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Home of Carol Howard

Ice and traffic don't mix

Hermleigh man narrowly avoids getting hit by train

Icy road conditions finally caught up with travelers on area highways Tuesday as some seven accidents were investigated by the Department of Public Safety. Luckily, there were no major injuries reported.

Perhaps the luckiest person was 52-year-old Raymond Beeks of Hermleigh.

Beeks was driving his 1991 Dodge van across the railroad tracks on CR 4114 around 10 a.m. when it was struck in the rear by a Santa Fe locomotive.

Investigating DPS trooper Marquis Cantu said Beeks told him he saw the train approaching the crossing and he tried to stop.

"He apparently began sliding and saw that he was not going to be able to stop," said Cantu.

According to Cantu, Beeks then "goosed" his van, hoping to make it across the tracks.

"He almost made it," said Cantu, noting the train hit the very end of the van and turned it parallel to the tracks. The van remained upright.

Beeks, who was described by Cantu as "pretty shook up," refused medical treatment at the scene. A Snyder EMS unit and a fire truck which were both responding to the accident report, turned back after hearing there were no injuries.

DPS trooper Joe Salinas investigated a one-vehicle accident at 10:35 a.m. involving a Federal Express delivery truck some three miles south of Snyder on U.S. Highway 84.

Involved was a 1991 Ford van driven by Vincent Ford of Abilene. Ford was taken to Cogdell Hospital by private vehicle.

Trooper Salinas worked another one-vehicle accident on Highway 84 at 1:30 p.m. some five miles south of Snyder. Involved was a 1991 Ford pickup belonging to Ronald Dewbre of Idalou. There were no injuries reported.

Troopers Cantu and Rick Campos investigated a one-vehicle rollover at 2:39 p.m., one-half mile east of Hermleigh on Highway 84. Involved was a 1989 Chevrolet pickup driven by Aaron Burkett of Roswell, N.M. Burkett was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Hospital where he was admitted for observation. His condition was listed as good this morning.

At 3 p.m., a one-vehicle rollover was reported on Highway 350, some four miles north of Ira. Involved was a 1993 Chevrolet driven by Leon Mireles Jr. of 2901 Ave. Q. Mireles was taken by private vehicle to Cogdell Hospital.

At 3:30 p.m., troopers were called to another rollover on Highway 84, some five miles east of Snyder. Involved was a 1994 Ford driven by Jason Taylor of San Antonio. He was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Hospital where he was treated and released.

Troopers also investigated a two-vehicle accident at 6:06 p.m. in Ira. No injuries were reported and no other information was available.

Additional information on the condition of Ford and Mireles was not available from the hospital at the patients' request.



WINTER COMES AND GOES — Tuesday's frosty climate left trees, homes and roads covered with ice, but by noon today, Scurry County was warming up. Local residents know not to count on the warming trend to last, however. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "If men dressed like girls, women would turn around and look too."

We're glad they have a new chief at the Lottery Commission. Perhaps some needy Republican can now win the jackpot.

The Texas Legislature is back in session, and there is already talk that it's impossible to get all the necessary business done in a regular 140-day session.

Every two years, there is talk that Texans need full-time legislators — much like congress. We may need it, but who can afford it?

We're watching with interest Sen. Tom Haywood's bill that calls for returning a percentage of Lottery sales to the county in which the tickets are purchased.

The idea is so logical, that we're not surprised that the newspaper in abilene has already come out opposed to the idea.

There are many things that make us wonder. Many of the great questions of life are asked in the coffee shop. For instance, WTC golf coach Milton Ham wants to know why a dress has a "hemline" instead of a "herline."

There are other great questions of life:

--Why do "fat chance" and "slim chance" mean the same thing?

--Why does your nose run and your feet smell?

--If 75 percent of all accidents happen within five miles of home, why not move further away?

--Why it is called a TV "set" when you only get one?

--Shouldn't there be a shorter word for monosyllabic?

--Why does an alarm clock "go off" when it begins to ring?

--Why do they sing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" when they are already at the stadium?

--What is another word for thesaurus?

--If pro is the opposite of con, then is progress the opposite of congress?

Officials in Amarillo have abandoned a plan to install speed-limit signs using the metric system. Opponents complained that the change would just confuse the elderly.

It sure would confound us...

Weigh-in tonight...

Stock show opens Thursday

Weigh-in of hogs and lambs gets underway tonight at the coliseum annex in preparation of the three-day Scurry County Junior Livestock Show.

The show is set Thursday and Friday with the auction and crowning of the queen to be held Saturday.

Snyder FFA, Hermleigh FFA, Ira FFA and Scurry County 4-H members all have animals entered in the show, which is free to the public.

Queen finalists are to be announced this evening, prior to the weigh-in and classification of the animals. Candidates compete by selling tickets for a chance at a $200 gift certificate from Bar-H-Bar Family Outfitters.

Steers must be in the barn by 1 p.m. Thursday.

The show opens Thursday at 5 o'clock with the hog show. Kenny Strube of Wall is the judge and Clarence Spieker of Hermleigh is the superintendent. Some 218 hogs are entered.

The steer show will begin at 6 p.m. Friday, followed immediately with the lamb show.

Twenty-three steers have been entered and will be judged by Chris Skaggs. Greg Jones of Crosbyton is the steer classifer; Eddie Eicke and John Ward are superintendents.

Judging the 77 lambs will be Gary Jennings of Fredonia. Russell Kott is the classifier and Jamie Beck and Justin Donelson are the superintendents.

There will also be five pens of commercial steers. Bob Hand will judge the books, Richard Long and Justin Donelson will judge the pens of animals and Jim Judah and Kent Mills will conduct the interviews.

The meal for the buyers will be held at 11:15 a.m. Saturday, with the auction to begin at 1 p.m. under the direction of Tommy Marricle.

Just prior to the auction will be the crowning of the 1997 queen. Performing the crowning will be Monica Roberson, the 1996 queen. Also to be presented will be the commercial steer winner, Top Hand Award, traveling trophies and Caprock scholarships.

Livestock show

Thursday
Hog show ..... 5 p.m.

Friday
Steer show ..... 6 p.m.
Lamb show ..... to follow

Saturday
Buyers' meal ..... 11:15 a.m.
Queen named ..... 12:45 p.m.
Awards ..... 12:45 p.m.
Auction ..... 1 p.m.

Clinton wants welfare boost

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's fiscal 1998 budget would boost the newly overhauled welfare program by about $16 billion, chiefly for disabled legal immigrants, food stamps and job-training, people familiar with the plan say.

The proposal is sure to be one of the most politically contentious in the spending blueprint Clinton unveils on Feb. 6. Republicans, the chief architects of the welfare law enacted in August, say the new system needs time to work before changes should be considered.

The president will also propose trimming military spending, plucking savings from Medicare that to a small degree would come directly from recipients, and delivering on campaign promises to provide tax reductions for some college students.

Clinton's package, which aims to balance the budget by 2002, was described by administration officials, congressional aides and lobbyists, all of whom spoke on condition of anonymity.

Some details are still being fine-tuned. But it will be similar to the president's proposal of a year ago, which prompted budget negotiations with congressional Republicans but no agreement.

"There are no broad new themes," one official said.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said last week that it was premature to "start fiddling" with welfare. And in a letter to Clinton, House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, warned that part of the president's plan — giving tax breaks to companies that hire welfare recipients — could jeopardize the working poor, who "still need jobs."

Since signing the legislation five months ago, Clinton has pledged to fix what he calls its problems, chiefly its denial of most benefits to legal immigrants and its reductions in food stamps. The new law, which ends the federal guarantee of support for the poor, is supposed to save $55 billion over the next six years.

Clinton will propose using about $13 billion — perhaps more — to restore benefits to legal immigrants who became disabled after entering the country, and to provide more for food stamps, sources said.

He will also seek an additional $3.4 billion for a "welfare-to-work" initiative, mostly for grants that states and municipalities would use for job-training for welfare recipients. The focus is to be on private-sector jobs. Some $400 million would be used to create tax breaks for employers who hire people off welfare.

Health Systems reps tour local hospital

Representatives of Community Health Systems made a brief tour of Cogdell Memorial Hospital this morning and left with financial records and a promise to get back with county officials regarding their interest in the facility.

In what was described by County Judge Ricky Fritz as a "very preliminary visit," CHS representatives Bob Hardison and Michael Portacci spent about 90 minutes touring the hospital.

Cogdell board president Ted Crenwelge, hospital administrator Jeff Reecer, incoming board member Dr. Mark Weaver and Fritz accompanied the two men on the tour.

Hardison is a vice-president with CHS in charge of acquisitions and development. Portacci is also a vice-president.

The two were given financial records from 1995 and 1996 and other information about the city. It was the first time representatives of the firm, which operates hospitals in 16 states, had visited Snyder.

"At this point, I do not know the level of interest the firm has in the hospital," said Fritz. "They said they would get back in touch with us in writing — whether they are interested or not."

The company first contacted the county in a Nov. 18 letter. Information about Cogdell Hospital had first been obtained from representatives of Scenic Mountain Medical Center in Big Spring which the company purchased in October, 1994.

Cogdell currently operates under a management contract through St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock. The contract expired at the end of 1996, but is being extended on a month-to-month basis.

The county subsidizes the hospital annually. That subsidy amounted to $395,000 in the most recent year, plus additional costs for repairs.

Auditions set at Ritz

Auditions for the Ritz Theatre spring musical, "Lil' Abner," will be held Monday and Tuesday at the theatre, located on the south side of the square.

Auditions will be held from 6 until 8 p.m. Monday and from 5 until 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The popular musical comedy, based on the Al Capp comic strip by the same name, is scheduled for production April 10-13 and 17-20.

The cast of approximately 35 will include such characters as Lil' Abner, Daisy Mae, Marryin' Sam, Pappy and Mammy Yokum, Stupefyin' Jones, Moonbeam McSwine, Earthquake McGoon, General Bullmoose, Hairless Joe, Lonesome Polecat, Appassionata von Climax, Evil Eye Fleegle and a host of others.

There are eight solo parts and others will be part of various chorus numbers. All roles are for high school or adult performers.

Auditioners should be prepared to sing a number of his or her choice and provide their own accompaniment. A piano, tape deck and CD player will be available.

Sam Robertson will be the musical director. Call 573-4053 or 573-4892 for additional information concerning auditions.

ASK US

Q—Do the public schools have a holiday Friday?

A—Hermleigh and Ira do, but Snyder ISD does not. Ira classes will dismiss early Thursday, at 1:15 p.m., but Hermleigh classes will dismiss at the regular time.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 31 degrees; low, 17; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 31; no precipitation; total for 1997, .42 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear evening, becoming partly cloudy, colder after midnight. Low around 20. NW wind 5-15 mph, becoming N-NE 10-20 mph after midnight. Thursday, partly cloudy. High 30-35. NE wind 5-15 mph.



Steven Martinez
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 6:04 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:43 a.m.
Of 14 days in 1997, the sun has shone 11 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

When I examine myself and my methods of thought, I come to the conclusion that the gift of fantasy has meant more to me than my talent for absorbing positive knowledge.

- Albert Einstein

'Heaveno' is named courthouse greeting

KINGSVILLE (AP) — Goodbye, hello.

In a unanimous resolution Tuesday, Kleberg County commissioners made "heaveno" the official courthouse greeting.

The vote came after a three-year campaign by 56-year-old flea market operator Leonso Canales to take the "hell" out of "hello" and replace it with "heaven."

Commissioners embraced the new greeting as a "symbol of peace, friendship and welcome" in the current "age of anxiety."

"I think this is really great for us; and I'll continue to work on this new, universal positive greeting," Canales said.

Canales, the brother-in-law of Sheriff Tony Gonzalez, has been promoting "heaveno," for years because he finds "hello" too negative.

"I see hell in hello. It's disguised by the o, but once you see it, it will slap you in the face," Canales said.

County Judge Pete De La Garza said he has starting using the upbeat greeting, and he expects it to catch on with his fellow county workers.

"Sometimes when someone calls and says, 'hello,' I'll respond 'heaveno,'" De La Garza said. "That's my option. Some people do and some don't. It's still kind of new."

Random calls to county offices Tuesday found mixed reactions to the new official greeting.

"We just say, 'appraisal district.' We don't say, 'Hello, good morning,'" said Linda Muguerza, a clerk in a city office.

"I believe it will catch on. They were pretty chirpy over at the courthouse today. They were all saying, 'heaveno, heaveno,'" she said.

Even so, not everyone thinks the new greeting is a good idea.

"I thought it was a little presumptuous on the county commissioners' part. I think it's stepping over the line, mixing religion and politics," said one Kingsville resident who asked not to be named. "It's kind of a weird thing."



CULTURAL EXCHANGE — Two FFA foreign exchange students lived in Snyder during the fall semester. Before returning on Sunday, they visited Beverly Robertson's social studies class Friday at West. They included Helen Gulyayeva of Stavropol, Russia, third from left; and Serghei Russu of Criuleni, Moldova. Helen stayed with Jerry and Vickie Rinehart and their son, Austin, second from left. Also shown is sixth grader Marina Barrera. Russu lived with Ross and Dean Preston. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Astronomers: exploded star beginning to brighten again

TORONTO (AP) — A star that exploded a decade ago into the brightest supernova seen from Earth in 400 years is about to put on another celestial show.

Supernova 1987A, visible only south of the equator, is beginning to brighten again as debris clouds expelled from its massive explosion at nearly 6 million miles an hour smash into a ring of hydrogen that encircled the star before it died.

"This supernova is digging up its own past," said Richard McCray of the University of Colorado at Boulder. "It will light up the material that it spewed out long before the explosion occurred."

"The next 10 years or so with this supernova will be sensational," said Ian Shelton, a University of Toronto astronomer who first discovered the supernova.

Astronomers reported Tuesday on observations of the Supernova 1987A at the winter meeting of the American Astronomical Society.

The exploded star dimmed after its initial display and astronomers said its new brightening will be visible only by telescope. But the show is teaching the experts about the inner workings of supernova with views never before seen with modern equipment.

Supernova 1987A is located in the Large Magellanic Cloud, a galaxy that is closest to the Milky Way at about 160,000 light years. The exploded star is the nearest supernova to Earth since 1604, five years before the telescope was invented.

Astronomers have mounted an extensive program of research on the exploded star, taking hundreds of images by the Hubble Space Telescope and with observatories in the Southern Hemisphere.

Early pictures showed that three rings of light formed around the star remnants. There is a large ring above and below the star and a shining smaller ring centered on a bright core. The arrangement creates the impression of an hourglass.

"We don't know why this ring system is there," said McCray. "There are ideas, but we really don't know."

The new brightening is occurring as the rapidly spreading debris cloud collides with the smaller ring.

Instruments sensitive to X-rays and radio emissions already are detecting a surge in readings and visible light emissions are expected to follow.

McCray said the expanding cloud of debris should light up the inner circle by the year 2000 and "it will stay bright for decades."

Supernova are of particular interest because they are essential to life in the universe. Virtually every atom making up the Earth and everything on it was created in the violence and extreme heat of an exploding star.

FBI joins investigation into the death of Mexican visitor

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The FBI has joined the investigation into the recent death of a Mexican business man after a struggle with a San Antonio police officer.

Delgado was subdued New Year's Day by San Antonio police officer James A. Smith at Rivercenter Mall and had a heart attack at some point in the struggle.

He died five days later.

The U.S. State Department asked the FBI to investigate the death of Eli Montesinos Delgado, a 44-year-old Mexican national, after Mexico's government protested his treatment by police.

Delgado's family also demanded that charges be brought against the officer.

Police Chief Al Philippus has maintained from the outset that the department welcomes any outside investigations into the case.

Deputy Chief Albert Ortiz said Tuesday that the department has asked for a federal investigation in past cases with circumstances similar to those surrounding Montesinos' death.

The department did not contact the FBI in this case because "we were satisfied, in our minds, that the Mexican government had notified the U.S. Justice Department, and an investigation was in hand," Ortiz said. "The department knew it was going to happen anyway, so we didn't bother."

Senator wearing four hats

AUSTIN (AP) — When Sen. Royce West's car stalled on an outing with his son, he picked up the telephone and called his wife. Again, and again, and again.

Tired of a barrage of calls from reporters who wanted to talk to Cowboy Michael Irvin's lawyer, she had decided to stop answering the telephone Saturday afternoon.

Now the family's getting a second phone line "so I'll know when it's safe to answer," Carol West, a certified public accountant, said with a laugh after her husband left the Senate Chamber on the 1997 Legislature's first day of business Tuesday.

West, D-Dallas, wears four hats these days: lawmaker, lawyer for Irvin, and the two he calls the most important, husband and father.

But it's his job as Irvin's attorney that draws national attention. He was on television Tuesday morning, and as he met later with other senators, a network news camera was awaiting his return to his office.

"I don't really particularly care for it, to be honest with you," West said of all the attention. "I guess it comes with the turf, so to speak, as it relates to this particular case.

"I will do my job, I'll do it to the best of my ability, and I know eventually it will be over with. And I'll be glad when it's over with," he said.

Until it's over, West is careful to separate his roles.

After senators adjourned Tuesday, West answered reporters' questions in the Senate chamber about legislation, including his goal of cracking down on drunken driving by juveniles.

Questions about the Irvin case had to wait until he left the chamber.

"I don't think it's appropriate to talk about it on the floor of the state Senate," West said. "The Senate chamber is not a place where we bring our work, so to speak, our various occupations. We're there to take care of the business of the state of Texas and not our own individual agenda."

But the Irvin case has prompted him to suggest a change in state law. West has said men accused of rape but not charged should have as much protection from public identification as their accusers.

West said he hasn't decided whether he will carry such legislation, and that research must be done on the constitutional balance between free speech and a person's right to privacy.

Still, he said, the case made him see a problem in the current system.

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SUNDAE ANYONE? — East students who attend the Safe Child After School program learned how to make sundaes last week. From left are Eric Munoz, Jennifer Faulkenberry, supervisor, Jordan Derryberry, Erica Lee, Joseph Hefner, Carol Tabarez and Andrew Davis. Susan Summers of Dairy Queen is shown in the back. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Police charge woman who falsely accused 2 Cowboys

DALLAS (AP) — The former stripper who made up a gang-rape accusation against Dallas Cowboys stars Erik Williams and Michael Irvin had until today to post bond on a charge of filing a false police report.

Nina Shahravan, 23, could face six months in jail and a $2,000 fine if convicted of the misdemeanor. Police filed paperwork for the charge with prosecutors on Tuesday.

A warrant was issued for her arrest, but police said she wouldn't necessarily be arrested at her home. She had until today to post bond before Dallas county deputies begin trying to find her.

Shahravan filed a police report Dec. 30 — after first going to a television reporter — accusing Irvin of holding a gun to her head while Williams and a third man, who was never identified, raped her in Williams' home. She also accused Irvin of videotaping the attack.

Friday, after she was confronted with evidence that Irvin couldn't have been at Williams' house the night of the alleged attack, Shahravan signed a statement admitting her story was a lie.

A man who answered the telephone at Shahravan's parents' home in Plano on Tuesday said she was not there. The woman has made no public statement since filing the complaint.

Williams' attorney, Peter Ginsberg, said he hopes the charge against Shahravan doesn't signal an end to the investigation.

"I hope that law enforcement authorities are pursuing the possibility that there were others who acted in concert with the complainant, and I also hope that authorities are examining the police's own conduct in this investigation," Ginsberg said.

Irvin's attorney, Royce West, said the charge against Shahravan "needed to be done."

"I am pleased because I believe very strongly that this woman has set back the issue of sexual assault victims 100 years," West said.

Ginsberg and West both said their clients were considering lawsuits.

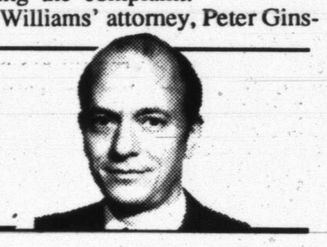
"We are considering legal action not only against the woman but we are examining whether Erik's civil rights were violated by the city of Dallas police department," Ginsberg said.

In a brief statement, police voiced hope that Ms. Shahravan's false statement wouldn't keep victims of sexual assault from coming forward.

"Victims of crime can be assured they face no legal repercussion for reporting factual incidents to the police in good faith," the statement said.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



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	♦ Q		
	♣ 5 4 2		
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	♦ 3		
	♣ K 10 8		

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	1 ♦	Dbl.	2 NT
4 ♥	5 ♦	Pass	Pass
5 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ A

01-15-97

Reading the cards

By Phillip Alder

Benjamin Franklin said, "If you would not be forgotten as soon as you are dead, either write things worth reading or do things worth writing." Well, hopefully you will think this column worth reading, as I judge South's play worth writing (about).

The deal occurred during last year's Cavendish Invitational Pairs in New York City. Sitting South was Gabriel Chagas, the small, dapper, mercurial Brazilian player who has such a high metabolic rate that after the evening session he eats enough food to satisfy two or three people with normal appetites.

East's jump to two no-trump over North's takeout double showed diamond support. With a good balanced hand, he would have redoubled.

Against five hearts, the defenders began with a top diamond, a club to the ace, and the club queen. After winning with the club king and drawing two rounds of trumps with honors from hand, Chagas paused for thought.

He needed to establish a spade on which to discard the club 10. Normally, one would play spades from the top, as any 3-3 or 4-2 break would allow one to establish and cash dummy's jack. However, Chagas wondered about West's decisions to open the bidding and to sacrifice in five diamonds at unfavorable vulnerability. West didn't have many high cards, as East evidently had the three club honors. Therefore, West had to have a distributional hand.

Backing his judgment, Chagas played a spade to the king, a heart to his hand, and a spade to dummy's jack. When the finesse worked, declarer took his discard and claimed. Excellent!

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

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.

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag. Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

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

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

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 p.m.).

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

Date Book

Jan. 15, 1997

Today is the 15th day of 1997 and the 26th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1759, the British Museum in London opened its doors for the first time.

On this day in 1870, a Thomas Nast cartoon used a donkey to symbolize the Democratic Party for the first time.

On this day in 1974, "Happy Days" premiered on television.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Matthew Brady (1823-1896), Civil War photographer; Edward Teller (1908-), physicist, is 89; Osip Mandelstam (1891-1938), poet; Gene Krupa (1909-1973), musician; Lloyd Bridges (1913-), actor, is 84; John Joseph O'Connor (1920-), archbishop of New York City, is 77; Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968), civil rights leader; Margaret O'Brien (1937-), actress, is 60.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1967, the Green Bay Packers defeated the Kansas City Chiefs 35-10 in the first Super Bowl.

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

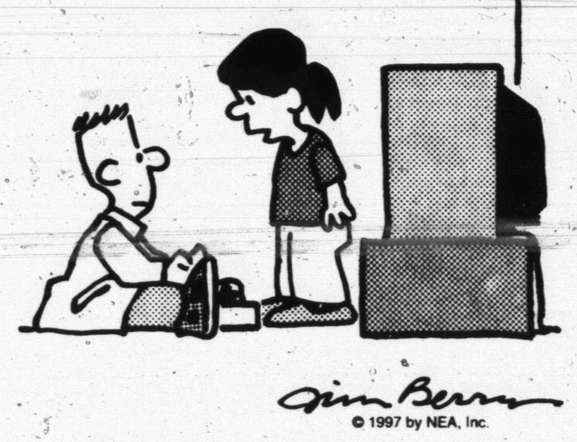
TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1993, an earthquake measuring 7.5 on the Richter scale rumbled beneath the sea bed about 20 miles south of Kushiro, Japan.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: First quarter.

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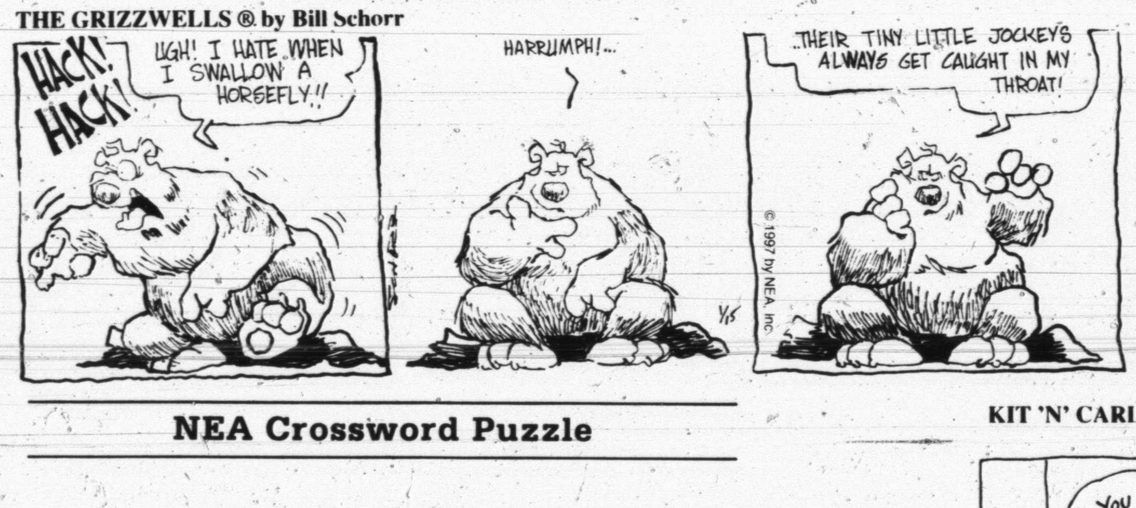
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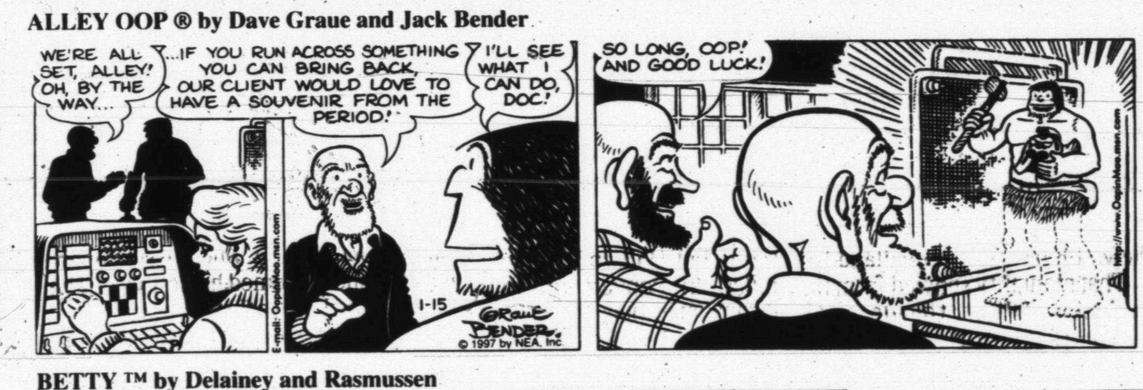
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12 Stable resident
13 Finished
14 Doctrine
15 Adapt
17 Mao — -tung
18 Closes tightly
19 Lets hang
21 Indefinite amount
23 Actress Ruby —
24 — bits (a quarter)
27 Red planet
29 Ready for business
32 Spring festival
34 Having feet
36 Get by force
37 Sour drink
38 Tints
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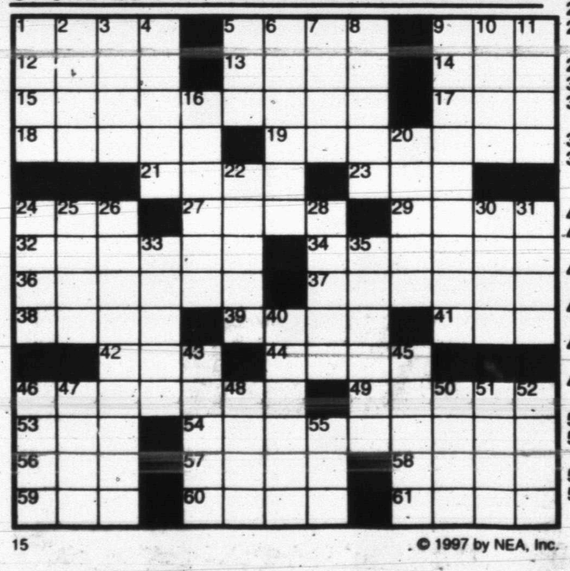
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11 Singer Ed —
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20 Crystal-containing stone
22 Ernest Borgnine role
24 Set up (golf balls)
25 Like candles
26 Medical person
28 Flash flood
30 Coup d' —
31 Roman emperor
33 Italian opera
35 Omits (certain sounds)
40 Throws out
43 Al Capp character
45 Doll's House author
46 Layer of tissue
47 Actor Montand
48 Letterman's rival
50 Mouthful
51 Ending for kitchen
52 Pair
55 Wide shoe size

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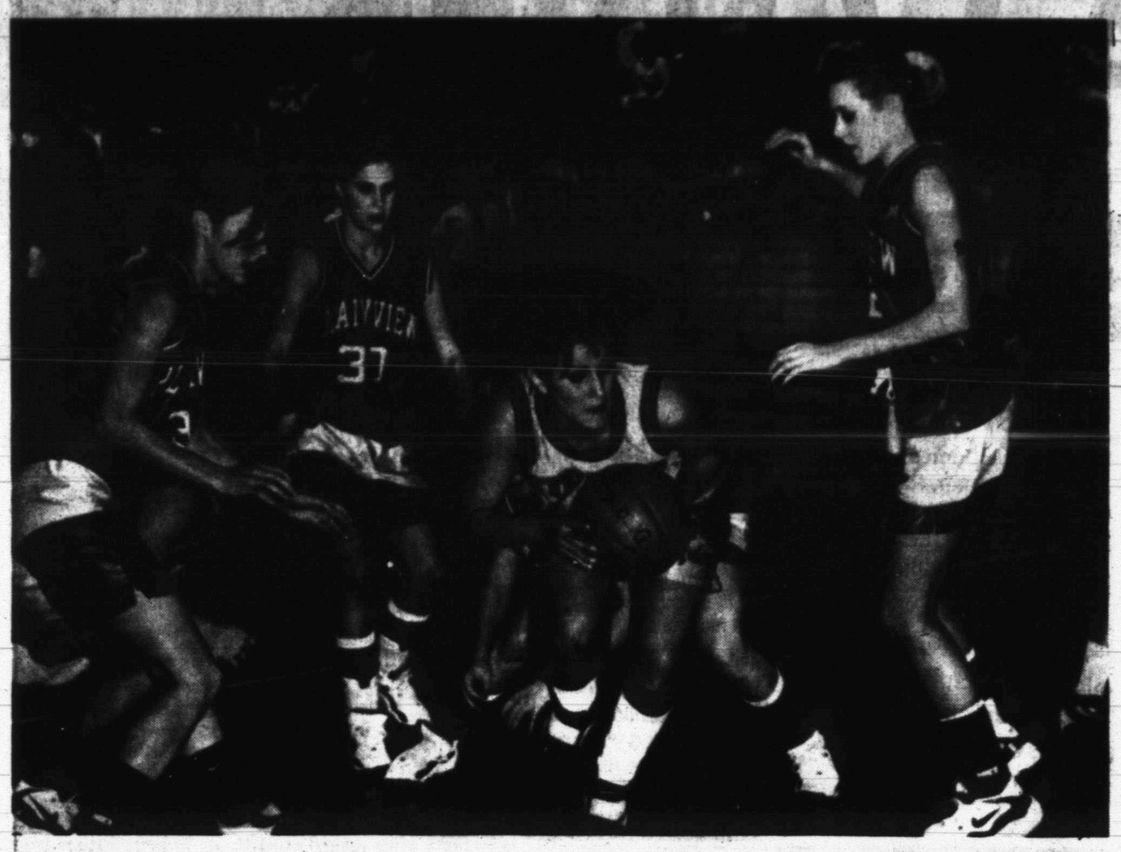
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SPORTS



TRAPPED BY A PACK OF BULLDOGS — Tiffany Garza (33) is surrounded by a swarm of Lady Bulldogs. Garza finished the night with four points in the Tigers' 89-51 district loss Tuesday night. (Photo by Stephanie Whittenburg)

By 89-51...

Lady Bulldogs bite Snyder

By Jamie Sharp
SDN Sportswriter

The Lady Bulldogs came to town with a bite much worse than their bark, and Plainview took a bite out of the Lady Tigers with an 89-51 District 2-A win Tuesday night.

"We have this mentality that ranked teams are better and are going to beat us outright, and it showed tonight." said varsity coach Rick Archer. "Until we get past that mentality, we are never going to beat the teams like Plainview, Frenship or Levelland."

That mentality showed from the beginning of the first quarter as the 10th-ranked Lady Bulldogs controlled the tip, and from then on, controlled the game.

Plainview started aggressively by applying a suffocating full-court press that the Tigers struggled with all night. Plainview got on the board first when Lindsey Douglass canned a 15-footer. Darla Blackwell responded for the Tigers with a jumper over Plainview's Brandi Bates. On the Tigers' next trip down court, Erica Garvin drove to the basket and drew a foul. She drained both free throws to bring the score to 7-4.

Plainview quickly added to their lead when Bates sliced through the lane and was fouled. She missed her free shot, but Plainview came away with the board and converted it into two more points, bringing the score to 16-4.

Snyder struggled with cold shooting while Plainview continued to add to their lead. At the 2:46 mark, Plainview's Laura Bass shook Haley Brown at the top of the key and canned a trey to advance the Bulldogs' lead to 15.

Snyder attempted to slow Plainview's momentum with a time out, but it was futile. It looked as though Alicia Peoples was wide open down low, but Bates rejected her from behind, and fired a pass to Katrisa O'Neal who converted for two. Peoples nailed a jumper at the 1:30 mark to bring the Tigers' first quarter tally to six, but it was not enough to match Plainview's 22.

The second period was a repeat of the first, with Plainview continuing to add to its lead, and Snyder desperately trying to catch up. The Bulldogs got on the board first, bringing the score to 28-6. The Tigers showed signs of life, however, when Jamie Burleson banged a three at the 6:39 mark, making the score, 30-9.

Burleson started a short spurt of Tiger baskets when she canned a second jumper on the next trip to take the score to 36-11. Shannon Hall also contributed to the Tiger cause when she shook her defender and nailed a jumper. Blackwell was inspired to hit a wide open three at the 4:05 mark to make the score 36-16. The Tigers had a chance to build on their score, but Hall and Melanie Kidd failed to convert on four free throw attempts.

Plainview ended Snyder's run when Emily Cranmer canned a trey at the 3:21 mark with Plainview ahead, 41-16. Tiffany Garza converted two free throws at the end of the quarter, and Plainview enjoyed a 45-23 halftime margin.

Although Snyder was only able to get nine shots off in the first quarter, the Lady Tigers had their chances in the second, attempting a total of 17. But Plainview's defense allowed Snyder to convert only six.

The Bulldogs came out of the locker room looking to put the Tigers away early. Snyder attempted to create some turnovers by applying a full-court press, but Plainview handled it easily with precise passing and quickness. Peoples bagged the Tigers' first field goal of the quarter by shaking her defender down low and converting for two to make the score 50-25. Mandy Hess then converted a steal into another bucket at the 6:02 mark.

On Plainview's next three possessions, they showed why they are state ranked. The Lady Bulldogs ran a motion offense with great movement and passing that confused the Tigers and resulted in 11 unanswered points.

Garvin ended the run when she sank a layup on a great baseline move that also drew a foul. Garvin converted the three-point play at the 3:03 mark, and the score was 61-30. Garvin scored Snyder's four points to end the quarter with Plainview still up, 63-34.

The start of the final period demonstrated what had plagued the Lady Tigers all night — cold shooting. Peoples had a chance to cut into the Bulldog lead when she drained a turn around jumper and was fouled. She missed her charity toss, but Plainview committed a lane violation that gave Peoples a second chance. She missed again, but she redeemed herself when she grabbed the offensive board and layed the ball in at the 7:05 mark to bring the score to 66-38.

Plainview stole any chances of a Tiger comeback when Cranmer took the ball up the court, stopped at the arc, and canned a three with 6:33 left. Brown then took the inbounds pass, dribbled up court and knocked down a trey of her own to make the score 72-41. Snyder attempted a late quarter rally, but the Lady Bulldog lead was to great.

"Plainview has only three non-seniors. They have eight seniors, and two juniors." Archer said. The experience was evident.

The Tigers shot only 28 percent from the field, and 57 from the charity stripe.

Garvin led the Lady Tigers with 11, while Blackwell contributed 10 points, with six of those 10 coming from beyond the arc. Peoples bagged eight, and Burleson and Brown each added five. Garza ended with four and Kidd and Hess rounded up the night with two apiece.

The Lady Tigers fall to 2-3 in district play, and 14-10 for the season. Plainview improved its loop record to 4-1 while going 19-6 for the season.

Next up for the Tigers are the 1-4, 8-12 Lamesa Tornadoes Friday night in Lamesa.

Girls basketball 2-4A Glance

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Levelland	5	0	21	12
Plainview	4	1	19	6
Frenship	3	2	17	10
Snyder	2	3	14	10
Lamesa	1	4	8	12
Estacado	0	5	2	20

Tuesday's Results: Plainview 89, Snyder 51; Frenship 69, Lamesa 43; Levelland 49, Estacado 30.

Friday's Games: Snyder at Lamesa at Snyder; Plainview at Levelland; Frenship at Lubbock Estacado.

Giants pick Fassel; Reeves to Atlanta

By The Associated Press

Jim Fassel no longer is the front runner to replace Dan Reeves as coach of the New York Giants. He's now the man.

The Giants today introduced Fassel as their head coach.

Fassel, 47, the Arizona's offensive coordinator, replaces Dan Reeves who was fired Dec. 23. Reeves now appears to be the choice to become head coach at Atlanta.

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Snyder iced 61-44...

Bulldogs freeze Tigers

By Jamie Sharp
SDN Sportswriter

The icy weather outside creeped inside the gym and infected Snyder's shooting as the Plainvew Bulldogs handed the Snyder Tigers their second consecutive district loss.

Plainview took advantage of Snyder's 33 percent shooting from the floor and posted a 61-44 District 2-4A victory here Tuesday night.

The Tigers got off to a slow start, missing their first seven shots before Matthew Fambro hit a fade-away jumper in the lane at the 3:11 mark. Plainview on the other hand, canned their first three attempts.

Plainview used a suffocating 1-3-1 zone defense to deny the inside pass, and Snyder's impatience resulted in turnovers — and Plainview baskets.

In the final minutes of the first quarter, the Bulldogs were up 13-4, but the Tigers started a seven-point run in which Jimmy Taylor, Justin McNair and Chris Riggins all scored to end the quarter with the Tigers 13-9.

Plainview dominated the second quarter, scoring 21 points while the Tigers could manage only seven. Plainview's Matt Robertson continued his first quarter success by dominating the low post game. The Bulldogs scored 10 unanswered points before Fambro scored at the 4:01 mark to bring the Tigers within 12. Jimmy Taylor was fouled on the baseline with 3:05 left. He stepped to the line and made one of two with Plainview leading, 24-12.

Fouls were the highlight for both teams in the final minutes of the half with Snyder and Plainview stepping to the line a total of eight times. Snyder could manage only four points, while the Bulldogs came away with seven. The teams went to the dressing rooms with the visitors leading, 34-17.

"They beat us in the first half." said Coach Bud Birks. "They just flat outplayed us."

The second half saw the Bulldogs slowly pull away from the trailing Tigers. In the opening minutes of the third, Snyder managed to beat the Plainview zone and get a couple of easy baskets. Taylor started it off for the Tigers with a baseline jumper that brought the score to 34-19. Rick Henderson then nailed a trey at the 7:00 mark to take the score to 34-22.

At the 6:30 mark, Fambro looked to have a clean block, but was called for a foul that resulted in the Bulldogs' first two points of the quarter. At the 5:43 mark, Fambro again looked to have a clean block but, much to the displeasure of the Snyder fans, was called for another foul. Plainview's Barry Johnson knocked down a three at the 2:45 mark to take the score to 45-26. Snyder's last score of the third quarter was a trey by Henderson, and Plainview led 52-31 going into the final quarter.

Snyder started the fourth quarter off strong when Henderson drained a jumper in the lane. Henderson then converted a block on Matt Robertson into two points. Billy Clark put the Bulldogs on the board in the fourth with a 10-footer with five minutes left. Taylor then schooled Derek Bryant down low for an easy two points to bring the score to 58-41. For the remainder of the half, the Bulldogs milked the clock, allowing Snyder only two points off of two Taylor free throws.

"We had a good fourth quarter run, but it's tough to come back from 17." Birks said. "Number 40 (Matt Robertson) is a great player. Once he caught it down low, it was too late."

Robertson ended the night with a convincing 30 points. Plainview also hit a sizzling 86 percent from the charity stripe, 19 of 22.

Henderson and McNair finished the night with 14 points apiece, while Taylor bagged 13. Riggins and Fambro each contributed six. Ramsey Castillo nailed two, and Alvin Fabre ended up with one.

The Tigers travel to Lamesa Friday to face the 1-2, 17-6 Tornadoes. With the loss, the Tigers district ledger falls to 1-2, while Snyder's season mark stands at 15-10.

Boys basketball 2-4A Glance

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Levelland	2	1	10	16
Estacado	2	1	12	12
Plainview	2	1	12	11
Snyder	1	2	15	10
Lamesa	1	2	17	6
Frenship	0	3	11	13

Tuesday's Results: Plainview 61, Snyder 44; Lamesa 90, Frenship 58; Estacado 57, Levelland 42.

Friday's Games: Snyder at Lamesa; Plainview at Levelland; Frenship at Lubbock Estacado.

NBA at glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

	W	L	Pct	GB
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
Miami	26	10	.722	-
NewYork	26	10	.722	-
Washington	19	17	.528	7
Orlando	14	18	.438	10
NewJersey	9	24	.273	15½
Boston	9	25	.265	16
Philadelphia	8	27	.229	17½
Central Division				
Chicago	32	4	.889	-
Detroit	26	9	.743	5½
Atlanta	23	11	.676	8
Cleveland	21	14	.600	10½
Charlotte	20	16	.556	12
Milwaukee	18	17	.514	13½
Indiana	16	18	.471	15
Toronto	12	23	.343	19½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	28	9	.757	-
Utah	24	12	.667	3½
Minnesota	16	20	.444	11½
Dallas	12	21	.364	14
SanAntonio	9	25	.265	17½
Denver	9	28	.243	19
Vancouver	7	30	.189	21
Pacific Division				
L.A.Lakers	28	10	.737	-
Seattle	26	11	.703	1½
Portland	20	16	.556	7
Sacramento	16	22	.421	12
L.A.Clippers	14	21	.400	12½
GoldenState	13	22	.371	13½
Phoenix	13	24	.351	14½

Tuesday's Games
Boston 116, Golden State 108
Atlanta 95, Minnesota 93
Houston 106, New York 86
Chicago 108, Washington 107
Phoenix 110, Denver 101
Portland 95, Detroit 86
L.A. Lakers 91, Vancouver 81
Sacramento 105, Indiana 98, OT

Wednesday's Games
Golden State at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Dallas, 8 p.m.
New York at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Toronto at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Detroit at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Indiana at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Miami at Boston, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Denver, 9 p.m.
Phoenix at Utah, 9 p.m.
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

College scores

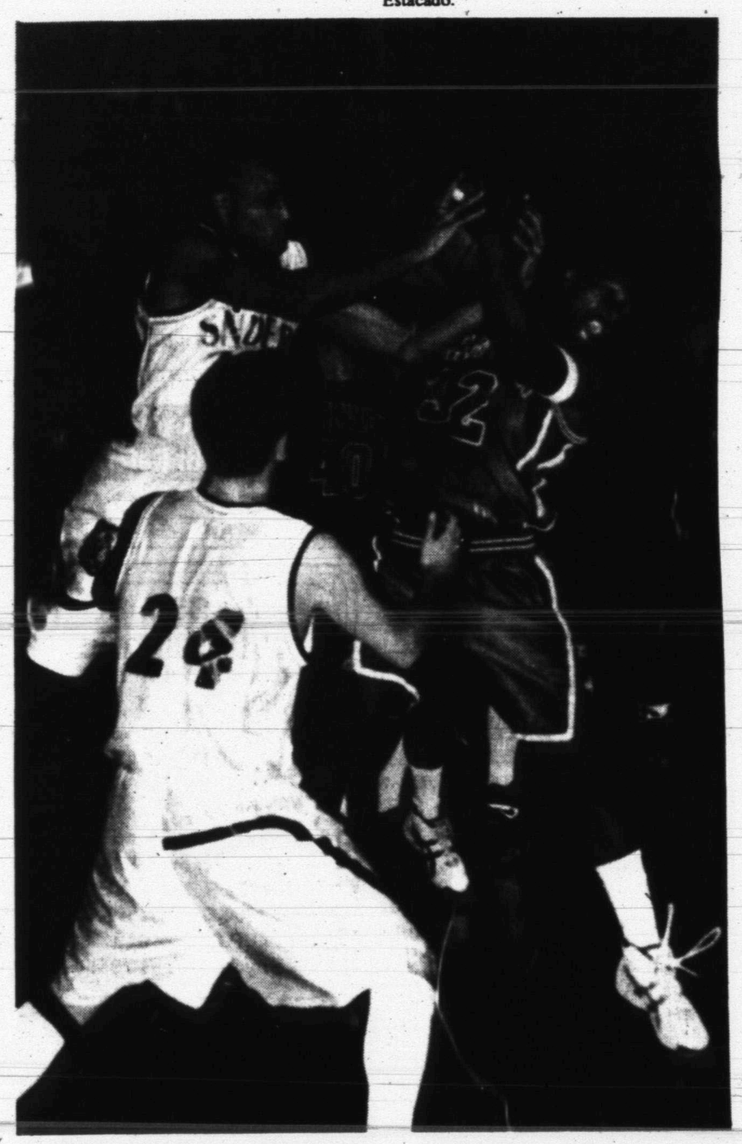
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Columbia 68, Ursinus 37
Cornell 77, Army 64
Massachusetts 63, St. Bonaventure 59
St. John's 62, Niagara 40

SOUTH
Furman 59, Appalachian St. 55
Kentucky 86, Georgia 65
N.C. Charlotte 69, South Florida 64

MIDWEST
Illinois 96, Minnesota 90
Missouri 82, Baylor 66
Valparaiso 76, Chicago St. 59
Villanova 68, Notre Dame 57

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GIMME' THAT BALL — Matthew Fambro (20) fights with Plainview's Billy Clark (32) for possession of the ball as Ramsey Castillo (24) looks on. Fambro finished with six points in Snyders' 66-41 district 2-4A loss. (SDN Staff Photo).

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010 LEGAL NOTICES

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into Wichita Albany formation - P.L. Fuller NCT-1 Well Numbers #212, #234, #302, #311, #312, #316, #327, #328, #336, #343, #344, #345, #349, #350. The proposed injection wells are located 10 to 17 miles North to Northeast of Snyder, Texas in Cogdell (Area) Fields, in Scurry-Kent Counties. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4000' to 4600' feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is mental disorder a threat?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 46-year-old son has been diagnosed with schizophrenia. He refuses to take medication. He believes that everyone is after him. He hallucinates almost constantly. As his heartbroken mother, what can I do? What will happen to him if he doesn't take medication? I've been told that patients with mental illness have to seek help willingly, yet he desperately needs the medical attention that he refuses to accept.

DEAR READER: This is a truly difficult situation, because — as you stated — the involuntary treatment of mental disorders is no longer the standard practice.

However, there are two exceptions to this principle: If the patient is a threat to himself or to others.

Your brief comments indicate that your son is paranoid: He believes that he is in danger from the people around him. This is an exceedingly hazardous situation, because when a schizophrenic feels threatened, he often harms himself or others.

Therefore, I believe that you are entirely within your rights to involve the legal authorities. If your son's paranoia is increasing or taking on dangerous overtones ("I'm going to get them!"), report him to the police. Ordinarily, they will detain him for psychiatric evaluation and probable treatment; he will get "plugged" into the legal system. If his behavior seems relatively stable, ask your lawyer to guide you.

I should add, in all fairness, that most schizophrenics do not pose a danger to themselves or to others. This mental disease, which is marked by cognitive impairment, is often associated with hallucinations and feelings of depersonalization. But it is primarily the paranoid schizophrenics that are worrisome, because they may perform unpredictably violent acts, especially during fits of agitation.

Your son evidently needs help before a tragedy occurs. I believe that the actions I mentioned would be totally appropriate under the circumstances.

For your part, try a local support group for parents of patients with mental disorders. See your Yellow Pages.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a "rental granny" for a baby-sitting agency. In the course of my duties, I often see parents administer a high-mineral, high-carbohydrate sports drink to their toddlers. Is this safe?

DEAR READER: Most sports drinks, such as Gatorade, are rich in minerals and sugar to supply energy to athletes. To my knowledge, these beverages are safe — in moderation — for children as well as non-athletes. However, I think that parents should appropriately vary the drinks given to their children, substituting juice and plain water rather than relying solely on sports drinks.

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Astro-graph



By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Jan. 16, 1997

Do not be afraid to explore new areas in the year ahead. Your luckiest breaks and greatest benefits could come through previously untapped channels.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) An invitation you're expecting to a social function might be delayed, but don't worry. You are not a last-minute addition to the guest list. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A pleasant surprise might be in store for you today when someone who does not usually notice you showers you with attention.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Something which happens today might inflate your ego. However, one of your friends will deserve most of the credit.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Financial or work-related matters should get top priority today. You are likely to find your most gratifying material rewards in these areas.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You will have the ability to sell your ideas and plans to others today, provided that your approach is direct and imaginative. Give it your best shot.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today, colleagues are likely to go out of their way more than usual to make things easier for you. Make sure to acknowledge their efforts promptly.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your enthusiasm and optimism will have a stronger effect on your companions today than you realize. You will lift their sagging spirits.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today you may do something that will give you a sense of achievement, but it may not impress your associates. Your time will come.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Boring tasks may be too much for your restless nature to handle today. Try to participate in activities that will stimulate your sense of adventure.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Instead of spending time alone today, invite a few fun friends over for a card game or a conversation. Everyone will be entertained.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You might receive some good news today and you will be eager to share it with a special person. Congratulations are in order!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) One of your hobbies could be turned into a profitable operation. Discuss it with two friends who have a flair for marketing.

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At snowbound reservation, residents climb 20-foot drifts

SELFRIDGE, N.D. (AP) — Willy Mosset's mother and cattle have been trapped for a week, surrounded by 20-foot snowdrifts that cover much of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation in southern North Dakota.

Since a blizzard swept through the region last week, Mosset's daily routine has included parking his pickup along the road, scaling the mountains of snow and delivering food to his 78-year-old mother, who has been stuck in the house since Jan. 8.

"Every day you have to fight with it. It just gets higher and higher," Mosset said Tuesday. "On the south side of the house, you can walk right onto the roof."

Throughout the reservation, which straddles the border between the Dakotas, cattle are dying while the roughly 4,000 residents wait for roads to be cleared of the more than 50 inches of snow that has fallen this winter.

North Dakota, along with much of the northern Midwest, has been struck by three blizzards in the past month. None has been that extraordinary by local standards, but together they have been taxing.

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AMR Corp	83⅛	82⅝	82⅝	— ⅛
AT&T Corps	38⅝	38⅜	38½	— ⅛
AirTouch	24⅝	24⅜	24⅜	— ⅛
Albertsons	36⅝	36⅛	36⅛	— ⅛
AlldSignal	69⅝	69⅛	69⅛	— ⅛
Alltel	31⅛	31⅛	31⅛	— ⅛
AmerOnline	39⅛	37⅞	38⅛	— ⅛
AmStores	41⅜	41¼	41¼	— ⅛
Ameritech	58¼	58	58⅛	— ⅛
Amoco	85⅛	84⅛	84⅛	— ⅛
AndarkPtr	69⅝	69¼	69¼	— ¼
ArmcoInc	4⅜	4⅜	4⅜	— ⅛
AtlRichfld	137⅛	136⅛	136⅛	— ⅛
ATMOS Egy		23¼	23¼	23¼
Aviall		9⅛	9⅛	9⅛
BakerHughes	39⅛	38⅛	39	+ ⅛
BellAtl	66⅛	66	66⅛	— ⅛
BellSouth	40⅞	40¼	40⅝	+ ¼
BethSteel	9	8⅞	8⅞	— ⅛
BritPet	141⅛	141⅛	141⅝	—2¼
BurlNoSFe	87⅞	87	87⅜	+ ⅜
Caterpillar	78⅛	77⅛	77⅛	— ½
CenSoWst	25⅜	25¼	25¼	— ⅛
Chevron	68⅜	67⅞	67⅞	— ⅛
Chrysler s	35⅛	34¼	35	— ¼
Coastal	49⅞	49⅜	49⅜	+ ⅛
CocaColas	55⅛	55	55⅛	— ⅛
ColgatePalm	93	92	92⅛	— ⅛
ComclMetals	29	28½	28⅝	— ⅛
CooperIn	43	42¼	42¼	— ½
CyprusAmax		23⅛	23⅛	23⅛
DallSemicn	24⅛	24	24⅛	+ ⅛
DeltaAirl	72	71⅛	71⅛	— ⅛
DigitalEq		36	34⅞	35
Dillard		30⅜	30	30⅛
DowChem	83⅛	82½	82⅜	— ⅛
DresserInd	35⅛	34⅛	35⅛	+ ⅛
DuPont	105½	104⅛	105⅛	+ ⅛
EastmanChem	55⅝	55	55	— ⅜
EstKodak	82⅜	81⅛	81⅛	— ⅛
EDS Corp		47⅞	47½	47⅞
Enserch	24	23⅞	23⅞	— ⅛
Entergy		28	27⅞	27⅞
Exxon	104⅛	102½	102⅛	— ⅝
Flowers		21⅛	21⅛	21⅛ + ¼
FordMotor	33¾	33¼	33¼	— ½
GTE Cp	45⅞	44¼	45	— ⅛
GenDynam	71	69⅛	69⅜	— ⅛
GenElec	104¼	103	103	—1⅜
GenMills	65	64⅛	64⅜	— ⅛
GenMotors	60⅛	60	60⅛	— ⅛
GaPacif	77⅛	77⅛	77⅜	— ⅛
GlobalMar	24½	23¾	24¼	+ ⅛
Goodrichs	38⅛	38⅛	38⅛	— ⅛
Goodyear s	54⅛	54⅛	54⅛	— ⅛
GtAtlPac	31⅛	31⅛	31⅛	— ⅛
Haliburtn	71⅛	69⅛	70⅛	+ ⅛
Hanson ADSs	7⅛	7	7	— ⅛
HarteHanks	26¼	26	26¼	+ ⅛
HoustonInds		23	22⅞	23
IBM	168⅛	165⅛	166½	—49-64
IntlPaper	42⅞	42½	42½	— ⅛
JohnsnJn s	52	51⅛	51⅞	+ ⅜
K mart	11⅜	11	11⅛	+ ⅛
Kroger	46⅜	45½	46⅛	+ ⅛
Litton	46	45⅜	45⅝	— ⅜
LockhdMart	88⅛	87⅛	87⅛	—1
Lowes Cos	36⅜	35⅞	36	— ⅛
Lubys	20⅛	20⅛	20⅛	+ ⅛
LucentTech n	51	50⅜	50⅝	— ⅛
MayDeptStrs	45⅞	45¼	45⅜	+ ⅛
Medtronic	68⅛	66½	66⅝	—1½
Mobil	129⅝	128⅛	129	— ⅛
Monsanto s	38⅛	38⅛	38⅜	— ⅛
Motorola	67⅞	66½	66½	— ½
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Navistar	10⅜	10	10	— ⅛
NoramEngy		15⅛	15⅛	15⅛
Norwest	45⅞	45¼	45¼	— ⅛
Nynex	49⅞	49¼	49⅜	— ⅛
OryxEngy	25⅛	24¼	24⅛	— ⅛
PacTelesis	36⅜	36¼	36¼	— ¼
PanEnergy		45⅛	44⅞	45
Penney JC	48	47⅞	47⅞	— ⅛
Pennzoil		60⅞	60⅝	60⅞
PepBoys	29⅛	28½	28⅝	— ⅛
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PhelpDodge		71⅛	70⅝	70⅞
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PilgrmPrd	9¼	9¼	9¼	— ⅛
Polaroid	45⅞	45⅜	45⅝	— ⅜
Praxair	45⅞	45⅛	45⅜	— ¼
ProctGamble	110	108⅛	108⅜	—1⅜
PubSNwMx	18⅜	18⅛	18⅜	+ ⅛
RoyalDutch	173½	172½	172½	—1
SBC Comm	51¼	50⅝	50⅝	— ⅛
SaraLee	37⅞	37⅜	37⅜	— ⅛
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Tandy	42	41⅜	42	+ ⅜
TemplInl	56⅜	55½	55½	—1¼
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Texaco	105⅞	104⅛	104⅛	—1⅜
TexasInd	50⅜	49⅛	49⅛	— ⅛
TexasInst	68¼	67¼	67¼	— ¼
TexUtil		41¼	41	41⅛
Textron	94⅛	93¼	93⅜	— ⅛
Travelers s	48¼	47⅛	47⅜	— ⅛
TrinityInds	35⅜	35⅛	35⅛	— ⅛
TritonEngy	49	48¼	48⅛	— ⅛
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US WestCm	34¼	33¾	33⅞	— ⅛
USWstMda	18⅛	17⅞	17⅞	— ⅛
USX Delhi	16¼	16⅛	16¼	+ ⅛
USX-Marathn	27	26⅛	26⅛	+ ⅛
USX-USS	33⅜	32¼	32¼	— ⅛
UnCarbde	44	43¾	43⅝	— ¼
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Unocal		43¾	43¼	43⅜
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WestghEl		19⅛	19⅛	19⅛
WinnDixie	31½	31⅛	31⅛	— ¼
Woolworth		21⅛	21⅜	21
XeroxCp s	55¼	54⅛	54⅛	— ½
ZenithE	11¼	11⅛	11⅛	— ¼

Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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Animal Shelters Can't Offer Shelter to All Homeless Pets

DEAR ABBY: I work in an animal shelter. Thank God more people are bringing unwanted animals to shelters instead of dumping them by the roadside where they risk being struck and killed by cars or attacked by wild animals. At least these animals have a chance at life if they are brought to a shelter.

There is a poster in the shelter where I work which reads: There aren't enough homes for all of them.

For those who are not lucky enough to be chosen, the shelter provides the most humane death possible, with a loving attendant by their sides as they are put to sleep. But what a waste of beautiful life.

Abby, as I write this, I am in tears. The cats and dogs whose cages I clean daily are wonderful, loving animals. It breaks my heart when no one comes to adopt them because when we run out of space, we must choose which ones will be euthanized.

Please print this so pet owners will think about what happens when our country is overpopulated with animals. If only owners would spay or neuter their pets, there wouldn't be so many unwanted animals that must be put to death.

BEGGING FOR THE ANIMALS
IN ARLINGTON, VT.

DEAR BEGGING: Thank you for writing. For years I have encouraged my readers to spay or neuter their pets, and go to shelters to choose an animal companion.

A very dear friend of mine, Rhonda Fleming Mann, went to an animal shelter to get a dog. There she found an adorable mongrel whom she named "Sparkey." No one could hope for a more loving pet. (He looks like a Pomeranian whose mother had more than a sniffing acquaintance with a fox terrier.)

Sparkey is now 14 years old and still going strong. Rhonda's husband, Ted Mann, is also crazy about Sparkey and walks him frequently.

So, dear readers, if you want a pet, consider adopting one from an animal shelter, thereby saving a life.

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DEAR ABBY: As a gentleman, I greet other men with a firm handshake. However, over the years I have found that most women do not care to shake hands with men or women.

Occasionally, a woman will offer a hand to shake, but in a very feminine way. The women who do offer a hand tend to be middle-aged or professional women who are accustomed to formality. Older and young women usually do not offer to shake hands. Once I asked a woman why she chose not to, and she replied, "It's a guy thing."

Some women roll their eyes and grudgingly give me a light handshake, apparently just to appease me.

Recently, however, I greeted a woman by just saying, "Hello, I'm pleased to meet you." To my surprise, she offered her hand, so I shook it with medium firmness. She said, "Come on, give me a real shake."

Since I have been rebuffed so much in the past, I no longer extend my hand unless the woman does so first, but how do I know whether to shake a lady's hand firmly or lightly?

ON SHAKY GROUND,
LOS ANGELES

DEAR ON SHAKY GROUND: To be on the safe side, do not offer your hand until the lady has indicated she wishes to use this form of greeting. Then take the middle road and shake her hand with medium firmness.

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DEAR ABBY: I often hear people misquoting famous sayings. One in particular gets my goat. The classic adage is *not* "Ignorance is bliss." Correctly, it is "When ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise."

Would you help me set the record straight?

A READER IN
LIBERTYVILLE, ILL.

DEAR READER: I'm happy to help set the record straight, but let's make sure it's correct. The quote, "*Where* ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be wise," is from a poem titled "Ode on a Distant Prospect of Eton College," by Thomas Gray, who lived from 1716 to 1771.

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Beights listed on honor roll

BIG SPRING — Terri D. Beights of Hermleigh was also named to the honor roll at Howard College for the fall 1996 semester. The honor roll consists of students who are enrolled for a minimum of 12 college-level semester hours and whose grade point average is 3.25 or above.

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ADMISSIONS: Saundra Jackson, 4100 Brick Plant Rd. #34; R.T. Lovelady, 5825 Pleasant Hill Rd.; Maria Martinez, P.O. Box 713; William Rogers, 1905 KSNY Drive; Joyce Brown, 205 30th.

DISMISSALS: McKinley Smith.

CENSUS: 59 (Med., Surg.-19, Long-term Care-40).

Capitol Briefs

Bill would broaden 'concealed' law

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans licensed to carry concealed guns wouldn't be prohibited by law from carrying concealed guns in amusement parks, nursing homes, churches and most areas in hospitals under a bill about to go before the Legislature.

Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, said Tuesday he will file a bill this week to change some parts of the 1995 concealed-carry law, which he sponsored.

The new bill would limit the number of places where concealed guns can't be carried by law. Private owners of such places could prohibit the legally carried guns, but Patterson has said that should be up to them.

Other proposed changes would make clear that no municipal government and no political subdivision can regulate the carrying of the legally concealed weapons.

Already, another bill is pending to allow local governments to regulate concealed guns in some cases.

Patterson's bill also would allow the Department of Public Safety to recognize concealed-carry licenses from other states.

Senate committee passes stalking bill

AUSTIN (AP) — Less then 24 hours after being sworn in for their 1997 regular session, members of a Texas Senate committee today approved an anti-stalking bill.

Lawmakers said the full Senate could consider the measure next week before the House then takes it up.

Among those testifying in favor of the measure was U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, a stalking victim who sponsored federal legislation against stalking.

She said that the federal law, which targets stalkers who cross state lines, will not be effective in Texas without the underlying state statute.

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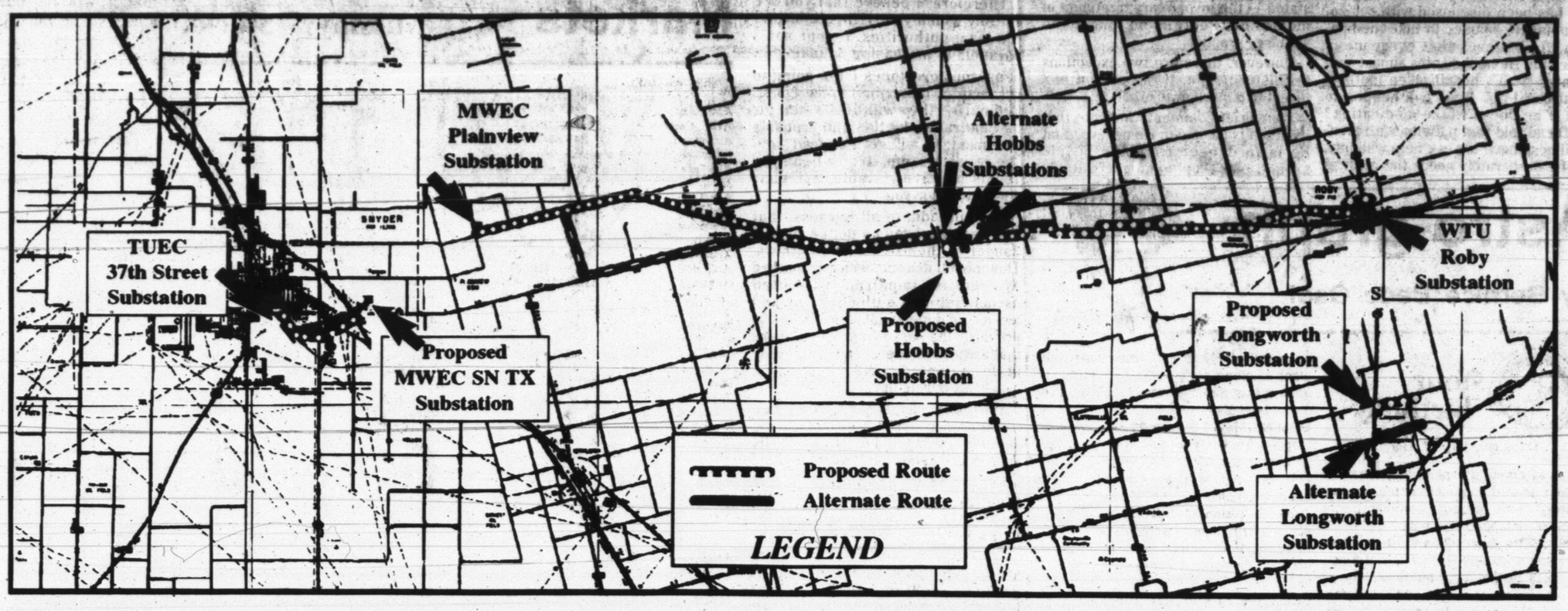
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West Texas Utilities Company

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

Fisher and Scurry Counties
69KV Electric Transmission Line and Substation Project

Pursuant to Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT or Commission) Procedural Rule 22.52(a)(1), notice is hereby given that West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) has filed an application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) with the PUCT for WTU to construct facilities to provide electrical power delivery at four delivery points in Fisher and Scurry Counties to Midwest Electric Cooperative (MWEC). This will require the construction of three transmission segments. A description of the line route for each of the three segments is provided below. The estimated cost of the project is $ 4,329,000.

Persons with questions about this project should contact Eric Blakey at 915-674-7214. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought, should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, at 1701 N. Congress, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Public Utility Commission Public Information Office at 512-936-7140 or 512-936-7136 for the text telephone. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is March 19, 1997. (70 days after the date the appli-cation was filed with the commission), and a letter requesting intervention should be received by the commission by that date.

This application is filed in accordance with Sections 2.251, 2.252(a), and 2.255(a)-(c) of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) and the PUCT Substantive Rule (PUCT SUB R.) 23.31(c)(1).

DESCRIPTION OF LINE ROUTES

Longworth Segment:

Proposed Route: This segment will tap WTU's existing Roby to Eskota 69,000 volt transmission line on the south side of County Road 118 approximately 1.5 miles north of the Longworth Community and extend west on the south side of County Road 118 for a distance of approximately 5,000 feet to the intersection with Highway 70 to WTU's new Longworth substation that will be located on the southeast corner of the intersection.

Alternate Route: This segment will tap WTU's existing Roby to Eskota 69,000 volt transmission line on the north side of County Road 120 approximately .5 miles north of the Longworth Community and extend west on the north side of County Road 120 for a distance of approximately 6,400 feet to the intersection with Highway 70 to WTU's new Longworth substation that will be located on the northeast corner of the intersection.

TUEC 37th Street substation in Snyder to MWEC' SN TX substation:

Proposed Route: This segment will exit Texas Utilities Electric Company's (TUEC) substation located on the south side of 37th Street and west of Ave E in the south part of Snyder, Texas. The proposed line will extend south from the substation on the west side of Avenue E for a distance of approximately 1,200 feet paralleling TUEC's existing 69,000 volt transmission line. The proposed line will then turn southeast and parallel the north side of the Roscoe Snyder and Pacific Railway railroad right of way for approximately 3,200 feet. The line will then extends approximately 5,000 feet in a east northeasterly direction to a point where it crosses Highway 208 approximately 2,000 feet south of the intersection of Highways 208 and 401. The line then extends in a northeasterly direction along a low water drainage area on the edge of cultivated fields for approximately 5,800 feet to a point about 150 feet south of Highway 180. In this section, the line will cross Highways 84 and 401 and the AT&SF railroad. The line will then turn north for approximately 2,900 feet crossing Highway 180 and paralleling the east boundary of the SN TX Industrial Park. The line will then turn east for approximately 500 feet on the south edge of the SN TX Industrial Park to the Midwest Electric Cooperative SN TX substation.

Alternate Route: This segment will exit Texas Utilities Electric Company's (TUEC) substation located on the south side of 37th Street and west of Ave E in the south part of Snyder, Texas. The proposed line will extend south from the substation on the west side of Avenue E for a distance of approximately 1,200 feet paralleling TUEC's existing 69,000 volt transmission line. The proposed line will then turn southeast and parallel the north side of the Roscoe Snyder and Pacific Railway railroad right of way for approximately 1,300 feet. The line will then extends approximately 6,400 feet in a east direction to a point where it crosses Highway 208 approximately 1,000 feet south of the intersection of Highways 208 and 401. The line continues in an easterly direction for another 900 feet to a point and then turns south for approximately 800 feet. The line then extends in a northeasterly direction along a low water drainage area on the edge of cultivated fields for approximately 5,000 feet to a point about 150 feet south of Highway 180. In this section, the line will cross Highways 84 and 401 and the AT&SF railroad. The line will then turn north for approximately 2,900 feet crossing Highway 180 and paralleling the east boundary of the SN TX Industrial Park. The line will then turn east for approximately 500 feet on the south edge of the SN TX Industrial Park to the Midwest Electric Cooperative SN TX substation.

WTU's Roby substation to MWEC's Plainview substation:

Proposed Route: This segment will exit the east side of WTU's Roby substation located on the northwest corner of N 3rd Street and Angelo Street in Roby. The line will then extend north for approximately 1,300 feet along the west side of Angelo Street. The line will then turn west for approximately 2,800 feet and crossing Highway 70. The line will then turn south for approximately 1,100 feet to a point on the west side of the intersection of Lawrence Street and N 4th Street. The line will then turn in a westerly direction and parallel a dirt road for approximately 7,200 feet to a point where it crosses a dirt road and then the line continues in a westerly direction for another 7,000 feet as it parallels a waterway until it intersects Highway 180. The line then continues west paralleling the north right of way for 1,000 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 16,000 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 8,000 feet and crossing Highway 1657. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 5,400 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 5,500 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 10,700 feet in a westerly direction to the west side of FM 611. At this point, there is an approximately 800 foot tap line to the south to the location of WTU's new Hobbs substation. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 on the west side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 28,700 feet. The line then turns in a northwesterly direction and continues for approximately 5,000 feet to a point west of FM 1614 where it turns west and continues for approximately 5,800 feet. The line then turns in a northwesterly direction and continues for approximately 10,300 feet to the north side of FM 1673 (Camp Springs Road). The line turns west and parallels the north side of FM 1673 for approximately 29,500 feet to MWEC's Plainview substation located north of the Price Daniels Prison Unit on the east side of Snyder.

Alternate Route: This segment will exit the east side of WTU's Roby substation located on the northwest corner of N 3rd Street and Angelo Street in Roby. The line will then extend north for approximately 1,300 feet along the west side of Angelo Street. The line will then turn west for approximately 2,800 feet and crossing Highway 70. The line will then turn south for approximately 1,100 feet to a point on the west side of the intersection of Lawrence Street and N 4th Street. The line will then turn in a westerly direction and parallel a dirt road for approximately 7,200 feet to a point where it crosses a dirt road and then the line continues in a westerly direction for another 7,000 feet as it parallels a waterway until it intersects Highway 180. The line then continues west paralleling the north right of way for 1,000 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 16,000 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 8,000 feet and crossing Highway 1657. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 5,400 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 5,500 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 10,700 feet in a westerly direction to the west side of FM 611. At this point, there is an approximately 800 foot tap line to the south to the location of WTU's new Hobbs substation. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 on the west side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 30,200 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 2,800 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 23,800 feet to the east side of County Road 1101. The line then turns and parallels the east side of County Road 1101 for approximately 9,500 feet where it crosses to the west side of County Road 1101 and continues north for 500 feet to the north side of FM 1673 (Camp Springs Road). The line turns west and parallels the north side of FM 1673 for approximately 18,500 feet to MWEC's Plainview substation located north of the Price Daniels Prison Unit on the east side of Snyder.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Midwest braces for another wintry blast

By The Associated Press

A winter storm packing high winds and snow moved into the Upper Midwest today, forcing North Dakota authorities to close schools as the region braced for its second blizzard in less than a week.

"Usually we have a week or two between storms," said Paul McDonald of Fargo, N.D. "This time it seems like every other day."

Blizzard warnings were out for the Dakotas, Minnesota and parts of Nebraska, where residents have struggled with storm after storm and sub-zero temperatures since Jan. 4.

Frigid weather was blamed for at least 13 deaths in Texas and another in New Mexico.

In Southern California, searchers found the bodies of a pilot and his wife whose small plane crashed during a snowstorm Monday near Riverside. The pilot had radioed that he was in trouble with wing icing when the plane vanished from radar screens about 80 miles southeast of Los Angeles.

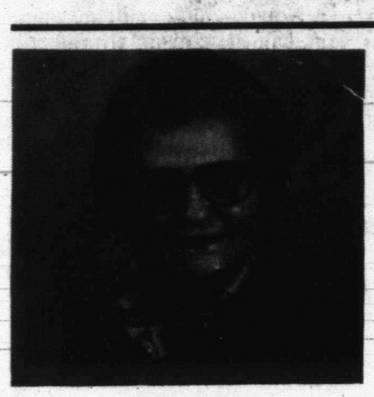
That storm left nearly a foot of snow in the mountains this week and up to 8 inches of snow was expected in Southern California today.

The blizzard will be the fourth in the last month for North Dakota, where 20-foot snow drifts have kept residents of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation isolated for a week.

"The stores ... are running out of just about everything — milk, groceries. People are running out of medicine," tribal councilman Jim Jamerson said Tuesday.

The bitter cold and snow are already blamed for killing hundreds of cattle. North Dakota dairy farmers have dumped $9,000 worth of milk per day because delivery trucks can't get through snow-blocked roads.

Obituaries



Verna Ashley

Verna Ashley

1917-1997

Graveside service has been set for 10 a.m. Thursday in Hillside Memorial Gardens for Verna Viola Ashley, 79, who died Tuesday, Jan. 14, at her Snyder residence after a lengthy illness.

The Rev. Larry McAden, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on Nov. 3, 1917 in Horatio, Ark., she married Reed Ashley in Horatio on Sept. 16, 1934. He died on May 6, 1965. She was also preceded in death by a son, Maurice Ashley in 1954, and nine brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Ashley was a former cook at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, and was a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

Survivors include three sons, Kenneth Ashley of Kingsland, Tommy Ashley of Schertz and Charles Ashley of Andrews; four daughters, Reeda Thomas and Debra Vantine, both of Snyder, Midge Clements of Abilene and Brenda Bridges of Highlands; five sisters, Sybil Young, Della Young, Rachel Talley, all of Horatio, Evelyn Young of California and Frankie Patton of Canadian; two brothers, Leonard Irvan and Russel Irvan, both of Horatio; 22 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

W.D. Gann

1918-1996

ANSON — Funeral service is set for 11 a.m. Thursday in the Lawrence-Adams Funeral Home Chapel for W.D. Gann, 78. The Rev. Jerry Pittman will officiate, and burial will follow in the Hope Cemetery.

Mr. Gann, the father of Billy Gann of Snyder, died Monday, Jan. 13, in an Abilene hospital.

Born in Groesbeck, Mr. Gann married Ardnie Burleson in 1941 in Jones County. She preceded him in death. He married Ethel Fay Ferris in 1963 in Breckenridge.

A World War II veteran, he was a retired farmer and a Baptist.

Survivors also include his wife, Ethel Gann of Anson; another son, Calvan Joe Gann of Antler, Okla.; two stepsons, Donald Nelson of Anson and J.T. Nelson of Big Spring; a brother, Buddy Gann of Abilene; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Inez Warren

1909-1996

ABILENE — Inez Warren, the mother of Bobbie Jeanette Kitchens of Snyder, died Tuesday, Jan. 14, in an Abilene nursing home. She was 87.

Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Rose Hill Cemetery in Merkel.

Born in Lime City in Coryell County, she attended school in Oglesby. Mrs. Warren had lived in Abilene since 1941, moving from Malone. She worked as an inspector for Lankford's for 17 years.

She married Riley Forrest Warren in 1927 in Oglesby, and he preceded her in death. Mrs. Warren was a member of the Immanuel Baptist Church.

Survivors also include two sons, Harold Forrest Warren of Richardson and Loyd Ray Warren of Abilene; another daughter, Josephine Maxwell of Anson; 14 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

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Mexico pays final installment to U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton announced today that the Mexican government was repaying the final installment on a controversial $13.5 billion U.S. loan extended over the objections of the Republican Congress.

"Some said we should not get involved, that the money would never be repaid, that Mexico should fend for itself. They were wrong," Clinton said.

The loan program offered $20 billion to Mexico, but the full amount was never used.

Clinton said the loans helped Mexico survive an economic crisis, earned the United States $580 million in interest payments and led to increased exports to the recovering southern neighbor.

"The American people can be proud that we did the right thing by Mexico and the right thing for the United States," the president said.

In Mexico and Washington, officials announced that the country would make a final $3.5 billion payment to the United States on Thursday — three years ahead of schedule.

"Some predicted that our country would collapse, that the external aid would be unpayable and that it would compromise our sovereignty," said Mexico's President Ernesto Zedillo in Mexico City. "Today we can be sure that, thanks to the character and efforts of the Mexicans, we have overcome the economic emergency. Now our challenge is to consolidate the recovery."

By January 1996, Mexico had paid $3 billion in short-term loans. By August, the country had prepaid $7 billion of the $10.5 billion still outstanding.

In Mexico, Treasury Secretary Guillermo Ortiz said Mexico also was repaying the $1.5 billion remaining on a $17.8 billion loan from the International Monetary Fund that was part of the same package.

Clinton was fiercely criticized when he overrode congressional opposition to create the bailout package with funds at his own disposal on Feb. 21, 1995.

Then-Republican presidential candidate Patrick Buchanan, one of the leading critics of Clinton's action, called it "daylight robbery of the nation's wealth" and said it was $20 billion "that American taxpayers will never see again."

Clinton had argued that the U.S. could not afford to ignore a potential economic disaster on its southern border, especially after the two countries began a free-trade zone with Canada in January 1994.

What's Up?

Victory Baptist revival

Evangelist J.C. House will conduct revival services at 7 this evening at Victory Baptist Church, 3303 Apple Street. Everyone is invited.

Class of 1962 to meet

Snyder High School Class of 1962 will hold a meeting at 7 tonight at 1842 Tuscola to plan a reunion. Those attending are asked to bring addresses. For more information, call 573-9620 or 573-5978.

SISD board reception

In acknowledgement of School Board Recognition Month, a reception honoring SISD board of trustees will be held from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Thursday in the high school auditorium foyer. The public is invited.

Ritz work day Saturday

There will be a volunteer work day at the Ritz Theatre on the south side of the square Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. General maintenance, cleaning, painting and organizing of costume and prop storage needs to be done. All volunteers are welcome. Supplies will be furnished.

Adult education classes

GED and ESL classes are available at Western Texas College. Times are 8-11 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday and 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact the college continuing education department for more information.

Donkey basketball coming

Snyder High School girl's basketball program will bring donkey basketball to Tiger Gym at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 30. Ticket information will be announced soon.

Scurry Youth Center

Scurry Youth Center, located at the Boys & Girls Club, is open Friday and Saturday evenings from 7 until 11. To participate, you must have a current Boys & Girls Club membership or pay $1 admission.

Stanfield Parent Council

Stanfield Parent Council meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Grief support group

The grief support group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the First Presbyterian Church.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
2-8-4
(two, eight, four)

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
4-6-10-16-26
(four, six, ten, sixteen, twenty-six)

Globe agrees to return crime scene photos in girl's slaying

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — A supermarket tabloid agreed to return to authorities seven crime-scene photos of slain 6-year-old beauty queen JonBenet Ramsey, ending a court battle over further publication of the pictures.

The Globe published five of the photos in the issue that hit newsstands on Monday and Boulder County had sued to try to stop the weekly from running any more.

The published photos show a garrote — a cord-wrapped stick that might have been used to strangle JonBenet — and a rope around one of her wrists.

Whoever leaked the pictures could face theft charges, authorities have said. An investigation is under way into how the Globe obtained the photos.

The (Boulder) Daily Camera, citing sources close to the investigation, reported that authorities expect to arrest a photo lab employee and an accomplice today in connection with the sale of the photos.

Mike Kahane, a lawyer for the tabloid, said that under the agreement, "We deny all wrongdoing, we deny all liability."

The 1.3-million-circulation tabloid, based in Boca Raton, Fla., also reserves the right to republish any of the photos that ran Monday, and to publish any material it obtains in the future, he said.

Madeleine Mason, deputy county attorney, said the county was more concerned with the two photos The Globe did not run because authorities did not know what they showed.

The agreement was "the best way to resolve the issue," she said Tuesday.

Police and County Coroner John Meyer have said publication of the photos could damage the investigation by revealing details known only to the killer and police. Mason also said publication could taint a jury if a suspect is arrested and a court rules the photos cannot be used as evidence.

Meanwhile, The Globe announced it will match the Ramseys' $50,000 reward for information leading to arrests in the killing of JonBenet, Little Miss Colorado in 1995 and a former National Tiny Miss Beauty.

JonBenet's body was found in the basement of her home Dec. 26 after her mother reported finding a ransom note on a stairway. Police said the girl was strangled but would not confirm reports she was sexually assaulted and her skull fractured.

1 arrested by officers

Dispatchers at the Scurry County Law Enforcement Center were kept busy Tuesday dispatching DPS troopers, officers and wreckers to the scene of numerous accidents caused by icy roadways.

Activity was fairly quiet otherwise, as one person was booked into jail on outstanding warrants.

Officers were called to the Movie Stop at 9:51 p.m. in reference to three subjects shoplifting. An offense report for Class C theft was submitted and it was discovered that one of the subjects was wanted on several outstanding city warrants.

Officers arrested a 20-year-old male for Class C theft and outstanding city warrants for no liability insurance, no valid driver's license and failure to appear.

In other activity, a report was made at 10:12 a.m. in reference to a person finding a bicycle in the alley in the 2100 block of 40th Street.

City officers investigated three accidents Tuesday, but no information was available on them.

Girl disembowled by pool drain will get $30.9 million

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — A girl who was disemboweled when her bottom became pinned to the drain of a kiddie pool will receive a total of $30.9 million under a settlement announced Tuesday.

Most of Valerie Lakey's small and large intestines were sucked out in the 1993 accident, and the girl, now 9, must spend at least 11 hours a day being fed intravenously.

On Monday, a state jury awarded the family $25 million in compensatory damages, the biggest personal-injury verdict in North Carolina history. The jury was to begin deciding whether to award punitive damages when the maker of the drain cover, Sta-Rite Industries of Delavan, Wis., agreed to a settlement adding $5.9 million more.

"It was in the best interest of Valerie to get the medical expenses taken care of immediately," said family attorney John Edwards.

Sta-Rite will pay $25 million, while other parties, including Wake County and Medfield Area Recreation Club, agreed to pay $5.9 million.

Valerie, then 5, was playing in the recreation club's wading pool in Cary when she became stuck against the drain cover. Her father, David, and three other adults could not dislodge her, and turning off the pump failed to ease the pressure.

The Lakeys argued that Sta-Rite failed to put sufficient warnings on its drain covers. Sta-Rite contended the cover was installed incorrectly.

The president of Sta-Rite said he felt it best to settle rather than go through a long appeal.

"This was a terribly tragic accident, and we feel great sympathy for Valerie Lakey and her family," James C. Donnelly said. "However, we also believe Sta-Rite was not responsible for what happened. Proper use of our product would have prevented the accident."

Edwards said similar accidents killed a California child in 1974 and another North Carolina child in 1981.

"This hazard exists in public swimming pools everywhere in the United States," he said.

Worst dressed list

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dennis Rodman has another award for his trophy case — worst-dressed woman.

The cross-dressing basketball bad boy led Mr. Blackwell's 37th Annual Worst-Dressed Women List.

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Scurry County Country

Cattlemen anticipating better year

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Texas cattle ranchers have survived a year of a triple whammy and are looking forward to better times in 1997.

1996 was the leanest profit year in more than a decade. Ranchers in South Texas are hoping spring rains and rising market prices for beef will allow them to restock cattle herds they trimmed because of last year's drought.

Cattlemen cut their livestock by an average of 30 percent to 40 percent in the Coastal Bend and other South Texas counties last year.

They couldn't overcome parched pastures, high grain costs and falling sale prices at auctions for their animals, said Joe Paschal, livestock specialist at the Texas A&M Extension Service in Corpus Christi.

"Cattlemen can live through one or possibly two bad things like a drought or low market prices or high feed costs, but not all three together, and that's what we faced last year," Paschal said.

Larry Falconer, extension service economist in Corpus Christi, estimated that ranchers over a 21-county South Texas region lost nearly 900,000 head of cattle valued at $123 million last year.

"The cattle industry outlook is a bit better for 1997, and we could see the best prices since early 1995," Falconer said. "By fall we could find market prices for beef $15 to $20 a hundredweight higher, or about $60 to $65 a hundred pounds."

Falconer is hoping cattle prices have hit the low point of an eight-year cycle. They dipped to the mid-$40 range last year. Prices are now in the mid-to-upper-$50s range. Prices peaked at $90 to $100 per hundredweight in 1993.

"While prices have gradually strengthened the past six or eight weeks, they are still not at a level that is needed to be real profitable," Falconer said.

NRCS Report

By Mark Sides
Range Conservationist

There is only one permanent cure for wind erosion on agricultural land. The land must be kept covered with either plant residues or with growing plants at least during the critical blow period.

An ideal amount of crop residue for row crops is to leave at least 1,750 pounds per acre of residue year around, especially from November thru May during the critical blow periods.

But if you don't have sufficient plant cover — dead or alive — you can use conservation tillage as a temporary measure.

Conservation tillage roughens the surface of the soil enough to give temporary protection against wind erosion. Use it only when there is too little plant residues or too few growing plants to hold the soil in place. Its purpose is not the breaking of hardpans, though some of this may be a result.

Avoiding as much tillage as possible is important in conservation because tillage buries plant residues, hastens the loss of organic matter, pulverizes the soil, speeds up loss of organic matter and in other ways hurts the physical condition of the soil. Conservation tillage should be used only as a last resort.

Often a single conservation tillage operation to roughen the soil can be expected to keep the soil from blowing for only a short time. On sandy soils this one tillage may last for one or two "heavy blows." One rain may also destroy its effectiveness.

For soils where clods are readily formed, a single roughening operation will have longer lasting effects. For these reasons, the best type of wind erosion control varies for difference soil types.

In general, work no larger area than necessary to control blowing at the time. Often you can work narrow strips and leave undisturbed areas to work again at a later date if this becomes necessary. Once all the land has been worked, unless it rains, there will be less chance to bring up new cloddy material again.

Obviously the best time for wind erosion control tillage is just before a hard blow. However, it is difficult or impossible to predict just when a soil damaging wind will occur. Therefore when you know your soil will need it, it's best to perform such tillage a short while before damaging windy season is due. Any farmer who has lived in an area for sometime knows about when to expect high winds.

Conservation tillage for wind erosion control of sandy soils is effective for only short periods. Listing may be the most effective way to turn up erosion controlling clods on sandy soils.

The affects of conservation tillage lasts longer on medium and fine textured soils. The cloddy surface on these soils is usually rougher and the clods last longer. Chiseling is the best way to turn up the kind of clods that control blowing on these soils. More than one chiseling may be needed during the blow season. Heavy rain or several high winds may destroy the effectiveness of one chiseling.

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Hooper control

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — A potentially large grasshopper population and a shrinking federal budget for pest control could spell big trouble for ranchers in the Northern rangelands.

Plant pest-control officials say the grasshopper threat could be as bad or worse than last year in South Dakota, Montana and Wyoming.

"The potential for severe problems is there, in western South Dakota and the other states," said Kevin Fridley, director for agricultural services with the South Dakota Department of Agriculture.

Upper Colorado SWCD Report

Livestock suffer from the effects of cold winter winds just as much as humans do, despite their thicker coats.

Cattle feed requirements normally increase 50 percent during the winter. Factor in another 20 percent to overcome the effects of wind chill, and you start to acquire a sizeable feed bill.

A properly designed windbreak can reduce wind velocity up to 70 percent. Remember to pick a suitable site for your farmstead/feedlot windbreak, and protect it from rodents, domestic pets, and livestock.

Arizona Cypress

The Arizona cypress is a member of the pine family, and native to the Trans-Pecos area of Texas and southwestern New Mexico. A normally fast grower, the Arizona cypress can achieve heights of 75 feet.

The leaves are scale-like and have a silver-gray appearance. Other distinguishing characteristic of the Arizona cypress are its round cone which can stay with the tree for many years, and curly, scale-like bark that peels away from the trunk and older limbs.

The Arizona cypress grows well in shallow, gravelly soils. While shade tollerant, it does prefer full sunlight. It is drought and cold tolerant, plus relatively disease and insect free.

The tree's rapid growth makes it ideal for inside rows of windbreaks. Its growth pattern also provides good escape and nesting cover for wildlife.

The Upper Colorado SWCD's windbreak tree program is in its final weeks, so orders need to be in by Jan. 31. Remember, we can also order drip irrigation supplies.

For more information about the Arizona cypress or any of the other varieties, call or come by the Upper Colorado Soil & Water Conservation District Office. The office is located in the Scurry County USDA Office Complex at 5309 Big Spring Hwy., and the phone number is 915-573-6317 or 6318.

Information is also available at the Borden County FSA office.

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 374 head of cattle for the Thursday, Jan. 9 sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings and calves were $2 to $3 better. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 28.50 to 33.50; Canner and low cutters 24 to 30; Slaughter bulls 38 to 44.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 60.25 to 75; 400 to 500, 60 to 70; 500 to 600, 62 to 67; 600 to 700, 62 to 64; 700 to 800, 61 to 64.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 55 to 61; 400 to 500, 55 to 58.50; 500 to 600, 55 to 58.50 600 to 700, 55 to 57.50; 700 to 800, 52.50 to 56.50.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 52.50 to 60; 700 to 800, 51 to 57.50.

Cow and calf pairs: good 425 to 550 grade 350 to 450.

Springers: 250 to 475; baby calves 60 to 110 doodlers 75 to 150.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 581 head of cattle at the Saturday, Jan. 11 sale. Feeder steers and stocker steer calves were steady to $1 higher. Cutting bull calves were steady to $1 higher. Heifers, yearlings and stocker heifer calves were $1 to $3 higher. Pairs and bred cows were steady. Packer cows and bulls were $2 to # higher. Paris and bred cows were steady. Packer cows and bulls were $2 to $5 higher.

Heifers: 200 to 400, 52 to 76; 400 to 600, 54 to 72; 600 to 800, 54 to 62.

Steers: 200 to 400, 65 to 78; 400 to 500, 60 to 78; 500 to 600, 58 to 70; 600 to 800, 68 to 67.50.

Fleshy bull calves: 400 to 500 55 to 64; 500 to 600 56 to 63.50; 600 to 800 54 to 63.

Young bred cows 385 to 495.

Medium age to older bred cows: 325 to 410

Young cows and calves: 375 to 585.

Medium age to older cows & calves: 325 to 500.

Packer cows: 28 to 39.50.

Packer bulls: 38 to 46.50.

Town & Country Topics



By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Choosing a charity

This time of year people seem to be more generous. They give more to charity. But be careful which charity you give money to.

Not all organizations that call themselves charities really are. Ask for the charity's annual report and its tax returns so you can see how much money goes for administration and fund-raising. You may be surprised how little money actually reaches those in need.

Never be pressured into making a donation right then and there. Legitimate charities will give you the information and the time you need to make a decision.

You can check out charities through the Better Business Bureau, the National Charities Information Bureau and the American Institute of Philanthropy.

If you encounter a bogus operation, call the consumer protection division of the state Attorney's General office at 800-337-3928. Filing a complaint could help keep others from being taken for having a kind heart.

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