms. However, in the case of prostate cancer, testosterone supplements should be avoided because they could feed the cancer.

Your symptoms will recede "in time," but like your doctor, I cannot give you a specific time frame. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "The Prostate Gland." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: With regard to the aspirin issue, are you a "one-a-day" advocate or are you on the "it-does-no-good" side?

DEAR READER: I'm neutral.

Studies have proved that patients with heart disease or stroke can lessen their chances of having a heart attack or another stroke by taking an aspirin a day. However, at the time of this writing, no reputable authority has recommended aspirin therapy for healthy men and women. I don't advise such therapy for adults who are disease-free, and I don't take aspirin myself, because the risks (of excessive bleeding) outweigh the potential benefits.

However, as with most medical matters, opinions are sure to change. When they do, I'll update you in this column.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My mother was recently hospitalized and had great difficulty summoning a nurse when using a call bell. Why is this?

DEAR READER: (The following response is meant to be humorous; it is in no way intended to deprecate health-care providers.)

Many people are not familiar with hospital routines and equipment. This is a shame, because routines are often hilariously ambiguous and equipment is frequently devilishly uncooperative.

Consider the nurses' call button, which is ubiquitous. Every hospital bed is supplied with one: a little plastic device with a red button, attached to an electric cord. When pressed, the button sends a signal down the hall, within an angel-hair tangle of wires, to activate a buzzer in a console at the nurses' station.

The supposed intent of the call button is to, well, to summon a nurse. However, every experienced patient is perfectly aware that this is not the true purpose of the call button.

To begin with, here you are lying helpless in bed. You've just had surgery and you hurt. But the main problem is overwhelming nausea. You gag, roll over, blindly reach for the magic button, and push. Nothing happens. An endless five minutes later, in the middle of dry heaves, you again press the button. Nothing. This futile activity is repeated several more times, with predictable results. Dead silence.

What's going on? At the nurses' station, acoustic chaos reigns. The lights on the console are flickering like a Christmas tree, each one beeping its high-pitched signal. The ward clerk, now known formally and inexplicably as the Unit Coordinator, sits reading a paperback novel. One nurse is seated, seemingly oblivious to the noise, intently charting data on her patients. Two other nurses are standing to one side, discussing in hushed tones the pectoral development of the new surgical resident. The other nurses are on lunch break or answering lengthy calls of nature.

No one responds to the call buttons. The staff knows that if they were to do so, calamitous inequalities would result. The female patient on the bed pan in room 137, with the blue ring around her bottom, would expect assistance before the gentleman in 139, who wishes simply to have a back rub. To pay attention to one patient would mean paying attention to all, an unthinkably egalitarian act in any busy hospital. Therefore, the call button becomes merely an electronic sensor to inform the nurses which patients are 1. asleep, 2. in coma, or 3. well enough to recognize a red button and push it. This is comforting.

However, some patients do not readily adapt to the system. I know of one attorney who was under observation for a possible heart attack. After waiting interminably for a response to his call-button signal, he got out of bed, dragging his IV tubes, walked to the nurses' station, and demanded in a stentorian voice to be told what the hell was happening. Although his heart was eventually judged to be normal, the attorney was forever labeled a "difficult and demanding" patient at that hospital. This itself is an ailment for which health insurance allows no reimbursement.

I am convinced that the cacophonous cricket-chirping of call buttons has a meaningless but soothing effect on overworked professionals, rather like the vapid and unappealing music piped into airline terminals. The call buttons are not meant to be ANSWERED but to provide a familiar backdrop, the auditory equivalent of vile hospital odors, for staff members who take pride in the many advances of modern electronic medicine. I'm sure that some nurses could not balance their checkbooks or do their nails without hearing bleep-bleep noises. You see, a quiet nurses' station is not a busy, challenging or efficient place in which to be employed.

For their part, patients must come to realize that the call button — like the electric thingamajig that is supposed to raise and lower the hospital bed — is simply part of the new Rococo decor. It isn't supposed to work because it's pure decoration. Its secondary purpose is to provide many hours of entertainment for generations of electrical-maintenance workers who expend a major portion of their energies trying to service installations that were designed to malfunction. In order to overcome the theoretical technological advantages of health care centers, patients should not allow themselves to be admitted to hospitals without having with them an adult patient-advocate, a lawyer — and a bullhorn.

(All kidding aside, in most cases, nurses make every effort to respond to the variety of needs experienced by the patients on their wards. This is, as you might expect, a tremendous job that requires continuous prioritizing and juggling.)

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Olmos social activist

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill. (AP) — Edward James Olmos says he considers himself more of a social activist than an actor.

At Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville on Thursday, Olmos said minorities are underrepresented in movies.

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Thank you and may God's richest blessings rest on you and yours.

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COUNTY OF SCURRY

CAUSE NO. 19,311
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
PIONEER EXPLORATION COMPANY

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 12/27/1995
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, 0.750000 WUI, SW/4 of NE/4 of Section 598, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, as described in Volume 285, Page 893, Oil & Gas Records, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N6998)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: UNKNOWN STOCKHOLDERS OF BRAZOS PETROLEUM, INC., A DEFUNCT, TEXAS CORPORATION
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: PIONEER EXPLORATION COMPANY & WOLF PRODUCTION, INC.
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $3,644.20
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 19,359
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
L.E. MCCOLLUM

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 01/31/1996
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, Lot 7, Creswell Subdivision of Block 1, Marshall's Survey in the Scarborough Addition, as described in Volume 96, Page 63, of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R4028)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: L. E. MCCOLLUM
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: PEDRO JALOMOS
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $3,900.52
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 19,360
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
GOLDEN BRANDON F.S., ET AL

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 01/31/1996
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, The South 65 feet of the West 85 feet of Lot 3, Block 7, T.N. Nunn Addition, as described in Volume 211, Page 467, of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R3064)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: GOLDEN BRANDON F. S. & DORIS JAMES
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $2,952.17

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CAUSE NO. 19,363
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
LUPE SURITA ZAMORA, ET AL

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 01/31/1996
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, The West 50 feet by South 150 feet of Block 58, Cody Heights Addition, as described in Volume 286, Page 491, of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R3972)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: NELLIE ZAMORA
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: LUPE SURITA ZAMORA
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $515.05
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 19,419
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
VALERIANO OZUNA, ET AL

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 03/28/1996
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, All of Lots 4,5,6, and 10, in Block 6, of the D.N. Price Subdivision of Block No. 11 of the Cody Addition to the City of Snyder, Scurry County, Texas, as the same appears on the map or plat of said Subdivision which is of record in the office of the County Clerk of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R5044)
TRACT #2, Being a 140' x 100' tract of land out of the Southwest corner of Block 6, of the D.N. Price Subdivision of Block 11, of the Cody Addition to the City of Snyder, Scurry County, Texas, as the same appears on the map or plat of said Subdivision which is of record in the office of the County Clerk of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R5048)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: VALERIANO OZUNA & DORA OZUNA
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $2,214.47
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 19,549
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
WYNETTE SUE THREATT, ET AL

FIRST AMENDED PETITION FILED: 11/12/1998
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, A 50' X 465' tract of land containing .52 acre, more or less, NW 1/4 of Section 181, Block 3, H&GN RR Co. Survey, City of Snyder, Scurry County, Texas, as described in Volume 309, Page 123, Deed Records of said County. (Account No. R1355)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: WYNETTE SUE THREATT & SUE THREATT CARLISLE
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE

TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $2,539.14
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 19,940
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
STEVE CONLEY D/B/A UNITED FUELS, ET AL

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 10/24/1997
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, A 5 acre tract of land, more or less, out of Tract 66, Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision of Grimes Ranch Land Survey of Section 38, Block 1, Kirkland and Fields Survey, Scurry County, Texas, or as more particularly described in Volume 398, page 833 of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R1541)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: STEVE CONLEY
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: WEST TEXAS STATE BANK
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $5,796.63
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,073
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
PAUL LAWSON

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 04/17/1998
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, East 50 feet of lot No. 2, Block 20, Adams Addition to the City of Snyder, or as more fully described in Volume 363, Page 692 of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R5378)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: PAUL LAWSON, BETTY LOU BUTLER, ANDREW DAVID BJORN & MERLON PAUL BJORN
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $1,278.51
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,154
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
BEVERLY B. BECKWITH

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 07/22/1998
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, 0.005252 RIU, Sacroc Unit Tract 260, 160 acres, Northeast one-fourth of Section 211, Block 97, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N1507)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: BEVERLY B. BECKWITH
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $1,512.59
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,166
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
CAROLINE BLUNDY

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 07/28/1998
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, 0.002604 RIU, Sacroc Unit, Tracts 225-226, 20 acres, Southwest one-fourth and South 40 acres, Northwest one-fourth Section 248, Block 97, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N1363)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: CAROLINE BLUNDY
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $1,753.61
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,215
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
UNKNOWN SHAREHOLDERS OF MID CONTINENT CRUDE MARKETING, INC.

FIRST AMENDED PETITION FILED: 02/03/2000
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, A tract of land containing 5.58 acres, more or less, out of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 338, Block 97, H & T C Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas, or as more fully described in Volume 399, Page 473 of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R1989)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: UNKNOWN SHAREHOLDERS OF MID CONTINENT CRUDE MARKETING, INC.
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: JACKSON ENTERPRISES, INC. DBA AMERICAN RENTAL CENTER
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $2,417.39
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,222
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
MARGUERITE F. BOYD

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 09/22/1998
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, A 0.031250 R.I.U., Doris Cole -C-, H & G N Survey, Block 3, Section 141, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N6161)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: MARGUERITE F. BOYD
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $1,368.38
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,224
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
J. M. ODOM, ET AL

FIRST AMENDED PETITION FILED: 11/13/1998
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, A 0.002929 RIU, Sacroc Unit Tract 73, SE4 of Block 1, Section 19, J.P. Smith Survey, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N5264)
TRACT #2, A 0.015625 ORU, Sacroc Unit Tract 76, H & T C / JPS / H & G N along P & S F Row, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N5422)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: J. M. ODOM & VOLA MAE ODOM
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $4,681.82
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,321
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
O.H. ANDERSON

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 01/22/1999
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, Lot 4, Block 1, Helms Heights Subdivision, City of Snyder, or as more fully described in Volume 129, Page 303 of the Deed Records of Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. R7224)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: O. H. ANDERSON
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $308.95
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,448
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
UNKNOWN STOCKHOLDERS OF PARAGON ROYALTY, INC.

FIRST AMENDED PETITION FILED: 10/21/1999
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, 0.002894 RIU, Sacroc Unit, Tract 148, 160 acres, Section 293, Block 97, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. NC59167)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: UNKNOWN STOCKHOLDERS OF PARAGON ROYALTY, INC.
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $2,538.02
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,481
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
CHARLOTTE ROMAINE REHMEYER A/K/A CHARLOTTE REHMEYER ODELL

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 05/22/1999
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, 0.025477 RIU, SE 1/4 of Section 62, Block 3, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas. (Account No. N7355)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: CHARLOTTE ROMAINE REHMEYER AKA CHARLOTTE REHMEYER ODELL
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: NONE
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $1,267.09
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,538
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
MARIS ENERGY, INC., ET AL

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 09/01/1999
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, Being a 0.820000 net working interest in the Gilbert Richter Lease situated in the SE/4 of NW/4 of Section 97, in Block 25, H&TC Ry Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas from the surface to the top of the Sharon Ridge Canyon Unit's unitized formation. (Account No. N1136)
TRACT #2, Being a 0.8200 net working interest in the J.E. Sorrells Lease situated in the N\2 NE/4 NE/4 of Section 100, in Block 25, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas, from the surface to the top of the Sharon Ridge Canyon Unit's unitized formation. (Account No. N2021)
TRACT #3, Being a 0.8200 net working interest in the J.E. Sorrells-B-Lease situated in the SW/4 NE/4 of Section 97, in Block 25, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas from the surface to the top of the Sharon Ridge Canyon Unit's unitized formation. (Account No. N2022)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: NORAM INTERNATIONAL CONVERTIBLE SECURITIES FUND
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: MARIS ENERGY, INC., CARRLAND OIL & GAS, INC. & BAYRIDGE RESOURCES, LTD.
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $18,182.74
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

CAUSE NO. 20,579
SCURRY COUNTY
vs.
PATRA LOUISE BROCKMAN, ET AL

ORIGINAL PETITION FILED: 11/01/1999
CITATION BY PUBLICATION RETURN DATE: APRIL 3, 2000
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: TRACT #1, 1.0 acre, NW/4 of Section 209, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas, being the remainder of that 2.0 acre tract described in Volume 113, Page 161 after the conveyance therefrom of that 1.0 acre tract described in Volume 113, Page 167, Deed Records of said County. (Account No. R10684)

DEFENDANTS CITED BY PUBLICATION: PATRA LOUISE BROCKMAN & FLORENCE M. CRAWFORD
DEFENDANTS PERSONALLY SERVED: GYTHA P. BINDEL
TAXES, PENALTIES & INTEREST DUE PLANTIFF: $1,041.34
(IF PAID IN February, 2000)

Although this is a combined Citation by Publication for the delinquent tax suits listed above, there is no consolidation of these suits, and each and every suit remains separate and is to be treated as such for all purposes.

Listed in the caption above are separate suits, now pending, in which Petitions have been filed to collect delinquent property taxes and to foreclose applicable liens. The listing for each suit sets out: (1) the cause number; (2) the Plaintiff Tax Unit; (3) the Defendants cited by publication and the Defendants personally served; (4) the date the petition was filed; (5) the return date of this Citation; (6) the property description; and, (7) the total amount of taxes, penalties and interest due the Plaintiff if payment is made during the month this Citation by Publication is issued.

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: All Defendants named above.

EACH SUIT IS FOR: (1) Delinquent property taxes owed to Plaintiff on each property described above, the amounts shown above also include penalties and interest due Plaintiff up to the time of this Publication; and (2) all delinquent property taxes, penalties, interest and costs which may be proved by any taxing units.

COPIES OF PLEADINGS: Filed with the District clerk (Rule 72, Texas Rules of Civil Procedure). A copy of the Petition with citation is not required (Rule 117a, Texas Rules of Civil Procedure).

ADDITIONAL NOTICE: No further notice or citation to you is required on claims of Plaintiff and other taxing units, including additional taxes which may be shown to be delinquent up to the date of judgment. Parties to this suit must take notice of and answer to all claims and pleadings filed by other parties hereto.

This citation lists the Defendants in each separate suit whose names are known, the descriptions of the properties in each suit on which property taxes owed to Plaintiff are delinquent, due and unpaid, and the amounts of such delinquent taxes now due on each property, inclusive of penalty, interest and costs. When attached to any pleading in each suit, this citation is made a part of each such pleading for all pertinent purposes.

In addition to the Defendants listed by name above, whether the same be persons, corporations, trustees, joint stock associations or other legal entities or juristic persons, they are also made Defendants in each suit with regard to each property where applicable:

Group 1. Any and all undetermined, unnamed and/or unknown persons, proprietors, corporations, trustees, partnerships, joint stock associations and other legal entities or juristic persons owning all or any part of the properties described in this citation, or having or claiming any interest, legal or equitable, in and to all or any part of said properties, or liens thereon, including adverse claimants;

Group 2. Undetermined, unnamed and/or unknown stockholders of all Defendant corporations;

Group 3. Undetermined, unnamed and/or unknown members of all partnerships, joint stock associations and other legal entities which are Defendants;

Group 4. Undetermined, unnamed and/or unknown spouses of all named individual Defendants and all individual Defendants designated in Groups 1 through 3; and

Group 5. Undetermined, unnamed and/or unknown successors in title (of whatsoever nature and by whatsoever means), heirs, assigns, devisees and legal representatives of all named Defendants and Defendants designated in Groups 1through 4, whether or not such Defendants be deceased or under some legal disability.

For the purposes of citation, if and when the names of the foregoing designated Defendants can be determined and made certain, each such Defendant may be cited by name when such information becomes available, together with a brief description of the capacity in which each name has been made certain.

Defendants, properties and taxes involved are listed separately for each suit in this citation under separate cause numbers, the Defendants named under each cause number being those who own the property described under that same cause number or have or claim some interest, legal or equitable, in and to said property, or liens thereon, or interest in property comprising all or part of pooled and/or unitized tracts and mutations of such property. Taxes shown due under each cause number are those delinquent on the property described under that same cause number.

All lot, block, survey and group numbers, etc., herein are inclusive of all numbers appearing. All property herein was located within or had a taxable situs within the County named above and also within the geographical boundaries of the Plaintiff tax unit at the time taxes were assessed. Where descriptions herein refer to Deed Records of other records, such references are to volume and pages in the specified records of the County named in the caption hereof, and reference is made to such records referred to herein for all purposes.

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear and defend each suit listed herein in which you are named as a Defendant on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days after the date of issuance of this citation, which date is set out above, before said honorable District Court in the courthouse of said County, then and there to show cause why judgment should not be rendered for such taxes, interest, penalties, attorney fees and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiff, and other taxing units and those others who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, attorney fees and costs allowed by law up to and including the date of judgment herein.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT on the 17th day of February, 2000.

Trina Rodgers
Clerk of the District Court
SCURRY County, Texas

Snyder Daily News Classified 573-5486

2nd Front Page

THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Clinton OKs tough date-rape drug law

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton signed a bill Friday that would toughen federal laws for possession and distribution of a powerful "date rape" drug.

GHB, or gamma hydroxybutyrate, has been linked to at least 58 deaths since 1990 and more than 5,700 recorded overdoses, according to the Drug Enforcement Administration.

A few drops of the colorless, odorless drug are usually slipped into a drink. A victim who drinks it can lose consciousness within 20 minutes and often have no memory of what happened. The drug is difficult to trace, often leaving the body within 24 hours.

Under the legislation, GHB would be placed in a category of drugs that are the most strictly regulated by the federal Controlled Substances Act. Anyone who possesses, manufactures or distributes GHB could face a prison term of up to 20 years.

The legislation would give the DEA authority for the first time to seek federal criminal prosecutions against those possessing and distributing the drug, DEA officials said.

Exceptions would be made for GHB clinical studies approved by the Food and Drug Administration to determine whether the drug helps with medical problems such as narcolepsy, a sleeping disorder.

The legislation also places tougher monitoring controls on the distribution of GBL, a component of GHB, to try to prevent its diversion for illegal uses.

GBL has commercial applications including being used as a paint remover and dietary supplement. Some products containing GBL have been promoted with unsubstantiated claims to build muscles, enhance sex, reduce stress or induce sleep.

GHB, which can give users a high, also has been mixed in bathtubs at parties, and instructions on how to make it can be easily obtained over the Internet, authorities say.

GHB already is a controlled substance in 20 states.

The bill is named for two teenagers who died after GHB was slipped into their soft drinks.

U.S. won't change custodian of Elian

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rejecting a request from Elian Gonzalez' father in Cuba, the Immigration and Naturalization Service refused Friday to shift the 6-year-old boy to a new temporary custodian in Miami on grounds that would be too disruptive.

The INS said that it was continuing to press in federal court for Elian's return to his father in Cuba.

But the agency said "transferring Elian temporarily to a new and unfamiliar environment would not be advisable for the child after already experiencing the trauma of leaving his home in Cuba and losing his mother."

The decision was relayed by letter to the father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez, in Cuba, INS officials said.

Since he was found clinging to an inner tube off Florida last Thanksgiving, Elian has been temporarily placed in the custody of a great-uncle, Lazaro Gonzalez, whose family is fighting in federal court to keep the boy in this country permanently. His mother and 10 others died in a boat wreck while fleeing Cuba.

Elian's father had requested that Attorney General Janet Reno shift the boy's temporary custody to another of his great-uncles in Miami, Manolo Gonzalez.

Juan Miguel Gonzalez had complained that Lazaro Gonzalez and his family had given the news media too much access to Elian, had arranged psychiatric treatment for the boy by doctors who had not been approved by his father, and had allowed relatives with criminal records to be around the boy.

The INS statement said the agency shares the father's concerns about the boy's well-being "and therefore will request information from Lazaro Gonzalez concerning the credentials of any psychiatrist or psychologist who has seen Elian, as well as any treatment that may have been prescribed for him."

The agency also promised to obtain details of Elian's schooling in this country.

A Miami-based nongovernmental organization visited Lazaro's home to verify that it was an adequate setting for Elian, the INS said. The agency also said it was aware that Lazaro had past convictions for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Nevertheless, the agency said its current information does not suggest Lazaro's home is inadequate for Elian's temporary care.

Earlier in the day, Reno rejected a request to meet with Elian.

Policy applied unevenly, but experts cannot find any bias

WASHINGTON (AP) — Wide racial disparities exist in the numbers of school children disciplined under zero tolerance programs, but that does not necessarily mean racism is at work, as critics like Jesse Jackson claim, an Education Department official said Friday.

Still, a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights said he is concerned the numbers provide evidence that get-tough punishments used in America's classrooms may be applied unfairly.

"I'm not saying the disparities are proof of anything, but there is at least smoke," Harvard University law professor Christopher Edley said at a commission hearing.

His comments came in response to figures showing that for the 1997 school year, black children made up 17 percent of all U.S. students but 32 percent of those suspended.

Hispanics made up 14 percent of students and 13.5 percent of those suspended, while whites accounted for 63 percent of students and 51 percent of those suspended, according to Education Department figures.

"A numerical disparity does not by itself prove discrimination," Norma Cantu, assistant secretary of education for civil rights, told the commission. Cantu said the disproportionately high suspension rate for black students predates new zero tolerance policies and goes back as far as the mid 1970s.

In the same way mandatory minimum sentences and three-strike sentencing laws have been used widely as a no-nonsense way to battle crime, zero tolerance policies in schools have grown since the 1994 Gun-Free Schools Act passed.

Last year, Jackson brought the issue to national attention, defending six black teenagers who were expelled for up to two years as the result of a bleacher-clearing fight at a football game in Decatur, Ill.

He called the policy "an ugly, expensive, uneducational failure" and the biggest civil rights issue facing the country.

After Jackson's intervention, the city's school board cut the expulsions to one year and let the six students attend alternative schools.

Parent survey in weekend edition

A parent survey concerning the 2000-2001 Snyder ISD school calendar can be found on page 7B of the weekend's paper.

Diane Arnold, a parent volunteer on the SISD school calendar committee, designed the survey to get parental input on various holidays, early release days and the school start date.

The survey should be mailed to her at 4501 Galveston, Snyder, Texas, 79549, by Tuesday.

Alcohol-related charges send two to jail on Friday

Alcohol-related charges sent two subjects to jail Friday.

At 4:40 p.m., a 45-year-old male was taken into custody at the justice of the peace office on a warrant for public intoxication.

A charge of driving while intoxicated resulted in the arrest of a 48-year-old male Friday evening. Department of Public Safety troopers picked him up at 7:25 p.m. on U.S. Hwy. 84.

A clerk with Town & Country on East Coliseum Drive reported a gas drive-off in the amount of $8.15 at 9:50 p.m. Friday. A report was filed for Class C theft.

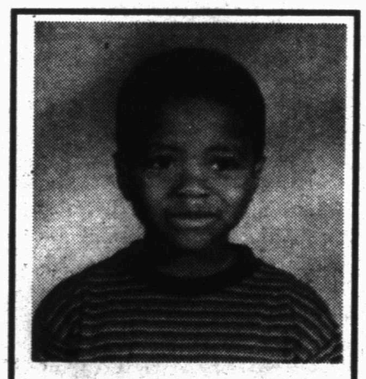
At 1:28 a.m. Saturday, a citation was issued to a juvenile at Town & Country on East Coliseum Drive for minor in consumption of alcohol.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Feb. 18-Clydie Barham.

DISMISSALS: Ronnie Black, Garick Clayton of Hermleigh, John Cagle, Opal Denson, Marvin Hanson, Wallace Stark and Lillian Williamson.

CENSUS: 33 (Med./Surg.-8, Long-term Care-24 and ICU-1)



Happy 7th Birthday Scott Smith

Love,
Mom & Dad

Obituaries

Kelton Clayton

1989-2000

Kelton Cody Clayton, 10, of Snyder died Thursday, Feb. 17, in a one vehicle roll-over 10 miles southeast of Snyder on CR 466.



Kelton Clayton

Service for Kelton, fifth grade student at Northeast Elementary, was set for 4 p.m. Saturday in the First Baptist Church. The Rev. Jim Wright, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, will officiate. Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Cremation is planned.

Born on April 19, 1989 in Vernal, Utah, he was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Snyder.

Survivors include his mother, Lisa Clayton of Bandera; two brothers, Forest Clayton and Garick Clayton, both of Snyder; and his maternal grandparents, George and Donna Roberts of Snyder; paternal grandmother, Virginia Clayton of Vernal, Utah; Maternal great-grandparents, Hank and Virginia Henry of Bandera; and paternal great-grandmother, Patsy Allen of San Benito.

The family suggests memorials to the Northeast Parent Council, 2901 37th Street, Snyder, 79549.

H.B. Harvick

1917-2000

THROCKMORTON — Funeral service for H.B. Harvick of Throckmorton is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the First United Methodist Church in Throckmorton. The Rev. Ava Berry will officiate.

Mr. Harvick, 82, died Feb. 17 in the United Regional Healthcare System in Wichita Falls.

Born on Sept. 16, 1917 in Tuxedo, he married Mary Lou Rankin on Feb. 2, 1948 in Snyder.

Mr. Harvick served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a heavy equipment operator. He attended diesel school in Tulsa, Okla. Mr. Harvick was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Lou Harvick of Throckmorton; one son, George Ray Harvick of Albany; one daughter, Brenda Carol Williams of Wichita Falls; one sister, Juanita Martin of Wichita Falls; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Victory Baptist revival

Victory Baptist Church will hold a revival Sunday through Friday. Dr. Clyde Spain will be the guest speaker. Services Sunday are at 10:45 a.m. and 6:30 p.m., and weekday services are at 7 p.m.

Weigh down workshop

The weigh down workshop is a 12-week Bible-based weight loss program starting at 7 p.m. Monday, at Trinity Methodist Church. For more information, call the church office at 573-3988, or Dorothy Petersen at 573-7044.

Bible study tapes

Bible study tapes air weekly on TV channel 2. The videos to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "The Scheme of Redemption," followed by "Historical Christian Evidences, Lesson I."

Jury panel cancelled

The jury panel originally called for last Monday and rescheduled for Tuesday in 132nd District Court has again been cancelled.

Ira pep rally

Ira schools will hold a pep rally at 3:05 p.m. Tuesday in the old gym prior to the team leaving for Big Spring for the bi-district basketball game. The booster club will meet at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday, March 1, in the school cafeteria.

Multi-cultural day

WTC will have a multi-cultural day in the college cafeteria from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Tuesday. It will be an all-you-can-eat buffet for $6 and proceeds will go to the International Student Club.

Senior Citizens swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 2-3 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday at the WTC pool. For more information, call 573-4035.

Cancer board meeting

The Scurry County unit of the American Cancer Society will hold a board of directors meeting at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the Cogdell Hospital board room.

Amateur radio operators

Snyder area radio operators will conduct its weekly check in/ragchew net at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. This net will operate on frequency 146.920 with PL tone 67. All licensed amateurs are welcome to check in. For more information call Mike @ KM5TC (573-2222), or David @ KC5GFM (573-8182).

Genealogical Society

Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at the Scurry County Library at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Children's Room. The program will focus on basic computer skills. Visitors are welcome.

Free tax help

There is free tax help for low income and elderly people each Wednesday at the Snyder Senior Center by an IRS-trained counselor. Times are from 9 a.m. until noon, and 1-3 p.m. Call 573-4035 or 573-3822 for additional information.

Pesticides class

WTC will host a pesticides class for area farmers from 6-9 p.m. Thursday in the Learning Resource Center. Cost is $5. Three CEUs will be awarded for attendance. The program is sponsored by WTC and the Texas Agriculture Extension Service. It will also be transmitted to Stamford and Anson High Schools via ITV. To register, call 573-8511, ext. 390.

WTC basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at Western Texas College are taught Tuesday and Thursday from 8-11 a.m., and from 6-9 p.m. Classes include G.E.D. and E.S.L. refresher courses. For additional information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Windbreak trees

Windbreak tree seedlings have arrived at the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation office in Snyder. If you missed the ordering deadline, there are plenty of extra trees for sale at the USDA complex, 5309 Big Spring highway.

WTC planetarium shows

The planetarium at WTC is available for spring offering of star shows. Presentations will be held on Fridays by special arrangements. Shows are by reservation only and there is no charge. Shows are available to fit any age group. For reservations call 573-8511, Ext. 312.

Snyder Junior High musical

"Seven Brides for Seven Brothers" will be presented March 2-4 and March 6. Tickets are on sale now at the school.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information call Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
3-18-22-32-39

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
4-1-2

Texas Million

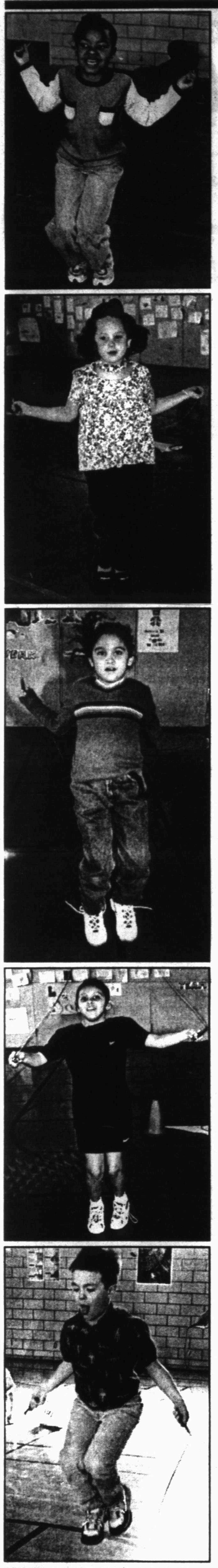
AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Million numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
8-15-86-95

Flyers were told to assume crash position

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Passengers on an American Airlines' MD-80 were told to prepare for a crash landing Friday night in San Antonio after a flap indicator light signaled a problem in the plane's wing, a television station reported.

The plane landed without incident around 6 p.m. No one was injured.

The MD-80 is similar to the plane that crashed Jan. 31 offshore northwest of Los Angeles, killing 88 people aboard Alaska Airlines Flight 261. Airlines have been ordered to inspect MD-80s after stabilizer jackscrew problems were found in the Alaska Airlines wreckage.



JUMP ROPE FOR HEART — Central Elementary third graders jumped rope for heart Wednesday. A few of those participating in the annual fundraiser for the American Heart Association are, from the top, Chassidy Sterling, Holly Manlief, Brittney Rivera, Yoci Arellano, David Strayhorn. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, Feb. 20, 2000

Conditions that restricted your well being and happiness may be alleviated in the year ahead. When you see the skies brightening, move forward bravely with your objectives.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Indecision can be your nemesis today. By being too shy or timid about saying what you know to be right, you risk someone making a bad judgment that can affect you. Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Watch yourself that you don't shoot your mouth off without considering how you should phrase your thoughts. Being critical of others is like throwing stones while living in a glass house.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Money-making tips or ideas offered today by others may leave a lot to be desired. It's okay to consider the deals, but check them out first before putting up any hard cash.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It isn't necessary to promise companions more than you can deliver simply in order to impress them. In fact, it will work against you later when you'll have to disappoint them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Usually you're a good listener and collector of facts, but today you could miss out on some very constructive information all because you'll tend to let your mind wonder.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be especially cognizant of small details today, because you could have a tendency to be slightly careless. Don't leave your ring on the washstand or your credit card at the store.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A notorious time-waster could disrupt your schedule today if you allow her or him to linger too long over gossip and coffee. Don't be afraid to manage your time wisely.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't be stubborn about sticking with a plan or program which has shown signs of being infeasible. Start making revisions today instead of wasting any more time over it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you're a bit too gullible today, an associate will spot and take advantage of that fact and start expounding on imaginary exploits merely to make you jealous.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Watch with whom you associate today, because someone you believe is a staunch ally may be anything but. Her or his designs might be aimed at causing disharmony in order to feather her or his own nest.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be careful today that you don't waste too much valuable time designing a vehicle that has square wheels. Your vision could be a bit blurred and not as practical as it should be.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It won't work today to attempt to buy someone's support in order to garner more than your fair share from a joint endeavor. Expect others to be fair with you, but you be fair with them.

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Your Birthday

Monday, Feb. 21, 2000

Several nice people you'd like to meet, but haven't yet, will cross your path in the year ahead. More than a few will become very good friends.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Don't sit on your good intentions today, especially when you'd like to offer some assistance. People will welcome your gestures with open arms. Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Whereas at another time, on another day, crowds might fray your nerves, today you'll easily mingle, greet and enjoy any encounters you have with a large gathering.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You usually do better when allowed to work alone and at your own pace. This will be still true today, but operating with others won't be as burdensome as usual.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Fortunately for you, you should be able to handle events quite philosophically if something goes awry today. With this attitude, problems will roll off you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) What might seem wasteful to another will, to you, be an act of kindness today. You will willingly give of your time, energies and assets to help a loved one.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) That quick wit you possess will be very much in evidence today as you utilize it expertly to advert what otherwise might have developed into a squabble or quarrel.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Even though this is be the start of a work week, you might treat your day more lightheartedly than usual. Interesting enough, this will make you more productive.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Setting aside serious problems of a personal nature might be just what the doctor ordered for you today. Your sociable, outgoing mood will brighten everyone's day.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A situation that might have caused you consternation yesterday could resolve itself today without any further effort on your part, making things much brighter for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) People sincerely like you, but don't always show it. Today, however, they'll demonstrate their fondness for you in open and obvious ways.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Matters that pertain to your finances, resources or career should run rather smoothly for you today. Take advantage of these aspects to jump-start your week.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Treat everyone you encounter equally and well today. They, in turn, will respond to you with a hail- fellow-well-met attitude. The mood you set will return ten-fold.

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Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Leon and Pauline Autry, 2000 Buick from Big County Autoland.

Gene Dulaney, 2000 Cadillac from Alderson Cadillac.

Richard and Melisa Kruger, 2000 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

John L. and Judy Martinez, 2000 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Laura Hall, 2000 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Maria and Calarino Lambaren, 2000 Chevrolet from Big County Autoland.

Emmett Banks, 2000 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Snyder Area Contractors, 2000 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Jodi Cribbs, 2000 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Marcellene S. Wilson, 2000 Ford Expedition from Wilson Motors.

Viola F. Stirl, 2000 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Price Construction, 2000 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Gilbert and Eudelida Garcia, 2000 Ford Expedition from Wilson Motors.

Rosie and Bobby Holland, 2000 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Jack Green, 2000 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Johnny and Zelma Irons, 2000 Mercury from Wilson Motors.

Marriage License

Roger Dale Lindsey and Rebecca Lynn May, both of Ira.

Daniel Zane Gambol and Kimberly Shawn Neves, both of Snyder.

Roy Kent Sutton and Leslie Marie Johnson, both of Snyder.

Jeremy Lewis Helm of Ira and Abby Anna Rangel of Lamesa.

Filed in District Court

Southwest Associates Inc. vs. Battery Conservation Technology Inc. and Robert L. Curry Sr., individually, suit on sworn account.

Action in District Court

Maria Byrand vs. American States Insurance and Lester C. Bryce, order of dismissal with prejudice.

BankAmerica Housing Service, a division of Bank of America, vs. Martin Garcia and Lora Garcia, agreed final judgment.

In the marriage of Gail Jean Koening and Troy Lee Koening, divorce granted.

In the marriage of John Michael Duddleston and Debra Kay Duddleston, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Walter Blaine Dortch and Pamela Loyce Dortch, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Christy Coleen Pierce and David Andrew Pierce, divorce granted.

Deed Records

Jearld Smith, trustee of The Jerald and Ione C. Smith Family Trust, to Gregory D. Gonzales, the east 75 feet of Lot 3 in Block 49 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Mercedes Vargas to Oscar Leon Vargas, Lot 25 in Block 2 of the Cullum Addition.

Arnold David Taylor to Orlando and Angelicia Benitez, the west 75 feet of Lot 4 in Block 19 of the Blankenship Addition.

Emeterio L. and Salema B. Romo and Gloria Romo to Swartrz and Brough Inc., Lot 1 of the Scott Replat of Block 5 in the Adams Addition.

Charles E. and Patricia A. Reynolds to Suzan Hughes, a 60x40-foot tract in the southeast one-quarter of Section 181, Block 3, H&GN survey.

John Soto, Chindo Soto, Stella Nieto, Rebecca Soto, Richard Soto and Raymond Soto to Mike Soto, tract one being 3.0 acres out of the southwest one-quarter of Section 72, Block 2, H&TC survey; tract two being a tract out of Section 2, Block 2, H&TC survey.

Lupe Lopez to William G. Hatfield Jr., all of Lot 3 in Block 10 of the Blankenship Addition.

Benton Cowen to Lupe Lopez, tract one being the east one-half of Lot 3 in Block 10 of the Blankenship Addition; tract two being the west one-half of Lot 3 in Block 10 of the Blankenship Addition.

Dale Lindsey and Brad Redman to Swartz and Brough Inc, Lots 1 and 2 in Block 24 of the T.N. Nunn Addition.

Richard Dupree to Daniel and Judidia G. Cabrera, Lot 8 in Block 2 of the Parkway Addition.

Robert P. and Anna M. Egger to Jessie and Juanita M. Carrisalez, all of Lot 21 in Block F of the Towle Place Addition.

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Scurry County Folks

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Scurry County Museum panel...

Veterans discuss WWII battlefront

(Editor's Note: The Scurry County Museum recently hosted two panel discussions about World War II which coincides with its display of trench art and other military items. One panel, the subject of this week's Folks Column, pertained to the battlefront. The home front was the subject of another panel discussion, and it will be featured next week.)

Four local World War II veterans shared their war experiences recently at the Scurry County Museum. They were members of a panel and discussed their battlefront experiences.

Panelists were Judge Gene Dulaney, Bill Wilson Jr. Ottus Boyd and H.D. Moreland.

Moderator, Charles Anderson asked the panelists several questions. The first concerned what they remembered about what people felt regarding whether the U.S. should enter the war or not. He also asked them where they were when they learned the Japanese had bombed Pearl Harbor.

Judge Dulaney said, "We didn't think a lot about it (the war in Europe) at the time. Of course we wanted France and the other countries to win but we never thought about getting into the war."

He was a senior at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn. when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941.

Studying in the dorm, Dulaney said he didn't believe it at first when another student told him what had happened.

"We knew we were in the war then," he recalled. With the draft board "breathing down my neck," he said he arranged to finish college first, by promising to enlist the following June.

After Dulaney graduated, he kept his word and enlisted in the U.S. Army. Soon after he applied for officer candidate school in Fort Knox, Ky., the tanks and armor division.

"It was the hardest work I ever did in my life, physically and mentally. A lot of them washed out, but I made it and was commissioned a second lieutenant."

He was assigned to the 12th Armor division on maneuvers in Tennessee. I was the umpire with a tank and driver, he recalled.

Churning up the dust really aggravated his sinuses and hay fever so he asked if he could transfer to the Air Corps. He did and was assigned to San Antonio. It was his first time to be in Texas and he thought the area was very pretty.

Dulaney was trained as a pilot and bombardier and flew several training missions. After he earned his wings, he was assigned to serve as a bombardier in a B-24.

For the missions, officers and enlisted men were paired up. They got up at ~~4 a.m., ate break-~~ fast and then flew missions over the Adriatic Sea, Yugoslavia and on into Austria and Germany where they dropped their bombs. They ate K- rations, consisting of cheese and crackers, and they had a canteen of water.



BATTLEFRONT PANEL — Local World War II veterans recently took part in a panel discussion about the battlefront. From left are, Judge Gene Dulaney and Bill Wilson Jr.. Charles Anderson, center, who served as moderator, holds a ratio book. Continuing left, other veterans were Ottus Boyd and H.D. Moreland. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

One day, one crew's bombardier was sick, so Dulaney was asked to fly in his place. They came under fire, and with their fuel line damaged, they lost fuel and couldn't keep flying in formation.

It was a cloudy day, but he said they spotted a piece of land and set the plane down.

They had no idea where they were because their navigator had passed out due to loss of oxygen when his oxygen mask came off.

Dulaney said they found a peasant and his wife and were trying to find out from them where they had landed. He noted that at the time Germans were still in Yugoslavia. He said two groups of Yugoslavs helped Americans who were shot down but another one was a bandit organization that killed everyone they met.

They came to a small town, and the mayor gave them brown bread, wine and fish stew to eat.

He said they were anxious to get back to their base so their families wouldn't be told they were missing in action.

Dulaney and a couple of crew members tried to gather everyone. While searching, they encountered several girls at the mayor's office who thought the Americans were looking for five wives, and these girls were going to volunteer.

As soon as it was safe for them to leave, they boarded a British LTC boat for part of the return trip. Eventually, they were picked up and returned to the base. That's when Dulaney and the others learned that they had already been considered missing in action. All of their belongings had been packed up for shipment home. He had received a fruit cake for Christmas which everyone ate while he was gone.

The next mission Dulaney flew with his own crew and again they got "shot up" and had to parachute over Italy.

The pilot placed the plane on auto pilot and headed out to sea because they were going to crash. Everyone was told they had to bail out. They were all being so polite because no one wanted to be the first to jump, Dulaney said.

"It wasn't like the picture shows," he said. "We didn't hit the ground easy. When you first jump you feel like you are standing still. And then when you get close to the ground it rushes up to you."

Dulaney was knocked out on impact and one of his legs was badly injured. He came to in the back yard of a farm house. The wife was crying and wringing her hands, Dulaney said. The man and his son helped him into their home and gave him some wine to drink. The man stopped an American truck as it was going by and they picked Dulaney up and took him to wing headquarters. At the hospital, he said he learned that although his leg was badly swollen, it was not broken.

A brigadier general came looking for "the lieutenant who had bailed out of the plane" and offered him a shot of bourbon, which Dulaney gladly accepted.

The next day he was placed in an ambulance and transported back to the base. The others kidded him that while they were looking for him and the rest of the crew who had become scattered after they jumped, he was drinking with the general at wing headquarters.

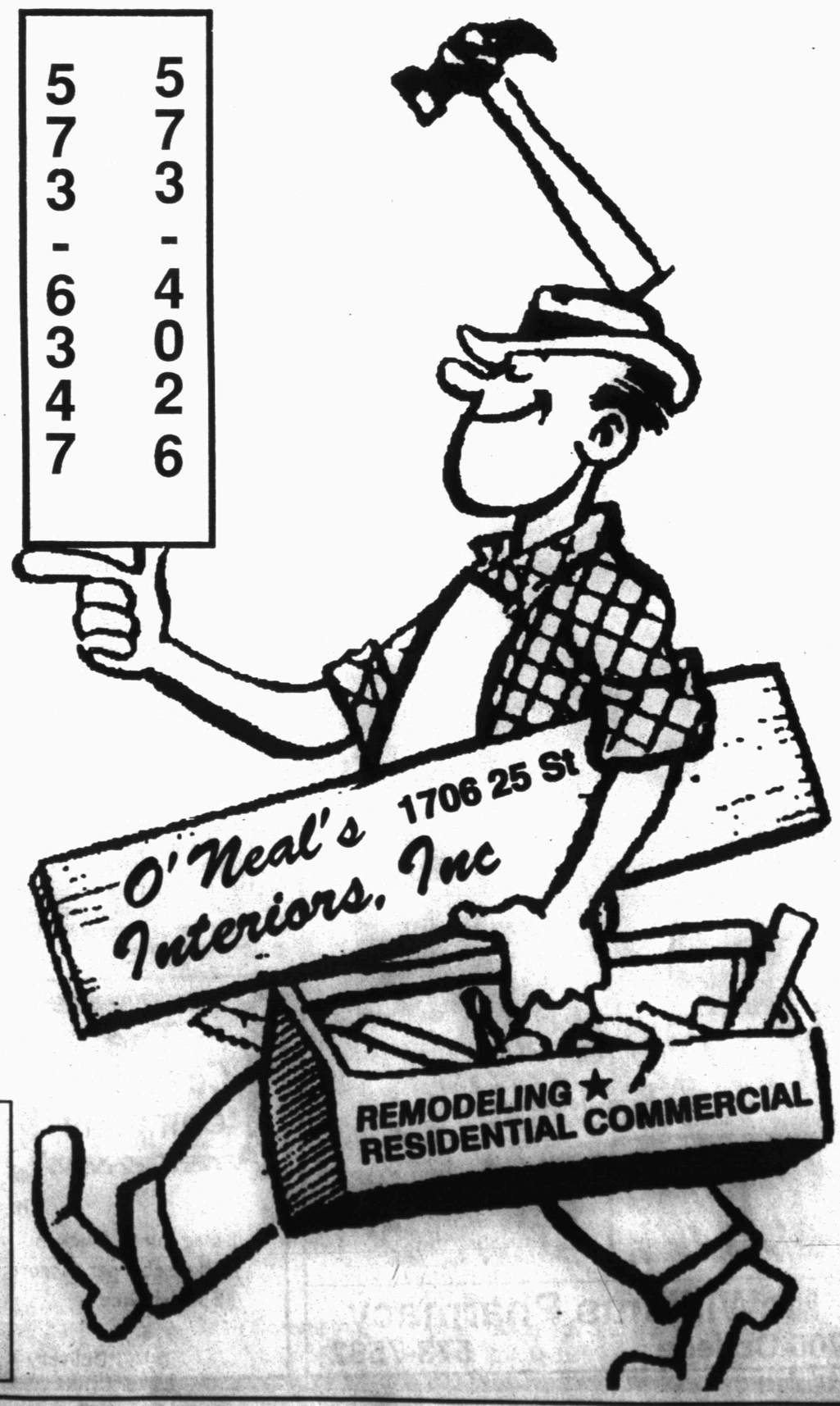
Dulaney said the others in his crew had all been hurt when they parachuted, so they all received

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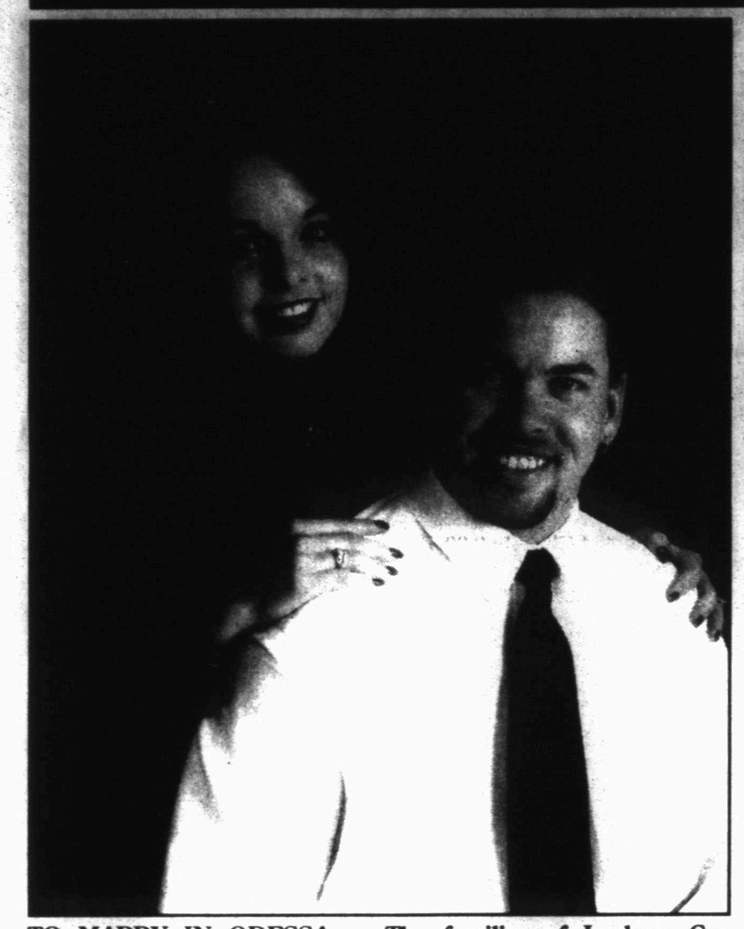
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TO MARRY IN ODESSA — The families of Joydaun Coy Farmer and William David Clark announce their engagement and approaching marriage. Joydaun's parents are Mary Farmer and Monty Farmer of Dallas. Her grandparents are Anita Farmer of Snyder, the late Lloyd Farmer, and Arnold and Altie Lee of Colorado City. The prospective groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Larry Jay Clark of Midland and Daphne Diane Clark of Lubbock. The couple plans a 2 p.m., March 18 wedding in Emmanuel Baptist Church in Odessa. (Contributed Photo)

SC Library News & Views

Scurry County Library will have its annual book sale during the last week of March. We accept donations of paperbacks and hardbacks for this sale. If you have books you wish to donate, please contact the library staff. Also, remember to come to the sale in March.

BOOK FEATURE

"Cyber Rights," by Mike Godwin.

Mike Godwin serves as online counsel to the Electronic Frontier Foundation. He assists private citizens when their computers are seized. He is frequently called upon by law enforcement personnel for advice concerning issues of civil liberty in cyberspace. He is deeply involved in protecting our constitutional rights on Net, and offers practical guidelines on making virtual communities work for us all.

NEW NON-FICTION

"I'm Not Mad, I Just Hate You!" by Roni Cohen-Sandler.

"Live Now, Age Later: Proven Ways to Slow Down the Clock," by Isadore Rosenfeld.

"The Other Side of Everest," by Matt Dickinson.

NEW FICTION

"Do You Want to Know a Secret?" by Mary Jane Clark.

"The Pleasing Hour," by Lily King.

"Thunderhead," by Douglas Preston.

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♥ Q 2
♦ A J 10 9 8
♣ 5 4 2

West
♠ 9 5 2
♥ J 9 7 6 4
♦ 7 2
♣ A K 3

East
♠ J 10 8 6
♥ 10 8 5 3
♦ Q 6 4 3
♣ 7

South
♠ A K Q
♥ A K
♦ K 5
♣ Q J 10 9 8 6

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ 6

Find the way to the tricks

By Phillip Alder

As we are only too well aware, it is frustrating to have a fistful of tricks sitting in the dummy with no way to reach them. Then our only chance is to try to endplay an opponent so that he must bring the dummy back to life, in phoenix fashion.

Still, more often than not, better planning earlier in the play would have made relying on the opponents unnecessary. Take this deal as an example. You are in three no-trump. After West leads a heart, how would you try to bring home nine tricks?

It would have been reasonable for South to call his hand a balanced 23-24 pointer, rebidding two no-trump over two diamonds. Also, perhaps North should have continued with four clubs; note that five clubs is an easy make. Yet when three no-trump is a feasible contract, it is hard not to pass.

Start by counting your top tricks. There are seven: three spades, two hearts and two diamonds. Four more are available from the clubs, but South doesn't have time to play on that suit. The defenders will have cashed three hearts and two clubs before declarer could net nine.

Instead, South must establish dummy's diamond suit. But where is the side-suit entry? The only candidate is the heart queen. Ah — there's the solution. Cash the diamond king, play a diamond to dummy's ace, and continue with the diamond jack, discarding your remaining heart honor!

If East returns a heart, you have nine tricks. However, if he switches to a spade, you have time to establish the club suit (and end with an overtrick).

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Bridge Scores

Duplicate Bridge Club games are held at Snyder Country Club.

Friday, Feb. 11

Monte West directed.

A.

1. Dot Casey, Barbara Yorgesen.
2. Bette Byrd, Johnye Van Dever.
3. Sue Reed, Anita Talbott.

B.

1. Sue Reed, Anita Talbott.
2. Dorothy Rosson, Billisue Stuard.
3. Dora Blakey, Nina Nesbit.

Sunday, Feb. 13

No game.

Tuesday, Feb. 15

Directed by Jane Hinton.

1. Nona Morrison, Billisue Stuard.
2. Jane Hinton, Christine Stuard.
3. Margaret Birdwell, Monte West.

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Practice vocabulary — Children use vocabulary — stethscope, injection, fever — when playing doctor, they use other vocabulary related to experiences that they then incorporate into related play themes

Hicks, Salinas exchange vows in Colonial Hill Baptist Church

Amanda Ann Hicks and Jesse Salinas exchanged double-ring wedding vows at 2 p.m. on Dec. 11, 1999 in Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Dan and Debbie Hicks of Snyder are parents of the bride and Janie and Prudencio Salinas Sr. are parents of the groom.

Dr. Tommy Culwell, minister of the church, officiated the ceremony in the sanctuary decorated with red and white Christmas poinsettias and red candles lining the altar.

Ryan Huddleston and Wesley Huddleston, cousins of the bride from Midland, and Dan Hicks Jr., lighted candles and also seated guests.

Organist Paula Howard provided wedding music that included "My Best Friend" after the exchange of vows.

The bride, given in marriage by her mother and father, wore an elegant floor-length white, t crepe dress designed by Alfred Angelo. It had an empire waist trimmed with embroidered lace and simulated pearls.

For something old, the bride carried pennies that were minted in the couple's birth years. Something new was her dress; something borrowed were pearl earring and necklace from her grandmother, Sandra West; and something blue was a garter made by Ruby Johnson.

The bride carried a bouquet of white carnations and daisies tied with navy blue and silver ribbon.

Maid of honor Missy Hicks, sister of the bride, wore a navy floor-length dress designed by Von Bramlett. It had an empire waist highlighted by a satin band and a small bow in the back. Missy carried a smaller bouquet patterned after the bride's.

Best man was Prudencio Salinas Jr., brother of the groom. He and the groom wore navy blue Guess jeans with white shirts.

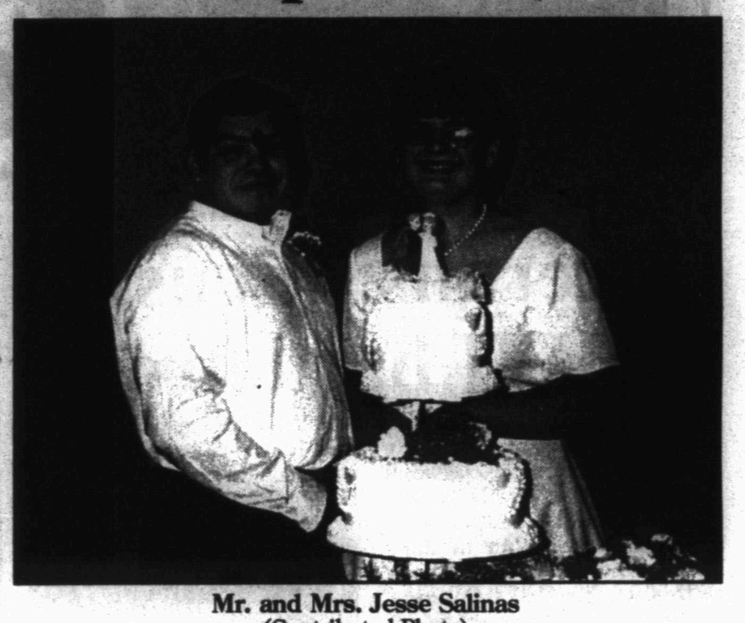
Janie Salinas, sister of the groom, registered guests as they entered the church at a table decorated with a navy cloth topped with a lace cloth.

The reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. The bride's bouquet and a picture of the bride and groom served as the centerpiece on the table holding the three-tiered wedding cake, decorated with fresh flowers. Sandy Hall made the cake.

Serving were Betty Hicks, sister-in-law of the bride, Shannon Meek, sister of the bride from San Angelo, and Adrienne Meek, niece of the bride. Leah Williams took wedding photos.

Their honeymoon was to Lubbock and they have made their home in Snyder.

Mrs. Salinas, a 1999 graduate of Snyder High School, is employed at Movies n' More Video Store. Mr. Salinas is a 1998 graduate of SHS and is employed at Westside 66.



Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Salinas
(Contributed Photo)

School Menus

Ira

All meals are served with choice of milk.

Monday
Beef Tamale Pie
Corn
Pinto Beans
Crackers
Chocolate Cake
Tuesday
Hot Dogs
Fries
Pork & Beans
Crackers
Wednesday
Chicken Ala King
Toast
Carrots
Shredded Lettuce
Peach Cobbler
Thursday
Corn Dogs
Fries
Ranch Style Beans
Oranges
Friday
Nachos Supreme
Corn
Vegetable Salad
Crackers
Pineapple Upside Down Cake

Hermleigh

All meals are served with milk

BREAKFAST
Monday
Pancakes w/Syrup
Tuesday
Fruit
Buttered Oatmeal
Wednesday
Juice
Toast & Jelly
Thursday
Fruit
Scrambled Egg
Friday
Student Holiday
LUNCH
Monday
Enchiladas w/chili cheese
Refried Beans
Tossed Salad
Sopapillas
Tuesday
Pinto Beans
Macaroni & Tomatoes
Corn Bread
Chilled Peaches
Wednesday
Barbecued Hamburger Patties
Potato Salad
Cole Slaw
Hot Rolls
Pineapple Pudding
Thursday
Sloppy Joes
Potato Chips
Relish Cup
Chilled Pears

Snyder

All meals are served with choice of milk and the breakfast menu can be substituted with assorted dry cereal, toast with jelly and juice.

BREAKFAST
Monday
HOLIDAY
President's Day
Tuesday
Scrambled eggs
Wednesday
Sausage on a Stick
Thursday
Breakfast Pizza
Friday
Teacher's Work Day
LUNCH
Monday
HOLIDAY
President's Day
Tuesday
Chili Dog on a Bun
Beef Nachoes
Pinto Beans
Tossed Salad
Brownies
Wednesday
Pizza or
Steak Fingers w/Gravy
And Texas Toast
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Orange Half
Thursday
Burrito or
BBQ Beef on a Bun
Baked Beans
Potato Salad
Pudding
Friday
Teacher's Work Day

Recipe Box

APPLE YOGURT MUFFINS

12 bake cups

TOPPING:

2 tbsp. flour
2 tbsp. sugar
1 tbsp. butter or margarine, softened
½ tsp. ground cinnamon

MUFFINS:

2 cups flour
½ cup sugar
1 tbsp. baking powder
½ tsp. salt.
¼ tsp. ground cinnamon
1 carton (8 oz.) lowfat vanilla yogurt
1 egg
¼ cup vegetable oil
2 tbsp. lowfat milk
¾ cup peeled and chopped apples
1/3 cup raisins
Color plastic wrap

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Place bake cups in a muffin pan; set aside.

FOR TOPPING, COMBINE topping ingredients until crumbly; set aside.

FOR MUFFINS, COMBINE flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and cinnamon in large bowl. Beat together yogurt, egg, oil and milk in small bowl. Add to flour mixture; stir just until dry ingredients are moistened. Gently stir in apples and raisins. Spoon batter into bake cups, filling even with top of bake cups. Sprinkle topping over each muffin.

BAKE 23 to 25 minutes or until golden brown. Cool in pan. Wrap muffins individually in plastic wrap.

Makes 12 muffins.

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In East Side Chruch of Christ...

Myers, Loveless marry

Melissa Carol Myers and Ryan Scott Loveless, both of Lubbock were united in marriage at 6 p.m. on Dec. 18, 1999 in the East Side Church of Christ.

Tom Holcomb, minister of the church, officiated the double-ring ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Ray and Gloria Myers of Snyder. Her grandparents are Clara Hoskins and the late Harvey Myers of Hermleigh, and James Ince of Roscoe and the late Blanche Ince.

The groom's parents are Rick and Bonnie Loveless of Amarillo. His grandparents are Clifford Lewis of Turpin, Okla., and the late Bernice Lewis, Bill Loveless of Broken Arrow, Okla., and the late Stella Loveless of Tulsa, Okla.

The entry of the center aisle had two three-foot gold wire angels holding red candles. The center aisle pews, with the exception of marked family pews, were roped off with white tulle. White tulle double bows with red and white poinsettias in the center marked each pew. Family pews were marked with large bows. Each outside aisle had five ficus trees decorated with clear Christmas lights and small red bows.

The pulpit area featured two large ficus trees with clear lights and had four white columns on each side linked together with white tulle with arrangements of red poinsettias on top of each one. Two cherub columns were placed in the middle. One held the unity candle and the other held a memorial flower arrangement for the couple's grandparents. Flowerpots of red poinsettias were scattered throughout the auditorium.

Prelude music by Kim Gorman on the harp was an assortment of Christmas music. The bridal party entered to "Canon in D" The bride and her father entered to the "Bridal March."

Her sweetheart bridal gown was a white peau satin material adorned with white pearl beads and appliques. It had a 12-foot train, a heart cutout back with strands of pearl beads hanging down. The dress had long sleeves of lace and satin, featured a sweetheart neckline and had a V-line waist attached to a full skirt edged in lace.

The long bridal veil had a headpiece of pearl beads and satin roses. The shoes were 18th century boots covered with lace. Her bouquet had a white lily surrounded with fire and ice roses and alstroemeria with ivy.

Something old was an opal and diamond drop necklace belonging to the late Blanch Ince. Something new was a pair of opal earrings, a gift from the groom. Something borrowed were diamond stud earrings, belonging to the bride's mother, and something blue was her garter.

Maid of honor was Misty Myers of Dallas, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Becky Myers, sister-in-law of the bride from Arlington; Heather Griffith, cousin of the bride from Midland; Christy Riffel, sister of the groom from Belle Plaine, Kan.; and Sheila Freeman, cousin of the bride from Amarillo.

They wore long princess-style voile dresses lined with satin featuring spaghetti straps. They carried red, long-stemmed roses tied with green and red foile ribbon.

Miranda Myers, niece of the bride from Arlington, and Chelsey Riffel, niece of the groom from Belle Plaine, wore identical dresses made of red velvet tops and white chiffon skirts.



Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Scott Loveless
(Photo by Karen Wadleigh)

Ring bearer was Nicolas Vaught, cousin of the bride from Lubbock.

Best man was Gene Bell of Amarillo. Groomsmen were Brennan Riffel, brother-in-law from Belle Plaine; Thad Myers, brother of the bride from Arlington; Paul Tubbs, fraternity brother of the groom from Amarillo; and Clint Lain, fraternity brother of the groom from Lubbock.

Ushers included cousins of the bride, Jarud Griffith of Abilene, Douglas Ince and Heath Ince of Lubbock, and Rocky Freeman of Amarillo, cousin of the groom.

Male attire was a black tuxedo with a red vest.

Kristina Campbell of Austin registered guests at a table covered with a white cloth and held a porcelain front guest book and white feather pen in a gold penholder. Also on the table was an arrangement of red poinsettias.

The reception was held in the multi-purpose building of East Side Church of Christ.

A white cloth made by the groom's cousin, Sheila Freeman, covered the bride's table. It had the bride and groom's names and wedding date cross-stitched on it. An arrangement of red poinsettias in a woven basket sat on the end of the table.

The bride and groom cut the cake with an engraved gold cake server given to the bride's parents by her mother's grandparents when they were married.

The five-tiered cake featured three white layers standing on white columns atop a flowing fountain, a staircase lead to the other two layers of red velvet cake. Four layers were topped with red and white poinsettia flowers. The top layer was topped with a white porcelain column gazebo with a miniature porcelain bride and groom inside.

A separate table with a red cloth, held a flowing punch fountain and platters of meats, cheeses and fruits.

Serving were Rhonda White, cousin of the bride, and Lila King.

The groom's table was covered with an identical red cloth, as was the punch table. The groom's two layer chocolate cake with white icing and surrounded with white chocolate-covered strawberries was topped with a white almond bark oval displaying the letter "L." The table also held a silver coffeepot filled with wassail.

The table was decorated with a basket of red poinsettias, and serving were Talia Bowman and Amy Reed, both of Lubbock.

Following the reception, the couple flew to Miami for a seven-day cruise to the Virgin Islands. They have made their home in Lubbock.

The bride, a 1995 graduate of Snyder High School, is a cum laude graduate of Texas Tech University with a degree in elementary education/early childhood. She was a member of national societies, Golden Key, Omega, Phi Upsilon Omicron, Delta Pi, and graduated in the top 10 percent of her class.

A 1995 graduate of Randall High School in Amarillo, he graduated magna cum laude at Texas Tech in 1998 with a degree in environmental engineering and was in the top five percent of his class. He was a member of MortarBoard, FarmHouse Fraternity, Order of Omega, Tau Beta Pi, Chi Epsilon, Golden Key, Cardinal Key, Lambda Sigma, Honors Program, and is currently attending law school at Tech.

Members of the houseparty include Chloanne and Lee Roy Lindsey, Charlotte and Tom Griffith and Belinda and Tim Ince.

Roving preacher attacked by man

HAZLETON, Pa. (AP) — A roving preacher known as "What's Your Name?" says he was attacked by a man who thought the preacher was pretending to be Jesus Christ.

Carl J. Joseph said he was walking alone in downtown Hazleton on Tuesday night when a man leaped out of a passing car, shook him and called him names.

"His impression ... was that I'm trying to be Christ, which, of course, I'm not," said Joseph, who spreads his message wearing a dirty white robe and sporting shoulder-length hair. "You can imagine that some would think I'm doing something very blasphemous."

Joseph said he was able to escape the man's grasp, and the man drove away while continuing to shout threats.

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MONDAY

Rock and Roll Quilting Club; Hermleigh Community Center; everyone is invited for free quilting lessons, and special projects are to help someone in need; call 863-2426 for more information; 8 a.m. to noon.

Al-Anon Brown Bag Open Meeting, Snyder Park Club in Winston Park; noon.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Weight Watchers, Trinity United Methodist Church; for more information call Nathalie at 573-1868 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5 p.m.

Stargazers Family Community Education Club; 7 p.m.

Manic Depression (Bipolar) support group; Family Life Community Church, 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

Scurry County AA; closed meeting; Park Club; for more information, call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292, 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

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

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

AA Beginner's Meeting-Open; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

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

MAWC Game Day and Luncheon; serving begins at 11:30, games of choice will follow; reservations should be made by calling 573-3427.

Spiritual Solutions for Living Problems Book Study; Snyder Park Club; 6 p.m.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 574-1292 or 573-8018 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; W. 37th in the airport terminal; program, Virginia Lowrance; hostess, Lois Burney; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Triple "L" Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.m.

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

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

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 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.

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-9742.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Just For Today NA open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

Hahn, Stanley plan to wed in C-City's FUMC

Leslie Diann Hahn of Midland and Charley H. Standley of Colorado City are planning a 11 a.m., March 11, wedding in the First United Methodist Church at 305 Baird in Midland.

Mother of the bride-elect is Mrs. Lawrence H. Hahn of Midland and parents of the future groom are Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Standley of Colorado City.

The bride-to-be attended TCU and graduated from Midland ISD and Angelo State University, and the prospective groom is a full-time student at Western Texas College.

Denmark's queen visits in Britain

WINDSOR, England (AP) — Queen Margrethe II of Denmark has begun a three-day state trip to the United Kingdom with a visit to her royal cousin — Britain's Queen Elizabeth II.

The two monarchs greeted each other warmly at Windsor Castle on Wednesday.

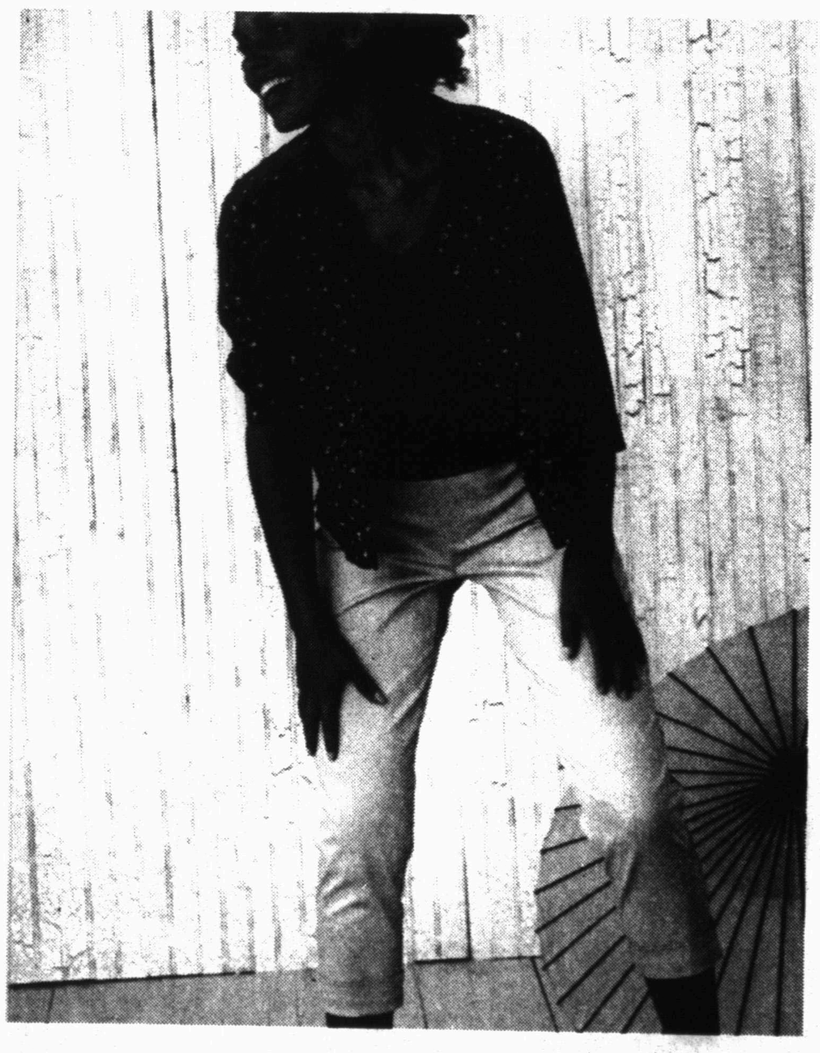
An honor guard and members of the British queen's Household Cavalry, decked out in their scarlet tunics, also were on hand to greet the Danish queen and her husband, Prince Henrik.

The two queens were driven in a coach past thousands of onlookers, who gathered on the streets of Windsor, decorated with Britain's Union Jack flag and the red-and-white Danish flag.

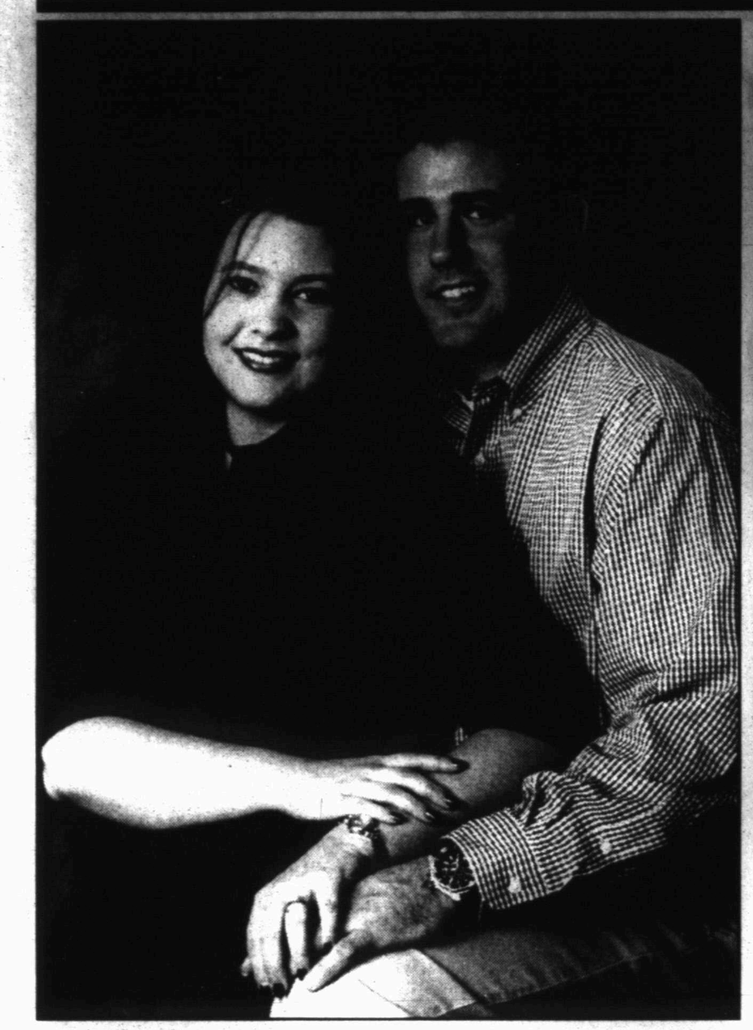
Henrik and Queen Elizabeth's husband, Prince Philip, followed behind in another horse-drawn coach.

During the Danish couple's visit, they also will travel to London and Edinburgh, Scotland.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Randy and Susan Rushing of Lubbock announce the engagement of their daughter, Andrea Elise, to Michael Paul Dalby of Fort Worth. The couple will marry March 25 at the First Christian Church in Lubbock. The bride-elect, a graduate of Coronado High School and Texas Tech, is employed by the American Cancer Society. The future bridegroom, a graduate of Western Hills High School, attends American Flyers' Flight School in Fort Worth and is employed by American Eagle Airlines. Andrea is the granddaughter of Avon and Wanda Rushing of Snyder and Elise Stout of Lubbock, and the late Winford Stout. (Contributed Photo)

City cops, police chief in dispute over shoes

SUFFOLK, Va. (AP) — Rank-and-file cops here are digging in their heels in a dispute with the city's police chief over black leather oxford shoes — part of their standard uniform for 25 years.

The officers contend the shoes are too hot in the summer, too cold in winter, don't provide good traction during foot chases and are ugly.

"They're not real practical," police union attorney Michael Imprevento said Wednesday.

Last summer, Imprevento delivered the complaints to Chief Jimmy L. Wilson in a petition signed by about 100 officers. They asked for permission to wear more casual, comfortable shoes used by police in several neighboring jurisdictions.

The officers said, Wilson has ignored them.

The chief contends the petition contained duplicate signatures and the names of police department personnel who aren't officers.

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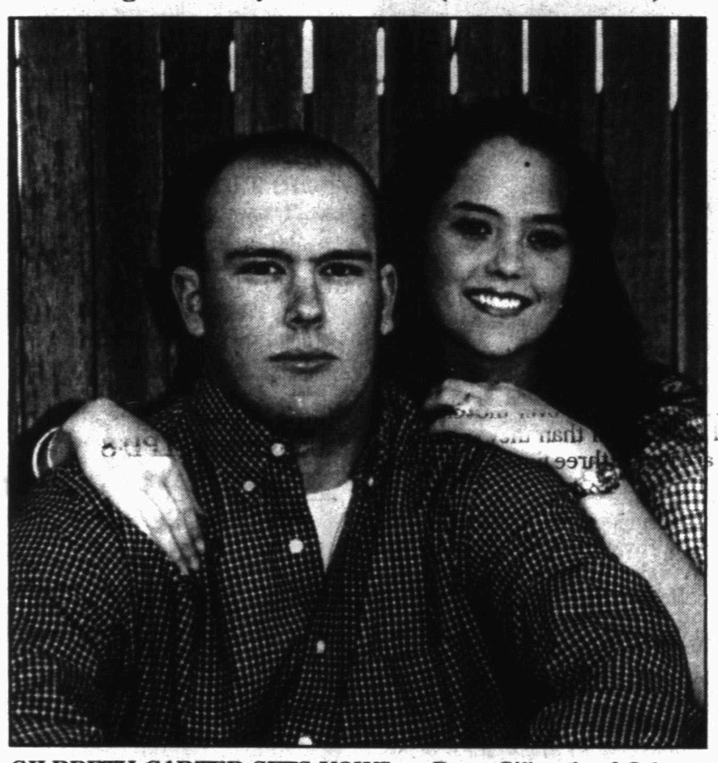
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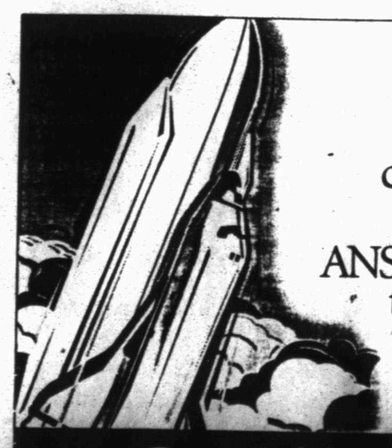
FEBRUARY NUPTIALS PLANNED — Mr. and Mrs. Jerry L. Hall of Baytown announce the engagement and Feb. 26 wedding plans of their daughter, Leigh Ann, to Matthew Richardson. Leigh Ann is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Hall of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Collum of Baytown. Matt is the son of Jerry and Pat Richardson of Longview and the grandson of Mrs. Daisy Bass of Bossier City, La., and Mrs. Helen Musselwhite of Shreveport. Leigh Ann has a bachelor of fine arts degree from Southwest Texas State University and is employed with Arlington ISD as a seventh grade art teacher. Matt has a bachelor of business administration in management from Southwest Texas. He is employed at CompUSA Corporate Headquarters in Irving. They will exchange vows next Saturday in the Longview Presbyterian Church. (Contributed Photo)



GILBRETH-CARTER SETS VOWS — Dora Gilbreth of Odessa announces the engagement and forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Tabitha Sheree Gilbreth, to Chad Michael Carter. Tabitha's father is the late Larry Gilbreth. The prospective groom's parents are Mike and Kay Carter of Snyder. The couple will marry on June 10 in the Snyder First Baptist Church. (Contributed Photo)

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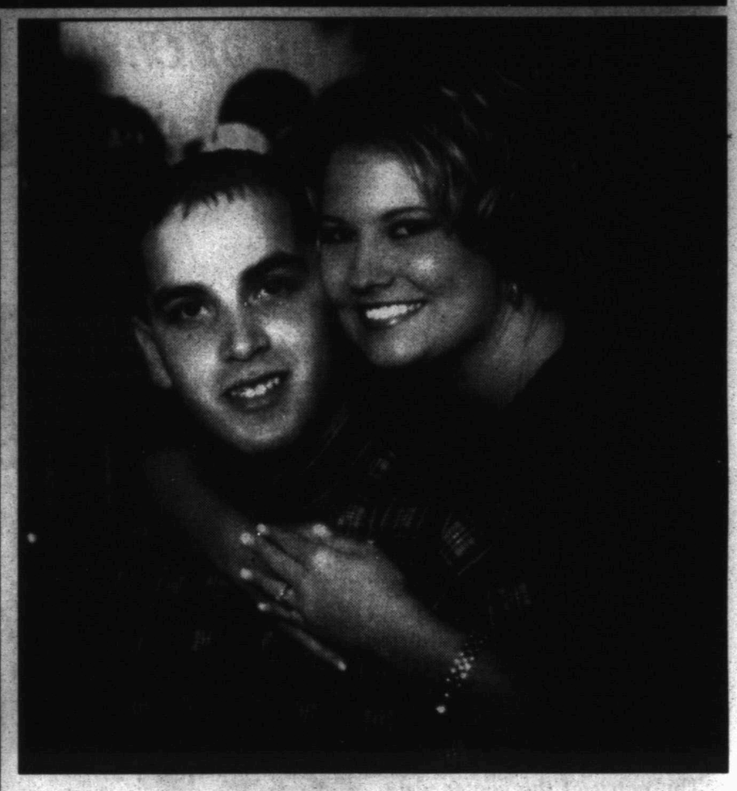
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APRIL VOWS SET — Robert Bailey, friend of the prospective groom, announces the engagement and approaching marriage of Mary Michelle Hollis and Ramsey Lee Castillo. Mary is the daughter of D'Ann and Keith Beck of Hermleigh and Benny Hollis of Plano. Ramsey is the son of Judy Castillo of Amarillo and Lee Castillo of Snyder. A 2 p.m. ceremony is set for April 8 in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church. (Photo by Karen Wadleigh Studio)

Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings



Summer Macs vs winter Macs

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I am from Wisconsin, and I winter in Ocala, Fla. My neighbors are from Vermont, and they are always talking about Summer McIntosh and Winter McIntosh apples. I have never heard of Winter Macs. Do I know them by a different name? — **JEAN W., Ocala, Fla.**

DEAR JEAN: Summer Macs are the somewhat tart, early-ripening variety of McIntosh that are usually ready to pick by the end of August or early September. Winter Macs ripen later in the fall, and are a sweeter apple as the colder weather causes the starch in the apples to convert to sugar.

The two apples look the same, taste the same (except for the sweetness factor) and have similar textures.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I have quite a few first-day issue stamps on envelopes dating back to the 1940s. Is there someone I can contact to find out the value of these first-day covers?

I'm sending you a photocopy of an Iwo Jima first-day cover bearing two canceled 3-cent postage stamps, postmarked Washington, D.C., July 11, 1944, 9:00 a.m. so you'll know what I'm talking about. — **MARIE M. LYONS, Breaux Bridge, La.**

DEAR MARIE: As a rule, first-day covers issued from the '40s on do not have any significant value. Reason: They were issued in such great quantities that they just aren't particularly rare. Your Iwo Jima first-day cover, for instance, is worth from $5 to $6; if you sell it to a stamp dealer you'll get less than half that.

However, there are exceptions to every rule, and in fact, you may have some covers that are in demand by collectors and dealers. To find a certified philatelic (stamp) appraiser in your neck of the woods, write to the American Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 8000, State College, PA 16803. Please include a SASE in your correspondence.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Can you please tell me if there is any way we can all use or recycle the CD-ROM discs that companies like America Online and CompuServe send out to customers in the mail? Other than hanging them in your garden to scare the birds away or hanging them from rearview mirrors in cars, there certainly must be some good use for them. It seems a shame to just toss them in the trash can! — **LINDA L. DOTO, Coatesville, Pa.**

DEAR LINDA: After covering the central hole with see-through mailing tape, Anne has been using the discs as "table protectors" under her vases. Maybe our ever resourceful readers have other ideas.

We like your suggestion of using the discs in the garden as bird deterrents, and we wonder if one or two hanging from the bottom of a bird feeder would make the squirrels nervous. Anne's going to try it. She'll let you know.

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Ruby Hall

Hall celebrated 97th birthday

Ruby Hall's family celebrated her 97th birthday with her Saturday, Feb. 12, at the home of Brice and Joyce Fuqua.

Ruby was born on Feb. 10, 1903 in Randolph County, Ga.

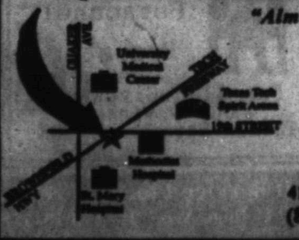
She married Jesse Hall on Nov. 22, 1921 in Dawson, Tex. They have one daughter, Mildred Harless of Eunice, N.M., three grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Attending were Mildred and Bernice Harless of Eunice, N.M.; Linda and Andy Frost, Andrea, Rodney, Sarah, Rebecca and Caleb Davidson of Hobbs, N.M.; Julie, Bryan, Jacob and Emilee Frost of Pampa; Easy and Barbara Hall of New Braunsfel; Charles Walker and his granddaughter, Michelle of Odessa, and her son, Aaron.

Others include Maxine and Paul Barron of Loraine; Lee, Britt, Breanna and Corrina Fuqua of Abilene; Lonice and J.J. Hall, Susan Josh and Jonathan Hall of Ira; Mary Hall, Theresa, Hamp and Wade Yearwood; Kathy and Kim Hall; Brenda, Sterling and Colton Lee of Snyder; Lori, Jordan and Aaron Williamson of Hermleigh.

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San Fernando Valley already has campaign for seccession

LOS ANGELES (AP) — In the shadow of the world-famous Hollywood sign, what used to be seen as divine is now viewed by some as just another dive.

Posh eateries that once lined streets like Hollywood Boulevard have been replaced by seedy check-cashing joints, tattoo parlors, fast-food outlets and junky souvenir stores.

Many residents believe Hollywood might stop falling down around them if it had its own city government looking out for its 160,000 residents, instead of one that is answerable to 3.6 million people.

Now the residents who want to revive the glamor and glitz of Tinseltown's glory days have launched a petition drive to do just that. This week, they kicked off their campaign to secede from sprawling Los Angeles and incorporate as their own city. They are modeling their effort on secession efforts already under way in the city's San Fernando Valley and San Pedro areas.

Separation could be a touchy matter.

Petition supporters want to take the world-famous hilltop sign with them, along with the other icons that make Hollywood Hollywood — from Mann's Chinese Theater to the star-studded Walk of Famè to celebrities like Nicolas Cage and Lorenzo Lamas who call the place home.

The sign could present a challenge because it's part of a Los Angeles public park.

Other local fixtures can't wait to turn their backs on scandal-ridden Los Angeles and strike out on their own.

Take longtime resident Cassandra Peterson, better known to TV horror-movie aficionados as "Elvira, Mistress of the Dark."

"I've actually wanted this forever," she said recently. "Millions of people come here every year to see Hollywood, and when you get here there's nothing here. It's embarrassing."

On Tuesday, the leaders of Hollywood VOTE — Voters Organized Toward Empowerment — held a secession kickoff drive at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, site of the first Academy Awards in 1928.

The first petition signature was that of Johnny Grant, Hollywood's honorary mayor by decree of the Chamber of Commerce.

Separatist leaders have six months to gather some 15,000 signatures, representing 25 percent of the registered voters in the area under consideration. By Thursday morning, VOTE President Fares Wehbe said he already had 1,000 signatures.

If the required signatures are collected, Los Angeles County's Local Agency Formation Commission would undertake a feasibility study, and if results show no negative impact for either Los Angeles or Hollywood, the issue could be placed on the ballot as soon as 2002.

Hollywood was founded in 1887 by a real estate developer. The community was incorporated as a city in 1903, then was annexed to Los Angeles in 1910.

Los Angeles officials have vowed to keep the entertainment center of Southern California within the boundaries of what is now the nation's second-largest city.

According to Larry Calemine, the commission's executive officer, the last time a local community seceded from its parent city was 107 years ago, when Coronado broke away from San Diego.

The process is so complicated, he said, that the feasibility study alone is "a Donald Trump divorce to the 10th power."

Supporters are determined that cityhood would help them reawaken the magic of old Hollywood.

On Thursday, tourists and locals milling about outside Mann's Chinese Theater, where for decades celebrities have left their footprints and handprints.

New system introduced

DENVER (AP) — Hoping to instill a sense of pride within the Bureau of Land Management, Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt unveiled a new land conservation system as part of the Clinton administration's plan to protect more federal lands in the West.

The new National Landscape Monuments system, unveiled Thursday, will be operated by the BLM rather than more traditional agencies such as the U.S. Forest Service and the National Park Service.

Babbitt, who has often battled with the BLM over what he considers its pro-mining and logging policies, said the new responsibility will give the agency a purpose that it has lacked. Previously, land that was deemed important was given to the Park Service.

"The nation's largest land management agency ought to be induced to have a sense of pride," Babbitt said.

Tina Arapkiles, the Sierra Club's southwest regional representative, praised the announcement, saying it would shift the BLM from its traditional mining and logging mindset.

"He's trying to protect land for the future. And the land that has been traditionally managed by the BLM has been viewed in our country's history as giveaway land or trash land. It's not worth anything but having cows or mines," she said.

The land being considered for landscape monument status is already owned by the federal government, though some holdings might be purchased as well. Other uses, such as hunting, will be considered on a case-by-case basis. The areas involved do not have significant mining or other industrial uses.

Some of the sites under consideration are:

— In Oregon, Steens Mountain and Soda Mountain.

— In Colorado, Canyon of the Ancients, an expansion of the Colorado National Monument and enlarging the Sand Dunes National Monument.

— In California, the Santa Rosa Mountains near Palm Springs and Carrizo Plain in the San Joaquin Valley near Santa Barbara.

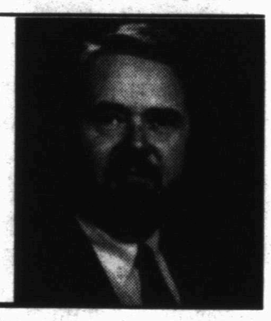
— In Arizona, the Empire Ranch near Tucson.

— In Montana, an area along the Missouri River.

"Some of the property I am personally familiar with that he is looking at deserves the protection of monument status irrespective of the agency that manages it," said Tom Kiernan of the National Parks Conservation Association in Washington, D.C.

Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



Risk Versus Reward - Why Winners Win

To win without risk is to triumph without glory. - Pierre Corneille

You've heard the old saying, "nothing ventured, nothing gained." It is true. When we seek any reward - fortune, fame, or excellence - we place ourselves at risk.

As a baseball fan, I love to watch power hitters like McGuire and Sosa bring the crowd to its' feet with a long drive over the fence. Yet, all home-run record holders failed more often than they succeeded. Their lifetime records of strikeouts are two or three times greater than their home run totals.

While the thrill of winning is enticing, to many people the risk of losing is just too threatening. Many people are afraid to step up to the plate in the game of life. They would rather forego any potential reward than strike out. They rationalize their action by saying, "I may not have won, but I didn't lose either."

The result is what I call the "mediocrity mentality." This describes folks who settle into a comfort zone somewhere between success and failure. They just get by. The epitaph on their gravestone might truthfully read, "Dead at 25, buried at 85."

If we were honest with ourselves, we would all admit there are times in our lives when we settle into the "mediocrity mentality." Times when we've traded the challenge of excelling for the comfort zone of safety.

What ultimately separates winners from whiners is how much time we spend in the comfort zone. When we won't risk failure for an exciting and worthwhile reward, we've already failed. For when we fail to try, we lose in life.

I've seen some winners over the years that had good reason to stay in the comfort zone. They were poor, lacked education, had a family history of losing and they had failed once already, etc. They could truly justify their loser's limp.

Some went on to achieve greatness. They became winners because they tried again.

A winner's profile

There are several characteristics you'll find present in winner's lives. They were not born with these characteristics, they developed them by spending time out of the comfort zone. They were not content with the "mediocrity mentality."

Winners develop a positive core of confidence. No outside negative force can erode this internal positive. When bombarded with negative input, winners focus on past successes instead of past failures.

Winners wind their own clock. The road to success begins when you become fed up with not achieving what you earnestly desire from life. Winners do not depend on someone else's signal or encouragement to get started. They take the first step on their own, and every step from that point on becomes less difficult.

Winners value facts over feelings. In the comfort zone, people only do what they feel like doing. Winners set aside their emotional feelings and focus on the facts. When winners don't feel like doing something, they know that action always overcomes feelings.

Winners look up. Psalms 121:1 says, "I will lift up my eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help." Look up. It is hard to get down when you're looking up.

Winners prepare for challenge. When the going gets tough, the tough get going. They plan. They practice. They prepare. They focus on the results they want rather than the barriers. When you're prepared, the challenge is often not nearly as great as you anticipated.

Winners dare to be different. The reason so many people never climb the ladder of success is because of the crowd at the bottom. They don't want to leave the majority. Winners know that being different is neither good nor bad - just different.

Don Taylor is the co-author of Up Against the Wal-Marts. You may write to him in care of Minding Your Own Business, PO Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.

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Letters to the editor

USAF demonstration

Dear Editor:

Having attended the RBTI "demonstration" in Snyder Friday, I would like to express some opinions, as well as point out some fallacies of logic expressed by the speakers.

In my opinion it is obvious that the "powers that be" used the carrot of jobs for Snyder, which incidentally were not in the original proposal, to sway the opinion of the economic and political leaders in that city. If this training does come to pass, the city of Snyder owes H.E.P.A., and all the residents of the surrounding counties who will be negatively impacted a large debt of gratitude.

Now on to the logical arguments, it was stated by either the general or the congressman that there would be a 5,000 foot "bubble" over the city of Snyder. Whether this is to prevent disruption or for safety purpose, I would submit that it is only logical that it also be required over all cities, towns and even residences under the MOA. After all, my house and my peace and quiet are as important as anyone's in Snyder. I realize this would not fit well with the objective of RBTI, but if it is necessary over one group of people, it is necessary over all the citizens.

It was also pointed out that cows, etc., will "get used to it," this is probably true, if the noise is predictable and regular. However, the speaker stated that it would be extremely unlikely to be overflown regularly, as the routes would be varied. It seems to follow, that if this is true overflights would be unpredictable, and therefore adaptation would be unlikely to occur.

It was also pointed out that people go to air shows and watch the planes at much lower altitudes and with much more noise than will be experienced in the proposed MOA.

What relevance does this have? People go to air shows to see these things, they expect the noise. A hunter from Dallas doesn't come to Fisher County for that experience.

Another concern is the liability issue. If some suffer damages, they submit a claim to the USAF, the USAF investigates the matter, and if the USAF finds that the USAF is at fault, the injured party will be compensated.

Don't you think the tobacco industry would have loved those conditions?

In the final EIS, it is apparent that people and their objections to this issue were not really considered, as the alternative chosen is the one with the largest population, and home to the largest group of opposition. I would suggest that changes in policy should require EIS to be prepared by independent, unbiased parties, not the party proposing the action. Just because the USAF jumped through all the hoops doesn't make their conclusion valid, and it certainly doesn't make it right.

Sincerely
Vick A. Burk, D.V.M.

Thanks Stephanie

Dear Editor:

I'd like to thank Stephanie McKnight of the Scurry County Boys and Girls Club for her successful 3-on-3 basketball tournament this past weekend.

Stephanie did a tremendous job running the tournament. Every detail of the tournament seemed to be taken care of, from referees to concessions.

Stephanie is a very patient and kind young woman, who cares very much for the youth of Scurry County.

Thanks so much to Stephanie for all her hard work. (And to the teens that helped her run the tournament, too!)

Sincerely,
Vanessa Taylor

Encounter with Coach Landry

Dear Editor:

Last Sunday, our son, Marcus, called to see if we had heard about Tom Landry's passing. We thought back on an incident that happened in the 1960s.

We used to go see the Dallas Cowboys pretty often in the '60s and early '70s. When our boys were about 10 years of age, the Cowboys were playing their games in the Cotton Bowl.

It was a custom for the young kids to go down in front of the stands at the narrow gate and touch the Cowboys as they ran onto the field at the beginning of the game as well as at halftime. There was no heavy security and I remember very few police being around. The kids would get to talk to the Cowboys and they all looked to them as heroes.

On one afternoon game, our boys were standing at the narrow gate at the beginning of the game. Tom Landry was following the team onto the field and was about the last one to enter. Marcus, age 8, decided to step in front of him and pretend to block him out. Like any young kid, he looked up to Landry in many ways.

Coach Landry looked down at Marcus and paused a minute. He gently put his hands on each shoulder of Marcus, and guided him out of the way. Marcus came back to the stands thrilled that Coach Landry had touched him.

Coach Landry touched young people and older people in many ways with his life. Our son will never forget being touched by him that afternoon at the Cotton Bowl.

I wonder if new heroes are going to replace people like Coach Landry. Our boys wrote numerous letters when they were young, to coaches and players all over the nation. They got many autographed pictures from the players and coaches and there was no charge for an autograph. They even got an autographed picture of Coach Landry.

It seems so unreal that our young people have to look up to many athletes and coaches, who lie, cheat, try to get out of traffic tickets, commit crimes and charge for autographs.

While our family didn't know Coach Landry personally, he made a big impact on our sons, Chuck and Marcus, that day. Because of his example that day and all through his career, he has influenced many, many people.

We just can't forget people like Tom Landry. They don't come along very often.

Charles and
Margie Anderson

Thanks guys

Dear Editor:

A few years ago a new entity in technology arrived on the scene that has totally revamped most of our lives, but perhaps none more so than those of us who are teachers. I speak of the Internet and the World Wide Web.

This new tool has opened up doors of information for our students and classes that we would never have thought possible five years ago. I use it daily to bring the world of physics, chemistry, glaciers, volcanoes, sand dunes and other topics into my classroom.

However, none of this would be possible were it not for certain people in the Snyder ISD working daily to teach and install the necessary technology. I appreciate very much the expertise of Dale Byrd, Tonya Canada, Malcolm Crawford and Wynola Early and the work they do for us. As always though, there are "unsung heroes" who work behind the scenes and who deserve a lion's share of the thanks.

Three SHS students come to mind, Jon Hensley, Michael Lao and Buddy Whittenburg. Without the knowledge and skills of these three young men, most of what we have would not be available. They perform tasks ranging from the installation of software programs, to trouble shooting teacher's computers to the actual installation of all the lines necessary to bring the Internet into our school.

This last task involves climbing up into the attic areas of the different buildings and crawling from place to place to connect the lines to the proper computers. I know that I would not have the resources available for teaching were it not for these young men.

Thanks guys for all you do.

Troy Lilly,
SHS Science Department

EDITORIAL COMMENT

San Antonio Express-News

On high cost of prescription drugs:

In New York, Senate candidate Hillary Clinton, once again taking on health care, burst out of the blocks with a proposal to change U.S. law so consumers could have unrestricted access to low-cost prescription drugs sold in Canada.

Like her or not, she hits an issue worthy of debate.

Because of government price controls, Canadians typically pay one-third less than Americans do for prescription drugs.

President Clinton recently proposed and Republicans essentially agree with him adding $35 billion to Medicare to pay for prescription drugs, which are vital to the health and survival of senior citizens but are not covered by Medicare.

If the president's proposal succeeds, it will create a huge new market for drug makers because Medicare will enable more seniors to buy prescription drugs.

Prescription drugs are hugely profitable, and consolidation within the industry (Pfizer and Warner-Lambert recently merged in a $92.3 billion deal) will reduce market competition.

Drugs would not be sold for less in Canada unless it was still profitable for companies to do so. The argument can be made that U.S. consumers pay more so Canadians can pay less.

That does not fly in the free market, and the drug companies do not use that pitch. Instead, they hide behind a 1988 U.S. law that restricts reimporting drugs. The measure, the New York Times reports, was intended to ensure that only Food and Drug Administration-approved drugs could be sold in this country.

Mrs. Clinton says most drugs sold in Canada use the same ingredients and are manufactured in the same factories under the same controls as those sold domestically.

If that is true, then the 1988 law should go and the so-called free market should be allowed to work. Or drug manufacturers should lower prices in return for the privilege of providing drugs, at a smaller profit, to millions of older folks.

It is the right thing to do.

The Victoria Advocate

On let's talk foreign policy:

Foreign policy was mostly ignored as an issue during the inward-looking 1992 presidential campaign, America's first post-Cold War election. Ditto for 1996. A third consecutive presidential campaign without serious foreign policy debate would be an inexcusable lapse, yet judging what we've heard to date, that's the risk the country is running.

Al Gore and Bill Bradley have bogged down in a health care debate and, more recently, arguing about who is a negative campaigner or truth twister. George W. Bush and John McCain are offering their competing visions, but the differences are usually over domestic matters like taxes and campaign finances.

Unsurprisingly, the domestically preoccupied President Clinton is not much help on the foreign policy front. In his recent State of the Union marathon, just four of its interminable 89 minutes were devoted to foreign affairs.

This collective oversight is wrong, and potentially dangerous.

Let's start with reasons that ought to be apparent. America is the world's sole remaining superpower. Its alliances and security commitments circle the globe. So do its interests, from global trade to keeping the peace in such hot spots as Korea, the Persian Gulf and the Balkans.

Presidents, of course, are the chief architects and implementers of our. foreign policy. The Constitution so stipulates. Nowhere else in their array of duties do presidents have such power and prerogatives as in the conduct of our nation's foreign policy. Ultimately, that policy is about matters of war and peace — altogether the most important decisions a president can make.

Austin American-Statesman

On money chase demeans state attorneys:

"I find it awfully hard to see the case for secrecy."

That's what one student of election laws had to say about plans of Texan John Cornyn and his fellow Republican attorneys general to solicit campaign donations from big business and not name donors.

The case must be small, indeed. Even in the most charitable view, this scheme looks shameful. These lawyers elected to serve the public interest should drop it at once.

The term "money laundering" wasn't too strong for Roy Schotland, the Georgetown University law school professor and elections expert quoted by American-Statesman reporter Bruce Hight in Friday's editions. And his assessment seems right on target.

Equally worthy of condemnation is the decision by the group, the fledgling Republican Attorneys General Association, to exclude the public from its national meeting in Austin next month.

Aren't these the people charged with battling for the public's right to know? Aren't these the people's lawyers?

If their plans for secrecy and solicitation don't dismay, their philosophy should. As they're seeking donations from business interests who won't be named publicly, they're lamenting the way corporations have been treated by other attorneys general — most of whom are Democrats, by the way.

Corpus Christi Caller-Times

On affirmative action in contract bidding:

A deal reached between a Houston businessman and the Texas Department of Transportation shows a major problem in using affirmative action programs to determine which firm gets a state contract.

The settlement was reached between TxDOT and Robert Kossman, who claimed his erosion-control company was passed over for work on state highway projects because Kossman is a white male. The state agreed to pay Kossman $25,000 for lost business, $135,000 for attorney fees, and in the future TxDOT will extend affirmative action preferences to small businesses as well as to women and minorities.

Kossman's attorney, Corbin Van Arsdale, said Kossman can now compete on an equal footing. "Before, he often had the best price but lost work because he has a Y (male) chromosome and Hungarian grandparents. And who suffered? His employees, who are mostly black, Hispanic and female."

This suit is settled, but there are larger issues that are far from being settled. Do affirmative action programs help produce equality or do they result in reverse discrimination? This is a constitutional question that needs to be decided.

Lyndon Johnson long ago made the case for affirmative action. "Would you take a person who for years has been hobbled by chains, liberate him, bring him up to the starting line of a race, and say, 'You are free to compete with the others'?" Johnson asked. "Would you believe that you had been entirely fair?"



Country Life

by Deanie Francis Mills

Movies may not be helpful in some cases

For the past couple of weeks, we've been talking about how helpful movies can be to enable some of us to work through problems and come to a better understanding of emotional and family situations we might encounter in life, by seeing them portrayed onscreen in fictional dramas.

But there is a dark side to this same subject. Consider the following:

*Oliver Stone's bloodfest, *Natural Born Killers*, depicts a young couple who go on a drug-enhanced killing spree and, in the end, get clean away with it. Over the course of the next couple of years, six people are killed and one left a quadraplegic in a series of shootings in which the killers—young couples—claimed to have watched the movie "over and over." When Stone is sued by the family of one of the victims, he claims, "It was only a movie."

*Based on a Stephen King short story, *The Basketball Diaries* stars Leonardo diCaprio as a disenchanted teenager who enters his school dressed in a long, black trenchcoat and blows away half his class and his teacher with a shotgun. In at least two of the school shootings of recent years, the young murderers claim to have watched the movie repeatedly. After the massacre at Columbine, the movie studio suggests that video rental businesses remove the movie from their shelves. Stephen King expresses regret for having written the story.

*In 1996, an Al Pacino-Robert deNiro vehicle, *Heat*, is released, showing a spectacular bank robbery in which the robbers engage police in a shoot-out on open streets with automatic weapons. In February of 1997, a bank branch in North Hollywood is robbed by men carrying automatic weapons, who shoot it out with police in the streets. Dozens are injured and the robbers are killed. The girlfriend of one of the robbers claims he watched the movie many times and studied how the robbery was conducted.

*After the Columbine massacre, it is revealed that the killers were very impressed by the movie *Matrix*, in which Keanu Reeves, wearing a long black trenchcoat and carrying multiple weapons, gets involved in a shoot-out with his perceived enemies. Cafeteria security cameras later reveal that Dylan Klebold, who often wore a black trenchcoat to school, is wearing the same kind of sunglasses as his hero from *Matrix*. He is also wearing an identical gunbelt, and carrying an identical semi-automatic weapon as that carried by Keanu Reeves in the movie. On home video tapes made before the killing, he says, "It's going to be so cool."

When you are involved in the creative arts, it's very easy to hide behind First Amendment rights to free speech as a cover for irresponsible work. It's easy to say, "It's only fiction. It's just a movie. It's only a story." It can even be argued that no fictional work, be it a movie or a book, ever encouraged a well-adjusted person to go on a killing spree. All these arguments have been made by moviemakers. But to claim that there is no connection between violent movies and TV programs and violent behavior by young people is simply ridiculous.

In his book, *Stop Teaching Our Kids to Kill*, (Random House), U.S. Army Lt. Col. David Grossman, retired, says we are actually creating killers—desensitizing them to bloodshed and death, even training them in killing skills—through violent images on movies and TV and in video games. He calls it "merchandizing murder."

Perhaps you think Lt. Col. Grossman is exaggerating, or is extremist in his views. If so, tune in some night to the latest craze to spread over this country—WWF Wrestling—and see how many children under the age of 8 are riding the shoulders of proud parents right up on the front rows, so that they may get a full view of the trash-talking, blood-spattering, hate-filled fighting going on onstage. Toy manufacturers are not about to be left out. Favorite wrestlers have their own action figures.

Psychologists who study the effects of TV and movie violence on children explain that young children are too immature; they haven't developed the language and brain skills to comprehend the difference between reality and fantasy. Again and again, studies have shown that children exposed to such violence at an early age are far more likely to engage in aggressive behavior as teens and adults. In every country in the world in which TV has been introduced, 15 years later—when those children reach their late teens and young adulthood—a steep increase in violent assauts occurs in that country.

Some don't wait. There is one case in which a five-year-old boy accidentally killed his three year old sister by hitting her over the head with a chair, as he'd seen the wrestlers do on TV.

Granted, the primary responsibility for guiding youngsters starts at home. Parents should respect film ratings and not expose young children to too much violence at too young an age. When their kids hit their early teens, it's time to discuss what is wrong with the violent images seen on TV and in the movies—what we can learn *not* to do from watching it. (Forbidding it to teens only makes it more attractive; accept that they'll watch it over at their friends' houses.)

But those of us in the creative arts also bear a responsibility, to some degree, for what we produce for mass consumption in the market place. Even in fiction, violence should never be portrayed, as Steven Spielberg put it, in a "poetic" or romanticized way. The consequences of violent acts should be clearly spelled out. Those characters who are forced to commit violent acts—in wartime or in self-defense, for example—should not do so in a cavalier or frivolous way, but should deal with the moral issues in an honest manner. Fights and bullet wounds should *hurt*.

If you want the movie-makers and authors of popular fiction to be more responsible, there is only one way to make them listen: by hitting them where it hurts—the marketplace. Once violence no longer sells, believe me, they'll clean it up.

And that responsibility, my friends, rests with each and every one of us.

Veterans share battlefront tales

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purple hearts.

The pilot had broken both of his legs between his ankles and knees and had to be sent home because of his extensive injuries, Dulaney said.

"The co-pilot was then named pilot and we finished our 50 missions," he added. Dulaney said they were allowed a week's leave in the U.S. Then he transferred to a bombardier school as an instructor. While there, he said the U.S. dropped the atomic bombs on two of Japan's cities, Nagasaki and Hiroshima, and the war was over after that, he added. Dulaney was promoted to captain and then discharged.

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Bill Wilson Jr. said those eligible for the draft had to draw numbers and his was a very low one. Colleges and universities then offered civilian pilot training programs.

"I had decided that I would rather ride than walk so I signed up." Wilson said.

At the time, he didn't have enough college hours to meet the Army Air Corps' standards. Wilson wanted to serve, but he preferred "military flying," "to "military walking," so he became a pilot/officer in the Royal Canadian Air Force.

He thought he would be sent to the Eagle Squadron in England which was filled with "Yankee Doodle Dandee Boys."

"I thought that was where I was headed," Wilson said. "I had built up more than 300 hours of civilian flying time, so they made me an instructor instead. I never did make it to the war in Europe."

After Pearl Harbor was bombed, he opted to return to the United States. On the train ride back to the U.S., Wilson said he was "dressed in my 'Limey' uniform", and I encountered a group of Marines, including one that looked like a "double general." He saluted him and inquired about the Marines and was told "the first thing you learn is that you do not salute an enlisted man."

The Marines only had fighting positions to offer so Wilson inquired about the Navy and was told the same thing. They offered "a little bit of training and a whole bunch of fighting."

He next tried the Army Air Corps (now called the Air Force) but was told they did not want Americans from the Royal Canadian Air Force because "we don't think you know anything about flying."

Instead, a colonel told him he would be sent to a remote training area. Wilson said that sounded like a good deal to him so he signed up and six weeks later was on his way to the Pacific. He was assigned to the 19th Bomb Group that was in the Philippines when the war started.

The Japanese pressed them very hard. Three to four hours after he had seen a B-17 Bomber for the first time, Wilson said he became the co-pilot and flew his first mission.

"We weren't winning the war at that time," he said.

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Ottus Boyd was working in Ellington Field, an Air Force Base before the U.S. entered the war.

At a friend's urging, they both joined the Coast Guard in 1943. He was 19.

He enjoyed a diverse career in the Coast Guard, helping to rescue ships in trouble during hurricanes, was a special photographer and then helped set up Lorain Stations, similar to radar, while stationed in Honolulu. While waiting for his next assignment, he volunteered to help develop the 16mm film which the bomber crews took during their combat runs.

He also served as photographer on a bombing mission over Japan. To be allowed to go, he said he had to sign a stack of papers.

"At the time I did not even know where Pearl Harbor was," — H.D. Moreland

Before he went overseas, he recalled that when his grandmother died, he wanted to attend the funeral but had no gas rations. He filled his trunk with gas cans to get him to his destination. For the return trip, he said he did not have any problems filling his tank, even without the needed stamps.

Boyd also noted that mail was censored so he could not directly let his wife know where he was.

One time, he wrote Guam and then pasted a stamp over it. He asked his wife if she still "looked under the bed every night" and he said he needed more stamps. She knew then to steam off the stamp to learn his location.

He also said he sometimes said Gum instead of Guam, to get a letter past the censors.

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"I didn't believe it at first when I heard that Japan had bombed Pearl Harbor,"— Judge Gene Dulaney

H.D. Moreland said, "we felt something was coming so several of us joined the National Guard. They mobilized in 1940. He was a member of the 36th Division's Company G, before he transferred to the Army Air Corps.

After Christmas, he was assigned to Brownwood where he earned $21 a month as a "yardbird."

After two years, he transferred to the Army Air Corps. He was in Snyder when Pearl Harbor was bombed. At the time he said, "I did not even know where Pearl Harbor was."

He was only supposed to serve a year, but the bombing of Pearl Harbor changed all that.

"I preferred military flying to military walking," — Bill Wilson, Jr.

He received his flight training in the eastern part of the U.S. When Moreland finished flight school he was a "shave tail lieutenant" and was assigned to fly B-24s.

There had been so many casualties in those planes just before he arrived that after a few flights he insisted on a change. He switched to flying C-47s which he liked lot better. He called it a "dependable plane."

He took part in D-Day and the next day he dropped supplies. Flying out of bases in England, he said he could see the Germans firing tracer ammunition at the Allies' planes. "It really was a pretty sight unless they were firing at you," he said.

After 26 missions, Moreland said he had the next-to-the-highest points to be eligible to come home, so he did.

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The panelists were also asked, "What do you think we were fighting for?"

Dulaney answered, "for our freedom and for our families. The Japanese thought they were going to invade us."

"We were fighting for our way of life," Wilson said. "The Axis (Germany, Italy and Japan at first; then Austria, Bulgaria, Finland, Hungary and Romania joined) wanted our country."

Boyd said, "We were easier motivated then. After Pearl Harbor, everyone got behind the war effort. We take too much for granted now."

The veterans were asked, how the war changed their lives.

Dulaney liked San Antonio so much that he moved there after the war and entered law school on the GI Bill. After he and his wife, Mary, married, they moved to Snyder in 1950. The dust was blowing so hard that first day that his hat was carried down the street.

Wilson noted that he was "most impressed with the American people." He came away from the war with the "courage, knowledge and expectation that if you want to do something, get after it."

Boyd said the war didn't really change his life. "I went back to work and I've been working ever since."

He noted that "we are using things today that were learned during the war." He hopes there will never be another world war.

Boyd said he had never talked about his war experiences until last year.

When Moreland returned to the U.S., he said he built a house.

While World War II brought about many changes, they all agreed that they did not remember that there were any draft dodgers. Everyone was willing to serve.

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Anderson said he was 10 years old when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor.

Before the panel discussion began, he shared some of his memories of World War II. He also displayed a ration book required to purchase sugar and gasoline and a letter from an older brother who served in Africa, Italy and France, thanking him for the gum he had sent him. He was a mechanic who traveled behind the lines. He noted that while e-mail now connects military persons to their family and friends, World War II offered V-mail, consisting of a picture and very brief greeting. In some V-mails, Anderson said his brother was able to tell them where he had been.

Anderson noted that he has a "soft spot in my heart for military people." Living in a small community, he recalled the military funerals held when war casualties were returned home. "Everyone in the community attended the funerals. "There was a lot of support and a great deal of respect shown for the men who fought."

Anderson also recalled listening to Gabriel Heatter, one of the radio announcers who kept the American people informed about the war. He always prefaced his remarks with "There's good news or bad news tonight," Anderson said.

Anderson and his family listened to him on a battery-operated radio and when the signal became weak, he said someone would run out to where the wire ran into the ground and pour water around it to improve the reception.

Anderson is also a veteran having served during the Korean War, but was stationed in Germany.

Recalled dishwaters could have been easily repaired, lawyer says

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — General Electric Co. dishwashers that were recalled because of a fire hazard could have been fixed easily and cheaply, but consumers were led to believe they had to buy new ones, New York's attorney general claims.

"The company knew how its dishwashers could be fixed — and actually provided inexpensive repair kits to commercial customers," Attorney General Eliot Spitzer said Thursday.

While the commercial customers like hotels and landlords got the kits, GE encouraged individual consumers to "spend hundreds of dollars on new machines when clearly they did not need to do so," Spitzer said.

The attorney general said he would file a lawsuit against GE later this month seeking restitution and damages for customers.

The company dismissed Spitzer's claim as "grandstanding," noting that its October 1999 recall arrangement was approved by the federal Consumer Product Safety Commission. GE did not deny treating individuals and businesses differently, and suggested that was part of its agreement with the commission.

"We are working very hard to communicate effectively about this recall with our consumers and to satisfy all of them during our implementation," GE spokesman Terry Dunn said.

The safety commission, however, said Friday the fact that GE did not let customers know the part could be rewired "came as a surprise to us," according to Alan Schoem, who worked with GE on the arrangement.

A typical person has an average of 1,460 dreams each year.

SISD Calendar 2000-2001

Parent Survey

Dear Parent:

The school calendar committee has had its first meeting and will be having another one next week. As a parent volunteer on the committee, I would like to know how you feel about certain issues being discussed and possibly present your concerns at the next meeting. Please answer this survey and mail to Diane Arnold, 4501 Galveston Ave. by ***Tuesday, Feb. 22.***

Some things to consider: there must be 187 total days of school (10 of those are staff development/in-service), leaving 177 instructional days. Those 177 days should be split as evenly as possible between the two semesters. Also before school starts, five of these 10 staff development/work days have to be held. The calendar also has to consider TAAS and "end of course" test dates set by the state, as well as include two bad weather days. Thank you for your help.

Diane Arnold

1. How would you rate the current school calendar (1999-2000)? (Circle one.)
excellent satisfactory no opinion unsatisfactory poor

2. How do you feel about starting school Aug. 15 (teachers could start Aug. 8)?
excellent satisfactory no opinion unsatisfactory poor

3. How would you feel about the Monday and Tuesday before Thanksgiving being staff development/work days and student holidays, giving students a week off for Thanksgiving?
excellent satisfactory no opinion unsatisfactory poor

4. What is your opinion of early release days?
helpful no opinion useless

5. What is your opinion about having Columbus Day, Martin Luther King Day and Presidents' Day as school holidays?
excellent satisfactory no opinion unsatisfactory useless

6. What is your opinion about not having the above holidays as school holidays?
excellent satisfactory no opinion unsatisfactory

7. Would you like to see the normal spring break week broken into three-day weekends instead?
Yes No

8. Would you like to see a fall break, Christmas break, winter break and spring break implemented? (These would each be one week long and spread throughout the year. For example: fall break in October, Christmas break like we have it, winter break in February and spring break in April)
Yes No

9. How do you feel about the full two-week Christmas break?
Too Long Too Short Just right

I have a student in _____ grade. Name (optional)_____

Would you be willing to serve on the committee next year? Name/phone number please.

Also any additional comments are welcomed.

Ernie Banks, Chicago Cub shortstop and member of the Hall of Fame, played in 2,528 games but never in a World Series.

Jessica Mills on Dean's List at SFASU

NACOGDOCHES – Jessica Francis Mills of Hermleigh, theatre major, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Stephen F. Austin State University.

She is the daughter of Kent and Deanie Mills of Hermleigh.

To be eligible, a student must be enrolled in 12 or more semester hours and maintain an excellent grade point average.

Hall and Bedell are given scholarships

ALPINE — Twenty-eight Sul Ross University students were recently awarded scholarships for the 1999-2000 academic year.

Scholarship recipients are selected by the University Scholarship Committee based on nominations forwarded by representatives of academic disciplines and departments. To date, over 320 Sul Ross students have received scholarships for 1999-2000, with total awards exceeding $320,000.

Snyder recipients include Sam Bedell, Snyder High School American Petroleum Institute Designated Scholarship; and Shannon Hall, Rick Hall Memorial Designated Scholarship.

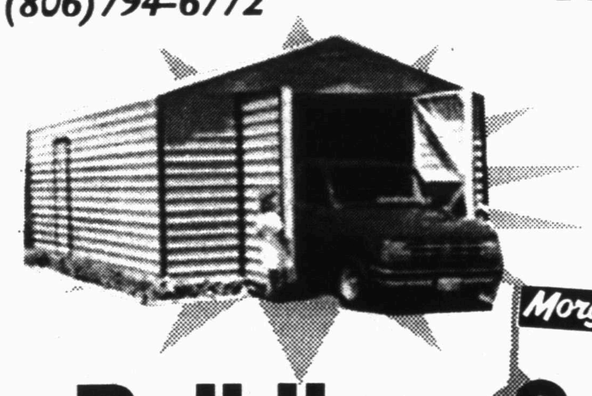
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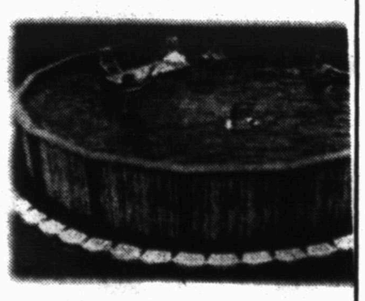
SPRINGFIELD, Va. (AP) — A plan by 27 airlines to establish a Web site that would sell low-cost tickets raises antitrust concerns, according to travel agents seeking a federal inquiry into the venture.

The American Society of Travel Agents said Thursday that the Web site would lead to price fixing and cause consumers to discontinue buying tickets through travel agents.

They are asking the Justice Department to investigate.

"This joint site is a clear attempt on the part of the airlines to lure consumers onto the Web with lower prices and drive all their competitors out of business."

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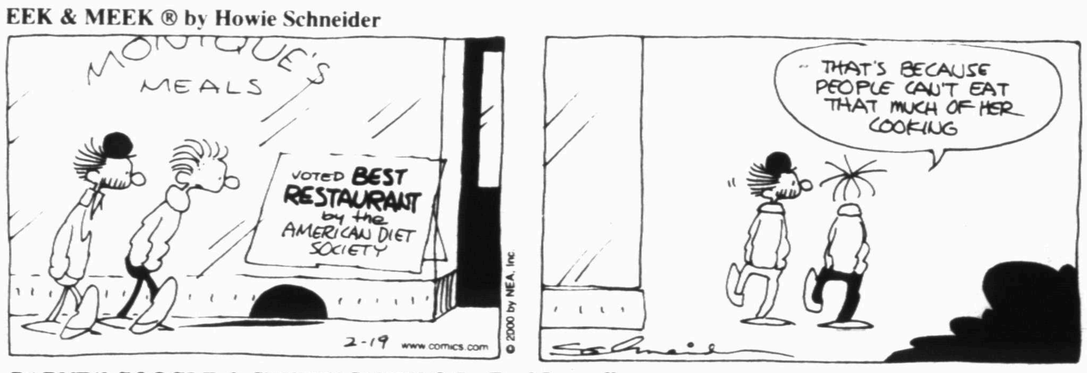
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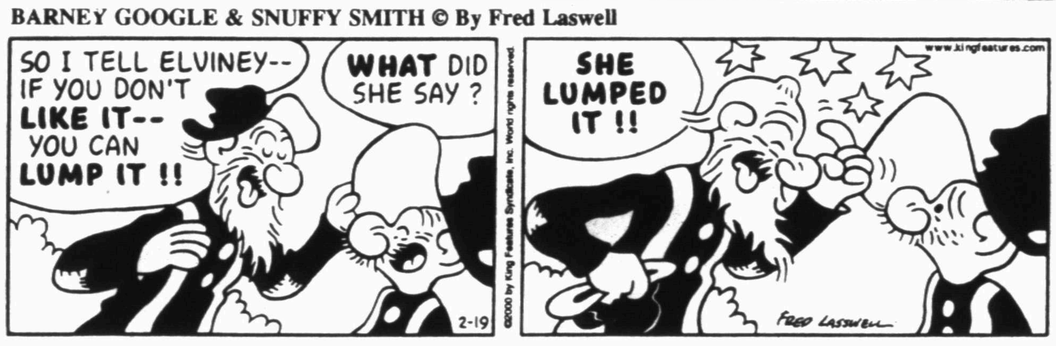
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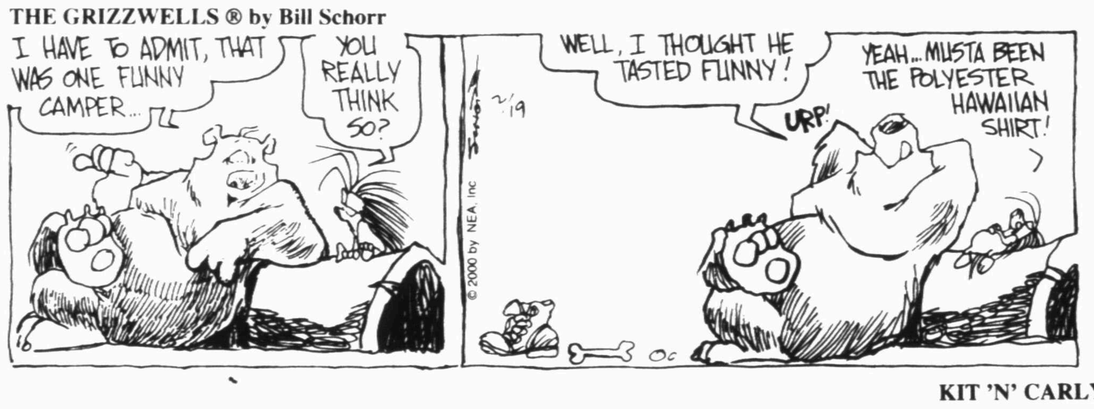
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1 "— — at the office"
6 Highway exit
10 Lean and muscular
12 "Red as a beet," e.g.
14 Makes happy
15 At the tip
16 Game animal
17 Snakelike fish
19 Small low islands
20 Hairy
23 Arctic abode
26 Turn the page (abbr.)
27 Off — wall
30 Leisurely
32 Certain engraver
34 Famous collie
35 Like Evel Knievel
36 Dutch city
37 Small amount
39 Cattle catcher
40 Bravery
42 Prince in India
45 Gun grp.
46 AAA offering
49 Incompetent
51 Bible-placing society
54 Coveted
55 — Express
56 Snacks
57 Marsh plant

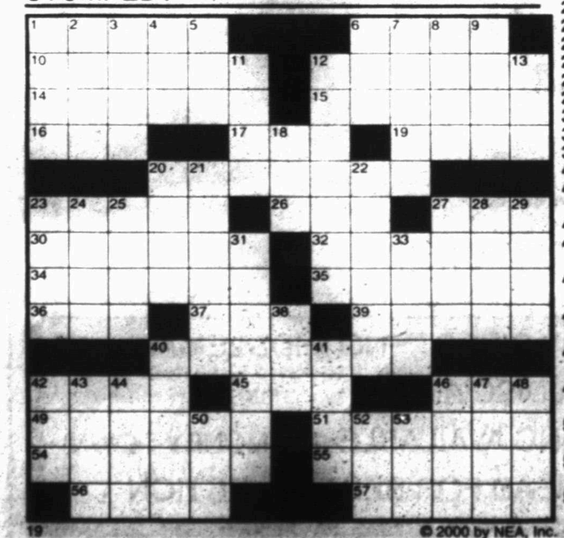
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5 Domestic animal
6 Actor Torn
7 Mass vestment
8 Mineral
9 Romp
11 River in Belgium
12 Greeted an officer
13 Loop trains
18 Sixth sense (abbr.)
20 "— tricks?"
21 Crystalline gem
22 Adds up
23 Capri, e.g.
24 Joyful
25 Misplace
27 The one here
28 Egg layers
29 Therefore
31 Longed (for)
33 Stuff
38 Beetle
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41 Character in "Othello"
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44 Starbucks' order
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53 Do or —

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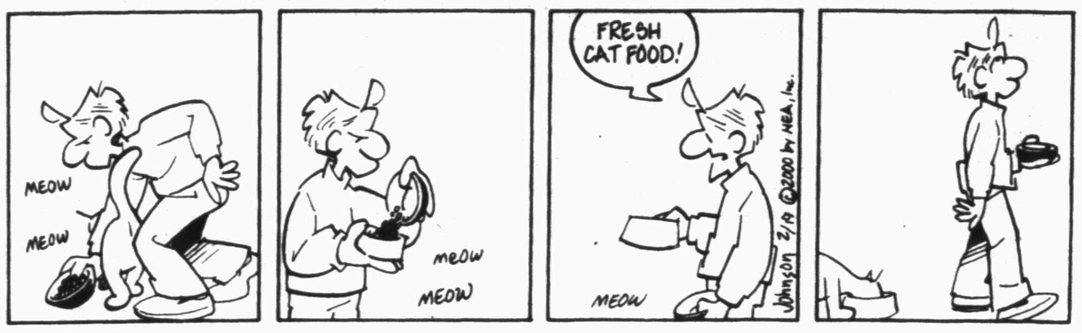


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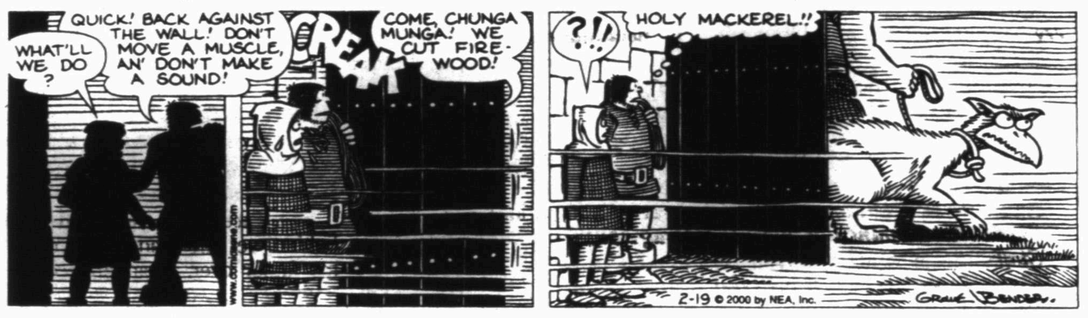


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Q & A

Local SACADA office

(In response to a growing concern among parents, educators and other members of the community, Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, is devoting this column to your questions about the increasing threat of substance abuse.)

Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse

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What Is Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse?

The Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and drug abuse is a non-profit agency which provides the following services:

*Fully staffed and equipped main office
*Satellite offices in each county served
*Confidential Assessments/Referrals
*Current Information: Video library, tape library, books, pamphlets
*A meeting room to accommodate large groups
24 hour confidential information/referral telephone service
*Community calendar for substance abuse meetings, seminars, related activities and educational opportunities
*List of treatment options
*Speakers for the community – for organizations, schools and businesses
*Drug Free Workplace training for business owners
*Network with other community and state agencies

Objective:

The Objective of SACADA can be summed up in three words:

Prevention, Intervention, and Continuing Care.

The Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse is here to SERVE Scurry, Mitchell, Borden, Kent, and Fisher County residents. SACADA is funded through a grant form the Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse and Scurry County United Way.

The Snyder Area Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse is a private nonprofit corporation guided by a ten member board of directors representing all entities of the community. The council is manned by a full-time staff. There is no cost involved for our services to individual in need, except in some cases of court ordered or employer requested evaluation.

How To Help Someone With A Substance Abuse Problem-

If you or someone you know or love has a problem with alcohol or drugs– you are not alone. There is help available. Alcoholism and drug addiction are treatable and recovery is possible.

Finding Help-

Snyder Area CADA has a 24-hour information/ referral line which allows the caller to have information day or night. A current list of recovery options is maintained at all times– including detoxification, treatment, recovery and counseling centers, and available community resources

The office is open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. We encourage those with substance abuse problems or those concerned about someone to stop by the office and talk with the staff to determine what help is available for their situation

All Services provided by the Council are confidential.

Snyder Area Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse Staff:

Vicki S. Mahoney - Interim Director
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Leslie Cooley - Program Coordinator
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Please send your questions on drugs or addiction to P.O. Box 695, Snyder, Texas 79550. All questions and personal inquires may be submitted anonymously. Twenty-four-hour confidential information is available by calling (915) 573-1141 or 1-800-658-6722. Information on help groups and individual's phone numbers may be found in the SDN Community Calendar.

Consumer prices edge up slightly last month

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer prices edged up 0.2 percent in January as the biggest drop in clothing prices in nearly 11 years helped offset rising costs for fuel oil, gasoline and other energy products, the government said Friday.

The modest advance in the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index, the most closely watched inflation gauge, was slightly less than the 0.3 percent increase many analysts were expecting and marked four months in a row in which inflation stood at 0.2 percent.

A 1.1 percent decline in clothing prices — the largest drop since February 1989 — helped offset a big 1 percent jump in energy prices and rising costs for other products.

Outside the volatile energy and food categories, the "core" rate of inflation rose 0.2 percent last month, matching many analysts' predictions. That followed a slim 0.1 percent rise in the core in December.

The report comes one day after the government said inflation at the wholesale level was unchanged in January and that core wholesales prices, excluding energy and food, actually fell 0.2 percent.

Both inflation reports suggest that outside of the burst in energy costs, most other prices remain in check. Some economists said the CPI report could set the stage for bigger price increases in the future. Among other things, they are worried that rising energy costs will push up other prices. "The tame headline number hides some real pressures on consumer prices," said economist Joel Naroff of Naroff Economic Advisors.

Wall Street appeared to dwell on Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan's signal Thursday that interest rates will be raised again. The Dow Jones industrial average was down 100 points and the Nasdaq was off 27 in late morning. But inflation-sensitive bonds rallied on the CPI news. Bond prices rose as the yields on 30-year Treasury bonds fell to 6.18 percent this morning from 6.22 percent late Thursday.

The Commerce Department Friday said the 1999 trade deficit was up a sharp 65.1 percent from the $164.3 billion of a year earlier.

The trade deficit for last year surged to an all-time high of $271.3 billion. Deficits with Japan, China, Canada, Mexico and the European Union all set records.

The Federal Reserve has bumped up interest rates four times since June to slow the red-hot economy and keep inflation under control.

Greenspan, in his twice-a-year report on the economy to Congress on Thursday, said inflation remains a threat to the economic good times many Americans are enjoying. His concern: the tight labor market will lead to wage gains that not blunted by other forces could lead to a sharp run-up in prices.

Most analysts widely expect the Fed to boost interest rates again on March 21 and believed Greenspan's remarks appeared to support their predications of a series of rate increases this year.

The 1 percent rise in overall energy prices last month was led by a 7.9 percent gain in fuel oil prices, the steepest increase.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Best tip about tipping is to come right out and ask

DEAR ABBY: When my husband and I stay at a bed-and-breakfast inn, the price is exorbitant — $250 a night. I feel we should not have to leave a tip. They are well paid. My husband says we are obligated to leave a tip, despite the price of the stay. Is that true?

Also, is it rude not to tip the owner of a hair salon when she is your hairdresser and charges a lot, too? — **"B" IN TERRYVILLE, CONN.**

DEAR "B": According to Letitia Baldrige, some owners of beauty salons charge more for their services than the hairdressers they employ. Because of that, not all of them expect (or accept) tips from their clients. However, the best way to determine how your hairdresser feels about the practice of tipping would be to come right out and ask her.

People who run bed-and-breakfast establishments usually employ a cleaning staff and pay the going rate — which is minimum wage. Therefore, your husband is correct. The considerate thing to do is to leave a few dollars on your pillow as a gratuity for the chambermaid.

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DEAR ABBY: My father passed away last June. My dear mother died in 1965, when I was at the tender age of 10. My father remarried after I graduated from high school; he was 63 and my stepmother was 38. I am the youngest of the four children from my mother. The only thing we have now are our memories.

I am writing because my stepmother had her name placed on the headstone that is inscribed with my mother's and father's names. She had my father placed to the left of the headstone so she would be buried between my mother and him! Our family is outraged over this. We feel it is inappropriate.

There are plots on each side and behind, yet she made them move my father over. I can understand her wanting to be buried next to him, but I feel it is extremely poor taste to add her name to my parents' headstone. What do you think about this, and should we say something to her? — **OUTRAGED IN THE SOUTH**

DEAR OUTRAGED: You can certainly say something to your stepmother, but I doubt that anything you can say will "move" her. If she was concerned about the feelings of her husband's children, she'd have selected a plot on the side opposite your mother and left him in the middle.

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DEAR ABBY: I read the complimentary letter from Karl Southward to the head of sanitation for the city of Dallas. Why would you want to FILE a letter such as that? My suggestion would be to FRAME THAT LETTER and display it on a wall the majority of workers pass, so they can continually be reminded that a compliment was passed on to them.

I might even go a step further and photocopy the letter and insert it with each employee's paycheck, adding a note saying, "Good job, everyone." You'd be amazed how the morale of the employees would pick up.

I personally send complimentary letters. It's part of my daily "Practice Random Acts of Kindness" mission. Kudos to Karl Southward from Nemo, Texas, for his random act of kindness. — **ANITA PARKS, LIVERPOOL, N.Y.**

DEAR ANITA: Your suggestions are terrific, and I'm sure they would be powerful motivators. As someone who believes firmly in the "Random Acts of Kindness" mission, I salute both Karl Southward and YOU as well!

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

DEAR ABBY: I am the mother of three elementary school-aged children. Every few years, my husband is awarded a trip by his company that he can take me on. The trip this year is one week during the school year.

I have decided I will not go, since the only way I would be able to go is to separate my children out to friends or neighbors. We have no grandparents or family members who are able to watch them for one week at our home. My friends and family can't believe this is the choice I made.

Abby, my children are my first priority. It is unfair in my mind to ask friends or family to shoulder the responsibility that I have chosen and am proud to do — driving my children to school, homework, etc. — just so I can have a week of "playtime."

I keep hearing "hire a sitter" — even from my own mother-in-law! Why would I hire someone I do not know to come into my home for a week to watch my most treasured possessions? In this age of so many troubled children whose parents put themselves first, I feel as though I am the only mother left in this country who takes her responsibilities seriously. Your thoughts, please. — **STAY-AT-HOME MOM WHO MEANS IT, ROSWELL, GA.**

DEAR MOM: While I admire your idealism, being a responsible mother isn't a case of black-and-white — it's a matter of degree.

Your mother-in-law is trying to tell you something important. Don't lull yourself into thinking your entire responsibility is to your children; it's more far-reaching than that. Your husband should come first and your children a close second. In the next 20 years, if you, as parents, have done your job well, the children will "fly the nest" and you'll be left with: each other. Therefore, it is vital that you invest in that relationship.

Perhaps a good friend would stay with your children in your absence, or take them all in for a week. You could repay her in kind at a later date. If not, perhaps your clergyperson could recommend a trustworthy and experienced sitter.

Your husband has been awarded a trip in recognition of his effort — and you belong with him, helping him to enjoy every minute of it.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 17-year-old high school senior. I have always been the math and science type, taking every class possible.

I joined a chemistry class this year that meets outside the classroom. The teacher is a very friendly guy, a little obsessed with our work, but nothing serious.

The problem is, I have become attracted to his 15-year-old daughter, and I believe she feels the same about me. We have a lot in common. So far, we have spent little time together outside of school, but we talk on the phone for hours.

Her father, my teacher, is oblivious to all of this, and may be an obstacle, but I can deal with that.

Since I am a senior and she is a freshman, I am wondering whether I should pursue the relationship. I have spent countless hours debating the issue, but it seems trivial when I think of her. What do you think? — **CRAZY FOR A FRESHMAN**

DEAR CRAZY: You may be a whiz in math and science, but you're obviously only a B-minus in biology and psychology. Make it a priority to ask your teacher's permission to see his daughter. If you are caught "sneaking around," it will look like you have something to hide, and he might not be so "friendly" when it comes to giving you a passing grade.

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AIDS scare false alarm

WASHINGTON (AP) — Extensive tests have found that gene therapy given to a group of dying cancer patients was not contaminated with hepatitis C or the virus that causes AIDS.

Last week, several newspapers reported that highly preliminary laboratory testing suggested an experiment at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and Houston's Baylor College of Medicine might have exposed children to the viruses.

However, the Food and Drug Administration said those lab tests are prone to errors.

Most of the children, who had advanced cases of the nervous system cancer neuroblastoma, have died of their cancer since the experiment. After the media reports, the hospitals tracked down survivors' families to warn them.

Thursday, after finishing several rounds of confirmatory testing, the FDA said there was no problem — the children were not exposed to infection.

The agency said the scare also shows research labs must be careful in how they test gene therapy products for possible contamination — the lab St. Jude's hired used an error-prone method not even FDA-approved for gene therapy.

The concern arose when a St. Jude's researcher realized cells used to grow some of the gene-based medicine might not have undergone proper quality testing, and so began to double-check. The FDA will continue to investigate whether that portion of the experiment followed federal rules.

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Entire genetic library of fruit fly unraveled

WASHINGTON (AP) — Scientists at last have deciphered virtually the entire genetic code of the fruit fly, an important dry run in figuring out all the genes that make humans tick.

The achievement was announced Friday by scientists who took part in an unusual collaboration between a university lab and a private company that is racing the federal government to decode the human genetic library.

For almost 100 years, the fruit fly — known to scientists as Drosophila melanogaster — has been the premier lab species for learning how the appearance and traits of all living things are encoded in their genes.

It was fruit fly experiments that led to the understanding that genes are carried in long strings called chromosomes.

In the latest project, scientists unraveled the fruit fly's genetic blue print from end to end. They decoded both the actual genes and the less interesting bits of genetic filler that separate them along the chromosomes.

The project combined the expertise of Dr. Gerald Rubin's Drosophila Genome Project Group at the University of California at Berkeley with the powerful gene-sequencing machines and computers at Celera Genomics Corp., the Rockville, Md., company headed by J. Craig Venter.

Scientists from both groups announced the results at the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

They say they have unraveled more than 97 percent of the fly's genetic code and more than 99 percent of the actual genes. In all, it turns out that every fruit fly cell contains 13,601 genes. Human cells, by contrast, are thought to have about 70,000.

The scientists have lumped the fruit fly genes into broad categories, such as those that contain the code for enzymes or for structural proteins. The duties of half the genes are unknown.

Although about 1,600 tiny gaps still remain, Rubin said they are filling these in at a rate of about 100 a day.

Rubin said three scientific papers on the work have been submitted to the journal Science. Much of the raw data already are available on the Internet at the National Library of Medicine's GenBank site.

To those who have spent their careers studying the fruit fly, the data are likely to offer many insights as well as possibilities for new experiments. Among other things, Dr. Edward Lewis said it will mean scientists may spend as much time scrutinizing newly available genetic code on computer screens as they now do in lab experiments.

"We have been looking forward to this for a long time. It really is a big deal," said Lewis, a longtime Drosophila researcher at the California Institute of Technology.

One reason scientists study the genes of simple creatures like flies and worms is that similar genes often play important roles in the internal workings of people.

Rubin said his team looked at 289 genetic flaws known to cause diseases in humans. Using the new data, they searched for similar genes in the fruit fly and found that 60 percent of the human genes match up.

These include genes for such common human problems as kidney disease, Alzheimer's disease and cancer. In fact, 70 percent of the genes known to cause human malignancy were found to exist in similar form in the fruit fly.

Mark Adams, one of the Celera scientists, said a longtime goal has been discovery of a fruit fly version of a human gene called p53. This gene ordinarily corrects genetic errors, and defects in p53 are an extremely common contributor to cancer.

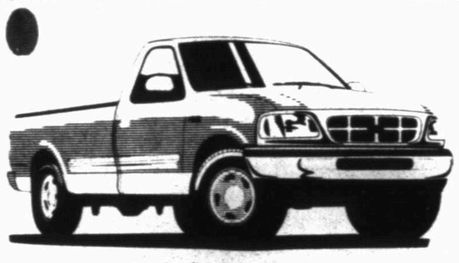
Using the new data, scientists found the gene. "It just jumped right out of the genome," Adams said.

Over the years, scientists have discovered many mutations. that cause odd body shapes or unusual characteristics in fruit flies. Recently, a gene dubbed Methuselah was discovered that makes fruit flies live about one-third longer than usual. Adams said the new data show that the Methuselah gene actually is one of a large family, and it has 10 close relatives.

The Celera scientists used a method called whole genome shotgun sequencing. They decoded more than 3 million fragments of the fly's genes, then looked for overlapping chunks so they could piece them together into a continuous strand.

Contrary to popular belief, there is little scientific evidence that the ages at which parents die have any correlation to the life span of their offspring.

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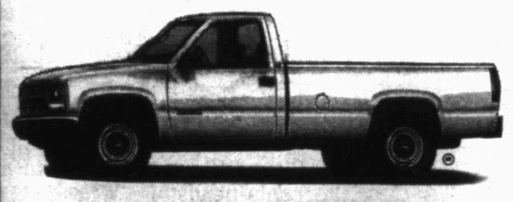


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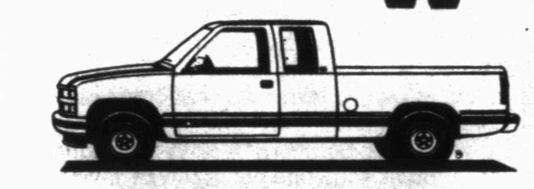
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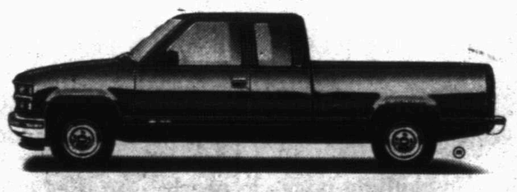
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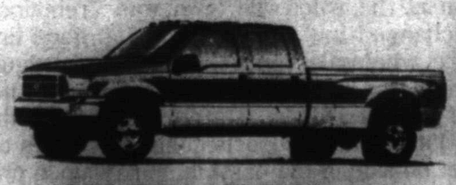
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