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THURSDAY
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Ask Us

Q—If my city taxes cost me $300 now, how much will the half-cent sales tax save me per year?

A—Assuming total values and budgets are the same, the one-eighth earmarked for ad valorem tax reduction would save you approximately $34, which is just over 11 percent.

In Brief

Bush's plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is nearing completion of an economic package that would cut taxes by as much as $50 billion over five years, a newspaper reported today.

The Washington Post quoted congressional sources as saying the plan would provide tax cuts this year of $15 billion to $17 billion, with its main feature being an increase in the tax break for families with children.

Overturned

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Former Wilson County Commissioner C.W. "Slim" Daniels says he will seek $9,000 in back pay now that the 4th Texas Court of Appeals has overturned his felony conviction on charges of he misused county money.

The appeals court, in an opinion written Wednesday by visiting Judge John F. Onion Jr., ordered the Frio County district court to enter an acquittal.

The opinion found evidence was insufficient to justify Daniels' conviction for placing gasoline owned by Wilson County in his pickup truck.

Roy Barrera Sr., a San Antonio lawyer who represents Daniels, said the former commissioner will ask for six months' back pay at his salary of $1,500 a month, plus interest, plus what the country was contributing to his retirement fund.

District Judge Sid Harle of San Antonio had heard the case in Frio County, where it was moved on a change of venue from Wilson County.

Local

Ira ISD

Ira Independent School District will conduct a public hearing at 7:30 tonigth to present the results of the 1990-91 Academic Excellence Indicator System.

The hearing will be followed at 8 p.m. by a meeting of the board of trustees. Among the items on the agenda are the appointment of a new board member and consideration of plans to remodel the gymnasium.

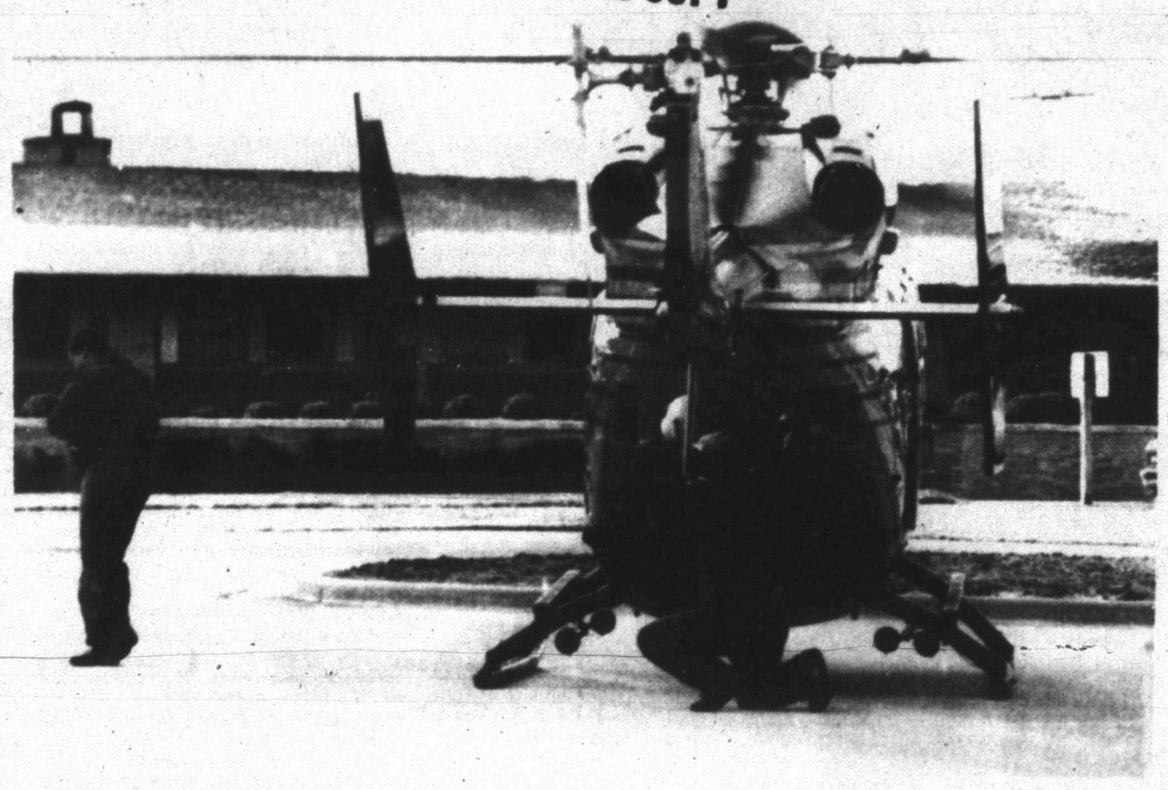
Weather

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight: Clear. Low in the upper 20s. West wind 5-15 mph shifting to north 10-20 mph and gusty late. Friday: Becoming mostly cloudy. High in the mid 40s. North to northeast wind 10-20 mph.

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 51 degrees; low, 16 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 18 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, .90 of an inch.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:03 p.m. Sunrise Friday, 7:43 a.m. Of 15 days in 1992, the sun has shone 15 days in Snyder.

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MORNING TRANSFER — A crew from Aerocare, a Lubbock-based emergency medical flight service, prepares this morning to transfer a patient from Cogdell Memorial Hospital to a medical specialist in Lubbock. (SDN Staff Photo)

Snyder among 63 cities and counties making prison bid

From local, wire reports

HUNTSVILLE — Snyder was one of 63 communities and counties Wednesday to submit a bid with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a state prison.

At stake is hundreds of jobs and millions of dollars promised by the 25,000 new prison beds the state plans to build.

The prisons will include three 2,250-bed maximum-security facilities, six 1,000-bed minimum- or medium-security beds, and an undetermined number of units to house and treat 12,000 substance abusers.

The new prisons are expected to provide selected communities with jobs for 800 employees and an annual $16 million payroll for a 2,250-bed prison, or 317 jobs and a $6 million annual payroll for a 1000-bed unit.

Unlike two previous bidding periods held by the state, cities and counties were not required to bid for a specific size unit this time. However, members of the Economic Development Committee of Snyder are hoping for a 1,000-bed prison since utilities for such a facility are already in place. The systems for those utilities were constructed when Snyder was awarded a bid for the Price Daniel Unit in 1987.

Among the factors considered by TDCJ in the selection are operational costs, logistics, regional needs, staff recruitment and retention, site suitability, inmate catchment area, community resources

(see **BID**, page 8)

Gray gets ten years for escape

A 132nd District Court Jury handed down the maximum sentence for escape Wednesday in the trial of convicted murderer Travis Dale Gray.

Gray was sentenced to 10 years and a $10,000 fine in relation to his June 20, 1990 escape from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Price Daniel Unit.

The jury deliberated only 14 minutes to return the gulity verdict and another 13 minutes to assess punishment.

Gray was serving a 40-year sentence in the Daniel Unit after a Colorado City jury found him guilty of the June 23, 1988 murder of his first wife, Tammy.

The 10-year sentence will be served after completion of the 40-year sentence.

The punishment phase of the trial began around 11 a.m. Wednesday after the seven-woman, five-man jury returned a guilty verdict on the escape charge.

Gray took the stand during the punishment phase, telling prosecuting attorney Ernie Armstrong that his escape from the Snyder prison was a spur of the moment

(see **ESCAPE**, page 8)

By Supreme Court...

Redistricting plea rejected

AUSTIN (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court today rejected a request by Texas officials to block a federal court's state Senate redistricting plan despite allegations that a Republican legislator improperly worked on the map.

The high court's action may pave the way for use of a legislative redistricting plan drawn by U.S. District Judge James Nowlin of Austin, a Republican appointee.

Nowlin's plan, for March 10 primary elections, was opposed by minority groups and most Democrats. The districts are drawn in such a way that Republicans could capture a majority of the seats in the 31-member Senate.

GOP officials hailed the decision.

"Clearly, the court-drawn plan is not the Republican plan. But it certainly is a step forward from the Democrat, gerrymandered plan," said Texas GOP Chairman Fred Meyer.

"For the first time, we're going to have fair elections for the state Senate," Meyer said. The Senate now includes nine Republicans and 22 Democrats.

But James Harrington, an attorney representing minority plaintiffs, criticized the Supreme Court's decision.

"I think this is a very dramatic illustration of how the Reagan-Bush federal courts have basically perverted the Voting Rights Act and turned it on its head," he said. The federal Voting Rights Act is intended to protect minority voting strength.

"The evidence will show that the Senate plan drawn by the Legislature is vastly superior for minorities of Texas," Martin said.

The attorney general, governor's office and legislative leaders were meeting to determine the state's next step.

SISD trustees to consider drug testing policy again

Snyder public schools trustees will consider a drug screening policy for bus drivers and hear a report on results of the 1991 Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) test when they convene for their January meeting this evening.

An executive session to discuss central office evaluations will be the first order of business at 6:30 p.m. The open session is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

During the summer of 1991, trustees began working on a policy to randomly test bus drivers. Board members eventually decided to expand the proposed policy to include all employees of the district. They were advised against such a policy in December, however, by legal representatives of the Texas School Board Association.

In brief, the policy submitted for board approval tonight will require mandatory drug testing under the following conditions:

—An applicant applies for employment, transfer or promotion to a position which involves the operation of mechanical equipment or the driving of motor vehicles;

—there is reasonable suspicion of impairment based upon visible evidence of erratic job behavior;

—an employee is involved in an accident or damages district equipment while on duty;

—or, an employee is criminally charged with the selling, possess-

(see **SISD**, page 8)

Chamber contract approved by BCD

Board of County Development members renewed a contract with the chamber of commerce and approved a request from the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District during their Wednesday meeting.

A contract with the chamber of commerce, for services provided to the BCD, Scurry County Producer's Association and Scurry County Cotton Board, was renewed for 1992.

The chamber provides office space, clerical help and other services for the three groups, with fees paid to the chamber from the BCD budget. Fees for the contract include professional fees at $2,500 per month; rent, $300 per month; postage, $200 per month; copier services at $250 per quarter; and office supplies at approximately $343 per quarter.

Charlie Henderson, CRMWD chairman, sent a letter on behalf of its board of directors requesting that the BCD contribute $1,000 to help promote soil and water conservation within the county.

According to Henderson's letter, a contribution has been made by the BCD for the past several years.

Funds contributed to the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District are divided among several projects throughout the year, including a poster and essay contest; co-sponsorship of land judging and grass identification contests with Western Texas College; an annual awards banquet to recognize outstanding farmers, ranchers and teachers; promoting soil stewardship week; advertising to recognize conservation work being done in Scurry County; co-sponsoring the Scurry County Farm and Ranch Tour with the chamber and county extension service; helping the chamber agriculture committee carry out its goals; co-sponsoring ranch breakfasts with Ezell-Key; buying book

(see **BCD**, page 8)

Appraisal members select new officers

Bill Voss was elected chairman of the Scurry County Appraisl District board of directors Wednesday.

Other new officers selected were Harold Lacik, vice chairman, and Ross Carroll, secretary. Walter Stirl and Carl Smith, are new board members, who took the oath of office.

Donald Northcott was reappointed to the appraisal review board, beginning a two-year term. James Northcott and Norris Lofton are hold-over members.

The state requires agriculture values calculated every year and the board approved members Charlie Henderson, Jerry House, Sid Wall and alternate, Pete Hester.

The board unanimously confirmed existing contracts with the oil evaluation firm, Thomas Y. Pickett and Company, Inc. of Dallas; collection contracts with Ira and Hermleigh school districts; County Education District; depository with Snyder National Bank; and B&L Services for central maintenance of office machines.

Chief Appraiser Ray Peveler commented on the need to add one employee to the staff for one year, increasing the figure of total salaries by $14,000, by using funds from the 1991 total appraisal carryover of $10,823.10. Peveler noted two employees left during the year, which resulted in extra work loads. In addition, the formation of the County Education District increased clerical work.

Under old business, the purchasing of the Lampasas mapping equipment was tabled until prices on new equipment could be obtained.

Bills payable for December were approved.

Others in attendance at the meeting were staff members, Sharla Williamson, Lisa West and Larry Crooks, assistant appraiser; and Rona Sikes, county tax collector.

The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The most dangerous thing about air travel is the drive to the airport."

Snyder's prison proposal has been hand-delivered to Huntsville. It's the third such proposal submitted by this community and it represents literally thousands of volunteer hours.

Since Snyder pioneered the way for location of prisons outside East Texas, local members of the economic development committee also have been called on by numerous other communities for information.

A repeated question has been the impact on the housing market. Price Daniel Warden Les Wood recently did a survey of his staff. Although all employees did not return the questionnaire, the findings were interesting.

Some 172 individuals did complete the form. Of those, 95 were originally residing in the Snyder area, and 58 transferred here — 54 from other places in Texas and four from out-of-state.

Seventy-one of the respondents previously owned homes in the Snyder area and 34 have purchased a home. Of those homes purchased, 10 were in the $20-30,000 range, eight were in the $30-40,000 range, four were in the $40-50,000 category, and 12 were priced at more than $50,000.

Two of the respondents purchased a lot for a mobile home, and two rented lots for mobile homes. The survey also revealed that 118 of those completing the survey form currently reside in the Snyder are and 36 live outside the Snyder area.

As predicted, the partnership with the state prison system has had a positive impact on the Scurry County economy.

We've read stories from area newspapers about their efforts to get a prison. We thought the Andrews city manager made classic observation when addressing his city council concerning incentives needed to attract a prison.

The city manager said, "for the costs involved...two prisons would have been a better deal."

That guy must be an Aggie, and five is still better than four.

Not to seek presidency in 1992...

Bentsen's decision 'toughest ever'

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, the Democratic vice presidential nominee in 1988, says his decision not to enter this year's presidential contest was "the toughest political decision I've made."

"There are those days I do (regret not running) and those days I'm glad I'm not," Bentsen, D-Texas, said Wednesday.

After changing his mind "about six times," Bentsen said his position as chairman of the powerful Senate Finance Committee ultimately convinced him not to run.

"Most of the big issues that are going to be facing this country are going to be those of trade and health (and) taxes. They are all in this committee," he said. "Hopefully I can make a contribution, make a difference. That's what I hired on for.

"Now with whatever I do, I won't be charged with trying to run for president at the same time or that I'm influenced by the fact of running."

Bentsen declined to size up the Democratic presidential candidates, saying "it's much too early to assess" the race.

But he said President Bush is vulnerable and will become more so if the economy remains sluggish.

"He has to come out with a plan of economic growth," Bentsen said. "If he doesn't, then the public's going to look to the alternative, what the Democrats have to offer."

Bush's State of the Union speech on Jan. 28 will indicate whether this session of Congress will be productive or fall into bitter partisanship, Bentsen said.

Bentsen urged the administration to adequately fund environmental projects along the U.S.-Mexico border, which has become more polluted as trade between both countries has grown.

Border environmental protection is even more crucial with both countries negotiating a free trade pact that would significantly increase traffic along the 2,000-mile boundary, he said.

Bush's earlier promises to increase funding for the border area must be matched by funding requests in the budget he will unveil next month, Bentsen said.

"Words are one thing and action is quite something else," he said.

The current economic climate is not helping the proposed free trade pact garner support in Congress, Bentsen said.

"I think anytime you have a recession and high unemployment that agreements such as this have a tougher time," he said. But, he added, "I'm convinced that we have the capability of drawing an agreement that will create more jobs for both sides."

Astronaut's son killed in crash

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — Former astronaut Jon McBride reportedly was in Texas today to comfort his pregnant daughter-in-law. McBride's son, Lt. Richard Michael McBride, was killed when his Navy plane crashed into Corpus Christi Bay.

Lt. Leslie Hammes, spokeswoman at the U.S. Naval Air Station in Corpus Christi, said the crash occurred on Tuesday while the younger McBride and a fellow airman flying a training plane checked out landing gear problems on an airborne F-14.

Richard McBride, 29, of Houston was a passenger in the T-34 trainer flown by Ensign Graydon Webster of Stamford, Conn. Webster also was killed.

"At some point something happened and the F-14 clipped the back of the T-34," Hammes said. "It immediately spun out of control and went into the bay."

Astro-graphs

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Jan. 16, 1992

Your chart indicates you could be exposed to a substantial amount of opportunities in the year ahead. By the same token, however, there is a possibility you might treat some promising situations more casually than they deserve.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Usually, you're a rather industrious individual when you set your mind to it. However, today you might spend more time discussing your intentions than fulfilling them. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might be tempted today by a tantalizing challenge in which the odds are against you. Remember what happened to Don Quixote when he jousted with windmills.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The least you can do today for those interested in your welfare is attentively listen to the advice they offer. There is a possibility they might know more than you do.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You'll be more comfortable issuing orders today than you will be complying with instructions given to you by others. But if involved in a situation where the work is to be shared, do your part.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Finding yourself in a financial squeeze today is probably traceable to a foolish move you recently made in the management of your resources. Don't compound mistakes.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your views and opinions today are likely to be of greater significance to you than they will be to your associates. Don't pound your ideas on unreceptive ears.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) In a critical arrangement today, be extra careful that you don't lull yourself into a false sense of security by believing you're in a stronger position than you actually are.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's best today that you don't treat money you expect to have coming in as though it's already in your checking account. Deal with your resources realistically and pragmatically.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Thoughtful people are apt to do favors for you today, but they're not your big-shot contacts. Don't embarrass yourself by making requests of the latter.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You might feel as though you're being taken advantage of today, but the blame could be partially yours — owing to a commitment you really shouldn't have made.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In your commercial dealings today, don't go for the carrot dangling at the end of the stick. No one is likely to make a deal where you'll get something for nothing.

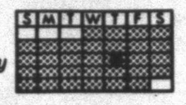
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Unrealistic objectives could be a contributing factor to your downfall today. Keep in mind that optimism is an asset, but wishful thinking is merely wishful thinking.

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THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

Jan. 16, 1992

Today is the 16th day of 1992 and the 26th day of winter.



TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1920, Prohibition went into effect in the United States, one year after ratification of the 18th Amendment.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Ethel Merman (1909-1984), singer-actress; Dizzy Dean (1911-1974), baseball star-broadcaster; Marilyn Horne (1934-), operatic mezzo-soprano, is 58; A.J. Foyt (1935-), auto racer, is 57; Ronnie Milsap (1944-), singer, is 48; Debbie Allen (1951-), actress-dancer-choreographer, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1905, outfielder Frank Huelsman was traded from the Boston Red Sox to the Washington Senators, marking the sixth time he was traded in eight months.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The Good Lord was good to me. He gave me a strong body, a good right arm and a weak mind." — Dizzy Dean, upon his induction into baseball's Hall of Fame.

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1968, a dust storm at Ashkhabad, Turkmen, in the Soviet Union reduced visibility to less than 6 feet and deposited a layer of dust 2 inches thick. Transport and water supplies were totally disrupted.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Jan. 12) and full moon (Jan. 19).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET

Nobody needs a computer to figure out if they've spent their money foolishly — not if they're married, they don't.

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Rome was made the capital of Italy in 1870.

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CHILDREN
GONE?

Since 1980 there have been fewer than 400 new jobs created in Snyder. With the downturn in the oil economy, the closing of service and retail businesses, the loss of 106 jobs at Wall's, the net gain is zero. Snyder High School, since 1980, has graduated 2,091 students.

Create Jobs!!

Lower Taxes!

Without jobs our children have no choice but to leave home and look elsewhere for employment. Our most valuable resources are seeking opportunities in other cities.

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Gallaway presides over Altrurian Daughters Club

The Altrurian Daughters Study Club met at the Martha Ann Woman's Club in January for its regular luncheon.

Vice president Georgene Galloway presided over the brief business meeting. The club voted to purchase a card table to donate to MAWC.

A program, "From Books to Bedpans," was presented by Diane Beard, director of nursing at Western Texas College. She discussed the educational requirements for nurses at the LVN and RN levels, and emphasized the dedication needed to complete both of these. She also commented on the character and personality of the individual who is carefully screened before being accepted for such a training program. She concluded by urging members of her audience to have living wills prepared and give copies to doctors, hospitals and family members, as well as keeping the original copy in their personal files.

Hostesses for the event were chairman Virginia Clark, Lee Falls and Ruby Patterson.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 7 p.m.

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

Cosmorama Study Club covered dish luncheon; home of Carol Miller; 7 p.m.

Snyder Chater No. 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall; 1912 35th; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-9924 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

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

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; For more information call 573-2101 or 573-3657 or 573-3956; 8 p.m.

Alaten; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-5524 days, 573-2101 nights; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9924. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Alateen Step Study Group; Park Club at Winston Park; For information, call 573-8929 or 573-5164.

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

SUNDAY

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

10 a.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.



NEW MEMBERS — Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma recently held an initiation of new members at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. They are, from left, Kay Carter, Becky Hale, Kay Hopper, Sandra Baker and not pictured, Rebecca Thornton. (Contributed Photo)



BRIDE FETED — Mrs. Matthew Don McMillon, nee Rebecca Ann Reynolds, was honoree at a bridal shower held at 10 a.m. Saturday in the family center at the East Side Church of Christ. The couple, married at 7 p.m. on Jan. 4 at the First Colony Church of Christ in Sugar Land, are at home in Abilene. Standing with the honoree, third from left, are Mrs. Don Morris of Abilene, sister of the bride; Mrs. Robert Y. Reynolds of Sugar Land, mother of the bride; Mrs. Donald McMillon of Snyder, mother of the groom; Mrs. L.M. McWhorter of Abilene, grandmother of the groom; and Mrs. J.T. McMillon of Lawn, grandmother of the groom. (SDN Staff Photo)

Bridge By Phillip Alder

NORTH 1-16-92.
♠ A 6 5
♥ A K 10 2
♦ 8 6 5
♣ A K 5

WEST
♠ Q J 8 4
♥ 6 3
♦ A K Q J 9
♣ Q 8

EAST
♠ 9 7 2
♥ 5 4
♦ 7 4 3
♣ J 10 9 7 2

SOUTH
♠ K 10 3
♥ Q J 9 8 7
♦ 10 2
♣ 6 4 3

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♠	Pass
1 ♥	Dbl.	Redbl.	Pass
Pass	2 ♦	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♦ K

The bidding gave the key

By Phillip Alder

A spy knows that even when his back is against the wall, he must try to find an escape route.

The Chief of Control, the secret counterespionage agency whose phone number is listed in the Washington, D.C., directory, appeared to have four inescapable losers (one spade, two diamonds and one club) in today's hand. But he found a way to dodge the fourth bullet, cutting the number to three.

Maxwell Smart, Agent 86, was too strong for a 15-17 point one-no-trump opening; hence he bid one club. Simon the Likable passed, the Chief responded with one heart, and Siegfried doubled to show his length in the unbid suits. Max, who was about to raise to four hearts, realized that this bid would now be treated as distributional. He redoubled to indicate his high-card power; then he bid four hearts on the next round.

Siegfried began with three top diamonds. Seeing only one chance, the Chief ruffed the third diamond, drew trumps in two rounds and cashed the A-K of clubs. He continued with a spade to dummy's ace, played a spade back to the king, and exited with the spade 10.

Siegfried had to win this trick and return either a spade or a diamond. Whichever he chose, the Chief would ruff in one hand and discard his club loser from the other.

"Brilliantly played, Chief!" cried Max.

"Thank you, Max, but I was lucky to find Siegfried with only two clubs and both spade honors."

Despite the outcome, Simon the Likable was still smiling.

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The spot price is the price of a commodity available for immediate sale and delivery. The term also is used to refer to foreign exchange transactions.

ATTENTION VOTERS

It isn't often that we get a chance to vote on whether or not we want a new tax put on us or an old one increased. We now have that chance, and I sincerely hope each and every qualified voter will think about the fact that once a tax is put on us it is there to stay. It is like being bitten by a cobra. When you're bit, you're bit, and you're gonna stay bit. There aint no backin' up. You're bit and that's the way it is. A tax is the same way. Once it is put on us it stays there and we won't live long enough to see it removed or reduced, and there is no way the average homeowner-taxpayer can possibly benefit a penny from the new tax. Liberals are yelling **"Raise taxes! Raise taxes!"** while the wise old Conservative says **"How in the name of God can you possibly tax us into prosperity?"** Do you think it would help get new industry into Snyder by telling them "our taxes are higher"? Wouldn't it make more sense to tell a prospect "our taxes are lower?"

Don't fall for the scare tactics that are being used by the liberal tax-and-spend gang. They try to convince us that unless we pass the sales tax increase we are all gonna fall off in a Black Hole. Don't believe that stuff, because that's all it is - Stuff, and nothin' else. If the Liberals love taxes (as they seem to do) then perhaps they should move to Lubbock or Abilene or St. Louis where taxes are higher. They would be a lot happier paying more taxes, and they could smile all the way to the tax collectors office. Don't be a fool and vote to raise your own taxes! Use common sense and **VOTE AGAINST ANY INCREASE IN THE LOCAL SALES TAX!**

These Facts and common sense thoughts courtesy of Brady Bynum.

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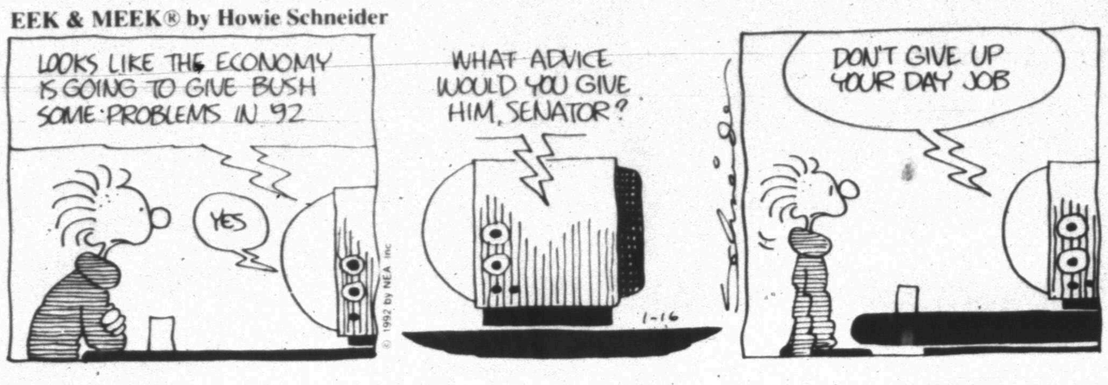
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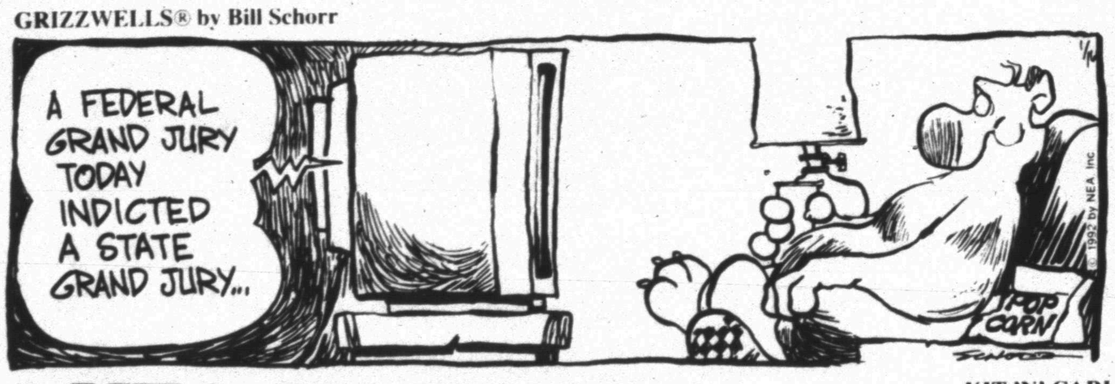
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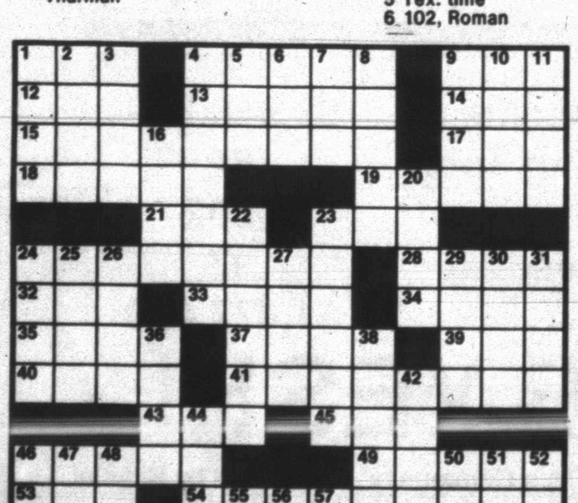
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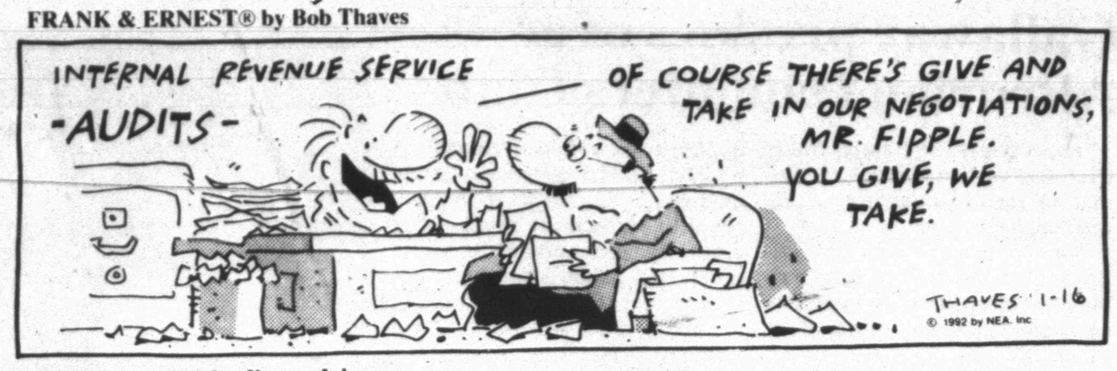
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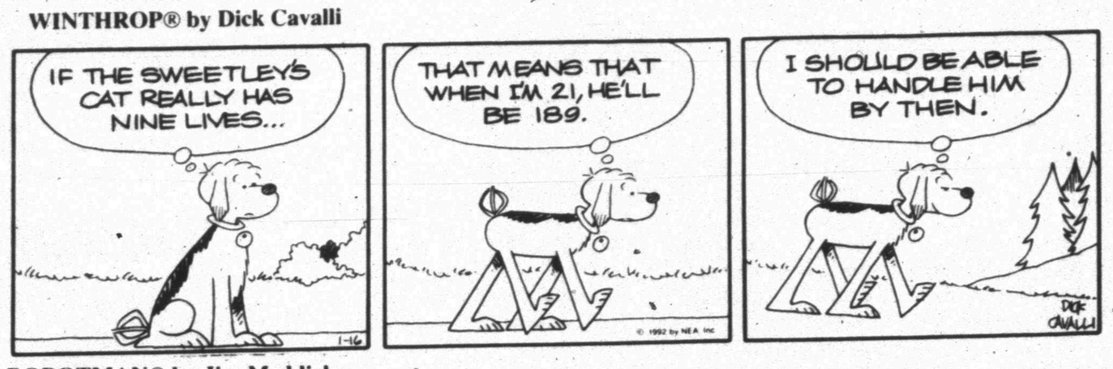
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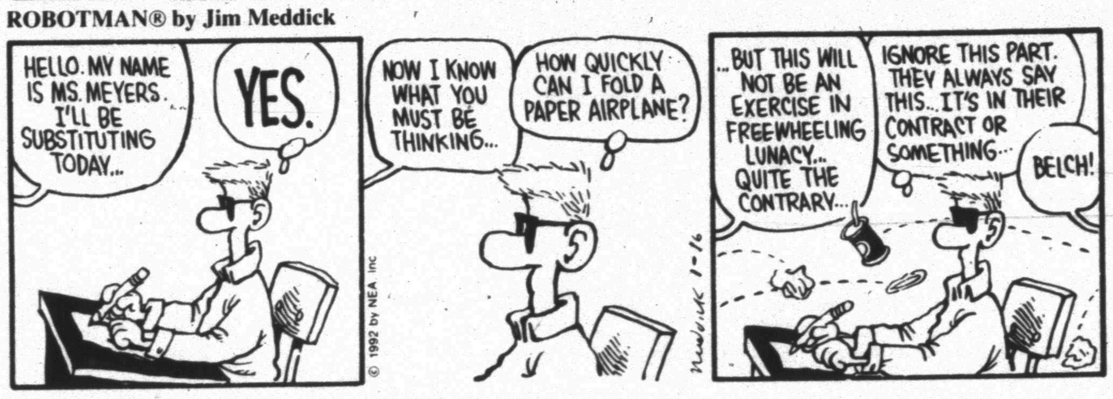
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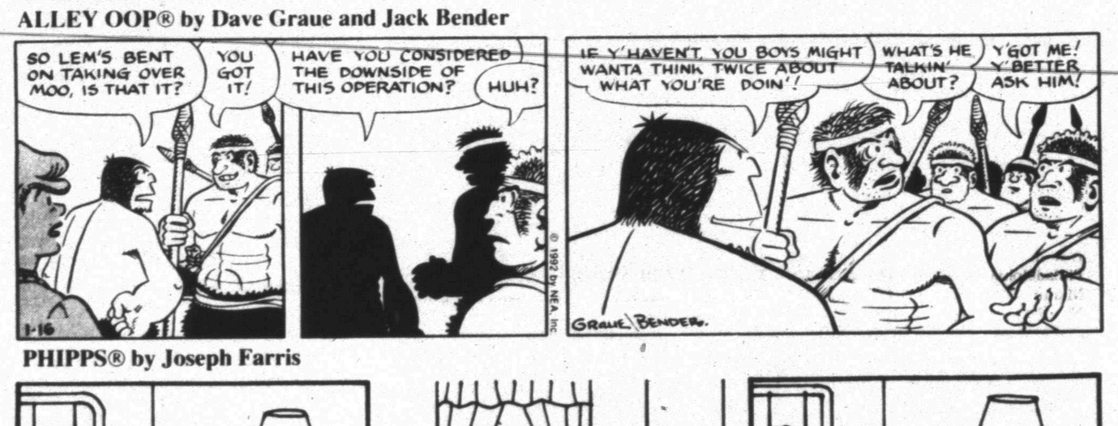
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RJC cancels planned battle against Dusters

The Western Texas College Lady Dusters will not be traveling to Ranger Junior College for a scheduled non-conference basketball game tonight, according to WTC coach Kelly Chadwick.

Ranger cancelled a home-and-home series with the Dusters, including games today there and February 17 at Scurry County Coliseum, due to scheduling conflicts.

The WTC women, 6-13 on the season, will resume action Thursday, Jan. 23 when they host Frank Phillips in a Western Junior College Athletic Conference battle.

Western Texas' men's team will take on Midland there Monday, then return home to tangle with FPC next Thursday.

Afternoon news conference set...

Walsh to return to Stanford

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Faced with offers from two former employers, Bill Walsh has reportedly turned his back on the 49ers and accepted the head coaching job at Stanford, where he says he spent the happiest years of his life.

Stanford was set to officially announce Walsh's appointment at a news conference today. He was offered a five-year contract worth $350,000 per year by the university's athletic director, Ted Leland, the San Francisco Examiner reported Wednesday.

Walsh replaces Denny Green, who left the Cardinal last week to become head coach of the Minnesota Vikings. Green had been at the helm of Stanford football for three years, leading the team to an 8-3 record this past season before losing to Georgia Tech in the Aloha Bowl.

"I'm surprised, but the more I thought about it I'm not so surprised," said Mike Holmgren, former 49ers offensive coordinator who was recently named the head coach of the Green Bay Packers. "He has talked to me on more than one occasion about how much he enjoyed coaching (at Stanford)."

In a CNN interview Wednesday night, Walsh said he had mentioned the possibility of coaching at Stanford with Denver's backup quarterback Gary Kubiak at his final appearance as an analyst for NBC last Sunday.

"I talked with (Kubiak) for 30 minutes about coaching somewhere next year," Walsh said. "... He and I talked about coaching as a career. I talked with him about considering possibly being on the staff of Stanford University."

Until this week, Walsh was negotiating with the 49ers to return as a consultant, assisting coach George Seifert in drafting players and making trades.

Walsh coached the 49ers for 10 years, leading the team to three Super Bowl championships before leaving in 1989 to become a television football analyst for NBC Sports.

The San Francisco Chronicle reported today that 49ers president Carmen Policy confirmed that Walsh would not be returning to the team.

"Bill and the 49ers parted on an amicable basis," Policy told the Chronicle. "It is only proper that Walsh himself disclose his plans. He has the full support of the 49ers concerning his future endeavors."

Walsh, who coached at Stanford in 1977 and 1978, posting a 17-7 record with two postseason bowl victories, has called his years at Stanford the happiest of his life, although he found some aspects of recruiting distasteful.

According to the Examiner, Leland offered Walsh incentives to take the job. Former Stanford and 49ers receiver Gene Washington, who recently was hired at Stanford as an administrative aide, would be available to assist Walsh with recruiting and fund raising.

It was unclear what changes Walsh would make concerning the team's current assistant coaches, including defensive coordinator Ron Turner, once suggested as a front-runner for the head coach's job.

But offensive coordinator Willie Shaw, also once rumored to be a candidate, said Tuesday he had been fired.

"All I know is I got fired," Shaw told the Chronicle. "I don't have a job anymore. Now I've got to find me a job. I've been loyal to the university ... they're not interested in me."

Shaw said he would seek a position with Green in Minnesota.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	22	12	.647	—
Boston	21	15	.583	2
Philadelphia	16	20	.444	7
Miami	16	21	.432	7½
New Jersey	16	21	.432	7½
Washington	14	21	.400	8½
Orlando	7	28	.200	15½

Central Division

Chicago	30	5	.857	—
Cleveland	24	10	.706	5½
Detroit	22	16	.579	9½
Atlanta	19	16	.543	11
Milwaukee	17	18	.486	13
Indiana	14	23	.378	17
Charlotte	11	26	.297	20

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Utah	23	15	.605	—
San Antonio	20	15	.571	1½
Houston	20	16	.556	2
Denver	14	22	.389	8
Dallas	12	24	.333	10
Minnesota	7	28	.200	14½

Pacific Division

Golden State	22	10	.688	—
Portland	24	12	.667	—
Phoenix	24	13	.649	½
LA Lakers	22	14	.611	2
LA Clippers	19	19	.500	6
Seattle	18	18	.500	6
Sacramento	10	26	.278	14

Tuesday's Games

New Jersey 97, Dallas 88
Washington 127, Indiana 118, 2OT
New York 115, Orlando 111
Atlanta 93, Milwaukee 88
Portland 121, Cleveland 114
Chicago 103, Philadelphia 80
Houston 111, Denver 94
Golden State 124, San Antonio 123
Utah 116, Minnesota 110
Charlotte 117, Seattle 116, OT

Wednesday's Games

New Jersey 130, Boston 120
Portland 96, New York 91
Miami 134, Milwaukee 115
Detroit 118, Indiana 104
LA Lakers 95, Charlotte 93
Phoenix 128, Sacramento 111

Thursday's Games

Miami at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Denver at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Friday's Games

Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Chicago, 8 p.m.
New York at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Portland, 10 p.m.
Atlanta at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Fishing report

HUBBARD CREEK: Water a little muddy, normal level; black bass are good to 12 pounds, 6 ounces, a possible new lake record, on jigs; crappie are good on minnows; white bass are slow; catfish are slow.

IVIE: Water clear, 51 degrees, 54 percent full or 16 feet low and rising very slowly; black bass are fair to 5 pounds, some keepers, on worms in deep water; crappie are poor to fair on minnows; catfish are fair to good in baited holes in 20-30 feet of water.

SPENCE: Water clear, 52 degrees, 33 feet low; black bass are slow to 4 pounds on dark worms; striper are good to 26 1/2 pounds trolling deep running Bombers; crappie are slow; white bass are slow; catfish are good in baited holes with shrimp and worms and on trotlines with bass minnows.

WJCAC basketball

MEN

Team	Season		Conference	
South Plains	14	4	4	0
Midland	13	4	3	0
NMJC	16	2	3	1
Odessa	14	4	2	2
WTC	10	9	2	3
NMMI	9	9	2	2
Howard	14	4	1	3
Clarendon	5	8	1	4
Frank Phillips	2	12	0	3

Monday, Jan. 13

NMJC 102, WTC 100
Midland 72, South Plains 67
Howard 101, Frank Phillips 70
Odessa 87, Clarendon 76 (OT)

Thursday, Jan. 16

Frank Phillips at Odessa
NMMI at South Plains
Midland at Howard
Clarendon at NMJC

WOMEN

Team	Season		Conference	
Howard	15	3	5	0
NMJC	17	2	3	1
Odessa	11	10	2	2
Frank Phillips	10	7	1	1
Clarendon	10	4	1	2
South Plains	13	8	1	3
WTC	6	13	0	4

Monday, Jan. 13

NMJC 67, WTC 60
Howard 73, Frank Phillips 58
Odessa 73, Clarendon 63

Thursday, Jan. 17

Clarendon at NMJC
Frank Phillips at Odessa
Howard at Fresno City College

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11 U.S. players advance...

Americans fare well at Open

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — It was a banner day for the United States at the Australian Open.

Led by Jim Courier and Jennifer Capriati, 11 Americans advanced to the third round today, with two others still facing night matches. The strong showing meant nearly one-third of the remaining players in the men's and women's draws are Americans.

Many of the others, such as Monica Seles and Ivan Lendl, have lived and trained in the United States for a long time but aren't yet citizens.

A day after the United States and other countries officially recognized Croatia, a breakaway republic of Yugoslavia, two Croatian seeds were among the victims of the American onslaught.

With strong winds plaguing the National Tennis Center, Aaron Krickstein blew away No. 10 Goran Ivanisevic 6-2, 7-5, 6-1 and MaliVai Washington breezed to a 6-2, 6-4, 6-3 victory over No. 16 Goran Prpic.

Courier, the No. 2 men's seed, dropped the first set against a player with a similar style, hard-hitting Thomas Enqvist, but moved into a higher gear to advance to the third round with a 2-6, 6-3, 6-1, 6-4 victory.

Capriati, having as much trouble with the swirling winds as her opponent, prevailed 6-3, 6-4 over France's Noelle van Lottum. The No. 5 women's seed later iced down a swollen wrist and a sore knee as she watched Courier's match.

Other Americans scoring second-round triumphs included No. 11 Zina Garrison, Pam Shriver, Richey Reneberg, Bret Garnett, Amy Frazier, Katrina Adams and Patty Fendick, who beat compatriot Halle Cioffi. The only other Americans to fall were Jim Grabb and Linda Harvey-Wild.

It wasn't such a good day for Australia's Pat Cash, who was fined a tournament record $9,000 for a verbal obscenity against a lineswoman in his five-set loss the night before to 13th-seeded Emilio Sanchez. The assessment meant that after collecting his prize money for a first-round victory, Cash lost $2,185 for competing.

No. 7 Guy Forget, who downed fellow French Davis Cup hero Henri Leconte in the first round, became the highest seed to fall, losing 7-6 (7-5), 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 to Sweden's Christian Bergstrom as fans with faces painted like Swedish flags cheered wildly.

The No. 3 women's seed, Gabriela Sabatini, continued to look strong with a 6-1, 6-1 triumph over Patricia Hy. The Argentine star has yet to lose a set since arriving in Australia for last week's New South Wales Open.

Michael Stich of Germany had much more trouble, losing a set to erratic Jonas Svensson and requiring treatment for a numb arm before he advanced 6-4, 6-1, 1-6, 6-4.

Capriati was particularly bothered by the capricious winds, which seemed to blow their worst as she was trying to pound her powerful serve. She suffered a double-fault when a gust carried her toss so far that she barely nicked the ball, which fell at her feet.

"I'm ready to win a Grand Slam," Capriati said. "I've come close in others. Am I ready to handle the other things? I think so. I don't care if I die from the other stuff. I will learn to handle it."

College hoops

By The Associated Press

EAST

Brooklyn Col. 74, Buffalo 67
Colgate 78, Navy 76
Holy Cross 94, Bucknell 76
Lehigh 65, Fordham 63
Manhattan 81, Marist 60
Massachusetts 88, George Washington 80
Rhode Island 84, St. Joseph's 63
Rider 77, Columbia 73
Siena 65, Fairfield 63
Syracuse 74, Georgetown 62

SOUTH

American U. 79, Old Dominion 74
Campbell 80, East Carolina 72
Coastal Carolina 77, Belmont Abbey 58
Coppin St. 90, Lincoln, Pa. 69
Davidson 64, N.C.-Asheville 45
Duke 110, N. Carolina St. 75
Georgia 71, Florida 63
Kentucky 84, Vanderbilt 71
Memphis St. 71, Texas Southern 53
Middle Tenn. 94, Tenn.-Martin 55
SW Louisiana 79, Louisiana Tech 63
South Carolina 73, Tennessee 59
Southern U. 105, Xavier, NO 88
Va. Commonwealth 91, Murray St. 90
William & Mary 92, George Mason 77

MIDWEST

Ball St. 70, Miami, Ohio 64
Bowling Green 65, Youngstown St. 45
Cent. Michigan 67, E. Michigan 61
Dayton 82, Robert Morris 65
DePaul 75, Cincinnati 66
Iowa 74, Illinois 69
Iowa St. 92, Morningside 55
Kansas St. 72, Wichita St. 50
Michigan St. 78, Northwestern 61
Minnesota 49, Wisconsin 48
Purdue 65, Michigan 60
SW Missouri St. 73, N. Iowa 48
St. Louis 102, Chicago St. 90
Toledo 70, Ohio U. 66
W. Michigan 64, Kent 48

SOUTHWEST

Arkansas 99, Mississippi St. 78
Baylor 75, Texas Tech 68
Texas Christian 73, Southern Meth. 62

FAR WEST

Colorado 76, Colorado St. 59
Stanford 76, California 61

Horned Frogs roll past Ponies, 73-62

DALLAS (AP) — The Texas Christian Horned Frogs have positioned themselves for their showdown in Cowtown with the Texas Longhorns on Saturday night for the Southwest Conference basketball lead.

Reggie Smith scored 23 points and Albert Thomas and Brent Atwater produced clutch points as TCU downed the Southern Methodist Mustangs 73-62 Wednesday night.

In the only other SWC game, Baylor got its first league victory by knocking off the Texas Tech Red Raiders 75-68 in Waco.

Baylor is 8-6 overall and 1-2 in SWC play. The Red Raiders fell to 8-5 overall and 1-2.

TCU, 12-3 overall, is 2-0 in SWC play while SMU dropped to 6-7 and 1-2.

"We're ready to play at home for a change," TCU coach Moe Iba said. "We've got to go to Reggie in that game because Texas is quick and well coached.

"I'm very proud of this team. It's played 12 of 15 on the road and we're 12-3. That's quite an accomplishment."

Texas is 3-0 in SWC play afer defeating Houston and Texas Tech at home and nipping Texas A&M 76-73 in College Station on Tuesday night.

In their victory over SMU, TCU's Horned Frogs went on a 12-2 run in the final 4:28 to finish the game.

Albert Thomas had 16 points, including three 3-point baskets while Brent Atwater contributed 15 points, including six points during the Frogs' late run that doomed the Mustangs.

Mike Wilson scored 23 points and Tim Mason had 21 points to pace the Ponies before a crowd of 2,566 fans at Moody Coliseum.

Atwater's 20-foot, 3-pointer off the glass at the buzzer gave the Horned Frogs a 35-32 halftime lead over the Mustangs.

The Frogs missed 11 of their last 23 free throws as the Mustangs kept fouling to stay in the game. TCU was just 14 of 29 from the charity stripe.

Smith hit only 7 of 15 free throw attempts but collected 14 rebounds.

He had a sore jaw and a bruised hip after the game from the pounding the Ponies gave him.

"It was a tough game," Smith said. "I got hit in the jaw and knocked on my back. I'm beat up but I can take my licks."

SMU coach John Shumate said if you can't stop Smith you can't stop the Frogs.

"We gave Smith some easy baskets," Shumate said. "He hurt us."

Baylor snapped a nine-game losing streak against conference opponents as David Wesley scored 25 points.

The Bears made life difficult for Tech standout Will Flemons, making him earn most of his 22 points from the free-throw line. Flemons was held to 4-for-9 shooting but he hit all 14 of his free throws. Bryant Moore had 15 points for the Red Raiders.

"Their defense was very good. We knew they would make us execute on offense and be patient on offense," Tech coach James Dickey said. "I thought Gene Iba did a good job of preparing his team for this game."

Iba credited Wesley with having a big hand in the victory and said his senior guard didn't get enough credit nationally.

"I think David is a great player whether he's surrounded by four other great players or whether he's out there by himself," Iba said.

Willie Sublett put in 14 for the Bears and Kelvin Chalmers had 12. Wesley pulled down eight rebounds.

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Suff may be linked to 13 serial slayings

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — The man charged in two of 19 serial killings that haunted Riverside County has been connected to at least 13 of the deaths, sources close to the investigation were quoted today as saying.

Evidence obtained since William Lester Suff, 41, of Colton was arrested Jan. 9 has led investigators to believe he is connected with the slayings of 13 female prostitutes, the Press-Enterprise of Riverside reported.

"A couple more cases have been solved," said one source, speaking on condition of anonymity. "At this point we think we could connect him with 13."

Suff, a Riverside County stock clerk, was charged Tuesday with killing Catherine McDonald, 31, of Riverside, whose body was found Sept. 13, and Elenor Ojeda Casares, 39, of Riverside, found dead Dec. 23.

Suff, who some neighbors said represented himself as a police officer and kept police paraphernalia in his van, was being held without bail pending a Feb. 4 court hearing to enter a plea.

Paul Zellerbach, a Riverside County deputy district attorney, declined to say whether additional charges were pending.

But sources demanding anonymity told the Press-Enterprise more charges will be filed.

One source said investigators believe Suff is involved in more than 10 slayings, in addition to the two he is charged with. That source said tread marks from tennis shoes owned by Suff and from tires on his van were found at several crime scenes, the newspaper reported.

Detectives said they were sifting through evidence obtained in searches since Suff's arrest and comparing it with carpet fibers, pubic hair and other evidence found at the sites where the victims' bodies were dumped.

Sheriff's Detective Henry Sawicki, spokesman for a serial killings task force, declined comment Wednesday on the reports. But he said, "If and when we do file on others, I sincerely doubt it will be on a piecemeal basis."

Sawicki cautioned that detectives have said all along that more than one person may be responsible for the serial killings that date to 1986.

The detective said investigators got a warrant to conduct a "fine, minute search" of Suff's van, in which he was stopped Jan. 9 for an illegal turn.

Evidence collected at Suff's home and in his van link him to the McDonald and Casares slayings, sheriff's Lt. Al Hearn, the task force leader, said Tuesday.

One source said Wednesday five warrants have been served since then, but declined to elaborate. Related court documents have been sealed.

Zellerbach said much of the forensic work is being done by the state Department of Justice.

The web of violence surrounding Suff includes a near-fatal beating of his baby daughter in October, authorities revealed Wednesday. He was cleared of the beating by investigators who didn't know he had served time for killing another infant daughter in Texas.

Suff and his wife, Cheryl, lost custody of the injured baby, Bridgit Anne, after a hospital contacted authorities, Rialto police Sgt. Jim Arviso said.

The 3-month-old baby nearly died of severe brain damage, three broken ribs and a broken leg at a Fontana hospital, said Rialto police Detective Joe Cirilo. Doctors determined the girl was a victim of "shaken baby syndrome," he said, adding, "We didn't think she was going to make it."

Polygraph tests on the couple proved inconclusive, and the San Bernardino County District Attorney didn't file charges for lack of evidence. But the baby was placed in a foster home by county officials and remains there, Arviso said.

Police didn't know about Suff's 1974 conviction in Texas for the beating death of a 2-month-old daughter, possibly because of a "computer error," Cirilo said.

Suff's 20-year-old wife has been "basically a basket case" since she learned about her husband's criminal past from news reports, according to a friend who attended the couple's March 1990 wedding in Las Vegas.

"He told us, and he told her, that he lived in Lake Elsinore all his life," said Beth Fitzgerald, 19, of Canyon Lake. "She's finding out a lot in the newspapers." The couple met at a convenience store, Fitzgerald said.

A California native, Suff attended high school in the Riverside area, then moved to Texas after joining the military.

Suff and his then-wife, Teryl Rose Suff, were convicted of beating their 2-month-old daughter to death in Fort Worth, Texas, in 1974. Suff was paroled in 1984 after serving 10 years of a 70-year prison term.

Teryl Suff's conviction was reversed; the couple apparently divorced.

Suff moved to Riverside County, lived in Rialto and Lake Elsinore, and then moved in November to Colton in neighboring San Bernardino County.

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Gets 20-year sentence...

Faulkner will miss family

MIDLAND, Texas (AP) — Danny Faulkner knew in his mind the worst was yet to come.

After being convicted in Texas' most notorious thrift crime last November, he gathered often with friends and family.

"It's been quality time with the people I love most," Faulkner said just after being sentenced to 20 years in a federal prison Wednesday.

"They are the ones I will miss, not the house and cars. That stuff is superficial."

Life 10 years ago was Rolexes, Rolls-Royces and a luxury box at Texas Stadium for the former Dallas developer. But, standing outside the courtroom with his wife Jonelle Wednesday, Faulkner's life looked bleak.

"If you think you have got it bad, you can always look over your shoulder and see someone who's got it worse," Faulkner said.

Moments earlier, he had broken down in court.

"I'm sorry for what's happened to me," he told U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton. "I'm sorry for what's happened to my family. You have been fair and whatever you decide, I can live with it."

Bunton then sentenced Faulkner to the prison term and ordered him to pay a $215,000 fine and forfeit $40 million in profits from illegal deals.

The judge also sentenced developer James Toler and former Empire chairman Spencer Blain to 20 years in a federal prison. Real estate appraiser Arthur Formann received a 10-year sentence.

The men were the lead defendants in the so-called "I-30 condo scandal," the largest thrift fraud case to go to trial in Texas and one of the largest in the nation.



GOODFELLOWS DONATIONS — Snyder Goodfellows recently presented two local shoe stores with a check for $1,000 each to be used for the purchase of shoes for needy children. Elizabeth Potts, who headed the Goodfellows Christmas campaign, is pictured with David Thompson of Thompson's Shoes, left, and Bill Dryden of Dryden's Shoes. The surplus funds were among those left over from the successful Christmas collection campaign. (SDN Staff Photo)

Peace talks didn't yield settlement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israeli negotiators are heading home to a political crisis that tied their hands during three days of stormy Mideast peace talks in Washington. The Arabs, angry at the Israeli departure, are accusing Israel of "running away from peace."

Israel's delegates held a general meeting with the Palestinians and Jordanians and then held separate talks on Israel-Jordan issues prior to their planned noontime departure. The Israelis originally said they would leave Wednesday night, but agreed to stay for an extra morning's talks.

Palestinian delegation chief Haidar Abdul Shafi said the parties didn't set a date or place for the next round, although he predicted it would return to Washington in February. Israeli officials said the talks would likely take place in the second half of February and agreed that Washington was the most probable venue.

During this, the third round of peace talks, the Israelis and Palestinians managed to resolve a procedural dispute that sidetracked their talks last time.

But the two sides clashed over insistent Palestinian demands that Israel stop settling Jews in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

"We told them, assume there is a war. When talks start, there must be a cease-fire," said a Palestinian official, referring to a cessation of Jewish settlements.

The official, speaking only on condition of anonymity, said the Palestinians would keep raising their demand every time they meet with the Israelis.

Paramilitary group strengthened by 3 exiles' capture

MIAMI (AP) — The capture of three Cuban exiles during an attempt to infiltrate their homeland has brought renewed support to paramilitary groups that have trained here for decades to overthrow Fidel Castro.

Telephones rang constantly Wednesday and new volunteers streamed into the Little Havana headquarters of Alpha 66, the biggest organization still urging a revolt against Castro.

"I want to learn something new — I want to be a soldier," said a muscular, 23-year-old Puerto Rican filling out an Alpha 66 application. He spoke on condition of anonymity.

"Many believed it was over, many believed it was impossible, but we never lost our faith," said Alpha 66's leader, Andres Nazario Sargen, a one-time Castro adviser who grew disenchanted with communism and defected in 1961. "Now there are greater opportunities than ever. The government of Cuba is very weak."

The three Miami-based exiles were not Alpha 66 members, but like many in the fragmented community of anti-Castro militants, they had trained at the group's Everglades camp, the largest in southern Florida.

Cuban authorities said the three were captured after they landed on a Cuban beach last month with pistols, rifles and explosives that they planned to use to blow up buildings and seize radio stations.

All three were sentenced to death by firing squad, but Cuba's high court on Wednesday reduced one man's sentence to 30 years in prison.

Police make 4 arrests; work hit-and-run cases

Snyder police made four arrests and worked two hit-and-run cases Wednesday and early today.

Officers arrested a 20-year-old male for driving while intoxicated and a 23-year-old male for public intoxication near Western Texas College at 1:09 a.m. today.

They also arrested a 50-year-old male for public intoxication at the Plaza Truck Stop at 12:54 a.m. today.

One other male, age 25, was arrested in the 3112 block of Ave. I at 10:10 a.m. Wednesday on a warrant for parole violation.

Two hit-and-run cases were among three traffic accidents worked by police Wednesday.

At 5:40 p.m., officers worked an accident in the 1200 block of 28th St. involving a parked, unoccupied 1985 Chevrolet owned by Kris Randolph of Fluvanna and an unknown vehicle which left the scene.

At 9:46 p.m., police worked a second hit-and-run at 3901 Ave. O involving a parked, unoccupied 1989 Chevrolet Blazer owned by David Chandler of 3901 Ave. O No. 23 and a light brown vehicle which left the scene.

Officers also worked an accident at 3:59 p.m. in the 2200 block of 37th St. Involved were a 1984 Oldsmobile driven by Martha Ratliff of 2900 Ave. W and a 1977 Toyota driven by Renesha Asberry of 3309 Ave. K. No wrecker or ambulance was needed.

Police also responded to several domestic disputes Wednesday, filing a report of family violence at 8:50 a.m. in reference to a dispute in the 2100 block of Gilmore and two reports of family violence at 9:09 p.m. and 11:18 p.m. in reference to problems at a residence in the 1800 block of Scott.

Bingo officials seeking to change present tax

AUSTIN (AP) — A group of bingo operators is complaining that making their first payment of the state's increased taxes on the game has left them without any money to donate to charities.

The deadline for filing fourth quarter 1991 taxes was Wednesday. It was the first full payment due under a new law that increases the state's operator tax to 7 percent, a 3 percent hike, and creates a 3 percent tax on winnings.

Last year's third-quarter filing included only one month of the higher tax.

The Legislature, which voted on the higher levy last summer, expects the new taxes to raise $59 million during the present two-year budget cycle.

Some operators had said that because of the new taxes, they would give up their license to play bingo on the day of the filing deadline.

But Robert Howelton, bingo director for the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, said Wednesday he didn't know of anyone who had turned in a license.

Glen Gardner, Veteran of Foreign Wars' state adjutant quartermaster, said he was considering surrendering his license to operate a bingo game on Feb. 1. Meanwhile, he will pay some, but not all, of the tax.

Gardner said he plans to pay $5,304 of the $9,282 owed the state because that is how much he would be taxed under the old system.

"Because of the increase of the tax, I just don't have enough money to pay all of it," Gardner said. "The $4,000 that would've gone to charity is going to the state."

Another group challenging the tax is arguing about the state's legal right to charge charities.

That group, represented by the Equal Access Law Clinic Inc., was denied a temporary injunction that would have blocked Wednesday's required payment.

But clinic executive director Ed Falk argues that the tax is unconstitutional because all bingo proceeds are supposed to go to charities. The group wants reimbursement of all taxes the bingo organizers have ever paid the state as well as revocation of the tax.

Their lawyers are preparing the suit. Falk said he expects it to be heard in about two months.

Bid

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and public support.

The TDCJ staff will review and visit each of the 67 proposed sites — Abilene, Amarillo, Carrizo Springs and Lubbock each submitted two possible locations — before sending a "short list" to the Texas Board of Criminal Justice. The board will make the final site selections in several months.

The prison system estimates it will spend nearly $80 million to build the prisons, which will take between 18 months and two years to construct.

Here are the communities applying for prison sites:

Abilene, Agua Dulce, Amarillo, Anderson County, Aransas Pass, Beaumont, Beeville, Big Spring, Borger, Bowie County, Breckenridge, Brooks County, Brownfield, Brownwood, Bryan-College Station, Burnet, Carrizo Springs, Childress, Cuero, Dalhart, Dimmitt, Edinburg, El Paso, Fannin County, Fort Stockton, Gatesville.

Hardin County, Hereford, Hondo, Itasca, Jasper, Karnes County, Lamesa, Levelland, Liberty, Littlefield, Lockhart, Lubbock, Lufkin, Marlin, Mitchell County, Muleshoe, Odessa, Overton, Pampa, Plainview.

Pleasanton, Ranger, Refugio, Rusk, San Diego, Seymour, Shamrock, Snyder, Stamford, Starr County, Trans-Pecos, Upshur, Wichita Falls, Willacy County, Wood County, Woodville, Zapata.

Escape

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action, and he had not discussed the escape with his family.

Gray then testified that he got in the van, which was being loaded at the furniture factory at the prison, and stayed there until the van stopped in Abilene. He then cut a hole in the top of the van with tin snips and went to a mall where he called his second wife, Melissa.

According to Gray, he remained in Abilene for about a week, and then left for California in a van purchased for around $700. In California, Gray was joined by Melissa and her daughter.

Gray testified that the child was sent to stay with relatives in Texas before he and his wife went to Florida, where he was apprehended by the St. Petersburg Police Department on June 13, 1991.

In closing statements, defense attorney Barry Clar said that Gray had not committed any crimes during his escape, with Armstrong pointing out that Gray was in violation of the law the entire time he was out of prison.

SISD

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sion or consumption of illegal drugs or alcohol.

Under the policy, employees of the district who operate or repair vehicles which are used to transport students or staff will be required to take a drug test once each school year. The tests will be paid for by the district.

In other business, trustees will seek to name an audito. to perform the annual outside audit; consider a request from an insurance company to be approved for payroll deductions; consider the hiring of a fourth grade instructor; and approve payment of bills and past minutes.

Lee Presswood, principal of Northeast Elementary, will also give a campus report.

BCD

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covers for distribution to county schools, and cartoon booklets for distribution to all sixth grade students in the county.

The board looked over a list of expenditures presented by the chamber, which included expenses in 1990 and 1991 for activities sponsored and co-sponsored by the BCD. Total cost of the expenditures was just over $15,700.

Approval of minutes from the December meeting, bills payable and the financial report were the only other items discussed by the board.

Board president Jack Smartt presided. Present were board members Tim Riggan, Eddie Johnson, Max von Roeder and Pete Hester. Chamber Executive Director Ricky Fritz and Tricia McCasland also attended.

Markets
Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	75	723/8	741/2	+1/4
AlliedSignal	47	453/4	465/8	
ALLTEL Cp	391/4	387/8	391/4	+5/8
AmStor s	321/4	321/8	321/4	
Amer T&T	407/8	401/4	401/2	-3/8
Ameritech	631/2	62	631/8	-7/8
Amoco	483/8	473/8	481/8	-1/4
AndarkPtr	223/8	213/4	217/8	-1/2
Arkla	113/8	111/8	111/8	
ArmcoInc	57/8	51/4	55/8	+1/4
AtlRichfld	1077/8	1071/4	1071/2	-5/8
BakerHugh	20	195/8	193/4	-1/8
BellAtl	46	451/8	451/2	-5/8
BellSouth	503/8	495/8	50	-3/8
Beth Steel	16	151/4	16	+11/4
Borden	34	331/4	333/4	-1/8
Caterpllr	473/4	45	467/8	+13/4
Centel	351/2	35	353/8	-1/8
CentSo West	521/8	511/4	511/4	-5/8
Chevron	681/4	68	68	-3/8
Chrysler	147/8	143/8	145/8	
Coastal	251/4	247/8	251/8	+1/8
CocaCola	761/2	741/4	751/4	—13/4
ColgateP s	477/8	471/2	475/8	-7/8
ComlMetl	201/2	201/2	201/2	+1/4
CyprusMn	23	211/8	23	+3/4
DallSemicn	9	83/4	9	+1/8
DeltaAirl	751/8	741/8	741/8	—11/8
DigitalEq	581/8	563/8	567/8	—21/8
Dillard	1241/2	121	1241/2	+31/8
DowChem	541/8	53	541/8	+11/4
DresserInd	203/8	193/8	201/4	+7/8
duPont	49	48	487/8	+1
EstKodak	493/4	487/8	493/8	+1/8
EljerInd	75/8	71/2	75/8	+1/8
Enserch	133/4	131/4	131/2	
Exxon	593/8	587/8	59	-1/2
FtCtyBcp	13/8	11/4	13/8	+1/8
FlowerInd	171/8	17	17	
FordMotor	33	317/8	327/8	+7/8
GTE Cp	335/8	325/8	33	-3/4
GnDynam	591/2	583/8	59	+1
GenElct	781/8	771/8	78	+7/8
GnMill	681/2	67	675/8	—2
GenMotors	335/8	323/8	331/2	+13/8
GnMotrE s	623/8	605/8	605/8	—13/4
GaPacif	65	635/8	641/4	+1/4
GlobMar	21/8	2	21/8	
Goodrich	423/4	411/2	423/4	+1
Goodyear	58	563/4	573/8	-3/4
GtAtlPac	265/8	261/8	265/8	
Gulf StaUt	103/4	105/8	103/4	+1/8
Haliburtn	30	287/8	291/4	+1/4
Hanson	193/8	191/8	193/8	+3/8
HoustInd	417/8	413/4	417/8	
IBM	961/8	95	953/4	+3/8
IntlPaper	723/4	713/8	711/2	-5/8
JohnsJhn	1061/8	104	1051/4	—31/8
K mart	491/4	485/8	49	+
Kroger	201/2	197/8	201/2	+1/2
vjLTV Cp	11/8	1	11/8	
Litton Ind	983/4	963/4	981/4	+1/4
vjLoneStar	37/8	33/4	37/8	+1/8
Lowes	391/4	385/8	39	
Lubys	143/4	145/8	145/8	-1/8
Maxus	67/8	63/4	63/4	
MayDSt	585/8	571/4	583/8	+1
Medtrn s	871/4	82	833/4	—33/4
Mobil	67	661/2	663/4	-1/8
Monsan	701/2	693/4	70	
Motorola	773/4	761/8	771/8	-1/2
Nationbk	461/2	453/4	457/8	+3/8
Navistar	31/8	27/8	3	
Nynex	77	763/8	763/4	-3/4
OryxEngy	241/4	233/4	241/8	+1/4
PacTelesis	417/8	401/2	411/4	-7/8
PanhECp	15	143/4	143/4	-1/4
PenneyJC	55	54	547/8	+3/4
PepBoys	173/8	17	17	-3/8
Phelps Dod	721/2	713/8	721/4	+33/4
PhilipPet	243/8	237/8	241/8	-1/4
Polaroid s	255/8	251/8	251/4	-1/4
Primerica	401/4	40	401/4	
ProctGamb	941/4	911/2	923/4	—21/2
PubS NwMx	101/8	10	10	-1/8
SFePacCp	141/8	135/8	14	+1/8
SaraLee	517/8	49	511/4	-3/4
SearsRoeb	397/8	393/8	395/8	+1/4
Shrwin s	271/2	267/8	271/2	+1/4
SmthBchm	82	801/2	811/4	—27/8
SmthBch eq n	771/4	735/8	74	—23/4
Southern Co	32	315/8	315/8	-1/2
SwstAirl	385/8	381/8	383/8	+11/4
SwstBell	611/8	605/8	61	-1/8
SterlingChm	5	47/8	47/8	
SunCo	297/8	293/8	295/8	-1/8
TNP Ent	201/2	203/8	203/8	
Tandy	287/8	283/8	283/4	+3/8
TemplInl	563/4	547/8	563/4	+13/4
Tenneco	361/2	35	361/2	+11/4
Texaco	613/4	603/4	611/2	-1/8
TexasInd	201/2	201/4	201/2	
TexasInst	353/4	35	351/2	+1/2
Tex Util	401/8	393/4	40	-1/8
Textron	393/4	391/8	393/8	-1/8
USWst	367/8	361/2	363/4	-1/4
USXMar n	235/8	223/4	231/4	
USX-USS n	283/8	27	283/8	+15/8
UnCarbde	243/8	241/8	241/4	+1/8
UnPac s	503/8	493/8	50	+1
UnitTech	553/4	543/4	551/8	+5/8
Unitel	251/2	241/2	251/4	-3/8
Unocal	231/2	211/2	223/4	-5/8
WestghEl	195/8	19	191/8	-1/2
Wolwth	31	301/4	305/8	-1/2
Xerox Cp	707/8	701/4	703/4	-1/4
ZenithE	8	73/4	8	

Obituaries

Michael Avila

1970-1992

MIDLAND — A prayer service has been set for 7 p.m. Friday at Ellis Chapel for Michael J. Avila, 21, who died Wednesday in Abilene. Funeral services are set for 3 p.m. Saturday at the Cornerstone Church in Midland with Richard Spencer officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

The Snyder airman, assigned to Dyess AFB, was found dead by an Abilene policeman in his pickup truck in the parking lot of the Cedar Run Apartments just before midnight Tuesday. A Taylor County justice of the peace has ruled death from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the chest.

Avila had been in the Air Force since September, 1991, and was assigned to the 96th field maintenance squadron.

John Elton Burns

1931-1992

Services have been set for 11 a.m. Saturday in the chapel of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for John Elton "Teber" Burns, 60, of Snyder who died at 3:20 a.m. Wednesday at his home. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens. Rev. Maxine Burns will officiate.

He was born Nov. 7, 1931, in Ackerly and was married to Kathy Sanderford on March 9, 1966, in Fort Stockton. Mr. Burns was a retired mechanic in the oilfield. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife of the home; two sons, John Jr. of Huntsville and Richard E. of Arlington; two stepdaughers, Johnnie Evans of Snyder and Dorothy Miller of Tulsa, Okla.; two stepsons, David Strong of Snyder and Chris Strong of Ira; two sisters, Louise Morris of Lamesa and Barbara Gimerson of Magnolia, Tex., three brothers, C.R. of Monahans, Richard of Hillsboro, Ore., and Buck of Lubbock; and seven grandchildren.

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Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Elida Garza, 2411 26th; Maria Robbins, Windridge Village Apts.; Alfred Barbee, 501 N. Ave. T; Robert Eime, Rt. 1 Box 380C.

DISMISSALS: Georgia Webster, Pam Everett.

Census: 56 (Med.-18, Long-Term Care-29, CCU-1, OB-4, Nursery-4).

Births

Laura Alicia Garza announces the birth of her sister, Andrea Anne, born at 3:12 p.m. on Jan. 15 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed five pounds and 14 ounces. Parents are Rudy and Elida Garza of Snyder.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY--All classes of cattle were steady on 726 head at a sale at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, Jan. 11.

Heifers: 2-400, 85-100; 4-600, 76-85; 6-800, 70-76.

Steers: 2-400, 95-110; 4-600, 78-95; 6-800, 70-78.

Good springer cows: 700-800; older springer cows: 450-650; good cows and calves: 800-1000; older cows and calves: 450-600; good packer cows: 50-55; fat cows: 45-46; old shelly cows: 25-35; packer bulls: 55-63.

Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

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Elderly Need More Attention In Life, Not Devotion at Death

DEAR ABBY: It happened again, and I am angry! I am the administrator of a nursing home. One of our residents passed away after spending the last four years of her life here, and I just came from her funeral. The minister said all the right things to her family, who practically ignored her, but no mention was made of the fact that she spent the last four years of her life in a nursing home. We who loved her and cared for her during her last years have been denied acknowledgment that we are grieving, too.

When I watched her family file down the aisle at the funeral, I was astonished at the number of relatives she had! There was a son I didn't even know existed, living only 15 miles from here. I counted daughters, sons, cousins, grandchildren and great-grandchildren — 46 of them. If each one had visited that dear lady once a week, she would have had company constantly. But did she? No. Hardly anyone came to see her. And those who did never stayed more than 30 minutes.

That dear lady died with all her mental faculties intact. She read her Bible every day, kept her room neat and dusted, and always had her hair combed before coming to the dining room.

Most families appreciate us, but many do not. Perhaps some day people will be more attentive to their elderly relatives living in nursing homes.

This may be too long for your column, and it may offend many, so I will understand if you cut some of it out. But if you print only part of my message, I will thank you from the bottom of my heart.

MARLIS FELBER,
CLEARWATER, KAN.

DEAR MARLIS: I didn't cut a word. Your message needs to be heard, and only those who have reason to feel guilty will be offended. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to convey a message that is far more common than imagined.

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DEAR ABBY: My ladyfriend and I have been serious for over two years, and I would like to marry this fine woman. She has a great personality and she's very energetic.

The problem? She is 52, and I am 32, stable, sincere, and I would like to spend the rest of my life with her.

She is concerned about what others may think of the age difference. I tell her that we are living in the age of openness and equality, and what other people may think does not bother me in the least, and it shouldn't bother her, either.

Abby, would you please tell this wonderful lady that it's her life — and mine, too — and nothing else should matter.

A YOUNGER MAN

DEAR YOUNGER MAN: Why your wonderful lady should need the approval of anyone to marry the man of her choice is a mystery to me. However, if she needs reinforcement from me, consider this my yes vote.

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Most teen-agers do not know the facts about drugs, AIDS, and how to prevent unwanted pregnancy. It's all in Abby's updated, expanded booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

For refugees, recognition is another step down a long and unhappy road

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — For Sara Kocorep and dozens of other Serb refugees picking through used clothes at a Red Cross center, recognition of Croatian independence was another weary step down a long, unhappy road.

Aid officials in Belgrade say they fear such Serb refugees from Croatia will be trodding the same path for a long time to come. For many, the road will probably never lead back home.

Mrs. Kocorep, 40, said she was fired from her job at city hall in the central Croatian city of Daruvar. She fled into the forest, fearing for her life, and is now among the 150,000 people who have taken refuge in Serbia.

More than double that number are refugees elsewhere in Yugoslavia.

U.N. officials say it is the largest displacement of people in Europe since World War II.

About 600,000 have fled fighting that has pit Croatian guards against Serb insurgents and the Serb-led federal army and began after Croatia declared independence on June 25.

Many refugees believe their futures look even bleaker now that the 12-nation European Community has recognized Croatian and Slovenian independence.

Now, said Mrs. Kocorep, "We wouldn't dare show our faces in Daruvar."

Eyes misted over Wednesday as refugees stood in a damp, cold courtyard talking of their homes and waiting to search boxes of clothes stockpiled by the Red Cross.

Many Serbs in Croatia fear they would be subjected to persecution in an independent Croatia. During World War II, thousands of Serbs, Jews and Gypsies were slaughtered by the government of a Croatian Nazi puppet state.

Mrs. Kocorep said she and her two friends, 26-year-old Mirjana Milesevic and 29-year-old Jasminka Hajdin, "would all go back tomorrow, if it depended on us."

"We would like to go back, even if all our houses are destroyed, even if there is nothing left but the land," Mrs. Milesevic said.

But 53-year-old Djordje Prodanovic, standing nearby, said there was "no way" he would return to live in an independent Croatia.

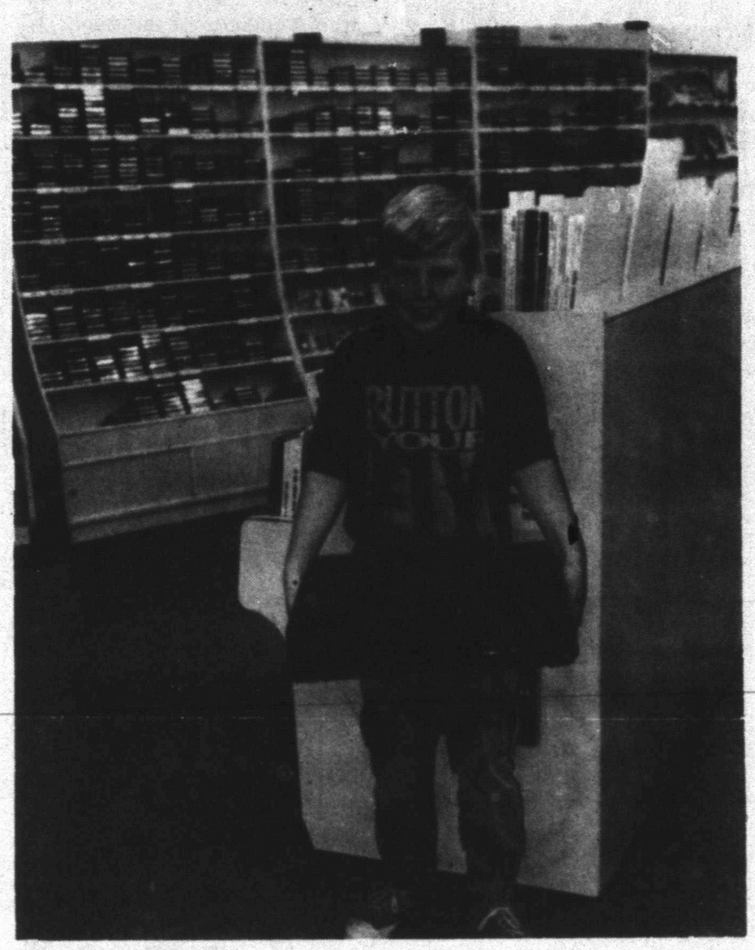
"I don't trust the Croatian government," he said.

So for the time being, the majority have been taken in by families who share their living space, food, electricity and water. There are 69,000 refugees in Belgrade alone.

The welcome has been warm, but officials say Serbs, strapped by a rapidly deteriorating economy, cannot afford to help much more.

Refugees said they could be persuaded to go back if Serbs were given their own autonomous regions in Croatia.

Such areas have been proclaimed by victorious Serb-led forces that have seized one-third of Croatia's territory.



WINS CD PLAYER — Thomas Rinehart, son of Ronnie and Jeri Rinehart, recently won a CD player from the Movie Stop for winning the scratch contest for "Scanners II." (SDN Staff Photo)

Attendant shot during holdup

UNIVERSITY PARK, Texas (AP) — Texas Rangers are helping investigate the first violent robbery of the Dallas North Tollway since the road opened in 1968.

A gunman ran off with two trays of change Wednesday night after shooting the attendant twice in the neck, said Cpl. Joe Rich of the Texas Department of Public Safety, which has jurisdiction over the tollroad.

The holdup at the northbound Mockingbird Lane exit was discovered by a motorist, a medical student, who noticed money on the ground and the toll booth open, Rich said.

"He administered first aid to him (the attendant)," Rich said. "He put pressure on the wound or he might have bled to death right there."

The attendant, Bronson Bell, 39, had been with the Texas Turnpike Authority since October 1990, Rich said.

He was listed in critical condition late Wednesday at Parkland Memorial Hospital.

"He's a very nice gentleman," said DPS Trooper Dave Fisher, who patrols the tollroad. Fisher had seen Bell shortly before the shooting. "We stopped earlier and were just joking around with him about the cold weather."

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Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've been diagnosed with nephrotic syndrome. Unable to control my condition with Lasix, my doctor did a kidney biopsy that revealed glomerulosclerosis. I now take 60 milligrams of Lasix each day and 60 milligrams of prednisone every other day. Is my doctor on the right track?

DEAR READER: Nephrotic syndrome is a serious, chronic kidney disorder, characterized by excess excretion of protein in the urine, insufficient protein in the bloodstream, edema (swelling from fluid retention) and increased blood fats, such as cholesterol.

The syndrome has many causes, including cancer, nephritis, diabetes, leukemia, lupus and allergies, to mention a smattering. The severity of the nephrotic syndrome depends, on large part, upon how many of the kidney's filtration units glomeruli are damaged. The most serious form — and the kind most likely to result in renal failure — shows glomerulosclerosis (marked disruption of the glomeruli).

Thus, in your case, your doctor is making an heroic effort to prevent further damage (by using prednisone, a steroid) and to stimulate remaining kidney tissue (with Lasix).

Patients with the nephrotic syndrome often suffer from abdominal pain, muscle wasting, puffiness, malaise, poor urine volume and — eventually — renal shutdown. The diagnosis is made by blood tests, urinalysis and kidney biopsy.

The prognosis depends on the cause of the nephrotic syndrome. Some patients may recover completely; for example, if the affliction is caused by an allergy to a drug, stopping the drug will frequently lead to recovery. At the same time, nephrotic syndrome caused by cancer or intrinsic renal disease may be impossible to control, much less to cure. Patients with end-stage kidney disease need dialysis or kidney transplants in order to survive.

From the scarce information you supply, I believe your doctor is on the right track. Nephrotic syndrome is, however, an exceedingly complex disorder. In my opinion you should be under the care of nephrologists. These kidney specialists could provide valuable assistance to your family doctor and would supervise any complicated therapy, such as dialysis.

To provide more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Kidney Disorders." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Lottery finalists

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — A Texas resident is among the 11 finalists eligible for the Louisiana Lottery's grand drawing for $250,000 later this month.

Each of the finalists will win at least $5,000 during the Jan. 25 grand drawing, lottery officials said Wednesday.

The finalists are Jo Marie Culver of Groves, Tex., and 10 Louisiana residents: Kevin Carter of New Orleans, Harold Fuselier of Opelousas, Judith Parrish of Baton Rouge, S. W. Warwick of Lafayette, Jerome Crockett of Kenner, John Spencer Sr. of New Iberia, Gloria Hartman of Westwego, Linda Chandler of Denham Springs, Geraldine Smash of Alexandria and Chester Williams of New Orleans.

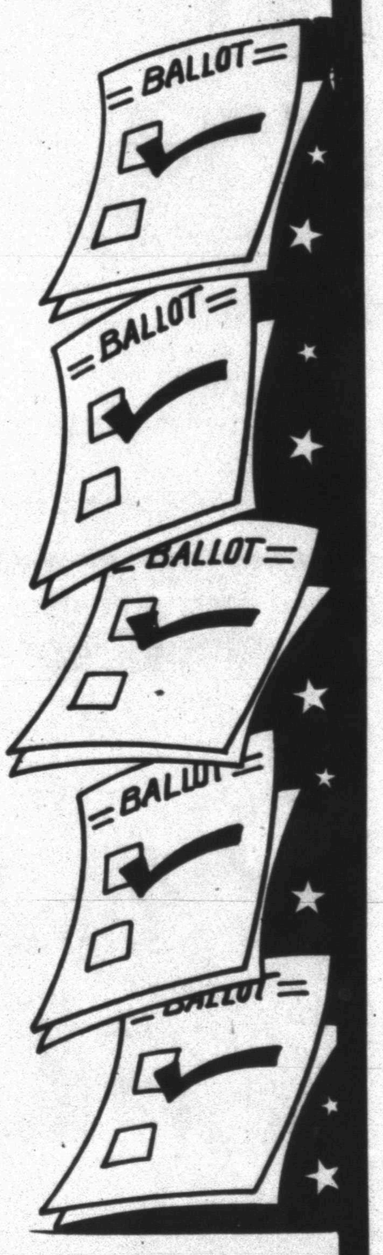
The finalists were chosen by drawing losing scratch-off tickets sent in by the purchasers.

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Peace not assured, but prospects are bright

By Douglas Grant
Associated Press Writer

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador (AP) — Signatures on a document do not ensure either peace or democracy for El Salvador, a troubled land known throughout much of the century for a glaring [illegible] both.

Even so, today's signing of a treaty ending 12 years of civil war is an act of immense promise for this small Central American nation.

The peace pact is a blueprint for construction of a new El Salvador. There is good reason to expect the edifice will be built according to specifications because all the contractors are convinced they stand to profit from the deal.

The country's newspapers in recent days have carried full-page advertisements by either the government or the incumbent Arena party hailing Alfredo Cristiani as "the president of peace."

They say his niche in history is assured.

What the rightist Arena party hopes for is recovery of a war-ravaged economy that will translate into political capital in time for 1994 presidential, legislative and municipal elections.

The leftist rebels of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front realized after an all-or-nothing offensive in late 1989 that a military victory was not in the cards. They have since dropped their Marxist rhetoric and emphasized "democratization."

AP analysis

Rebel commanders say the peace pact, the product of 21 months of U.N.-mediated negotiations, represents a victory for anti-establishment forces.

The guerrilla army is to be demobilized over the next nine months. Its conversion to a political party with full rights and guarantees is to begin immediately.

The rebel group is already talking about forming a center-left front with the Christian Democrats in an effort to win in 1994.

The peace accord does much to level the country's political playing field.

An alliance of landholders, industrialists and the army used repression and electoral fraud to rule virtually unchallenged in the decades following World War II.

Because of the great disparity between a tiny affluent elite and the overwhelming majority of El Salvador's miserably poor, left-leaning peasant, labor and populist organizations made huge gains during the 1970s.

They developed an enormous capacity to mobilize followers, putting hundreds of thousands in the streets for demonstrations and promoting themselves as an eventual alternative for power.

That brought a violent response from the far right. In 1980, death squads linked to the military began a four-year campaign of kidnap, torture and summary execution that left, according to international human rights groups, more than 20,000 suspected leftists dead.

The peace accord calls for the abolishment of repressive, military-controlled police forces and their replacement by a civilian-led national force will include demobilized rebels.

It also commits the government to slashing the 60,000-strong armed forces by half and purging them of abusive and corrupt officers. The pact also reforms military doctrine and establishes mechanisms designed to ensure that the armed forces are subordinate to civilian authority.

The peace accord provides for distribution of farmland in guerrilla-dominated territory to families and supporters of the rebels.

But implementation of the accords and consolidation of peace and democracy will not be easy.

"We would like to be able to euphorically affirm that, with the signing in Mexico, peace is installed in El Salvador," said Monsignor Gregorio Rosa Chavez, the auxiliary Roman Catholic bishop of San Salvador.

"But even if cruel combat is left behind, there are other war fronts, perhaps less visible, that remain active."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Douglas Grant Mine is the AP's El Salvador correspondent.

Country star's Dallas concert will be aired as TV special

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Million-selling singer Garth Brooks wants to depict country music positively in his first network TV special Friday night.

"This is Garth Brooks," a one-hour concert performance taped in Dallas, will air on NBC at 9 p.m. EST. It has been highly promoted by the network in brief commercial spots for the past several days.

"This was my one shot to represent country music as I think it is today," Brooks, a Yukon, Okla.-native, said Wednesday at a special screening of the program. "I want to be a good representative of country music."

Brooks' album "Ropin' the Wind" currently is No. 1 on both the pop and country charts. He has sold 15 million records in the past two years.

He told reporters he is not concerned that "Hot Country Nights," another NBC country music show featuring other stars, has struggled in the ratings.

"TV is TV. Records are my deal. TV is their deal. Ratings are for the TV people. We're in a fantasy situation here where we're selling records without TV," he said.

The special shows him performing his hits "Friends in Low Places," "The Dance," "If Tomorrow Never Comes," "Shameless," "The Thunder Rolls" and others.

It also includes backstage footage and interviews with Brooks, his family and associates.

"This isn't 100 percent Garth Brooks, but it's a good start," he said about the way he comes off. "I'm proud to have my name on it."

In the concert footage, Brooks smashes his guitar, scrambles up a ladder, swings from a rope and sprays himself with bottles of water. He also adds a verse to his song "Friends in Low Places," including a reference to "kiss my a--."

"Regular TV is getting a little more lenient," he said about the phrase. "They (censors) were cool to say, 'It's fun.'"

He recalled that when he attended concerts by KISS and Queen when he was younger, he wanted to come away from something memorable.

"We do a lot of crazy stuff in our live show," he said in an interview on the special.

In 1804, England mobilized to resist possible invasion by Napoleon Bonaparte's French troops.

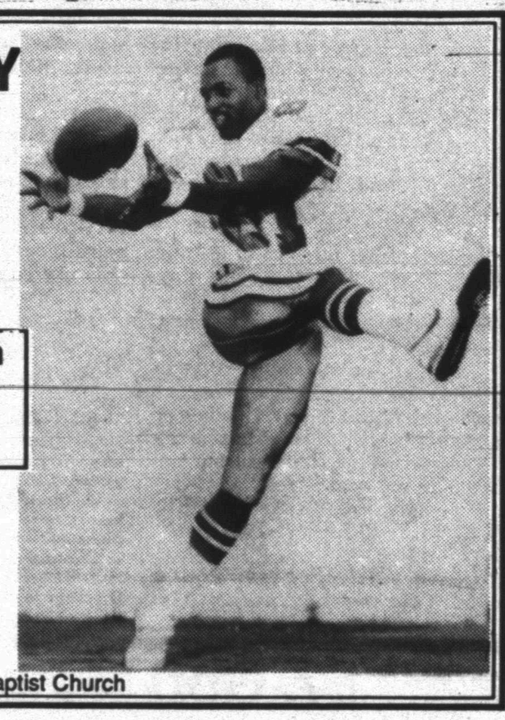
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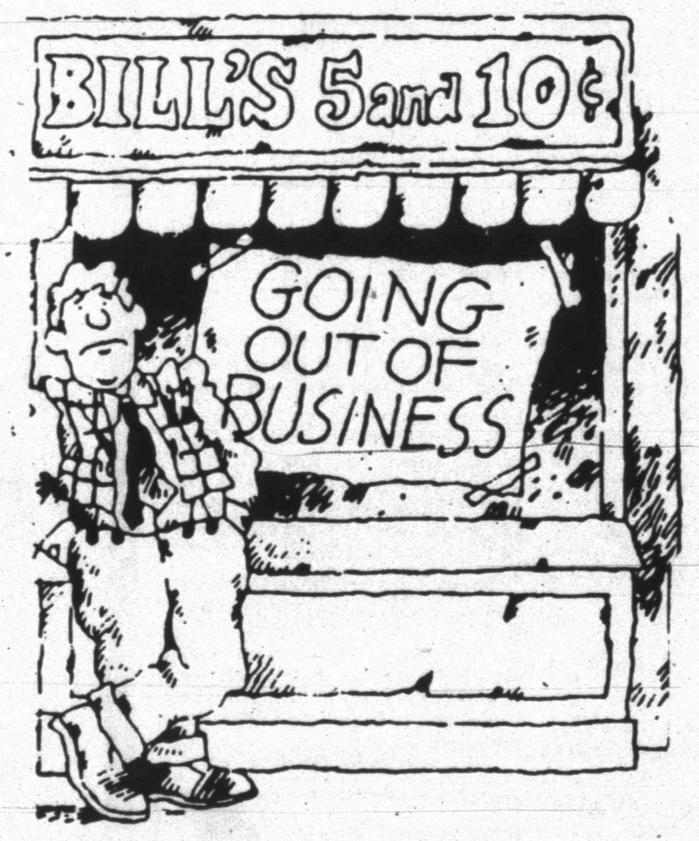
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