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Top ten taxpayers 1995

SCURRY COUNTY		WESTERN TX CO		SNYDER ISD		CITY OF SNYDER	
Pennzoil Ex&Prod	$218,493.87	Pennzoil Ex&Prod	$110,103.23	Pennzoil Ex&Prod	$558,544.58	SW Bell Telephone	$20,210.22
Exxon Corp	$112,714.73	Exxon Corp	$57,176.31	Exxon Corp	$277,224.95	Texas Utilities Elect	$12,769.51
SW Bell Telephone	$93,198.56	SW Bell Telephone	$47,276.40	SW Bell Telephone	$192,378.74	Wal-Mart Stores	$9,794.19
Anadarko Petroleum	$76,644.96	Anadarko Petroleum	$38,919.66	Torch Energy Adv	$155,208.04	Seidenfeld Lily	$7,137.17
Texas Utilities Elect	$70,249.41	Texas Utilities Elect	$35,635.10	Texas Utilities Elect	$139,818.55	Key Bros Implement	$6,489.49
Torch Energy Adv	$60,454.98	Torch Energy Adv	$30,666.71	Apache Corporation	$98,255.12	West Texas St Bnk	$5,848.71
Apache Corporation	$36,643.34	Apache Corporation	$18,587.88	Cynara Company	$78,903.44	Big Co GM Auto	$5,726.44
Cynara Company	$30,770.73	Cynara Company	$15,608.93	Amoco Pipeline Co.	$74,699.57	Reef Chemical Co.	$5,473.83
Amoco Pipeline Co.	$28,256.37	Amoco Pipeline Co.	$11,057.16	Anadarko Petroleum	$55,249.25	Snyder Natl Bnk	$5,017.34
Patterson Drilling	$19,306.28	Patterson Drilling	$9,793.42	Patterson Drilling	$49,505.98	OTR (Kmart)	$4,764.49

Top 10 taxpayers foot 20% of total bill

The tax crunch.

With the steady decline of oil values in Scurry County, the burden of paying for schools and city and county services is falling more and more on individual citizens.

Five years ago, the top 10 taxpayers combined in Scurry County paid just over 40 percent of all property taxes. Figures released by the county tax assessor's office reveals that the number has fallen to just over 20 percent today.

Those figures were even more lopsided 10 years ago, when total taxable values in the county were more than $2.2 billion. Taxable values dropped to $855,000 by 1990, and to $585,857 in 1995.

A glaring example comes from the levy roll of taxes to be paid to Snyder ISD in 1995. Of the total tax levy of $7,149,724, the burden on real estate was 75 percent, or $5,371,029.43. Taxes due on minerals amounted to $1,778,695.32.

That's because oil and mineral values within the Snyder ISD amounted to just under $121 million for 1995, while real estate, personal property, industrial and utility values were $349 million. In contrast, looking back at 1990, oil and mineral values were $552 million; real estate and other combined values were $271 million. A glance back to 1985 shows oil and mineral values of $1.7 billion; real estate values at $322 million.

The top 10 taxpayers combined were levied $3,514,094 in Snyder ISD taxes for 1990. Total SISD taxes came to $7,987,606 that year, meaning that the top 10 paid 44 percent of taxes due the school district. In 1995, the top 10 taxpayers were levied a combined bill of $1,679,783, or 23.4 percent of the total SISD tax bill of $7,149,724.

Interestingly, Chevron alone paid $1.9 million in taxes to SISD in 1990, or some $220,000 more than 1995's top 10 taxpayers combined.

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Hillary is queried on role in land deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hillary Rodham Clinton's legal work for a failed Arkansas savings and loan is drawing renewed interest from federal regulators and the Senate Whitewater committee.

The new inquiries to Mrs. Clinton on behalf of the Resolution Trust Corp. come as three current or former presidential aides face subpoenas to testify next week on Capitol Hill.

The aides are deputy White House counsel Bruce Lindsey and former associate White House counsels William Kennedy and Neil Eggleston, according to a White House official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The three will undergo Senate questioning about a Nov. 5, 1993, Whitewater meeting with the personal attorneys of President Clinton and his wife. Kennedy surrendered his notes of the session to the Senate last week in the face of an impending court challenge to the Clintons' invoking attorney-client privilege to keep the meeting secret.

While the Senate prepares for hearings, Mrs. Clinton is preparing written responses to inquiries from the RTC, the savings and loan cleanup agency whose unfinished business is being taken over by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. The RTC action — disclosed in an agency report completed last week — followed the discovery that Mrs. Clinton apparently prepared documents on a land transaction while she was a partner at the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, Ark.

The report says many of the law firm's records on the land transactions are missing, an item that caught the eye of Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, R-N.Y., chairman of the Whitewater committee. Republicans on his panel have complained about being unable to find other Rose Law Firm records pertaining to Mrs. Clinton's work for Madison Guaranty Savings & Loan.

The land deal the RTC is asking new questions about involved James McDougal, the Clintons' Whitewater partner, and Seth Ward, the father-in-law of Webster Hubbell, at the time a Rose partner with Mrs. Clinton.

Mrs. Clinton's Whitewater lawyer, David Kendall, said she will answer the questions promptly in writing but that she does not recall preparing or ever seeing the documents in question.

Federal regulators are trying to determine whether civil action should be taken against Rose for its work on Castle Grande, a land deal financed by Madison Guaranty that eventually cost the S&L $3.8 million. Overall, the failure of McDougal's institution is expected to cost taxpayers $65 million.

The government could sue for part of that if it concluded that Rose aided and abetted fraud or intentional misconduct that caused some of the loss.

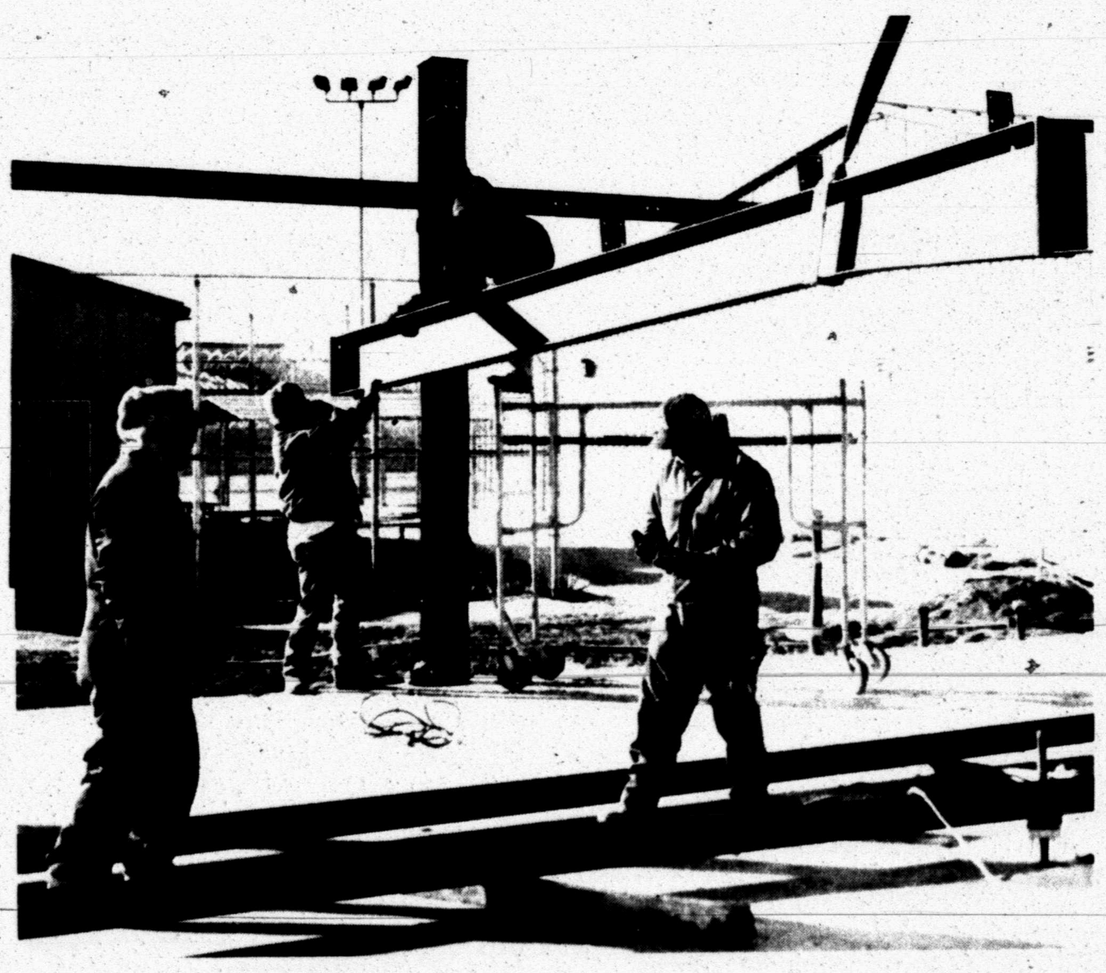
Rose worked on the Castle Grande deal, which federal bank examiners have characterized as a sham transaction enabling McDougal to circumvent regulations limiting the amount of land a subsidiary of the S&L could invest in.

Pound relocated to SC Veterinary

Dogs and other animals that have been picked up by the animal control officer beginning today will be taken to the Scurry County Veterinary Clinic located at 3706 Brick Plant Road.

Animals that were picked up prior to the change-over from the West Texas Animal Clinic will still be housed at that location for the alotted time, said M.L. Chandler, animal control officer for the city.

West Texas Animal Clinic is located on the U.S. Highway 84 bypass.



RED IRON GOING UP - Workers with Western Steel Buildings of Littlefield have started the iron work on the Learning Resource Center at the Price Daniel Unit. The facility was made possible through a $100,000 grant from The Meadows Foundation and $75,000 raised locally. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Actual events are less important than how we react to 'em."

For the second time in a couple of weeks, Snyder and Scurry County got mentioned in the Texas Journal section of the Wall Street Journal. Carlos Tejada wrote:

"Barry Tubb is looking for a few cold bodies to appear in his new western.

"The 33-year-old independent filmmaker needs both funding and extras to begin shooting 'Blood Trail,' a tale of cowboys chasing an Indian outlaw.

"So he's asking wealthy wannabe stiffs to pay for a part in the movie. For $20,000, you can appear as a dead body. For $30,000, you can die on screen. And for $50,000, you can get offed with an arrow through the neck — while talking.

"Who would pay to die on screen? Fans of westerns, says Mr. Tubb, a Hollywood actor who returned to his hometown of Snyder to give 'Blood Trail' and other planned westerns a realistic backdrop. 'If I was in the business world and wanted to be in a Western, this would be my chance,' he says.

"Mr. Tubb, who appeared in the television miniseries 'Lonesome Dove,' and a sequel, 'Return to Lovesome Dove,' as well as the films 'Mask' and 'Top Gun,' says he has two takers so far.

"One of them is R.J. Preston, a saddlemaker from Fay, Okla., who gave Mr. Tubb $30,000, says 'Blood Trail' is accurately gritty and avoids Hollywood stereotypes. 'I believe in the project,' says Mr. Peterson who met Mr. Tubb while they were both acting in a Wild West show in Europe in 1992. 'Getting killed off is a plus for me.'

"Mr. Tubb has room for takers. 'The arrow through the neck is available,' he says, 'but I'm limiting it to two.'"

Tubb, one of the famous products of the Snyder High School drama department, was in the office last summer and told of his plans to make the movie in the Fluvanna area.

Wonder if Barry got his idea from West Texas oil patch folks who know about investing...and bleeding.

Clinton, Republicans still trading jabs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Brawling and bargaining by turns, President Clinton and Republican congressional leaders are struggling to make progress toward a balanced budget while blaming each other for a partial government shutdown that has inconvenienced millions.

The disruption "is part of an explicit strategy by Republicans to shut the government down to get their way on budget and tax issues," Clinton said at the White House on Wednesday a few hours after House Republicans blocked an effort to end the shutdown, now in its 20th day.

"This has never been done before. It is not a natural disaster. It is an unnatural disaster born of a cynical political strategy," the president said.

Republicans retorted that Clinton must bear the blame, noting that he has vetoed legislation that would have ended the furloughs for many of the 280,000 out of work and the hundreds of thousands more laboring without pay.

"The president of the United States is as much to blame for the closure of the government as the Republicans, House or Senate," said Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee.

Domenici said Clinton has been cynical himself, having thus far failed to advance a balanced budget of his own, even though he continuously "pounds Republicans" for what they would do to restrain spending.

Despite the sharp rhetoric, Clinton sat down as scheduled later in the afternoon with Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, House Speaker Newt Gingrich and other congressional leaders.

Republican negotiators now are insisting they will settle for no less than a net $185 billion in tax cuts over the next seven years, GOP officials speaking on condition of anonymity said today. That is about $40 billion less than Republicans approved in their budget-balancing bill, under new Congressional Budget Office calculations.

The money would be mostly for a $500 per child tax credit, a capital gains tax reduction and lower levies on some businesses. Any additional tax cuts would have to be paid for by offsetting revenue raisers or spending cuts.

One Democrat, speaking on condition of anonymity, said tax cuts came up for review, including possible deferral of a GOP plan for a capital gains reduction effective Jan. 1, 1995. Clinton's proposal to condition some tax cuts on a strong economy also was discussed, according to this official, who said no decisions were made.

Taxes aside, the two sides were still at odds on subjects such as Medicare, Medicaid, education and welfare, although White House spokesman Mike McCurry said there was continued progress.

And while talks were expected to resume today, White House officials cautioned against any expectation of a swift agreement.

The budget impasse has been building for months, and the 20-day partial shutdown is by far the longest in history. Clinton used his brief appearance before reporters to detail some of the repercussions.

"This week, the Meals on Wheels program for senior citizens will run out of money," he said.

ASK US

Q—When and where will the Super Bowl be played?

A—The game will be played on Jan. 28 in Tempe, Ariz. with the kickoff scheduled at 5:20 p.m.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 52 degrees; low, 17; 7 a.m. reading Thursday, 36; no precipitation; total for 1996, .21 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy, becoming mostly cloudy by midnight. Turning colder. Low near 25. NW wind 10-20 mph becoming NE before midnight. Friday, cloudy, much colder. High around 35. NE wind 10-20 mph, gusty.

TURNING COLDER

Sunset: 5:54 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:17 a.m.

Of three days in 1996, the sun has shone 2 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Much wealth is in the house of the righteous, but trouble is in the income of the wicked.

Proverbs 15:6

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Colombian forensic tests find alcohol in remains of the pilot

FORT WORTH (AP) — Alcohol found in the remains of an American Airline pilot doesn't necessarily mean he had been drinking before the plane slammed into a mountain in Colombia, killing 160 people, the airline says.

The Federal Aviation Administration notified the Fort Worth-based airline Wednesday about the preliminary results of Colombian tests conducted on the remains of Nicholas Tafuri.

Bob Baker, the airline's executive vice president of operations, said further tests were needed to determine whether the alcohol was the result of drinking or "the natural chemical processes following death by blunt trauma injury."

"Obviously, we would be shocked if the tests confirm the use of alcohol by one of our pilots during a duty period," Baker said.

The amount of alcohol found was not immediately available.

In the United States, the maximum blood-alcohol content allowed for commercial pilots is 0.04 percent, versus 0.10 for drivers in most states. Federal regulations require that cockpit crews refrain from alcohol for eight hours before a flight.

The FAA intends to retest the samples in the United States as soon as arrangements with Colombian officials can be made, Baker said. However, Sandra Allen, an FAA spokeswoman in Washington, said any retesting would be done by Colombian officials with U.S. officials as observers.

Allen also said she could not respond to "speculation" that alcohol could have been a byproduct of decomposition. She said the agency had been doing scientific research along those lines but that she did not know the status of it.

Some reports said the remains of Tafuri, 57, a pilot with American Airlines since 1969, were not recovered until three days after the Boeing 757 crashed into a mountain near Cali on Dec. 20. Only four people and a dog survived.

Meanwhile, a lawyer seeking $1 billion for the deaths of a couple and injuries to their daughter said Wednesday he will prove that the parents suffered a slow death.

One lawsuit asks for $500 million for the deaths of Benjamin and Mercedes Ramirez of Kansas City, Mo. Another seeks $500 million for injuries to Mercedes Liliana Ramirez, their 21-year-old daughter. The three were on their way to visit relatives.

Howard E. Shafran, the attorney who filed both suits, said lawsuits filed across the country would be consolidated in one city for a trial on liability.

"These people did not die of the injuries sustained in the crash. They died of hypothermia. These people had a slow, horrible, agonizing death," he said.

The Miami Herald, meanwhile, quoted two veteran American Airlines pilots as saying that an air traffic controller who didn't know the location of the jet misled the crew before the crash. The pilots criticized an earlier report by Colombian officials that blamed pilot error for the disaster.

But Carlos Rubio, head of civil aviation in Cali, dismissed the pilots' comments as "speculation." He said an investigation in Washington of the "black box" flight recorders will help determine the cause.



AWARDS ISSUED — Service certificates and pins were awarded to two employees in the Snyder facility of Walls Industries, Inc. recently by David Wittie, Snyder plant manager and Ron Istre, right, senior vice president of manufacturing and distribution. Receiving 15 year pins were Vera Cain and Eva Leyva. Istre said, "The contribution of honored employees has been a major factor in making Walls the leading name in the apparel industry." "The Cleburne-based firm has eight locations in Texas employing over 1,400 people and they honored 149 totaling 1,365 years of combined service to the company." (Contributed Photo)

Scurry librarian receives training

Last fall, Scurry County Library director Noreen Taylor joined 125 of her colleagues from around the state taking part in the Texas State Library's Small Library Management Training Program.

The program is designed to provide and enhance basic management skills of library directors in smaller communities who have not had formal library school coursework.

Five core courses are offered during a 2½ year period, including administration and planning, collection development, reference services, cataloging and automation and advanced management issues.

Participants attend a two-day workshop each spring and fall until they complete the entire program and receive up to 14 hours of state-approved continuing education credit for each session attended.

Fed prison workers continue to work without pay checks

By The Associated Press

Unlike the furloughed government employees who are waiting at home for the budget standoff in Washington to end, John Eberle is one of the 480,000 who must continue reporting to work each day without pay.

On top of that, he works at a federal prison.

"We are putting our lives on the line every day to keep inmates under control and for what? For nothing. Morale is terrible," said Eberle, who works at the federal lockup in Bastrop and is struggling to feed his wife and three children.

Employees at federal prisons across the state echoed Eberle's sentiments in varying tones. Paychecks arriving this week were half of their normal amounts, or less, as the partial government shutdown reached its 19th day Wednesday.

Unable to qualify for unemployment assistance or food stamps, most workers deemed "essential" by the government can't find jobs on the side to help pay bills because they must continue reporting for duty each day.

Employees have been promised they will receive all of their income once the budget standoff is resolved. But that is of little consolation to the families struggling now to pay their rent, utilities and food expenses.

"There could be a time in the very near future where some of our employees won't have enough money for gas to keep coming to work," said Eberle, who works as a prison construction foreman and helps rehabilitate inmates by teaching them building skills.

Eberle said work at a federal prison isn't something that is done out of love for the job.

"The only thing that keeps me here is the retirement plan and the benefits," said Eberle, who has worked at the Bastrop lockup, 45 miles southeast of Austin, for the past 10 years.

Ray Hooker, executive assistant at La Tuna Federal Correctional Institution, a low-security prison in Anthony, near El Paso, said employees are trying to make the best of it.

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( ) Handicapped How:_____

Number of People living in this Household:_____
( ) Adults ( ) Children Ages:_____ _____ _____
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Income:
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Gross Weekly Income: $_____
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Date Book

Jan. 4, 1996

Today is the fourth day of 1996 and the 14th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1896, Utah became the 45th state in the union.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jacob Grimm (1785-1863), folklorist; Louis Braille (1809-1852), inventor; Jane Wyman (1914-), actress, is 82; Don Shula (1930-), football coach, is 66; Floyd Patterson (1935-), boxer, is 61; Dyan Cannon (1937-), actress, is 59; Michael Stipe (1960-), singer, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1887, the first around-the-world bicycle trip was completed in San Francisco after a two-year, eight-and-a-half-month ride.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Ours is not a consolidated empire, but a confederated union." — James K. Polk

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1971, the second day of a blizzard blanketed the United States from New Mexico to Michigan.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day before full moon.

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CELEBRATION HELD — Senior Citizens celebrated New Year's Eve and Texas' 150th Birthday by dressing in western attire. On the front row are, from left, Thadine Harless, Dorothy Lankford, Dawson Moreland, Odis Craig, Gerald Walton, Leda Beck, Alvis Minton, Emmett Askins, Joyce Moore, Jack Moore, Wilma Jones, Jimmie Cooper, Bill Cooper, Mary Torrence; back row, Ray Spivey, Blanche Arnold, Helen Faulkenberry, Cecil Lankford, Dorothy Duncan, Betty Boyd, Sylvia Spivey, Nettie Faye Gardner, Sue Griffin, Verlene White, Dena Stirling, Betty Kellum, Treva Abercrombie and Melba Cooper. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)









RECITAL, TEA — Bethel Studio of Music recently presented "The Gift of Giving," written by Lynn Bethel, in the chapel of First Baptist Church. Yuletide entertainers and puppets also performed and a Christmas Tea followed in the garden room. Pictured from left in the top photo are, first row, Ralph and Sallie Riddel of Rotan, Megan Muscatell of Jayton, Bailey Stoker of Snyder; top row, Jessica Hall and Faith Feaster of Roscoe, Stormy Clark of Snyder, Whitney Rogers and Sonda Leininger of Post; and the back row, Santi Nussey, Joanna Burk, Craig Bowen, Rachel Cave, all of Snyder. In the photo third from top are, front row, Amber Kelley, Mandy Strain and Johnnie Riggs, all of Colorado City; back row, Jennifer Petty of Colorado City, Karomy Drum of Snyder, Stephanie Hoyle of Colorado City, David Melton of Spur, Nicki and Angela Riggs of Colorado City. In the bottom photo are, first row, Claire Pollard, Vivi Weaver, Amanda and Aryn Calley, all of Snyder; middle row, Clinton Senn of Jayton, Danisha Akins and Blake Robertson of Snyder and Jerica Tyler of Post; and the top row, Justin Stoker, Tyler Pollard, Angie Glover, Kelsey Shaw and Jessica Sollis, all of Snyder. Not pictured are Temple Latimer of Odessa and Ruth Ann Riddel of Rotan. (Contributed Photo)

ABWA MEETING — Jodie Shepard, scholarship recipient; her mother, Freda; Leona Wiggins and Kathy Landes, co-chairmen of the educational committee, (from left) participated in the recent meeting of the Scurry Charter Chapter American Business Women at the woman's club.

ABWA members meet at woman's club

Scurry Charter Chapter of American Business Women Association's December meeting was highlighted by a gift exchange and included regular business.

Glenda Glasscock, owner of Countryplace for 3½ years, gave the vocational talk. She explained several services such as the bridal and baby departments and gave gift ideas available in the store. She said the newest items were Dreamside, emu lotion and oil, and Yankee candles.

Vern Beasley gave a Martha Ann Woman's Club report to the 14 members and two guests attending. Jodie Shepard, the ABWA scholarship recipient, and her mother, Freda, were introduced.

Several members are making plans to attend the ABWA's regional meeting set for April 12-14 in Abilene.

December birthday ladies, Ruby Deavers and Vivian Cochran, were announced before the benediction. The next meeting will be at MAWC, 7 p.m., on Jan. 11.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



A textbook deal

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 01 04 96
♠ 5 2
♥ A K Q J 9
♦ Q J 6 3
♣ Q 10

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

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

SOUTH
♠ K 4
♥ 5
♦ A 9 8 5 2
♣ A J 9 8 7

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♥	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 7

During a two-week long world bridge championship, most parts of one's bidding system are given a workout. But when it comes to declarer play, textbook deals crop up only occasionally. One was this deal from the quarterfinals.

How would you plan the play in three no-trump after the spade seven lead to East's nine and your king? Would it make any difference if North had the diamond 10 instead of the six?

South's bid of three no-trump wouldn't meet with universal approval, but it's too late to worry about that now.

Given the first trick, you have seven top tricks: one spade, four hearts, one diamond and one club. If the hearts are running, you need either a winning diamond or club finesse. But which do you take?

Rozanne Pollack, playing for the U.S. team that finished second in the Venice Cup, saw the answer immediately. After winning the first trick, she cashed the diamond ace, the minor in which she had the greater number of cards. When the king didn't drop, Pollack started to run the hearts. Then she took the club finesse, coming home with 11 tricks when East had king-third.

Suppose you start the hearts immediately without cashing the diamond ace. When hearts break badly, you need *four* minor suit tricks. It is correct to take the club finesse because if East has the K-10-x of diamonds, you will still need the club finesse to work.

However, cashing the diamond ace first is the right play, even when dummy has the diamond 10.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY

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

Deep Creek Chapter ABWA; Rudy's Restaurant; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or573-8929; (last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

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

SATURDAY

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

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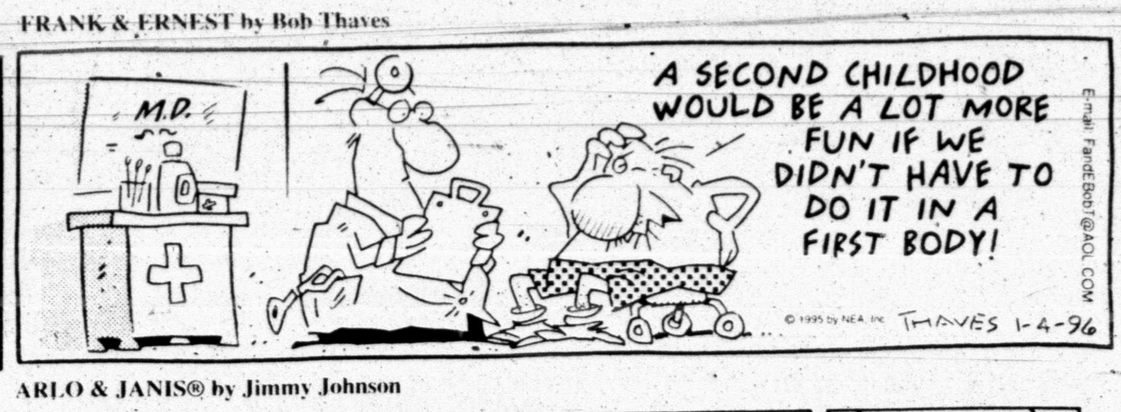
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25 Roman 410
28 Yes — —?
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33 More uncanny
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36 College administrator
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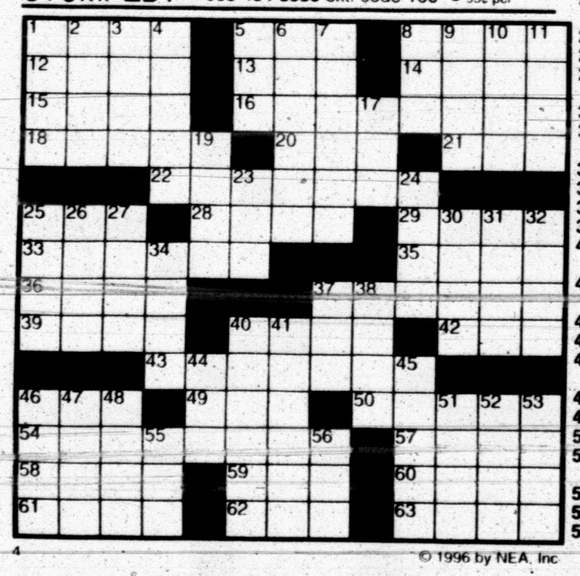
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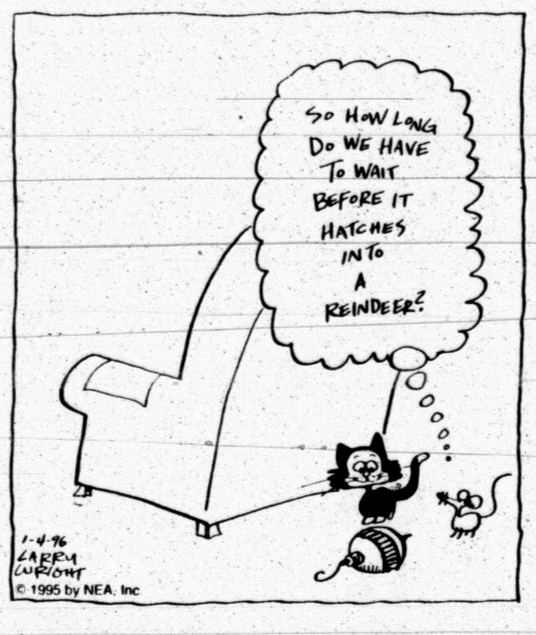
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	24	6	.800	—
NewYork	19	10	.655	4½
Miami	15	13	.536	8
Washington	15	14	.517	8½
Boston	12	17	.414	11½
NewJersey	11	17	.393	12
Philadelphia	6	23	.207	17½
Central Division				
Chicago	26	3	.897	—
Indiana	17	12	.586	9
Cleveland	16	12	.571	9½
Detroit	15	15	.500	11½
Charlotte	14	16	.467	12½
Atlanta	13	16	.448	13
Milwaukee	11	18	.379	15
Toronto	9	22	.290	18

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	23	9	.719	—
SanAntonio	20	8	.714	1
Utah	21	10	.677	1½
Denver	13	17	.433	9
Dallas	8	20	.286	13
Minnesota	7	21	.250	14
Vancouver	5	25	.167	17
Pacific Division				
Seattle	21	8	.724	—
Sacramento	17	9	.654	2½
L.A.Lakers	16	16	.500	6½
Phoenix	13	14	.481	7
Portland	14	17	.452	8
GoldenState	13	17	.433	8½
L.A.Clippers	11	20	.355	11

Tuesday's Games
Portland 101, New York 92
New Jersey 81, Milwaukee 72
Cleveland 108, Washington 100
Seattle 111, Atlanta 88
Houston 105, Minnesota 100
Utah 102, Dallas 92
Indiana 102, Denver 87
Philadelphia 90, L.A. Lakers 89

Wednesday's Games
Orlando 121, Toronto 110
Chicago 100, Houston 86
Portland 114, Boston 110, OT
Milwaukee 96, Detroit 82
San Antonio 111, Utah 97
Indiana 110, L.A. Clippers 94
Golden State 122, Philadelphia 111

Thursday's Games
New Jersey at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Denver at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Friday's Games
Cleveland at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Seattle at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at San Antonio, 8 p.m.
Portland at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

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Angel Fire—4- new packed powder 18 base 7 trails 6 of 6 lifts 32% open
Red River—2- new packed powder 10-30 base 4 of 7 lifts 40% open
Sandia Peak—6- new machine groomed snow 16 base 2 of 7 lifts 12% open sm 9a-4p
Santa Fe—5- new packed powder 22-27 base 3 trails 3 of 7 lifts 15% open sm 9a-4p
Sipapu—2- new powder 3 trail 1 of 3 lifts sm
Ski Apache—30- new powder 48 base 30 trails 7 of 10 lifts 8:45a-4p
Ski Rio—12- new powder 20-28 base 10 trails 4 of 6 lifts 9a-4p
Snow Canyon—machine groomed snow
Taos—1- new powder 31 base 7 trails 6 of 11 lifts sm

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Arapahoe Basin—2- new powder 60-90 base 56 trails 5 of 5 lifts 98% open
Arrowhead Mountain—1- new powder 28 base 2 of 2 lifts
Aspen—3-4 new powder 39-47 base 76 trails 8 of 8 lifts 94% open
Aspen Highlands—3- new powder 31-42 base 65 trails 8 of 9 lifts 75% open
Beaver Creek—3- new powder 36-47 base 11 of 11 lifts 100% open 9a-4p
Breckenridge—3-5 new powder 56-70 base 122 trails 17 of 17 lifts 95% open
Buttermilk—2-3 new powder 27-28 base 37 trails 7 of 7 lifts 90% open
Copper Mountain—3- new powder 31-51 base 93 trails 18 of 20 lifts 98% open
Crested Butte—1- new powder 30-40 base 11 of 13 lifts
Cuchara Valley—15- new powder 29 base 18 trails 3 of 4 lifts 75% open 9a-4p
Eldora Mountain—5-new powder 45 base 9 of 9 lifts
Howelsen Ski Area—no report
Keystone Resort—3- new powder 59-60 base 90 trails 19 of 20 lifts 100% open
Loveland—4- new powder 62 base 7 of 10 lifts 100% open 9a-4p
Monarch Resort—4- new powder 46 base 4 of 4 lifts
Purgatory Resort—packed powder 28 base 6 of 9 lifts
Silver Creek—4- new powder 27 base 4 of 5 lifts
Ski Cooper—3- new powder 45 base 3 of 4 lifts
Ski Sunlight—powder 32 base 2 of 4 lifts
Snowmass—2-3 new powder 30-45 base 61 trails 16 of 16 lifts 72% open
Steamboat—5-8 new powder 48-65 base 105 trails 20 of 20 lifts 99% open
Telluride—2- new powder 41-45 base 38 trails 10 of 10 lifts sm 9a-4p
Vail—5- new powder 45-60 base 26 of 26 lifts 100% open 8:30a-4p
Winter Park Resort—6- new powder 64-75 base 114 trails 18 of 20 lifts 90% open 9a-4p
Wolf Creek—1- new packed powder 28-33 base 17 trails 6 of 6 lifts 9a-4p

FISHIN' REPORT

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; normal level; 53 degrees; very few fishermen out.
BAYLOR: Water clear; normal level; cold; very few fishermen out.
FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 3 feet low; 55 degrees; catfish are fair on shrimp and nightcrawlers; very few fishermen out.
GRANBURY: Water clear; normal level; 52 degrees; very few fishermen out.
GREENBELT: Water clear; low; 50 degrees; very few fishermen out.
MEREDITH: Water clear; normal level; 50 degrees; catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad and on rod and reels baited with shrimp and nightcrawlers.
OAK CREEK: Water murky; 6 feet 1 inch low; 51 degrees; black bass to 10 pounds are fair on worms; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished in deep water at night; catfish are fair on chicken liver fished from the docks.
O.H.IVIE: Water clear on main lake, murky in upper end and tributaries; lake level 1550; 54 degrees; black bass to 8 pounds are fair on Jig-N-Pigs, crank baits and spinners; smallmouth are fair on worms and crank baits fished off of secondary rock structure; crappie are fair to good on minnows, jigs and Flea Flies fished in 15 to 40 feet of water; channel and blue catfish are fair to good on rod and reels baited with shrimp and liver and on trotlines baited with prepared bait and shad; yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch.
POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; normal level; 50 degrees; very few fishermen out.
PROCTOR: Water clear; lake full; 50 degrees; black bass are fair on spinners, dark worms and small spoons; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished in 6 to 15 feet of water; catfish are fair on trotlines baited with shad.
SPENCE: Water clear; 35 feet low; 55 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are fair on jigs fished in 10 to 15 feet of water; striped bass to 17 pounds are fair on live bait and by trolling; white bass are good on topwaters fished under the birds; catfish are slow.
WHITE RIVER: Water clear; low; cold; very few fishermen out.

Irvin says loss to Eagles brings a sense of urgency

IRVING (AP) — When Michael Irvin talks fear he usually means the kind he installs in defensive backs.

But this time Irvin is talking about another kind of fear; the kind a team feels after it is defeated by a bitter rival.

The 20-17 kind of fear inflicted by the Philadelphia Eagles on the Dallas Cowboys Dec. 10 in Veterans Stadium.

"When you've played a team that beat you, then you have a serious fear the next time you play them," Irvin said. "They beat us the last time. It brings on a sense of urgency. A sense of awareness."

The Cowboys ripped the Eagles 34-12 on Monday Night Football Nov. 6. But they discovered in the December showdown that the Eagles had vastly improved under rookie coach Ray Rhodes, a former defensive coordinator for the San Francisco 49ers who knows the Cowboys very well.

Irvin said the baffling loss to the Eagles made famous by Dallas coach Barry Switzer's questionable fourth-quarter decision to go for it twice on fourth and 1 from his own 29 slapped the Cowboys awake.

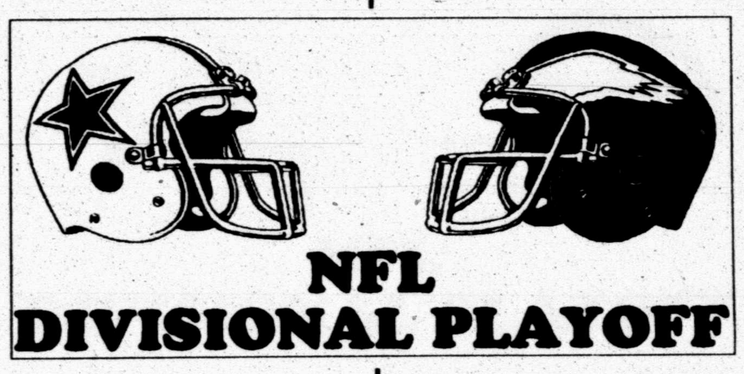
"I'm glad the thing happened the way it happened," Irvin said. "I'm glad they put fear into our hearts and showed they are capable of beating us. I think it helps our attitude. We won't be overconfident going into this game. We know what kind of damage the Eagles can do. They taught us a lesson."

Dallas had defeated the Eagles seven consecutive times until it was ambushed.

Irvin caught only three passes for 40 yards in the game as the Eagles boxed him with double coverage. Quarterback Troy Aikman had difficulty finding the other wide receivers, completing two to Corey Fleming and one to Deion Sanders.

Philadelphia cornerback Bobby Taylor was named the NFL Defensive Player of the Week for his performance in shadowing Irvin.

Irvin gets a kick out of that, saying, "He had help and Taylor got player of the week? How does that happen? I guess it shows how bad I am."



Since that game Kevin Williams has come alive for the Cowboys, making a critical diving third-down catch that set up the winning field goal in a 21-20 victory over the New York Giants and scoring twice against the Arizona Cardinals.

Irvin said a team doubling him now could get into serious trouble.

"Kevin Williams has proved now how important he can be to this team," Irvin said. "Look what he did against the Giants and the Cardinals. We were forced to look his way because of the way teams were playing us. Now he can hurt another team bad."

Irvin said the loss has gone from bad to good medicine.

"It's a double good thing now," Irvin said. "Philadelphia has our attention. And we've added another big weapon on offense. It's perfect. We'll be ready this time."

Philadelphia's owner sees Eagles meshing

VERO BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Jeffrey Lurie said he saw the seeds of "a significant transformation" of the Philadelphia Eagles last May.

"I felt that by the end of the year we would have really pushed the team to a new level," the Eagles owner said. "But would it be in time to be in the playoffs and do damage in the playoffs?"

The answer to both questions turned out to be yes. The Eagles, who shocked the Detroit Lions 58-37 in the first round of the playoffs last week, have a chance to do even more damage against the Dallas Cowboys Sunday.

Lurie said the playoffs seemed like a distant goal when the Eagles started the season 1-3, looking thoroughly mediocre in the process.

"You saw some of the struggles early in the season where we didn't mesh, and we weren't able to come back and we let leads drop like flies," he said. "I just didn't know whether we could mesh in time."

"But once we were 3-3, and starting to see the things put into practice that were really so obvious in training camp, then I had some more optimism about it meshing in time this season."

Actually, Lurie said he could see potential for a competitive team.

"It's very much Ray's style. It's a tough, physical team, a team that works hard, takes it seriously and really isn't into glitz. It's into hard work — a blue-collar team. I think that's what Ray is striving for."

The relationship between the owner and the coach has come under scrutiny after reports that Rhodes was suffering burnout and wanted out of his contract. Lurie called the reports "complete baloney."

"I was livid. Ray was livid," he said. "We were just appalled by the report, and anybody who knows what's going on here knows it's a complete fabrication."

team during minicamp in May.

"It was the response of the players to the pace and the enthusiasm and the teaching ability of the coaching staff," he said.

"I saw a marked change in attitude and motivation from last year. I kept saying to myself and to some friends, 'This isn't a team you can judge on paper.' Those are the intangibles."

Lurie said the majority of credit for the Eagles' success this season belongs to Rhodes, who has developed a distinct personality on the

Lady Tigers open district play Friday

Snyder High School's Lady Tigers will open District 5-4A play Friday in Levelland against the Loboettes. It will be the first loop game for both teams.

The varsity will tip off at 8 p.m. with the JV preceeding the varsity at 6:30 p.m.

The Tigers' first district game will be Jan. 12 against Sweetwater.

The Tigers will play Seminole Friday night in Seminole. The game times have been changed from the original schedule. The varsity will tip off at 6:30 p.m. and there will not be a JV game.

Saturday, Snyder will host Greenwood beginning at 2:30 p.m.. The JV will play at 1 p.m. The ninth grade B teams was scheduled to play, but that game has been cancelled.

Tickets still available for NCAA regional

DALLAS (AP) — Tickets are still available for the first- and second-round games of the 1996 NCAA Midwest Regional, which will be played March 14 and 16 at Reunion Arena.

The Southwest Conference is hosting the eight-team tournament.

Teams will be announced March 10, also known as "Selection Sunday," and game times will be announced later that week. Two of the eight teams will advance to the NCAA Midwest Regional tournament in Minneapolis the following week.

Ticket applications are available by calling (800) 800-7928 or (214) 920-1777. The event is expected to sell out.

USA TODAY-CNN FINAL FOOTBALL TOP 25

The final USA TODAY-CNN football coaches' poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, final records, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pv
1.Nebraska(62)	12-0-0	1,550	1
2.Tennessee	11-1-0	1,438	4
3.Florida	12-1-0	1,434	2
4.Colorado	10-2-0	1,308	7
5.FloridaState	10-2-0	1,280	8
6.KansasState	10-2-0	1,129	10
7.Northwestern	10-2-0	1,121	3
8.OhioState	11-2-0	1,105	5
9.VirginiaTech	10-2-0	1,101	11
10.Kansas	10-2-0	994	13
11.SouthernCal	9-2-1	898	17
12.PennState	9-3-0	857	16
13.NotreDame	9-3-0	813	9
14.Texas	10-2-1	768	6
15.TexasA&M	9-3-0	703	18
16.Syracuse	9-3-0	593	22
17.Virginia	9-4-0	585	19
18.Oregon	9-3-0	441	12
19.Michigan	9-4-0	426	14
20.TexasTech	9-3-0	329	25
21.Auburn	8-4-0	292	15
22.Iowa	8-4-0	205	—
23.EastCarolina	9-3-0	163	—
24.Toledo	11-0-1	150	—
25.LouisianaState	7-4-1	110	—

Others receiving votes: North Carolina 100, Washington 98, Arkansas 54, Clemson 42, UCLA 22, Stanford 11, Colorado State 9, Michigan State 6, Fresno State 5, Air Force 3, Baylor 3, Louisville 3, Georgia 1.

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Spurs' threesome help take the Jazz out of Utah, 111-97

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The San Antonio Spurs got a season-high scoring performance from a veteran guard, a career-high night from a rookie guard and the usual performance from center David Robinson.

Robinson had 31 points and 11 rebounds Wednesday night, while Vinny Del Negro had a season-high 28 points and Cory Alexander a career-high 12 points in 20 minutes as the Spurs rolled to a 111-97 victory over the Utah Jazz.

Alexander got additional playing time after starter Avery Johnson picked up three fouls in the first half.

San Antonio coach Bob Hill was pleased with the play of the rookie from Virginia, especially since he was matched against perennial All-Star John Stockton.

"He has lots of confidence. He set a vision for himself," Hill said. "Tonight was the first time as a Spur that he's faced this much pressure. It was a big home game facing Stockton, and he did a good job guarding him, which is tough for most human beings."

"There's no question he is a great player," Alexander said. "He's so good with the ball, handling it, the main thing is to just try to keep him from getting into his rhythm."

The Spurs solidified their hold on second place in the Midwest Division and also moved within one game of division-leading Houston when the Rockets lost at Chicago.

San Antonio took the lead at the 5:20 mark of the second quarter and never relinquished it. Utah pulled within six points with 4:02 remaining in the fourth quarter, but Del Negro responded with five points in 31 seconds to put the game out of reach.

"We just played up and down the court the whole game," Del Negro said. "It took a few minutes to get into it and by the second quarter, we were ready to play."

Sean Elliott scored four points in the final minute of play and finished with 24 for the Spurs.

Chris Morris led the Jazz with 22 points, and Stockton had 21 points and 12 assists for Utah, which had its four-game winning streak snapped.

The Spurs held Karl Malone, Utah's leading scorer, to 14 points. His season average was 26.5 coming into the game.

Jordan and Bulls beat tired Rockets, 100-86

CHICAGO (AP) — Next time, the Rockets promise, it will be different. They will be rested, Clyde Drexler will be healthy and the game will be in Houston.

The Chicago Bulls can hardly wait.

"This was not a really good barometer. That was not the Houston championship team," said Michael Jordan, who scored 38 points as the Bulls beat the tired, Drexler-less Rockets 100-86 Wednesday. "I'm sure it will be better next time."

When the teams meet Jan. 30, Chicago shouldn't expect the Rockets to threaten an NBA record for futility — as they did in Wednesday's second quarter.

Both teams played poorly in the first quarter, after which Houston led 18-15. But while the Bulls shot 70 percent and scored 32 points in the second, the Rockets went 1-for-15 and managed only 12 points.

So by halftime, the game between conference leaders — not to mention the teams that combined for the last five NBA titles — was basically over. The supposed finals preview never materialized for the national television audience.

"It's a shame, because the fans were looking forward to it and so were we," Chicago's Steve Kerr said. "We know Houston is a lot better."

Hakeem Olajuwon, who had only 13 of his 23 points in the first three quarters and led the Rockets with three assists, said they relied too much on 1-on-1 basketball.

"We lost focus of the team concept, as the one assist in the first half showed," he said. "We played our worst game of the season."

Added Houston coach Rudy Tomjanovich: "It was a waste of time. We didn't even make it a game. All of a sudden, we got away from our system. I don't know, maybe it was fatigue because we had a game in Minnesota last night and they'd been off, but it was embarrassing."

Olajuwon holds narrow all-star lead

NEW YORK (AP) — Houston's Hakeem Olajuwon leads Charles Barkley of Phoenix by just over 1,000 votes for the lead among Western Conference players in the latest NBA All-Star voting announced on Wednesday.

Olajuwon has received 303,283 votes to 302,280 for Barkley. A year ago, Olajuwon finished 78,927 votes ahead of Barkley with 1,125,032 to 1,046,105.

Behind Olajuwon at center is San Antonio's David Robinson with 239,242, followed by Denver's Dikembe Mutombo (44,119) and Vlade Divac of the Los Angeles Lakers (34,636).

Trailing Barkley at forward are Seattle's Shawn Kemp (286,650), Utah's Karl Malone (238,511), Dallas' Jamal Mashburn (115,904) and Houston's Robert Horry (104,188).

Jason Kidd of Dallas (288,625) and Clyde Drexler of Houston (283,940) are the leaders at guard followed by Utah's John Stockton (200,457), Houston's Sam Cassell (78,927) and Dallas' Jim Jackson (78,612).

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AND
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Proposals shall be placed in a sealed envelope marked "Sealed Bid" which lists the name of the project on the outside and is addressed to the City Purchasing Agent. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Contract Documents, including Plans and Specifications, are on file and may be examined without charge in the Engineering Department of the City of Snyder at 1925 24th Street, Snyder, and the offices of Freese and Nichols, Inc., Consulting Engineers, 4055 International Plaza, Suite 200, Fort Worth, Texas 76109, Telephone (817)735-7300. Contract documents, including plans and specifications may be procured from Freese and Nichols, Inc., at the above address as follows:

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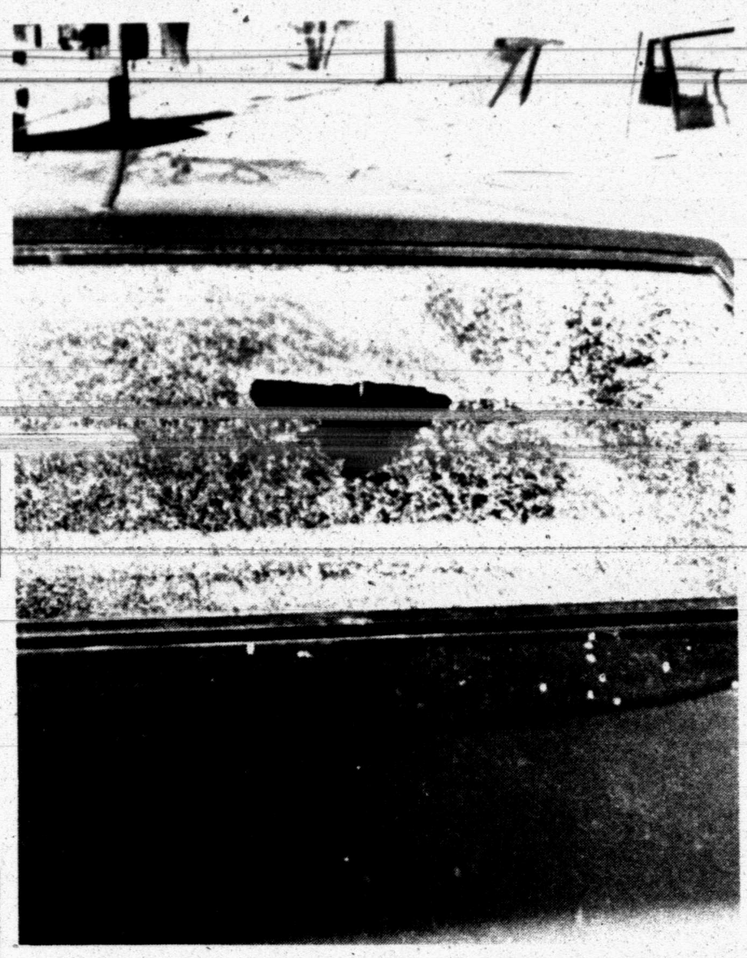
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CITY OF SNYDER





WRONG PLACE, WRONG TIME - A water main broke in the middle of 30th Street near the Snyder ISD transportation office Wednesday afternoon with such force that it blew rocks and asphalt for several feet into the air. One of the rocks shattered the back window of a vehicle owned by Robert Bailey which was parked across the street from the transportation office. (SDN Staff Photo)

Economically, shutdown pain, not crisis

By MARTIN CRUTSINGER
AP Economics Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tourists shut out of Yosemite National Park, jobless benefits disrupted in Kansas, paychecks crimped for hundreds of thousands of government workers. The spitting match between the Republican Congress and a Democratic president seems to be turning into an economic disaster.

President Clinton, hoping to point the finger of blame at House Republicans, showed up in the White House briefing room Wednesday to deliver a litany of adverse consequences from the longest federal shutdown in history.

But most private economists are taking a much less alarmist view.

Despite the growing list of federal programs being affected, they view the potential shutdown risks to the $7 trillion U.S. economy as minor.

"We are talking about an impact that will be barely noticeable in terms of the overall economy," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Norwest Corp. "Most people view this as the equivalent of a business facing a temporary cash flow problem rather than something more serious."

That doesn't mean there won't be any impact. Laurence Myer, who runs an economic forecasting firm in St. Louis, said he believed overall economic growth, as measured by the gross domestic product, will be marginally lower.

He said the GDP for the final three months of 1995 would probably be reduced by 0.2 to 0.3 percentage point.

However, he said much of the lost growth, stemming from reduced pay checks for government workers and federal contractors, would be made up in the first quarter when the payments go out.

Analysts' ho-hum view of the effect of the shutdown stems in large part from the fact that the government's biggest influence on the economy — distribution of millions of Social Security and other benefit payments — has not been disrupted.

Of course, the benign view is also based on an assumption that it will end soon. If the affected agencies were to remain closed through 1996, something no one believes likely, it probably would knock 1 percentage point off an economy that is only forecast to grow by about 2.5 percent this year.

Even that would still leave the economy in positive territory. A far more serious threat, many economists believe, would occur if the balanced budget negotiations fail.

Wall Street enjoyed quite a ride in 1995. Stocks soared to record highs, bolstered by a surging bond market, as investors became believers that Washington was actually serious about the deficit.

If, after all of the sound and fury, Congress and Clinton don't produce a deal, the fallout could send bond and stock prices into a free-fall. Rising interest rates would hurt key sectors of the economy — housing, auto sales and business investment.

Already there have been hints of what could happen. On Dec. 17, the Dow Jones industrial average plummeted 101 points followed by a 50 point drop two days later.

Both selloffs were blamed on jittery investors reacting badly to setbacks in the budget negotiations.

"The possibility of a recession would increase significantly without a credible budget deal," Sohn said. "The reaction in financial markets would be very negative."

A few economists believe the current expansion, about to head into its sixth year, already is skirting recession territory.

John Mueller, chief economist at Bell Mueller Cannon Inc. in Arlington, Va., said it will be the delayed impact of credit tightening by the Federal Reserve in 1994 and not the government shutdown that will cause the downturn.

"The doubling of short-term interest rates by the Fed in 1994 will have its maximum impact in 1996 and that is why we are looking for a mild recession in the second half of the year," he said.

That view, however, remains in the distinct minority. For that, at least, Clinton and his re-election team must certainly be thankful.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Martin Crutsinger has covered economic issues for The Associated Press in Washington since 1984.

AP analysis

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	76¼	76¼	76½	— ¼
AT&T Corp	68¼	67¾	67¾	— ¼
AirTouch	28¼	28⅛	28⅛	+ ⅛
Albertsons	33	32¾	32¾	
Alldsignal	51¼	50¼	50¼	
Alltel	30¼	29⅞	30⅛	+ ⅛
AmStores	26¼	26⅛	26⅛	+ ⅛
Ameritech	60¾	60	60⅛	+ ⅛
Amoco	70⅝	69¾	70⅛	
AndarkPtr	53⅜	52⅛	53¼	
ArmcoInc	6⅛	6⅛	6⅛	— ⅛
AtlRichfld	113¾	113	113⅛	+ ⅜
ATMOS Egy	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛	+ ⅛
Aviall	9⅛	9	9⅛	+ ⅛
BakerHughes	24⅛	23¾	24⅛	+ ⅛
BellAtl	70½	69	70½	+ ⅜
BellSouth s	45⅞	44¾	45⅞	+ ⅛
BethSteel	15⅜	15¼	15⅜	+ ⅛
BritPet	101½	101¼	101½	— ⅛
BurlNoSFe	79	78¼	78⅛	+1⅛
Caterpillar	60¾	59⅝	60⅝	— ⅛
CenSoWst	28	27¾	27¾	+ ⅛
Chevron	54¼	53	54¼	+1¼
Chrysler	56¾	55⅝	55⅞	+ ⅛
Coastal	37⅛	36¼	36½	
CocaCola	76	75⅞	75⅞	+ ⅛
ColgatePalm	73⅛	72⅛	72⅜	+ ⅛
ComclMetals	25⅛	25	25⅛	
CooperIn	38⅛	37⅛	38⅛	+ ⅛
CyprusAmax	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	+ ⅛
DallSemicp	19	21-32	18⅛	18⅛ — ⅛
DeltaAirl	79⅛	78⅛	79⅛	+ ⅛
DigitalEq	60	56⅛	57⅛	—2⅛
Dillard	29	28⅛	28⅛	— ⅛
DowChem	73⅛	72⅛	73⅛	+ ⅛
DresserInd	24½	24¼	24¼	
DuPont	74¼	72⅛	74⅛	+1⅛
EastmanChem	65¼	64¼	65⅛	+ ⅛
EstKodak	70¼	69⅝	70	+ ⅜
EljerInd	9⅝	8⅞	8⅝	— ⅛
Enserch	16⅛	16	16⅛	+ ⅛
Entergy	29	28⅝	29	+ ⅛
Exxon	81⅛	80⅛	81⅜	+ ⅛
FstBksAm s	12⅜	12⅜	12⅜	+ ⅛
Flowers s	12	15-16	12⅞	12⅞ — ⅛
FordMotor	30⅛	29⅛	29⅝	— ⅛
GTE Cp	45⅜	44⅞	45⅜	+ ⅛
GenDynam	61¼	60⅞	61	+ ⅛
GenlElec	74¼	73⅛	73⅜	+ ⅛
GenMills	57⅞	57⅜	57⅜	+ ⅛
GenMotors	52⅞	51⅛	51⅛	— ⅛
GenMotors E	54¼	53⅛	54⅛	— ⅛
GaPacif	71	70¼	70⅜	
GlobalMar	8¼	8⅛	8⅛	
Goodrich	70⅛	70⅛	70⅝	— ⅛
Goodyear s	44½	43¾	44¼	
GtAtlPac	23⅛	23	23⅛	+ ⅛
Haliburtn	48⅛	47⅛	48⅛	+ ⅛
Hanson ADS	16⅛	15⅛	16⅛	+ ⅛
HarteHanks s	22	21¼	22	+ ¼
HoustonInd s	25⅛	24¾	25⅛	+ ⅛
IBM	89¼	86⅞	87⅜	—1⅞
IntlPapers	39¼	38⅞	39¼	
JohnsnJns	88¼	87⅛	87⅛	+ ⅛
K mart	7⅞	7½	7¾	+ ⅛
Kroger	38	37¼	37⅜	— ⅛
Litton	45⅞	45¼	45¼	— ⅛
Lowes Cos	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛	+ ⅛
Lubys	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛	+ ⅛
MayDeptStrs	45¾	44¾	45¼	+ ⅛
Medtronics	52¼	51	51	— ⅞
Mobil	114⅞	113⅜	114⅛	+1⅛
Monsanto	124¼	123¼	124⅛	— ⅛
Motorola	58¼	57⅛	57⅞	+ ⅛
Nationsbk	69	68¼	68½	— ⅛
Navistar	12¼	11⅞	12⅛	+ ⅛
NoramEngy	8¼	8⅛	8⅛	+ ⅛
Norwest	33¼	32¼	32½	— ⅛
Nynex	52⅞	52½	52⅞	+ ⅛
OryxEngy	13⅛	13⅛	13⅜	+ ⅛
PacTelesis	35	34¼	34⅜	+ ⅛
PanhECp	28⅛	28⅛	28⅜	+ ⅛
Penney JC	48⅞	48⅜	48⅜	
Pennzoil	43¾	43	43¾	— ⅛
PepBoys	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	
PepsiCo	56⅜	55⅞	56⅛	+ ⅛
PhelpDodge	62⅜	61⅞	62⅛	+ ⅛
PhilipPet	34¼	34	34⅛	— ⅛
Polaroid	48⅛	47⅛	48	+ ⅛
Praxair	33¾	33¾	33½	— ⅛
ProctGamble	86⅛	84⅛	86⅛	+ ⅛
PubSNwMx	18⅛	17⅞	18	+ ⅛
RoyalDutch	140½	140	140½	— ⅛
SBC Comm	60¼	59⅛	60	+ ⅛
SaraLee	32⅛	32⅛	32⅛	+ ⅛
SearsRoebs	40⅞	40¼	40⅝	
SherwinW	42	41¾	41¾	— ⅛
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USX-USS	34⅛	33⅜	34	+ ⅛
UnCarbde	38¼	38¼	38⅛	+ ⅛
UnPac	68⅛	67⅛	68⅛	+1⅛
UnitedTech	94⅛	93⅜	93⅜	+ ⅛
Unocal	30	29¾	29¼	+ ⅛
WalMart	24¼	23⅛	23⅛	+ ⅛
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1995 GAO report shows...

IRS answered fewer calls, gave more correct answers

WASHINGTON (AP) — It used to be that if you called the Internal Revenue Service for tax advice, you had a good chance of getting a wrong answer.

Now, more answers are accurate, but chances are greater than nine in 10 you'll get a busy signal or be put on hold until you hang up, according to congressional investigators.

The General Accounting Office, in a report issued as the IRS prepared for a new tax-filing season, said the answer rate on toll-free assistance lines fell to 8 percent in 1995 from 21 percent a year earlier.

The GAO, Congress' investigative arm, counted calls as going unanswered if callers received a busy signal or were put on hold for longer than seven minutes.

As recently as 1989, the GAO said, 58 percent of calls got through but only 63 percent of the IRS' answers were accurate. Last year, the accuracy rate was 91 percent, up from 89 percent in 1994.

However, early in the 1995 filing season, IRS workers demonstrated some difficulty in explaining changes in eligibility for the earned income tax credit, the GAO said in the report issued last week.

The IRS blames the increase in busy signals on callers' use of repeat dialers and said access is much better considering that many callers get through after trying four or five times.

And the agency pointed out that it answered 39 million calls last year, 3 million more than its budget provided.

But the GAO said the "IRS' ability to answer more calls than it estimated it could answer means little to the many taxpayers whose calls to the IRS went unanswered or who gave up in frustration after receiving busy signals."

It said the answer rate on toll-free lines for ordering tax forms was much better, 50 percent, but "there was still much room for improvement."

IRS spokesman Wilson Fadely said the agency expected to improve its ability to answer taxpayer questions this year by setting aside a separate toll-free number for people with account problems.

It also is encouraging alternative ways to get tax information, such as reading the material on the agency's Internet site and listening to tape recordings by telephone.

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Appetite suppressor may help people

NEW YORK (AP) — In a new lead for developing a pill to help people control their weight, scientists reported today that they have identified a powerful appetite suppressor in the brain.

The substance made rats cut back on feeding by up to 95 percent and should have a similar effect on humans, researcher Dr. Stephen Bloom said.

Scientists might need only two years or so to develop a pill for human testing as a way to fight obesity, said Bloom, professor of endocrinology at the Royal Postgraduate Medical School in London and a researcher at London's Hammersmith Hospital.

The substance is called glucagon-like peptide-1, or GLP-1. Scientists had known it did something in the brains of mammals but didn't know what. The new work suggests it is a key part of the brain's regulation of food intake.

GLP-1 and the brain-cell structures it acts on are found in a part of the brain called the hypothalamus, which regulates appetite and other basic behavior.

While the substance has been tested only in the rats, GLP-1 is found in the hypothalamus of people and it acts on similar structures, so Bloom said he is highly certain that GLP-1 has the same role in people.

In a study reported in today's issue of the journal Nature, Bloom and his colleagues injected GLP-1 into the brains of rats. In animals that hadn't eaten in 24 hours, the injections reduced food intake by up to 95 percent, depending on the dosage.

Rats injected with GLP-1 "behaved like any animal does after it has a meal," Bloom said. "It gets sleepy, it grooms itself, it doesn't move around so much." That shows GLP-1 was cutting appetite by making the rats feel full rather than sick, he said.

Scientists also tested a substance that blocks the effect of GLP-1. The blocker more than doubled food intake in rats that were full already, suggesting that it was interfering with the rats' GLP-1 stop-eating signals.

In starving rats, the blocker had no effect, presumably because the hungry rats had no GLP-1 signal to be blocked.

Bloom said the researchers plan to study GLP-1's relationship to the recently discovered substance leptin, another signaler of satiety, which is created by fat cells and acts on the brain. One question is whether leptin does its job by turning on production of GLP-1 in the brain, Bloom said.

To turn the GLP-1 research into a pill for people, scientists might look for a substance that acts like GLP-1 but can reach the brain after being swallowed, he said.

Another possibility would be to devise a drug that slows the natural breakdown of GLP-1 so that it acts longer than normal, he said. That drug would be effective only if a person already is full and therefore has the GLP-1 signal.

Such a drug might make fat people eat less but not help anorexics starve themselves, he said.

Timothy Moran of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, who studies the body's regulation of appetite, said Bloom's study contains convincing evidence that GLP-1 plays a role in controlling food intake. Such studies in rats have generally been shown to apply to people, he said.

At least four other kinds of peptides — substances built up from amino acids — also serve as the body's appetite-suppressing signals, he said.

Treadway on ship near Bosnia action

(FHTNC) — Navy Airman David A. Treadway, a 1991 graduate of Snyder High School, is currently in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS America.

Treadway is one of more than 5,000 sailors and Marines aboard the ship supporting the peace implementation operations in the former Yugoslavia.

Treadway's ship is the lead ship of the 11-ship USS America Battle Group that includes more than 80 tactical aircraft, and ships and submarines armed with Tomahawk cruise missiles.

Since leaving Norfolk, Va., in late August, Treadway has traveled more than 15,000 miles.

Treadway most recently returned to the Adriatic Sea after going to the Persian Gulf to help enforce the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq. Treadway and fellow shipmates traveled more than 4,000 miles in just nine days after receiving orders to return to the Adriatic.

As the peace implementation forces began to pour in from around the world, Treadway's ship was already in the Adriatic Sea supporting the operation. USS America aircraft have been patrolling the skies over Bosnia and the Adriatic since they arrived.

Treadway began the deployment in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia, where the 1,096 foot aircraft carrier and its nine aircraft squadrons participated in three days of NATO air strikes against Bosnian Serb military targets in support of the U.N. initiatives in Bosnia.

Aircraft from Treadway's ship flew more than 360 missions during the three-day period. The air strikes targeted military storage and ammunition depots, anti-aircraft missile defense systems, command and control facilities and military communications systems.

USS America is not scheduled to return to the United States until late February.

While most of the deployment has been spent at sea, Treadway also visited Greece and Italy.

He joined the Navy in November 1992.

Diana reportedly has consented to divorce

LONDON (AP) — Princess Diana has told advisers her marriage to Prince Charles is reluctantly but irretrievably broken and that she will now agree to a divorce, according to a newspaper report today.

The Daily Express said she's told advisers that she'll be talking to her lawyers early next week and quoted one unidentified close source as saying: "You can expect moves toward a divorce to begin in earnest after Diana's meeting."

Her lawyer, Lord Mishcon, is due back at his London office on Monday after a Christmas and New Year holiday break. The paper said he and his colleague Anthony Julius are expected to meet with the 34-year-old Diana.

Charles, 47, and Diana separated in 1992 after 11 years of marriage and the birth of sons Prince William, now 13, and Prince Harry, 11. Charles' mother, Queen Elizabeth II, wrote to Charles and Diana last month urging them to divorce soon.

Charles, who is on a skiing holiday at the Swiss resort of Klosters with William, Harry and a group of friends, immediately agreed. But Diana has made no reported reply to the queen.

A Daily Express rival, the Daily Mirror, had a similar but less detailed report Monday, quoting friends of Diana as saying she had decided to agree to the queen's demand that she and Charles divorce but only on her own terms.

Diana said in a television interview Nov. 20 that she wants a job as a roving goodwill envoy for Britain and Monday's Daily Mirror report said she's demanded a clearly defined role in public life.

Today's Daily Express report said following private assurances from the queen and Prime Minister John Major that she will not be downgraded to a minor public role, Diana has concluded she must finalize the divorce.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Multiple Medications Can Be Too Much of a Good Thing

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: Back in 1991, you ran an important letter suggesting that senior citizens "brown-bag" all their medications and have them reviewed by their physician or pharmacist. Please run it again. It is more important today then ever amidst all the confusion concerning medications. I've enclosed a copy as it appeared in the Syracuse Post-Standard in New York.

CONCERNED LONGTIME READER

DEAR LONGTIME READER: I agree. It deserves to be repeated:

DEAR ABBY: With the increasing concern about the problems of the aging — confusion, loss of memory, a tendency to fall, incontinence, etc. — geriatric experts are finding substantial evidence that the elderly take so many prescription drugs that their bodies are becoming vulnerable to the side effects.

Peter Lamy, assistant dean of geriatrics at the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy, says that drug-induced illness is sometimes written off and attributed to the "aging process," which not only reduces the quality of lives, but can lead to senior citizens being prematurely sent to nursing homes.

According to Dr. Jerry Avon, professor of social medicine at Harvard Medical School: "The efficiency of the kidney and liver can decline with age, hampering their ability to excrete drugs, which in turn can lead to a drug buildup in the body." He also said that a drug dosage that was safe at age 50 can be dangerous at age 70. Many organs of the body, from the heart to the bladder to the brain, can undergo a change in their sensitivity to medication.

Abby, please suggest that older persons, or their caregivers, "brown-bag" all of their prescription and over-the-counter medications, and take them to their physician or pharmacist for analysis of their cumulative effect.

You would be doing your readers a great service.

MILLIE HAWTHORN, HARRISBURG, PA.

DEAR MS. HAWTHORN: Thank you for some valuable suggestions that could improve the quality of life — and possibly extend it. Dr. Robert N. Butler, renowned gerontologist and chairman of the department of geriatrics at Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York, has suggested that older persons fill all of their prescriptions at one pharmacy, so there will be a complete record of their medications.

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DEAR ABBY: I work in a shelter for the homeless. People who come here need many things. Sometimes they own little more than the clothes on their backs.

We rely on people who are more fortunate to donate these items. While we appreciate all donations, some of the things we receive are in such bad shape they cannot be used. I ask only that people who give things to charities think about what they give. Quantity is not as important as quality.

A neat, fresh-looking outfit can boost the confidence of a child who is going off to a new school after facing a family trauma. No one wants to rummage through a pile of ragged clothes trying to find something presentable to wear. The poor cannot use old, stained clothes that need repairs. They often lack the means to remove spots or make the repairs.

Used items that are in good condition can make a big difference to those who have little and need so much. Abby, please encourage your readers to give the things that they would be happy to receive were their situations reversed.

GAILYN RYAN, ST. PAUL, MINN.

DEAR GAILYN: Your suggestions are sensible and compassionate. Attractive, usable items in good repair would certainly boost the morale of those who suffer the trauma of poverty. Items of clothing that don't pass muster should be recycled in another manner.

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1,500 pound buffalo shot and butchered at exotic ranch

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A 1,500-pound bull buffalo known for his gentleness has been shot and butchered at the Kerrville Camera Safari, officials say.

The 5-year-old animal was killed by unknown assailants some time between 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. Monday at the ranch located next to Interstate 10, said ranch owner Ken Wilson.

"This kind of a thing is a threat to all the exotic industry around here," Wilson said in Thursday's San Antonio Express-News.

"We have a security guard who lives on the ranch about 400 yards from where the buffalo was shot, but he didn't hear anything," Wilson said. "This animal was so gentle he would come within five feet of a car."

The ranch offers photo opportunities of a variety of exotic animals.

The buffalo was valued at more than $2,000 because of its breeding capabilities and gentle demeanor.

The buffalo killers cut through a fence on a piece of property off Texas 16 next to the ranch, then drove to the fence surrounding the area where the buffalo is kept and cut a smaller hole in it, Wilson said.

"It appears they entered on foot and shot the buffalo. It probably took about 30 minutes to an hour for them to skin it and drag the hide and head about 200 yards to the fence. They took one quarter and appeared to be coming back for more of the meat when something must have frightened them off," Wilson said.

Kerr County Sheriff Frances Kaiser said her office is "covering everything that can be covered" in investigating the case because of the Kerrville area's reputation as the exotic animal capital of the state.

"I just can't believe someone would do something like this," she said. "There is no doubt the (assailants) knew what they were doing."

Near the site of the buffalo killing, witnesses had reported seeing an early 1970 red or burgundy Chevrolet pickup equipped with a large cage covered by camouflage netting.

GM to begin electric car production

LOS ANGELES (AP) — General Motors Corp. will begin selling electric cars in the mass retail market as early as this year, becoming the first of the Big Three domestic automakers to do so, newspapers reported today.

GM Chairman John F. Smith Jr. was expected to make the announcement today at the Greater Los Angeles Auto Show, the Los Angeles Times and Wall Street Journal reported.

The specially designed zero-emissions cars will be sold in California, the newspapers said. The Journal reported they also would be sold in Arizona.

Recognized as the leader in the electric-vehicle race, GM first surprised the auto world with a 1990 announcement that it would mass produce the Impact, a sporty, two seat, battery-powered car. It later abandoned the project due to financial problems, but the Impact's influence could surface again in the new model reportedly in the works.

GM has already spent $350 million to develop electric cars and manufacturing innovations to go along with their production. In addition, GM has invested in a manufacturing pact with Ovonic Battery Co. to produce a battery that can drive small cars twice the distance of existing batteries.

In a news release, GM would only say that it would make a "significant announcement" concerning its plans at the company's Saturn exhibit.

On Wednesday, Southern California Edison switched on the first in a network of electric-car charging stations.

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Police have questions about three women who are missing

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP) — Investigators want to re-interview a former Springfield man to determine if he was involved in the 1992 disappearance of three women, according to news reports.

Robert Cox, a former Army Ranger, is serving a life prison term in Texas for robbery.

After a recent review of the case by a group of Missouri detectives, police hope to talk soon to Cox about the disappearances, Springfield television station KY-TV and the Springfield News-Leader reported.

Cox is one of about 15 people who cannot be dismissed as suspects in the unsolved abductions of Sherill Levitt; her 19-year-old daughter, Suzanne Streeter; and Suzanne's classmate, Stacy McCall, the newspaper reported Wednesday.

Cox was questioned by Springfield police twice in the early days of the investigation but could not be linked to the crime.

However, after examining his criminal record this fall, the Missouri Violent Crime Support Unit concluded that Cox should be re-examined. Police hedge on how Cox was classified by the group.

"There was not then and is not now enough to push him over into that 'strong suspect' category," Capt. Darrell Crick said. "Before you've got a real suspect, you need some direct evidence or some testimony toward that person being a suspect."

Nothing investigators have found puts Cox near Ms. Levitt's home on or before June 7, 1992, when the women were kidnapped, Crick said.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Friday, Jan. 5, 1996

Try to be extremely selective in the year ahead when choosing partners or special allies. People who aren't in tune with your philosophy and attitudes could hinder you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) In the end, no one will win if you try forcefully to resolve several matters today. Play it smart and avoid all confrontations. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Unfortunately, you might not get the help you seek in certain situations today if you depend on others to do things that you could easily do for yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Opportunity abounds at this time, but you must maintain a positive frame of mind to perceive these developments. If you have a negative attitude, you will miss out.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You could fall flat on your face if you try to copy the mannerisms used by someone who impresses you. Expressing your individuality will help you to succeed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Make sure to be well-grounded in facts before sharing your opinions with others today. Your statements could be challenged.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do not do anything to jeopardize your earnings or resources today. This could be especially important if you're considering a new financial involvement.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Sugar-coating your requests will help you to gain the cooperation of associates today. Aggressive behavior will be interpreted negatively and rejected.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you try to play the good Samaritan today, things could work against you because the person you are trying to help might just add complications to your life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Petty individuals could anger you today. Do not be reduced to their level. Instead, elevate them to your status by setting a good example.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It will be wise to keep your accomplishments to yourself today. Even though you may not intend to brag, others may think you are conceited.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Everyone you encounter today might have a chip on his or her shoulder. Is it possible that the entire world is out of step but you?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Financial developments could be the primary source of your problems today. Exercise prudence and caution when operating in these touchy areas.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is common sense really a cure-all?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Prescribe this, prescribe that — every problem someone writes to you about is just another opportunity for you to recommend prescription drugs or specialists. Whatever happened to common sense? Your American Medical Association endorsing advice is making me sick.

DEAR READER: Well, this "sickness" is certainly not one that can be helped by medication.

Your basic position is, of course, valid. Many doctors are too quick to write out prescriptions; most doctors and patients would do well with infusions of common sense, a quality in short supply these days — it does not require a prescription and does not cause side effects.

Nevertheless, it's important to establish a balance between pharmacological therapy (which may be needed for serious health problems) and common sense (which, if carried too far, can turn into mere pigheadedness). In my column and in my office, I try constantly to achieve that reasonable balance.

Do people with trivial injuries and illnesses (such as colds) need medical attention and therapy? Not on your life. When we are patient and take good care of ourselves, our bodies have a phenomenal ability to cure themselves.

Yet, we are all familiar with people, steeped in common sense, who had dangerous ailments that they ignored, only to suffer catastrophe. Intestinal bleeding, high blood pressure, early cancer and heart pain (angina) are afflictions that need drug treatment, often by specialists.

Therefore, before rejecting my position (and feeling ill over it), stand back and be objective. People are living longer (and better) today in large part because of astonishing medical advances. Don't deprive yourself or your family of proper medical care, when appropriate, simply because of a set of beliefs you call "common sense."

Remember, too, that the concept of common sense changes with each generation. What was "common sense" decades ago may be considered now to be simply frivolous. Again, it's the balance that counts.

Because you shun medication, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report, "Consumer Tips on Medicines." 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: I'm a 25-year-old female. Two years ago my bottom lip started to swell, then the whole lip became swollen. A dermatologist took a biopsy and confirmed that I had granulomous cheilitis. I was treated with steroids, but they didn't help. I understand this is a rare disorder. Do you know of any treatment?

DEAR READER: You really sent me to the books on this one. Cheilitis granulomatosa is an extremely rare condition of unknown cause, marked by an inflammation of the lips. It appears without warning as swelling and papules (bumps) inside the lips. It must be differentiated (by blood tests and biopsy) from the cheilitis caused by vitamin deficiency, fungus infection and herpes. The customary therapy is steroids (cortisone). I am unaware of any other treatment.

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Texas can pay unemployment claims

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal budget stalemate that is forcing Kansas to suspend its unemployment insurance benefits won't be duplicated in Texas anytime soon, the state's unemployment insurance director says.

"The good news is that Texas has managed its money well and that we have enough funds to operate going into the first week of February," the Texas Workforce Commission's unemployment insurance director, Mike Sheridan, said Wednesday.

"In Texas, we are in good shape."

A day earlier, Kansas officials announced that the Washington budget crisis was causing them to furlough 400 employees who administer the Kansas unemployment insurance program. Benefits to 19,000 unemployed Kansans will end after this week, making Kansas the first state in the 60-year history of the national program to cut benefits.

Other states with looming unemployment insurance crises are Alabama, Alaska, the District of Columbia, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Tennessee and the Virgin Islands.

The problem isn't that the states don't have the money to issue the unemployment benefits.

Rather, the paychecks of those handing out the benefits are jeopardized by Congress' unwillingness to enact new stopgap spending bills funding the government's operations.

House Republicans are loathe to approve further temporary spending measures until they've ironed out profound differences with President Clinton over the means of achieving a balanced budget by 2002.

Wednesday, the House rejected a Senate-passed measure that would have immediately returned 280,000 idled federal workers to work.

"It's a cave-in," House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, said of the Senate bill. "The House once again has to hold up the strength of balancing the budget."

The administration turned up the rhetorical heat Wednesday, with Clinton calling the shutdown "an unnatural disaster born of a cynical political strategy."

And Labor Secretary Robert Reich said: "The insurance policy for American workers has been canceled."

"Behind these numbers are stories of real people, real Americans who are trying desperately to make ends meet," he added.

Unemployed Texans, who filed 800,000 initial claims during the last fiscal year, shared $1 billion in benefits. The payments are funded from unemployment insurance taxes deposited by Texas employers into a trust fund.

Sheridan hopes the Washington power brokers will find a solution before Kansas' problem spreads. "I can't imagine these people not doing something when you see what's happening in Kansas and you see that expanding across the nation," he said.

Although Texas has money to continue operating its program through Feb. 5, Sheridan said that with "creative planning" the state could keep the commission's more than 1,600 unemployment insurance program funded workers on the job through February.

If the political stalemate drags into next week, Texas officials then will begin "serious strategy" talks about how to keep the program's doors open beyond February, he said.

The Labor Department is urging states to consider using state money to make up for the lack of federal dollars.

'Babe' named critics best picture

NEW YORK (AP) — "Babe," the hit movie about a talking pig who herds sheep, was named best picture of 1995 by The National Society of Film Critics.

Nicholas Cage and Elisabeth Shue won for best actor and actress for their roles in "Leaving Las Vegas" and Mike Figgis was named best director for the film. Cage plays an alcoholic and Shue, a prostitute.

Joan Allen won for best supporting actress for her role as Pat Nixon in "Nixon" and Don Cheadle won for best supporting actor for his role as a psychotic killer in "Devil in a Blue Dress."

Other winners announced Wednesday were "Clueless" for best screenplay; "Devil in a Blue Dress" for cinematography; "Wild Reeds," a coming-of-age film about a group of teen-agers, for best foreign-language film; and "Latcho Drom," a gypsy musical, directed by Tony Gatlif, for experimental film.

The National Society of Film Critics is a 46-member group of film critics from magazines and newspapers around the country.

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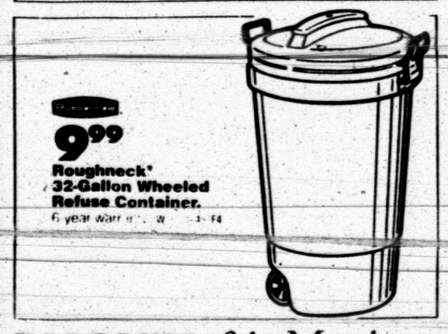
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Data Control Codes		Governmental Fund Types 100–199 General Fund	200–499 Special Revenue Fund	Totals (Memorandum Only) 98 August 31, 1995	97 August 31, 1994
	REVENUES:				
5700	Local, Intermediate, and Out–of–State	$ 8,736,092	$ 251,057	$ 8,987,149	$ 9,763,627
5800	State Program Revenues	6,430,430	14,292	6,444,722	5,228,140
5900	Federal Program Revenues	7,884	1,351,495	1,359,379	1,356,112
5030	Total Revenues	15,174,406	1,616,844	16,791,250	16,347,879
	EXPENDITURES:				
0011	Instruction	9,468,735	748,539	10,217,274	9,969,124
0022	Instructional Resources and Media Services	351,269		351,269	363,442
0023	School Administration	839,289		839,289	762,673
0025	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	29,750		29,750	82,456
0031	Guidance and Counseling Services	390,106	11,350	401,456	309,968
0033	Health Services	72,435		72,435	73,475
0034	Student Transportation	552,019	9,197	561,216	439,135
0036	Co–curricular Activities	471,159		471,159	409,845
0037	Food Services		795,749	795,749	913,500
0041	General Administration	957,759	48,756	1,006,515	900,936
0051	Plant Maintenance and Operations	2,550,899		2,550,899	2,035,683
0052	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	165,174	1,000	166,174	
0081	Community Service	30,611		30,611	30,611
6050	Total Expenditures	15,879,205	1,614,591	17,493,796	16,290,848
	OTHER RESOURCES AND USES:				
7990	Other Resources	206,022		206,022	172,322
8990	Other Uses	(206,022)		(206,022)	(172,322)
	Total Other Resources and (Uses)				
1200	EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER RESOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES	(704,799)	2,253	(702,546)	57,031
0100	FUND BALANCE – SEPTEMBER 1 (BEGINNING)	2,119,927	323,987	2,443,914	3,045,276
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance (Note 16)				(658,393)
3000	FUND BALANCE – AUGUST 31 (ENDING)	$ 1,415,128	$ 326,240	$ 1,741,368	$ 2,443,914

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16 civilians released by Bosnian Serbs

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Under pressure from the United States, Bosnian Serbs today released 16 civilians who had been detained when they ventured into a Serb-held suburb of Sarajevo last month.

The detentions had raised fears that Serbs were not sincere in signing the Bosnian peace accord last month.

The releases followed a direct appeal from the United States to Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic, who negotiated peace on behalf of the Bosnian Serbs, and several high-level meetings in Sarajevo and the Serb stronghold of Banja Luka.

The peace accord was supposed to guarantee freedom of movement. After taking over from the United Nations two weeks ago, the NATO-led Implementation Force, IFOR, knocked down several Serb checkpoints west of Sarajevo and the road seemed clear through Ilidza to government-held territory.

But those testing that route — which most residents in government-held Sarajevo would not dare — found that movement was not yet unimpeded.

Today, it was the Bosnian Croats' turn to ignore the provisions for freedom of movement. They began imposing a tax on trucks carrying humanitarian aid, which prompted the U.N. relief agency to suspend all overland convoys.

The civilians, who included Serbs as well as Muslims and Croats, were detained in the Sarajevo suburb of Ilidza, the first on Dec. 22. Residents in the Serb-held suburb are tense and angry because the peace accord will cede the area back to the Muslim-led Bosnian government by March.

The first three detainees released today told reporters they were beaten and taunted during detention.

"I won't dare to take the route through Ilidza again," said one, 44-year-old Adil Spahic, who was detained on Christmas Day while driving a truck through Ilidza.

Spahic and two other Muslim men were turned over to a French battalion in Sarajevo.

Another 13 detainees — 12 men and one woman held at the Kula jail in the Serb-held suburb of Lukavica — were told they were free a short time later. The 13 spoke to reporters while waiting for NATO troops to pick them up.

One of that group, Abaz Hordo, 60, told The Associated Press that "no one touched or harmed us in any way. Mostly people were nice to us."

Hordo said he got lost Dec. 22 with his wife and son. They spotted a convoy and police, and ended up in a Serb police station before being sent to the Lukavica prison that night.

Obituaries

Marcia Murry

1943-1996

Funeral service for former Snyder resident Marcia Stone Murry of Lexington was set for 2:30 p.m. today in the chapel of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home. Burial was to follow in Snyder Cemetery. Bob Brinkley, minister of Hermleigh Church of Christ, and Milton Stephens of Snyder were to officiate.

Mrs. Murry, 52, died Monday, Jan. 1, in a Rockdale hospital following a sudden illness.

Born Jan. 14, 1943 in Snyder, she married Kevin Murry in Snyder in 1991. He survives. A housewife, Mrs. Murry was a member of East Side Church of Christ.

Other survivors include a son, Jim Overman of Snyder; two daughters, Kellie Randall of Three Rivers and Nicole Overman of Austin; her mother and stepfather, Faye and Charles Faulkner of Snyder; a sister, Belinda Roberson of El Paso; and two grandchildren, Shane Overman of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Zachary Randall of Three Rivers.

She was preceded in death by her father, Charlie Stone, on Feb. 11, 1991.

Allie Lakey

1901-1996

WHITE SETTLEMENT — Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Greenwood Funeral Home for Allie May Lakey, 94, who died Wednesday, Jan. 3, in a local nursing home. Burial was to follow in the Greenwood Memorial Park.

Mrs. Lakey, owner of the Dip and Lakey's Cafe, was the grandmother of C.W. Berryman of Snyder.

Born in Belton, she moved to Fort Worth with her husband and children in 1942. The family-owned cafe was located on the north side of Fort Worth until 1955. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Mrs. Lakey was preceded in death by her husband of 43 years, William Francis Lakey, who died in 1963; a daughter, Mildred Frances Berryman, who died in 1959; a son, Gilbert Lawrence Lakey, who died in 1970; and by six brothers and sisters.

Survivors include a son, William Frank Lakey of Santee, Calif.; a daughter, Dolores Smith of White Settlement; a sister, Cora Bell Neighbors of Reno; nine other grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and 11 great-great-grandchildren.

Personal, Professional Service

BELL CYPERT-SEALE FUNERAL HOME

3101 College Ave. 573-5454

AIDS patient who underwent bone marrow process released

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Less than a month after receiving bone marrow from a baboon, AIDS patient Jeff Getty is doing so well he can go home, a hospital spokeswoman said.

"I'm anxious to go home," Getty told The Oakland Tribune. "I'm planning on getting on with my life."

Though he spent the holidays in the hospital, Getty was appreciative of the support he has received, including about 250 cards and letters and a New Year's Eve call from Quebec.

"It was incredibly wonderful, a wave of love," he said. "I think we really struck a nerve here. This (experiment) showed bravado, not just on my part but on the part of these researchers. I see a shift in consciousness — a feeling of 'Let's get busy and do some bold research here.'"

Getty, 38, of Oakland was to be released today from San Francisco General Hospital, where he underwent the highly experimental — and controversial — procedure on Dec. 14.

Doctors hope the baboon's AIDS-resistant bone marrow will replenish his own AIDS-weakened immune system and save his life.

But it will be at least another week before doctors can determine whether the infusion was successful, hospital spokeswoman Alice Trinkl said Wednesday.

"He's clearly past the risky point of the procedure," said Dr. Steven Deeks, one of the researchers. "The only surprise is that it went so well, so according to our plans."

The baboon marrow infusion was the second procedure of its kind involving another species.

The Humane Society of the United States and other groups criticized the treatment, saying the infusion could harm Getty and introduce humans to new animal-borne diseases.

The baboon was killed for the procedure, but scientists say eventually procedures could be worked out to extract baboon bone marrow without killing the animal.

Muslim group claims N. Delhi bomb Attack

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — A bomb exploded in a packed shopping bazaar in the Indian capital Wednesday, killing at least six people and injuring 31 others.

The Jammu-Kashmir Islamic Front claimed responsibility for the blast outside a row of shops in Sadar Bazaar, an aging commercial center of decrepit 100-year-old buildings. The area is close to New Delhi's main railroad station, which is used by 400,000 commuters a day.

The claim was made by an anonymous caller to The Associated Press in Srinagar, the capital of Jammu-Kashmir state. An anonymous caller to the Press Trust of India in New Delhi also claimed responsibility for the explosion on behalf of the Kashmiri separatist group.

Tornado in Florida hurls woman in car

MIAMI (AP) — A woman got the ride of her life in the eye of a storm: The twister hurled her Honda Civic as if it were a toy.

"I saw wood, bricks, and I don't know what else inside of it," Maritza Acosta-Pinon said Wednesday in the aftermath of a tornado that skipped through a residential neighborhood. About 30 people were injured.

She got precious little warning when the tornado struck as she was driving to work, spinning her car up about the height of a one-story house and hurling it dangerously close to power lines.

"I just prayed, and asked God not to let me die this way," she said. She was taken to a hospital but was not seriously injured.

The tornado struck the suburbs about 8:15 a.m. EST, the height of rush hour and a time when parents were dropping off children at schools and day care centers.

Marline Concepcion, 32, also was in her car at the time.

"I felt the car lift up into the air, then flip over and drop on the ground at least twice. It was like a roller-coaster ride," she said.

Dozens of roofs were damaged and windows blown in, cars and boats flipped over, and trees and power lines knocked down as the tornado hopscotched across a 5-mile path in southwestern Dade County.

The storm, which spun out from a line of thunderstorms that moved across southern Florida and into the Atlantic Ocean, had winds from 75 mph to 110 mph, the National Weather Service said.

Three people were treated at a hospital. The rest got treatment from police and fire rescue crews.

The cleanup began in earnest by afternoon, with plastic sheeting patching the holes in ripped-up roofs and shopkeepers mopping up. Clothes, furniture and debris littered the streets.

About 100 homes were damaged, 20 of them badly, said Metro-Dade Fire Chief David Paulison. No dollar estimate on damage was available.

Marie Pineda was getting out of her car at work when the wind intensified quickly. She said she had to hang on "for dear life."

At her mother's home, the tornado hit again.

"The wind just sucked all of our things out into the front yard. We can't even find a lot of our stuff," said Pineda's mother, Clotilde Cabriles.

NASA recalls furloughed workers for shuttle launch

HOUSTON (AP) — Several hundred furloughed federal employees are being called back to jobs at the Johnson Space Center to take part in the upcoming launch of space shuttle Endeavour.

Officials said Wednesday the employees will be called back to work without pay so the agency can proceed with plans to launch the shuttle next week on a mission to retrieve a Japanese science satellite.

Shuttle managers planned to meet today at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida to discuss preparations to launch Endeavour and an international crew of six next Thursday.

"Right now, shuttle program managers are in the process of exempting additional employees who are necessary for the preparation and conduct of the mission," said Jeff Carr, NASA's chief spokesman at the JSC. "We are stepping up the number of exempted employees."

Carr said the precise number being recalled was unavailable, but he said the agency is following a plan similar to one imposed during a five-day furlough in November that coincided with a shuttle mission to Russia's Mir space station.

Top 10 taxpayers

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Pennzoil Exploration & Production is the county's current leading taxpayer. Pennzoil was levied a bill of $558,544.58 in Snyder ISD taxes, $218,493.87 in county taxes and $110,103.23 in college taxes.

The second leading taxpayer for 1995 was Exxon Corporation, with $277,224.95 in taxes to Snyder ISD, followed by Southwestern Bell, with $192,378 in taxes due the local school system. The order of the top 10 lists varies some for county, college and Snyder ISD taxes, depending on location of oil properties, but the final seven on all three lists are Torch Energy, TU Electric, Apache Corporation, Cynara Company, Amoco Pipeline, Anadarko Petroleum and Patterson Drilling.

The City of Snyder, which encompasses little oil property, is led by Southwestern Bell, with a bill of $20,210.

Not surprisingly, as values fall, taxes increase in order for entities to retain the same level of services. With taxable values of $2 billion in 1985, the tax rate for Snyder ISD was 51.5 cents per $100. In 1990, with values of $823 million, the tax rate was 97 cents. And in 1995, with values at roughly $471 million, the tax rate was $1.47.

Similarly, the county tax rate has risen from 17.65 cents in 1985 to 33.37 cents in 1990, and to 59.1 in 1995.

What's Up?

No committee meeting

The Snyder Beautification Committee meeting set for 6 o'clock this evening has been cancelled.

Model airplane club

Snyder Area Model Airplane Club will meet at 7 this evening at Winston Field. Visitors and guests are welcome.

Student, ISD report cards

Snyder ISD will distribute individual report cards today. Included will be the 1994-95 School Report Card from the Texas Education Agency for the campus the student attends.

The School Report Card is a report required by the Texas Legislature to be sent to the parent of every child enrolled in public schools. The report provides information concerning student performance, expenditures and student-teacher ratios.

Social Security info

Representatives of the Social Security Administration from Big Spring will be at the Senior Center here on Jan. 9 from 10 a.m. until noon and 1-2 p.m.

Video series continues

The Key To The Kingdom video series is airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The seventh tape, "Housecleaning with Jesus," will be shown at 7 p.m. Monday.

WTC Booster Club

Western Texas College Booster Club will meet at noon Monday at Golden Corral. Lunch is dutch treat. Everyone is welcome.

Boys & Girls Club

Scurry County Boys & Girls Club board will meet at 7 a.m. Tuesday at the club building.

Pick 3

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

4-2-7

(four, two, seven)

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — One ticket bought in Tyler correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth $8 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 2, 7, 17, 26, 39 and 43.

There were 233 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth $748. There were 7,671 tickets with four of six numbers, with each winning $81. And there were 128,859 tickets sold with three of six numbers, with each worth an automatic $3.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be $4 million.

Five people arrested...

Busy 24-hour period for area peace officers

Four people were arrested Wednesday and one person was arrested early this morning as law enforcement officials had a busy 24 hours.

Daniel Fish, 19, of 3110 Ave. U., remained in the Scurry County Jail this morning in lieu of a $10,000 bond after being indicted by the Scurry County grand jury on Tuesday for sexually assaulting a girl under the age of 17 on Nov. 26.

Following a call at 9:59 a.m. Wednesday of a possible intoxicated person in the area of Allsup's, officers arrested a 34-year-old male at 10:17 a.m. for public intoxication.

A 36-year-old male was arrested at Municipal Court at 12:14 p.m. Wednesday to lay out a fine for public intoxication and for no liability insurance.

Following a call about a family disturbance at 1:04 p.m. from the 900 block of College Avenue, deputies arrested a 26-year-old man on an outstanding DPS warrant for speeding.

At 1:27 this morning, officers arrested a 29-year-old male at the Great Western Club for public intoxication.

In other activity, Arlene Marshall requested an officer at the First Baptist Church at 8:33 a.m. Wednesday in reference to her billfold being stolen. An offense report for Class C theft was submitted.

At 9:49 a.m. Wednesday, Lupe Vera notified officers that she had lost her wedding band.

The fire department responded to a call at 10:48 a.m. Wednesday of a cotton trailer on fire near Halliburton on FM 1611. Damage was limited to the cotton on the trailer which belonged to Ronnie Rinehart.

An officer was requested at Lawrence IGA on South College at 1:23 p.m. in refernce to a forged check. An offense report for forgery was submitted.

An offense report for Class A theft was filed at 1:52 p.m. in reference to Harry Engel reporting someone had taken some of his clothes from a residence at 2601 Ave. V.

Anita Farmer reported a theft at 2:50 p.m. in reference to someone stealing some wagon wheels.

An offense report for theft of service was submitted at 4:50 p.m. in reference to a woman not paying a bill at the Travel Inn.

A woman notified officers at 5:09 p.m. that a man had threatened her son at a residence in the 1900 block of Coleman. The man was later transported to the Big Spring State Hospital.

A minor accident was reported at 5:11 p.m. in the 1000 block of 25th Street. Involved were a 1991 Geo driven by Everett Kemph of Pittsburg and a 1993 Chevrolet pickup driven by Raul Cardonas Jr. of Pecos.