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Ask Us

Q—What is the correct procedure to petition a recall election for the Snyder school board?

A—According to The Law of Texas School Governance, "Texas law does not provide for the recall of trustees...The only legal proceeding in Texas available to oust a trustee is *quo warranto*. This proceeding must be brought by the county attorney or district attorney, who may petition the district judge to remove the trustee from office upon conviction for any criminal offense...or for unlawfully holding or usurping a public office. Popular disagreement with the judgment of a trustee is usually not enough ground for removal from office."

In Brief

Bush address

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush Saturday fired a fresh cannonade at Democratic tax legislation, telling Americans in a radio address the bill being drawn up on Capitol Hill is a "scheme that makes no economic sense."

Bush said in the four-minute, officially non-political speech made available to radio stations that the Democrats "chose politics over duty" in rejecting the economic plan that he sent to Capitol Hill.

Local

MAWC meets

Martha Ann Woman's Club will have its game day and luncheon on Wednesday at the clubhouse.

The luncheon begins at 11:30 a.m. Reservations are due by noon Monday by calling 573-3427.

County

Scurry County commissioners will make requests for bids on seal coating rock and hear recommendations from the Scurry coliseum advisory board at a 10 a.m. meeting Monday. Approval of bills and minutes are the only other items facing the court.

Pancakes

The annual Kiwanis Pancake Feast will be held Saturday, March 7, from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the West Elementary cafeteria.

Tickets, which include pancakes, bacon, sausage, milk and coffee — and a drawing for a remote control television — are $3 per person. Children under age 6 may eat free.

Proceeds from the feast go to help 28 local organizations and programs.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Friday, 75 degrees; low, 45 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Saturday, 52 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 3.89 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Saturday night, fair. Low in the mid 40s. Light wind. Sunday, partly cloudy. High in the lower 70s. South wind 5-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset Saturday, 6:36 p.m. Sunrise Sunday, 7:17 a.m. Sunset Sunday, 6:37 p.m. Sunrise Monday, 7:16 a.m. Of 52 days in 1992, the sun has shone 45 days in Snyder.

Feb. 29...

Educator to speak at NAACP banquet

Renetta T. Womack Howard, educator and a vice president of the Lubbock NAACP chapter, will be the guest speaker here Sunday, Feb. 29, for the Scurry County NAACP Chapter Banquet.

Her topic will be "People and Ideas That Enrich Our Lives" and "Silent Unity."

Tickets for the 7 p.m. event, to be held at Reta's Texas Barbecue, are $9 for adults and $6 for children under age 12.

Howard has been employed as a teacher in the Lubbock Independent School District since 1986. She has previously served as an editor's assistant with "Southwest Digest" in Lubbock; a social worker with Lubbock County Children's Protective Services; and a caseworker for the Cook County Department of Public Aid in Chicago. She has also been employed as a library clerk and teacher in Chicago.

She received her bachelor's degree in social science from Jarvis Christian College in 1956, a master's degree in social science from Atlanta University in 1968 and a master's degree in educational administration and supervision from Chicago State University in 1979.

She continues to further her education with graduate studies at Texas Tech University.

She is a member of Phi Delta Kappa, Texas State Teachers Association and the National Education Association.

She is also active in church and community affairs.

She has been a member of the Lubbock NAACP chapter since 1979 and third vice president since 1989. She has been on the chapter executive committee since 1981.

President of the Scurry County NAACP chapter is Floyda Collins. Other officers are Michael Alexander, vice president; Sammie Harrison, second vice president; C'Ella Harrison, secretary; and Paula Cobb, treasurer. Members of the banquet committee include Mary Braziel, Jearldene Anderson and officers of the NAACP.

RENETTA HOWARD

For March primaries...

Early voting continues

Thirty Scurry Countians cast ballots during the first three days of the early voting in the March 10 Democratic and Republican primaries, according to the county clerk's office.

In addition, the office has sent out 20 ballots by mail.

Early voting began Wednesday, and runs through March 6 at the clerk's office, located on the third floor of the courthouse. Eligible citizens may cast their ballots weekdays from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

There are three contested Democratic primaries involving Scurry County candidates: county sheriff, county commissioner for Precinct 1, and constable.

Incumbent Keith Collier, seeking his eighth four-year term as county sheriff, is being challenged by retired United States Treasury Department agent John Leftwich in the Democratic primary. There is no Republican candidate for sheriff.

Four men are running on the Democratic ticket for Precinct 1 County Commissioner. They are Tommy Marricle, a semi-retired water well serviceman and rancher; Weldon Beck, area rancher; Frank Garcia, owner of Garcia Tire Service; and Ralph W. Trevey, cotton farmer.

The Democratic nominee will run against Republican Jerry Morgan in the November general election. Morgan was appointed as

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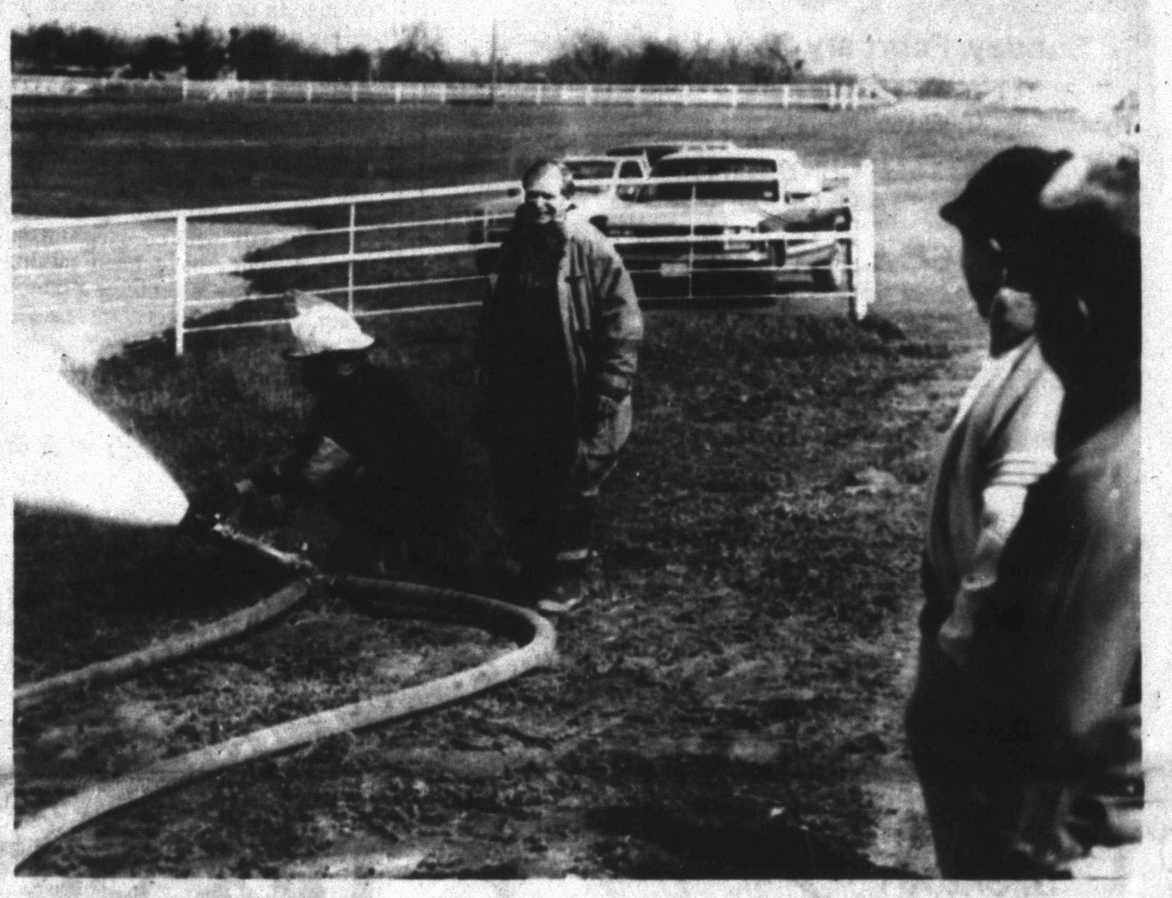

HYDRANT TEST — Firefighter Michael Alexander, kneeling, and Assistant Fire Chief Tommy Guynes demonstrate use of a recently installed dry hydrant on the W.C. Hart ranch Friday. The system is designed to provide water for firefighters in rural areas. (SDN Staff Photo)

Nichols named unit classification chief

Mike Nichols has been promoted to chief of the unit classification department for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Price Daniel facility here.

Nichols, 36, was transferred a month ago from the Hughes Unit in Gatesville, where he had served as a case manager for two years.

Previously, the Stephen F. Austin University graduate had worked for the Lufkin police department for four years.

As chief of the classification department here, Nichols supervises the classification process. This involves the classification of inmates to different custody levels, which has a direct impact on an inmates' supervision and "good-time."

The department also refers inmates to treatment programs.

"We make the inmate's transition into prison life a little easier and make sure they are receiving the programs they need to have toward rehabilitation," said Nichols, who oversees four caseworkers at the Daniel Unit.

Nichols replaces Darrell Woods, who transferred to the Briscoe Unit in Dilly.

Nichols and his wife, Mary, have three children. They are 14-year-old Michele, 12-year-old Cameron and 10-year-old Laura. Mary is an LVN at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

"We like it out here," said Nichols of Snyder. "Everybody is real friendly. They've really welcomed us here."

MIKE NICHOLS

W.C. Hart Ranch...

Dry hydrant installed

Some 20 to 25 Scurry County residents attended a dry hydrant test sponsored by Scurry County's Soil Conservation Service office Friday afternoon on the W.C. Hart ranch.

The hydrant is one of two which have been placed in the area. The first was installed in Borden County in November.

A dry hydrant is a non-pressurized pipe system providing a suction supply of water to tank trucks in areas where accessible water is limited.

The system is installed in a natural water source, such as a pond or stream, with one end sticking out of the ground with a hose connection for the truck. The other end is a strainer submerged to draw water directly through the system.

"The primary reason for the installation of dry hydrants is to provide water for firefighters in rural areas," said Mike Squires of the local SCS office.

In a recent article, Squires stated that lack of water mains and domestic fire hydrants in rural areas can sometimes impair a fire department's ability to do its job efficiently.

According to the article, the dry hydrant could mean the difference in minor fire damage and a total loss when time is critical.

According to Squires, there are tenative plans to place six more dry hydrants throughout the county to help provide water for firefighters in areas outside Snyder.

Three-judge federal panel asked to okay Senate map

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawyers for the state of Texas Friday asked a three-judge federal panel to approve a state Senate redistricting plan that has not found favor with the Justice Department.

The Washington judges' panel and the Justice Department are the only entities that can approve redistricting maps for states, including Texas, that require preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act for protection of minority rights.

The Justice Department last November approved an earlier incarnation of the state Senate plan — which is identical to the map passed last month by the Legislature. But Justice officials later changed course and threw their support behind a rival state Senate map drawn by a three-judge federal panel in Austin.

The Texas Attorney General's Office is fighting the court-ordered plan on several fronts, claiming that map was tainted by partisan politics and discriminates against minorities.

From the judges' line of questioning Friday, it appeared they may be reluctant to grant Texas' request and issue a ruling that could place them on a "collision course" with the U.S. Supreme Court.

Attorney General Dan Morales has a motion pending before the

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Anxiety 4th sale slated on Monday

A hereford sale sponsored by the National Anxiety Fourth Hereford Breeder's Association is set for 12:30 p.m. Monday in the ag annex of Scurry County Coliseum.

The sale will consist of around 100 animals consigned from the West Texas and Oklahoma area. Included will be 75 bulls and around 25 females, including cow-calf pairs, bred and open heifers.

Pen-by-pen judging of animals to determine the order of sale will begin at 9 a.m., followed by the sale at 12:30 p.m.

The ag annex was to open Saturday afternoon for consigners to begin checking in cattle.

Stanley Stout of Kansas will serve as auctioneer for Monday afternoon's sale.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "For every child who turns 13, there are two adults who turn pale."

We read in the newspaper that music helps relieve stress. The article didn't say what kind of music.

Obviously, music affects people differently. What some teen may find relaxing can cause the blood pressure to rise on somebody 20 years their senior.

Hard rock and heavy metal has an appreciative audience, but it's not the guy in the four-door sedan in the next lane who thought his muffler had sprung a leak when the kid car, complete with factory-installed equalizer, pulled up.

Some country and western music can cause stress, if you happen to listen to the lyrics and take any of them seriously. Many C&W tunes follow heartbreak themes that can cause a grown man to cry.

Music has a lot of different ways to make an impact. It's somewhat unsettling to realize that most of your favorite artists appear on TV with an 800 number running across the bottom of the screen.

Listening to a Golden Oldie station recently, our nostalgic mood was broken by the commercials for gas relief products, wrinkle cream, hair color, hair replacement, diet products and vitamins.

Music will also affect your eating habits. You may have noticed that a crowded restaurant will play peppy tunes in order to get customers in and out more quickly.

Cheerful, but serene music is said to be good therapy for dogs and romatic music is good for cats. The folks promoting stress-control music for animals suggest that pets and owners listen together.

In addition to people and pets, some farmers are playing Mozart inside their greenhouse to promote plant growth and enhance fermentation of rice wine.

Ole what's-her-name ordered one of those "Love Me Tender" tapes advertised on TV. It worked. She ordered us to take out the trash in a much more affectionate tone.

NASA ponders use of Soyuz spacecraft as rescue vehicle

WASHINGTON (AP) — NASA will send a team of experts to the former Soviet Union in the next few weeks to explore using the Soyuz spacecraft as an emergency crew-rescue vehicle for a U.S. space station.

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State John Boright told a Senate subcommittee Friday the only thing delaying the mission is the formality of getting the approval of Robert Strauss, U.S. ambassador to Moscow.

"We have rather impatient management that wants to move forward quickly," Boright said, explaining that Secretary of State James A. Baker III and Russian President Boris Yeltsin agreed in their meeting last week to move ahead on joint space ventures.

The ventures, such as flying a U.S. astronaut on the Soviets' Mir space station and a Russian cosmonaut on an American shuttle mission, had been on hold since the coup attempt last summer against former Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev.

Richard H. Truly, head of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, said his agency wants to explore the possibility of adapting the Soyuz craft for use as a rescue ship for the U.S. space station Freedom, which is expected to be manned in the year 2000.

"Frankly, we must do a thorough engineering assessment before we can say whether this is technically feasible or not," he told a Senate Appropriations subcommittee. "I just think it's much too early to say yea or nay."

Europeans also have expressed interest in developing the technology for the rescue vehicle, which could quickly return the crew aboard the station to Earth in case of a sudden illness, injury, accident or system failure.

The head of the Russian and former Soviet space agency told the subcommittee that Yeltsin would be sending a letter to heads of state in the next few weeks offering the use of the Mir space station as an "international laboratory."

Yuri Semenov, general director and chief designer of the Energia (energy) scientific and industrial complex that produce spacecraft, said officials in his country and the United States have been talking about joint space ventures "far too long."

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"LIGHTS ON FOR CANCER CONTROL" — Pictured from left with the sword of hope, the logo of the American Cancer Society, are Jack Smartt, manager of TU Electric, and George and Shirley Stewart, 1992 chairmen of the "Lights on for Cancer Control." A two-hour educational and fund raising campaign for the Scurry Unit of ACS will be May 7. TU Electric will be the headquarters for the community crusade. (SDN Staff Photo)

Cancer Unit fundraiser set

The Scurry County Unit of the American Cancer Society has announced May 7 as the date for its 1992 annual community crusade. The one evening "blitz" will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. that Thursday evening. Pairs of ACS volunteers will make door-to-door contacts with their neighbors by presenting the educational pamphlet, "Your best choice to win the fight against cancer!" and by accepting monetary donations from those wishing to give in support of the organization's ongoing programs of service, education and research.

"Lights on for Cancer Control" has been chosen as the slogan for the crusade. TU Electric will serve as headquarters for the local drive by hosting the volunteers in the utility company's community room for training, material pick-up and return, and a reception/rally following the volunteers' walks.

According to Shirley and George Stewart, chairmen of the community campaign, the 1992 goal for the May 7 blitz is $4,000. Mr. Stewart said, "We would like to urge the community to give wholehearted support to this drive as it is for an extremely worthy cause."

Cancer Unit has meeting

The Scurry County Unit of the American Cancer Society met Monday in the boardroom at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. President Helen Hatter presided.

Members of the board accepted with regret the resignation of Fran Farmer. The minutes of the January meeting were read by unit secretary, Leona Wiggins.

Mrs. Hatter reported to the board that several area residents have been contacted by an organization known as the Cancer Fund of America which is soliciting funds and donations as the Scurry County Area Cancer Drive. Members said this organization is in no way connected with the American Cancer Society and is under investigation for deceptive practices by the Better Business Bureau in several states.

The local Cancer Crusade will begin with the business drive from April 6-17. The residential crusade — Lights on for Cancer Control — will be one night only, May 7. The crusade chairmen are George and Shirley Stewart.

Treasurer H.W. Cargile reported on the number of memorial donations received during the months of December and January.

Dr. Gary Nussey discussed an anti-smoking program which he plans to present to local fifth and sixth grade students this spring.

District representative Wanda Brune distributed the American Cancer Society's Pamphlet of the month, Can't Stop Smoking? These pamphlets are available upon request.

Other board members attending Monday's merting were Martha Schiebel, Christie Devers and Lavada McDaniel.

Holcomb makes LCC Dean's List

Bradley Holcomb of Snyder has been named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Lubbock Christian University. Bradley posted a 3.81 grade point average during the semester.

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Hospital funds are sought

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Foundation Advisory Board members toured the hospital following their regular monthly meeting on Thursday. Board members present were John Jarrell, chairman; Sue Mize, vice-chairman; and Billy Ray Browning, Dan Cotton, Bill Eiland, Donna Gray, and Jean Yearwood, auxiliary president; Carol Davis, Jack Denman, Roy McQueen and Brenda Hedges, liaison with the Board of Managers of Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Tim Lancaster, CEO, and Wilma Dillard, Patient Relations Coordinator, serve as ex-officio members.

Since their appointment to the Foundation Advisory Board last October, this group has raised over $70,000 toward renovation costs in the patient care areas and the nurses' stations on the 3rd and 4th floors, and equipment purchases for the fitness center and cardiac rehabilitation program.

Other departments that have been specifically targeted as needing funds for renovation are the maternity center (OB department), physical therapy and Emergency Room registration area.

Individuals and families who provided funds to furnish patient rooms when the wing was added to the hospital in 1981 have been given an opportunity to fund the needed renovations to those rooms to provide pleasant and comfortable surroundings that aid in the recovery process. To date, funds have been received or pledged to redo seven patient rooms and the waiting rooms and hallways on the 3rd and 4th floors.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Foundation is a non-profit corporation chartered under the Internal Revenue Code, and donations are deductible.

In addition to direct donations and pledges to the foundation, gifts can be made as memorials or in honor of friends and relatives and are promptly acknowledged.

For additional information, contact Foundation Advisory Board members, Lancaster or Dillard at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

TOUR HOSPITAL — Cogdell Memorial Hospital Foundation Advisory Board members toured the hospital following their regular monthly meeting on Thursday. They are shown in the physical therapy department, one of the areas of the hospital needing funding for equipment purchases. Board members present were John Jarrell, chairman; Sue Mize, vice-chairman; and Billy Ray Browning, Dan Cotton, Bill Eiland, Donna Gray, and Jean Yearwood auxiliary president. Advisory Board members not pictured include Carol Davis, Jack Denman, Roy McQueen and Brenda Hedges, liaison with the Board of Managers of Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Tim Lancaster, CEO, and Wilma Dillard, Patient Relations Coordinator, serve as ex-officio members. (SDN Staff Photo)

Beaumont is find

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — A federal judge has fined the city of Beaumont $400,000 for failing to control industrial discharges into the city's sewage treatment system.

"It's (the ruling) a total shock right now. I've never been so shocked in my life by anything," Beaumont Public Works Director S.A. Webb said.

U.S. District Judge Howell Cobb found Friday the city violated the Clean Water Act from 1984 until 1987 and did not adhere to requirements for monitoring its wastewater discharges.

The Environmental Protection Agency filed suit against the city in 1989, alleging the city failed to identify significant industrial users and failed to inspect and monitor the users.

The agency issued the city a permit in 1983 that listed a host of similar monitoring and reporting requirements.

The EPA asked Cobb to assess an $8 million penalty against the city during the trial of the suit in 1990.

Webb said the city's sewage system treats and discharges about 20 million gallons of wastewater daily into a drainage ditch that empties into Hillebrandt Bayou.

Cobb's opinion stated that because the city failed to sample and monitor the discharge levels, toxic pollutants may have emptied into the bayou.

Webb said the city already had initiated an effective pretreatment program 15 years before the EPA plan came into effect.

When the city lost a $20 million investment in 1985, officials laid off the pretreatment program coordinator and did not refill the position until 1987.

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Free trade delegates leave Dallas, progress uncertain

DALLAS (AP) — Hundreds of trade negotiators went home Friday after an intensive week of meetings to produce a free trade agreement among the United States, Mexico and Canada.

A small number of negotiators, including the chief of the U.S. trade team, were planning to stay one more night. And a few scheduled meetings until Sunday.

"These delegates are leaving with a sense of enthusiasm that whatever differences that will remain will be resolved in the short weeks to come," said David Dean, a Dallas attorney and Chamber of Commerce leader who has served as a host for the delegations.

But it remained unclear how much work was left to settle differences put into a rough draft last month.

"We have made progress," Julius Katz, deputy U.S. trade representative, said Thursday night in his last public discussion of the talks.

He and the other chief negotiators — Herminio Blanco of Mexico and John Weekes of Canada — said they would report to their respective trade ministers before discussing the Dallas session, which was the first time all 19 subgroups working on specific issues had met in the same place.

If the talks went well, a final draft could be presented to President Bush and Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari when they meet in San Antonio next week, Mexican Commerce Secretary Jaime Serra Puche said in Washington earlier this week.

On Thursday night, Katz said he wouldn't rule out the prospect of presenting a draft next week to Bush and Salinas, who will be meeting with the heads of other American countries about the drug war.

When the meetings in Dallas began Monday, Katz said he didn't think all the issues separating the three countries would be resolved in a week.

But there has been pressure on both the U.S. and Mexican negotiating teams to wrap things up.

"The instruction I have is to progress as much as possible for a good agreement for Mexico this week," Blanco said Monday.

Mexico stands to gain the most from a free trade pact, which would gradually eliminated trade barriers among the three neighbors.

Foreign investment is already pouring in at a record pace to Mexico, but most of it has been in the stock market rather than in new capital such as manufacturing plants. For that to happen, analysts say investors want the stability of broader markets that free trade is likely to bring.

The Bush administration has made a North American free trade agreement a key part of its trade policies. The United States already has a free trade agreement with Canada but wants to include Mexico, creating a trade bloc that will rival those emerging in Europe and the Far East.

Local businesses donated more than $500,000 worth of meeting and hotel space, transportation, communications equipment, computers and assistance for the 600 official delegates, including about 200 Mexican business leaders.

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Snyder youth win awards

FORT WORTH — Area young people were chosen winners at the 1992 Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show which concluded a successful 17-day run Feb. 2.

Four Snyder residents were among the winners:

—Stacey Taylor, fourth place, light weight Hampshire Barrow and second place, heavy weight Hampshire Barrow.

—Angie Breuer, third place, heavy medium weight Hereford steer.

—Jessica Eicke, second place, heavy weight Hereford steer and reserve champion Hereford sterr.

—Mandy Breuer, fifth place, heavy weight Hereford steer.

Tabor gets fall degree

Snyder resident Sue Hallmark Tabor received a bachelor of business administration degree in accountancy and information systems during the fall 1991 commencement ceremony at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin in December, where over 200 degrees were conferred.

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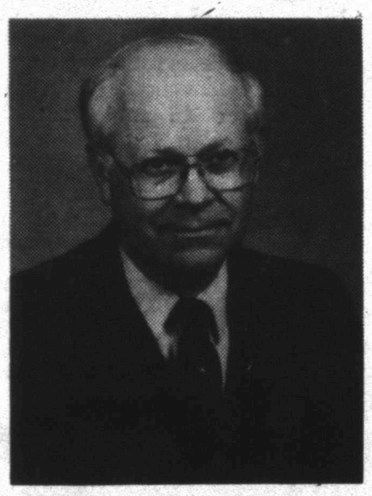

March 1-4
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"Christ For Today's World"

Maxie B. Boren, former minister of the 37th Street Church of Christ, has spent 12 years in full-time gospel meeting work and has conducted 557 meetings in 35 states, Jamaica and Canada! He has made two trips to Bible lands and authored two booklets. He believes in "old-time", Bible-quoting preaching, giving the book, chapter, and verse for what is proclaimed. He believes strongly that the church must remain Bible-centered in its preaching and teaching.

Mr. Boren believes there is a pressing need for people to hear anew the distinctive and definitive preaching that there is "one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one body..." He believes the truth must be presented without favor or compromise... plainly and forcefully, yet in kindness and love.

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Plainview board defers restructuring

By JOHN RIGG
A-J Regional Editor

PLAINVIEW – The Plainview school board, listening to citizens' concerns, agreed Thursday night to delay until September 1993 a grade level restructuring that trustees approved last June.

The board voted 5-2 in favor of the postponement. Trustees David Hipolito Jr. and Robert Rodriguez voted against the motion.

The locally initiated restructuring plan calls for pre-kindergarten through fifth-grade pupils to attend neighborhood elementary schools, and sixth- through eighth-grade students to attend two junior high school campuses.

Students from ninth through 12th grades would attend Plainview High School.

The postponement followed a lengthy discussion in which local farmer Fonty Carthel charged that school administrators had not sought enough public input before approving the plan.

Carthel, reading the results of a recent survey taken of local residents by a group of concerned parents, noted that 366 people said they were against the plan. A total of 160 people favored the plan and 135 were for postponement. Thirty-six respondents were neutral, he said.

"The group feels we'll end up with haves and have-nots," he said of the possible impact of the plan. He added that no clear-cut cost estimates of the plan's implementation had been made public.

Clarification

A story in Friday's Lubbock Avalanche-Journal stated that sixth-grade pupils of the Plainview Independent School District would attend two junior high school campuses when and if a grade-level restructuring plan is adopted by the district. The pupils would attend the Ash School.

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In poetry, song, chairman of Arts Endowment resigns

WASHINGTON (AP) — With song, poetry and a call for "less hate," John Frohnmayer announced an end Friday to three stormy years as chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts. He had been under constant fire from both the art world and conservative critics.

President Bush accepted Frohnmayer's resignation and praised his "integrity," but offered criticism of his own.

"Some of the art funded by the NEA does not have my enthusiastic approval," the president told his departing appointee in a letter.

Frohnmayer, 49, an Oregon lawyer, told his staff he was leaving the government May 1 but would carry on the fight for quality art and generosity of spirit. He sang the Shaker song, "Simple Gifts," recited a poem and criticized the "lunacy" of his agency's critics.

Frohnmayer had been attacked by the religious right and congressional conservatives for financing sexually explicit art works and performances. Avant-garde artists called him censorious for curtailing some grants.

"We are ecstatic," said the Rev. Louis P. Sheldon, chairman of the Traditional Values Coalition of Anaheim, Calif., which represents 10,000 conservative churches. He called Frohnmayer the "indecency czar."

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., smiled when told of Frohnmayer's decision to leave. "Bon voyage," he said.

"He has left a compromised agency behind him and one which artists feel they cannot trust, especially those creating important new work," said Charlotte Murphy, executive director of the National Association of Artists' Organizations, representing 1,000 community arts groups.

Frohnmayer called together his staff and said he still had faith in "the ability of our society to right itself."

"I leave with the belief that this eclipse of the soul will soon pass and with it the lunacy that sees artists as enemies and ideas as demons," he said.

"He got several minutes of standing ovation and then went around the room and hugged some people," said spokesman Josh Dare.

Educator John Brademas, co-chairman of an independent study of endowment grant-making procedures, said in an interview last year that the White House had not protected Frohnmayer.

"When the Scuds were fired at the NEA, no Patriots were fired from the White House," Brademas said.

Frohnmayer's departure will remove one of the most visible targets of conservative annoyance with the administration at a time when Bush is under conservative challenge in the primaries.

DONATE FUNDS — Snyder's AARP chapter recently donated $100 to the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Foundation. Dan Cotton, center, a member of the hospital board, accepted the check. Presenters included from left, Ruth West, president; C.J. Smith, community projects chairman; Ben Odorizzi, treasurer; and Doc Griffin, vice president. (SDN Staff Photo)

Brian Hood sentenced to 37 years in prison

FORT MORGAN, Colo. (AP) — Brian Hood, who plotted with his lover to ambush and kill his ill wife outside a Colorado Springs community center in September 1990, was sentenced to 37 years in prison Friday.

"You were the instrument that planted the seed that led to your wife's death," Morgan County District Judge Joseph Weatherby told Hood as he passed sentence on him.

"That plan called for the assassination of Dianne Hood, a dedicated mother and a dedicated wife."

Hood was convicted on Dec. 23 following a weeks-long trial of two counts of criminal solicitation and one count of conspiring to murder Mrs. Hood.

Weatherby sentenced Hood after hearing 41/2 hours of testimony before a packed courtroom. He heard pleas for leniency from relatives of Hood and his late wife, from a psychologist and from the jury foreman at Hood's trial.

Hood was sentenced to 22 years for solicitation to commit murder and 22 years for conspiracy, to be served concurrently. Weatherby imposed an additional 15-year sentence for Hood's other solicitation conviction.

Hood looked shaken when the sentence was read, and his father, Lowell "Andy" Hood placed his arm around his son.

Each count was punishable by eight to 24 years in prison, and could have brought as much as 48 years with aggravating circumstances included.

Hood, David Moore, who is Mrs. Hood's brother, and Hood's parents left the courthouse without responding to reporters' questions, but Moore later said Hood planned to appeal the case. Hood later was taken into custody and was expected to be returned to the El Paso County Jail in Colorado Springs.

Mrs. Hood, 32, was gunned down by an assailant wearing a ski mask on Sept. 12, 1990, as she left a Colorado Springs community center where she had attended a meeting for lupus sufferers.

Her husband, Brian Hood, 33, and his lover, Jennifer Reali, 29, of Colorado Springs, were accused of plotting the murder. Mrs. Reali, who has admitted shooting Mrs. Hood, is scheduled to stand trial in Glenwood Springs for the murder on Monday. She claims she was brainwashed by Hood to kill Mrs. Hood.

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Financial Focus

What's more important in an investment--growth or income? It's a question over which many investors disagree, but there is a strong argument for income, particularly if you are reasonably sure the income could increase. The battle cry for high-yielding-securities advocates is, "a cow for its milk, a chicken for its eggs and a stock, by gosh, for its dividends."

Under today's tax structure, a dollar of dividends is worth as much as a dollar of growth. Add to that the fact that dividends are typically steadier and more predictable than growth potential, and you have a strong argument for the get-rich-slowly crowd.

Common stocks and mutual funds are two ways to benefit from dividend income while retaining the opportunity for some growth.

In either case, it pays to do a little homework on the investment's history of dividend payments. For example, select several common stocks that you might like to own. Next, go to your library or your broker's office and ask for the historical data on earnings and dividend payments for those stocks. Moody's, Standard & Poor's, Value Line and other research firms offer this data. Eliminate the companies with a weak history of dividend payment and/or increases. Limit your list to companies whose earnings and dividends have increased regularly. There are a lot of quality companies out there, so be selective. Good utility companies can be an excellent starting point in your search for dividend-paying stocks.

Mutual funds are another way to enjoy dividend income. Again, it is up to you to select funds that have a history of good dividend payment and also meet your criteria for safety. The important thing to remember when selecting a mutual fund for income is to satisy yourself that the income has consistently grown over a meaningful period.

For example, the annual report of one income mutual fund shows that on a $200,000 investment made in 1980, the income went up about every year. The income received in the last reporting period was $24,366, about 50 percent more than 10 years ago. That beat the cost of living, which was up about 37 percent during that period. Part of the reason for this increased income is that the original $200,000 investment had nearly doubled to $374,135. That's the extra bonus of growth. Although good current income may be a primary concern, don't overlook the need for some reasonable growth along with it.

Common stocks and mutual funds offer no guarantee that income will continue or increase. With careful research, however, a long record of consistent results is about as close as you can get to planning the future.

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Senior Center activities

Senior citizens who have birthdays in February will be honored at the McDonald's birthday party starting at 10 a.m. Wednesday. Other senior citizens who would like to help their friends celebrate a birthday are also invited to attend the party, with refreshments and games provided by McDonald's.

Benny Benitez and his band will be playing for country/western dancing in the center starting at 7 p.m. Tuesday. The Kitchen Band will provide musical entertainment in the center in a program starting at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday. The Sunshine Choir will go to Snyder Oaks Care Center for a program at 10 a.m. Friday.

The Golden K Kiwanis Club will hold its weekly session at noon Tuesday in the center's conference room. Club members are making plans for a fish fry on March 29 in the center. Proceeds from the fish fry go for club projects, many of which benefit the center.

Dominoes will be the featured game on Monday, Game Day in the center. Games will begin at 9:30 a.m. Other games can also be arranged at that time.

An exercise class meets in the center at 11 a.m. each weekday regardless of other activities taking place. An aerobics class for women meets at 3 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

Men and women participate in the swimnastics program at the Westen Texas College indoor swimming pool, meeting there at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A nutritious meal is served in the center at noon Monday through Friday and senior citizens who need transportation to the center for the meal and other activities can make arrangements by calling the office at 573-4035. Information about all other Senior Center activities can be obtained by calling the office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. each weekday.

GRADUATES — Nine students were graduated from the Western Texas College Vocational Nursing Program Thursday. New graduates are, top row, from left, Bekki McKay of Snyder; Ronnie Bilberry of Spur; first row, Delmira Garza of Snyder; Rolando Peralta of Post; Toni Everett of Colorado City; second row, Roxanne Wright of Jayton; Nancy Brunson of Snyder; front row, Kim Zimmer of Jayton and Becky Manning of Colorado City. (WTC Photo)

Nurses graduate, others are 'capped'

The Western Texas College Vocational Nursing Program conducted graduation and capping ceremonies Thursday at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Nine students were graduated from the program and 11 others were "capped," indicating they have completed the first section of instruction.

Graduating students included Nancy Brunson, Delmira Garza and Bekki McKay, all of Snyder.

Others were Ronnie Bilberry of Spur, Toni Everett and Becky Manning of Colorado City, Rolando Peralta of Post and Roxanne Wright and Kim Zimmer, both of Jayton.

Students receiving their nursing caps included Denise Carter, Danny Gambol, Teresa Herrera, Kimberly Neves, Tracy Pruitt, Jeni Rinehart, JoAnn Tovar and Lana Turner, all of Snyder.

Other candidates "capped" were Debbie Moore of Jayton and Sandi Martin and Terri Orr, both of Rotan.

Completion of the program entails 12 months training.

Emily Hataway in production

POST — Emily Hataway of Snyder is appearing in the Garza Theatre's production of "Anne of Green Gables" which opened Thursday night.

Other performances include a 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, Feb. 23 and March 1, and Thursday through Saturday, Feb. 27-29. Curtain time is 7:45 p.m. nightly.

Adults tickets are $7 each and students 6-12 are $4 each. The box office is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

TV character may be killed off

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Life Goes On" might not. Certainly not for the character played by actor Tommy Puett.

Puett said the ABC series' future is in doubt, and that his character, Tyler Benchfield, will meet his end in a car crash at this season's end.

Weight Loss Surprises Researchers

WASHINGTON --A nutrition organization was hopeful that a nutritionally complete "hi-tech" food tablet would help erase world hunger problems, until a study revealed that one of the ingredients could cause significant weight loss.

Although other studies and scientists may not agree, researchers in Europe found that the ingredient, a natural plant colloid, actually caused people to lose weight, even though specifically instructed not to alter normal eating patterns, according to one study published in the prestigious *British Journal of Nutrition*. Researchers in an earlier study had speculated that the weight loss was due to a decrease in the intestinal absorption of calories.

While the development of the product called Food Source One, a project of National Dietary Research, would not be used to successfully fulfill its original goal, the formula which has since been improved with other natural colloids has been a windfall for some overweight people. A Daytona Beach, Florida woman fighting a weight battle for 12 years used the product on the recommendation of her physician and lost 30 pounds. She stated, "Not only have I lost 30 pounds but my cholesterol has dropped from 232 to 143. I have two closets full of clothes which have not fit me in two years that I can now wear." In a separate report, a telephone interview revealed that a Wilmington, North Carolina pharmacist lost 14 pounds in 3 weeks on the product and was never hungry.

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Too many questions, luck helped fugitive get caught

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — A false address and a brand new driver's license raised the right questions for a police chief working overtime and led to the arrest of a man wanted in Texas and 11 other states on bank fraud charges.

"The driver's license had just been issued on the day of the stop, and he was giving a White Pine address of 3111 Shell St.," said White Pine Police Chief Jeff Manes. "But there is no 3111 block, and it's Shell Way instead of Shell Street."

Manes, filling in for his two officers, arrested Richard Mattison, 55, Thursday afternoon after clocking him at 49 mph in a 30-mph zone. A quick check of the computer showed Mattison was wanted on fugitive warrants.

"Every once in a while you might get confirmation, but never this many at one time. It was a surprise I tell you," the chief said Friday night by telephone from his office.

Since Mattison's arrest, Manes has learned that he is wanted in Cookeville, Tenn., and other states including Alabama, Arkansas, California, Louisiana, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas and Nevada.

Charges facing Mattison include bank fraud, forgery, worthless checks, conspiracy to defraud a bank and habitual offender. In Tennessee, he is charged with being a fugitive from justice, providing false information, obtaining a driver's license under false pretenses and speeding.

Mattison remained in the Jefferson County Jail Friday night on $500,000 bond after being arraigned on one count of being a fugitive from justice from Valley, Ala., the chief said.

Manes said Mattison allegedly went from town to town using a new driver's license to obtain bank accounts. He then apparently wrote worthless checks on the accounts before moving on.

The chief said Mattison is believed to have passed more than $25,000 worth of bad checks in Florida, while Alabama authorities were working to feature him on the TV program "America's Most Wanted."

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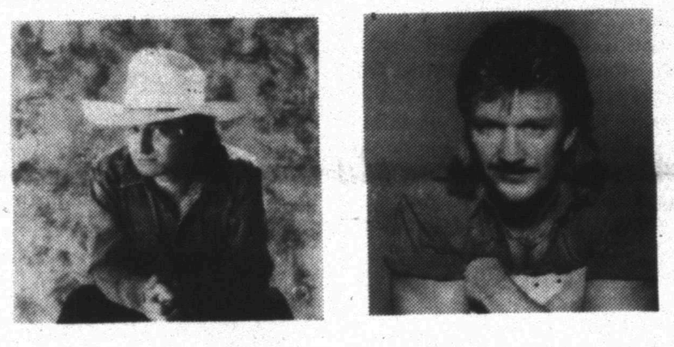

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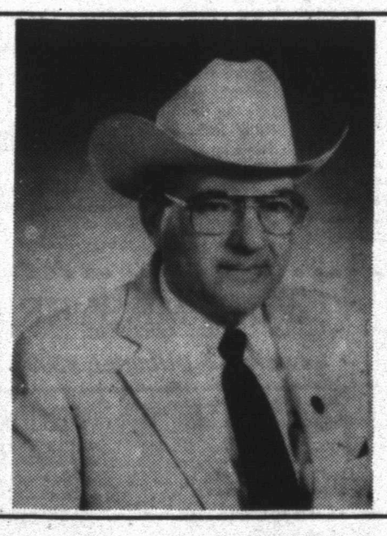

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WTC golfers nudge No. 1 Chaps

Western Texas College golfers hosted the No. 1 ranked Midland College golf squad for a practice challenge match Thursday and edged the Chaparrals 613 to 618.

Eight players competed for each team with Mark Wood's 67 pacing the Western Texas charge.

"It was a good win in the wind on our home course," said Milton Ham, coach of the No. 9 Westerners.

Other WTC scores included Tony Smith's 75; a 78 from Darren Waters; 79s from Dusty Green, Mike Torres and Greg Slicker; and John Gatlin's 80.

The Westerners begin their 1992 spring season Thursday in Roswell, N.M. when the three-day, 54-hole New Mexico Military Institute Tournament tees off.

SPC to host Region V tournament

LEVELLAND — With conference races winding down, South Plains College and the Levelland Chamber of Commerce are making plans for the Region V National Junior College Athletic Association women's basketball tournament.

The tourney will be held March 3-5 at Texan Dome on the campus of SPC and will match up the top four teams from the Western Junior College Athletic Conference and the Northern Conference with the champion earning a berth in the NJCAA national tournament in Tyler March 16-21.

Currently, No. 5 Howard College leads the WJCAC standings with an unblemished 11-0 conference mark, followed by New Mexico JC's 9-2, Odessa College at 5-6, and South Plains College in fourth with a 4-7 record.

Frank Phillips and WTC are each at 3-7 and still in contention for the final berth.

The NJCAA Region 5 Tournament will begin at noon March 3, with other first-round games set to begin at 2 p.m., 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Semifinal contests will be held at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. March 4 and the championship tilt is scheduled for 7 p.m. March 5.

Tournament passes are priced at $10, with admission to individual sessions set at $3.

"We want to make sure this is the finest tournament," said SPC athletic director and the regional tourney director, "and that we set the standards for tournaments in the future.

"It has always lived in the shadows of the men's tournament. This is the first time it has ever stood alone."

Swiss speed skier dies in accident

LA LECHERE, France (AP) — A Swiss speed skier was killed today at Les Arcs when he skied into a snowcat grooming trails, the Olympic organizing committee said.

He was identified as Nicolas Bochatay, 27, of Martigny.

The accident was unrelated to competition, officials said.

Bochatay apparently was on the way to compete in the finals of the speed skiing event in which he qualified 13th.

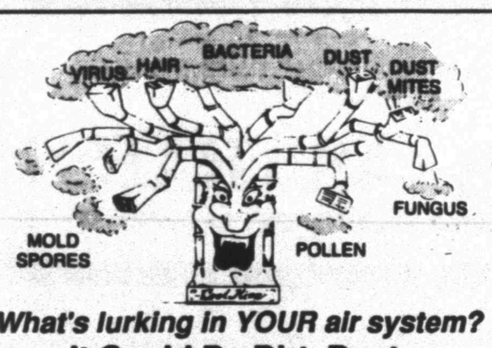
Officials said he crashed off the regular slope into a snowcat during an informal warm-up session, rather than in a practice run down the competition slope.

Bochatay was among the men and women competing in the event which features runs down a 70-degree slope at speeds in excess of 125 mph.

In the Swiss team book, he is listed as a carpenter from the town of Les Marecottes.

Bubka sets new pole-vault mark

BERLIN (AP) — Sergei Bubka raised his world pole vault record to 20 feet, 11/2 inches in a special indoor meet just for jumpers. The 28-year-old Ukrainian, the gold medal winner at the Seoul Olympics, went over the bar on his second attempt at 20-11/2, one-half an inch higher than the record he set last year.



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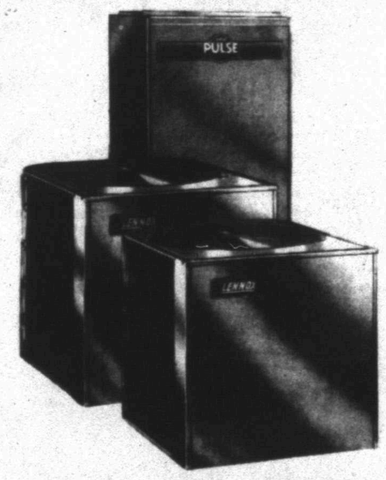

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U.S. falls in hockey...

Yamaguchi nabs skating gold

ALBERTVILLE, France (AP) — Kristi Yamaguchi's artistry set up the golden challenge, and one by one the grand dames of figure skating all fell down black and blue.

It was a triumph of elegance over brute power at the Winter Games that paralleled a victory on another rink in Meribel minutes earlier Friday night — the smooth-skating Unified Team over the rough-and-tumble Americans in the hockey semifinals.

The Russians kept coming and coming, pelting American goalie Ray LeBlanc with the puck in the mask, the chest, the legs. Fifty times he stopped them, but it was all too much, too fast for even this journeyman-turned-Olympic hero with his teammates sequestered in the penalty box.

The Unified Team won 5-2 and left the hard-checking Americans clinging to hopes of a bronze and screaming about a Swedish referee.

Yamaguchi concentrated on form and slipped only once as she became the first American gold medalist in women's figure skating since Dorothy Hamill in 1976.

Midori Ito of Japan moved up from fourth place to take the silver medal, and American Nancy Kerrigan got the bronze. The other American, Tonya Harding, was fourth.

That boosted the United States' medals total for the Albertville Games to 10.

Yamaguchi skated with the same lightness and loveliness she showed in winning the World Championships. In her one fragile moment, she touched the ice with her hand to keep from falling on a triple loop and cut a triple salchow to a double.

"I knew the opening was very strong and when I had the loop, I didn't fight it," Yamaguchi said, "and then I decided to play it safe on the next jump and go for it in the end."

Those slight problems lowered her scores for technique to 5.7s and 5.8s, but she won a string of 5.9s for artistry.

Ito fell on a triple axel, as did Harding. Kerrigan tumbled on a triple toe loop. France's Surya Bonaly, third after the original program, just missed an historic quadruple toe loop and fell on a triple flip to finish fifth.

"Nobody could be happier than I am right now," Yamaguchi said. "I still can't believe what's happening to me."

"Why'd you give the game away, why'd you give the game away?" U.S. hockey captain Clark Donatelli shouted into the face of Swedish referee Sven Erik Sold after the game before other officials led Donatelli off the ice.

"He just got worse and worse as the game went on," Donatelli yelled moments later, blood filling his angry face. "I'm sure if it was 2-2, and (the Russians) got five penalties, we would have won the game. It's an absolute shame when an official can determine the whole third period."

Coach Dave Peterson didn't immediately criticize the penalty calls that killed the Americans' chances but said, "I'm not sure it was coincidental that we wound up with a Swedish referee."

The day began with disappointment for the beleaguered U.S. four-man bobsled team as Herschel Walker stood forlornly off to the side. Dressed in gray while his teammates wore red, white and blue, Walker helped them prepare their two sleds, then stood out of the way while they raced to the ninth-best time going into Saturday's final two runs.

Brakeman Chris Coleman did his job as Walker's replacement, tying for best start time on the first run and third-best on the second. Driver Randy Will didn't quite do his, losing enough time to have moved up three places when the right rear runner lifted off the track two turns from the finish line on the first run.

Even though the Americans were outskated, outplayed and outshot the whole game, they were still tied 2-2 with just over nine minutes to play.

Both U.S. goals, by Sean Hill and Keith Tkachuk, were off busted plays as the Americans tested goalie Mikhail Shtalenkov with only 18 shots.

The U.S. team had gotten this far in the Olympics with a bruising, hard-checking style and had earned a reputation as the "ugly Americans."

The Russians escaped punishment most of the game by being too quick, too tricky with their whirling, wide-open game. They didn't stay still long enough to get hit and they kept the puck on the U.S. side nearly the whole game. The U.S. players were reduced to diving after the puck with their stick extended with one hand, rather than playing with control and confidence.

The Americans started the third period a man down and Sold whistled them for four more penalties in the final 161/2 minutes. The shortage of players wore out the Americans and not even LeBlanc could keep up his spectacular diving saves.

Medal count

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Nation	G	S	B—Tot
Germany	10	9	6—25
Unified Team	8	6	8—22
Austria	5	7.	7—19
Norway	7	6	5—18
Italy	4	4	3—11
United States	4	4	2—10
France	3	5	1— 9
Finland	3	1	3— 7
Japan	1	2	3— 6
Canada	2	1	2— 5
The Netherlands	1	1	2— 4
Sweden	1	0	3— 4
South Korea	1	1	1— 3
Switzerland	1	0	1— 2
China	0	2	0— 2
Luxembourg	0	2	0— 2
Czechoslovakia	0	0	2— 2
New Zealand	0	1	0— 1
Spain	0	0	1— 1

Snyder dominates GC tennis tourney

GARDEN CITY — Snyder's varsity B boys' tennis team dominated the Garden City Tournament Friday, with Brett Kennedy winning the singles competition, the team of Dane Farley and Cameron Taylor taking the doubles crown; Jake Unruh claiming boys' consolation runnner-up and Timmy Clark and Mark Bullard combining for third in doubles.

In adddition to the boys' success, the girls' doubles team of Yvonne Albarez and Jeri Lynn Tucker took fourth.

Kennedy knocked off Coahoma's Carlisle in the tourney opener, 6-3, 6-0; before hammering Brown of Garden City, 6-0, 6-2.

The SHS netter claimed a straight-set 6-0, 6-1 victory over Garden City's Harp in semifinal action then coasted past Coahoma standout Humphreys for the singles crown.

The doubles team of Farley and Taylor took a similar route to the finals, getting a first-round bye, then winning three consecutive straight-set matches, including a 6-0, 6-3 pounding of Pearce and Braden from Garden City in the final.

The SHS B team will compete in the Colorado City Tournament Friday and Saturday.

Garden City Tournament
Snyder results
Snyder players listed first

Boys singles — First round: Kennedy def. Carlisle, Coahoma, 6-3, 6-0; Unruh lost to Williams, Garden City, 6-2, 6-2; **Quarterfinals:** Kennedy def. Brown, Garden City, 6-0, 6-2; **Semifinals:** Kennedy def. Harp, Garden City, 6-0, 6-1; **Championship:** Kennedy def. Humphreys, Coahoma, 6-2, 6-2; **Consolation quarterfinals:** Unruh def. Warner, Wink, 8-1; **Consolation semifinals:** Unruh def. Hassman, Garden City, 8-0; **Consolation final:** Unruh lost to Carlisle, Coahoma, 6-3, 3-6, 7-6 (7-3).

Boys' doubles — First round: Farley-Taylor bye; Bullard-Clark def. Garza-Garza, Grand Falls, 6-2, 6-2; **Quarterfinals:** Farley-Taylor def. Cypert-Dalton, Garden City, 6-1, 6-0; Bullard-Clark def. Shuler-Williams, Wink, 6-2, 6-3; **Semifinals:** Farley-Taylor def. Ward-Wallace, Coahoma, 6-4, 7-5; Bullard-Clark lost to Pearce- Braden, Garden City, 7-6 (7-2), 6-2; **Third place:** Bullard-Clark def. Ward-Wallace, Coahoma, 6-2, 2-6, 6-4; **Championship:** Farley-Taylor def. Pearce-Braden, Garden City, 6-0, 6-3.

Girls' singles — First round: Cooley def. Pelzel, Garden City, 6-2, 7-5; Kubena def. Adkisson, Grand Falls, no score listed; **Quarterfinals:** Cooley lost to Patterson, Forsan, 6-2, 6-1; Kubena lost to Smith, Iraan, 6-1, 6-2; **Consolation quarterfinals:** Kubena lost to Bell, Garden City, 8-4.

Girls' doubles — First round: Suarez-Rosson lost to Wilde-Roberts, Garden City, 6-0, 6-4; Albarez-Tucker bye; **Quarterfinals:** Albarez-Tucker def. Gaston-DeLaGarza, Forsan, 6-4, 6-3; **Semifinals:** Albarez-Tucker lost to Carlton-Eoff, 6-1, 6-1; **Third place:** Albarez-Tucker lost to Rawls-Cisneros 7-6 (7-5), 7-5. **Consolation quarterfinals:** Suarez-Rosson lost to Shipp-Villa, Iraan, 8-6.

Purcell, Aguirre lead SJHS to win over C-C

Snyder eighth grade netters won 15 of 18 individual matches over Colorado City Thursday, including an 8-1 shellacking of Dan Morgan by John Purcell and an 8-2 victory by Salvador Aguirre over C-City's Michael Hoylp.

Colorado City's seventh graders fell to Snyder in six of eight matches with local girls' singles players sweeping the four matches from the visitors.

Coach Mike Holmes said, "We're well pleased with the players' efforts, enthusiasm and conduct."

Coach Kris Grant, who works with the seveth grade team, stated, "We're real excited about the huge number of 7th grade girls who have come to play tennis. They are doing a fine job.

"They were excellent against a good Colorado City team."

Shelly York's 8-2 decision over her C-City counterpart led the seventh grade team from SJHS.

Colorado City did not bring a seventh grade boys' squad.

Other winners included John Purcell and David Beard in eighth grade boys' singles; and Mendy Winter, Sterling Cave, Lindsey Griffin; Michelle Spencer and Lockie Applin in girls' singles.

8th grade
Snyder players listed first

Boys' singles: Aguirre def. Hoylp 8-2; Purcell def. Morgan 8-1; Escobedo def. Payne 8-5; Beard def. Rivera 8-4.

Girls' singles: Winter def. Terri 8-0; Cave def. Jennifer 8-0; Griffin def. Haley 8-1; Spencer def. Hanna 8-3; Thornton lost to Carrie 6-8; Applin def. Jamie 8-1; Latham lost to Susan 4-8; Escobedo lost to Marka 1-8.

Boys' doubles: McLeod-Parker def. Payne-Rivera 8-1; Taylor-Martinez lost to Morgan-Hoylp 4-8; Albarez-Suarez def. Payne-Morgan 8-2; Busby-Beard lost to Rivera-Hoylp 1-8.

Girls' doubles: Winter-Griffin def. Betsy-Margo 8-0; Jessica-Rumpff def. Leslie-Alyssa 8-1.

7th grade

Girls' singles: York def. Nanyetta 8-2; Trevino def. Georgia 8-3; Coffee def. Kelly 8-0; Blackwell def. Brooke 3-1 (match called due to darkness).

Girls' doubles: Lilly-Baker lost to Journer-Waldrip 6-8; Orosco-Purcell def. Georgia-Nanyetta 8-3; Lyons-Walker lost to Journer-Waldrip 5-8; York-Trevino def. Gerogia-Nanyetta 2-1 (match called due to darkness).

Bowling News

JACK AND JILL
2-19-92

Team	W	L
Sonic	58	30
Outlaws	54½	33½
Champions	49½	38½
Timely Finance	49	39
Misfits	49	39
Better-n-Nuttin	48	40
Matthies Const	47½	40½
Garcia Tire	45½	42½
Matco Tools	43	45
Snyder Paint-Body	41	47
Strugglers	41	47
Club 250	40	48
Hillside Mem Gdn	37½	50½
Silver Bullet	36	52
Just One Pin	33½	54½
Lucky 7	33	55

High Series: Charlie Teague 529; Linda Head 529. **High game:** Ronnie Clawson 201; Linda Head 189. **High handicap series:** Scott Warren 621; Sylvia Fletcher 648. **High handicap game:** Bill Jackson 228; Sue Warren 229.

200-500: Ronnie Clawson 201; Charlie Teague 529; Teresa Loper 503; Linda Head 529.

Converted splits: Beth Kellner 5-8-10; Debbie Beall 5-7-9; Woody Taylor 2-4-10; Cindy Loper 4-6-10; Jimmy Fletcher 5-7; Vicky Renshaw 5-7, 3-10; Daphene Thompson 2-7; Raymond Kellner 4-5; Sandra Clawson 3-10; Pam Graves 3-10; Roger Batchelor 3-10; Tim McCright 3-10; Sue Warren 8-9; Sophie West 4-5; Terrie Powell 5-6.

KOFFEE LEAGUE
2-18-92

Team	W	L
Patterson's Used Cars	61	31
SOS	58½	33½
IF&C	54½	37½
Gifts by Jane	46½	45½
Everybody's	44½	47½
House of Treasures	43½	48½
R.D.'s Wld	41	51
Spanish Inn	23½	68½

High Series: Tracy Boone 557. **High game:** Tracy Boone 221. **High handicap series:** Grace Beauchamp 637. **High handicap game:** Grace Beauchamp 215.

200-500: Tracy Boone 221, 557; Grace Beauchamp 215, 544; Bernie Sealy 527.

Splits converted: Jenny Rainwater 4-5-7; Bernie Sealy 5-8-10; Grace Beauchamp 2-5-7; Melissa McCright 7-9; Jenny Rainwater 6-7; Kelly Williamson 5-10; Terri Blocker 3-10; Melba Surratt 3-10; Leda Beck 3-10; Alma Posey 3-10; Helen Kellner 3-10.

WISHBALL
2-20-92

Team	W	L
W-M	54	30
Johnson Exxon	51½	32½
Snyder Lanes	50	34
Ridge Riders	45½	38½
A and W	38	46
Melco	36½	47½
Lefties	31½	52½
Snyder Golf	29	55

High Series: Monte West 577. **High game:** Bill Miller 203. **High handicap series:** David Carroll 650. **High handicap game:** Mark Glass 233.

Splits converted: Bill Johnson 4-5; Monte West 3-10, 4-5-7, 3-10, 3-10; Don Murry 3-10.

COMMERCIAL
2-18-92

Team	W	L
City of Rotan	96	44
Stephens Ofc Sup	89½	50½
Key Kennels	73½	66½
Reef Chemical	65½	74½
Pro Parts	61½	78½
Bar-H-Bar	61	79
WTP Energy	58	82
Wilson Mtrs	55	85

High Series: Red Bennett 597. **High game:** Mike McLeod 235. **High handicap series:** Ed Baese 694. **High handicap game:** Ed Baese 254.

Splits converted: Ronny Autry 3-10; Kyle Herrley 3-10; Mike Levens 3-10; Mike McLeod 4-5; Rick Mammolite 3-7; Tommy Early 3-9-10; Joe Carpenter 4-5; Terry McDaniel 5-7.

ROLL N HOPE
2-17-92

Team	W	L
Cotton Patch Casuals	58	30
E.D. Walton	54	34
Louise's Coffee Shop	53½	34½
LaRoux State Farm	41	47
Musselwhite Trucking	38½	49½
IGA	38	50
Pro Bail Bond	37	51
City Nat'l Bank	34	54

High Series: Cindy Loper 612. **High game:** Emma Braziel 220. **High handicap series:** Debbie Massingill 696. **High handicap game:** Deborah Pruett 280.

Splits converted: Jeneal Chambers 4-5-7; Norma Seabourn 4-5; Vicky Renshaw 5-7; Carolyn Sharp 2-7; Melba Surratt 2-7-8; Christine Cooley 5-6; Geneva Findley 2-7, 4-5.

200-500: Marsha Cribbs 524; Vicky Renshaw 545.

HIS & HER
2-17-92

Team	W	L
B-Line Serv	19½	8½
K&M Pumping Svc	18	10
Cogdell's Best	16	12
CFAS	16	12
AAA Coffee	14	14
Nail Automation	13	15
Stewart Ins.	12	16
Snyder EMS	3½	24½

High Series: Don Bradshaw 531; Billie Jackson 494. **High game:** Greg Hodge 196; Billie Jackson 173. **High handicap series:** Steve James 616; Tena James 619. **High handicap game:** Jeff Kellner 229; Emily Irons 237.

Splits converted: Elizabeth Featherston 3-7; Zelma Irons 4-5, 3-10; Steve Mackey 6-7-8-10; David Lee 6-7-10, 5-7; Melissa McCright 5-6-10; Sherry Early 2-7.

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Lady Jays hammer BHS in playoff tilt

The Jayton Lady Jays advanced to the area round of the Class A girls' basketball playoffs with a 59-26 pounding of Blackwell at Scurry County Coliseum Friday.

In other Class A post-season action here Friday, Guthrie upset District 28 champion Loraine, 48-42.

Jayton, coached by former Snyder resident Randy Courtney, rolled to 14-6 first quarter lead and stretched the margin to 30-8 at halftime.

The Lady Jays limited Blackwell to just 12 points in the first three quarters of the game.

"We take a little pride in our defense," said Courtney. "We got some fast break baskets and we got them in foul trouble.

"I think our playoff experience helped a lot, too. We've been there the past six years and we know what to expect.

"I've got to give Blaclwell credit, too," coach Courtney continued. "They never seemed flustered and they gave a good effort the whole game."

Bambi Ferguson hit 16 to pace the winners, followed by Rachel Brown's 13 and 10 from Regina Browning.

Blackwell, the District 28 runner-up, was led by Christy Williams, who canned 17 points in the losing effort.

Jayton, champion in District 27, moves to 26-5 on the season while Blackwell's year ends at 22-5.

Misti Seago scored 18 and Brandi Blodgett added 14 to lead Guthrie's Lady Jags, runners-up in District 27, to Friday's bi-district win over Loraine.

The Lady Bulldogs' Michi Atkins was good for 22 points and teammate Christina Lopez contributed 10.

Guthrie will carry a 24-5 slate into the area round. Loraine finishes at 22-5.

In other playoff games of local interest Friday, Canyon Randall, which tripped Lamesa in Class 4A bi-district action Tuesday, hammered Big Spring Friday, 72-38, in Levelland; and Sterling City eliminated Roby, 41-34, in a Class A tilt.

Class A bi-district
Girls' basketball playoffs
at Scurry County Coliseum
Jayton 59, Blackwell 26

Jayton	14	16	14	15	-59
Blackwell	4	2	4	14	-26

Leading scorers: Jayton — Bambi Ferguson 16, Rachel Brown 13, Regina Browning 10; Blackwell — Christy Williams 17; Traci Hindman 4. Records: Jayton 26-5; Blackwell 22-5.

Guthrie 48, Loraine 42

Guthrie	10	15	13	10	-48
Loraine	9	11	8	14	-42

Leading scorers: Guthrie — Misti Seago 18, Brandie Blodgett 14; Loraine — Mishi Atkins 22, Christina Lopez 10. Records: Guthrie 24-5, Loraine 22-5.

win, lose & DREW

NBA roundup...

Blazers stop Brown's streak

by The Associated Press

Larry Brown, after losing for the first time as coach of the Los Angeles Clippers, can tell when a team is learning to win by the way it reacts to a tough loss.,

The Clippers, unbeaten in their first five games since Brown took over at the All-Star break, fell 123-116 to Pacific Division-leading Portland on Friday night. But the Trail Blazers needed 31 points from Clyde Drexler, 30 from Terry Porter and 12 3-pointers to win.

"Just the fact that we played with great effort, the fact that we played hard, was fine. But I don't think the guys in that room (the Clippers' locker room) are real excited right now," Brown said.

Portland coach Rick Adelman was impressed by the Clippers, saying: "I really like the way they're playing right now. They're playing hard and with a lot of confidence. They're playing a lot more unselfishly."

Elsewhere, two teams stayed unbeaten in six games since the All-Star break, with Utah routing Houston 124-97 and Golden State defeating Phoenix 123-115. All of the consecutive wins by the Jazz and Warriors have come at home.

In other games, it was Boston 113, Charlotte 110; New Jersey 105, Indiana 101; Denver 106, Washington 99; Detroit 114, Orlando 100; Chicago 103, Atlanta 88; Cleveland 119, Sacramento 102; San Antonio 100, Philadelphia 90; and Dallas 109, Minnesota 94.

Jazz 124, Rockets 97

Jeff Malone scored 28 points on 12-for-16 shooting as Utah beat Houston for its ninth consecutive victory at home.

The Jazz turned a 37-24 lead at the end of the first quarter into a 62-43 halftime advantage. Utah shot 63 percent from the field in the first half and 57 percent for the game.

The Rockets shot just 40 percent for the game in losing for the first time in two games under interim coach Rudy Tomjanovich.

Mavericks 109
Timberwolves 94

Derek Harper scored eight of his 18 points during a 27-14 third-quarter spurt as Dallas won at home against Minnesota.

The decisive run extended a 53-52 lead to 80-66 for the Mavericks, who got career highs from Tracy Moore with 19 points and Donald Hodge with 15.

Spurs 100, 76ers 90

David Robinson scored 33 points and San Antonio limited Philadelphia to 32 second-half points.

Hersey Hawkins scored 28 points, but just seven in the second half for the 76ers, who have lost six consecutive games in San Antonio. Charles Shackleford had a season-high 17 points for Philadelphia, but Charles Barkley was held eight points under his average with 15, only three after halftime.

Warriors 123, Suns 115

Tim Hardaway scored 30 points as Golden State overcame the absence of Chris Mullin to beat Phoenix.

Mullin, the Warriors' leading scorer, was scratched prior to the game because of back spasms. But they had six players score in double figures, including Sarunas Marciulionis with 21 points.

Bulls 103, Hawks 88

Chicago won at Atlanta for its sixth consecutive victory over the Hawks as Michael Jordan finished with 33 points, 10 rebounds and a season-high 14 assists.

Atlanta stayed close for three quarters before the Bulls, who trailed by eight in the first quarter, took the lead for good, 66-64, on B.J. Armstrong's baseline shot with 2:17 left in the third period.

Celtics 113, Hornets 110

Kevin Gamble scored 25 points and Robert Parish 24 as Boston beat Charlotte at Hartford, Conn.

The Celtics, coming off a 1-5 road trip, led by nine points with five mintues left before the Hornets closed to 111-110 with a 10-2 run, including seven by Larry Johnson, who led Charlotte with 24 points.

Nuggets 106, Bullets 99

Georgetown graduates Reggie Williams and Dikembe Mutombo returned home to Capital Centre, sparking Denver's fourth victory in 25 road games this season.

Williams scored 20 points and Mutombo had 17 points, 11 rebounds and four blocks. Mutombo had 10 points in the fourth quarter as Denver fought back from an eight-point deficit to win their first game in eight road outings since Jan. 16.

Cavaliers 119, Kings 102

Cleveland dropped Sacramento's road record to a league-worst 3-25 behind Brad Daugherty's 30 points and 15 rebounds.

Daugherty scored 13 points in the first quarter when the Cavaliers took a 37-14 lead that included a 25-4 run at the start of the game. Daugherty went 6-for-6 from the floor during the period and 13-for-14 in the game.

Pistons 114, Magic 100

Mark Aguirre scored 20 points and Dennis Rodman grabbed 23 rebounds in Detroit's victory at Orlando.

Nets 105, Pacers 101

New Jersey blew a 17-point fourth-quarter lead before beating Indiana on a tiebreaking, 18-footer by Drazen Petrovic with 30 seconds remaining.

The Nets, who won for the ninth time in 10 home games, led 95-78 with 8:25 remaining before the Pacers, who had won four straight, tied the score at 101 with a 23-6 spurt.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	33	19	.635	—
Boston	30	23	.566	3½
Miami	25	28	.472	8½
Philadelphia	25	29	.463	9
New Jersey	23	30	.434	10½
Washington	18	35	.340	15½
Orlando	13	41	.241	21
Central Division				
Chicago	44	10	.815	—
Cleveland	35	17	.673	8
Detroit	31	23	.574	13
Atlanta	26	27	.491	17½
Milwaukee	25	27	.481	18
Indiana	24	31	.436	20½
Charlotte	17	36	.321	26½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Utah	37	18	.673	—
San Antonio	31	22	.585	5
Houston	27	27	.500	9½
Denver	20	32	.385	15½
Dallas	16	37	.302	20
Minnesota	10	42	.192	25½
Pacific Division				
Portland	37	15	.712	—
Golden State	35	15	.700	1
Phoenix	33	21	.611	5
LA Lakers	29	24	.547	8½
Seattle	28	25	.528	9½
LA Clippers	27	26	.509	10½
Sacramento	17	36	.321	20½

Thursday's Games
Cleveland 92, New York 89
Miami 111, Milwaukee 109
Houston 110, Philadelphia 101
Seattle 105, LA Lakers 103

Friday's Games
Boston 113, Charlotte 110
New Jersey 105, Indiana 101
Denver 106, Washington 99
Detroit 114, Orlando 100
Chicago 103, Atlanta 88
Cleveland 119, Sacramento 102
San Antonio 100, Philadelphia 90
Dallas 109, Minnesota 94
Utah 124, Houston 97
Portland 123, LA Clippers 116
Golden State 123, Phoenix 115

Saturday's Games
Denver at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
LA Clippers at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Portland at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Golden State at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games
Sacramento at Washington, 1 p.m.
Boston at Indiana, 1 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 1:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

WJCAC basketball

MEN

Team	Season		Conference	
Midland	21	7	11	3
South Plains	21	8	11	4
NMJC	23	4	10	3
Odessa	21	6	9	4
Howard	20	8	7	7
WTC	14	14	6	8
NMMI	10	17	4	9
Clarendon	7	16	2	12
Frank Phillips	3	20	1	11

Thursday, Feb. 20
WTC 71, Midland 70
Odessa 75, South Plains
Clarendon 118, Frank Phillips 107
NMJC 131, NMMI 94

Monday, Feb. 24
WTC at Frank Phillips
Howard at South Plains
NMJC at Midland
Odessa at NMMI

WOMEN

Team	Season		Conference	
Howard	24	3	11	0
NMJC	24	3	9	2
Odessa	14	14	5	6
South Plains	16	12	4	7
Frank Phillips	10	12	3	7
WTC	10	16	3	7
Clarendon	11	11	2	9

Thursday, Feb. 20
WTC 80, Weatherford 67
Clarendon 63, Frank Phillips 58
Odessa 61, South Plains 60

Friday, Feb. 21
Dallas AAU 77, Howard 76

Saturday, Feb. 22
NMJC at Ft. Bliss

Monday, Feb. 24
WTC at Frank Phillips
Howard at South Plains

Fires 68 Friday...

Watson tied for Buick lead

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Tom Watson had one wish going into today's third round of the $1 million Buick Invitational of California.

"I hope," he said, "I'll look back Sunday and be able to say it was my bad round."

Watson, who seemed set to take sole control of the lead at the tournament halfway point, had to work hard Friday to salvage a tie for the lead with Mike Springer and Brad Faxon at 131, 13-under-par.

"The golf course is yielding a lot of birdies. If I'm going to win, I'll have to shoot in the 60s the next two days," he said.

Faxon kept pace with Watson, shooting a 68 at the South course, and Mike Springer, who missed the cut in his last four starts, moved up with a 65 at the South.

Robert Wrenn, one of three tied for the first-round lead, had a 69 at the South and was tied at 132 with rookie Chris Tucker.

Tucker, who made 13 tries at the Tour's Qualifying School before gaining his playing rights late last year, scored two eagles in a round of 68, also at the South.

Steve Pate, a former winner of this event, and Australian Steve Elkington followed at 133. Pate had a 69 on the South course and Elkington shot 67 on the North.

John Huston and Tim Simpson were next at 134. Each shot 68 on the South.

A score of 140, 4-under-par was required to qualify for the final two rounds, which will be played on the South course.

Among those who fell out of the tournament were PGA winner John Daly, defending champion Jay Don Blake and amateur Phil Mickelson.

SDN sports week

Sunday, Feb. 23

Golf
Final round of Ground Hog Tournament at Snyder Country Club. Shotgun start at 1 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 24

Basketball
WTC at Frank Phillips College. Dusters at 6 p.m. Westerners at 8 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 27

Basketball
WTC hosts Clarendon at Scurry County Coliseum. Dusters at 6 p.m. Westerners at 8 p.m.

Golf
WTC at New Mexico Military Institute Tournament in Roswell, N.M.

Friday, Feb. 28

Tennis
Snyder varsity B team at Colorado City tournament.

Golf
Snyder boys' and girls' teams at Ft. Stockton tournament.
WTC at New Mexico Military Institute Tournament in Roswell, N.M.

Track
Snyder girls at ABC Tiger Relays at Frenship.
Snyder boys at Ft. Stockton meet.

Saturday, Feb. 29

Golf
WTC at New Mexico Military Institute Tournament in Roswell, N.M.
Snyder boys' and girls' teams at Ft. Stockton tournament.

Tennis
Snyder varsity B team at Colorado City tournament.

Track
Snyder girls at ABC Tiger Relays at Frenship.
Snyder boys at Ft. Stockton meet.

Tennis
Snyder varsity A team at Big Spring tournament.
Snyder varsity B team at Garden City tournament.

Baseball
Snyder Tigers host Monahans in double-header beginning at noon at Moffett Field.
Snyder JV at Sweetwater at 1 p.m.

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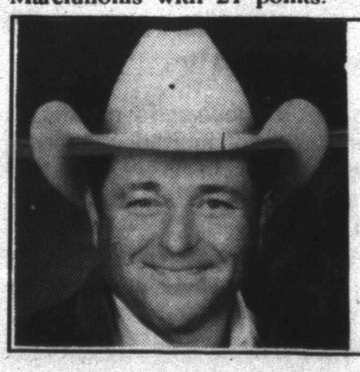

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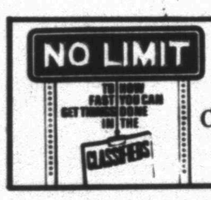

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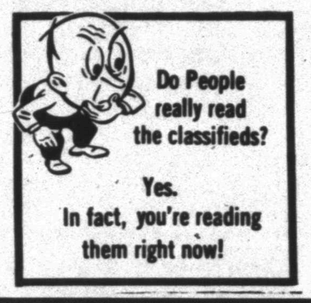

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Gates says CIA willing to release files on JFK

WASHINGTON (AP) — CIA Director Robert Gates promised Friday to open secret agency files on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy if Congress and the administration decide to declassify such records.

"CIA will not be found lagging in any broader government effort to review and declassify these documents," said Gates, whose agency is believed to have as many as 300,000 pages on the case.

"There is no indication the CIA had any part in the assassination of President Kennedy. The declassification of documents I think will help persuade people of that," Gates said in remarks to the Oklahoma Press Association in Tulsa.

Gates' comments could make it easier for Congress to answer growing calls for the release of thousands of sealed documents relating to the 1963 assassination. Debate about the killing was stirred by last December's release of a film by director Oliver Stone contending Kennedy was the victim of a shadowy government conspiracy, primarily by the Pentagon and CIA.

The CIA director said the agency has been kept from any action on its own to open the Kennedy files by privacy regulations and the fact that many of the documents it holds belong to others.

Gates said that in tandem with other government moves toward releasing such documents and in keeping with his new openness policy, all CIA documents about the Kennedy assassination will be transferred to a historical review unit that will examine these and other agency files.

Panel requested

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Supreme Court to vacate the court-ordered plan and remove one of the Austin judges from the case.

"It's like a race to the courthouse," said federal appellate judge Patricia Wald.

Ms. Wald, who sits on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, questioned the necessity of pre-clearance by the panel.

"It would definitely be useful and it could be critical," replied Assistant Attorney General Renea Hicks.

The state is asking the Washington judges to do one of two things — either pre-clear the state-approved plan or force the Justice Department to rule on that same plan, which was presented to them Jan. 9.

The Justice Department has until March 9 — the day before the Texas primaries — to rule on the plan, and has rebuffed requests by state officials for a rapid ruling.

Justice attorney Steven Rosenbaum argued against action by the Washington panel.

"We don't think it makes sense for this court to jump into the frenzy and decide an issue the state is already asking the Supreme Court to decide," he said.

U.S. District Judge Stanley Sporkin seemed to agree, questioning whether the panel shouldn't let the case "play out" at the Supreme Court.

"There's nothing we can do to accelerate ... that train that's on that track going to the Supreme Court," he said.

NEW MANAGER — Dennis R. Gloyna, left, is the new area manager of external affairs for Southwestern Bell Telephone. He replaces Bill Gilliland, right, who recently retired. (SDN Staff Photo)

Gloyna new Bell manager

Dennis R. Gloyna has been named area manager of external affairs for Southwestern Bell Telephone.

He takes over for Bill Gilliland, who recently retired.

Gloyna, who will be headquartered in Abilene, will serve as liaison between Southwestern Bell and 13 area towns, including Snyder.

Others are Abilene, Albany, Anson, Colorado City, Hamlin, Hermleigh, Roby, Roscoe, Rotan, Stamford, Sweetwater and Westbrook.

A Houston native, Gloyna has been with Southwestern Bell Telephone for 18 years. He came to Abilene in 1989 as area manager of the sales and service center after holding supervisory positions in Houston, St. Louis and Austin.

Gloyna is a 1971 graduate of Texas A&M University. He and his wife Ray Ann have two children, Chessy, 12, and Myrick, 16.

Local police kept busy during 24-hour period

Snyder police made six arrests, worked a burglary and investigated two reports of shots being fired Friday and early Saturday morning.

At 6:04 p.m. Friday, Jimmy Dodson notified police that two females driving a 1982 Oldsmobile had taken some items from a residence at 405 31st St. Officers traced the vehicle's license plate number to a Big Spring resident and notified law enforcement authorities there. A report for burglary of a residence has been filed in the case, which is still under investigation. No arrests have been made. Officers said a television and a Nintendo game were among the items taken.

At 1:25 a.m. Saturday, the police department received several calls from residents in the area of Avenue J and 32nd Street, complaining of shots being fired. Officers made contact with a male subject on Avenue J who informed that some other male subjects had shot at his trailer. Police were informed by the parties involved that there was an "ongoing feud" between them. No charges have been filed in the case.

Earlier in the morning, at 12:18, a person came to the police department to report that several male subjects in a 1977 Cadillac had been shooting a gun in the area of 34th Street and Avenue M. Officers later located the vehicle but found no weapon after the subject driving consented to a search.

Two males were arrested on Gary Brewer Road at 12:45 a.m. Saturday following a brief chase by police. Officers arrested an 18-year-old male for evading arrest and disregarding a stop sign, and another 18-year-old male for public intoxication and minor in possession of alcohol.

The episode began when a female in the 3200 block of 40th Street informed officers that two vehicles appeared to have had an accident and were chasing each other. One had driven through her yard. No accident report had been filed as of noon Saturday.

Officers later located one of the vehicles and gave pursuit, resulting in the arrest of the two 18-year-old males.

Officers also arrested a 56-year-old male at 4:43 p.m. Friday in the 1500 block of Avenue J for Class C assault; a 39-year-old male at 10:53 p.m. Friday in the 3900 block of College Avenue for public intoxication and disorderly conduct; and two males, ages 19 and 20, at 2:49 a.m. Saturday in the 2000 block of 27th Street for disorderly conduct.

Among other reports taken by police were these:

—At 5:38 p.m. Friday, Billy Howard notified police that someone had gone into his 504½ 28th St. residence without his permission. A report for criminal trespass was filed in the case.

—At 8:56 p.m. Friday, officers filed a report for Class A criminal mischief in reference to someone entering a home at 3009 Ave. T and doing some damage.

—At 9:41 p.m. Friday, officers were informed that a female juvenile had been assaulted in the 2800 block of Ave. D by several other females. No charges have been filed in the case.

—At 1:24 a.m., officers took a report for Class B theft after an employee of Allsup's notified them that someone had taken several packages of cigarettes.

—And, at 4:02 a.m. Saturday, Donald Sims of 220 34th St. informed officers that someone had taken a utility pole climbing belt from his vehicle. A report for Class A theft was filed.

Voting

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Precinct 1 commissioner last August. He is unopposed in the primary.

Running on the Democratic ticket for constable are former county judge Bobby Goodwin and self-employed welder Jimmy Wilson. Running unopposed on the Republican ticket is Scott Crenwelge, an area farmer and rancher.

No other county or district positions have contested primaries. Some will be contested in the general election, however.

Incumbent District Judge Gene L. Dulaney, a Republican, will be challenged by attorney Marvin Sentell, a Democrat, in the general election.

Incumbent commissioner of Precinct 2, Democrat C.D. Gray Jr., will oppose Republican Eddie Don Floyd, owner of Snyder Farm Equipment, in November.

Rona Sikes, incumbent county tax assessor, is running unopposed on the Democratic ticket. She will face local bank teller Modean Riley Konvicka — the only Republican candidate for tax assessor — in November.

Running unopposed for the March 10 primary and the general election in November will be Ernie Armstrong, Democratic incumbent for district attorney; and Pete Greene, Democratic incumbent for county attorney.

Obituaries

Floyd Shepard

1897-1992

COLORADO CITY — Graveside services are set for 2 p.m. Monday in the Colorado City Cemetery for Floyd Shepard Sr., 94, who died Thursday in a local hospital.

He was the brother of Coy Scarbrough of Snyder.

Mr. Shepard was born in Sallisaw, Okla., and attended barber and business school in Fort Worth. He lived in Colorado City for 70 years. He was a retired barber and a member of the Kiwanis Club.

Survivors include a son, Floyd Shepard Jr. of Broken Bow, Okla., a daughter, Wynona Myrick of Pagos Springs, Colo.; two other sisters, Lynn Compton of Loraine and Opal Edwards of Corpus Christi; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Russians now face shortage of rubles

MOSCOW (AP) — Russians call it a "ruble famine." Irritated and puzzled by this latest shortage, they jostled in line for cash at banks on Friday, just as they do for meat at the butcher's.

Some even went to the extreme of exchanging their preciously hoarded dollars for rubles, spurred by an unprecedented rise in the Russian currency's value against foreign currencies.

"No Cash" declared a sign at the Russian Savings Bank branch on busy Tverskaya Street in downtown Moscow. By midday it had run out of money and was offering only teller's checks to fuming depositors.

"Who needs your checks!" cried a burly man in a sheepskin coat. "I need cash now. Do you think I can find an idiot in any store who will accept your checks for anything worth buying?"

It's no ordinary run on a shaky bank that has gripped the young Commonwealth of Independent States.

The Russian government, which controls the former Soviet mint, continues to print rubles at a startling rate. The amount of cash in circulation in Russia rose 20.4 percent in January, Izvestia reported Thursday.

However, the demand for rubles — and thus their rise in value against the dollar — has risen even faster than the supply.

This is partly because President Boris Yeltsin freed prices on Jan. 2, allowing them to shoot up more than 300 percent on average and forcing Russians to dip into savings.

This week, the Russian government began trying to at least hold down the supply of rubles by somewhat limiting printing of the currency, in an effort to rein in inflation and boost the currency's value, the deputy prime minister, Yegor Gaidar, said Wednesday.

Adding to the cash crunch, Russia's central Bank has increased the export tariffs that companies and organizations must pay in rubles, according to Alexei Ulyukayev, a government economic adviser.

Births

Cody and Tyson Sterling welcome home their new baby sister, Paige Nicole, born Feb. 20 at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. Parents are Robbie and Marla Sterling of Snyder. She weighed six pounds and seven ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Margaret and LaRue Watkins of Snyder and paternal grandparents are Mickey and Joanne Sterling of Ira. Maternal great-grandmother is Lelia Halpain of Snyder and paternal great-grandparents are Ocie and Loraine Tipping of Ira.

English students want to know

DUBBO, Australia (AP) — Forget the pomp and ceremony. What young royalty fans want to know is what Queen Elizabeth II is REALLY like.

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In Compliance with Section 763.93(E) (10) of the Ahera Regulations. The Snyder Independent School District will be conducting scheduled surveillance of all Campuses containing Asbestos material during the month of February 1992.

Ira ISD seeking bids for repairs to a teacherage. Contact Administration Office for specifications (573-2629). Deadline to receive bids is Noon, Monday, March 9, 1992.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
THE STATE OF TEXAS
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To those indebted to, or holding claims against the estate of SIMON S. STEINBERG, deceased, Probate Case Number 4960:

The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executrix of the estate of Simon S. Steinberg, deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by James R. Doolittle, Judge of the County Court of said County on the 20th day of February, 1992, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to Ruth L. Steinberg, 2200 30th Street, Snyder, Texas 79549; within the time prescribed by law. Executed this 20th day of February, 1992.

(s)Ruth L. Steinberg,
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RULE 37 CASE NO. 109,438
NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, Lakewood Exploration, 500 W. Texas, Suite 935, Midland, TX 79701, has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code Section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the distance between wells requirement to drill, Well No. 2, White Buffalo Lease, 80 Acres, Section 175, Block 97, H & TC RR Co. Survey, Diamond -M- (Canyon Area) Field, Scurry County, being 6.7 miles in a southwest direction from Snyder, Texas.

The location of this well is as follows: 480' from the north line and 330' from the east line of lease. 480' from the north line and 330' from the east line of survey.

Field Rules for the Diamond -M- (Canyon Area) Field are 330/933, 40 Acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 6900 feet.

Prusuant to the terms of Rule 37(h)(2)(A), this application may be granted administratively if no protest to the application is received. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the applications with cross examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Mickey Dodson, Agent, at (915)682-6373. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission at (512)463-6718.

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If you wish to request a hearing of this application, you must fill out, sign and mail or deliver to the Austin office of the Railroad Commission of Texas the enclosed notice of intent to appear in protest. A copy of the intent to appear in protest must also be mailed or delivered on the same date to application at the address shown above. This intent to appear in protest must be received in the Railroad Commissions Austin office by March 19, 1992. If no protest is received within such time, the requested permit will be granted administratively.

Notice requires publication.

CAPPING CEREMONY — A "capping" ceremony — which indicates students have completed their first phase of training — was held Thursday for 11 students enrolled in the Western Texas Vocational Nursing Program. Those "capped" were top row, from left, Debbie Moore of Jayton; Jeni Rinehart of Snyder; Kimberly Neves of Snyder; second row, Teri Orr of Rotan, Danny Gambol of Snyder; third row, Sandi Martin of Rotan, Teresa Herrera of Snyder; Lana Turner of Snyder; bottom row, Denise Carter of Snyder; Jo Ann Tovar of Snyder and Tracy Pruitt of Snyder. (WTC Photo)

GM workers wait, wonder

DETROIT (AP) — More than two months of wondering about layoffs may end Monday for some of General Motors Corp.'s 300,000 hourly workers when GM Chairman Robert Stempel talks to them by closed-circuit television.

The last time Stempel talked directly with workers was in December when he announced a huge corporate restructuring that included plans to close six assembly plants and 15 component factories, and eliminate 74,000 hourly and salaried jobs by 1995.

Stempel said production of large, rear-wheel-drive cars made in Arlington, Texas, and the Willow Run factory outside Ypsilanti, Mich., would be consolidated into one plant. But he didn't say which one or mention any other assembly plants by name.

Nowhere was the tension more acute Friday than among United Auto Workers union members in Arlington and near Ypsilanti.

"It's hard on the people," UAW Local 1776 member Ray Pollmann said Friday from the Willow Run plant. "They wish they would have had (a list) when they made the first announcement."

It's been tough in Arlington, too, and it got a little tougher there Friday. The Detroit Free Press quoted unidentified union and company sources as saying the Michigan plant would be the factory that is spared.

"Workers are upset about the premature announcement, which to them is only more rumors," UAW Local 276 President Dave Purdue said from Arlington.

GM officials declined to say what Stempel would talk about Monday when he addresses employees on a satellite-fed broadcast. At the same time Stempel was scheduled to take to the air, GM was expected to release its fourth quarter and 1991 financial results.

The company was expected to report more than $3 billion in losses, pushing Big Three combined losses for last year near $7 billion. The record loss so far was in 1980, when GM, Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. combined for $4.5 billion in red ink.

Meanwhile, rumors were rampant.

"Everybody's just antsy as all get-out," said Lloyd Shepherd, vice president of UAW Local 977 at GM's stamping plant in Marion, Ind.

Tony Henderson, vice president of Local 801 of the International Union of Electronic workers, said the mood at GM's Moraine, Ohio, truck assembly plant was upbeat.

"Until some kind of decision is made, the mood will probably remain the same," he said.

Kiel said injured in accident

MADERA, Calif. (AP) — Actor Richard Kiel suffered minor injuries when his car hit a pickup and crashed into a ditch on a rural road Thursday, the California Highway Patrol reported.

Kiel, who played the giant "Jaws" in two James Bond movies, was northbound on Yosemite Lake Parkway when he veered into the opposite lane, Officer Tom Isler said.

The 7-foot-2-inch actor, who lives in the Sierra Nevada foothills near here, was treated at St. Agnes Medical Center in Fresno for head cuts and released.

Isler said two passengers in the pickup were treated for cuts.

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Tyson's accuser says she was not out to ruin his life

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The woman Mike Tyson was convicted of raping said in an interview aired Friday she pursued charges against Tyson because he needs help.

In her first television interview, Desiree Washington told ABC News' "20-20" she thinks Tyson is sick and should be sentenced to prison "for as long as it takes for him to be rehabilitated."

Asked what she would say if she could talk with Tyson, Miss Washington said, "I would tell him, 'You need help, you know.'"

"I did it because you need help, and if your so-called friends weren't big enough to tell you, at least I was,'" she said.

A jury convicted Tyson on Feb. 10 of rape and criminal deviate conduct against Miss Washington, who was a contestant in the Miss Black America pageant when she met the former heavyweight champion last July.

Special prosecutor Greg Garrison told "20-20" he will recommend that Tyson receive jail time. "It can go down as far as six years and up as far as 20. But it will be significant," Garrison said.

He is to be sentenced March 27.

Miss Washington, 19, told "20-20" she was offered $1 million to recant her allegations against Tyson. She said she wasn't at liberty to say who made the offer.

"I reported it to my lawyer, who took it to a higher authority, and it's being taken care of," said Miss Washington, of Coventry, R.I.

New York Newsday, citing a source close to an FBI investigation into Miss Washington's allegation, reported Friday the offer was made by the Rev. Virgil A. Wood, pastor of Pond Street Baptist Church in Providence, R.I.

Wood denied making the offer. He said he wouldn't provide detailed comment until he watched the interview and had time to reflect on it.

"I categorically deny the Newsday story. That's as much statement as I can make this morning," Wood said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press.

"Mr. Washington filmed my daughter's wedding about two years ago," Wood said. "I would say I've had a casual acquaintance in a pastoral context setting with Miss Washington."

Rob Smith, a spokesman for the prosecutor, said Friday that attorneys were continuing to investigate reports that a juror said the verdict in Tyson's trial was fixed.

Indianapolis attorney Robert Prather told the prosecutor on Monday that he overheard a juror make the comment last Saturday at a gymnasium.

The juror's attorney, Joseph C. Lewis Jr., declined comment Friday pending an investigation into the claim.

Fraternity picks Anne Deavers

SAN ANGELO — Anne Deavers, a senior music major from Snyder, was one of 60 students inducted into the Mu Gamma Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi for the fall semester at Angelo State University.

Kappa Delta Pi is an international honor society for undergraduate and graduate students in education. An undergraduate student must be approved for the Texas Education Program with 60 hours completed and at least a 3.0 GPA. A graduate student must already be in the teaching field to be eligible.

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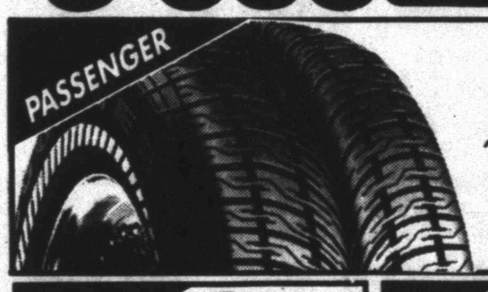

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Resort island said gearing up for biggest spring break ever

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, Texas (AP) — The beaches belong to the fishermen right now. The dunes are quiet, in some places almost desolate, a playground for retirees and sea gulls.

The peace won't last long.

"Yeah, it's calm now," Ted Turner, a Canadian whose been wintering on this resort island for years, said with a smile. "Wait two weeks."

Turner has photos of what will likely be happening then, when the first of thousands of college students will begin pouring in looking for fun, surf and sun courtesy of spring break 1992, expected to be the biggest ever on South Padre Island.

The island and its roughly 1,000 full-time residents are expecting more than 100,000 college students over the course of the next few weeks. A few spring breakers have already trickled onto the island. The flow will continue until spring break hits its peak in mid-March.

It's a pretty sight, said Turner. "I enjoy it," he said, displaying photos of one of the island's infamous "tan line" contests. "It gets a little noisy, but they're young."

They're also a blessing to island businesses, which rely heavily on the annual ritual for a good part of their income.

"That one month represents about one-sixth of our total year," Sheraton Resort General Manager Carl Torsleff said.

A study conducted for the South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau shows that last March each visiting student spent an average of $371.37 on the island. Overall, the students spent a total of $20,957,152 in the city. That number climbs to more than $27.1 million when the spending throughout the region, principally Mexico, is included.

Expectations are higher this year.

"This is going to be the biggest for us," said Cathy Cabler, spokeswoman for the Convention and Visitors Bureau. "The phones are going crazy."

Ms. Cabler said that more advertising, increased national exposure for the island — an appearance on the CBS news magazine "48 Hours" for example — and word of mouth are probably responsible for the projected increase.

"They just tell me we're pretty much the buzzword on campuses," she said.

If hotel bookings are any indication, that's certainly the case.

"We've had calls ever since spring break last year," said Jennifer Porter-Davis, assistant to the Radisson Resort's general manager.

The hotel was booked "probably by the first or second week in January," she said. "A lot of kids come home for Christmas and talk their parents into spring break for a Christmas present."

Those who succeeded are in for quite a week. Spring breakers will have their choice of beach games, giant tire relays, dance parties, a beach volleyball tournament, bikini contests, coed team beer chugging contests and hermit crab races.

They can eat shrimp by the pound, pizza — on sale in the Radisson lobby from noon to 3 a.m. — or guzzle Hammerhead Cocktails. An "old island secret recipe," Ms. Porter-Davis said.

Island officials and merchants are concerned about promoting fun, but they stress that they want it to be "responsible fun." The spring break theme again this year will be "Party Smart," an educational effort sponsored by a Costa Mesa, Calif.-based group called Beer Drinkers of America.

"You'll see it everywhere," Ms. Cabler said. "It's just a message that is going to be pounded home."

The main concerns for officials are cutting down on drunken driving — which police say did decrease last year — and public intoxication.

Last year there were also 10 sexual assaults reported to island authorities, compared to about two the year before, said Police Capt. Tommy Atkinson.

"It caught us off guard, really," Atkinson said. Officials don't know if sexual assaults actually increased in 1991 or whether the figures just represent an increase in the numbers reported.

EAST BEE — Winners in East's spelling bee are from left, seated, Jerrod Rinehart, first place; Jocelyn Pinkerton, second place; standing, from left, Courtney Rinehart, third place; and Catrina Lopez, fourth place. Jerrod and Courtney are the children of Jerry and Vicki Rinehart. Jocelyn is the daughter of Harvey and Susan Pinkerton and Catrina is the daughter of Jose and Gloria Lopez. (SDN Staff Photo)

COMPOSITE CHOIR — This choir, made up of Ira High School and Junior High School students, will compete in March at the UIL Concert Choir Contest to be held at Texas Tech University. School officials said this may be the first composite choir from Ira to compete in this event. Students include Laura Baze, Jamie Bray, Roy Brown, Kasey Calley, Chris Chance, Jessica Clark, Adam Davis, Amanda Davis, Trisha Gaskins, Jim Gorman, Tammi Hardy, Chris Haynes, Jeremy Helm, Jeremy Howard, Nikki Hudson, Xandy Hudson, Kyle Lomax, Heath Mathis, Billy Mebane, Jennifer Northcott, Lindsey Northcott, Jennifer Rankin, Angie Robinson, Ivonne Rodriguez, Cory Rosas, Mauricia Rosas, Susan Shoults, Amanda Sorrells, Kristi Sorrells, Jessica Williams and Rebekah Williams. (SDN Staff Photo)

Rivers swaps role with contest winner

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Joan Rivers traded her designer fashions for a Denny's uniform and nametag Saturday, working the graveyard shift for a waitress who won the talk hostess' "Life Swap" contest.

Rivers served customers from midnight till morning under the watchful eye of Rhonda Denton, who gets to play host of Rivers' talk show next month.

The rest of Rivers' day included going to Denton's Loxahatchee home to cook breakfast for Denton's husband and their two children, then walking five miles for exercise and finally winding down with a nap.

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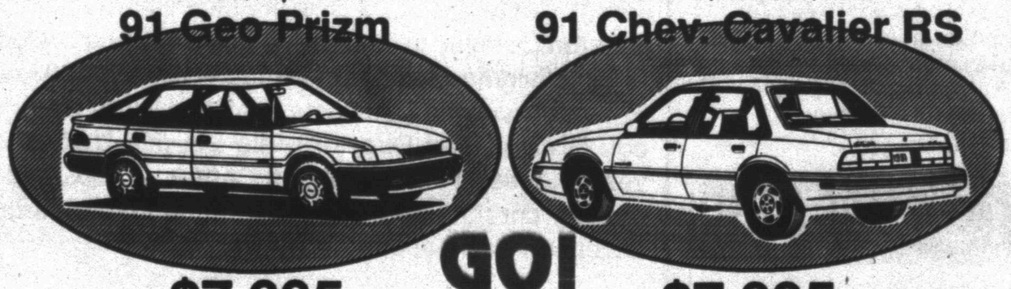

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Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

Allan Rollins logged thousands of miles while working for the Texas Department of Transportation before retiring last month.

During his 35-year tenure he observed many changes, including two name changes. When Rollins was hired in September of 1953 the official name was the Texas Highway Department. Later it was called the Texas Department of Highways and finally the Texas Department of Transportation.

As a member of the maintenance crew, one of Rollins' primary tasks was to maintain the highways. From Snyder, he worked in several directions, stopping at various county lines, including Mitchell, Kent, Garza and Fisher.

Crews were comprised of two to six men, depending on how much "asphalt shooting" was planned each day.

Rollins' eventually switched from the asphalt crew to operating the street sweeper, a position he held for some 15 years before retiring.

Other duties included operating the mower and keeping right-of-ways clear of weeds and tall grass. During winter months, he helped keep the highways clear of snow and ice.

A favorite story concerns a motorist trapped in a snow-filled ditch whom he helped get back onto the main highway. A few miles down the road, this same motorist managed to run into a car driven by the Sweetwater fire chief, who just happened to be Rollins' son-in-law. "I have taken a lot of kidding over that incident," he said.

In recent years, there wasn't much snow to worry about. But when the highways were bad, crews were called out and a 24-hour schedule was followed, if warranted.

Rainy weather also meant Rollins could be called out at any hour. He remembers many times a "flag man" being posted day and night at a potential danger spot until the water had receded. When necessary, the roads were closed.

He also recounted the story of a couple of women whose car became stuck in mud several years ago. He was in the process of shoveling the mud from around the wheels of their vehicle when one of them had a heart attack.

Since that was before CPR had been introduced, Rollins ran to a nearby store and called for an ambulance. In spite of his best efforts, the woman died before she reached the hospital.

Sweeper duties often took him to surrounding cities, including Sweetwater, Haskell, Aspermont and Rule. His main duties included keeping the curbs and gutters clean on state highways. He also helped serve during clean-up following a tornado in Haskell a few years ago.

While operating the sweeper, Rollins often picked up articles along the way. While dumping the load at the end of the day, he sometimes discovered pennies and other items, including a $10 bill, clothes, sheets, and a purse. He always turned the articles into the office.

On occasion, Rollins helped with clean-up detail following an accident. But in 35 years he does not remember ever working a "real serious accident."

Rollins said he enjoyed driving the sweeper. "It gave me more freedom and allowed me to visit nearby towns and meet other employees," he said. Another crewmember always rode on the sweeper with him.

Mower crews no longer automatically maintain right-of-ways. Instead, individuals contract for the work to be done.

When Rollins was hired in 1953, the highway department's office was located where Tom's Marine is today.

Joe M. Middleton was the supervisor when Rollins joined the department. Other supervisors included Arlen Vandiver, Gaylord Price, Eddie Thane and Don Crowder, who currently holds the position. The present office is located near the Highway 84 bypass.

Various types of asphalt have also been used over the past 3½ decades to repair chugholes. Equipment and safety records also improved. As new equipment was added, Rollins said smaller crews were used and workers did not have to spend as much time shoveling.

Rollins, who enjoys working outdoors, said he never minded the cold weather as long as the heaters in the vehicles worked.

During his years on the job, Rollins said safety procedures were constantly being updated. Red vests and safety helmets are required now for all crews, but 3½ decades ago they were not.

Rollins' safety record was quite good. His only injury was to a finger when a cutting torch was dropped on it.

Since safety is always important, Rollins said more courses are available today than ever before. New and safer ways to set up barricades and safety signs are always being studied.

Since TDOT employees may come into contact with accidents, Rollins said recent years have seen AIDS safety instruction added to their list.

Instruction is also offered regarding the safe and correct ways to use herbicides to control weeds which grow along the highways.

Waste oil and used rags can no longer be just thrown out, but must be disposed of properly.

Everyone must have a Texas Commercial Driver's License in order to be able to drive the state vehicles.

Other changes include painting TDOT's vehicles white instead of

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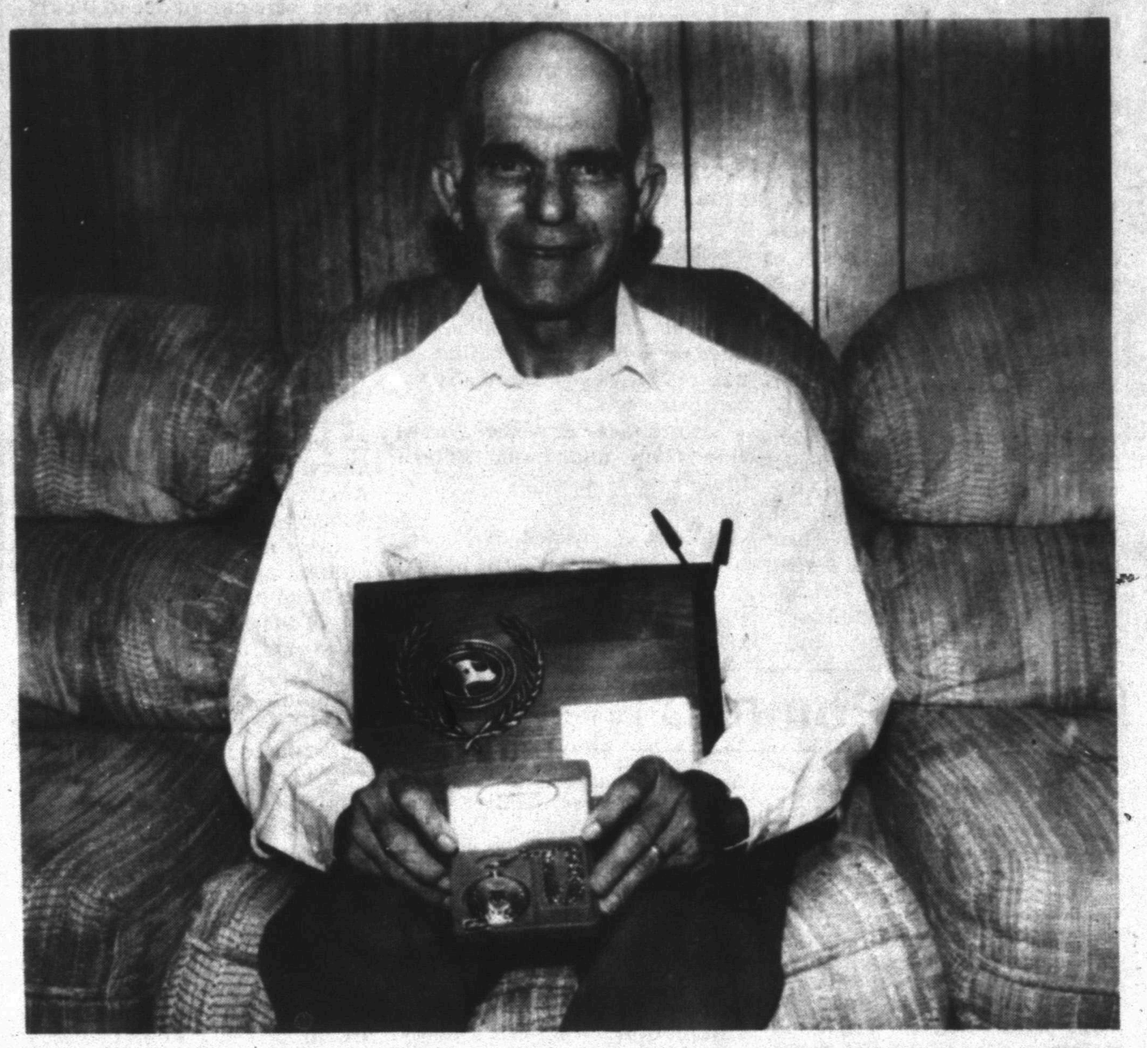

35 YEARS OF SERVICE — Allan Rollins has many good memories of working for the Texas Department of Transportation for the past 35 years. During his tenure the name of the organization was changed twice and is now referred to by the acronym TDOT. Safety procedures were also periodically improved. Rollins holds the plaque and other momentoes he received when he officially retired last month. He is currently enjoying his free time. (SDN Staff Photo)

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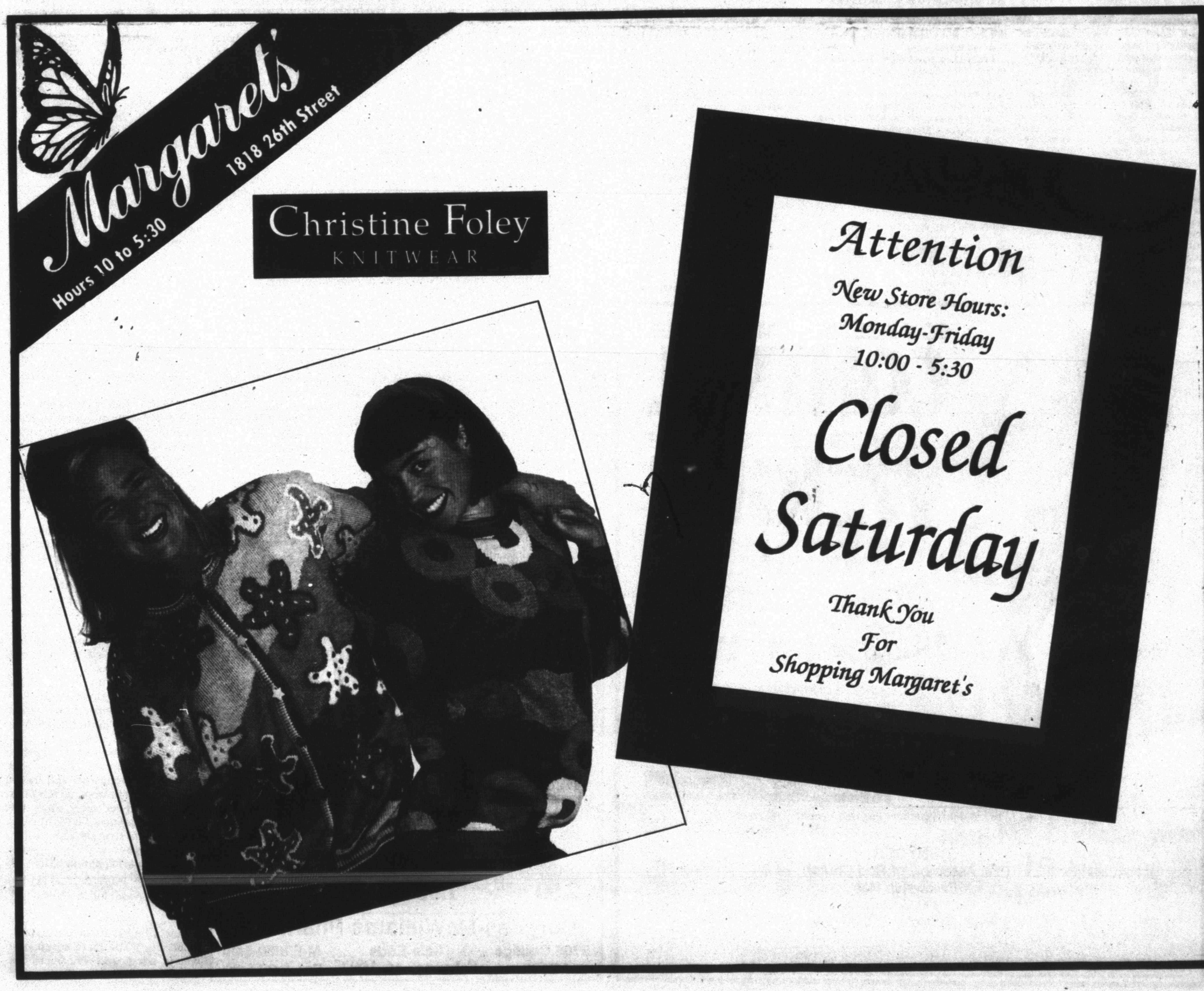

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yellow.

And today, smoking is banned inside the office buildings.

Since the department started using reflective markers instead of a white center line, Rollins said they had to be careful so as not to dislodge them when blading.

TDOT is also in the process of reorganizing and by 1993 13 districts will replace the current 24. Snyder is currently in District 8.

Rollins said he was fortunate to work with some good people who were always helpful. He mentioned Jimmy Suarez, assistant superintendent, and Wanda Thorpe and Ron Boley, office workers, among others.

Rollins and his family moved to Snyder when he was 10. Previously, they lived in Wichita Falls where his parents farmed. In addition, his father was an auto dealer and his mother taught school.

Rollins attended Snyder High School when it was located where the jail is today. He was drafted into the Army after graduation and served two years, including 13 months in Korea.

After being discharged from the Army, Rollins worked in the oil field for a brief time, but, when his father and brother were injured in an accident near Del Rio, he quit his job so he could help his mother take care of his father who was in a coma for two weeks.

After his father recovered, Rollins applied for the highway department job and was hired a few days later.

Though he has no specific plans, Rollins said he has looked forward to his last day at work. Possibilities include fishing, traveling, visiting grandchildren, bicycling and hiking.

He also collects historical pictures, enjoys music and likes to tape old movies — especially the early day westerns.

He is a member of the Canyon Gun Club and Faith Baptist Church.

Rollins is married to Estelle, who is a private duty nurse. They have one son, who is an engineer with TDOT, two daughters and 11 grandchildren.

Polly's Pointers By Polly Fisher

DEAR POLLY — I have some cake and biscuit recipes that call for buttermilk. We don't like to drink buttermilk, and I hate to buy it for these recipes just to throw half of it away. Can regular milk be used in these recipes? — MARY

DEAR MARY — Don't substitute regular milk for buttermilk in baking recipes unless you know it will work. The acid in buttermilk affects the baked product's flavor, texture and tenderness. Also, the type of leavening (baking soda or baking powder, for example) that works best differs with regular milk and buttermilk.

Here are some alternatives:

• You can buy buttermilk powder in many supermarkets in the baking ingredients aisle. Directions on the can tell how to substitute the powder for fresh buttermilk.

• You can make sour milk quickly to substitute for the buttermilk. Just add 1 tablespoon vinegar or lemon juice to a cup of fresh regular milk. Let stand five minutes. It will then be ready to use in place of buttermilk without altering any other ingredients.

• A cup of plain yogurt can also be substituted for a cup of buttermilk. Yogurt sometimes produces a slightly different texture, however.

• If you must substitute regular milk for buttermilk, add 1¾ teaspoon cream of tartar for each cup of milk. The cream of tartar is an acid which compensates for the missing acid from buttermilk. I can't guarantee results with this method, but in most simpler baking recipes, it works.

I'm sending you a copy of my newsletter, "Kitchen Tricks," which has more substitutions for common baking ingredients such as chocolate, cake flour, baking powder, butter and more. It also offers hints for coping with occasional cooking mishaps and disasters, as well as ideas for adding more flavor and interest to everyday foods. Others who would like a copy of this issue should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope for each copy to POLLY'S POINTERS, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 93863, Cleveland, OH 44101-5863. — POLLY

DEAR POLLY — We are planning to buy a large freezer and would like to keep it in the garage. Would cold temperatures during the winter damage the freezer? — DORIS

DEAR DORIS — If you're getting a manual-defrost, freezer-only unit, there should be no problem. However, automatic-defrost freezers and combination refrigerator-freezers don't operate well in surrounding temperatures below 60 degrees. These units are sensitive to the air temperature, which affects how often the compressor cycles on and off.

At low outside temperatures, the compressor of a combination refrigerator-freezer may not cycle on enough to keep food frozen in the freezer compartment.

Even if you are buying a manual-defrost freezer, it is best to check the manufacturer's use-and-care manual for any special instructions or care required when operating the freezer in an unheated area.

I'm sending you a copy of my newsletter, "The Energy Saver's Guide," which offers some tips for saving energy while operating your freezer, as well as other major appliances such as refrigerators, dishwashers and air conditioners. Others who would like a copy of this issue should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope for each copy to POLLY'S POINTERS, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 93863, Cleveland, OH 44101-5863. — POLLY

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Historic Salado, Texas is setting for Wells, McCormick wedding

MR. AND MRS. CHARLIE McCORMICK

December 21, 1991, Salado Creek, Texas' first natural landmark, was inundated by record-breaking rainfall. Interstate 45, State Highway 36, and other area roads were closed due to the rising waters. At 12 noon, inside the historic Salado United Methodist Church, the reflection of loving family and friends shined brightly on the wedding of Cayce Cleigh Wells and Charlie Taylor McCormick.

The Christmas season inspired the setting for the wedding ceremony. Rows of poinsettias, greenery, red velvet bows and a Christmas tree decorated the church Guests were ushered into the church as Christmas carols were played by organist Ken Mowell of Harker Heights. "Water Music in F" was performed by flautist Sheryl Goodnight of Little River Academy, Little River. Soloist Jeanne McCormick Ketchersid of Farmer's Branch, sister of the groom, sang "Eternal Life." The wedding party entered to "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring." The recessional music was "Joyful, Joyful."

Tom Holcomb, minister of East Side Church of Christ in Snyder, united the couple in marriage.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Alexander Wells of Little River, formerly of Dallas. Grandparents are Rex Randall Baugh Sr. of Temple, and Mr. and Mrs. James Kirkland Wells of Obion, Tenn.

The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Claude Ellis McCormick Jr. of Snyder. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Andrew Taylor Sr. of Shreveport, La., and Mrs. Claude Ellis McCormick Sr. of Snyder and the late Mr. McCormick.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of candlelight silk shantung, designed by Christos, with a bateau neckline and three-quarter length sleeves. The moulded, dropped bodice featured a V back and was enhanced with covered buttons and a tailored bow which was heavily adorned with Guipure lace. The lower half of the sleeve was also accented with the lace. The long, full, gently-gathered skirt extended to a chapel length train. She carried a natural cascading bouquet of japhet, phalaeonopsis, dendrobium orchids, moonlight roses, stephanotis, holly and her grandmother's wedding handkerchief.

In keeping with tradition, for "something old," she carried the handkerchief of her maternal grandmother, Delyte Baugh; "something new" was a garter from her sister, Dansby Wells; "something borrowed" was her mother's pearl and diamond earrings; "something blue" was a garter previously worn by her mother and her aunt, Cleigh Nell Dalton.

Dansby Bess Wells of Little River served her sister as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Jennifer Knipp of Dallas; Allison Thornton and Cheryl Welborn of Tyler. The bridesmaids wore long, slim, hunter green faille gowns, fashioned with a bateau neckline, and short, shirred, tulip sleeves. The tulip skirt was draped to the left side and accented with pleats. They carried bouquets of calla lilies and red roses hand-tied with red moire ribbon.

Heather Leigh Ketchersid and Courtney Marie Ketchersid, nieces of the groom, served as flower girls. Their matching hunter green dresses were designed and made by the bride's aunt, Cleigh Baugh Dalton of Novato, Calif.

The flower girls handed long-stemmed red rose buds to ladies on the aisle. They were escorted by Timothy Owen Ketchersid, nephew of the groom. The junior groomsman wore a charcoal cutaway jacket, with peak lapel, over hickory-striped pants to match the groom's and groomsmen's attire.

Vance Herrold of Littleton, Colo., served as best man. Groomsmen were Zack Allen of Abilene, Mike Miller of Tulsa, Okla., and Ran Kirkland Wells of Little River, the bride's brother.

A buffet dinner reception followed the marriage ceremony at the Mill Creek Clubhouse on the banks of the swollen Salado Creek. The Jay DuBose Band from Temple played as the guests dined and mingled. The bride's table held a five-tiered wedding cake with fresh flowers adorning the top of each layer. Crystal posts separated the layers. Punch was served from a silver punch bowl by Mary Nell Pirtle of Belton, Angie Griggs and Julie Heard of Abilene. Cake servers were Jo Ann Knipp of Dallas, Carolyn Welborn of Tyler, Gwen Beaver and Judy Cast, both of Belton, and Martha Daniel of Temple.

The groom's table held a silver coffee service and chocolate cake with strawberries, dipped in chocolate, circling the tiered cake. The top of the cake held the couple's monogram "cMc." Serving were Gaylene Dobbs; Wanda Hudgins and Sue Lyon of Snyder; and Linda Heath, Kellie and Kim Heath, all of Austin.

The band played "Can I Have This Dance For the Rest of My Life?" as the new Mr. and Mrs. McCormick danced. Then the bride and her dad, and the groom and his mother danced. Following, the bride and her new father-in-law and the groom and his new mother-in-law danced.

The bride's going-away suit was black with bright colors of red, gold, green, fuchsia and purple swinging over her shoulder. Her outfit was completed with a broad-billed, black hat with a satin bow in back.

The bridal bouquet was caught by the bridegroom's sister, Cindy McCormick of Manhattan Beach, Calif. The garter was caught by Russ Walker of Abilene.

Favors for wedding guests were gold-wrapped Hershey kisses surrounded in lace and tied with green ribbon which held a crystal "kiss" etched with the couple's monogram and wedding date.

Rose potpourri was thrown on the couple as they left for their honeymoon to San Antonio and Bermuda.

The groom's parents were hosts for the rehearsal dinner at the historic Stagecoach Inn of Salado. The theme, "A Long Line of Love" was relating to grandparents Wells and McCormick, each celebrated over 60 years together; grandparents Baugh and Taylor, each celebrated over 50 years together. Parents Judy and Steve Wells celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Dec. 17; and parents Barbara and Junior McCormick celebrated 33 years together in December of 1991.

Decorations glittered with candles, mirrors, silk poinsettias and holly leaves. The groom's sister, Jeanne Ketchersid, sang Michael Martin Murphy's "A Long Line of Love," and Amy Grant's "Doubly Good" while accompanying herself on the guitar.

Harley Bynum gave a slide presentation of the individual highlights of the couple's lives.

Prenuptial parties for the pair were an engagement announcement dinner at the Temple Wildflower Country Club, a crate and barrel shower in Dallas, a bridal shower in Snyder, and a personal lingerie shower in Abilene.

The bride is a graduate of Highland Park High School in Dallas and obtained a BA in English from Abilene Christian University while an active member of Sigma Theta Chi. She is currently a graduate student and teaching assistant in English at Texas A&M University.

The groom is a graduate of Snyder High School and obtained a BA in English from ACU while actively involved in Phi Beta Epsilon. He is a graduate student in anthropology and an undergratuate advisor at Texas A&M University.

The bride and groom are now at home in Bryan.

Many friends and family members travelled many hours and miles to witness the uniting of this couple. Out-of-state guests were from California, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Illinios, Tennessee, Colorado, Oregon and Virginia.

Trends for men

NEW YORK (AP) — It's the younger adult male, not afraid of non-traditional ideas, who will lead trends in men's fashions this year, according to an industry survey.

A shift in men's clothes toward fitted and body-hugging styles is indicated by the study, commissioned by the National Association of Men's Sportswear Buyers. Those surveyed were menswear retailers and college faculty members in the apparel design field.

Respondents identified the leadership group as the youngest segment of the adult male population, from the late teens through 20s.

The new narrow silhouettes will include single-breasted suits in both three-and four-button models, stovepipe jeans and garments made of stretch fabrics. Look for more earth tones and pastels — tobacco, olive, tan, mauve, and ivory — as well as washed silk and rayon fabrics.

Other trends predicted in the survey include authentic-looking baseball jackets and caps; body-hugging sportswear; bold prints extended from shirts to jackets, swimwear, sleepwear and shorts; year-round sweaters; novelty ties; shorts for all occasions, including walk shorts paired with blazers; and a profusion of accessories like unusual watches, belts, pocket squares, pouch belts, suspenders and jewelry.

By The Associated Press

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Chelette, Crawford say vows at Colonial Hill Baptist

Vickie Lynn Chelette became the bride of Malcolm Douglas Crawford at 2 p.m. on Jan. 25 at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Performing the double ring ceremony was Miller F. Robinson, pastor of the church.

The bride's parents are Mr. and Mrs. J.N. Greenfield and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Chapman of Hawley.

Decorating the altar were two spiral candelabra and one fan-shaped candelabrum, entertwined with greenery and rose colored bows. Pews were also marked with the bows.

Kinney Robinson of Gatesville sang "Weekend in New England," and "The Lord's Prayer," as he accompanied himself at the piano. Dana Phillips of Chico, cousin of the groom, sang "Only God Could Love You More."

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a tea length candlelight gown with a high banded, lace collar. Her lace covered straight skirt featured a three tiered ruffle down the back from the waist. Her veil was a headband of small silk flowers attached to a shoulder-length veil, styled and made by Floyd Garcia.

She carried rose colored roses, accented with small candlelight colored flowers, and English ivy cascading to the side of a white bride's Bible, given to her by the groom.

Traditionally, "something old" was a teardrop pearl necklace loaned by the groom's mother. The necklace was given to the groom's mother by his father when they married. "Something new" was her dress. "Something borrowed" was a pair of pearl earrings loaned by the bride's sister-in-law. "Something blue" was her garter, made by her mother.

Matron of honor was Patti Greenfield of Pasedena, her sister-in-law. She wore a rose colored dress with a lace overlay, accessorized with a string of pearls. She carried a bouquet of three rose colored roses.

Flower girl was Sarah Chelette, daughter of the bride.

Best man was Jesse Dykes of Pampa, uncle of the groom. Seating guests were Terry Rumpff, Gary Chapman, Charles Greenfield and Mike Greenfield. Male attendants wore silver grey tuxedos with grey bow ties and cummerbunds.

Dana Phillips of Chico, cousin of the groom, registered guests.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. The bride's table was covered with a cream colored lace cloth. The bride's cake, made by Reta's Cake Shop, was finished in cream colored icing. The three tiered cake was decorated with rose colored roses.

The table was centered with the bride's grandmother's crystal candleholders with rose colored candles. Punch was served from a crystal punch bowl. Serving were Vicki Greenfield of Monahans, sister-in-law of the bride, and Ellen Rumpff.

The groom's table held a gold coffee service and was centered with three gold candlestands. His cake was a carrot cake with cream cheese icing. Serving were Barbara Kirbie of Fort Worth, the groom's aunt, and Dana Phillips.

Following the couple's honeymoon to Cloudcroft, N.M., they are at home in Snyder where the bride is a sixth grade teacher at West Elementary and the groom is a sixth grade teacher at Central Elementary.

The bride is a 1977 graduate of Snyder High School and a 1981 graduate of Hardin-Simmons University. Crawford is a 1974 graduate of Abilene High School and a 1978 graduate of Hardin-Simmons.

MR. AND MRS. MALCOLM CRAWFORD
(Photo by Tom Gonzales)

Recipe Box

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — When Gretchen Schuler burned the butter rum sauce for her Cran-Orange Pound Cake, she didn't think she had a chance of winning the National Annual High School Recipe Contest.

"I was so depressed when I burned the sauce," Schuler recalled. But her contest entry had the judges going back for seconds. They all agreed: even without the butter rum sauce, Schuler's baked goods were special.

Schuler, 19, of Warwick, R.I., was declared the grand-prize winner from a field of nine finalists during last year's competition. She was awarded a full four-year scholarship to Providence-based Johnson & Wales University, where she is now majoring in baking and pastry arts.

STRAWBERRIES AND CREAM BREAD

For the filling:

Two 3-ounce packages low-fat cream cheese, softened
1/4 cup sugar
1 egg

For the bread:

11/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup granulated sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
2-3rds cup oil
2 eggs, beaten
1 cup frozen, unsweetened whole strawberries, thawed and sliced
1/2 cup chopped pecans

For the garnish:

2 tablespoons chopped pecans

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Generously grease the bottom only of a 9- by 5-inch loaf pan.

For the filling: In a small bowl, blend the cream cheese, sugar and egg; beat at medium speed until smooth. Set aside.

For the bread: Combine the flour, sugar, cinnamon, salt and baking soda in a large bowl; mix well. In a separate bowl, blend the oil and eggs; add the strawberries. Combine the oil-egg-strawberry mixture with the flour mixture. Stir in pecans, blending until the dry ingredients are just moistened.

Pour half of the bread mixture into the prepared pan. Pour the filling over the batter, spreading to cover. Pour remaining batter on top. Garnish with the 2 tablespoons chopped pecans. Bake in a 350-degree F oven for 65 to 75 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean. Cool 15 minutes; remove from pan. Cool completely before slicing. Makes 1 loaf.

Shipbuilding, including large tankers, has long been an important industry in Northern Ireland, and is centered in Belfast, the largest port. Linen manufacture is also important, along with apparel, rope and twine production. Growing diversification has added engineering products, synthetic fibers and electronics. Large numbers of cattle, hogs and sheep, potatoes, poultry and dairy foods are also produced.

Bridge
By Phillip Alder

NORTH 2-22-92
♠ K 9 7 6 5 2
♥ 7 2
♦ 6 5 2
♣ K 3

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

EAST
♠ J 4 3
♥ 8 4
♦ 9 3
♣ A Q J 10 6 2

SOUTH
♠ A Q
♥ A K 10
♦ A K 7 4
♣ 8 7 5 4

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	3 ♥	Pass	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ Q

In times gone by, there was an ample supply of young players taking up bridge. Nowadays that is true everywhere except in North America. At long last, the American Contract Bridge League has started a program to revive bridge in colleges. Full details are available from Jana Jenkins, A.C.B.L. Education Office, 2990 Airways Boulevard, Memphis, TN 38116.

One of the world's best young players is Peter Newman, who helped Australia finish third in last year's NEC World Junior Championship. He played today's hand while retaining a pairs title in Sydney.

Cover the East-West hands. Against your three-no-trump contract, West leads the diamond queen: two, nine, four. West continues with the diamond jack: five, three, king. What now?

(East should have discouraged with the three at trick one. Then West might have found the club switch.)

At this point, many players would cash the A-Q of spades and lead a club toward the dummy, hoping West had the ace. But Newman realized this was unlikely. If West had the Q-J of both red suits, probably he wasn't going to have the club ace as well for his pre-emptive opening. So Newman cashed the diamond ace (East discarding the club queen), the A-K of hearts and the spade ace. Next, declarer led the spade queen and overtook with dummy's king. Finally a low spade from dummy endplayed East. After winning with the spade jack, he could cash the club ace, but then he had to lead another club, giving dummy the rest of the tricks. Plus 630 gave Newman and his partner, Warren Lazer, a top, beating all the pairs who scored plus 620 (or minus 100) in four spades.

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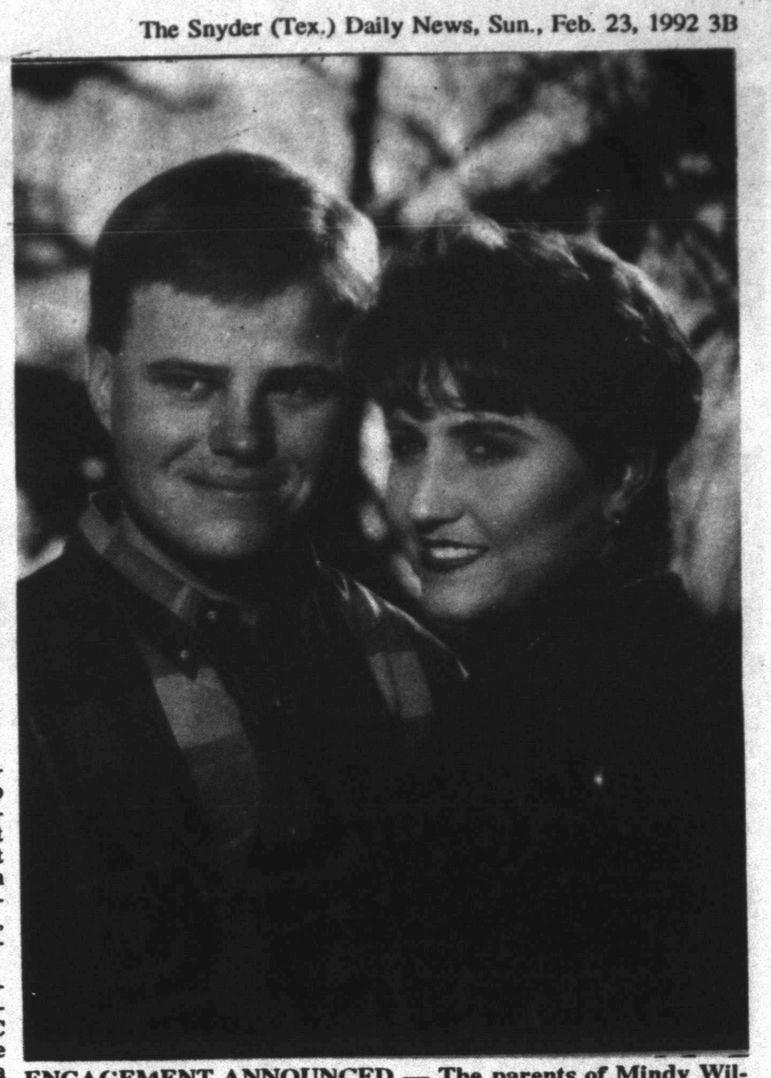

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — The parents of Mindy Williams and Ty Wills announce the engagement and upcoming wedding of their children. Nuptials have been set for April 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Chapel. The future bride's parents are Roger K. and Comelle Williams of Snyder and the prospective bridegroom's parents are Don and Jacqueline Wills of Fluvanna. (Photo by Karen Wadleigh).

Bridge Winners

FRIDAY

Jane Hinton directed six tables.
1. Joyce Bass, Ann Davis
2. Martha Fagin, Suzy Reed
3. TIE: Tizzy Hall, Barbara Yorgesen and Polly Ballard, Verdi Kimbro
5. Margaret, Warren Costin

SUNDAY

Dot Casey directed four tables.
1. Louise Thompson, Dot Casey
2. Barbara Yorgesen, Tizzy Hall
3. TIE: Nona Morrison, Mary Beth Vestal and Ann Davis, Joyce Bass

TUESDAY

Dot Casey directed four tables.
1. Margaret Birdwell, Mary Beth Vestal
2. Laverne Hood, Barbara Yorgesen
3. Nona Morrison, Polly Ballard
4. Shirley, George Stewart

Gold Coast was renamed Ghana in 1957, honoring a legendary ancient African empire.

Classic Interiors

Bridal Registry

Mindy Williams
Bride-Elect Of
Ty Wills

Vickie Chelette Crawford
Bride Of
Malcolm Crawford

JoEllen Parker
Bride-Elect Of
Lance Aldridge

Meredith Reed
Bride-Elect Of
David Belt

Shanna Byrd
Bride-Elect Of
Cole McKenzie

Georgianna Jones
Bride-Elect Of
Scott Hallman
(Of Sweetwater)

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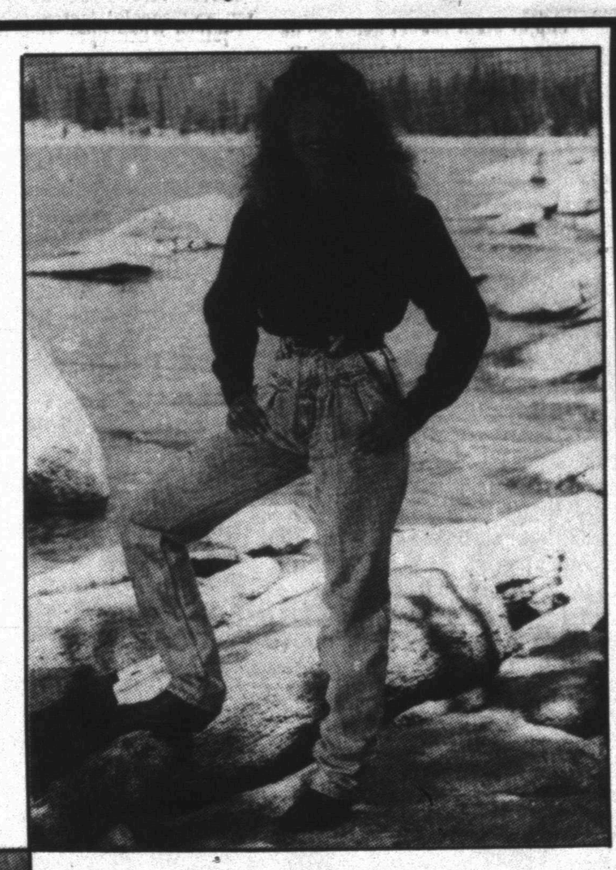

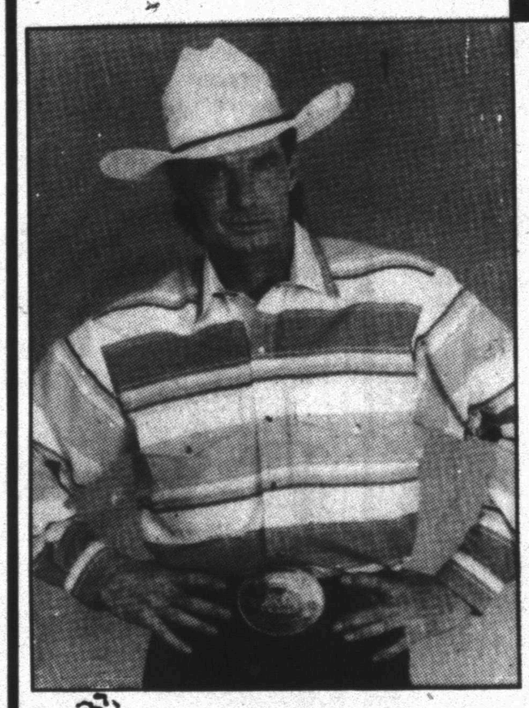

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College Heights Shopping Center

CROWDER EXES SET REUNION — A planning session was held recently at the pavilion at Towle Park to plan a Crowder School reunion. The old two-room schoolhouse was built in 1900 and was consolidated with SISD in 1943. Attending were, first row, from left, Mae Rogers Brush, Geraldine Pitner Fuller, Nell Templin Walker, Othelle Rollins Trevey and Mae Wilson Hancock. On the back row are Lester Moore, Lynn Fenton, Robert Lowden Swint and Myron Fenton. The reunion is set for May 9 at the Union Community Center. (SDN Staff Photo)

MR. AND MRS. NED WHITE

Local couple to celebrate anniversary

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Ned White are hosting a reception honoring their parents on their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday, Feb. 29, in Wesley Hall of First United Methodist Church from 2 to 4 p.m.

Both White and the former Dora Mae Roeber were born and reared in Stamford and were married there on Feb. 27, 1942.

Moving to Snyder in 1951, White was employed by Texaco, Inc., and retired in 1982. Dora was employed by Snyder Public Schools as a secretary. She retired in 1983. They are members of the First United Methodist Church.

They have two daughters, Mrs. Larry (Diane) Kauffmann of Weatherford and Mrs. Larry (Joann) Vaughan of Carthage, one granddaughter, Jaclyn Vaughan of Carthage and one grandson, Joshua Chipps.

The couple requests no gifts, just the presence of friends and family.

What's your worst recipe?

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Self-proclaimed "bad cook" Mike D. Nelson says he's spent the past 10 years searching for the worst recipes in the world.

Nelson's culinary philosophy: Better to succeed at being a bad cook than to fail at being a good one.

"I'm a bad cook," he says. "And there are millions of other bad cooks out there. Now there's a cookbook just for us."

Nelson is planning to have his cookbook published this year, but if you've got a really bad recipe, there's still time to submit it for consideration. His choice of recipes so far: Chocolate Covered Chicken, Tuna-Marshmallow Supreme, Wiener Water Soup and Liver Pudding.

In return for sharing prized concoctions, Nelson says contributors will get their name in print (if they are willing to take a credit) and-or a complimentary copy of the cookbook. Send entries to: Worst Recipes, Box 580075, Minneapolis, Minn. 55458.

Interfaith marriages

DENVER — Disturbed by the increasing number of interfaith marriages, a Denver rabbi has begun a matchmaking service intended to help single Jews meet other Jews looking for partners of their religious persuasion. Bruce Greenbaum, associate rabbi of Congregation Emanuel temple, Denver's largest synagogue, says he decided to start the Colorado Jewish Social Network because he is concerned that 60 percent of today's Jews marry non-Jews.

Ira ISD School Menu

MONDAY
Fish, Tarter Sauce
French Fries
Pork & Beans
Pears
Biscuits
Choice of Milk

TUESDAY
Manager's Choice

WEDNESDAY
Sandwiches
Tuna, Bologna,
Ham, Peanut Butter,
Turkey Ham, Cheese
Ice Cream
Choice of Milk

THURSDAY
FRIDAY
School Out

A breakthrough experiment using lights to mimic sunrise or sunset to reset body rhythms could improve sleep for the elderly and for workers on rotating shifts, and might even banish winter's blahs.

Chocolate update

NEW YORK (AP) — Americans consume 2.8 billion pounds of chocolate each year, according to the Chocolate Manufacturers Association. That's more than 11 pounds of the sweet stuff for every man, woman and child.

The February 1992 issue of Runner's World magazine offers the following tips for zealous chocolate lovers who want to enjoy this passion, yet save on fat and calories:

— Eat chocolate with meals or soon after to avoid overindulgence by keeping portions reasonable.

— Buy chocolate in small serving pieces and in individually-wrapped bars. Avoid buying chocolate by the pound.

— Don't abstain to the point where you'll want to binge. Include small amounts of chocolate in your diet so that you won't feel deprived.

— Use cocoa powder, which derives only 30 percent of its calories from fat, to make chocolate goodies. You can add the powder to muffins, cookies and blender drinks for rich chocolate flavor without the fat.

— Try chocolate-flavored syrup, which has only 3 percent fat calories, as a low-fat alternative.

Snyder ISD Menu

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
Rice
Buttered Toast
Orange Juice
Milk

TUESDAY
Sausage and Biscuit
Grape Juice
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Blueberry Muffin
Pineapple Juice
Milk

THURSDAY
Cinnamon Roll
Apple Juice
Milk

FRIDAY
Congo Bar
Orange Juice
Milk

LUNCH
MONDAY
Chicken Patty Burger
Burger Fixins'
Fresh Apple
Milk

TUESDAY
Meatloaf
Green Beans
Hot Roll
Chilled Pears
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Tacos
Pinto Beans
Peach Gelatin
Milk

THURSDAY
Oven Fried Chicken
Southern Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Whole Wheat Roll
Milk

FRIDAY
Fish Wedges
Macaroni & Cheese
English Peas
Pineapple Tidbits
Milk

Special Event Wednesday: At all schools, "I'm a Winner!" medal sticker day to celebrate all athletes at the Winter Olympics.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Fluvanna Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.

Rebekah Lodge 294; Lodge Hall; 7:30 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; Morning Side Baptist Church fellowship hall; 7:30 p.m. For information call: JoAnn at 573-9839; Dorothy at 573-6712; Anne at 573-8322; or Shirley at 573-8881.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-9924 or 863-2349.

TUESDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Ira Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Weight Watchers; First Assembly of God; 5:30 p.m.

Parenting Support Group; 2513 College Ave.; for more information, call Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse at 573-1141.

Beta Delta Phi; 7 p.m.

Scurry County Genealogical Society; county library, visitors welcome; 7 p.m.

Sport Card Swap Club; Willow Park Inn, for information call 573-1961; 7 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-9924, 573-5867.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club Salad Luncheon and Game Day; reservations needed by 5 p.m. Monday, call 573-3427, $5 per person; 11:30 a.m.

Free blood pressure clinic; Hermleigh Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961 or 573-8885.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; W. 37th St.; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626 or 573-2349; 10 a.m.
10 a.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.

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

Hermleigh School Menu

BREAKFAST
MONDAY
Juice
Buttered Rice
Toast
Milk

TUESDAY
Fruit
Scrambled Eggs
Toasted Rolls
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Juice
Kolaches
Milk

THURSDAY
Fruit
Buttered Grits
Toast
Milk

FRIDAY
Out for Holiday

LUNCH
MONDAY
Barbecued Hamburger Patties
Potato Salad
Pinto Beans
Hot Rolls
Chilled Pears
Milk

TUESDAY
Salmon Loaf
Black-eyed Peas
Tater Tots
Hot Rolls
Pineapple Pudding
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Goulash
New Potatoes
Buttered Green Beans
Hot Rolls
Orange Cake
Milk

THURSDAY
Sausage Pizza
Buttered Corn
Shredded Lettuce
Fruit Jello
Milk

Nero, the Roman emperor whose ruthless behavior made his name a byword for cruelty, committed suicide in A.D. 68. When Claudius I died, Nero, his adopted son, succeeded as Claudius Caesar. Although his mother, Agrippina, was largely responsible for Nero's position, he murdered her and also his wife, Octavia. Rumor blamed him for the great fire of A.D. 64, during which he was said to have "fiddled while Rome burned." Nero blamed the Christians for the fire and persecuted them.

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Astro-graphs

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Feb. 22, 1992

Possibilities for fulfilling your material objectives in the year ahead look better than they have for some time. It's important, however, that you do not talk about things you're going to do before you actually do them.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be careful today that you don't become too enthralled with someone who is already spoken for. Pursuing forbidden fruit could create complications with far-reaching effects. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you put together an important business arrangement today, get all the essentials down in writing — even if it is with a friend you know very well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Individuals you consider allies might only be partially in accord with your purposes today. And, if you attempt to manipulate them, even this could erode.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Subordinates whose work you monitor will require skillful management today. If they aren't properly inspired or instructed, the assembly line could come to a halt.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Instead of doing business with a proven provider today, you might be tempted to look for a better deal with a new, untested source. There is a strong possibility you'll make a poor choice.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Make an effort today to be a bit more affectionate than usual toward your mate. If your partner has a case of the grumbles, this is the substance that sweetens the soul.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone with whom you're closely involved will expect you to do today what you previously promised. This individual is taking the commitment seriously, and it is imperative that you do the same.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) This could be a day of financial ups and downs. Your earning capacity is good, but it might not match your extravagance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you spoil youngsters in your charge today, you may be setting the tone for what they believe is standard practice. Don't be harsh, but, by the same token, don't be foolish.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Hoping to manipulate others through flattery today in order to get them to do your bidding could turn out to be a counterproductive tactic. Try sincerity instead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Under most conditions, you get pretty good mileage from the dollars you spend, but this might not be true today. Don't buy things you truly don't need or may never use.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There's a possibility you may give too much attention today to an individual you think can do you some good and hardly notice a pal who has always come through.

Your Birthday

Feb. 23, 1992

You are likely to disengage yourself in the year ahead from several relationships that have proven to be unproductive. They will be replaced with new friends and new, constructive objectives.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Don't be afraid to think on a grand scale today. You are now attuned to making expansive plans that could have a positive impact on your future. Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Pisces' Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Others might look to you today for guidance in the management of their material affairs. Your resourcefulness could help them conceptualize alternatives they'd never conceive of on their own.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Some knowledge you possess could be of real value to two divergent parties. See if you can link them together and do yourself some good in the process.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your greatest gratification today will come from achieving objectives through your own mental prowess. You can do with your head what others lack the courage to attempt.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You could encounter someone by chance today whom you haven't been involved with for quite some time. The relationship will be rekindled as though you were never apart.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you have ideas about changes that you've been wanting to discuss with your family, this is a good day to bring them up. You'll be a good presenter, and they'll be a receptive audience.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You're apt to be rather restless today, and you won't be at ease until you find some form of social involvement — preferably where you'll be able to play a game you enjoy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your financial trends appear to be much stronger today than they were yesterday. Give priority to situations that could spell monetary gain.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your ideas are likely to be a shade better than those of individuals you'll be involved with today. Without being aggressive or condescending, take measures to see that your concepts are implemented.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Chance could play an important role in your affairs today, especially where your material interests are concerned. Don't close any doors that could reveal financial opportunities.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're presently in a cycle where your social contacts could be of great help in furthering your objectives in other areas of your life. Keep in touch with influential pals.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might be unexpectedly rewarded today for a good deed you recently did without thought of personal gain. It's nice to know what goes around comes around.

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Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Charlie Cleveland, 1992 Ford Explorer from Wilson Motors.

Allen and Charlotte Irwin, 1991 Ford from Wilson Motors.

H and K Construction, 1992 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Chevrolet.

David C. McKinney, 1992 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Robby Robinson, 1992 Ford Explorer from Wilson Motors.

Adele Ginzel, 1992 Oldsmobile from Howard Gray Motors.

Tod and Sandy Fritz, 1992 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Marriage Licenses

Frederick Neal Gibbs of Savannah, Ga., and Leslie Georgette Cooley of Snyder.

Pablo Benitez of Snyder and Mariana Martinez Rivera of Hermleigh.

Gregory Pacheco Castillo and Aurora Gomez, both of Snyder.

Ricardo G. Rodriguez and Mary Lupe Diaz, both of Snyder.

Bryan Kyle Henderson of Lockney and Kimberly Jean Turnbo of Snyder.

David Fletcher Lovelady and Marsha Kay Carpenter, both of Snyder.

Jeffrey Elvin Allen and Janell Jean Johnson, both of Snyder.

Morris Wayne Anderson and Kerri Ann Minter, both of Snyder.

Coy Dale Rhodes and Regina Jewel Graham, both of Snyder.

Henry Taylor Webber and Terri Lynn Bibb, both of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

Williams Systems Oil Field Disposal, Inc., Roger Williams and wife, Comelle Williams; Mal Donelson and wife, Bobbie Jo Donelson vs. The City National Bank of Colorado City, Tex., suit for damages.

Action in District Court

Dan Clayton, individually and dba Weststar Chevrolet—Dan Clayton Chevrolet vs. Snyder National Bank, dismissed.

Ira Pump and Supply Co., Inc. vs. John Burns, default judgment for plaintiff.

In the marriage of Zulema B. Gonzales and Oscar G. Gonzales, divorce granted.

Luis Ray Fuentes vs. Employers Casualty Co., judgment for plaintiff.

Warranty Deeds

Russell Jones, Jr. to Rudy Adamor, et ux, the east half and north half of Lot 1, Block 8 of Lundy Park Addition.

Claude Callaway Donaldson to Verna M. Baysinger, the south 25 feet of Lot 21 and all of Lot 22, Block F of Westridge Addition, Section 2.

Susan Bush to Alan D. Callison, Lot 7, replat of Block 6-A of Highlands Addition.

Alta McMillan to Kemp McMillan, the north half of the northeast quarter of Section 236, Block 3 of H&TC survey.

R.E. Payne to Ponce DeLeon, a 6.88 acre tract in the northeast quarter of Section 130, Block 97 of H&TC survey.

L.F. Elder, et ux, to Janet M. Fair, Lots 9 through 16, Block 41 of Andress Heights Addition.

Public toilets are studied by magazine

PARIS (AP) — To sit or not to sit? A rating of the French capital's public toilets may help Parisians and tourists arrive at a better-informed decision.

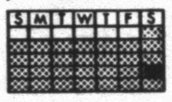
The monthly health magazine Que Choisir Sante reviewed the facilities in 22 popular Parisian establishments in its February editions.

In the land of both the bidet and the hole in the ground, the magazine rated restrooms on a 20-point scale considering everything from a powerful flush to soap in wash basins.

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

Feb. 22, 1992

Today is the 53rd day of 1992 and the 63rd day of winter.



TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1980, martial law was declared in Afghanistan as the Soviet army attemped to curb civilian unrest against a Moscow-backed coup leader.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George Washington (1732-1799), first U.S. president; James Russell Lowell (1819-1891), poet-critic-editor; Robert Young (1907-), actor, is 85; John Mills (1908-), actor, is 84; Edward M. Kennedy (1932-), U.S. politician, is 60; Sparky Anderson (1934-), baseball manager, is 58; Julius Erving (1950-), basketball star, is 42; Drew Barrymore (1975-), actress, is 17.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1980, the underdog U.S. Olympic hockey team defeated the Soviet Union, 4-3.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "He who is firmly seated in authority soon learns to think security and not progress." — James Russell Lowell

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1954, wind was still blowing in southeastern Colorado and adjacent parts of Kansas, Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico — but not as bad as the 19th, when gusts to 85 mph caused the worst dust storms since the 1930s.

SOURCE: THE WEATHER CHANNEL®
1992 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Feb. 18) and last quarter (Feb. 25).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET

One nice thing about contemporary music is that the radio sounds as if it's broken all the time. So, you never need to have it fixed.

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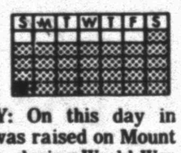
Feb. 23, 1992

Today is the 54th day of 1992 and the 64th day of winter.



TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1945, the U.S. flag was raised on Mount Suribachi, Iwo Jima, during World War II.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George Frederick Handel (1685-1759), composer; Emma Willard (1787-1870), educator; W.E.B. DuBois (1868-1963), civil rights leader; William L. Shirer (1904-), journalist, is 88; Peter Fonda (1939-), actor, is 53; Ed "Too Tall" Jones (1951-), football star, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1960, historic Ebbets Field, home of the Brooklyn Dodgers for over 40 years, was demolished by a wrecking ball that was painted like a baseball.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I have never been around so many crummy people in all my days." — Ed "Too Tall" Jones, on his brief career in boxing.

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1910, another storm leading to the deadliest avalanche in U.S. history (March 1, 1910) caused some avalanche deaths in the Cascades.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Feb. 18) and last quarter (Feb. 25).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET

Our minister says he's in the wrong line of work. From the congregation's reaction to his sermons, he should be in the sleeping pill trade.

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As U.S. troops withdraw...

Americans abroad begin to unravel

BERLIN (AP) — Bob LePere runs a little bowling alley and beer joint at the U.S. air base in Berlin. Life was good until a few weeks ago, when he had to fire his fiancee.

"Guy came in here, looked around for 15 minutes and said I had to get rid of half my staff," LePere said, sitting at a table and commiserating with two of his eight remaining workers.

"It was tough. Karen had to go."

Their marriage is still on, but Tempelhof Air Base is scheduled to close next year. That means the bowling alley, bookstore, recreation center, restaurant and sport shop will go too.

The end of Cold War will cut U.S. forces in Europe in half by 1995 and disrupt dozens of cozy American military communities — self-contained societies of eye doctors, auto dealers, teachers, tailors, bankers, barbers, bartenders, burger flippers and, of course, soldiers.

Most of the civilians in these villages are military dependents or German citizens.

Others are civil servants who are guaranteed jobs back home or expatriates such as Willard "Skip" Lowery, a Vietnam veteran who was stationed in Germany, got his discharge and decided to stay. That was 21 years ago.

He has worked in the Tempelhof stereo shop since, enjoying rich European culture and cheap, subsidized U.S. goods and services.

"It's a little America inside another country," said Lowery, a native of Peoria, Ill., who has a wife and two children.

The U.S. Army and Air Force Exchange Service operates most of the stores and services on American bases. It also oversees 2,100 concessions granted to private companies like Burger King.

Since December, Tempelhof has eliminated 114 of its 821 civilian jobs. As a "non-appropriated funds" employee, someone who didn't get his job through the Stateside civil service, Lowery is eligible only for one month's severance pay.

"We're scared," he said. "I'm 44. When this job is done, I'm going to try to get with the base that stays open the longest."

LePere, a 55-year-old native of Green Bay, Wis., took over the bowling alley six years ago after retiring from the Army. "This was going to be my second career," he said.

Tempelhof is part of a vast American community in Berlin that is dominated by U.S. Army installations.

Its heart is Truman Plaza, a heavily guarded square that contains the main Post Exchange, a superstore with everything from Ann Klein clothing to Sony stereos.

A supermarket sells American products for up to 75 percent less than German goods. Pork chops, for instance, cost $1.85 a pound compared with $3.97 in a German store. Two long-life D-cell batteries are $1.85 in the supermarket, $5.59 outside.

There also are a computer store, Burger King, pizza parlor, china shop, video rental, florist, bank and sales outlets for American cars and Harley- Davidson motorcycles.

Nearby are theaters, pools, tanning salons, convenience stores, enclosed tennis courts and libraries. Travel agencies offer cheap trips to exotic places and special stations sell gasoline for one-third the German price.

An American-community I.D. card lets you ride city buses and subways free. It gets you into the British commissary, where Guinness is available, and the French, which serves a dozen fresh oysters for $5.

The estimated 150,000 people of Europe's miniature Americas fall into a dizzying array of job classifications. Many are "local hires" with few benefits. About half are "local nationals," mostly citizens of the host countries.

"We try to do as much as possible to offer them other employment" as American forces cut back, said Jim Boyle, a U.S. Army spokesman.

In 1990, the Army employed 61,000 civilians in Europe. The number will drop to 52,000 this year and 33,000 by 1995, Boyle said. The Air Force had 23,281 civilians in 1990 and likely will wind up with around 10,000.

Enrollment at the military's 134 European primary and secondary schools plunged from 91,297 in 1990 to 68,200 in December, said Frank O'Gara of the Department of Defense Dependents Schools.

Abdul, Estevez to marry

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Pop singer Paula Abdul and actor Emilio Estevez say they are "completely in love" and will marry.

No date has been set, the singer's publicist, Eliot Sekuler, said Thursday in announcing the engagement. It will be the first marriage for both.

Abdul's hit albums include "Spellbound" and "Forever Your Girl."

Rig count up by six

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of working oil and gas rigs in the nation inched upward this week, climbing by six to 667, Baker Hughes Inc. said Friday.

The rig count has been making an uneven recovery since striking a record low of 653 on Jan. 31. A year ago, the count stood at 967.

The weekly count is the widely watched index of drilling activity and represents the number of rigs actively exploring for petroleum and natural gas, not those producing oil and gas. Baker Hughes, a Houston-based tool maker, has kept track of the count since 1940.

When the oil boom went bust, the count sank to a previous low of 663 in the summer of 1986. The tally, fueled by the oil boom, had peaked at 4,500 in December 1981.

Ike Kerridge, who keeps track of the count for Baker Hughes, had blamed the new record low on weak natural gas prices and a seasonal decline. The count normally slides throughout the first quarter of the year, bottoming out in March or April, Kerridge said.

Of the rigs working this week, 373 were handling oil, 280 were gas and 14 were listed as miscellaneous.

Texas by far posted the biggest gain in working rigs among the major oil and gas producing states this week, adding 16.

Louisiana was up four, while Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming each gained one rig.

Ohio was down five rigs, while Kansas and Michigan each had two fewer rigs working this week. The counts of California, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Pennsylvania were unchanged.

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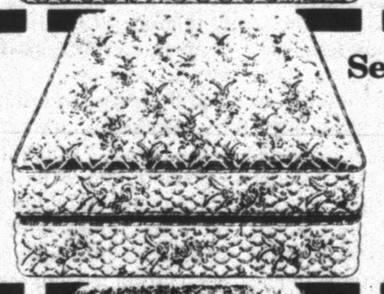

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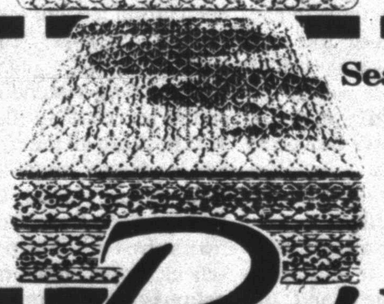

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Letters to the editor

To the Editor,

A couple of weeks ago we sent letters to the school board members and Mr. Moseley asking them to seek and consider other options before closing North Elementary and going to a five-campus plan.

We realize that finances have to be considered. Because of our economy, it's utmost in all our minds. But eventually the children are the ones who will have to pay.

We are not concerned that our children are not capable of changing buses or adapting to a new campus each year, but rather that they shouldn't have to. Children are not short adults. They need to run and play and learn to read, write and add. They need to learn economy and ecololgy. They need to learn that they have great potential in spite of what they don't have. They don't have to have fancy programs and expensive equipment. We need to give them the basic tools and to teach them to explore the possibilities. They need initiative and creativity.

For many children, school is the only stable, positive force in their lives. Everything and everyone else may fail them, but school is always in session. They bond with their teachers and for some, the principal is the only father figure they have. Changing schools and principals each year would be like changing homes and fathers each year. To them, school is an extension of home. As parents, we need this bond with teachers and staff every bit as much as the children.

I would not want to move into a community whose school system was set up this way. The adjustment to a new town and new neighborhood is traumatic enough without the added stress of splitting up siblings and sending them to separate campuses. They need the support of their brothers and sisters. There is plenty of time down the road to teach them to be independent. Isn't that what is wrong with our society anyway? Not enough family unity.

I wish you had been at my kitchen table Friday morning (Feb. 14) when the news reported that the proposal has been passed. My son was so distressed he wouldn't eat his breakfast and he cried most of the way to school. He had looked forward to showing his little sister around school next year when she starts in kindergarten. Now, not only will they not attend their own neighborhood school (it's being closed!!), they won't even attend the same campus.

I feel this has been forced on us. This is not a matter of whether or not we are willing to change, but rather a matter of rights. I, for one, am not afraid of change. However, I am afraid when someone makes decisions that affect my children and then expect me to "...work with the plan" and "...offer input." Mr. Moseley, we offered input and obviously it was ignored! I am not as educated as you; therefore I must not know what is best for my children.

I keep hearing, "If you don't like it, you can move." I hope it doesn't come to that. I grew up here, graduated here, and chose to raise my family here. Now a Chosen Few have decided the educational future of the Children of Many. No matter what options we consider, our children are not happy. Whatever we decide, we will make the transition as painless as possible for them. But when families start moving into other school districts, you'll know why.

My mother is signing this letter also because she feels as I do on this matter. And we may eat our words someday. But right now we feel this is unfair and that our rights as parents and our children's rights as students are being violated.

Doylene Gilliland
Nancy Scott
Snyder, Texas

Dear Editor,

With all the controversy over the proposed changes in the school system and the decision to bus Snyder youngsters to grade level campuses, I think one fact has been alluded to, but not addressed: When did the school board members cease to represent the taxpayers of Snyder? Ten or more years ago, when we lived inside the city limits of Snyder, Art and I participated with many parents in opposing a similar proposal to bus children to grade level campuses. A parent response at three separate meetings was overwhelmingly against the proposal and it was defeated.

I had assumed the same would be true with the recent proposal, only it wasn't. I am sure the school board members cannot be faulted for trying to make what they felt was the right decision; however, I feel that their primary duty as elected officials was to represent the views of those who elected them. Did they campaign on a promise to "do what I feel best," or did they promise to honestly represent the views of parents and taxpayers?

Regardless of the merits or deficits of this plan, the majority of school board members would seem to have failed in their first duty; that of representatives for their community.

Helen C. Feinsod
Snyder, Texas

To the Editor:

Let me say thanks to each member of the school board for voting your conviction on the restructure of our school plant system.

By approving the plan devised by our school administrators you have accomplished what might have taken Federal authorities years to do.

Thanks to you parents for being so concerned about the well-being of your children. May you never lose your zeal for caring for them. As a father and now a grandfather, let me urge you not to spend a lot of time worrying about the building in which your child will attend school. Spend all the time you can helping to teach your children to avoid the pitfalls of drugs, alcohol, teen pregnancies, to learn respect for authority, family structure, and a firm belief in God.

Believe me, these things will prove to be far more important than the building in which they attend school.

James A. Patrick
Snyder, Texas

To the Editor:

First of all I want to make it clear that this is not directed to Mrs. Parker. I appreciate her sensibility and concern over our children. This editorial goes to the other members of the school board and Mr. Moseley.

I don't believe that anyone in this town is as asinine to think that the SISD "hang lights" or "widens roads." What I was saying in my last editorial was if the townspeople knew that a school was going to be closed, they would have rallied together and tried to stop it. No one wants to see their town dying. That money could have gone towards our children's education at the time we needed it the most. Then we could have worked on getting Christmas lights and widening roads. No one in this town was told what the school board and Moseley were up to — why was everything so secretive? I can only compare something like this to communism — if we wanted 7 people to decide what would lay ahead for our children and our families, we would have moved to Russia years ago. You have taken away our "choice" to decide what is best for our families.

All of this is about money, money, money. Well, I have a proposal for Mr. Moseley and the school board. How about everyone that was at the town meeting and the parents that are against this proposal take their children out of each school. Let's see, we could send them to Hermleigh, Colorado City, or even tutor them at home. Since the district is paid for a "head count" of our children, how much money would you lose then? On one hand you want to force our children into an outrageous busing program to save money, but yet you depend on our children whether you like it or not. You want to talk about money; the children don't matter to you. Well every time you look at a child now, picture them with a dollar symbol on their head and maybe that will change you mind, being as how our children's stability won't. If we as parents decided to do my proposal even for a six month period, how much money would that mean to you?

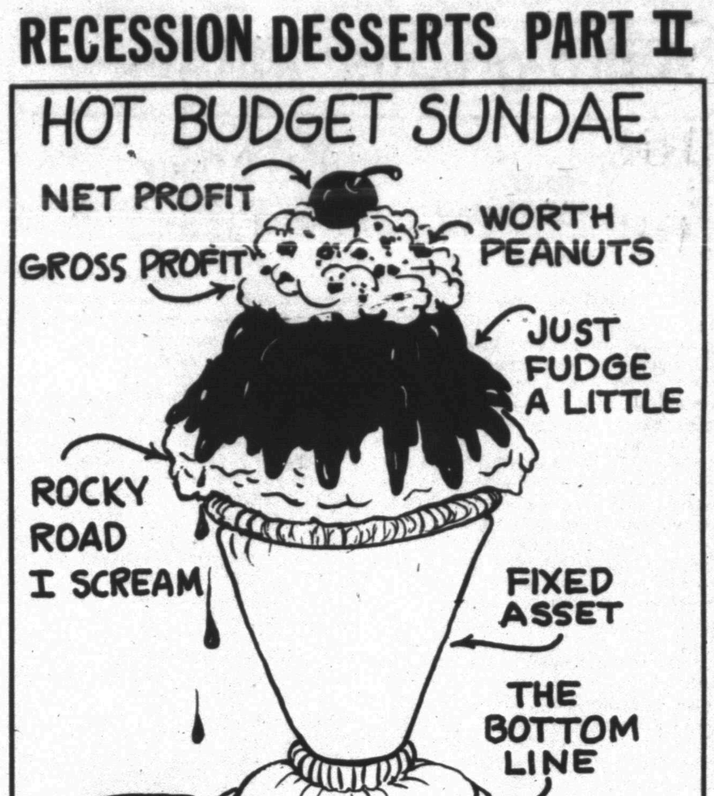
You all made a decision that will affect our children for the rest of their lives — how long will you all hold that position? All you have to do is not run for office the next year, and dear Mr. Moseley will retire, but our children will still be implementing this ridiculous plan even after you are gone! Only one out of 7 people had children this would effect; how could they have not been prejudiced in their vote? Only one out of 7 had our children in mind when she voted, and I respect your courage Mrs. Parker for standing up for us and our children against such great odds.

Now to the transportation department, it sounds wonderful your answer to the "ask us" question in the paper about the new buses. If it were not for this proposal, would you still have bought 2 new buses with the capacity for 65/71 passengers? This proposal calls for all of our buses to meet the need of this many passengers on each bus.

Is it not true that you did not have 20 buses for this proposal with such a capacity? You said the school board approved these buses last year, well that is correct — in fact they approved these buses the same month, September, that this proposal was being developed. That sure is a coincidence, as is the buses just happening to be 65/71 passenger buses. Please do not jerk the people of this town around like that; give us credit for being a little smarter than that. I urge all of us to look into a recall vote of the school board — there is such a thing and it can work.

Lisa K. Smith
Snyder

RECESSION DESSERTS PART II



SDN Week In Review

MONDAY
FEBRUARY 17

Filing began in the May 2 school, college district and city council elections. Filing were Joe Bob Flowers for Place 4 on the college board, and Rudy Gutierrez and Charles G. Anderson for at-large seats on the Snyder ISD board.

Snyder High School took sweepstakes in the fourth annual Ben Brock Memorial Invitational Speech Tournament at Western Texas College.

TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 18

Two incumbents, city councilman Jack Greene Jr. and Hermleigh school board trustee Ronnie Price, filed for re-election in the May 2 board elections.

WEDNESDAY
FEBRUARY 19

The early voting period in the March 10 Democratic and Republican primaries began in the county courthouse.

Mike Dennis filed for Place 3 on the Western Texas College board of trustees. Doug White filed for Place 7 and Don Davis filed for Place 1 on the Ira ISD board of trustees.

THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 20

Keith Clements filed for a second term as Place 6 trustee on the Ira school board.

Dr. Charles Church, owner of West Texas Animal Clinic, was named a new director of Snyder Savings and Loan Association, re-

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Country Life

By Deanie Francis Mills

A couple of years ago, one of my fellow speakers at a writer's conference was Lois Ann Duncan, an author of suspense thrillers for young adults. She described how she came up with the idea for one of her books. Her daughter, she said, was the sweetest, brightest, happiest child you ever saw...until she turned 13. It seemed that one evening they went to bed with one child sleeping peacefully in the next room, and the next, awoke with a monster. That whole year, she said, was an exercise in frustrated futility, as they tried in vain to get back their old daughter. "So I decided, what could be more horrible than being 13 forever?" she said, and came up with an idea for a book in which the spirit of a raging 13-year-old possessed a house and drove everybody in it nuts.

I can relate.

We went to bed one night with a confirmed Teacher's Pet in the next room — smiling, handsome, cooperative, bright, loving little boy — and awoke the next with Bart Simpson. In stunned disbelief we watched our eighth-grader bring home C's on his report card, get sent to the office for mouthing his teachrs, and generally strut around the house with an Attitude you could box up and sell. He's been grounded and restricted from the TV, he says, "for the entire year of 1992."

Now, I've watched all the talk shows and read all the books. We get checks in all the right columns: stable, happy marriage (check); safe, secure home life (check); loving discipline combined with household responsibilities (check); open lines of communication (check); family Bible study and prayer (check); at least one parent present at all times to Listen and Talk (check); parents available for Quality Time (check); parents supportive of teachers (check); child encouraged in extracurricular activities (check); and helped with school work (check).

Hmmm. So that leaves only one conclusion. I've given it a lot of thought and I've decided there can be only one answer: Adolescents ARE possessed by evil spirits. Gremlin-type demons roam the earth in search of thirteenth and fourteenth birthdays, so that they can take over the souls of good kids and send their parents to the mental institutions.

It's the classic struggle of good versus evil, taking place right in front of our eyes. Pay attention. Notice how one day, your child will be, well, absolutely perfect. You feel blessed. Next day, you wrack your brains trying to figure out a way to kill the kid without having to go to jail.

There is hope, though. You see, the teenage gremlin-demons have a low attention span and they get bored easily. After a few years, they decide to go looking for a fresh challenge and leave the teenager's body to go in search of a fresh new teenager — one who, just a few short days before, was twelve and perfect.

The parent (who, by this time, is so beaten down that when he or she hears on the news about an opportunity to go bungi-jumping in the nude after dark in the winter up in Canada and thinks that this sounds like a great idea) turns around and, lo and behold — there is their child, returned!! There is great rejoicing.

The only problem is that, if there is a younger sibling in the wings, just about to turn thirteen...the astute parent will listen very closely in the darkness...for the wicked sound of giggling.

Look Back

By JoAnn Nunley

5 YEARS AGO

Stephanie McKnight and Teri Sue Henry, starters for the 1986-87 Snyder High School Lady Tigers, were named to the All-District 2-4A Basketball Team. Angie Housden and Christi Comer were honorable mention.

A sixth grader at West Elementary, Drew Wilson, won the Scurry County Spelling Bee held at Western Texas College.

Drive leaders for the Scurry County Cancer Crusade included Darryl Calley, business chairman; Helen Hatter, publicity education chairman; Nona Bunch, residential campaign chairman; and Steve Smith, crusade chairman.

10 YEARS AGO

Kenny Riley took grand champion honors with his heavy weight steer at Hermleigh FFA Stockshow. Billy Joe Gannaway also got grand championship honors for his medium wool lamb.

On the Ira honor roll with a 90 or above in academic subjects were Barry Ezra, Brent Bearden, Tom Brown, Julie Kellner, James Crowder, Dee Dee Dunn, Kevin Huddleston and Phillip Carter.

15 YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Patterson of Snyder Drug were in Dallas for a gift market.

Rod Head of Head Heating and Air Conditioning attended a water pump school in Lubbock, and received his certification in the field.

Paul H. Collazo, son of Mrs. Salley Collazo of Snyder, enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. He went to six weeks basic training at Lackland AFB.

Lee Allen Jarrell was named "Young Texan of the Month" by the Optimist Club. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Jarrell.

20 YEARS AGO

Nell Scott, Scurry County Sheriff's Deputy, took a 140-hour basic training course at Sweetwater.

A $1,500 grant was approved by Congressman Omar Burleson of the 17th District. The supplemental grant, under the Educational Opportunity, went to WTC.

James Bradford of Hermleigh was one of over 300 students selected for membership in the University of Texas chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, national scholastic honor society.

25 YEARS AGO

Joe Belew, member of the Fluvanna FFA chapter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Burl Belew, entered the grand champion lamb at the Southwestern International Livestock Show in El Paso.

Greg Rodman of Snyder made the dean's list for the fall semester at Howard Payne College.

Taking leading rolls in a Hermleigh junior play were Billy Joe Odstrcil, Mary Taylor, Jervia Bullard, Janice Colvin, Sharon Vernon, Linda Bollinger and Ted Winter.

Senators told IRS poses problems for some people

WASHINGTON (AP) — A man who tipped the IRS that his employer had not paid his taxes told a Senate panel Friday the IRS rewarded him by billing him for $120,000.

"We've answered every question asked by the IRS," Stewart Joslin III of Kenner, La., testified. "We've provided every document they requested. No matter what we do, my lawyer and I seem to have no effect on the IRS. ... I'm not responsible for this debt."

Joslin said that because of his concern for the company, he had informed the IRS that the firm was behind in turning over taxes withheld from workers' paychecks. The company eventually was sold.

Joslin testified before the Senate Finance subcommittee that oversees the Internal Revenue Service. The panel is considering a bill by its chairman, Sen. David Pryor, D-Ark., to broaden the rights of taxpayers involved in disputes with the IRS.

Carol Bettencourt of Raleigh, N.C., said she was going to college and supporting her three children as a $4.50-an-hour cook when the IRS informed her she would have to pay $3,600 in back taxes owed by her ex-husband. The IRS said he could not be located.

Ms. Bettencourt said she eventually called an IRS problems-resolution office, which was created to serve as an internal court of last resort for taxpayers. That office, she said, offered only this advice: "If you do not pay us we can garnish your wages or collect in any way we can."

She ultimately got relief when her story was told by a newspaper columnist, she said. "I would really like to know what type of justice is in all of this," Ms. Bettencourt told the senators.

A key provision in the new "taxpayer bill of rights" would create in the IRS a taxpayer advocate, appointed by the president and confirmed by the Senate. This advocate, who would replace the present taxpayer ombudsman, would have authority to forgive interest, grant refund requests and halt collection activity.

The 300 problem-resolution officers throughout the IRS, who now are hired by district offices, would instead by hired by the advocate.

In addition, the bill would require the IRS to be more compassionate in dealing with taxpayer hardships, including cases in which a person is being billed for taxes owed by a former spouse. It also would benefit employees, such as Joslin, who are neither officers nor owners of a business but who now can be held liable for certain tax underpayments by the company.

IRS Commissioner Shirley D. Peterson, testifying before Congress for the first time, said the administration supports some parts of the bill but opposes others. "If we are not careful," she said, "the taxpayer bill of rights will be just one more bill that taxpayers will have to pay."

Fred Goldberg Jr., the former IRS commissioner who now is assistant treasury secretary for tax policy, said the administration specifically opposes the taxpayer-advocate provision as counterproductive. Presidential appointment "would unnecessarily politicize the ombudsman function," he said.

Wounded soldier receives gift from Swiss woman

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A woman who comforted a McAllen man after he was injured in the Persian Gulf War has provided $15,000 to help him attend college.

Gabriela Thomas of Switzerland first helped Army Spc. Alcides Robledo in a German hospital several days after he stepped on an Iraqi land mine and lost his left leg.

"I was afraid my mother would really take it bad, as far as my getting hurt," said Robledo, 24. "She explained to me that mothers all over are the same way. They always love their children no matter what. She set me at ease."

In the hospital, Robledo pledged to make something of his life using his mind. Ms. Thomas decided to help him.

She started collecting donations for Robledo's education at her antique shop in a small village outside Zurich. News reports about her campaign helped boost donations.

And Wednesday, during a ceremony outside Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Ms. Thomas presented Robledo a check for $15,000.

"In spite of our neutrality as a nation, our hearts have never been neutral or alone," she said.

Robledo, who has retired from the Army, said he is ready to return to a normal life after 14 operations on his leg and mangled left arm.

He plans to finish an undergraduate degree in political science and then use the donation from Ms. Thomas to study law at St. Mary's University in San Antonio.

The McAllen native said help from Thomas and others helped keep him going through his ordeal.

"They let me know that things don't stop when you lose a leg or an arm. Life goes on. I took that to heart," he said.

Hundreds in Bogata turn out for seminar on AIDS

BOGATA, Texas (AP) — Hundreds of people turned out Thursday night for a AIDS seminar where they hoped to get verification of reports that six Rivercrest High School students have tested positive for the AIDS virus.

State health officials, however, refused to be specific about the cases.

Dona K. Spence, 40, an east Texas AIDS counselor who first told officials about the cluster of infected students, was expected to participate in the seminar. But officials told the crowd at the seminar that she was ill.

Ms. Spence last week said six of Rivercrest's 197 students had contracted the virus. She defended the report earlier this week, saying, "I know I have done my job."

"At this point we have no reason to doubt her credibility," said Richard Hensley, a Texas Department of Health AIDS coordinator who spoke at the seminar. "We know there are HIV-positive students throughout Texas, throughout the nation."

State health officials have been reviewing Ms. Spence's files on several Northeast Texas counties. They say the process could take weeks.

Even when the review is complete, Hensley said, he won't be able to be specific about the number of AIDS cases at Rivercrest or any other school.

"I want to encourage more people to be tested," he said. "Confidentiality means I can't give you information about anybody's status."

Many parents of Rivercrest students are skeptical of Ms. Spence's report.

"I don't believe any of it. The rumor of six has been going around for nearly a year. I wouldn't be surprised if we had one, but I bet he hasn't even been tested," said Linda Tabb, whose daughter Susan attends the school.

Ms. Spence works for the Ark-Tex Council of Governments, which has a contract from the Health Department to provide services to people infected with the AIDS virus.

She told school officials she knew of six HIV-infected students at Rivercrest, four at Mount Pleasant High, three at Paul Pewitt High near Omaha, and five at North East Texas Community College near Mount Pleasant.

The Pittsburg school superintendent also says Ms. Spence claimed his high school had three cases.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Woman Searches for Way to Put Some Teeth in New Relationship

DEAR ABBY: I met a man who is very nice in every way, and I really like him a lot. He dresses neatly and keeps his hair trimmed. However, when he smiles, he shows a tooth missing on either side of his mouth.

He has asked me a few times if I would go out with him, but I've hesitated because I know his missing teeth would bother me. He has a very good job and I'm sure he can afford dental work.

Now, I know that I am far from perfect myself, so I don't have the right to tell him how the missing teeth ruin his appearance, but I am in my 40s and there are not a lot of single men in my age bracket, and I would hate to pass up a good thing.

How would you suggest I handle this?

NEEDING AN ANSWER

DEAR NEEDING: The next time he asks you to go out with him, accept, and get to know him better. Then — if you think there could be a "spark" of mutual interest — suggest that he see a dentist and have those missing teeth replaced, as it would make a world of difference in his appearance.

Even if nothing comes of your relationship, you will have done this nice man an enormous favor.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I went to visit his sister. We called first and she said, "Come on over; I'd love to see you." She didn't tell us that she had a cold and a bad cough, but after we got there, she was coughing her head off and blowing her nose every two minutes. Had we known of her condition, we would not have gone to her place.

Well, two days later, my husband started feeling terrible — coughing and sneezing. The next day, I came down with the same symptoms. I went to the doctor and paid for the visit and medication.

Don't you think my sister-in-law should have told us she was ill? We would have stayed home.

SICK AND ANGRY

DEAR SICK AND ANGRY: Yes, she should have told you she wasn't feeling well and given you the choice of whether you wanted to risk getting whatever it was that she had.

You learned a costly lesson. Before you go to visit anyone (especially this sister-in-law), inquire about her health.

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DEAR ABBY: Re: "Hurting in Houston" — the woman whose mother-in-law continually sang the praises of the previous wife: I can certainly sympathize with the wife.

During the eight years of my marriage, my in-laws displayed a picture of my husband and his former fiancee. Now we are getting divorced, and I can't help but wonder if my picture will be coming down, or will it remain there to irritate any future wives or girlfriends?

CAN'T WIN IN WASHINGTON

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DEAR ABBY: I am the mother of Larry Kenneth Wooten, the 21-year-old college student who collapsed and died after drinking 23 shots of liquor, one after the other. He did it on a dare while he was at a bar with some of his friends.

We don't blame his friends — they were as ignorant as Larry about what could happen from drinking that much liquor in so short a time. Also, the bartender where those college kids were drinking should have known better. He did cut Larry off after he had had 12 drinks, then proceeded to serve him 11 more.

Abby, the state of Florida has no laws requiring bartenders to cut off serving customers who have had too much. We are working on getting the laws changed. It won't be easy. Gov. Lawton Chiles has not even responded to our letters.

Our family is coping, one day at a time, but we still mourn the senseless loss of our beautiful son.

Thank you for being there for us. I was shocked to receive your telephone call. It is amazing that with all you have to do, you cared enough to call me.

LINDA WOOTEN,
ORANGE PARK, FLA.

DEAR LINDA: Perhaps your tragic loss will be a warning signal to other college men and women. It should also send a sobering message to bartenders everywhere.

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DEAR ABBY: I couldn't help but respond to the letter the grandmother from Arizona wrote regarding the young man's death due to drinking on a dare.

When my children left home, one to the Navy and another later on to college, I gave them this piece of advice: Never take a dare for whatever reason! To get out of the situation, use the comment I always used when I was young and someone dared me: "Only an idiot gives a dare and it's a fool who takes it." Then walk away as fast as you can.

Abby, I am 67 years old today and I'm still giving my boys advice, and they still listen to me. (My boys are now 27 and 22.)

I have always thought the children of today are smarter than we were in my generation, but heck, they are not wiser. We were a lot street-smarter than these college kids. They are just book-learned.

Just thought I'd add my two cents worth. Thanks for listening, or should I say, reading. Love you, ...

BELLE BLOCK

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DEAR ABBY: Last week, my husband's aunt and I were talking at a relative's wedding reception. She asked me how long Joe and I had been married. When I told her, she sighed a deep sigh and said, "Your wedding was Joe's funeral."

I said, "Excuse me?"

She then repeated herself in exactly the same sad tone, so I asked her what she meant by that remark. She replied, "Well, Joe was much more fun when he was drinking."

Abby, when we first met, Joe was a big drinker, but he gave it up and made a pledge on our wedding day that he would never have another drink. He has kept that pledge, and we have a good marriage and a beautiful family.

Don't you think Joe's aunt's remark was mean and ugly?

HURT IN ST. PAUL

DEAR HURT: I would say it was more a combination of stupidity and ignorance.

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placing charter director Gene Best, who retired.

Jack Smartt was re-elected chairman of the Board of County Development for 1992.

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Dan Cotton, John Jarrell, Rev. Miller Robinson, Bill Seale and Paul Zeck were named to the five-member Economic Development Corporation by Snyder City Council.

Mark Wood of Pampa and Naomi Gutierrez of Snyder were presented as Mr. and Miss Trailhand for Western Texas College.

Scurry County got its first contested board race as Place 7 incumbent Wylie Oliver filed to run against Doug White in the May 2 Ira ISD board of trustees election.

Snyder City Councilwoman Vernest Tippens filed to represent District 1 for a third term.

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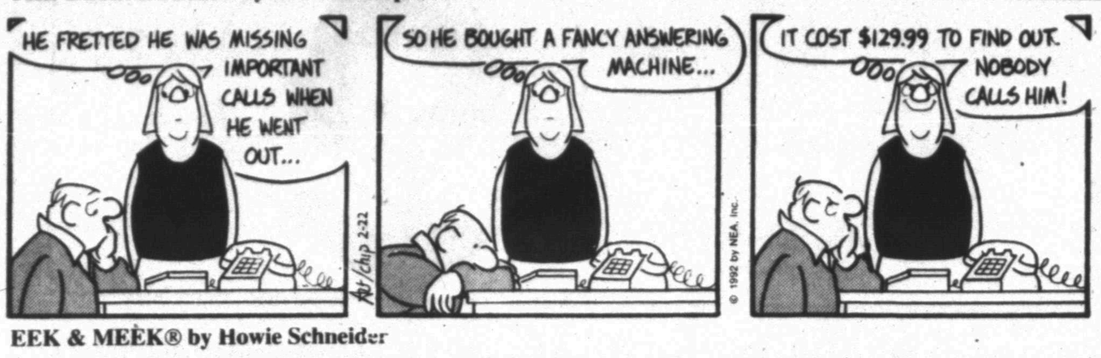

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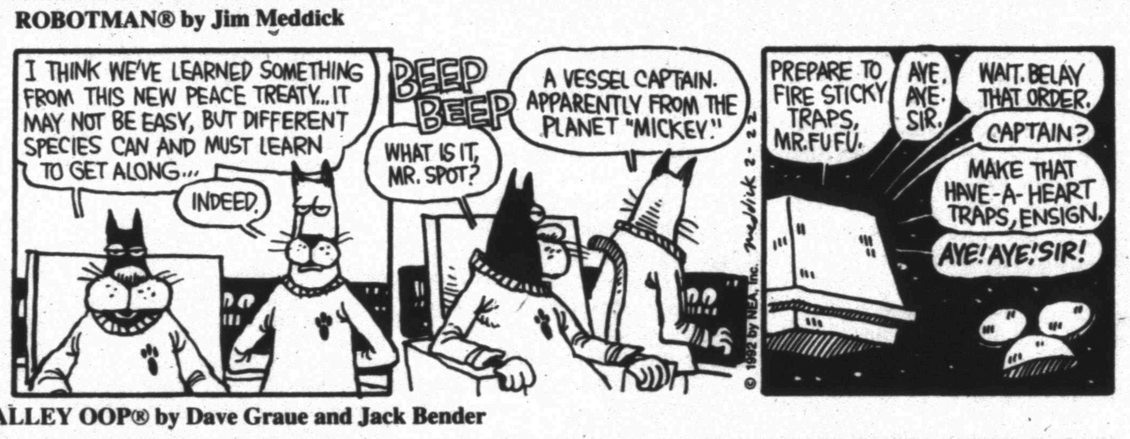

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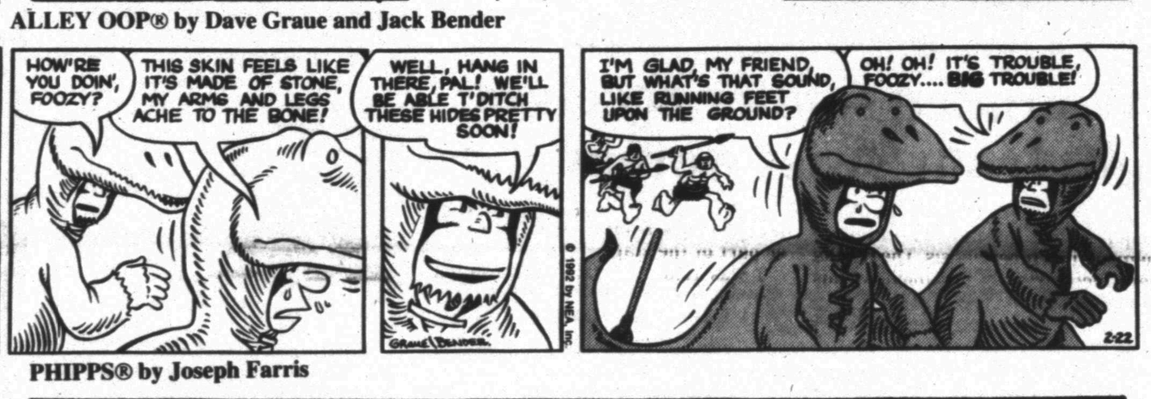

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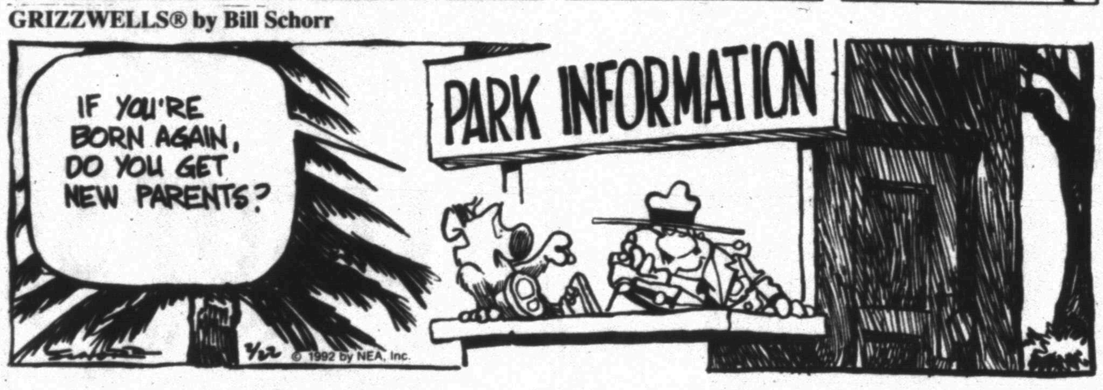

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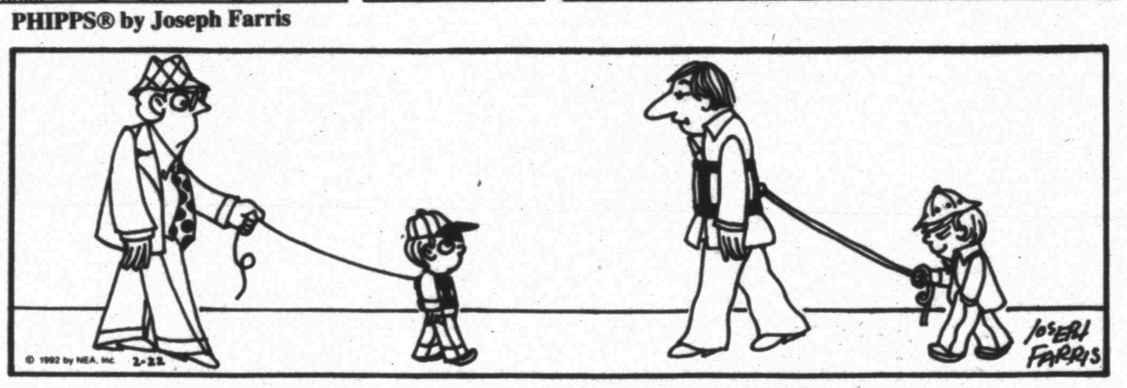

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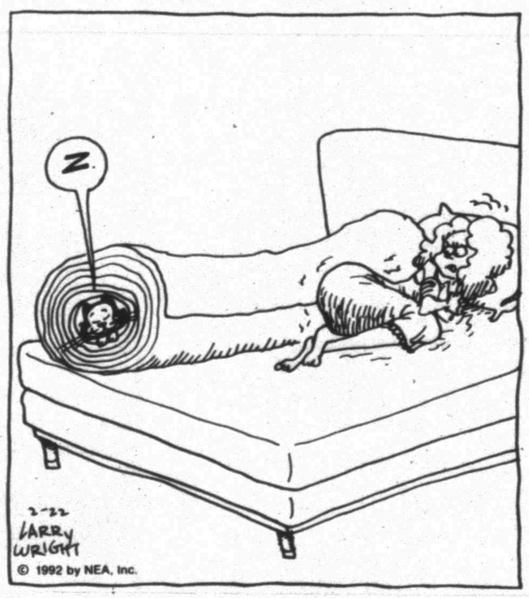

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"I GUESS IT WAS SOME OF HER BUSINESS AFTER ALL."

Dr. Gott by Peter M. Gott, M.D.

Dealing with consequences of stroke

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband suffered a stroke six years ago. He's made good recovery except for a speech problem and dribbling from the mouth, a constant embarrassment to him. Is there something he can do to control the dribbling?

DEAR READER: Not that I know of. This symptom is similar to incontinence; both are nuisances that may be incurable. Your husband may have to do the best he can and "learn to live" with it.

Having said this, I'd like to make a confession. Doctors are usually quite capable of diagnosing disorders, such as strokes — but we are often disgracefully ignorant of ways to help people cope with the multiple indignities that accompany these disorders. I plead guilty to this. No one in my medical training taught me how to assist stroke patients with the innumerable little annoyances stemming from their handicaps.

As a result, I've developed a great respect, over the years, for support groups, which are usually composed of people with similar disabilities who have had to learn the hard way how to cope. Their insights can be truly valuable. Therefore, I recommend that you contact your local hospital for a stroke support group in your area.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What can you tell me about carcinoma-in-situ in the lining of the bladder? Is it curable? My 76-year-old husband is getting BCG treatments, and we need information on his condition.

DEAR READER: The term "carcinoma-in-situ" means that cancer is present but it has neither spread to surrounding tissue nor extended (metastasized) to other organs in the body. All cancers start this way; your husband was fortunate to have had his bladder tumor discovered at such an early stage.

In most instances, carcinoma-in-situ is curable because the cancer is tiny and well-localized; hence, it can easily be treated with surgery. This is only a generalization, of course. Specialists may choose to treat some early cancers with radiation or chemotherapy.

Bladder cancer usually has a high cure-rate because it is easy to see (when the urologist examines the bladder lining with a cystoscope) and easy to remove. Moreover, follow-up is not a problem, as the specialist can repeatedly use the cystoscope to check for re-growth or new cancers.

BCG is a vaccine composed of bacteria related to tuberculosis germs. Years ago, this vaccine was given to people in an attempt to inoculate them against tuberculosis. The results were inconsistent. Consequently, this technique was abandoned in the United States; it is, however, still used in certain parts of the developing world.

For unknown reasons, BCG is an immunologic adjuvant, meaning that the vaccine boosts cancer patients' immunity. Thus, many physicians believe that BCG has a place in treating some types of malignancy; bladder cancer is one such type. Therefore, your husband's physician is on the right track. Your husband should follow the doctor's advice with respect to follow-up care and additional therapy, if indicated.

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

Medical costs are increasing astronomically. One of the major contributing causes of these uncontrolled expenses is technology. Medicine, like Nature, abhors a vacuum, so when a new service appears on the health-care scene, there's an irresistible urge to use it — even if the new service is no improvement over the old, even if the uses of the new service are quite narrow, even if the new service is much more expensive.

Let me illustrate with a personal experience.

Last month, I was in the vicinity of a two-car accident during which one of the drivers was hurt. I arrived at the scene well ahead of the ambulance. An Emergency Medical Technician had preceded me and was assessing the injuries as I stepped out of my car. The injured driver, a young woman, had struck her head on the driver's side window, shattering it. She denied loss of consciousness but had a scalp laceration that obviously needed stitching. On superficial examination, there appeared to be no other serious injuries; she responded appropriately to questions and was alert.

Once the ambulance arrived, with its volunteer crew, I left because the situation was under control and seemed to be a run-of-the-mill accident with considerable vehicular damage but, fortunately, little human damage. I assumed the woman would be immobilized, transported to our community hospital 10 miles away, sutured, X-rayed and released.

Imagine my bewilderment a few minutes later when I heard over a 2-way radio that the injured driver was to be transferred by Life Star helicopter to a major trauma center in another part of the state.

I was told that Life Star had set down certain "guidelines," on the basis of which the head EMT decided the patient should be transferred by helicopter. Instead of taking a short ride to the hospital, she was loaded into the ambulance, driven a mile to the landing site, re-transferred to the helicopter and flown to the trauma center. In my opinion, the whole drama was pure theatrics, without medical necessity.

The EMT should not have been authorized to make such a decision, which was the prerogative of the emergency room physician, who hadn't even been called. Also, the helicopter "guidelines" are so broad that virtually any patient could qualify for the service (for example, "a high-energy dissipation, rapid deceleration; deformity of contact point; multiple injuries; falls of 15 feet or more.")

While my intent is not to demean the valuable services provided by Life Star, it is a commercial venture run by a private hospital and, as such, it needs to make money to stay in operation. To make money, it needs to be used. This is the point: Where is the line between use and abuse?

The injured victim, if transported to our local hospital, would have been charged nothing by the excellent volunteer ambulance service. Life Star cost $3,000 plus mileage. The on-site first aid was no different; she still had to be immobilized and placed in the ambulance. Moreover, the helicopter could always have been summoned if the patient had de-stabilized at the local hospital.

All this discussion may seem irrelevant to the average reader, but overuse of medical technology has a financial impact on us all. WE end up paying higher insurance premiums for unnecessary tests, duplications, errors and overutilization of services. Incredibly, it's not always M.D.s who are making these decisions; government employees, EMTs, lawyers, risk managers, pre-admission authorizers, physician assistants and others are allocating health resources. Unhappily we've come to expect the best when we often really don't need the best. For instance, most injured patients don't require a major trauma center — the local hospital would do fine.

This situation is not going to lead to better medicine — and it surely isn't going to reduce the costs. We need to address the issue.

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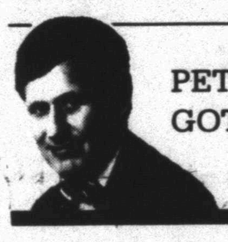

PETER. GOTT, M.D.

Alzheimer patients, families don't have enough programs

BOWLING GREEN, Ohio (AP) — Mary Alexander says her husband, Ben, was intelligent, active and tender.

He biked five miles a day into his late 60s. He read and played bridge, had a master's degree in business. And the couple went ballroom dancing every Friday.

But five years ago, his mental capabilities began to fail. A doctor told him he had Alzheimer's disease, a degenerative brain disorder for which there is no cure. His sister had died of the disease.

"It broke his heart to see what happened to his sister," said Mrs. Alexander, 66. "It got to a point where he couldn't read anymore. He couldn't ride his bicycle. And he knew he would continue to deteriorate."

Slowly, Mrs. Alexander became her husband's voice. She read newspapers to him. When they went to restaurants, she ordered the food.

Finally, with no hope that his condition would improve, he decided last year, at 71, that life wasn't worth living. On Dec. 8, Mrs. Alexander helped him write a suicide note.

Two days later, when he was alone, he put a gun in his mouth and pulled the trigger.

Mrs. Alexander said her husband thought long and hard about killing himself.

"He was a rational man. He knew there was no hope that he was going to get better," she said.

About 4 million Americans, most of them over 65, are afflicted with Alzheimer's. That figure could increase to 14 million by 2050, said Susan Nowicki, spokeswoman for the Chicago-based National Alzheimer's Association.

Many families of Alzheimer's victims hold out hope that a cure will be found and are eager to try experimental medical treatment.

Mrs. Alexander tried to get her husband into a clinical trial program for the drug Tacrin at the Medical College of Ohio in Toledo, about 30 miles west of Bowling Green.

"There were just too many people who applied. The hospital couldn't take everybody," she said.

Creighton Phelps, a neurologist who is the association's vice president of medical and scientific affairs, said the drug has shown little promise, anyway.

"It's supposed to bolster brain levels of one of the chemicals that plays an important role in memory. But the results are quite minimal. It's been in clinical trials all over the nation for the last five years," he said.

Phelps said eight drugs are being tested to help Alzheimer's victims.

"In about five years, we might be able to delay the progress of the disease by as much as five years, sort of slow it down so people can live healthy lives longer," he said.

The Alzheimer's association has 250 chapters, which have established more than 2,000 support groups across the nation.

"The key is therapeutic programs," said Nina Fouts, who ran an adult day care center for Intergenerational Services Inc. in Toledo. The non-profit agency also offered psychotherapeutic services to 2,000 Alzheimer's patients at 66 nursing homes in Ohio.

"You can take somebody to somebody's house or a day care center and sit them down and let them watch TV all day. That's not a therapeutic program. It's got to be specifically designed because there are so many different levels of the disease," Ms. Fouts said.

Intergenerational went out of business in 1990 after Nationwide Insurance, the sole carrier of Medicare in Ohio, began rejecting its claims for psychotherapy services. Nationwide contended the services were recreational and social.

Some families who had relatives in Intergenerational's day care center had to put them in nursing homes after it closed. Others had to quit their jobs to stay home with them.

"Intergenerational's demise has meant total hardship for many families," said Judy Messinger, chairwoman of Advocates for Alzheimer's Victims. "People in the area are placing loved ones in nursing homes sooner than they have to because there's nothing out there."

Families across the country are dealing with the same problem.

'Extraordinary' drop in deaths due to heart attacks reported

ATLANTA (AP) — The U.S. death rate from heart disease — the nation's leading killer — fell 6.3. percent in a year and contributed to a 2.3 percent drop in the overall death rate, federal health officials said.

"That's extraordinary, isn't it?" said Dr. Anthony DeMaria, past president of the American College of Cardiology and a professor of medicine at the University of Kentucky. "This may just be an isolated blip on a curve, but a 6 percent reduction in mortality would really be amazing."

Overall, the nation's death rate dropped 2.3 percent from 1988 to 1989, the latest statistics available, the national Centers for Disease Control said Thursday. The decline in heart disease mortality was a major reason; it accounts for about a third of U.S. deaths.

That rate has been declining in the United States since the 1950s, but "six percent in one year is a pretty good decline," said Dr. Marian MacDorman of the CDC's National Center for Health Statistics.

Between 1979 and 1989, she noted, mortality from heart disease declined 21.9 percent.

"The decade of the '80s saw tremendous advances in public awareness and changes in therapy," said Dr. Randolph Martin, a cardiologist and professor of medicine at Atlanta's Emory University.

New heart drugs, angioplasty (clearing the arteries) and surgical advances have "clearly made a difference," Martin said. "The other aspect of it is the public's awareness ... diet, lifestyle. When you go to a cocktail party, everybody wants to know what their cholesterol is."

Death from stroke, which can be caused by the same factors as heart disease, also declined, by 5.7 in one year and 32.7 percent in a decade.

Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States, behind cancer; the death rate from cancer rose 0.2 percent from 1988 to 1989, and 1.7 percent for the decade.

The CDC report was based on reporting from death certificates; 2,150,466 deaths were reported nationwide in 1989, 733,867 from heart disease. Cancer killed 496,152 people, and stroke killed 145,551.

AIDS killed 22,082 people that year, and rose from 15th to 11th on the mortality list.

Dan Aykroyd says wife saved him from depression

NEW YORK (AP) — Dan Aykroyd says true love saved him from despair after best friend John Belushi died of a drug overdose in 1982.

"Donna saved my life," Aykroyd said of actress Donna Dixon, whom he married in 1983. "She pulled me out of the terrible spin I was in, made it possible for me to pick up again."

He and Belushi were "great pals. Brothers, really," Aykroyd, 39, says in Sunday's Parade magazine.

The two started out together on "Saturday Night Live," where they introduced the comic singing duo later featured in the hit movie "The Blues Brothers."

Aykroyd's other movies include "Ghostbusters" and "Driving Miss Daisy."

Conroe woman accused of impersonating man in assault

HOUSTON (AP) — A 19-year-old Conroe woman has been accused of impersonating a man in the sexual assault of a 14-year-old girl who was convinced she was dating a teen-age boy.

Montgomery County authorities said farm hand LaJeane Sue Thompson assumed the name "Gene" when she initiated a relationship with the unsuspecting girl in February 1991.

Ms. Thompson was appointed an attorney in arraignment Thursday before state District Judge Olen Underwood. Defense lawyer David Bluestein entered a plea of innocent for Ms. Thompson, who declined comment.

No trial date has been set, and Ms. Thompson is free on $1,500 bond.

Authorities say Ms. Thompson and the girl had a nine-month relationship and were planning to get married in October when they headed to Mexico. The minor was reported as a runaway. Two days later, she and Ms. Thompson were found by police in Eagle Pass and were returned to Montgomery County.

Ms. Thompson was charged with sexual assault, but only after authorities convinced the minor that "Gene" was in fact female.

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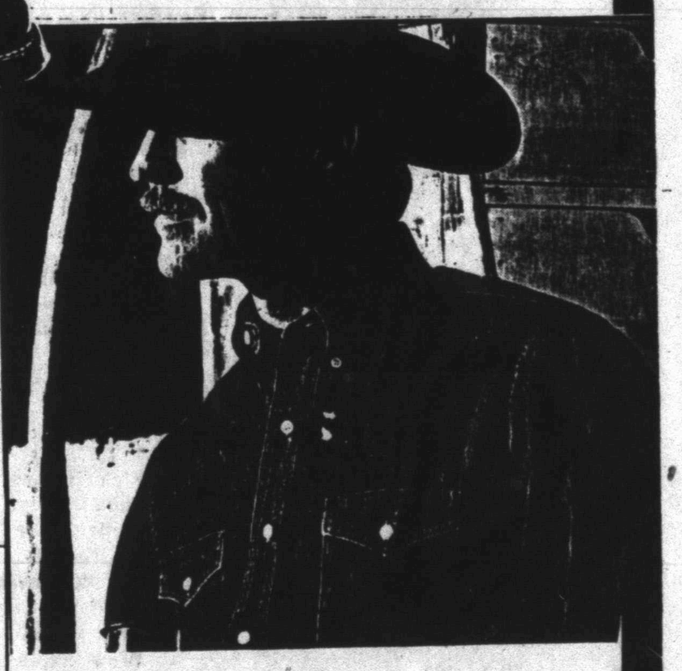

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