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Registration begins today at Western Tx

Registration for the 1996 spring term at Western Texas College was to begin this afternoon and continue through Tuesday.

Classes begin Wednesday.

Sophomores were to register today from 1 until 4 p.m. in the Student Center. Tonight, registration for evening students will be held from 6:30 until 8 o'clock.

Tuesday, freshmen will register from 8:30 until 11:30 a.m. The schedule is:

--8:30-9:30 a.m., surnames A-F.

--9:30-10:30 a.m., surnames G-O.

--10:30-11:30 a.m., surnames P-Z.

Registration for all students will be held Tuesday from 1 until 3 p.m.

The registration process begins in the admissions office, located at the south entrance of the Learning Resource Center.

Students may enroll in spring classes through Tuesday, Jan. 23.

Classes will dismiss for spring break on Friday, March 8, and resume on Monday, March 18. The WTC spring break coincides with spring break for Snyder public schools.

The spring term will end with final exams May 6-8.

For students who have not previously taken classes at WTC, placement testing is required if ACT or SAT scores are not available. Test scores must be shown prior to registration or a WTC placement test can be taken at the counseling office. A $10 fee is charged for the test.



BITE'EMS? — Charlie, 14-year-old Kayla Kenney's pet Vietnamese pot-bellied pig, doesn't seem to want to share his meal with his dog friend, Daisy. Charlie, eight months old, plays chase and soccer with Daisy, Kayla and two other family pet dogs. Kayla is the daughter of David and Becky Kenny of 2309 O'Neal. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Open meet law prompts office space shuffle

Commissioners Ralph Trevey and Jerry Gannaway will now office across the hall from the other two members of the commissioners court to avoid possible allegations of the court holding illegal meetings.

County Judge Ricky Fritz said a representative of the Attorney General's office had suggested the move to "avoid the appearance of illegal meetings."

Fritz said the representative told him that the current practice of the commissioners conducting their precinct business in the same room at the same time left the court wide open for someone to file on them for violating the Texas Open Meetings Law.

Fritz said the commissioners could visit but could not discuss county business.

In other matters this morning, the court reappointed Dr. Robert Pierce as the county physician and appointed two people to the library board to take the place of earlier appointments who could not serve.

Re-appointed was Jean Smith while Britt Canada was also selected.

Robert Adams was selected as an alternate for the county's grievance committee to take the place of Kay Echols. Echols was the alternate but was named an active committe member since Bennie Halford could not serve.

Halford has in-laws who are currently employed by the county.

Three budget amendments were approved by the court, including $1,000 in the airport's budget for the purchase of a portable radio receiver and $5,000 to purchase books for the county's law library.

The court also approved a $3,493 budget amendment for the court reporter for a salary increase.

The salary of the court reporter is set by the district judge but paid for with county funds.

Two line-item transfers were also approved including $1,876 moved from the residential confinement line of the budget in the juvenile probation office to $108 for auto expense and $1,768 for non-resident confinement. Also, the court approved a $45 transfer in the district judge's office from the court-appointed attorney line to administration fees.

As an informational item, Commissioner C.D. Gray also notified the court that he was hiring a laborer to replace a person who had quit.

Fritz presided while commissioners in attendance were Gray, Trevey, Gannaway and Roy Idom.

Bosnia...

POW swap scrapped

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — The biggest prisoner exchange of Bosnia's fragile peace was scrapped today as the Bosnian government insisted on knowing what happened to nearly 25,000 people it lists as missing.

"No agreement has been made about the release with the Serb side" because the Serbs refuse to say what happened to 24,742 people whose names have been given to them, said Amor Masovic, the Bosnian government official charged with overseeing prisoner of war exchanges.

Officials with the NATO-led force implementing the peace had expected some 500 Serbs to be freed in northern Bosnia, in two exchanges near Banja Luka and around Sanski Most.

Masovic insisted no Serbs held by the Muslim-led government will be exchanged before the Serbs say what happened to the missing government men.

Four thousand of the missing are thought to be prisoners, Masovic said. The fate of others is not known. They include thousands of Muslim men missing since the Serbs overran the U.N. "safe area" of Srebrenica in July. Most of the men are believed to have been killed.

The missing also include thousands of people who disappeared in the spring and summer of 1992 as the Serbs swept through northern and eastern Bosnia, expelling, imprisoning and killing Muslims.

Earlier today, Bosnian Croats gathered 200 prisoners near the southwestern city of Mostar for release to the Bosnian Serbs, the International Red Cross said. According to the government, the Serbs had offered the names of only 123 prisoners to be released to the government.

Altogether, swaps today and Tuesday were supposed to have freed all the 900 known prisoners of war across Bosnia, Pierre Gauthier of the Red Cross said.

Prisoner exchanges are considered key to building confidence among the former warring factions, who made peace Dec. 14.

But the government seems likely to insist on a clear admission from the Serbs that the nearly 25,000 missing people are imprisoned, or dead.

The huge number of missing has fed suspicions of unidentified mass graves. Independent Belgrade media reported that President Clinton asked President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia on Saturday to help ensure that foreign investigators can look for such graves.

It is not known if Milosevic agreed. Even if he did, he might not be able to influence Bosnian Serb leaders, who could be implicated in war crimes if evidence of massacres is found.

Murder trial begins in district court here

The 10-year-old son of defendant Grayling Thomas Gradney was the first person to testify this morning as the murder trial of the Snyder man began in 132nd District Court.

Richard Gradney told the jury that his father told him that the victim, Carolyn Carr, 43, shot herself with a shotgun.

The youngster also said that he overheard his father tell his grandmother that the victim had shot herself.

He also testified that his father had shown him a shotgun earlier in the day that was kept in the back of a closet.

Under questioning from District Attorney Ricky Smith of Lamesa, Grandy's son said his dad told him the gun was for protection.

"My dad said to use gun in case someone was trying to break in the house or hurt me," said Richard Gradney.

"He said just to use it to scare them away," he added.

Carolyn Carr's 27-year-old daughter also testified this morning.

Houston resident Jacqueline Carr said she first met Gradney when she was about seven years old, and her mother and the accused had had an off and on relationship for many years.

"For a long time, they were just friends," said Carr.

Carr said her mother had planned to visit Gradney in Snyder

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Rev. Robinson to retire as Colonial Hill pastor

Miller Robinson, dean of active ministers in Scurry County, announced retirement plans to his congregation Sunday.

Rev. Robinson, pastor of Colonial Hill Baptist Church since 1964, said he would retire July 1, but would conduct his last service May 26.

Robinson, 62, came to Colonial Hill Baptist Church in 1964, at the age of 30. In 1964, Colonial Hill had approximately 600 members, and today the church located at 37th St. and El Paso Ave. has a membership of 1,200.

"I want to thank everybody for allowing us to spend 32 years of our lives here. Everyone has been so friendly and patient," he said this morning.

Even though his retirement date is July, Robinson will go on vacation in June, he said.

"We intend to stay in Snyder. We've made lots of friends and Snyder is where our friends are. Later on, we may decide to do something else, but we haven't made any plans," the veteran pastor said.

Robinson, known for his wit and humor, has been active in civic as well as church work.

He has served as a member of the chamber of commerce, chairman of the Economic Development Committee, a member of the Development Corporation of Snyder, the Lions Club and a recipient of the city's Vestal Award.

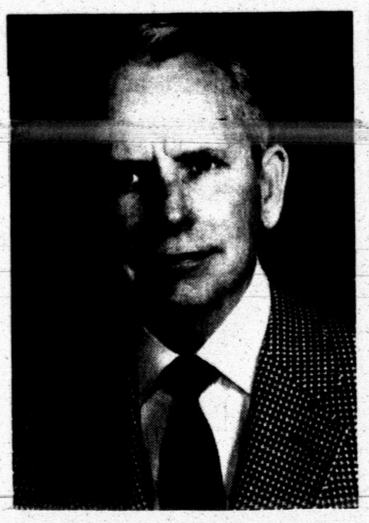
The church's physical plant has also grown during Robinson's tenure. The current auditorium was built as was the children's building and adult building. There have been several remodeling projects, including one currently underway.

Robinson has been a member of the executive board, the administrative committee and the State Missions Commission of the Baptist General Convention of Texas, and served on the board of trustees at Howard Payne University, Baptist Memorials Geriatric Center in San Angelo, Valley Baptist Academy in Harlingen, Hispanic Baptist Seminary and moderator of Coryell, Caprock and Mitchell-Scurry Baptist Associations.

Robinson graduated from Baylor University in 1955 and from the Southwest Baptist Theological Seminary in 1958 and continued his education at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland and the University of Uppsala in Sweden.

Preaching since the age of 19, his former pastorates include the Coryell Baptist Church from 1954-58, White Mound Baptist

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Miller Robinson

King historic site gets more land

ATLANTA (AP) — The site of a former pencil factory will be added to a historic district honoring Martin Luther King Jr. today as part of celebrations marking his birthday.

The 5.5 acres will be converted into a parking lot for a King visitors center that is being built by the National Parks Service. A mile-long walkway will connect it to the Carter Presidential Center's library and museum.

With Atlanta the host of the 1996 summer Olympics, officials expect many more visitors to the sites.

"For someone visiting here from France, England, China, what they're going to think about is 'Where is Martin Luther King?' and 'Where is Jimmy Carter?' We're connecting them," said Rand Wentworth, a representative for a trust that has acquired and transferred land to complete the 15.5-acre district.

The district also includes streets, buildings and the neighborhood where the slain civil rights leader grew up.

In the 1950s, the Scripto pencil plant was Atlanta's largest employer, providing jobs for residents and customers for businesses. The King district has become the area's new economic draw.

The land transfer is one of many ceremonies marking King's birthday in Atlanta and elsewhere around the nation. President Clinton is scheduled to attend a service at Ebenezer Baptist Church, next door to the King Center, before touring the Olympic Stadium.

The King Center, which is run by King's family, will hold its annual march and rally. Emory University will show a portfolio of rare photographs taken during the last year of King's life.

In Boston, a music program was planned at Boston University, where King got his Ph.D. in theology in 1955. Sen. John F. Kerry, D-Mass., will give a speech on "Where Do We Go From Here: Chaos or Community — The Choice is Yours."

ASK US

Q—Is Texas still the leader in number of cattle raised in the United States?

A—Yes, Texas ranks number one in cattle (15.1 million head) and in sheep and lambs (1.7 million head). Texas also produces more cotton and hay than any other state.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 75 degrees; low, 30; high Sunday, 73; low, 38; 7 a.m. reading Monday, 40; no precipitation; total for 1996, .21 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low 30-35. S wind 5-15 mph. Tuesday, partly cloudy. High, lower 70s. SW wind 15-25 mph, gusty. Caution advised on area lakes.

Sunset: 6:03 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:17 a.m.

Of 14 days in 1996, the sun has shone 12 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The way of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord, but He loves him who pursues righteousness.

Proverbs 15:9

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Certificates presented to 17 who finish childcare classes

Seventeen individuals were recognized recently for completing three semesters of the "Basic Childcare and Development" program offered through the Continuing Education Office at Western Texas College.

They include Celeta McDonald, Virgie Hurt, Dianne Bax, Landra Alvarez, Sandra Vanderslice, Rachael Bass, Dora Quintero, Dolly Harrison, Kari Jarka, Terri Whitefield, Mary Samples, Tina Rios, Pat Morin, Belinda Gomez, Julie Sanchez, Estella Gutierrez and Kathy Rogers.

The child care course offered on the Snyder campus is a three-part series and began during the spring semester in 1994. The WTC class is offered in three segments. Each may be taken independently of the others. Students wishing to take only one or two segments will earn 4.0 CEUs per semester. No admission testing or prerequisites are required.

WTC plans to continue the course offering this spring. Students who are interested in the program may call the Continuing Education Division at 573-8511, ext. 390.



RECEIVE CERTIFICATES — These persons all completed the three part series of childcare classes at Western Texas College. Shown in the top photo are from left, back row, Celeta McDonald, Virgie Hurt, Dianne Bax, Landra Alvarez; front row, Sandra Vanderslice, Rachael Bass, Dora Quintero, Dolly Harrison, Kari Jarka. Those pictured in the bottom photo are from left, back row, Terri Whitefield, Mary Samples, Tina Rios; front row, Pat Morin, Belinda Gomez, Julie Sanchez. Not pictured are Estella Gutierrez and Kathy Rogers. (SDN Staff Photos)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1996

Unusual and unexpected career opportunities might suddenly develop for you in the year ahead. They will be triggered by what appears to be an unrelated chain of events.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today you might be treated in a surprisingly generous fashion by an unexpected source. The circumstances that prompt this event will be unique. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) The best things that happen today might not be the result of your efforts. Associates may treat you better than you treat yourself. Try to be gracious.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Let compassionate instincts take precedence over logic today. Doing good things for others will give you instant gratification and pleasant memories.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Get in touch with a dear friend today, even if you are separated by considerable distance. Something very significant could result from this contact.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Some exciting things might unexpectedly develop today, but you may not perceive their significance right away.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Others will appreciate hanging out with you today because of your strong inclination to share. Do not impede your noble impulses.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You will tend to benefit from changes and shifting conditions today. Remember, you do not have to accept the status quo.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It looks as though others will affect your agenda today. When all is said and done, you will agree that their input was a blessing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your interests could serve as a strong magnet today. Do not be surprised if you look over your shoulder and see a lot of followers.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Someone might have some information for you today that will be of enormous importance in filling up holes in an idea that has been unable to hold water.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If there is something you've been wanting to buy, but have been reluctant to purchase because of the high price, you can afford it today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Keep your plans flexible so that you can alter your course at a moment's notice. Today, shifting conditions might require some fast moves on your part.

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Astronaut will tape segment for TV sitcom

NEW YORK — Astronaut Kathryn Thornton said it wasn't exactly rocket science but doing a cameo for "Home Improvement" had its own challenges.

As one of the senior members of the space shuttle Columbia's crew last voyage out, Thornton got a starring role in the taping of gags for comedian Tim Allen's television show.

Allen told TV Guide in the Jan. 20 issue that NASA gave permission in October for the taping, the first footage ever specially shot in space for a TV series.

"Grunting in the cosmos. I couldn't believe it," Allen said, referring to his famous grunts.

Thornton was taped using a screwdriver and "without gravity, I spun along with it."

Allen called it the "first intergalactic screw-up."

Odessans receive antibotic treatment

ODESSA (AP) — Odessa residents lined up this week for antibiotics to ward off spinal meningitis, a contagious disease that has killed at least one person from the area and has left a child hospitalized.

Ector County health authorities originally believed that a 47-year-old woman died Saturday from meningitis. They have since backed off that assertion.

On Thursday, Brenda Bennett and a 5-year-old girl were admitted to Medical Center Hospital with an unknown illness. By nightfall, Ector County Health Department officials were on the phone trying to contact everyone who recently had come in contact with them.

The woman, who died Saturday, may have infected people through her job at the Ector County Courthouse and the girl may have come into contact with those in her Odessa Head Start classroom and on the school bus.

Arlington resident Victoria Barrientes, 14, died of meningococcal meningitis Jan. 2 after having spent Christmas in Odessa. More than 100 Ector County residents who came into contact with the girl received the prescription antibiotic Rifampin in the days after her death.

Ector County Health Department official C.S. Patterson said nothing connects Miss Barrientes with the two new cases.

Ms. Bennett's doctor is awaiting autopsy results before calling meningitis the cause of her death.

"We just don't know what this is," Dr. Dan Hendrickson said. "We're not sure it was an infectious agent at all. It could've been something like a stroke that affected the brain."

The girl was listed in stable condition at Medical Center Hospital Sunday evening.

Those who went to the health department were given a two-day prescription for Rifampin. Children were given a liquid, adults were given pills.

At a news conference Saturday, Patterson said there was no cause for alarm.

"There's no reason for panic on the part of the public at this time because we feel that this is still sporadic in nature," Patterson said. "There is no sign of an epidemic occurring."

Patterson added that exposure is more likely to occur by close personal contact, such as coughing and sneezing.

Health officials have said the incubation period for spinal meningitis is between two and 10 days.

Date Book

Jan. 15, 1996

Today is the 15th day of 1996 and the 25th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1870, the donkey was first used to portray the Democratic Party when Thomas Nast's cartoon appeared in Harper's Weekly.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Matthew Brady (1823-1896), Civil War photographer; Edward Teller (1908-), physicist, is 88; Osip Mandelstam (1891-1938), poet; Gene Krupa (1909-1973), musician; Lloyd Bridges (1913-), actor, is 83; John Joseph O'Connor (1920-), archbishop of New York City, is 76; Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968), civil rights leader; Margaret O'Brien (1937-), actress, is 59.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1967, the Green Bay Packers defeated the Kansas City Chiefs 35-10 in Super Bowl I, which was televised by both CBS and NBC.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Life improves slowly and goes wrong fast, and only catastrophe is clearly visible." — Edward Teller

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1932, Los Angeles received 2 inches of snow.

SOURCE: 1996 Weather Guide Calendar, Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Jan. 13) and new moon (Jan. 20).

1996 NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN

'12 Monkeys' tops box office again

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "12 Monkeys," a time-travel thriller starring Bruce Willis, remained the most popular movie for a third straight weekend, earning an estimated $9.8 million at North American theaters, industry sources said.

It was followed by two debuts: "Don't Be a Menace to South Central While Drinking Your Juice in the Hood," a spoof starring brothers Marlon and Shawn Wayans with $7.8 million, and "Eye for An Eye," starring Sally Field as a revenge-seeking mother, with $7.3 million.

1. "12 Monkeys," $9.8 million.
2. "Don't Be a Menace to South Central While Drinking Your Juice in the Hood," $7.8 million
3. "Eye for an Eye," $7.3 million.
4. "Grumpier Old Men," $6.8 million.
5. "Toy Story," $6.1 million.
6. "Waiting to Exhale," $5.7 million.
7. "Jumanji," $5.6 million.
8. "Heat," $5.5 million.
9. "Bio-Dome," $5.3 million.
10. "Two If By Sea," $4.6 million.

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

R.L. Adkins Corp. has completed the No. 1 McGlaun in the Vernon Cox field, 12 miles north of Snyder. The well was finaled to produce 66 barrels of 36.8 gravity oil. Perforations were from 7,083-100 feet, and location is in Section 700, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Mitchell County

Fina Oil and Chemical will drill the No. 838 Westbrook southeast unit in the Westbrook field, three miles northwest of Westbrook. Planned for a depth of 3,300 feet, location is in Section 33, Block 28, T1N, T&P survey.

Kent County

Mobil Producing will drill the No. 616-F Salt Creek unit in the Salt Creek field, nine miles northwest of Clairemont. Planned for a depth of 6,800 feet, drill site is in Section 6, John Rodman survey.

Mobil will drill the No. 217-G Salt Creek unit in the Salt Creek field, nine miles northwest of Clairemont. Planned depth is 6,800 feet, and location is in Section 12, Block 1, H&GN survey.

Mobil Producing will drill the No. 117 Salt Creek unit in the Salt Creek field, nine miles northwest of Clairemont. Also scheduled for 6,800 feet, location is in Section 11, Block 1, H&GN survey.

Sharp Image Energy has completed the No. 7-A Spur in the Sharp Spur field, 28 miles northwest of Jayton. The well was finaled to produce 67 barrels of 34.6 gravity oil and seven barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,268-296 feet, and location is in Section 10, Block B, J.W. McCommas survey.

Garza County

HAT Oil and Gas will drill the No. 1 Fourth and One, an 8,500-foot wildcat located eight miles southeast of Post. Drill site is in Section 942, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Fisher County

Cholla Petrolcum Inc. has completed the No. 21 ARCO Hill in the Newman field, eight miles south of Roby. The well was finaled to produce 12 barrels of 40 gravity oil and two barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,762-768 feet, and location is in Section 11, Block 5, T&P survey.

Howard County

Midland Oil and Gas has completed the No. 1-20 Bullseye in the Jones field, five miles west of Vealmoor. The well was finaled to produce 140 barrels of 43 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 8,890-939 feet, and location is in Section 17, Block 33, T&P survey.

Cobra Oil and Gas Corp. has completed the No. 1-3 Evans in the China Beach field, four miles northeast of Knott. The venture was completed to produce 94 barrels of 38.5 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 8,762-825 feet, and location is in Section 3, Block 33, T2N, T&P survey.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Stargazers TFCEC; 3117 Ave. T; 7 p.m.

Delta Kappa Gamma, Zeta Lambda Chapter; Martha Ann Woman's Club; 7 p.m.

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-9458, 573-8626 or 573-8929; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity Methodist Church (south wing); noon; for more information, call Nathalie at 573-0015.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; 6:30 p.m.

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

Beta Sigma Phi; MAWC; 7:30 p.m.

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

WEDNESDAY

Altrurian Daughters Club; MAWC; 11:30 a.m.

Scurry County Penwomen; 1:30 p.m.

Cosmorama Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members are urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

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

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

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

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

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th; 7:30 p.m.

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

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

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Vacation Condo Busybodies Make Owners Long for Home

DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Good Neighbor, Ventura, Calif." prompted this from a "Good Neighbor" to be the neighborhood jerk? My wife and I own a condo in Florida. The majority of the owners use their condos only for short vacations and rent them out the rest of the year. The complex is beautiful, but the busybodies there drive us nuts. These full-timers, who occupy only 10 percent of the units, think the complex is their private domain.

The year-rounders are overly concerned about tenants who have unapproved sunshades on their balcony or who fail to get permission to fly the American flag from their sunporches on the Fourth of July. They complain to security about children playing on the lawns (which are not off-limits) and don't understand that people in the swimming pool like to laugh, splash and have a good time. These crabs and cranks have driven away repeat renters. They dominate homeowner board meetings and almost always get their way. All the owners in our complex are supposed to be equal, but it seems that some are more equal than others.

"Good Neighbor's" mother was right. She *is* a busybody, and you should have told her to mind her own business. People like her make us wish we had invested somewhere else. I'm eligible for retirement, but there's no way I'd ever retire to a condominium.

SUFFERING FROM A CONDO COMPLEX, PARAMUS, N.J.

DEAR SUFFERING: Reread my answer. I refrained from name-calling, but I did caution "Good Neighbor" to be judicious when informing on her neighbors, reminding her that disapproval is not justification for "turning people in."

I also stressed that law enforcement needs reliable, serious witnesses who are willing to report crimes. But to irresponsibly report minor infractions is a waste of important official time. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I was outraged when I read the letter from "Good Neighbor, Ventura, Calif." I am a law enforcement officer, and those "whistle-blowers" actually do more harm than good.

It is true that law enforcement officers frequently rely on citizens to alert them when a crime has been committed. These people can offer good leads, be good witnesses and provide a sense of security among their neighbors.

However, these whistle-blowers often don't realize that it is not their place to decide whether or not it is appropriate for someone to park, stand or walk somewhere unless their actions are creating a danger — and not just an inconvenience — to someone else. We are bombarded with crimes far more serious than illegally parked cars. Our time is committed to catching real criminals, not responding to tattletales. Nobody likes a tattletale.

FIGHTING "REAL" CRIME, MILWAUKEE

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DEAR ABBY: Your column on forgiveness some months ago was very moving. It reminded me of something I clipped from your column about seven years ago:

FORGIVENESS

The friend who ran off with your wife

Forgive him for his lust;

The chum who sold you phony stocks,

Forgive his breach of trust;

The pal who schemed behind your back,

Forgive his evil work;

And when you're done, forgive yourself

For being such a jerk.

LONGTIME READER

DEAR READER: The poem carries a worthwhile message. Who among us, at one time or another, did not need forgiveness?

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for your column on the danger of food allergies.

I have had a lifelong allergy to peanuts, but only in recent years have I seen anything in print about this problem. Well-meaning but ignorant people have told me I am "spoiled" and "fussy," and it's only my imagination! Adults and children alike have tried to persuade me to eat peanuts, or even worse, have tricked me into eating them.

My allergy has become much more acute as I've grown older. At one point, I suffered a full-blown anaphylactic reaction. Your readers might find a chronology of the symptoms of an allergic reaction educational.

It's a [illegible] within minutes. It is a true medical emergency, and every second counts. Your mouth starts to feel "funny" inside, then your wrists and hands begin to itch, followed by your armpits, then your crotch. That's just the beginning.

Your eyes and lips begin to itch and swell, then hives start to puff up and itch over your entire body and — the really dangerous part — you begin to wheeze because your mucus membranes are also affected, and your lungs begin to fill up. Then, your blood pressure begins to fall, and your body attempts to compensate for the drop in pressure by increasing the heart rate to 200 beats a minute (65 to 80 is normal).

At this point, you are close to cashing in your chips unless you can get a shot or two of epinephrine. And, even if your blood pressure doesn't dive, if your throat swells shut, you're in serious trouble because only an emergency tracheotomy (a hole in your windpipe so air can reach your lungs) can save you.

You will probably hear from other readers about the danger of food allergies. Thank you for making people aware.

ELIZABETH A. CURRAN

DEAR ELIZABETH: Almost every year there is some mention in the media about an allergy-related tragedy or a close call experienced by someone who was not as fortunate as you. Food allergies are not the only problem. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm one of the many people who are highly allergic to perfumes. We seem to be an expanding circle, because I know nine other people with the same affliction.

I avoid crowds, do my shopping in the early morning hours, and try to sit away from others at funerals and weddings. One exposure leaves my nose congested and my lungs filled with fluid. I cough for days.

Why do people insist on drenching themselves in perfume? I was taught that restraint is important: A little dab on the wrist or neck is sufficient. No one is supposed to [illegible]

I recently attended a funeral, sitting well to the back and off to the side with my nonscented friends. Halfway through the service, the door opened and a wave of perfume wafted across the church. I was ill the remainder of the day.

Some advertisers place perfume samples in magazines, scenting the entire mail system. If this were my kingdom, perfume offenders would be relegated to isolated sections in public, and perfume bottles would require a warning label: "This product may be hazardous to the health of others."

Those who use perfume should have an honest friend check them out. The user's ability to judge the amount that should be used may be dulled from sensory overload.

DORIS VOSS, TACOMA, WASH.

DEAR DORIS: Thank you for reminding my readers that an allergy is nothing to sneeze at.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder



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	♥K 3 2	
	♦8 3	
	♣A 4 3 2	
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♥Q J 10 9 7 6 4		♥8
♦A 5 4		♦Q J 10 9 7 6
♣6		♣8 5
	SOUTH	
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	♥A 5	
	♦K 2	
	♣K Q J 10 9 7	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	3 ♥	4 ♣	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥Q

If at first

By Phillip Alder

The best line of play will be obvious in many deals. But in others, there are so many possibilities that it is tough to decide which way to turn.

In today's deal, you are in five clubs. West leads the heart queen and East follows with the eight. What is your plan?

Over three hearts, probably North should gamble on three no-trump. And if he could have made a negative double, you would have rebid three no-trump, a contract with 10 top tricks when played by South. However, you shouldn't spend time mulling over that now. You must try to find the best route to 11 tricks in clubs.

At first glance, you can see that if East has the diamond ace, everything is fine. But West might hold that card, especially as he is vulnerable. If so, and if the spades are 3-3, perhaps you can set up a long spade for a diamond discard. Yet you will have to keep East off the lead.

The best line is elusive. After winning with the heart ace and drawing trumps from hand, you should cash the two top spades, play a heart to dummy's king and lead the heart three, discarding your last spade from hand.

Assuming he didn't start with four spades, West will have to concede your 11th trick. If he can lead a spade, the suit will be breaking 3-3. You will ruff, play a club to dummy's ace and discard the diamond two on the established spade five. With this layout, West must either lead a heart, which concedes a ruff-and-discard, or open up diamonds.

When should you work all this out? At trick one, after the dummy is tabled but before you play from it.

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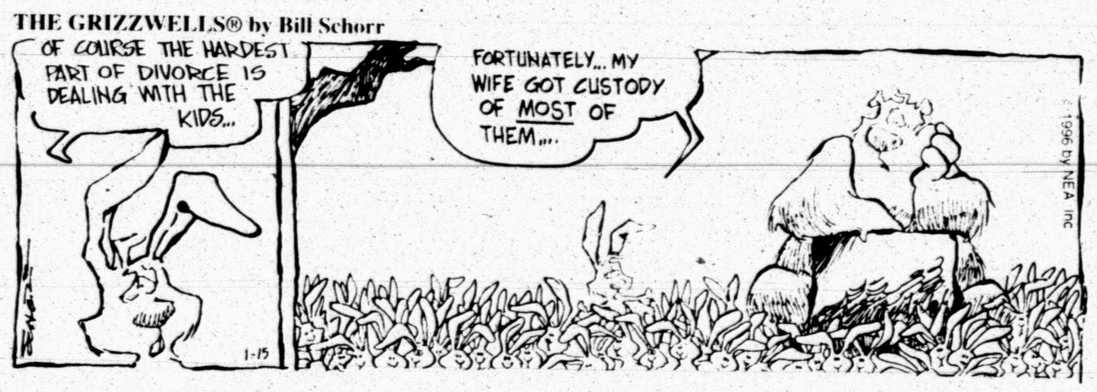
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15 Long-limbed quality
17 Building wing
18 Nautical assent
19 Radiation measure
20 Makes simpler
22 — Lingus (airline)
23 Blackbird
24 Eastern priests
27 Dirty
31 Inter — (among others)
32 Lotion ingredient
33 Playing card
34 Greek letters
35 Part of T.A.E.
36 Weapons
37 Showy flower
39 Misplaces
40 Ore. summer hrs.
41 Inquire
42 Mental slip
45 Red — — beet
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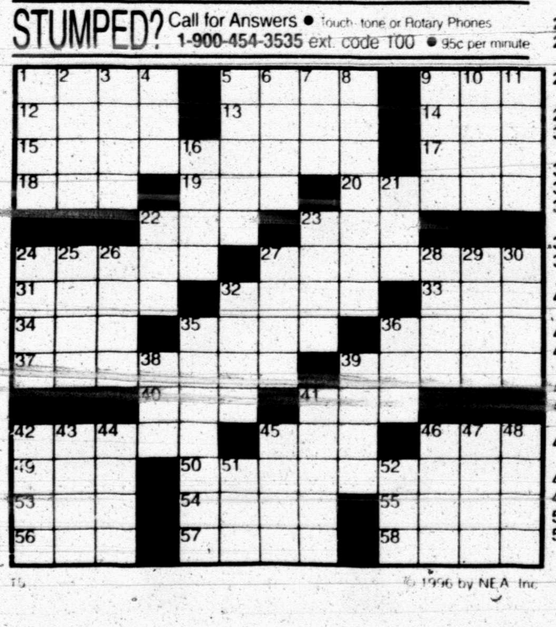
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23 Celebes ox
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SPORTS

Lady Westerners take on No. 9 Midland tonight

By Brent Taylor
Sports Editor

After more than a month without a home basketball game, the Western Texas College Lady Westerners will be at the Scurry County Coliseum tonight for a Western Junior College Athletic Assocation contest against the Midland College Lady Chaparrals.

Midland enters tonight's game as the ninth ranked team in the nation in the latest Juco polls, averaging 92 points a game.

According to coach Brenda Nichols, "Midland is a very talented team. They shoot the ball real well and that is something we have not done in the past."

The first time the two teams met, Midland came out on top, 109-66, in the second conference game of the year back in November.

The way this year's schedule is, everyone plays each other three times. Tonight's contest will start the second round.

"Coming back from mid-term, I think we have matured a lot," added Nichols. "They have improved a hundred percent. It's two different teams from when they left to the time they come back."

The Lady Westerners for the year are 6-11, 1-5 in WJACC play.

"Since coming back from Christmas, Shanna Gathwright is playing great, Stacy Hinson, our bench is coming in and doing a great job. Shawna Davis did a great job at Frank Phillips, Kelly Smith went in and played really great defense, April Reves hit three three-pointers in-a-row and those kinda things really help."

In the conference, Hinson is fourth in scoring and Katrina Turner is eighth. Toot Smith is second in rebounding and Turner is eighth. In assists, Gathwright and Hinson are second and third and in blocks, the Lady Westerner have the top two spots with Turner and Smith. Hinson is in fourth in steals and Turner ninth.

Academically, WTC came out looking very good. They did not lose anyone to grades at the mid-term break.

Two of the Lady Westerners, Tona Wright and Emily Schaffer, will miss a few games during the last half of the season. Both of those girls are on rodeo scholarship and will be helping out the rodeo team.

Tip off tonight is set for 7:30.



WTC LADY WESTERNERS-The Lady Westerners will be making their first home appearance of the new year tonight at 7:30 against the ninth ranked team in the nation, the Lady Chaparrals from Midland College. Lady Westerner players are front row, (L to R) Jessica Jeffrey, Stacy Hinson, Tona Wright, Shanna Gathwright, Emily Schaffer. Back row, Toot Smith, Shawna Davis, Angelica Brooks, Kelly Smith, April Reves and Katrina Turner. The coach is Brenda Nichols. Student coaches are Chad Welsh, Penny Glenn, David Krenek and Stephanie McKnight. (SDN Staff Photo by Brent Taylor)

NBA AT A GLANCE

By The Associated Press
National Basketball Association
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	27	8	.771	—
NewYork	22	12	.647	4½
Washington	18	17	.514	9
Miami	16	18	.471	10½
Boston	14	21	.400	13
NewJersey	13	21	.382	13½
Philadelphia	7	26	.212	19
Central Division				
Chicago	30	3	.909	—
Indiana	21	13	.617	9½
Cleveland	19	15	.559	11½
Detroit	18	15	.545	12
Atlanta	17	17	.500	13½
Charlotte	17	18	.486	14
Milwaukee	12	22	.353	18½
Toronto	10	25	.286	21

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
SanAntonio	24	9	.727	—
Houston	25	11	.694	½
Utah	22	12	.647	2½
Denver	16	20	.444	9½
Dallas	10	24	.294	14½
Minnesota	8	26	.235	16½
Vancouver	7	29	.194	18½
Pacific Division				
Seattle	24	10	.706	—
Sacramento	20	12	.625	3
L.A.Lakers	19	17	.528	6
Portland	17	18	.486	7½
GoldenState	16	19	.457	8½
Phoenix	14	19	.424	9½
L.A.Clippers	15	21	.416	10

Sunday's Game
Cleveland 89, Phoenix 74

Monday's Games
Milwaukee at New York, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Washington, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Sacramento at Minnesota, 3:30 p.m.
Miami at L.A. Lakers, 4:30 p.m.
Seattle at Golden State, 5 p.m.
Toronto at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
Indiana at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Seattle, 8 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Boston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Portland, 10 p.m.

LPGA TOURNEY OF CHAMPIONS SCORES

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Final scores and earnings Sunday of the $725,000 Chrysler-Plymouth Tournament of Champions, played on the Grand Cypress Resort's 6,382-yard, par-72 North-South course:

LiselotteNeumann,$117,500	67-66-72-70—275
KarrieWebb,$73,500	71-73-74-68—286
LauraDavies,$47,750	72-72-71-72—287
MissieMcGeorge,$47,750	69-74-70-74—287
PatBradley,$28,166	73-74-78-66—291
KellyRobbins,$28,166	73-73-77-68—291
ChrisJohnson,$28,166	72-73-74-72—291
BarbMucha,$17,655	74-78-72-68—292
TammieGreen,$17,655	72-76-74-70—292
BethDaniel,$17,655	75-71-75-71—292
BetsyKing,$17,655	69-80-70-73—292
DottiePepper,$13,016	76-73-72-72—293
KoWoo-soon,$13,016	76-70-75-72—293
MarthaNause,$13,016	68-74-75-76—293
JennyLidback,$11,007	73-76-73-72—294
LisaKiggens,$11,007	71-74-75-74—294
JaneGeddes,$10,120	74-74-73-74—295
HelenAlfredsson,$8,953	77-76-75-68—296
NancyLopez,$8,953	75-73-77-71—296
DaleEggeling,$8,953	72-80-72-72—296
ValSkinner,$8,953	73-76-75-72—296
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GailGraham,$7,574	76-71-76-74—297
DawnCoe-Jones,$7,574	74-77-69-77—297

U. Mass stays No. 1

Texas Tech No. 25

By JIM O'CONNELL
AP Basketball Writer

Massachusetts remained the No. 1 team in the college basketball poll for the fourth straight week today, while once again there were multiple changes at the bottom of the Top 25.

The Minutemen (14-0) received 62 of the 64 first-place votes and 1,598 points from the national media panel, with Kentucky (13-1) holding the runner-up spot for the fourth straight week, this time with 1,519 points.

Cincinnati (11-0) and Kansas (12-1) swapped third and fourth with the Bearcats receiving a first-place vote. Connecticut (14-1) received the other No. 1 vote and moved up one spot to fifth.

Wake Forest, which jumped two spots, Villanova, Georgetown, Memphis and North Carolina rounded out the Top Ten. Georgetown, which lost to Pittsburgh during the week, fell three places in the only other change among that group.

Virginia Tech jumped from 15th to lead the Second Ten and was followed by Syracuse, UCLA, Penn State, Utah, Iowa, Purdue, Arizona, Clemson and Michigan. The last five spots went to Mississippi State, Georgia, Auburn, Boston College and Texas Tech.

By The Associated Press

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Jan. 15, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Prv
1.Massachusetts(62)	14-0	1,598	1
2.Kentucky	13-1	1,519	2
3.Cincinnati(1)	11-0	1,432	4
4.Kansas	12-1	1,426	3
5.Connecticut(1)	14-1	1,360	6
6.WakeForest	10-1	1,224	8
7.Villanova	13-2	1,133	7
8.Georgetown	14-2	1,107	5
9.Memphis	11-2	1,047	9
10.NorthCarolina	12-3	960	10
11.VirginiaTech	9-1	894	15
12.Syracuse	13-2	864	14
13.UCLA	11-3	829	17
14.PennSt.	13-0	724	20
15.Utah	14-3	685	13
16.Iowa	13-3	591	11
17.Purdue	13-2	571	22
18.Arizona	11-3	515	18
19.Clemson	11-1	403	16
20.Michigan	13-4	399	23
21.MississippiSt.	10-3	337	12
22.Georgia	10-3	206	19
23.Auburn	14-3	180	—
24.BostonCollege	11-3	124	—
25.TexasTech	12-1	102	—

Other receiving votes: Alabama 71, Missouri 65, New Mexico 59, Stanford 54, California 38, Tulsa 36, Georgia Tech 30, Pittsburgh 30, E. Michigan 28, Illinois 28, Virginia 26, Duke 19, Santa Clara 19, Indiana 18, Oklahoma 17, Nebraska 10, Wis.-Green Bay 5, Washington St. 4, E. Kentucky 3, Miami, Ohio 3, Washington 3, Fresno St. 2, George Washington 2, Montana 2, Temple 2, Ark.-Little Rock 1, Marquette 1.

'The Triplets' lead Cowboys back to Super Bowl XXX

DALLAS (AP) — Call them "the Triplets." Call them Emmitt, Troy and Michael. Call them the reason the Dallas Cowboys are back where they think they belong every year.

The Super Bowl.

With Emmitt Smith, Troy Aikman and Michael Irvin doing what they do best, the Cowboys overcame the tenacious Green Bay Packers 38-27 Sunday and now head for Tempe, Ariz., to play Pittsburgh in quest of their third NFL championship in four years.

They met in two previous Super Bowls, both won by Pittsburgh after the 1974 and 1976 seasons. This time, however, Dallas is an early 12½-point favorites to become the 12th straight team from the NFC to win the NFL title.

"We're going home," said Irvin, who had seven receptions for 100 yards and two touchdowns Sunday. "We let someone else rent it last year, but we're taking it back."

But while Dallas will bring back a lot of familiar faces, there will be two notable new ones — Barry Switzer and Deion Sanders.

"They tell me it's a lot of fun," said the coach who's been under fire since Jerry Jones chose him to replace Jimmy Johnson after their well-publicized falling out in April 1994.

Sanders, on the other hand, will be back for the second consecutive season, but his first with Dallas.

Last season, he won his first ring with San Francisco, then signed on with the Cowboys for $35 million. His main contribution Sunday was on offense rather than defense — a 35-yard reception, on which he demonstrated his high-stepping strut, to set up Dallas' first touchdown.

This was not an easy game for the Cowboys, although they held the ball for four seconds short of 39 minutes.

They got 150 yards and three touchdowns on 35 carries for Smith and an efficient 21 of 33 day for Aikman, who threw for 255 yards and 4- and 6-yard TD passes to Irvin in the first period.

And it wasn't a pleasant one. There were numerous scuffles and three unsportsmanlike conduct penalties following an injury to Green Bay nose tackle John Jurkovic on a legal chop block by Erik Williams. In fact, the Packers complained all game about the officiating — they thought a pick was thrown on Sanders' reception.

And Gil Haskell, Green Bay's receivers coach, was knocked unconscious when he was hit on the sidelines by the Packers' Robert Brooks, who had been shoved out of bounds by Darren Woodson. Haskell was taken to Baylor University Hospital where he was listed in serious condition with a head injury.

"It's hard to keep going when you see your friend lying there unconscious," said Packers coach Mike Holmgren.

The Packers played hard. The Cowboys just played better.

Among the keys for Dallas was defensive tackle Leon Lett, who always seems to show up (positively or negatively) in big games. His interception of a Brett Favre screen pass set up the second Aikman-Irvin hookup to give the Cowboys a 14-3 lead with 2:20 left in the first period.

But, 21 seconds after Irvin scored, Brooks raced untouched into the Dallas end zone after taking a slant pass from Favre on a play that covered 73 yards. Somehow Larry Brown was left alone to cover the entire side of the field against Brooks, who caught 102 passes in the regular season.

Brown would later atone with an interception that sealed the game, but the Favre-Brooks play was typical of the resilience by Green Bay, which last week upset San Francisco, the reigning champion.

Favre, the NFL's MVP during the regular season, missed his first six passing attempts and completed only two of his first nine. But both of those were for touchdowns, the second a 24-yarder to Keith Jackson 39 seconds into the second period that gave the Packers a 17-14 lead.

"I was a little too pumped up," said the 26-year-old Favre, who was in the biggest game of his career.

Still, it was Smith and the offensive line that wore down the Packers in the 78-degree weather — 94 degrees warmer than in the most famous Dallas-Green Bay playoff game, the 1967 "Ice Bowl" at Lambeau Field.

One key came at the end of the first half, after Packer punter Craig Hentrich spun a 57-yard punt out of bounds at the Dallas 1-yard-line.

On the next play, Smith burst off tackle behind Williams for 25 yards and the Cowboys were in position to move. The drive ended with Smith going into the end zone from a yard out with 24 seconds left in the half, making it 24-17.

"I think they thought we'd try to pass our way out of there," Smith said. "They were a little off balance."

But Green Bay still wouldn't go away.

Chris Jacke's 37-yard field goal cut the deficit to 24-20 on the first series of the second half. Then Favre, who finished 21 of 39 for 307 yards, drove the Packers 79 yards in eight plays, hitting Jackson for 54 yards, then finding Brooks from a yard away to give the Packers a 27-24 lead going into the final quarter.

But 2:26 into that period, Smith went in from 5 yards out to put the Cowboys ahead again. And on the next series, Brown got his interception, setting up a drive capped by Smith's 16-yard touchdown run.

That was it, the sixth straight loss by the Packers to the Cowboys at Texas Stadium in the last three seasons — or since Holmgren and Favre turned the team into a contender.

It puts Switzer — "Bozo The Coach" in headlines after an ill-advised fourth-down call in Philadelphia cost the Cowboys a game — where he assumed he might be last season. But Dallas lost the NFC title game 38-28 in San Francisco and Switzer spent the season hearing negative comparisons to Johnson.

"You appreciate a guy who's had to fight so much, the battles, the controversies, the questions over Jimmy's absence," said Bill Bates, the 13-year veteran who played for Tom Landry, Johnson and now Switzer.

The Packers?

They expect to be back.

"It's been a stepladder for us, and maybe next year is the Super Bowl," Favre said.

For the Cowboys, nothing short of the ladder's top rung will do.

Mickelson wins Nortel Open again

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Phil Mickelson's victories at the Nortel Open keep piling up.

There's no danger of their getting monotonous, though. The 25-year-old left-hander finds a way to make things interesting.

For the second straight year, he used his driver off the fairway on a crucial hole. And once again the gamble paid off with a $225,000 first-place check and another title.

"After you win a tournament, you believe you should be winning. It affects your thought process," Mickelson said Sunday after shooting a 5-under-par 67 at Tucson National for a 14-under 273 finish and a two-shot margin over Bob Tway.

It was the third Nortel triumph in six years for Mickelson, who won as an amateur at Arizona State in 1991. He missed the cut the next year, but since turning pro has never finished lower than ninth in the tournament that has yielded half of his six titles.

Now a winner four straight seasons, Mickelson is the first repeat champion in Tucson since Jim Thorpe won match-play events in 1985 and 1986, and the first in the stroke-play format since Johnny Miller in 1975 and 1976.

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Final scores and earnings Sunday of the $1.25 million Nortel Open, played on the 7,148-yard par-72 Tuscon National course and the 6,942-yard, par-71 Starr Pass Golf Club course:

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LeeJanzen,$60,000	69-72-66-69—276
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JohnWilson,$40,313	70-72-67-68—277
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KevinSutherland,$20,781	71-70-70-68—279
GrantWaite,$20,781	70-67-73-69—279
LarryNelson,$20,781	65-77-68-69—279
WoodyAustin,$20,781	69-72-69-69—279
KeithFergus,$20,781	71-72-67-69—279
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Bush regrets that more wasn't done to undercut Iraqi leader

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly five years after the Persian Gulf War, former President George Bush says his administration may have mishandled Iraq's surrender. If done differently Saddam Hussein might not still be in power, he said.

In an interview with David Frost to be aired Tuesday on PBS, Bush said he still thinks Saddam will be overthrown by his own people but recalled that during the 1991 Gulf War he and others felt a sound military defeat would do it.

"I miscalculated," Bush said. "I thought he'd be gone."

Bush reiterated his oft-stated view that it would have been a mistake to order the U.S. military to hunt down Saddam in Baghdad, and that it was a correct judgment to end the war after having evicted Iraq's occupying army from Kuwait.

But the former president, in the interview taped last Dec. 12 in his Houston office, said he now thinks mistakes were made in the armistice meeting held March 3 at Safwan, Iraq, between American and Iraqi generals.

Asked by Frost whether Saddam should have been required to surrender in person at the Safwan meeting to deepen his humiliation and undercut his authority, Bush responded first by saying, "I think maybe in retrospect we could have done more."

He said summoning Saddam to Safwan might have backfired, though, if the Iraqi leader had resisted and forced U.S. troops to march to Baghdad to grab him.

"And there we would be, ... searching for this brutal dictator who had the best security in the world, involved in an urban guerrilla war," Bush said. "This is not a formula that I wanted to contemplate, and I think history will say we did the right thing."

At another point in the interview, however, Bush said of the Safwan meeting in the desert: "The ending wasn't quite as clean as it might have been if Saddam Hussein had come to that tent, laid down his thing and maybe left office."

Bush also said Saddam fooled him when he used his surviving military power to quickly crush post-war revolts by Kurds in Iraq's north and Shiites in the south.

"I think he took us by surprise," Bush said.

At Safwan, Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf, the commander of the U.S.-led coalition in the Gulf War, agreed to an Iraqi request that it be permitted to fly armed helicopters anywhere inside Iraq so long as they were not near U.S. forces. Saddam used that air power, combined with tanks and other heavy ground armor that survived the war, to kill thousands of rebelling Kurds and Shiites.

"We might have handled the flying of helicopters differently," Bush said. "So I think there's room for some ex post facto criticism here."

Some Bush administration officials have said since the war that the White House erred in not giving Schwarzkopf specific political guidance on how to handle the armistice talks.

In another interview with Frost taped secretly only days after the 1991 cease fire, but not aired until the Tuesday broadcast, Bush discussed excerpts from his Gulf War diary, including entries in which he described his worries about how to end the war and the fate of Saddam.

"Hope to see the madman is gone," Bush wrote on the eve of the war, Jan. 15, 1991.

He also wrote, "We cannot leave his armor intact."

According to CIA figures, 842 Iraqi tanks, including about half of the tanks used by Saddam's best units, escaped damage as did 1,412 Iraqi armored personnel carriers and other armored vehicles.

Will keep job

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Jack Logan knows that critical acclaim doesn't pay the bills.

That's why, despite good reviews for his 1994 debut album and advance praise for his latest, Logan has no plans to quit his $7.50-an-hour job rebuilding swimming pool motors.

"Despite all the great things people have written, we haven't sold many records," the 36-year-old songwriter from Winder, Ga., songwriter told the Los Angeles Times recently.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	71⅜	71¼	71¼+	⅛
AT&T Corp	66¼	65¼	66⅛+	⅛
AirTouch		26½	26¼	26⅜
Albertsons	32⅛	31⅛	32	— ⅛
Alldsignal	50⅜	49⅛	50⅛+	⅛
Alltel	29¼	28⅛	29	+ ⅛
AmStores		25⅜	25½	25⅜
Ameritech	57⅛	56½	57⅛+	⅛
Amoco	70	69⅛	70	— ⅛
AndarkPtr	49⅜	49⅜	49⅜—	¼
ArmcoInc		6¼	6	6
AtlRichfld	113½	112¼	113¼—	⅛
ATMOS Egy		22¼	22¼	22¼
Aviall	9	8⅛	8¼—	⅛
BakerHughes		23⅛	23⅛	23⅛
BellAtl	69⅛	68¼	69⅛+	⅛
BellSouth s		42⅜	42½	42⅜
BethSteel		14⅛	14½	14⅛
BritPet	98¼	97⅛	97⅛—	1⅛
BurlNoSFe	76	74¼	75½+	1½
Caterpillar	58¼	57½	57¼—	¼
CenSoWst		27¼	27¼	27¼
Chevron	53⅛	53	53	+ ⅛
Chrysler	52⅛	52¼	52¼+	⅛
Coastal	35¼	35⅛	35¼+	⅛
CocaCola	73¼	72¼	73¼+	⅛
ColgatePalm	70¼	69¼	70¼+	⅛
ComclMetals	25⅛	25	25⅛+	⅛
CooperIn		34¼	34¼	34¼
CyprusAmax	25¼	24¼	25¼+	⅛
DallSemicn	20⅜	20	20⅜+	⅛
DeltaAirl	71	70⅜	70⅞+	⅜
DigitalEq		59¼	58¾	58¾
Dillard	29¾	29¾	29¾—	⅛
DowChem	71½	70¾	71½+	⅜
DresserInd	24¾	24¼	24¼+	⅛
DuPont	72¼	71⅛	71¼+	⅛
EastmanChem	64¼	63	64¼+	1⅛
EstKodak		67	66⅛	66⅛
EljerInd	8¼	8¼	8¼—	⅛
Enserch	15⅛	15⅛	15⅛+	⅛
Entergy		29½	29⅜	29½
Exxon		79¼	79½	79¼
FstBksAm s		12⅛	12⅜	12⅛
Flowers s		12¼	12⅜	12⅜
FordMotor		27¼	27⅛	27⅛
GTE Cp	45⅜	44¼	45¼+	⅛
GenDynam	60¼	59⅝	60¼+	⅛
GenElec	70⅝	70	70½+	⅛
GenMills	54⅛	53¾	54¼+	⅛
GenMotors	49¼	49⅛	49¼+	⅛
GenMotors E	52¼	51⅞	52¼+	⅛
GaPacif	68⅛	67¼	68	— ⅜
GlobalMar	8¼	8¼	8¼—	⅛
Goodrich	68¼	68¼	68¼+	¼
Goodyear s		44	43¾	43¾
GtAtlPac	20¼	19¾	20¼+	½
Haliburtn	47	46¼	46¾—	⅛
Hanson ADS	16	15¾	15¾—	⅛
HarteHanks s		22½	22¾	22½
HoustonInd s		24¼	24½	24½
IBM	86½	85	85½—	⅜
IgtlPapers	38⅜	38	38⅛—	¼
JohnsnJns	86¼	85½	86¼+	1
K mart	7	6¾	6¾—	⅛
Kroger	36¼	35¾	36¼+	⅛
Litton	49¼	48¾	48¾—	⅛
Lowes Cos	29¾	29¼	29½—	⅛
Lubys	21¼	21¼	21¼+	⅛
MayDeptStrs		42¼	42¼	42½
Medtronics	49¼	48½	48¾+	⅛
Mobil	110¼	109¼	110¼+	⅛
Monsanto	119¼	118⅛	119	— ⅛
Motorola	49¼	48¾	48¾—	⅛
Nationsbk	66⅛	65¼	65¼—	¼
Navistar	11	10¾	10¾—	⅜
NoramEngy		8½	8¾	8¾
Norwest	31¼	31¼	31½—	⅛
Nynex	50¾	50¼	50¾+	⅛
OryxEngy		12¼	12¾	12½
PacTelesis	33⅜	33¼	33⅜+	⅛
PanhECp	27⅛	27	27⅛—	⅛
Penney JC	45¾	45¼	45¾—	⅛
Pennzoil	41¼	41¼	41¼	⅛
PepBoys	25⅛	25¼	25⅜—	⅛
PepsiCo	56¼	56¼	56⅜+	⅛
PhelpDodge	59¼	58⅜	59¼+	⅛
PhilipPet	32¼	32¼	32¼+	⅛
PilgrmPrd	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛+	⅛
Polaroid		47⅛	47½	47½
Praxair	34¼	33¾	34¼+	⅛
ProctGamble	85¼	85½	85¼+	⅜
PubSNwMx	18⅜	18¼	18⅜—	⅛
RoyalDutch	135¼	135¼	135½—	1½
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SaraLee		30½	30¾	30¾
SearsRoebs	43½	42¼	43	— ⅛
SherwinW	40¼	39¼	40	+ ⅛
SmthBchADS	53	52¾	52¾—	⅛
SmthBc eqt	53	52¾	52¾—	⅛
SouthernCo	24¼	24¼	24¼+	⅛
SwstAirlines	23¾	23¼	23¾—	⅛
Sprint	40¼	39¼	40	+ ⅛
SterlingChm		8¼	8¼	8¼
SunCo		26¼	26¼	26¼
TNP Ent		19¼	19½	19½
Tandy	39½	38	38	—1⅛
TempleInl	42¼	42¼	42¾+	⅛
Tenneco	48¼	48¼	48¼+	¼
Texaco	76¼	76¼	76¾+	⅛
TexasInd	52¼	51¼	52	+ ¼
TexasInsts		46⅛	45¾	45¾
TexUtil		40¼	40½	40½
Textron	76	75	75⅞+	⅛
Travelers	59⅛	59	59¼+	⅛
TrinityInds		31¼	31½	31⅛
TritonEngy	54¼	53¾	53⅞—	⅛
Tyler		2¼	2¼	2¼
US WestCm s	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛+	⅛
USWstMda n		19⅛	19⅛	19⅛
USX Delhi		10¾	10½	10¾
USX-Marathn	19¾	19⅜	19⅜+	⅛
USX-USS	32¼	32½	32⅜+	⅛
UnCarbde	40¾	39⅜	39¼+	⅛
UnPac	68	67⅞	67¾+	⅛
UnitedTech		93¼	92⅞	92⅞
Unocal	28¼	28⅛	28¾+	¼
WalMart	22¼	22¼	22½+	⅛
WstnGasRs	14⅛	14⅛	14⅜+	⅛
WestghEl	18¼	17⅛	18	+1-16
WinnDixie s	35¼	35⅛	35¼+	⅛
Woolworth	10¾	10⅝	10⅝—	⅛
XeroxCp	131⅛	130⅛	131¼—	¼
ZenithE		6¼	6¼	6¼

Arrests, complaints keep officers busy

Seven people were arrested over the weekend, including one on a felony charge of probation violation.

Officers arrested 31-year-old Douglas Wood at 3:47 p.m. Saturday, who gave his address as the Beacon Lodge, on an outstanding Tarrant County warrant for felony revocation of probation on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

A 24-year-old male was arrested at 5:57 p.m. Saturday for driving while his license was suspended.

DPS troopers arrested a 24-year-old male at 6:57 p.m. Saturday for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

An 18-year-old male was arrested at 12:37 a.m. Sunday on outstanding DPS warrants from Abilene for no liability insurance and failure to appear and city warrants for speeding, no liability insurance and failure to appear.

An 18-year-old male was arrested at 2:53 a.m. Saturday for public intoxication.

Officers arrested a 29-year-old male at 7:08 p.m. Sunday on an outstanding warrant for driving while license suspended.

Officers arrested an 18-year-old male at 9:23 p.m. Saturday for failure to identify, no liability insurance and no driver's license.

In other activity over the weekend, deputies filed an offense report for Class C assault in reference to an incident in the 1700 block of Dorsey at 7:40 p.m. Saturday.

Officers investigated a hit-and-run accident in the 2100 block of 26th Street at 8:08 p.m. Saturday. The accident report was unavailable this morning.

At 12:25 a.m. Sunday, the fire department responded to a small grass fire in Towle Park.

At 10:10 a.m. Sunday, John Morrow of 1916 Coleman reported a theft. An offense report for Class B theft was submitted.

Officers responded to a call at 12:49 p.m. Sunday from the Minute Market that a child was lost. The child was located across the street.

At 2:45 p.m. Sunday, the fire department responded to a grass fire some four miles from Snyder on the Lamesa Highway.

An offense report for a runaway was submitted at 7:45 p.m. Sunday in reference to a 15-year-old female being gone from home since Friday.

At 8:34 p.m. Sunday, a nurse at the emergency room notified officers that an assault victim was being treated. The victim, a 35-year-old male, was treated and released. He refused to file a report.

The fire department responded to a fire in a dumpster near 37th Street and Avenue V at 12:46 a.m. today.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Maybelle Ainsworth, Snyder Oaks Care Center; Ada Keylon, 4100 Brick Plant Road; Brandi Russell, 4021 Eastridge; Helen Wortham, Snyder Healthcare Center; Patricia Anderson, 2208 Ave. T; Steven Bollinger, 3601 44th; Ysidro Estrada, 2392 SFM 1673; Angela Gomez, 1911 Ave. G; S.W. Trevey, 1508 CR 137; Paul Wilson, 418 30th, Cameron Gomez, 4400 Ave. U; Stewart Long, 947 CR 444.

DISMISSALS: Sandra Alcala and baby, Dura Armstrong, Belinda Benitez and baby, Calvin Davis, Steven Bollinger, Bertha Davis, Angela Gomez, Sue Griffin, S.W. Trevey, Paul Wilson, Kaitlynn Bethel, Lisa Soliz, Helen Wortham, Ysidro Estrada, Stewart Long, Mabelle Ainsworth, Joseph Sanders.

CENSUS: 49 (Med., Surg.-11, Long-term Care-37, ICU-1).

Search ongoing for abducted nine-year-old Arlington girl

ARLINGTON (AP) — The search for a 9-year-old girl who was abducted as she rode a bicycle near her grandparents' home continued today.

Officers were searching for a man in a pickup truck in connection with the Saturday abduction of Amber Hagerman, who was last seen near an abandoned grocery store.

Witnesses told police she was taken by a white or Hispanic man driving a black, full-sized pickup.

"There's really nothing new," said Dee Anderson, an Arlington police spokesman. "We've received hundreds of tips. This is a tedious process."

One witness saw the girl being dragged from her bicycle, Arlington police spokesman Dee Anderson said.

The witness, Jimmie Kevil, said he didn't realize he was watching an abduction until it was too late.

"I saw this pickup, he pulled up, jumped out and grabbed her," he told The Dallas Morning News. "When I heard her scream, I knew something was wrong."

She is 4 feet, 6 inches tall, weighs about 75 pounds and has long, reddish-brown hair. She was wearing a light pink shirt and slacks or blue jeans. She had her hair tied with a black-and-white ribbon.

Her parents made a public plea for her return.

"Please, I beg you, don't hurt my little girl," said Donna Whitson.

Coincidently, Ms. Whitson and her children are part of a WFAA-TV documentary that is scheduled to air Thursday about people who have successfully gotten off welfare.

Nann Goplerud, WFAA's executive producer of special projects, said there is no reason to believe there is a connection between the abduction and the documentary.

Noah Project observed holiday

On Tuesday, Dec. 19, residents at the Noah Project, a shelter for victims of family violence, were treated to a Christmas party complete with punch, cookies, presents and Santa Claus.

The party was courtesy of the Sweetwater Police Department and other sponsors in that city. Sweetwater Chief of Police Jim Kelley, who has been a member of the Noah Project-West Advisory Committee since the opening of the shelter in 1984, organized the effort. The response was overwhelming.

The shelter in Snyder serves Nolan County as well as Scurry, Mitchel, Fisher and Kent counties in this area of West Texas.

Dee Wilson is the service area director.



NOAH PARTY — Noah Project residents were treated to a Christmas party last month. From left are, Dooney Newman of Sweetwater, volunteer; Sylvia Newman of Sweetwater, advisory council; Jim Kelley, Sweetwater Chief of Police; Beverly Jones of Sweetwater, volunteer; Sue Way, Sweetwater Police Department; and Santa Claus Charlie Wilson of Snyder. (Contributed Photo)

Ill with cancer

PRAGUE, Czech Republic (AP) — Olga Havlova, the wife of Czech President Vaclav Havel, is suffering from cancer and is in serious condition, a presidential spokesman said Sunday.

"The condition of Mrs. Olga Havlova has deteriorated significantly in the first days of January," Ladislav Spacek said. "Mrs. Havlova's condition requests permanent hospital care."

Spacek did not say what kind of cancer she had, only that it had spread to "vital body organs."

He said the president visited his 62-year-old wife in the hospital daily. The couple has been married since 1964.

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By Peter Gott, M.D.



Doctor's orders: Get an education

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

Our education system is in trouble. I don't mean a cyclic ripple in how we educate. I refer to real trouble. We are not preparing our students. We are doing them no favors.

Although the cost of education continues to rise — both for elementary and high schools, as well as for colleges — we may not be getting our money's worth. The problem appears to include two factors: students' motivation and school curricula.

I know a very lovely young lady who attends college in New England. The cost of her tuition, room and board exceeds $20,000 a year. For what? The university is open about six and a half months a year. There are few academic requirements. She, like other students, takes a minimal number of courses. Her schedule depends on which classes require the least homework.

The schedule is important for another reason. In college, some students prefer to avoid Monday classes because they feel a need to recover from the weekend. Likewise, Friday commitments are disdained because they might interfere with the weekend revelry. So, the knowledgeable student chooses courses which are relatively easy and which meet on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Boston is the "place to be." Therefore, she has picked easy subjects which enable her to minimize her educational responsibilities.

For many students who appear to have lost the will to learn, college has become an expensive method of prolonging dependency on family.

I wonder what, if any, educational motivation exists today among college youth. In bygone days, an occasional adolescent attended college in order to further specific interests like skiing, golf, water skiing and partying. Within the new generation, this appears to be the norm.

I can remember tough high school classes which started at 8:30 a.m. and continued until 3 p.m., and college courses that met five days a week, as well as at night and on Saturday mornings. The students didn't object; the faculty did not object — until recently. What is going to happen to the college student who is accustomed to working three days a week, seven months a year? Does the real world present a potential problem?

With respect to curriculum, schools are now offering pretty much what the student wants rather than required basics. I am not surprised our students cannot understand foreign languages, speak or write English, use science, or qualify in mathematics. We are so dedicated to encouraging students to "do their own thing" that we forget an important reality: Only by doing "OUR" thing can they truly achieve a reasonable academic level and learn what interests they wish to pursue after schooling. It's no act of chance that we are graduating uneducated citizens.

When he received Princeton's highest tribute for distinguished service several years ago, Dr. Lewis Thomas made some interesting remarks, among which were: "The crucial educational periods are in the primary and secondary schools. At the present time we are turning out high school graduates with little or no understanding of chemistry or physics or biology or astronomy and no comprehension at all of real mathematics. A small minority of American high school students learn a small amount of calculus, while their Soviet counterparts, it is said, emerge with two solid years of calculus. There has never been a time in human history, I think, when it was known that there were so many unknown things lying ahead, waiting to be found out. Students need to be taught systematically, candidly and in detail about human ignorance. This is the most exciting and challenging of all the things to be learned.... At the moment, we are an ignorant species, flummoxed by the puzzle of who we are, where we came from, and what we are for."

If that doesn't throw down the gauntlet to the educators, I've missed my guess. Is it too much to require teachers to give our young a sound and fundamental amount of information concerning arts, science, language, religion and humanities — upon which they can build what we term "education"? What has happened to the fun of learning? As a society, can we afford not to impart basic intellectual tools to our school children? Why do we hesitate to challenge ALL young minds, to demand they master skills that will help them to address Dr. Thomas' puzzle?

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DEAR DR. GOTT: I recently read that you recommend thiamine as a possible cure for alcohol neuropathy. What is your recommended dosage and how often should I take the vitamin?

DEAR READER: People who consistently abuse alcohol usually develop vitamin deficiencies, in addition to heart, pancreatic, liver and brain disorders. Further, many alcoholics suffer from neuropathy (nerve malfunction) that causes numbness and tingling of the extremities.

During a period of abstinence, such as occurs during detoxification, seizures can occur. These "rum fits" are often prevented by vitamin supplements, chiefly thiamine. During withdrawal, alcoholics are customarily prescribed 100 milligrams of thiamine a day, in three daily injections. This replenishes the deficiency.

I am not aware that oral doses of thiamine when taken by an active alcoholic will improve neuropathy.

The continued use of intoxicants virtually neutralizes any beneficial effects the vitamin might have. It makes more sense to stop drinking, end the physical self-abuse, and receive professional assistance in overcoming the disastrous effects of alcohol.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Help II: Mental Substance Abuse." Other readers who would like a copy should $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 77 and suffer from an odd erection problem. My penis may get hard, but it collapses backward. Is this something that will go away with age or must it be treated by a doctor? What would cause this?

DEAR READER: You appear to be suffering from a common disorder called Peyronie's disease. The cause is unknown, but the result is predictable: progressive fibrosis (scarring) of one or both erectile cylinders (on the side of the penile shaft), leading to crooked erections that may make intercourse painful or impossible.

If you have Peyronie's disease, the situation will not improve. You should be examined by a urologist. There are several surgical procedures that have been developed to treat Peyronie's disease. The specialist can advise you.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I had three children and then had my tubes tied. Sixteen years later I have a chance to have a happy life with a wonderful man. We are getting married later this year and he wants kids. I know there is an operation that will untie the tubes. Will an insurance company pay for this type of operation? Would there be a payment plan? I am 38 and in good health.

DEAR READER: Tubal ligation can be reversed by microsurgery in a high percentage of women. However, as you can imagine, the operation is delicate, technically difficult and expensive.

Whether your insurance plan would cover such surgery is an issue you'll have to take up with the specific company. Some plans do, most don't. If you are unable to receive insurance benefits, your gynecologist would probably agree to a payment plan. Ask him.

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Polls: Dole tied with Gramm in state; tops in 'Hampshire'

HOUSTON (AP) — Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole may be the front-runner for the Republican presidential nomination, but recent polls indicate he better watch his back.

A new Houston Chronicle-Dallas Morning News poll shows Dole and Texas Sen. Phil Gramm running neck-and-neck in Texas for the GOP nomination.

The two newspapers reported in copyright stories Sunday that among likely GOP primary voters, Dole and Gramm each drew support from 36 percent of those polled.

Meanwhile, a poll of New Hampshire residents indicates that Dole is the leader in the leadoff primary state but nearly half of Dole's supporters said they could change their minds before the Feb. 20 vote.

"His support is really soft for someone who's been the front-runner for a year," said Gerry Chervinsky of KRC Communications Research, which conducted the poll for The Boston Globe.

If the first-in-the-nation primary were held today, Dole would capture 33 percent of the vote, magazine publisher Steve Forbes would win 17 percent, and political commentator Pat Buchanan would get 11 percent, according to the survey, released Sunday.

At the same time, the poll shows that President Clinton, who won New Hampshire in the 1992 general election, still commands higher-than-usual support among Republicans and independent voters. Nineteen percent said they voted for Clinton four years ago, and 22 percent said they would vote for him this year.

Taken Jan. 7-10 among Republicans and independents, the poll has a margin of error of five percentage points.

At the moment, the candidate posing the greatest threat to Dole in New Hampshire is Forbes, who has moved to prominence in the Granite State with a television ad blitz and a call for a 17 percent flat tax to replace the current graduated income tax.

The poll showed 17 percent of likely voters picked Forbes as their preferred candidate, and 54 percent said they support the idea of replacing the income tax with a 17 percent flat tax.

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10-digit local phone numbers in state studied

DALLAS (AP) — Might as well get a jump on the game and learn how to use that autodialer on your phone. The 10-digit local phone number is inevitable.

The burgeoning use of fax machines, beepers, modems and cellular phones is rapidly eliminating the numbers available with current area codes. So, all those devices that were supposed to make life easier mean new area codes are being implemented in 23 parts of the country through 1996, according to the Federal Communications Commission.

With those new codes will come new dialing instructions and eventually more numbers to punch each time you dial a local call.

"Ten-digit dialing is going to be reality," said Southwestern Bell spokesman Chris Talley.

That doesn't mean people think it should happen now.

The issue of 10-digit dialing in Texas has been accompanying a two-year debate on two new area codes — 281 in Houston and 972 in Dallas.

The Texas Public Utility Commission has been holding public hearings and was supposed to decide on how to implement the codes on Jan. 10. But the commission delayed a vote until Feb. 7 and scheduled more hearings.

"I think we can use a little more time to make a decision," said Commissioner Robert Gee.

Hundreds have shown up to tell the PUC they don't like the proposed plan to assign new area codes to new telephone owners, requiring 10-digit dialing. They want the area codes split geographically, like in the past.

With a split, customers who live near downtown Houston or Dallas would keep their numbers, but more than a million suburban customers in each city would get numbers in the new area codes.

To avoid that, Southwestern Bell is pushing an overlaid plan, saying customers would be too inconvenienced by geographically zoned area codes. The company argues that the overlay will provide enough new numbers to last a decade while numbers under a geographical split would be exhausted in four to seven years.

Southwestern Bell's competitors oppose the overlay on grounds the company would have the sole ability to issue numbers to new customers under the existing 713 or 214 area codes.

"We see the overlay as having anti-competitive overtones," said Alfred Herrera, a senior counsel for MCI. "The Bell operators have traditionally wanted a split. Now, it seems too coincidental to me that they're proposing a unique overlay system."

The overlay system would mean that even next-door neighbors could have different area codes. Callers would have to dial the area code, prefix and four-number personal identification numbers each time they wanted to make a local call.

There would be no long-distance charges for the local calls, but 10-digit dialing would be here, and here to stay.

"If you look at the industry historically that seems to be the next logical step," said Herrera. "That may be true, but not necessarily now."

The arguments for leaving well enough alone is not a new one.

Phone numbers once began with alphabet identifiers until the number of telephones outgrew the system. Phone numbers then required four, then five, digits until again the number of telephones outgrew the system.

Now, most of the country is at seven-digit dialing.

And we're outgrowing the system.

"The same arguments we hear against 10-digit dialing were said against seven-digit dialing in the '60s," said Chino Chapa, Dallas spokesman for Southwestern Bell. "People want to remain with what they know."

"It's human nature. We're creatures of habit. They think they should be able to get around it," he said.

In the '60s there was such opposition to seven-digit dialing a California-based Anti-Digit Dialing League formed.

"They produced psychiatrists saying people couldn't remember seven digits," said Chapa.

Now, they will have to learn 10.

"Many large parts of the country are experiencing 10-digit dialing. In the Washington D.C. area, 90 percent of the calls experience 10-digit dialing," said Talley.

Dallas and Houston aren't alone with the problem in Texas either. Within two years, the Fort Worth area will face it.

But Ben Klein, 42, of Houston says 10-digit dialing would be too confusing.

"This proposal was done by Southwestern Bell and given to the consumers as a done deal," Klein said.

Other opponents have asked why the company couldn't simply issue the new area codes to fax machines and cellular phones.

"If technology caused it, why not let technology solve it?" one woman asked at a public hearing.

Talley said the FCC has ruled against that type of number assignments, saying it is anti-competitive. Only New York City has that capability because the system was grandfathered in when the FCC ruled against it.

Southwestern Bell says if people will get used to dialing all 10 numbers, just like they adjusted in the past.

"It's just making that mental jump to the future," Chapa said.

By The Associated Press

Some proposed and set area codes across the state of Texas:

Austin: 512
Dallas: 214, proposed 972
El Paso: 915
Fort Worth: 817
Harlingen: 210
Houston: 713, proposed 281
Lubbock: 806
San Antonio: 210

Police shoot man at church after he tries to steal money

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — A man who tried to steal a collection plate during a Mass was shot and killed in a church restroom when he lunged at officers with a hunting knife, police said.

Richard Dearsmith, 40, lived near the St. Mary's Catholic Cathedral where he was shot Sunday and authorities say he had an extensive criminal record.

None of the 350 worshipers or church employees was injured. The Rev. John Slattery said he wasn't aware anything had happened until after the Mass.

"Nobody heard the gunshot," Slattery said. "I assume the organ must have been playing."

Police Lt. Alan Scott said the man grabbed a collection plate after being told to leave for lighting a cigarette during the service. Ushers wrestled the plate away from the man before he walked out.

The man later returned and went into the restroom. Scott said several people held the restroom door closed while others alerted officers.

Scott said the man was shot once as three officers tried to arrest him and he pulled out a knife with a 7-inch blade.

Authorities said Dearsmith had a criminal record in Texas and Kansas, and was on parole in Colorado after serving time for criminal impersonation and a drug charge.

Sgt. Tom Angell of the Hutchinson, Kan., said at least two of Dearsmith's arrest were on charges of assaulting police officers.

"Seems like every time he was arrested, he had a Bible on him," Angell said.

Writer frustrated with Hollywood

NEW YORK (AP) — The author of the best-selling novel "The Alienist" said he's still trying to recover from his experience with Hollywood scriptwriters.

"After a lot of frustration in television and features, I've discovered that the writer in Hollywood is still basically the biggest jerk in town," Caleb Carr told TV Guide. "All the old jokes still apply."

Carr, who reportedly was paid $500,000 for the rights to "The Alienist," had a taste of Hollywood with his first made-for-TV movie, "The Osiris Chronicles."

The movie, which could become a series next fall, takes place in 2419 and follows a space traveler searching for his kidnapped sister.

Carr is one of the executive producers of the movie, in part to keep a close eye on his project.



WALL OF FAME — Billy Keith Box was recently inducted into Ira High School's Mathematics Wall of Fame. Instructor David Brown recognized Box for a "unique construction of a square given the length of a diagonal." (SDN Staff Photo)

Business and Industrial News

Bryant's offers expert care for carpets

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BRYANT'S CARPET CLEANING — serving Snyder over fifteen years — helps to ensure that the investment you have in your carpet is maintained. (SDN Staff Photo)

Eight couples exchange vows in bathroom

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — Flushed with happiness, eight couples got married Sunday in a bathroom in a public garden in the central Taiwanese city of Taichung.

The idea was dreamed up by one of the couples, 29-year-old Chiu Chiu-kuei and her groom, 28-year-old Lee Wang-tsung, who met while the Encore Garden's public bathrooms were being built in 1993. Lee worked on the construction and Chiu helped with the decorating.

They persuaded seven other couples to join them in saying their vows before about 2,000 people.

The wedding ceremony was held just outside the bathroom, but then the happy couples ventured inside for the important part: taking pictures. Ignoring the signs saying ladies one way, gents the other, the couples remained firmly together, posing for the cameras.

The bathroom, temporarily partitioned into eight compartments, was decorated with 9,999 flowers.

New Nike commercial

BEAVERTON, Ore. (AP) — Michael Jordan soars to new heights in his newest Nike commercial, which leaves him — and the viewer — hanging.

The latest Nike effort from the Portland advertising firm Wieden & Kennedy began airing over the weekend.

In the commercial, Jordan enters a darkened warehouse where he finds a 100-foot high basketball hoop.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

U.S. military dismisses S. Korean claim

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A South Korean newspaper that claims North Korea still holds American POWs ran a story and photo Tuesday of a man it says was a former prisoner-turned-North Korean actor.

The U.S. military has dismissed as "totally false" a report in the Chosun Ilbo newspaper that up to 10 American POWS are still captive in North Korea. U.S. officials believe it is unlikely that any prisoners of war remain in North Korea.

Nearly 8,100 Americans are listed as missing in action from the 1950-53 Korean War. Only about 200 sets of remains have been returned.

Today, the Chosun Ilbo quoted an unidentified South Korean official as saying the United States "has confirmed" there are survivors. It did not say how their existence was confirmed.

On Tuesday, the newspaper carried another report, accompanied by a photo that it said was of a former American POW acting in a 20-part North Korean movie made in the 1980s.

It quoted an unidentified North Korean defector as saying a friend who also acted in the film "Heroes Without Names" brought the American to his house in 1989. He said he was told the American came to North Korea during the war, then married a Korean woman and had two children.

"It's a known fact among those in power that there are American prisoners," the defector was quoted as saying.

Four other foreigners were in the movie, the newspaper said. One is believed to be a Russian; the others American or British, it reported without elaborating. Two were shown in another photo from the film; the newspaper said it was not known whether they were also former POWs.

There was no way to immediately verify whether the man in the photo was a former American POW.

Few North Korean films are available outside the reclusive country.

Utah Republican says it's too early to subpoena Mrs. Clinton

WASHINGTON (AP) — Issuing a subpoena for Hillary Rodham Clinton to testify before Congress about her role in the Whitewater real estate deal would create "a political fiasco" that should be avoided for now, a leading Republican said.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said Sunday the Senate committee investigating Whitewater should gather as much information as possible from the White House and other sources "before we even consider doing something like that to a first lady in this country."

"I don't think the first lady should be subpoenaed under present circumstances. ... It would just make it a political fiasco," Hatch said during an appearance on CBS' "Face the Nation."

Still, Hatch said, "we need to have more candid responses from the White House, from the Clintons," in order to end the probe quickly. "I think she ought to just tell the truth on this," he said.

Persistent questions about the extent of Mrs. Clinton's involvement in Whitewater — and in a separate matter, the firing of seven White House travel office employees in 1993 — created a credibility problem for her in recent weeks and caused her popularity to slip.

The questions arose after the White House said it had discovered old records detailing Mrs. Clinton's work as a partner in the Rose Law Firm in the 1980s for Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan, the failed Little Rock, Ark., thrift that is at the center of the Whitewater probes.

The first lady's supporters suggested Sunday that the questions represent a "witchhunt" designed to undercut the first lady solely to create political controversy for President Clinton.

"There is a fine line sometimes between legitimate investigatory inquiry and harassment. ... I hope the Republicans are not guilty of crossing it," White House chief of staff Leon Panetta said on CBS.

The records, which had been subpoenaed two years earlier, show that Rose billed Madison for about 60 hours of legal work by Mrs. Clinton over a 15-month period.

Now, the Senate Whitewater Committee wants access to more documents, particularly electronic mail messages between some White House staffers, to see whether they contain "uncensored, very candid observations" that could aid in the investigation, said Michael Chertoff, the committee's Republican counsel.

"Our job is to get at the truth," Chertoff said on ABC-TV's "This Week With David Brinkley."

That led Richard Ben-Veniste, Democratic counsel to the Whitewater committee, to accuse the GOP of conducting a fishing expedition for the sake of "political quibbling."

What's Up?

Candidates sell tickets

Tickets are on sale from the queen candidates for the Scurry County Jr. Livestock Association through Friday. Tickets are $2 and are good for a chance at a $200 gift certificate from Bar-H-Bar Family Outfitters.

Video series continues

A video series "Getting to know God" by Glenn Owen, is airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The first tape, "Getting to know God's Power," will be shown at 7 this evening.

Yearbook deadline set

The deadline for ordering a copy of the 1996 Tiger's Lair yearbook is Feb. 1. Cost is $40. All unpaid balances for orders placed previously must also be paid by Feb. 1. Any unpaid balances after that time will result in the loss of the deposit and cancellation of the order.

Orders or balances may be mailed to SHS, Student Publications, 3801 Austin Ave. For more information, call 573-6301, ext. 35.

Lotto Texas

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

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 26-30-32-38-41-44.

There were 146 tickets that matched five of six numbers for a $1,304 prize; 6,345 tickets had four of six numbers match for a $108 prize; and 108,823 tickets matched three of six numbers for a $3 prize.

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

Pick 3

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

4-6-6

(four, six, six)

Obituaries

Martha Oden

1903-1996

SWEETWATER — Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the McCoy Chapel of Memories for Martha Evelyn Oden, 92. Burial will follow in the Garden of Memories Cemetery.

Mrs. Oden, the mother of two Snyder residents, died Friday, Jan. 12, in Sweetwater's Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital.

Born in Nolan County, she married Austin Oden on Oct. 6, 1920 in Sweetwater. He died in 1995. She was also preceded in death by a son and three grandsons.

Mrs. Oden was an Assembly of God minister and had lived in Sweetwater since 1967.

Survivors include four daughters, Jo Williams of Snyder and Wanda Fraley, Sylvia Glasgow, and Maritha Bohall, all of Sweetwater; six sons, Arron Oden of Snyder, Jack Oden of Odessa, Marion Oden of Pauls Valley, Okla., Norman Oden of El Mirage, Ariz., Walter Oden of Loraine and David Oden of Abilene; a sister, Faye Moore of Midland; a brother, Thurman Moore of Colorado City; 39 grandchildren, 67 great-grandchildren; and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

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LaNelle Perkins

1927-1996

ABILENE — Funeral service was set for 2 p.m. today in the Woodlawn Church of Christ for LaNelle Perkins, 68, who died Friday, Jan. 12, at her home here.

Charles Sheppard and Paul White were to officiate, and burial was to follow in Elmwood Memorial Park under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home.

Mrs. Perkins was the sister of Imo D. England of Snyder.

Born in Littlefield, she moved to Abilene in 1940 and she married Marvin L. Perkins in Abilene in 1948.

Mrs. Perkins worked as an accounting supervisor for West Texas Utilities for 25 years. She was a member of the South 11th and Willis Church of Christ and was a volunteer for the Hospice of Abilene.

Survivors include her husband, Marvin L. Perkins of Abilene; two sons, Leroy Perkins of Abilene and Virgil Perkins of Anson; two other sisters, Earline Melba Witcher of Abilene and Joye Bynum of Alpine; and two grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Hospice of Abilene, P.O. Box 1922, Abilene, 79604.

Cora Mann

1943-1996

ROTAN — Cora Mann, a former resident of Snyder, died Sunday, Jan. 14, in the Fisher County Hospital. She was 52.

Service is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Weathersbee Funeral Home Chapel. Barry Day will officiate and burial will follow in the Belvieu Cemetery.

Born in Graham, Mrs. Mann moved from Snyder to Rotan in 1963 and she worked as a clerk for the city of Rotan. She married James Mann in 1963 in Galveston, and he survives.

Survivors also include a daughter, Debbie Hogan of Roby; a son, Jim Mann of Rotan; her stepmother, Peggy Pryor of Lake Texoma; two sisters, Becky Short of Georgia and Johnnie Schubert of Arcadia; and one granddaughter.

Shane Ford

1964-1996

MIDLAND — Graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in Sunset Memorial Gardens for Shane Ford, 31. Officiating will be Ralph Gates of Fairmont Park Church of Christ. Ellis Funeral Home in charge of arangements.

Mr. Ford, an employee of O'Ryan Oil and Gas, died Saturday morning, Jan. 13, in a Midland hospital from injuries sustained in a one-vehicle accident on Highway 191.

Born in Lubbock, Mr. Ford graduated from Levelland High School in 1982 and moved to Midland in 1985. He was preceded in death by a sister, Susan Pearce, in 1991.

Survivors include his parents, Leon and Sue Wishert Ford of Midland and formerly of Snyder; a sister, Teresa K. French of Levelland; and two grandmothers, Aster Wishert and Thelma Ford, both of Snyder.

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Trial

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for a weekend in November of 1994 and ended up staying two-and-a-half months.

She added that Gradney apparently wanted to end the relationship.

"He said he did not know how to tell her and hinted around for me to tell her," said Carr.

Carr said she did not know if the relationship between the two was strained but she "felt like it was."

Carr said she had talked to her mother and Gradney the night her mother died and in one telephone conversation, said she heard her mother yelling at the accused in the background.

Upon the questioning by defense attorney Randy Wilson of Abilene, Carr said it was more like a one-way argument.

"Grayling was on the phone with me and mother was yelling in the background," said Carr.

After this conversation, Carr said she tried to call the couple back but could not get anyone to answer.

Also testifying this morning were police dispatcher Luann Walker, Snyder police officer Mike Ward and Snyder investigator Jerry Cowin.

Ward was the first person on the scene and Cowin photographed the mobile home where Carr died.

Gradney, an employee of the Price Daniel Unit, was arrested on Aug. 26 of last year and has remained in Scurry County Jail in lieu of $75,000 bond since that time.

He was indicted for murder on Sept. 5.

Gradney, 37, and Carr, 43, shared a home at 1004 33rd St.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong is presiding over the trial.

Pastor

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Church in 1958-61 and First Baptist Church of Matador from 1961-64.

He has attended seminars in Russia, Scotland, Sweden and other countries and his missionary work has included trips to Korea, Jamaica and Japan. He was also guest teacher and chapel speaker for the Baptist Seminary in Arusha, Tanzania, East Africa.

He and his wife, Sandra, a Snyder High School teacher for five years, have two sons, John and Kinney.

Fluvanna...

Children's ranch still in works, official says

Plans are still in the works to construct a camp for terminally ill and handicapped children in the Fluvanna area, said Stuart Chesson of Miracle Man Productions in Virginia.

The camp is the dream of Morris Goodman, a motivational speaker who heads his own firm in Virgina Beach, Va., which specializes in motivational materials.

"We're in the fund-raising portion right now," said Chesson, adding that the camp is expected to initally cost $3 to $5 million for the construction of the first facilities.

Chesson said fund-raising is an on-going effort for the facility and the non-profit agency is currently seeking corporate sponsors for the project.

"The corporate sponsors are the life-blood of any facility like this," he said.

Saying that the organization had sent out 245 news releases last June on plans to build the camp in an effort to "test the waters to see what kind of reaction we might get," Chesson said Goodman had be pleased with the response.

"We're feeling our way through this process right now," said Chesson. "We don't have all the answers in order to raise the funds for the camp but Morris remains adamant that it will be built.

"He's very excited about it," said Goodman.

The organization has hired a former March of Dimes executive to coordinate fund-raising for the camp. Actual construction is not expected to start until 1998.

"We really don't know what to expect with our fund-raising efforts — we just know our hearts are in the right way and our vision continues," said Goodman.

The camp is being planned to accommodate as many as 500 children and would be open May through September.

Parks said he believes the camp will become a reality.

"There are a lot of hopes and prayers that Goodman can do it," said Parks. "I really think it will work."

Chesson said Goodman first had a vision for this type of camp some six years ago following a near-fatal airplane crash.

The crash occurred in 1981 and the seeds for the camp were probably planted when he was recovering following the crash, said Chesson.

Illinois man killed by train at same crossing where he survived '26 crash

NORTHBROOK, Ill. (AP) — As a high school student in 1926, Herman Lorenz survived a fatal train-school bus crash at a rail crossing near his family-owned business. Seventy years later, as he walked across that same crossing, Lorenz wasn't so lucky.

Lorenz, 88, was struck and killed Saturday by an Amtrak train at the crossing at Shermer and Meadow in this suburb north of Chicago. He was on his way home from the Northbrook Garage, a business started by his great-grandfather in 1843 as a blacksmith and wagon shop.

Witnesses told police that Lorenz walked around the crossing gates and kept going even after the train engineer sounded a warning horn.

"Dad must have walked over that crossing a thousand times. He probably thought the train was stopping or that it was not going as fast as it was," Gerry Lorenz, the victim's son, said Sunday.

He said his father often recounted an October 1926 crash at that crossing in which a school bus he was riding on was hit by a train. The impact cut the bus in two and killed two people, including Lorenz's seatmate.

"Dad got his glasses knocked off and his coat torn," said another son, Jay. "He never forgot he survived and always tried to help others."

Drum in fair condition now

Fluvanna resident Max Drum is listed in fair condition at Lubbock Methodist Hospital and has been moved to a private room, a hospital spokesperson said this morning.

Drum, 35, was injured Jan. 4 in an oilfield accident which took the lives of three people and injured another.