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Ask Us

Q—Does Snyder Neighbors Sharing still need volunteers for its workday? If so, who do you contact?

A—Yes. Snyder Neighbor's Sharing needs all types of volunteers to help with its April 24 workday. SNS also needs monetary donations to help pay expenses for building materials. To volunteer, call 573-4053. Donations should be sent to Box 1072 in Snyder.

In Brief

Task force

AUSTIN (AP) — A task force focusing on environmental problems in mostly low-income and minority areas could become a model for other states, officials say.

The panel, appointed by the state's top two pollution regulators, is a significant step in examining a difficult issue, said Robert Bullard, a California sociologist who has studied environmental racism for years.

"Environmental racism was an issue that was swept under the rug. No one wanted it mentioned," Bullard said.

But Texas Water Commission Chairman John Hall and Texas Air Control Board Chairman Kirk Watson say it is a problem the state should tackle.

Watson, a 34-year-old attorney, said, "When the governor asked me to take this job, she told me to do what I thought was right. And that's what I'm doing."

Hall, 38, offered similar rationale: "When folks tell me I'm not doing things the way they've always been done, I take that as a compliment."

The Task Force on Environmental Equity and Justice hasn't met yet, but is scheduled to issue a report by June so that recommendations can be reviewed for possible implementation.

Hall and Watson have been chairmen since 1991 and are serving while they await confirmation by the Texas Senate.

They said the task force should focus on why pollution risks seem to be concentrated in lower-income and minority areas.

Local

BCD

Scurry's Board of County Development will hold its regular monthly meeting at noon Wednesday in the chamber board room.

Included on the agenda is a request from Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District and renewal of the board's contract with the chamber of commerce.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 33 degrees; low, 27 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 27 degrees; .02 precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, .46 of an inch.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, rain, ending after midnight. Low in the upper 20s. Southeast to south wind 5-15 mph. Rain chance decreasing to 40 percent after midnight. Wednesday, decreasing cloudiness early becoming sunny by noon. Warmer with a high in the lower 50s. Southwest to west wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset Tuesday, 6:07. Sunrise Wednesday, 7:42. Of 18 days in 1993, the sun has shone 15 days in Snyder.

WEIGH-IN — Billy Bob McMullan and Wesley Key balance the scales as stock show officials prepare to weigh in animals for the 49th annual Scurry County Livestock Show, which begins Wednesday at Scurry County Coliseum's ag annex. (SDN Staff Photo)

Storm sweeps across county

From local, wire reports

Local law enforcement officials were encouraging residents to avoid travel as a winter storm brought freezing rain across Scurry County today.

Snyder, Hermleigh and Ira school districts made decisions to run buses at 1 p.m. today. Officials at Western Texas College were waiting until noon to determine whether afternoon classes would be canceled.

Snyder High School's basketball games in Plainview tonight have been canceled. Ira's games in Westbrook were also postponed until Feb. 15. Games involving Hermleigh had not been canceled by noon, but speculation by school officials was doubtful the contests could be played.

A 3:30 p.m. meeting of the Scurry County Appraisal District board was also canceled.

Snyder police reported that bridges and overpasses were icing over by mid morning. Officials urged motorists to use extreme caution.

There could be 1 to 3 inches of snow tonight in the southern Panhandle on top of ice expected to accumulate earlier, the National Weather Service warned.

A winter weather advisory was in effect for the South Plains and for the low rolling plains through tonight.

Showers and thunderstorms were expected to move across North Texas tonight with heavy rainfall expected in Northeast Texas. A flash flood watch was in effect along and east of a line from Clarksville to Wills Point to Fairfield to Centerville and included the cities of Mount Pleasant, Canton, Tyler, Longview, Athens, Palestine, Rusk, Carthage, Nacogdoches and Lufkin.

Lows tonight will be in the 30s over most of West Texas, ranging from the 20s in the Panhandle to the 40s in extreme West Texas, in the 30s and 40s across North Texas and in the 40s in the Hill Country and in the 50s and 60s in the rest of South Texas.

Highs Wednesday will be in the 30s and 40s in West Texas, the 40s and 50s in North Texas and in the 60s and 70s in South Texas.

Stock show set to begin at coliseum

Swine and lambs are being trucked in from throughout the area today in preparation for the start of the annual Scurry County Junior Livestock Show.

The show begins Wednesday and runs through Saturday at Scurry County Coliseum.

Swine and lambs are due to arrive in the coliseum annex by 5 p.m. today. Steers must be in place by noon Thursday.

The swine show is set for 5 p.m. Wednesday, the lamb show at 6 p.m. Thursday, and the steer show at 7 p.m. Friday. The buyer's meal will begin at noon Saturday, followed by the auction at 1 p.m.

Clarence Spieker of Hermleigh is the swine show superintendent. Harvey Richardson of Oklahoma will serve as the judge.

Jim Robinson of Snyder will supervise Thursday's lamb show. Sterling City's Russell Kattes will be the classifier and Gary Jennings of Fredonia will judge the event.

Snyder's Milton Stephens is the steer show supervisor. Dennis Poole of Gail will classify the animals and Chris Skaggs of College Station will be the judge.

The show is celebrating its 49th year this week. Members of the board of directors are Jimmy Roemisch, president, Eddie Eicke vice president; Wesley Key, secretary-treasurer; Jerry House; Bo Robinson; Kirby Sterling; and Wylie Oliver.

County board appointments targeted Wednesday morning

Following a four-hour closed session Monday afternoon conerning airport personnel, county commissioners will reconvene at 9 a.m. Wednesday to consider appointments to fill some 22 county board positions which have terms expiring this month.

The court voted Monday to wait until Wednesday to make the appointments. Commissioners wanted time to contact current board members to see if they are willing to serve again.

Among open positions are the airport board seats held by Rodger Blackard and Dub Buchanan, the county welfare board positions of Carl Smith and Mrs. Albert Lewis and three seats on the child welfare board, currently held by James Aaron, Donna Zalman and Rev. Raymond Duncan.

The terms of Ted Crenweldge, Doug Foster and Sue Mize will expire on the Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers.

Terms expiring on the Scurry County Library board are those held by Mrs. J.W. O'Banion, Nona Williams and Peggy Kennedy.

Commissioners will consider two appointments for Scurry's Board of County Development, which will see the terms of chairman Jack Smartt and Tim Riggan expire this month.

Other appointments to be con-

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Iraq urges Clinton to abandon attacks

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Iraq today asked President-elect Clinton to abandon George Bush's air raid campaign, insisting that continued U.S. attacks will do anything but force cooperation with U.N. weapons inspectors.

The message was sent as Arab states appeared to be distancing themselves from the U.S.-led Persian Gulf War coalition they joined to force Iraqi occupation forces from Kuwait two years ago.

As the death toll mounts from the attacks, Russia is also raising objections. It issued an unexpected demand after Monday's attack that the United States get explicit U.N. permission before launching further raids.

In an "open letter" published in the Al-Thawra newspaper today, Saddam Hussein's chief spokesman at first sounded conciliatory, saying "Iraq is not an enemy of America and does not want to be."

But, Abdul-Jabbar Mohsen added, "Iraq is an enemy of imperialist policies that were practiced against Iraq and against its Arab brothers."

"Save your country from a lot of problems that, if they remain, will bring your country down," Mohsen advised Clinton, who on Monday said he "will not waver" from Bush's policies of demanding that Iraq abide by U.N. resolutions.

Gunfire erupts in courtroom

DALLAS (AP) — A man opened fire today inside a Dallas County courthouse, shooting his wife and another person and then turning the gun on himself as attorneys and others ran for cover.

Officers said the man and woman were critically wounded by gunfire at the 304th state District Court. The third person was in fair condition, they said.

"He just came out of nowhere," Don Presley, a witness, said. "There were attorneys sitting around talking with people about their cases.

"All the sudden you just heard a gunshot. I kind of turned and looked to see what it was. Then you heard two more gunshots, and everybody was running," he said.

Police had first reported the man and his wife were killed in the gunfire. But more information became available from the hospital where the man and wife were taken.

April Foran, a spokeswoman at Parkland Memorial Hospital, said the 26-year-old man and his wife, whose age was unknown, each had single gunshot wounds to the head. A 16-year-old man was wounded in the leg.

A court clerk said she heard gunshots and then the courtroom's doors were locked.

"There were some gunshots and there was blood in the courtroom and around the hall," said Rosa Esquibel, a clerk in the court.

She said District Judge Harold

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Reorganization is discussed by chamber board members

Snyder Chamber of Commerce's board of directors Monday discussed plans for reorganization of committees and boards, and approved the 1993 chamber budget.

Directors also discussed plans for this year's chamber banquet, planned as a joint venture between the chamber and Western Texas College.

Meeting in closed session, chamber manager Ricky Fritz said board members discussed the need for better-organized chamber committees, which would result in more effective work and progress for each committee and the chamber.

The board discussed bringing in a professional to hold training seminars for committee heads to help them lead their individual committees more effectively.

Fritz is to meet with County Judge Bob Doolittle and Mayor Troy Williamson to discuss the needs and duties of boards involved in economic development and have members appointed from the county, city and chamber.

The board held a brief discussion on the chamber's role in economic development. The chamber will later compile a report of what it feels its duties are. The report will be presented to a committee being formed to outline the duties of all boards and committees in the county and to outline a plan for economic development for Scurry County.

Other topics discussed in closed session included the chamber budget of $83,000, which was approved.

The board discussed the Pasture Party and also discussed the combined Scurry County Fair and White Buffalo Days celebration.

It was agreed that the Pasture Party should be changed to a more "family-oriented" type of event this year, with entertainment to be provided for all ages. The board's ideas concerning the party will be presented to a planning committee at its next meeting.

In open session, the board discussed the upcoming chamber of commerce banquet.

Fritz told board members that he and Western Texas College faculty association president Donny Brown have been discussing plans for the banquet, but have not set a definite date.

According to Fritz, the coliseum is booked for the entire month of March, when the banquet is usually held.

Fritz told board members that he would meet with Brown and coliseum personnel prior to the February board meeting to try and establish a date.

Bobby Beard, who has taken over the duties of treasurer, reported that the chamber has a current operating balance of $13,486. Fritz said that the 1992 books have not been completely closed.

Chamber President Donna Gray told the board that volunteers are needed to take down Christmas lights on the courthouse on the first day that weather permits.

Present at the meeting were Fritz, Beard, Gray, Betty House, Pearline Stewart and Travis Bunch. Also present were new board members Paula McWilliams, Pam Browning, Randy Perkins, Joel Hook and Joe Kelley.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Confidence is the fleeting feeling you have just before you get all the facts."

Today is George Walker Bush's final full day as chief executive officer of the United States and commander-in-chief of its armed forces.

Elected in 1988, Bush overwhelmingly carried 40 states. He was the first sitting vice president to be elected to the nation's top office since 1936 when Martin Van Buren won the general election.

The 1988 campaign was viewed by many as one of the most negative in the nation's history. But compared to the 1992 campaign in which President Bush lost to Bill Clinton, the election was tame.

Bush, the Washington insider, was unseated by Democratic Gov. Bill Clinton of Arkansas who took his populist campaign to the streets.

Although Clinton has yet to be sworn in, media critics have already wondered outloud what has become of their populist candidate.

The answer may be simple. Since the election, president-elect Clinton has received briefings from every level and every facet of government. It likely has become apparent that being president and making something happen is a lot easier to talk about than to do.

President Bush served three years of his four-year term riding unprecedented waves of popularity. Giant strides in foreign affairs, fueled by unparalled success in the Persian Gulf War and the thawing of the Cold War era, made President Bush look unbeatable.

It was the national news media, especially TV, that projected the President as a bumbling idiot on domestic issues.

All that is now history. We have a new president, a new cabinet, a new congress and new opportunities.

We hope the national news boys (and girls) are a little more kind to the new Oval Office occupant. He's gonna need all the help he can get.

Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

Intestinal pain deserves follow-up

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I was told by my doctor that I have diverticulitis and a spastic colon. Pain begins in my lower left side and moves through my whole stomach area until it becomes unbearable. I'm on Clinoril for abdominal cramps. Is my doctor on the right track or do you have other suggestions?

DEAR READER: Diverticulitis, infected sacs in the intestinal lining, can, indeed, cause repeated attacks of abdominal pain that can be severe. Treatment includes antibiotics or surgery (to remove diverticular abscesses that cannot be cured with antibiotics).

Spastic bowel — or, as it's now known, irritable bowel — is a more benign condition, due to malfunction of the colon. Typically, it causes distension, gas, abdominal cramps and diarrhea (or constipation). It is treated with anti-spasmodics, such as Donnatal.

Your doctor has chosen to treat your symptoms with a pain reliever. If the Clinoril is effective, I see no reason why you shouldn't continue it. However, based on your question, I must conclude that you're not entirely satisfied with your present therapy. Therefore, I recommend that you return to your doctor so that he can revise your treatment. As an example, if infection is present, antibiotics would be a good choice. If bowel spasm is the source of your pain, Donnatal or Librax might be appropriate options.

Should your physician be unable to bring your intestinal ailments under control, request a consultation with a gastroenterologist for a second opinion.

To give you more information, I am sending you free copies of my Health Reports "Diverticular Disease" and "Irritable Bowel Syndrome." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 for each report plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title(s).

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 72-year-old vibrant woman who feels many years younger. During the daytime, I have to urinate every two to three hours, often with urgency. I then find myself up several times during the night with the same problem. Should this be pursued or is this normal?

DEAR READER: Your urinary frequency should be pursued; it is not normal.

Frequent urination can be a symptom of several treatable diseases, including diabetes and urinary infection. These conditions can be diagnosed by your family physician using blood and urine tests.

Women do not normally experience frequent nighttime urination, as do elderly men because of bladder weakness or overgrowth of the prostate gland. See your doctor.

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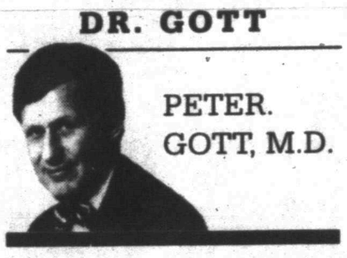
DR. GOTT



PETER. GOTT, M.D.

Richards says health care must be top priority issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — While her social calendar may be jammed with balls, receptions and other festivities tied to the inauguration of President-elect Clinton, work isn't far from the mind of Texas Gov. Ann Richards.

She's on Capitol Hill this week, delivering the message that federal health care mandates are crippling state budgets.

"What is driving the cost of government in states now is Medicaid," Richards told reporters Monday.

In a speech earlier in the day, Richards said: "Paying for health care is killing us. Not just the cost to government, but the cost to individuals and businesses and to the economy in general."

Texas faces a $5 billion budget shortfall. The state can't resolve its budget problems without addressing health care, Richards told members of the Texas Breakfast Club.

"For the first time, health and human services is the largest slice of our budget and costs even more than the state share of public school funding," she said.

"We hope we can relieve some of the pain by getting help from Washington in one special area and that is health and human services," Richards said.

To that end, Richards is to meet today with Health and Human Services Secretary-designate Donna Shalala — an acquaintance from way back.

She also plans to buttonhole Clinton whenever she gets the opportunity.

"Every chance I get I'm going to drive home that the health care crisis has got to receive their first attention," she said.

Richards has two points to make: that states be given more leeway in administering the Medicaid program; and that the federal government ease up on its mandates.

Texas could face up to $2.5 billion in new Medicaid costs over the next two years, Richards estimated.

A Legislative Budget Board blueprint would eliminate medical care for up to 28,000 pregnant women and infants; reduce hospital coverage for the disabled; and slash prescription coverage for the elderly, Richards said.

"It is not a pretty picture," she said.

While the governor said her budget plan would be "a little different" than the budget board's, she conceded there would be some cuts.

In her speech, Richards also made a pitch for congressional approval of the North American Free Trade Agreement.

"The successful completion of this agreement is going to increase our trade traffic astronomically," she said. "It will put us smack dab in the middle of the largest free trade zone in the world."

Richards said she'll be back on Capitol Hill to lobby for NAFTA, which has been opposed by some environmental, labor and consumer groups.

"There are environmental concerns but, my friends, there are environmental concerns on the border right now without the free trade agreement," she said.

Richards has found a staunch NAFTA supporter in the man she has appointed to the Senate seat expected to be vacated later this week by Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, who is awaiting confirmation as treasury secretary.

His replacement, Bob Krueger, told reporters Monday that the trade pact is "tremendously important for our state's economy."

Like Richards, Krueger has a packed inaugural schedule this week and a fund raiser tonight — his first in Washington since being appointed by Richards.

Anti-abortion group targets North Texas

DALLAS (AP) — Area abortion opponents are gearing up for protests on Friday for the anniversary of the landmark Roe vs. Wade case in the city where the precedent was set 20 years ago.

"It's an annual event we have on Jan. 22 to go down to ... the Dallas federal courthouse," said Bill Price, president of the Dallas-based Texans for Life.

Texans United for Life was organizing a march from City Hall set for 11:30 a.m. Friday.

Price's group, prefers a peaceful, legal protest of abortion to confrontation and blockades of clinics that perform abortions.

Members of Operation Rescue plan to join a march from City Hall to the federal courthouse Friday and to stage protests at women's clinics in North Texas that perform abortions.

Flip Benham, director of Operation Rescue DFW in Dallas, said some abortion opponents are also encouraged by a Supreme Court ruling last week that federal judges cannot stop protesters who try to block women's access to clinics.

The high court ruled instead that clinic operators must turn to state judges for help.

Protests at Dallas clinics by Operation Rescue during one week in 1991 resulted in a small number of arrests.

"What the case has done for all for us has given the Christian community victory and vindication for living out their faith in the streets of the city," Benham said.

But he said protesters will still expect arrests when they target nine clinics in Dallas and two facilities in Fort Worth. Protests are also planned in Washington, D.C. and elsewhere as a prelude to a bigger effort July in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

"This is again the back-door approach that the anti-choice fanatics are taking to make sure that abortions are not available," said Tracey Kirchenbauer, interim director of the Texas Abortion Rights Action League in Austin.

Ms. Kirchenbauer said people should not become complacent because an abortion rights supporter has been elected president. "This battle is far from over," she said.

Activities by Operation Rescue are to start with rallies Thursday morning at Central Park Church in Richardson and Friday morning at Cole Park near downtown Dallas. Protests at area clinics are expected Friday and Saturday.

Workers are finishing new office for Bush

HOUSTON (AP) — Construction workers have been laboring at a fast pace in order to complete work on the office that President Bush will use when he completes his term.

The offices are located on the top floor of the nine-story Park Laureate Building.

Electricians and other workers scurried around the offices Monday working on last-minute details, such as the installation of brass light fixtures that cost $1,570 each.

The reception area to Bush's office won't be as impressive as the White House space he is vacating as President-elect Clinton takes office on Wednesday.

The offices may appear to be fancy to the untrained eye, but they fall short of the opulence of some of corporate America.

"This has been held to somewhat of a modest level of finish," said William M. Burwell of House Reh Associates architecture firm.

The cabinetry in Bush's private bathroom and dressing area is covered in gray laminate, not the fine woods that might be used in some corporate circles, Burwell said.

Bush will have only a single, stand-up shower stall. No Jacuzzi, no bathtub.

The 400-square-foot office will have a luncheon area near the balcony, and a small couch is located in front of a television viewing area. It also has a small kitchen, equipped with a refrigerator, microwave oven and small dishwasher.

The entire ninth floor, about 10,000 square feet, was leased by the government. Some space will be used by the Secret Service and other space by the volunteers that assist the former president with things such as opening a heavy flow of mail.

The offices where Bush will work had been sitting unfinished since the office building was completed in 1986.

Because Bush decided to lease space in the pink-granite building in mid-December, workers, designers and architects had to rush to do a three-month job in 30 days, David Spaw, who heads the construction firm named after him that is handling the work, said.

Production moved

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — Better get a bigger theater: Charlton Heston and Carol Burnett are coming to town.

Demand to see them in the play "Love Letters" is so strong that the New Mexico Repertory has moved the production from its 350-seat theater to the Lensic Theater, which has an extra 500 seats.

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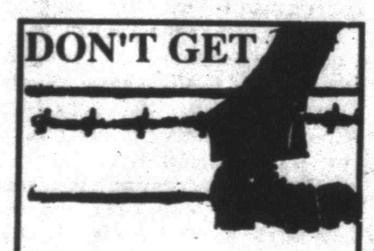

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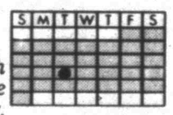

Today is the 19th day of 1993 and the 30th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1966, Indira Gandhi, daughter of Jawaharlal Nehru, was elected India's third prime minister.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: James Watt (1736-1819), inventor; Robert E. Lee (1807-1870), Confederate Army general; Edgar Allen Poe (1809-1849), poet, short-story writer; Paul Cezanne (1839-1906), painter; Jean Stapleton (1923-), actress, is 70; Fritz Weaver (1926-), actor, is 67; Dolly Parton (1946-), country singer, is 47; Desi Arnaz Jr. (1953-), actor, is 40.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1972, Sandy Koufax, Yogi Berra and Early Wynn were elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The education of a man is never completed until he dies." — Robert E. Lee

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1892, a chinook at Fort Assinaboine, Mont. (near present day Havre), warmed the temperature by 43 degrees in about 15 minutes (from minus 5 degrees to 38 degrees).

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

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Jan. 14) and new moon (Jan. 22).

TODAY'S BARB BY PHIL PASTORET

Why do they make straws you stick in pop cans the exact length to poke you in the eye?

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Boy's death said homicide

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Officials have ruled a 17-month-old boy's scalding death a homicide.

An autopsy performed by Dr. Robert C. Bux of the medical examiner's office found that Joel Anthony Muerillo died of scalding burns received over 50 percent of his body, authorities said Monday.

The boy had been staying at a home when he was discovered in the shower stall, where he apparently had been left by himself, police said.

Officers were called to the location shortly after 11 a.m. Saturday. The infant was pronounced dead at 1:01 a.m. Sunday at Brooke Army Medical Center.

Detective Anthony Muro said police were continuing their investigation, but no charges have been filed in the case.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Jan. 19, 1993

Several friendships you have developed over the last couple of years will acquire new and greater significance in the year ahead. Involvement with these individuals could produce mutual benefits.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Try to conserve your resources at this time, because a bit further down the line you might have a better use for them than you do now. You will regret it if they aren't available. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Personal freedom and independence to perform what you consider necessary is important for your success today. Don't put yourself in a position where others inhibit your movements.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Assess critical matters from a logical perspective today, but, by the same token, don't discount your intuitive perceptions. Together, they can be very effective for you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Something for which you have high hopes appears to be feasible and it looks like it could work out. However, you'll have to use determination to make it a reality.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your day might begin on a rather playful note, but it won't take much for you to settle down and make a transition toward an ambitious fulfillment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Even when you confront sobering developments today, you will still be able to maintain a philosophical outlook. Your attitude will go a long way towards helping you overcome challenges.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your opportunities for personal gain are likely to be prevalent today in areas that you do not consider your customary channels for earnings. Don't be afraid to scout around a bit.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Before making any major decisions today it behooves you to discuss your reasoning with your mate. He or she might have good ideas that could give you a whole new perspective.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) An important objective that you've been reluctant to pursue should not be ignored any longer. Once you decide to do something about it, your fears and apprehensions will begin to evaporate. Be bold.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In order to advance your self-interests today, you will have to be a bit more assertive than you've been in the past. You can do what needs doing, as long as you just believe in yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You might be a bit of a slow starter today, but once you get focused and get into gear, successful end results are likely. Keep your eye on your target.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You are a good salesperson today, provided you work from a methodical presentation. Take time to tell your story in an orderly manner.

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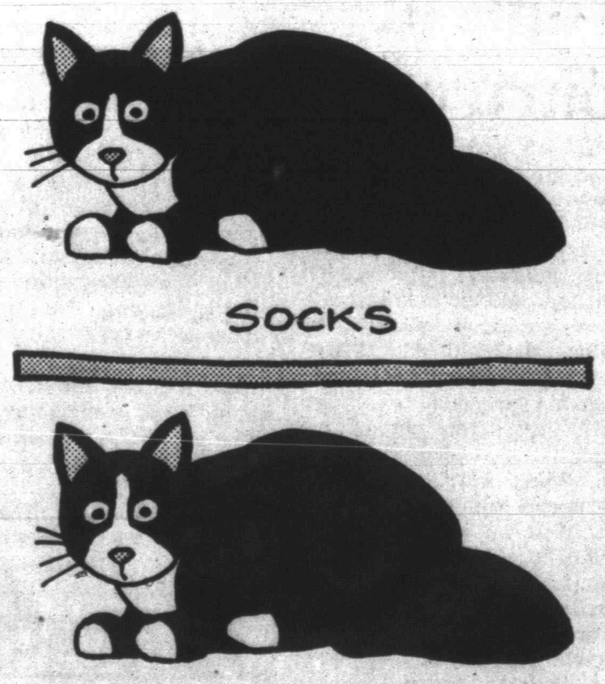
Berry's World



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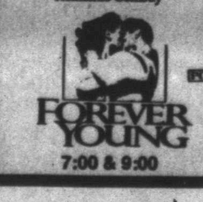

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BRIDAL SHOWER — Angela McLain of Clovis, N.M., bride-elect of Van Echols was complimented with a gift shower at 10 a.m. Saturday in the garden room of First Baptist Church by several hostesses. From left are Glenda Throckmorton of Richardson, aunt of the prospective groom; Rhonda Gartman of Hillsboro, his sister; Kay Echols, his mother; Miss McLain, the honoree; Lois McLain of Clovis, the future bride's mother; Brenda McLain of Las Cruces, N.M., her sister; and Marcella McLain of Hereford, the bride-elect's grandmother. (SDN Staff Photo)

ARBOR DAY — Mayor Troy Williamson signs a proclamation noting Jan. 20 as Arbor Day. Seated right is Snyder Garden Club president, Billie Jean Sterling. SGC members attending are from left are Mary Ann Key, Glenda Glasscock, Lanette Patterson, Gertrude League, Polly Autry and Linda Walton. (SDN Staff Photo)

Noting Arbor Day

Snyder Garden Club urges everyone in Scurry County to observe Arbor Day, Jan. 20, by planting a tree or shrub.

Arbor Day was first celebrated in Texas in 1890 after the Texas Legislature had passed it into law. It is now observed throughout the nation and the world.

"Trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce oxygen and provide habitat for wildlife," said Mrs. Sterling, SGC president.

Shrubs and trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas and beautify our community, she noted.

Suggested trees for West Texas Bradford pear, Alghan pine, live oak, Texas red oak, bur oak, pecan, honey mesquite, desert willow, Mexican elderberry, Texas mountain laurel, Chinese pistache and soapberry.

Osteoporosis sufferers offered treatments

More than 20 million American women suffer from osteoporosis, a disease that weakens their bones, limits mobility and has potentially fatal complications. This disease is responsible for 1.3 million fractures each year, including 250,000 hip fractures. A woman's risk of suffering an osteoporosis-related hip fracture is equal to the combined risk of developing breast, uterine and ovarian cancer.

Despite these staggering numbers, many women are still uninformed about osteoporosis. A recent Gallup survey showed that up to 75 percent of American women who are at high risk for the disease have never discussed it with a physician, more tha 80 percent are unaware that the disease is directly responsible for painful spine and hip fractures, and more than 90 percent failed to recognize death as a potential outcome of the disease.

Two Treatments

Fortunately, there are two treatments available for osteoporosis patients. Both calcitonin-salmon and estrogen replacement therapy slow down the process of bone deterioration. For patients who have the disease now, these are the only medications indicated for the treatment of osteoporosis.

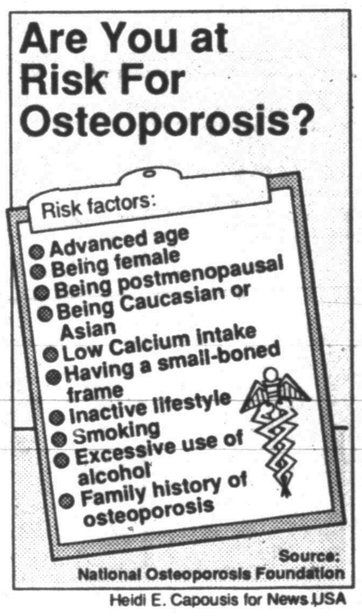
Estrogen replacement therapy is a treatment to restore estrogen lost either following removal of the ovaries or after natural menopause. For women in these categories, estrogen therapy can help prevent further bone loss. However, many women are reluctant to take estrogen due too increased risk of endometrial and possibly breast cancer.

The other approved treatment, calcitonin-salman, is derived from the naturally occuring hormone that inhibits bone weakening. Synthetic calcitonin-salmon, currently available as an injection, is marketed under the name Miacalcin Injection, Synthetic and is 50 times more potent than human calcitonin. Studies have found Miacalcin, in conjunction with adequate calcium and vitamin D, prevents the progressive loss of bone and slows further bone deterioration.

"Miacalcin is an effective therapy, particularly for the woman with established osteoporosis. It is an alternative for women who cannot or will not take estrogen," said Dr. Arthur B. Chausner, head of the Metabolism and Bone Health Center, St. Petersburg, Fla.

There is no known cure for osteoporosis. calcium supplements and a diet heavy with calcium-rich foods, like milk and green leafy vegetables, cannot alone prevent or reverse the effects of this devastating disease, doctors say.

This is why it's important that individuals stay informed. Anyone wishing to learn more about this disease and its treatment can receive a free copy of "Boning Up on Osteoporosis, A Guide to Prevention and Treatment," published by the National Osteoporosis Foundation, by writing to Osteoporosis, 301 E. 57th St. 3rd Floor, Dept. NU, N.Y., N.Y. 10022.



Heidi E. Capousis for News USA

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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♦ K Q
♣ A 3 2

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♦ 9 8 6 5 4
♣ Q J 10 8

EAST
♠ 5
♥ A 9 6 5 3
♦ A J 10 7
♣ 9 6 5

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

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ Q

The clock on the rock

By Phillip Alder

Francis Bacon wrote, "Antiquities are history defaced, or some remnants of history which have casually escaped the shipwreck of time."

Many declarers don't escape the shipwreck of time. Contracts are like a race. The defenders are trying to establish enough tricks to defeat the contract before the declarer can cash enough tricks to get home. Usually, though, if the declarer finds the right path, he will win the race. The art is in spotting the shortcut.

How would you plan the play in four spades? West leads the club queen.

North's response of two no-trump was the Jacoby Forcing Raise. South's rebid of four spades showed a minimum opening bid with no side-suit singleton or void.

The thoughtless declarer wins the first trick and immediately plays a trump. But West wins and perseveres with another club. Now the contract dies, the defenders collecting a trick in each suit.

The careful declarer sees the third-round club loser and sets out to eliminate it. He notices that he can discard a club from the dummy on the third heart. He also spots the shortage of hand entries. Carefully he wins trick one with dummy's club ace — no second-hand low for him. Then he leads the heart king, the honor from the short side first.

When East wins and plays a second club, South wins in hand and discards dummy's club loser on the third heart. Only then is it safe to lead a trump.

In essence, it's a simple hand, but the analysis must be done before you play a card from the dummy at trick one.

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From 1631 through 1944, Italy's Mount Vesuvius never went more than seven years without an eruption, and scientists warn that high explosivity can follow long periods of repose, says National Geographic.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

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

Art Guild Study Club; MAWC; hostesses, Mary McCown and Miriam Cochran; 6:30 p.m.

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

Hobbs Co-Dependent 12-Step Group; Hobbs School gym; call Sharron or Jimmy Prayton at 735-3640 (Rotan); 7 p.m.

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

[illegible] 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

Xi Alpha Alpha Theta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi; Snyder Country Club; hostesses, Vicky and Betsy; program, Martha Knowles; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M, 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956, 573-2101, or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

Scurry County Penwomen; 1:30 p.m.

Cosmorama Study Club covered dish supper; home of Julie Sentell, other hostesses are Neoma Harlin and Mary Jimm Floyd; 7 p.m. 4:15 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

Palette Club; airport terminal building, W. 37th; hostess, Myrtle Joiner, bring pictures for exhibit; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Honey Do's Extension Homemakers; home of Vivian Cochran, 4501 Fredonia; program on stress; 9:30 a.m.

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

Diabetes Support Group; Senior Center; noon.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

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

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

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

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

Snyder Chapter No.450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall; Jesse Scarbrough and Denise Crawford, hostesses; 7:30 p.m.

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

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:45-11:45 a.m.; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.

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

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

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

Saturday

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

Polly's Pointers By Polly Fisher

DEAR POLLY — I have a recipe for making marshmallows that calls for the pan and the finished marshmallows to be dusted with powdered sugar. However, when I tried it, the surfaces of the marshmallows were sticky and difficult to handle and they stuck to the pan. The whole thing was a real mess. Do you have any suggestions? — ANDIE

DEAR ANDIE — Powdered sugar melts and becomes sticky when it comes in contact with the wet marshmallow, and therefore it doesn't do much for making the marshmallows easier to handle. I prefer to use cornstarch, which coats the sticky marshmallow surfaces very well and provides a dry, easy-to-manage outer surface. To prepare the pan for molding the marshmallows, I spray it with non-stick spray, then coat it liberally with cornstarch. This will provide a nice, easy release when you try to remove the marshmallow block from the pan. (Treat individual molds, such as small egg-shaped or heart-shaped molds, this way, too.) Then dust the top of the freshly poured marshmallow with more cornstarch. Finally, after cutting the set marshmallows into pieces, dust all cut surfaces with more cornstarch. Excess cornstarch can be shaken off the marshmallows before storing them or dipping them in chocolate.

Some candymakers use a half-and-half mixture of cornstarch and powdered sugar, but I find that just cornstarch works best.

I'm sending you a copy of my newsletter, "Handmade Chocolates," which has a recipe for making homemade marshmallows, as well as directions for dipping them in chocolate coating.

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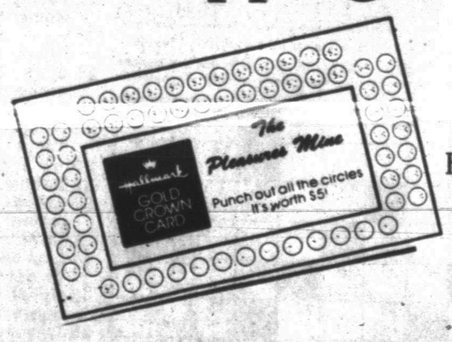

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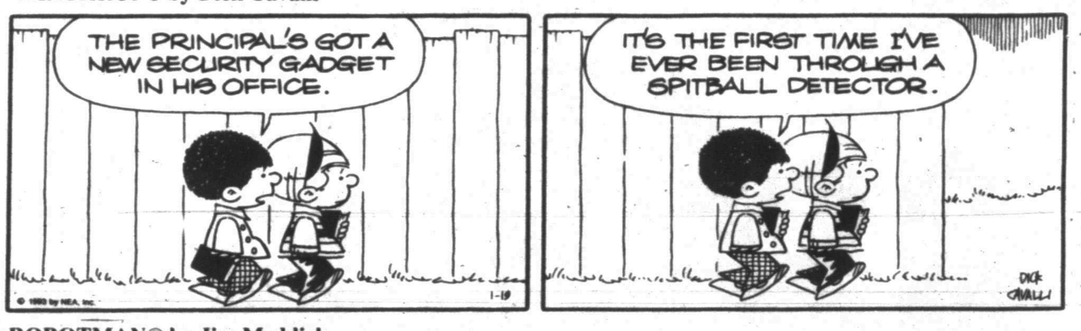

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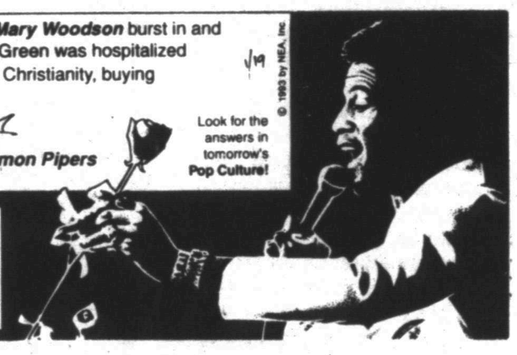
In 1974, soul star ***Al Green*** was taking a shower when ex-girlfriend ***Mary Woodson*** burst in and poured boiling hot grits on him before taking her own life with a gun. Green was hospitalized with second-degree burns. Since then, ***Green*** has devoted his life to Christianity, buying a church and becoming a minister.

1. Name his 1988 hit duet with ***Annie Lennox.***
2. Name his 1971 number-one smash.
3. What **"Green"** was a number-one hit for a) ***Jim Lowe*** b) ***The Lemon Pipers***

Look for the answers in tomorrow's **Pop Culture!**



Yesterday's answers: *"Bye Bye Love," "Wake Up Little Susie," "This Little Girl Of Mine," "All I Have To Do Is Dream," "Claudette," "Bird Dog," "Devoted To You," "Problems," "Love Of My Life," "Poor Jenny," "Take A Message To Mary," "(Til) I Kissed You," "Let It Be Me," "Cathy's Clown," "When Will I Be Loved," "Lucille," "So Sad(To Watch Good Love Go Bad)," "Like Strangers," "Walk Right Back," "Ebony Eyes," "Temptation," "Don't Blame Me," "Cryin' In The Rain," "That's Old Fashioned (That's The Way Love Should Be)," "Gone,Gone,Gone," "Bowling Green"*

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22 Female soldiers (abbr.)
24 Sault — Marie
26 A washing
29 One of the Barrymores
31 Unlock (poet.)
33 Actress Francis
34 Sodium symbol
35 Yellow ocher
37 Author — Levin
39 Length unit (abbr.)
40 Actor — Gulager
42 — humbug!
44 Fairylike
46 Grasped
48 3,000, Roman
50 Outfits
51 Make lace
53 Fortuneteller
55 Sharp-tasting
58 Bill of —
61 Electrical unit
62 Acclaim
64 Constellation
65 New Zealand parrot
66 Tea cake
67 Fall behind

DOWN

1 Alley —
2 Equality
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6 Is (Sp.)
7 Corded cloth
8 Beginner
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10 Opp. of post
11 Bushy clump
16 Melts together
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23 — — of Two Cities
25 Spire ornament
27 Understood
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30 Women's — (var.)
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36 Escape (slang)
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41 Last syllable of word
43 British Navy abbreviation
45 Of sons and daughters
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49 City in Italy
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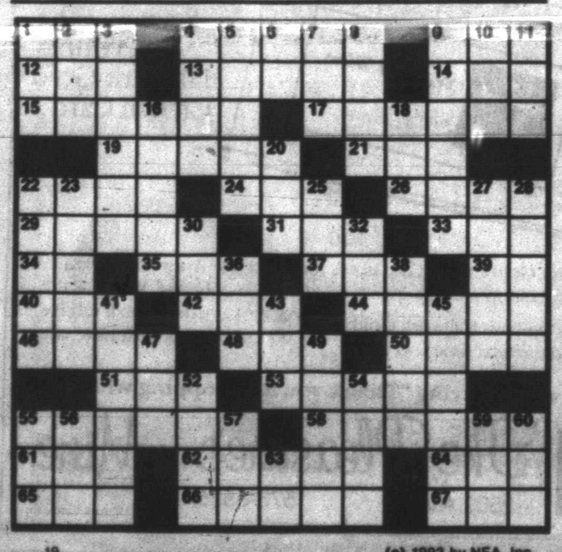

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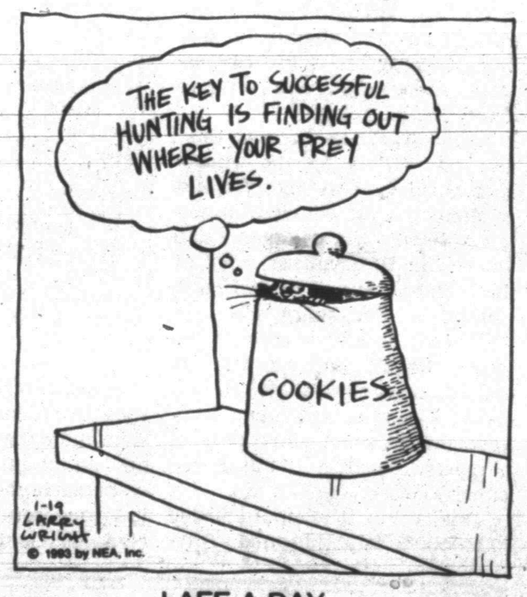

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Houston at Sacramento

Winter storm forces games' postponement

Bad weather has forced the postponement of today's scheduled Snyder-Plainview basketball games.

The SHS boys and girls were to have played Plainview in District 2-4A games at Bulldog Gym, but bad weather and expected icy conditions have caused school officials to reschedule the games for Thursday.

Thursday's games will begin at 5 p.m. with both junior varsity [illegible] 8 by the boys' varsity battle.

Snyder will be on the road again Friday when the Tigers and Lady Tigers visit Lubbock Estacdo.

Cards host Highland; 'Dogs visit Westbrook

The Hermleigh Cardinals should be well rested when they hit their home floor tonight against Highland in a District 27-A basketball tilt.

The Cards and Lady Cards both enjoyed an open date Friday, as did both teams from Loraine, Westbrook and Highland.

The only teams in action Friday were Ira and Blackwell. The Bulldogs moved to 3-1 in the district playoff chase with a 47-34 decision over the Hornets in boys' competition. The IHS girls remained winless in four loop starts with a 54-23 Friday loss to district favorite Blackwell.

Both Ira teams will be on the road today when they face Westbrook.

Westbrook's boys carry a 6-10 overall record, 0-3 in district, while the Lady Wildcats are 8-7 and 2-1.

The Cards bring a 4-9 overall record and a 2-1 slate in 27-A encounters, while the Lady Cardinals come in at 5-10 and 1-2.

Their last games were a week ago when the boys fell to Ira, 48-46, in spite of Chris Velasco's 18 points, and the girls trimmed the Lady Bulldogs behind a 17-point, 11-rebound performance by Lori Anderson.

In today's other loop game, Blackwell is at Loraine.

New head coach...

Bears decide on Wannstedt

CHICAGO (AP) — Dallas defensive coordinator Dave Wannstedt was named head coach of the Chicago Bears today to replace city symbol Mike Ditka, whose fortunes sunk as Wannstedt's rose with the Super Bowl-bound Cowboys.

The announcement was made in a news release obtained by The Associated Press.

Wannstedt, 40, becomes the Bears 10th coach. Ditka was fired Jan. 5 by club President Michael McCaskey after 11 seasons.

As defensive coordinator since 1989, Wannstedt built the unit that has helped bring the Cowboys to the Jan. 31 championship against the Buffalo Bills. Dallas' league-leading defense held opponents to 15.2 points and 245.8 yards per game in the regular season.

He followed Dallas head coach Jimmy Johnson from the University of Miami in 1989. The Cowboys were 1-15 that season, but improved to 7-9 in 1990 and posted a 15-3 record going into the Super Bowl, including playoff wins against Philadelphia and San Francisco.

Wannstedt followed a path eerily similar to Ditka's. Both grew up in Pennsylvania, played football at the University of Pittsburgh, and went to Chicago from assistant coaching jobs at Dallas.

Wannstedt was also considered the frontrunner for head coach of the New York Giants and has been mentioned as a candidate for other pro and college openings in the past several years.

Frosh girls slam Ponies

SWEETWATER — Snyder dominated Sweetwater in freshmen girls basketball action Monday, posting a 52-27 win over the Lady Mustangs.

Snyder was led by Trisha McGrew's 17 points. Nicki Claborn added 11, Jina Miller and Sterling Cave put in eight each, Adrienne Bailey scored four and Tami Tucker and Kelly Clay wound up with two apiece.

The Lady Tigers, now 8-8, will begin play in the Sweetwater tournament on Thursday. They open at 7:30 p.m. against Coahoma.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
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EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
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New Jersey	22	15	.595	½
Boston	20	19	.513	3½
Orlando	16	16	.500	4
Philadelphia	14	20	.412	7
Washington	11	24	.314	10½
Miami	10	24	.294	11
Central Division				
Chicago	26	11	.703	—
Cleveland	22	15	.595	4
Charlotte	17	16	.515	7
Detroit	17	18	.486	8
Indiana	17	19	.472	8½
Atlanta	16	18	.471	8½
Milwaukee	14	21	.400	11

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Midwest Division				
Utah	24	11	.686	—
San Antonio	21	13	.618	2½
Houston	19	16	.543	5
Denver	10	24	.294	13½
Minnesota	7	25	.219	15½
Dallas	2	30	.063	20½
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	25	7	.781	—
Seattle	25	10	.714	1½
Portland	23	11	.676	3
LA Lakers	19	16	.543	7½
LA Clippers	19	18	.514	8½
Golden State	18	19	.486	9½
Sacramento	14	20	.412	12

Monday's Games

New York 106, Phoenix 103
Philadelphia 124, Orlando 118, OT
Chicago 103, Boston 93
Houston 110, LA Lakers 90
Sacramento 111, Golden State 107
New Jersey 100, Indiana 97
LA Clippers 94, Minnesota 93
Seattle 106, Utah 96

Tuesday's Games

Atlanta at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

SJHS splits with S'water

Snyder split four junior high basketball games with Sweetwater Monday, winning the eighth grade A and B games, then falling in the seventh grade games.

Snyder's eighth grade A team, led by 17 points from Rick Henderson, eased past the Mustangs, 39-37. Patrick Cumbie added seven, Jay Don Griffin hit six, Jeremiah Johnson managed four, Matthew Fambro canned three and Chris Post accounted for a basket.

The eighth grade B team from SJHS had a little easier time, posting a 41-25 victory behind Patrick Jordan's 15 points, 10 from Zeb Alexander, four each by Will Clayton and Teddy Murray, Chris Ramirez' three, two apiece from Jay Ball and Jared Smith and Russell Riggin's one.

The seventh grade A squad fell to Sweetwater, 44-35. James Burks and Chad Carter led the Snyder attack with 10 and nine points, respectively.

Sweetwater nudged Snyder in the seventh grade B game, 39-35, in spite of a 12-point night by Clay Berryman and Kyle Beck's 11.

All four teams will play in the Big Spring Junior High Tournament Friday and Saturday.

HJHS sweeps Ira hoopsters

HERMLEIGH — Hermleigh's junior high Lady Cardinals remained perfect on the season when they topped Ira, 41-12, in Monday's basketball game.

Hermleigh also posted a win in the boys' battle, taking a 27-20 victory over the shorthanded Bulldogs.

Brandi Bates scored 17 points and added 10 rebounds and four steals to lead Hermleigh, now 13-0 on the season.

Michelle Roemisch added 10 points and five steals, and Esther Martinez put in nine points, six boards and a pair of steals.

Ira's Kasey Calley had six points. Teammate Melissa Brasuel was good for four and Mechea Chaney had two.

Larry Lambaren and Ricky Luna each had eight for the Hermleigh boys Monday.

Todd Collum led the Ira charge with 12 points, followed by Eddie Brasuel's 10.

Ira, which has only six junior high players, finished the game with only three on the floor.

WJCAC women's basketball...

Dusters drop Lady T-Birds

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

The Western Texas College Lady Dusters pulled themselves out of a second-semester swoon Monday, with a 65-55 Western Junior College Athletic Conference victory over New Mexico Junior College.

"It feels real good," said Jones after the win, WTC's first since the semester break. "Obviously, you want to win every time you play, but we really needed a win. If for no other reason than to show us that we are capable of winning.

"It was a good team effort," he said. "We played well."

The Lady Dusters limited standout Kevia Ford to just 10 points on the night, over five points off her per-game average. None of the other Lady T-Birds finished in double figures.

The difference in the game, at least according to Jones, was simple.

"We played harder than they did," the WTC coach said. "We made some mistakes and we missed some easy shots, but, overall, we played a real hard game and we never gave up."

The Dusters trailed 8-1 after five minutes had elapsed in the first half. However, an 11-1 run in the next 5:40, capped by a pair of Ayesha Howard free throws, put Western Texas on top, 12-10.

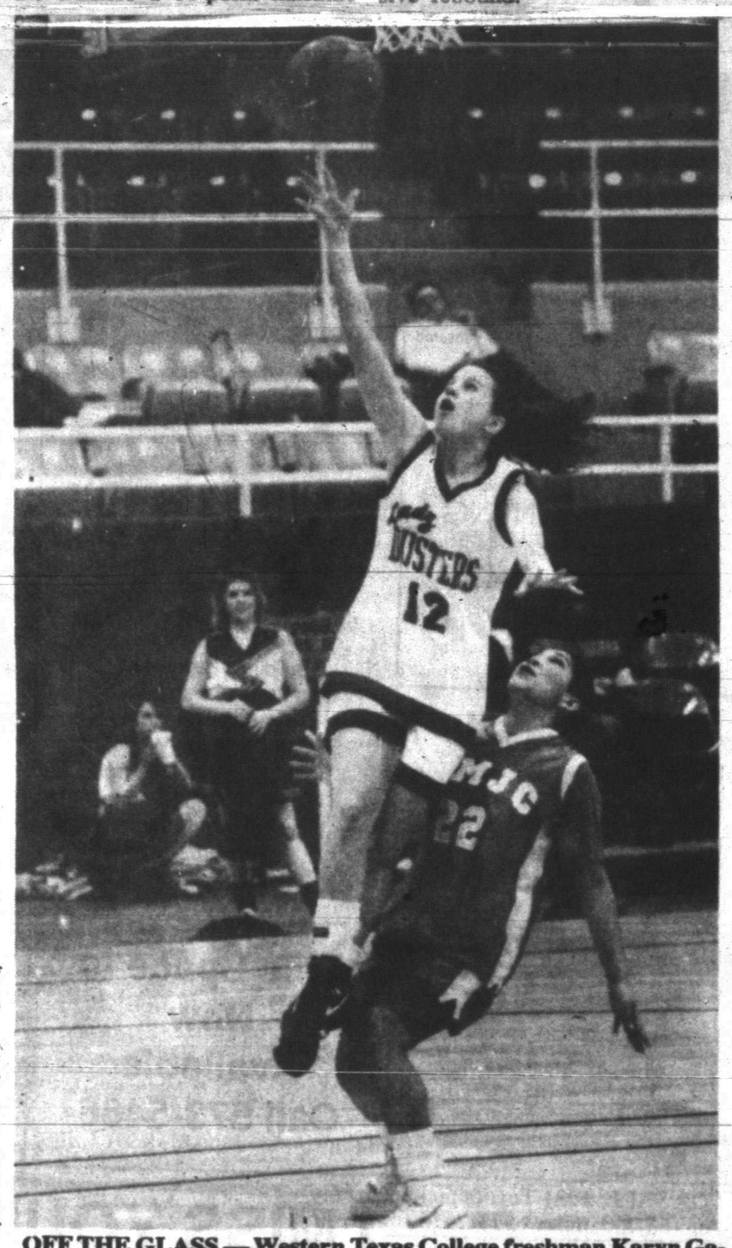
The two teams fought back and forth until late in the half.

Mary Ann Isom rang up a three for the Dusters to start an 11-0 spurt that ended with an underhanded layup by Howard that gave the Dusters a 10-point halftime lead, 33-23.

The Lady T-Birds fought back to within two points with under five minutes to play when Lynda Robinson got a lay-in off an offensive rebound.

Howard hit the front end of a 1-and-1 followed by a Peggy Huseman bucket that pushed the WTC margin back to five, 53-48.

The Dusters converted seven of eight free throws in the final 1:08 to seal the victory.



OFF THE GLASS — Western Texas College freshman Karyn Gabriel goes to the hoop in first-half action at Scurry County Coliseum Monday. The Dusters posted a 65-55 WJCAC win over New Mexico JC. (SDN Staff Photo)

[illegible] with 17 points. Isom canned 12, including a 3-pointer, and Andrea Kearney and Huseman each chipped in 10.

Ford's 10 was tops for NMJC. Robinson, Marvina Burton and Cami Williams each accounted for eight.

The win gives the WTC women a 13-8 overall mark and a 1-3 slate in WJCAC action.

New Mexico also carries a 13-8 record for the season. The Lady Thunderbirds are 2-3 in league games.

Western Texas, nursing ankle injuries to post Paulita Murrell and Allison Garcia, who also has the flu, will have a week to heal before hosting South Plains College on Monday.

WTC 65, NMJC 55

NMJC (55) — Robinson 4 0-0 8; Fisher 2 0-0 5; Maestas 1 0-0 3; Lee 1 3-3 5; Burton 40-0 8; Williams 3 0-0 8; Hinex 3 0-0 6; Ford 5 0-0 10; Keith 1 0-0 2; TOTALS 24 3-3 55.

WTC (65) — Garcia 3 2-4 8; Howard 7 3-5 17; Isom 3 5-7 12; Huseman 4 2-2 10; Decker 2 0-0 6; Murrell 0 1-2 1; Gabriel 0 1-2 1; Kearney 4 2-2 10; TOTALS 23 16-24 65.

3-point goals: WTC 3 (Decker 2, Isom 1); NMJC 4 (Williams 2, Maestas 1, Fisher 1). **Fouls:** WTC 11, NMJC 17. **Fouled out:** none. **Technical foul:** NMJC bench. **Halftime score:** WTC 33, NMJC 23. **Records:** WTC 13-8, 1-3; NMJC 13-8, 2-3.

WJCAC basketball

Women

Team	Season		League	
Howard	20	0	4	0
Odessa	19	4	3	1
NMJC	13	8	2	3
South Plains	14	4	1	2
Frank Phillips	10	8	1	3
Western Texas	13	8	1	3

Monday, Jan. 18

South Plains 73, Frank Phillips 70
Odessa 89, Clarendon 54
WTC 65, NMJC 55

Men

Team	Season		League	
Odessa	19	2	4	1
Howard	17	2	3	1
South Plains	15	5	3	1
NMJC	13	8	3	2
Midland	14	5	1	3
NMMI	9	10	1	3
Frank Phillips	1	14	0	4

Monday, Jan. 18

NMMI at Howard
South Plains at Frank Phillips
Odessa 123, Clarendon 86

District 27-A

Basketball
Girls

Team	Season		District	
Blackwell	13	5	3	0
Highland	10	6	2	1
Westbrook	6	10	2	1
Loraine	8	7	1	2
Hermleigh	5	10	1	2
Ira	2	10	0	3

Friday, Jan. 15

Blackwell 54, Ira 23
Hermleigh, Highland, Loraine, Westbrook — open.

Tuesday, Jan. 19

Highland at Hermleigh
Ira at Westbrook
Blackwell at Loraine

Boys

Team	Season		District	
Ira	9	7	3	1
Loraine	13	4	2	1
Highland	6	11	2	1
Hermleigh	4	9	2	1
Blackwell	10	9	1	3
Westbrook	6	10	0	3

Friday, Jan. 15

Ira 47, Blackwell 34
Hermleigh, Highland, Westbrook, Loraine — open.

Tuesday, Jan. 19

Highland at Hermleigh
Ira at Westbrook
Blackwell at Loraine

Australian Open...

No. 8 Lendl upset in opener

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Ivan Lendl was cold, Michael Chang was hot, Jennifer Capriati was fast and Gabriela Sabatini had to slow down in a show of contrasts at the Australian Open today.

No. 8 Lendl, showing rustiness because a groin injury forced him to withdraw from a warmup tournament, fell to Christian Bergstrom 6-4, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4. He had not lost in the first round of a Grand Slam since 1981 at Wimbledon.

It was the second major upset by a Swede in two days. Anders Jarryd, a friend of Bergstrom and occasional practice partner, knocked out injured Boris Becker, the No. 4 seed, on Monday.

The sixth-seeded Chang, reaping the benefits of an 18-month-old program to improve his serve and add a net game, put on an exhibition of all-around tennis in totally flummoxing Chris Bailey 6-3, 6-1, 6-1.

Capriati, the No. 7 women's seed, needed only 48 minutes to blitz fellow American Linda Harvey-Wild 6-0, 6-1, and No. 2 Steffi Graf was on court only six minutes longer in disposing of Nathalie Herreman of France 6-2, 6-1.

But a spate of double faults forced Sabatini to abandon her new power serve and revert to a spin delivery that is 20 mph slower. She fought off four set points to defeat error-plagued 16-year-old American Chanda Rubin 6-1, 7-5.

Also advancing to the second round of the two-week Grand Slam event were second-seeded Stefan Edberg, No. 10 Wayne Ferreira, No. 13 Mali Vai Washington and No. 16 Alexander Volkov among the men, and No. 4 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, No. 5 Mary Joe Fernandez, No. 10 Mary Pierce, No. 11 Anke Huber, No. 12 Lori McNeil and No. 15 Magdalena Maleeva among the women.

Third-seeded Pete Sampras of the United States had a late match against Germany's Carl-Uwe Steeb. Unseeded American Patrick McEnroe was beaten in straight sets by Frenchman Arnaud Boetsch.

Lendl, a two-time winner here, jumped ahead of Bergstrom 3-0 in the first set, but the Swede's strategy to keep him off-balance started to pay dividends, much to the delight of the strong Swedish contingent on Center Court.

"My game plan was to make him a little insecure, hit some drop shots, wrong-foot him sometimes," Bergstrom said.

Lendl said the injury and Bergstrom's plan did not bother him, but the long layoff did.

Vasquez takes bronze in Arkansas

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Snyder's Gabriel Vasquez captured a bronze medal in the Arkansas State Silver Gloves Boxing Tournament on Saturday.

The local fighter, who competes in the 106-pound class, lost on a 3-2 split decision in his final match of the tourney to Louisiana's Casey Boudreaux.

Vasquez has been selected to compete in the Jan. 30 Tournament of Champions in Lubbock. He will take on Sam Nunn of Phoenix, Az. in his opening bout.

Abilene YMCA sponsors marathon

The Marathon of the Great Southwest is set for March 20 in Abilene.

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Not much money spent fighting DWIs

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — The Texas State Troopers Association spends very little, if any, of its budget to fight drunken drivers, a newspaper reported today.

The Wichita Falls Times-Record News reported today that the organization asks people to contribute money, saying that [illegible] fight drunken driving.

But, the newspaper reported that most of the money goes to Telcom Productions, a telemarketing firm with a contract to conduct fund-raising for the association.

People are encouraged to give $20, 25 or $35, "depending on their level of support," a Better Business Bureau spokeswoman said.

The donation entitles the giver to window decals with the TSTA name on them.

An investigation of TSTA's business records revealed that Telcom keeps 75 percent of the $5.6-5.9 million they raise each year while using the TSTA name in their telemarketing campaigns, the newspaper reported.

The TSTA gets 25 percent of the money raised, but only eight percent of that, or about $126,000, was spent for "attempts to influence public opinion about legislative matters" in 1990, the newspaper reported.

The records were not clear on which legislative matters the organization is trying to influence. They might have been bills concerned with drunken driving or other, unrelated, legislation.

The records also showed that the salaries of TSTA officials rose [illegible] about $360,000 in 1991, or almost three times as much as the organization spent in 1990 to "influence legislative matters."

More specific numbers were not available because Claude Hart, TSTA president, refuses to talk to reporters over the telephone, according to a woman who answered the phone at TSTA headquarters Monday. Hart will only answer questions at his office in Austin, she said.

Steve Roblow, the manager of Telcom Productions, referred all questions to Hart.

In addition to the promised fight against drunken driving, there seems to be no benefit to buying a window decal since the donation is not tax-deductible because of the organization's classification as a labor organization, according to the BBB.

State troopers in the Wichita Falls area told the newspaper that they treat speeders with the window decals the same as other lawbreakers.

Texas Department of Public Safety spokesman Mike Cox said the TSTA is not affiliated with the DPS and its employees cannot comment on the association.

The DPS has adopted an attitude of "100 percent" neutrality toward the TSTA, which is one of [illegible] DPS employees, he said.

The Better Business Bureau in Wichita Falls said it has been receiving complaints about the TSTA for two years.

The complaints allege that TSTA sends "unsolicited invoices for advertising," which means businesses have received bills for advertising they never agreed to buy, the BBB spokeswoman said.

The group has also been accused of sending bills to people that never ordered the TSTA window decals, and callers have complained about the organization's [illegible] spokeswoman added.

Although a BBB reported noted that TSTA has been "responsive" to the complaints, the association's business record is still "unsatisfactory" because they haven't eliminated the tactics that caused the complaints.

Governor intrigued by inaugural souvenir

WASHINGTON (AP) — Street vendors in the nation's capital are seeing their inaugural souvenirs sell briskly as the countdown to Wednesday's presidential inaugural nears.

With everything from saxophone pins to buttons saying "Blow Bill Blow" — capitalizing on President-elect Clinton's fondness for the saxophone — crowds line the sidewalk tables for a quick peek.

Count Texas Gov. Ann. Richards among those captivated by some of the inaugural wares.

Richards enthusiastically told reporters Monday about an inaugural baseball cap she had seen — and wanted.

"They are so precious," she said, later showing off the cap found by Jane Hickie, head of the Texas Office of State-Federal Relations.

"The bill splits apart and there's a piece that comes out like this with all these little standup pictures of Clinton and (Vice President-elect) Gore and Tipper and Hillary," Richards said.

"You know, like those cards when you open them up and everything jumps up."

Places in the News

THE CZECH REPUBLIC and SLOVAKIA

The map of Europe has changed once again. Effective Jan. 1 the 74-year-old country of Czechoslovakia separated into the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Czechs and Slovaks have lived under common rule since 1526, but have formally been united in a single country only since the end of World War I. Although they share a common language, they are culturally very different. Czechs are mainly Protestant while most Slovaks are Roman Catholic.

The Czech Republic, with its capital of Prague, is the largest and most prosperous of the two newly independent countries. With a population of 10.3 million, it contains 71 percent of the industrial capacity of the old Czechoslovakia, 73 percent of its gross domestic product and almost 80 percent of its foreign investment. Its unemployment rate — at 3 percent — is the lowest in Eastern Europe.

By contrast, Slovakia, with its capital of Bratislava, is beginning life as a very poor state. Unemployment among its 5.3 million people is 10.3 percent, and prospects for a quick improvement are not great given the new country's relatively small industrial base and lack of foreign investment.

While the new government of the Czech Republic announced it will accelerate privatization in an attempt to realize a completely Western economy within three years, the Slovak government of ex-communist Vladimir Meciar says it will go slower. It will continue a common currency with the Czech Republic for the time being but will institute reforms at a slower pace.

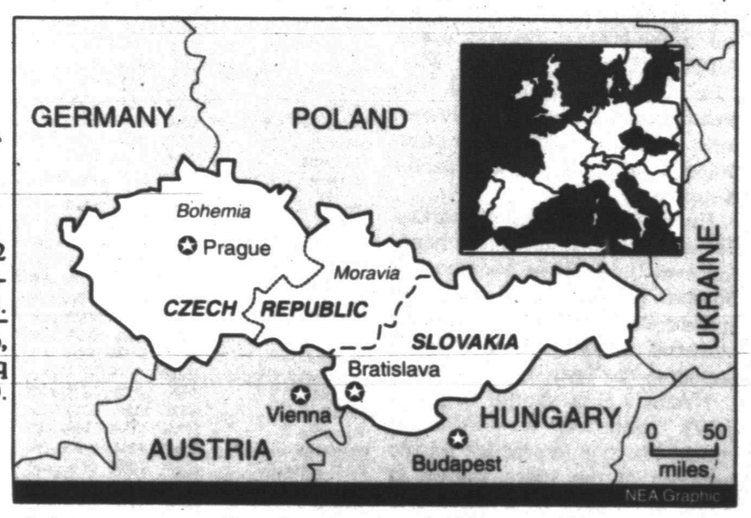
Meciar also says he will move quickly to establish very close relations with neighboring Ukraine and [illegible] Russia and Belarus. Meciar [illegible] will likely institute a more authoritarian rule and will rely on arms production for exports.

As much as 10 percent of the Czech Republic's population is comprised of ethnic Slovaks. But despite the intense nationalism that led to the formation of Slovakia, economic realities are leading many to apply for new Czech Republic citizenship.

— Slovakia should not be confused with Slovenia, which was the northern-most province of what used to be Yugoslavia.

— The people of the Czech Republic are looking for a common name for their new country, figuring "The Czech Republic" is a bit stiff and formal for everyday use. "Czecho," what is left of the country's old name after the Slovaks took Slovakia home with them, is popular in some quarters. Probably the most popular name with a majority of the population is "Bohemia," the historic name of the region. But that is unacceptable to the residents of Moravia, the other province of the new Republic.

Two other considerations are "Czechland," which is simple, and "Czechia" which is more correct linguistically.



Noted foundation looks to expand

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — As it heads into the 21st century, the Southwest Foundation for Biomedical Research with its famous baboon colony plans to expand and move into new space at a research center.

First, though, the foundation is working on a strategic plan for its new campus at the Texas Research Park, where it will begin moving in the next two years.

"The question is, how big should we be out there? What should our mix of scientists be? What should our scientific thrusts be?" said foundation president Dr. Frank Ledford in Monday's San Antonio Express-News.

The Southwest Foundation has become known for supplying baboons to medical research centers across the nation.

It sold baboons to the University of Pittsburgh for two baboon-to-human liver transplants last June and earlier this month. The Jan. 10 transplant used a liver from one of three male olive baboons from the Southwest Foundation sold to the university in November.

"All of us are praying this patient will survive and do well," Ledford said. "Like everything else in science, this is an early step in a very complex arena."

Licensed as a research facility and an animal dealer, the Southwest Foundation operates the world's largest baboon breeding colony of 3,000 animals. More than 250 baboons are furnished annually to some 20 medical research centers.

Foundation officials signed a letter of intent in 1990 to move to the Texas Research Park, hoping that the sale of the 821-acre current site in northwest San Antonio would pay for the new campus and provide a sizable endowment. But a drop in land prices has made that unlikely.

Ledford said the foundation had land worth about $50 million in 1985 and expected it to be worth about $100 million by the year 2000.

Now the sale of the land will provide some of the money, but the rest must come from private sources, Ledford said.

Ledford said it would cost about $36 million to duplicate the foundation's current campus on the 138-acre site it owns at the research park, and more money would be needed for equipment and other expenses.

The strategic plan is likely to recommend a larger facility at a cost of about $52 million. That would allow the foundation to expand from 50 scientists to 86, along with additional technicians and support staff.

2 burglaries are reported

Snyder police investigated two burglaries, a theft and a report of criminal mischief Monday.

Michael McLaughlin contacted police at 9:50 a.m. in reference to someone breaking into two soft drink machines outside of Eckerd Drug. A report for burglary of a coin-operated machine was filed.

A second burglary report was filed after Brenda Bloom notified officers at 10:46 a.m. that two soft drink machines in front of Furr's had been damaged.

Bryan Brunson contacted police at 9:01 a.m. Monday, in reference to someone breaking the back window of his 1986 Ford Bronco. A report for Class A criminal mischief was filed.

At 11:06 p.m., Linda Oster notified police that someone had taken some clothing from the Park Village Apartments laundry room. A report for Class B theft was filed.

Officers worked a hit-and-run at 9:21 a.m. Monday in the 2700 block of 38th Street. Involved were a parked, unoccupied 1979 Chevrolet owned by Thomas Early of 4401 Midland Ave. and an unknown vehicle which left the scene.

Police investigated a two-vehicle mishap at 4:02 p.m. in the 1800 block of 26th Street. Involved were a 1987 Mercury driven by John Zalman of Rt. 2 Hermleigh and a 1992 Chevrolet driven by Dorothy Kayser of Rt. 2 Snyder.

Police transported a 17-year-old man from Municipal Court to the county jail at 10:44 a.m. to lay out fines for no insurance.

Officers also filed a report for family violence after responding to a domestic dispute at 10:55 p.m. in the 3700 block of Avenue U.

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AMR Corp	691/8	681/2	683/4	
Albtsn	501/8	497/8	50	-1/8
AlliedSignal	601/4	591/4	601/4	+3/4
ALLTEL Cp	477/8	473/4	473/4	-1/8
AmStores	441/8	435/8	441/8	
Amer T&T	541/2	535/8	533/4	-1/2
Ameritech	743/8	737/8	737/8	-5/8
Amoco	491/8	483/4	49	+1/8
AndarkPtr	277/8	271/4	273/4	+3/8
Arkla	75/8	71/2	75/8	
ArmcoInc	63/4	65/8	63/4	+1/4
AtlRichfld	109	108	1083/4	+5/8
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BakerHugh	183/4	185/8	183/4	
BancTexas	21/2	23/8	23/8	-1/8
BellAtl	523/8	513/4	513/4	-5/8
BellSouth	541/2	537/8	541/8	
Beth Steel	161/2	161/4	163/8	-1/8
Borden	28	275/8	277/8	+1/8
Caterplr	561/2	561/4	561/2	-1/8
Centel	355/8	351/2	351/2	
CenSoWst s	30	293/4	297/8	+1/4
Chevron	691/8	685/8	685/8	-3/8
Chrysler	383/8	377/8	381/8	+5/8
Coastal	245/8	241/2	245/8	+3/8
CocaCola s	427/8	421/4	421/4	-7/8
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Coopers	477/8	475/8	475/8	-1/8
CyprusMn	35	341/8	347/8	+3/8
DallSemica	153/8	143/4	151/4	+5/8
DeltaAirl	547/8	541/8	545/8	+1/2
DigitalEq	413/8	401/8	401/8	-3/4
Dillard s	481/8	475/8	477/8	-3/8
DowChem	537/8	531/4	533/8	-5/8
DreserInd	173/4	175/8	175/8	-1/8
DuPont	467/8	465/8	465/8	-3/8
EstKodak	503/8	493/4	501/4	+13/8
Enserch	147/8	143/4	147/8	+1/8
Exxon	593/8	583/4	59	-3/8
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FordMotor	471/2	467/8	471/4	+5/8
GTE Cp	353/8	347/8	351/8	-1/8
GnDynam	113	111	1123/4	+17/8
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GnMill	69	681/4	681/4	-3/4
GenMotors	361/2	357/8	361/2	+1
GenMotrE s	321/8	315/8	313/4	-3/8
GaPacif	593/8	587/8	591/8	-1/4
GlobalMar	21/2	23/8	23/8	-1/8
Goodrich	495/8	491/2	491/2	-1/8
Goodyear	675/8	663/4	671/4	+3/8
GtAtlPac	251/4	25	25	+1/8
Gulf StaUt	167/8	165/8	163/4	
Haliburta	267/8	261/2	261/2	-1/4
Hanson	181/2	183/8	183/8	-3/8
HoustInd	461/4	46	46	-1/8
IBM	507/8	471/4	477/8	—15/8
IntlPaper	625/8	617/8	621/4	-3/8
JohnsnJns s	47	453/4	46	-3/4
K mart s	237/8	235/8	233/4	+1/2
Kroger	167/8	163/4	167/8	+1/8
vjLTV Cp	5/8	9-16	5/8	
Litton s	441/8	437/8	437/8	-1/8
vjLoneStar	21/4	21/8	21/4	+1/8
Lowes s	265/8	261/4	263/8	+1/4
Lubys	221/2	221/8	221/8	-1/2
Maxus	63/4	65/8	63/4	
MayDSt	691/2	691/4	691/2	+1/4
Medtronic	911/2	901/4	91	+3/4
Mobil	615/8	611/4	613/8	
Monsanto	525/8	521/4	521/4	-1/8
Motorola s	611/4	601/4	605/8	-7/8
Nationsbk	527/8	513/4	521/8	
Navistar	21/2	23/8	21/2	+1/8
Nynex	845/8	841/8	841/8	-3/8
OryxEngy	171/2	173/8	171/2	
PacTelesis	461/8	457/8	46	+1/8
PanhECp	187/8	181/2	183/4	+1/4
PenneyJC	743/8	731/4	731/4	-5/8
Pennzoil	497/8	493/8	493/8	-1/4
PepBoys	241/2	237/8	241/2	+1/4
PhelpD s	503/4	503/8	505/8	+1/4
PhilipPet	251/8	243/4	243/4	-1/8
PilgrmPrd	81/8	8	81/8	+1/8
Polaroid s	293/8	291/8	291/8	+1/8
Praxair n	167/8	163/4	167/8	+1/8
Primerica	513/4	513/8	513/8	-1/2
ProctGamb s	505/8	495/8	495/8	-3/4
PubS NwMx	103/4	105/8	105/8	-1/8
SFePacCp	14	133/4	133/4	-1/8
SaraLee s	281/4	271/8	271/2	-1/2
SearsRoeb	471/2	471/8	471/2	+3/8
SherwinW	301/2	301/4	301/2	
SmthBck s	367/8	363/4	367/8	
SmthBc cap s	321/8	313/4	321/8	+3/8
Southern Co	381/2	381/4	383/8	
SwAirl s	293/8	29	291/8	-1/4
SwstBell	733/4	731/2	731/2	-1/8
Sprint	263/4	265/8	263/4	
SterlingChm	37/8	33/4	37/8	+1/8
SunCo	271/2	271/4	271/2	
TNP Ent	187/8	183/4	187/8	+1/8
Tandy	287/8	281/8	281/4	-1/2
Templin	477/8	471/4	471/4	-3/8
Tenneco	417/8	415/8	413/4	-1/4
Texaco	583/8	573/4	58	+1/4
TexasInd	25	25	25	-1/8
TexasInst	56	551/4	553/8	+1/8
Tex Util	423/4	425/8	425/8	-1/8
Textron	437/8	431/2	435/8	-1/8
Tyler	5	43/4	5	+1/4
US West	391/8	383/4	383/4	-1/8
USX-Marathn	17	165/8	163/4	+1/8
USX-USS	331/4	33	33	-1/8
UnCarbde	165/8	163/8	161/2	-1/8
UnPac	615/8	603/4	607/8	-7/8
UnitTech	471/8	461/2	47	+1/4
Unocal	247/8	241/8	241/8	
WalMart	601/4	591/2	597/8	
WestghEl	14	133/4	133/4	-1/8
WinnDixie	775/8	771/2	771/2	
Woolwth	287/8	283/4	283/4	+1/8
Xerox Cp	841/4	817/8	841/8	+11/8
ZenithE	61/8	6	6	

First U.S. troops leave Somalia

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — The first American combat troops to head home from Somalia ended a bittersweet tour today, leaving a lawless, famine-striken land where their humanitarian mission was often greeted by sniper fire.

The 202 Marines aboard the first chartered jet to leave cheered [illegible] door and pulled away the stairs.

Minutes later, they were in the air.

"I feel it's time for us to leave," said Pfc. James Brumfield, 19, of Baldwin, Mich., one of the 850 Marines from the 3rd Battalion, 9th Regiment, returning to Camp Pendleton, Calif., today and Wednesday on chartered flights.

"The more we stayed here, I think the Marines would have let their guard down," said Brumfield. "The more we stay here, we feel it's not a threat anymore and then someone could attack us."

Some Marines said their mission was complete. Others weren't so sure.

Even as the battalion was leaving, other Marines providing security for relief workers came under sniper fire in scattered parts of the country, U.S. military [illegible] said. No casualties were reported.

Since the Marines landed in Somalia Dec. 9, one Marine has been killed and one Marine and one Navy corpsman have been wounded.

With the departure of the 3rd Battalion, 9th Regiment, fewer than 9,000 Marines remain among more than 25,000 U.S. troops. There are also another 11,000 troops from an international force of 20 nations operating in Somalia.

"I feel that we did a good job," said Lance Cpl. Shane Reaux, 20, of Drath, La. "I'm not sure that the mission is complete. I hope the people come out of starvation. I see the way that we live and the way that they live. Big difference."

Somalia has lost 350,000 of its people to famine, fighting and dis- [illegible] 2 million people are considered at risk.

Some Marines said the rock-throwing they often had to endure bothered them at first, but they leave with a feeling of goodwill.

"It bothered me at first, but then I realized they were just kids and they were playing a kids' game," said Lance Cpl. Antonio Valenzuela, 20, of Chicago.

"You can't put most of the blame on the people," said Lance Cpl. Nathaniel Willey, 20, of Chicago. "Ninety-five percent of the people were wanting us here. They were in the streets singing, clapping, saying, 'America's good.'"

With the departure of the first Marines, the United States is moving toward transfering military control of Somalia to a United Na- [illegible] two weeks, a U.S. military spokesman said Sunday.

But such a timetable appeared unrealistic and designed simply for public consumption to pressure the U.N. to move faster so that the bulk of American forces could return home sooner.

Critics say the U.N. is dragging its feet in adopting resolutions on a command structure and rules of engagement — prerequisites necessary for the transfer.

Endeavour returns to earth

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Endeavour and its five astronauts returned to Earth today after a six-day shuttle mission that helped lay the groundwork for the space station and fire youngsters' imaginations.

The spaceship sailed through a hazy sky and landed at Kennedy Space Center at 8:37 a.m. A red, white and blue drag chute slowed its roll down the concrete runway.

"Welcome home. Congratulations on a super flight and a great start to the shuttle '93 manifest," Mission Control's Kevin Chilton told the crew.

Fog at Kennedy prevented Endeavour from landing at sunrise as planned and almost forced a detour to the backup site at Edwards Air Force Base in California. Mission Control monitored the weather until the last possible moment before advising shuttle commander John Casper to aim for Kennedy.

Endeavour sped over central Texas and Louisiana before heading over the Gulf of Mexico and on into Florida. More than 600 space center employees and guests gathered at the landing strip to welcome the astronauts home.

NASA's first shuttle flight of 1993 included a 41/2-hour spacewalk to gain practice for the building of the space station in 1996, the release of a satellite to link spacecraft and Earth, and a demonstration for schoolchildren of how toys behave in weightlessness.

The flight, which began Wednesday, was the first of eight shuttle missions planned for 1993 and the 53rd overall. It added 21/2 million miles to the odometer of NASA's newest spaceship, which has made just three orbital trips.

Senator will file school finance bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate Education Committee chairman says the panel this week may consider a bill to maintain the "Robin Hood" system of redistributing school property tax money within county districts.

Sen. Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, said Monday he hoped to file the bill by Tuesday. He said the Education Committee could consider the measure Wednesday.

Ratliff said he wouldn't push for an immediate vote, but if the committee was ready to act this week, the full Senate could take up the proposal early next week.

The current school funding system redistributes some local property tax money among school districts within single or multi-county education districts, or CEDs.

It was designed to meet a Texas Supreme Court order to equalize funding available to property-rich and poor school districts, which rely on a combination of state aid and local property taxes.

But the Supreme Court said the system violates the state constitution by imposing a statewide property tax, and by levying a property tax without voter approval. The court has given lawmakers until June 1 to come up with a constitutional plan.

In a pre-Christmas special session, a proposed constitutional amendment to authorize statewide redistribution of local funds was blocked by House Republicans. An amendment requires two-thirds support of the Legislature to go on a statewide ballot for approval.

Ratliff said his plan also includes a constitutional amendment, but it could work without one.

President-elect visits Kennedy gravesite

WASHINGTON (AP) — A day before taking office, President-elect Bill Clinton paid a solemn visit to the graves of John F. Kennedy, who inspired him to enter politics, and brother, Robert F. Kennedy.

The visit to Arlington Cemetery was a solemn, emotional break from the hoopla and celebration of Clinton's investiture into office at noon Wednesday as the third youngest president in American history.

He planned to lunch today with the nation's governors, many of whom he knows well from his five terms as governor of Arkansas.

He sent word, too, that despite the distractions of the inaugural celebrations — and the urgency of a fresh foreign crisis — he intends to stick to his pledge to give priority to the nation's economic woes.

The Arlington Cemetery visit was private and subdued. Clinton, accompanied by his wife, Hillary, were met at the gravesites on a hill overlooking the capital by about 20 members of the Kennedy clan.

Among them were Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, surviving brother of the slain John and Robert Kennedy; Ethel Kennedy, widow of Robert Kennedy; Rep. Joe Kennedy, D-Mass., son of Robert Kennedy; and John Kennedy, son of John F. Kennedy.

The Clinton's went first to the grave of Robert Kennedy, slain in 1968 as he was campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination. He and Hillary each placed a single white rose on the grassy grave.

Then they walked to within a few feet of John Kennedy's grave and stopped. Clinton walked alone to the eternal flame lit when Kennedy was buried after his assassination in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963.

He kneeled on his left knee and bowed his head.

Members of the Kennedy families also placed white roses on the graves.

Clinton — who often quoted Kennedy in his campaign — turned back one more time to read the inscriptions on the low wall around the graves.

One came from the inaugural address John F. Kennedy delivered on Jan. 20, 1961:

"During the long history of the world, only a few generations have been granted the role of defending freedom in its hour of maximum danger. I do not shrink from this responsibility. I welcome it."

It was in July 1963, when he was a delegate to the America Legion's Boys Nation, that Clinton met Kennedy in the Rose Garden of the White House.

"Clinton was ecstatic," according to a Clinton biography, "The Comeback Kid" by Charles F. Allen and Jonathan Portis. "Here was his idol, standing only a few feet away. Clinton walked up to the president and shook hands with him."

Clinton's mother recalled later that he came home from meeting Kennedy with a determination to enter public service. "He never saiod anything but you could see it in his eyes," she said.

A spokesman insisted today that Clinton "still will focus primarily on the economy" after his inauguration at noon Wednesday.

Mudslides remaining dangerous

by The Associated Press

Southern California got a break in the weather today after two weeks of heavy rain, but mudslides remained a threat. The flooding on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border has left at least 35 people dead or missing.

Storm survivors were digging out from mud and rocks that cascaded into homes and onto roads.

In Laguna Beach, a coastal community 40 miles southeast of Los Angeles, three homes valued at about $700,000 each slid down the muddy sides of Mystic Canyon on Monday. One home burst into flames when a gas line ruptured.

"I started hearing popping noises," said one homeowner, Thomas Hitzel. "My wife said, 'Oh, it's just routine creaking' but I said, 'Let's get the kids out.'"

Minutes after their escape, their house slid down the slope, smashing windows and cracking walls.

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Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Helen Wadleigh, 3301 40th; Marie Dodson, Rt. 2 Box 78; Glena Roggenstein, Rt. 2 Box 248; Polly Ballard, 2507 College Ave.

DISMISSALS: Dorothy Kennedy.

Census: 52 (Med.-14, Long-Term Care-31, CCU-3, OB-2, Nursery-2).

Births

Erin Elizabeth Riley was born to Kinney and Jeana Riley of Tulsa, Okla., at 4:35 a.m. on Jan. 16 in Hillcrest Memorial Hospital in Tulsa. She weighed seven pounds, four ounces and was welcomed home by a sister, Lauren.

Grandparents are Max and Anne von Roeder and Tommy and Johnie Riley, all of Snyder. Great-grandparents are Ollie Richardson of Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. C.G. Raughton of Stamford and Mrs. Belle Riley of Snyder.

Train collision probe underway

GARY, Ind. (AP) — Cars peeled open as if sliced by "a big razor blade" when two commuter trains sideswiped each other near a trestle where two tracks converge. Seven people were killed.

Investigators tried to determine whether a crew error or signal malfunction was to blame. Both crews said they had the green light, the Chicago Tribune and Chicago Sun-Times reported today, citing an unidentified railroad official.

The crash occurred on the city's west side just after the Monday morning rush hour at a trestle where two tracks, one for trains in each direction, merge to a single track to cross the bridge. Neither train left the track.

The dead had been sitting next to windows. Several passengers were decapitated, Fire Chief Ben Perry said.

"The walls were ripped open, creating an effect like a big razor blade," he said.

Perry said 69 people were injured. Two were listed in critical condition. Some were trapped up to two hours in the twisted metal.

"We hung on, and there were people flying around," said Jane Mitchell, who wasn't hurt.

"All of a sudden I heard this big, loud explosion, and I was thrown side to side," said Steven Lewin, a jewelry maker from Valparaiso.

Lewin, who suffered a minor back injury, was in the second car of his train and saw a body in the aisle when he looked into the first car. "It looked to me like they were decapitated."

Courtroom shooting

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Gaither was in the courtroom when a confrontation began at the entrance of the court or in a hallway just outside the room.

Concerns about court security had been fresh on the minds of judges since two attorneys were killed in last year's shooting spree at a Tarrant County courthouse in Fort Worth, about 30 miles to the west.

Following the Dallas shooting, Judge Gaither said he would immediately urge Dallas County commissioners to take security measures similar to those in Fort Worth.

"Whatever's going (on) over there they are going to quit right now and get us some security," said Gaither of the commissioners' meeting today.

The only security present in Gaither's sixth-floor juvenile court when the shooting began was one bailiff, said Ms. Esquibel.

"When the disturbance started out in the hall, one of the injured people ran inside the court," she said.

Other security in the George Allen Courts Building, near the John F. Kennedy Memorial, is light.

Ms. Esquibel said she did not know whether the attacker was a participant in a case at the 304th district court.

"We don't know relationships between all the victims," said police Detective Edward Gilliam.

Presley's wife, Robin, also witnessed the shooting.

"I was sitting outside the courtroom for juvenile court and heard a shot and looked to my right and I heard another one," she said. "I didn't know whether the person was shooting at someone or whether he was just running through shooting, so I immediately grabbed hold of my coat and ran as fast as I could."

In the 1992 Fort Worth shooting, George Lott of Arlington faced trial on capital murder charges in the deaths of two attorneys. Two judges and a lawyer were also wounded in the July 1 shooting.

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sidered include a seat on the veteran's land board, left vacant by the death of Charlie Henderson, and two positions on the coliseum advisory board, currently held by Donald Tate and Joni Gonzales.

County Judge Bob Doolittle will inform the court of whether the four people whose names were drawn to serve on the county grievance committee have agreed to serve.

The committee is made up of three members and one alternate.

Commissioners took no action following a lengthy closed session held Monday afternoon to discuss personnel matters with full-time employees of the airport. Operations of the airport, including a side business by airport manager Darrell Mize, has been a topic of discussion by the court on previous occasions.

In addition to his airport duties, Mize has been criticized by Commissioner Roy Idom for spending time doing airplane mechanic work as well as flying for private individuals.

During regular session Monday morning, commissioners approved county holidays for 1993 and a budget amendment to fund a salary for Precinct 2 constable Marshall Bryant.

East Elementary inadvertently left these names off the "A-B" 4th Grade Honor Roll:
Genise Capitello, Casey Chaney, Jason Dennis, Lauren Donelson, Kara Harrison, Adam Lucero, Keith McClain, Paddy Vantine.

Obituaries

Louise McCarthy

1907-1993

BRECKENRIDGE — Services were set for 2 p.m. today in the St. Paul United Methodist Church for Louise McCarthy, 85, who died Monday in an Abilene hospital. Burial will follow in the Breckenridge Cemetery.

She was the mother of two Snyder residents, Dorothy Atkinson and Betty Atkinson.

Born in Emlenton, Pa., Mrs. McCarthy was a homemaker and a long-time resident of Stephens County. She was a member of the St. Paul United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women.

Her husband, David A. McCarthy Sr., preceded her in death.

Survivors include three other daughters, Mary Nell Cox of Irving, Margaret Kinney of Dallas and Shirley Pribble of San Jose, Calif.; two sons, Joe McCarthy of Pasadena and David McCarthy Jr. of Breckenridge; one sister, Evelyn Deaver of Breckenridge; 19 grandchildren; 20 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Eva M. Slaughter

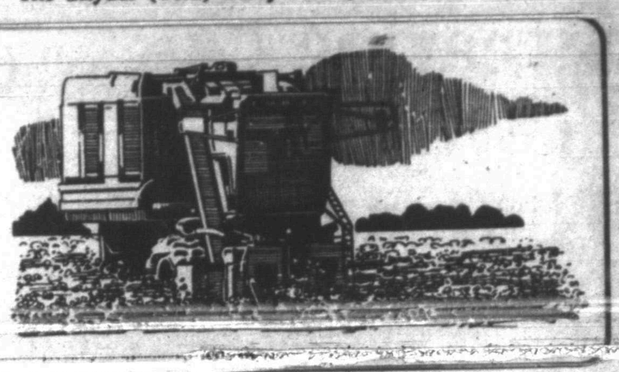
1965-1993

Graveside services have been set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Fluvanna Cemetery for Eva Maria Slaughter, 27, of Snyder, who died at 9:20 a.m. Sunday at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Officiating will be the Rev. Jim Townsend, pastor of Hermleigh's Central Baptist Church.

Born on Aug. 20, 1965, in Snyder, she married Ricky Dale Slaughter on Jan. 15, 1989, in Fluvanna. Mrs. Slaughter was a waitress and a member of the Fluvanna Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Ricky Dale Slaughter of Snyder; one daughter, Cecelia Blair Slaughter of Snyder; her mother, Dominga Hernandez of Fluvanna; two sisters, Donna Kimbler of Snyder and Annette Hernandez of Fluvanna; one brother, Luis Hernandez of Snyder; two nieces; and two nephews.

Scurry County Country



Stock show results

Jay Nettles, Cole Sterling and Angie Robinson entered the top animals at the Ira Stock Show, held recently.

In the swine division, Nettles showed the grand champion and Paula Nettles had the reserve grand champion.

Sterling exhibited the grand champion lamb and Justin Donelson had the reserve grand champion.

In the steer division, Robinson showed the grand champion and Brandy Oliver had the reserve grand champion.

Other results included:

Steers

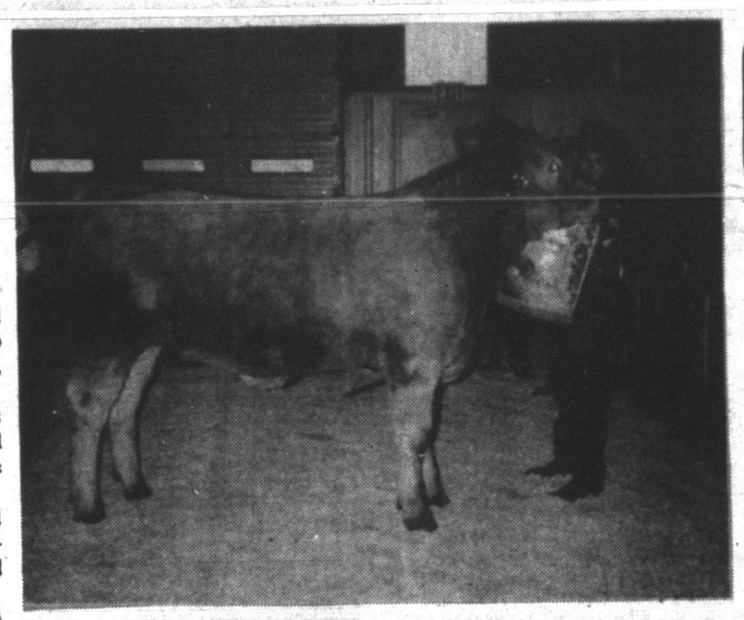
—Grand Champion: Angie Robinson; Reserve Champion: Brandy Oliver.
—Showmanship: Angie Robinson.
—British: 1. Brandy Oliver; 2. Brandy Oliver.
—Crossbred Steers: 1. Angie Robinson; 2. Terri Robinson.

Lambs

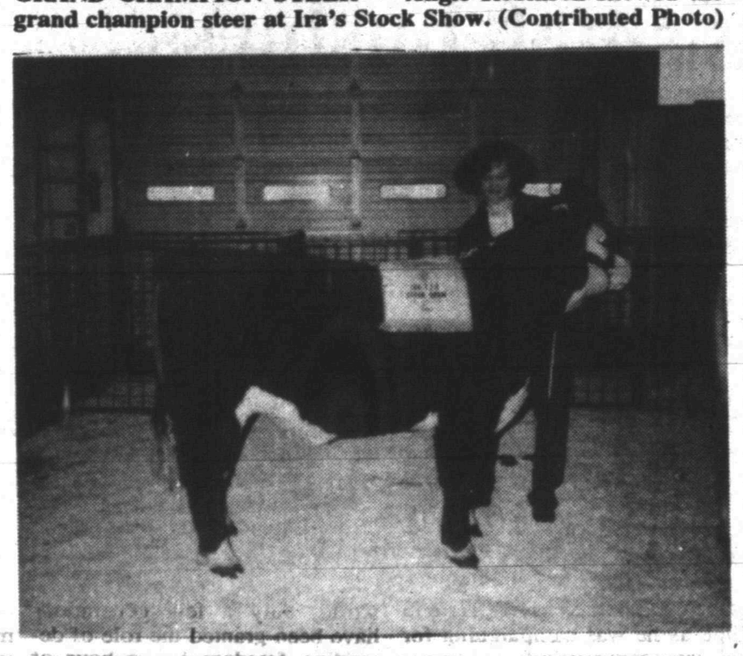
—Grand Champion: Cole Sterling; Reserve Champion: Justin Donalson.
—Showmanship: Jamie Bray.
—Fine wools: 1. Cole Sterling; 2. Justin Donelson; 3. Jamie Bray.
—Lightweight crossbreeds: 1. Audra Oliver; 2. Adam Davis; 3. Jamie Bray.
—Heavyweight crossbreeds: 1. Ronal White; 2. Jamie Bray; 3. Tyrel Sterling.
—Lightweight medium wool: 1. Susan Shoults; 2. Audra Oliver; 3. Paula Nettles.
—Heavyweight medium wool: 1. Justin Donelson; 2. Justin Donelson; 3. Ronal White.
—Mediumweight medium wool: 1. Susan Shoults; 2. Ricky Stroud; 3. Jamie Bray.

Swines

—Grand Champion: Jay Nettles; Reserve Champion: Paula Nettles.
—Showmanship: Travis Collum.
—Durocs: 1. Karen Elam; 2. Ronal White; 3. Phillip Bridge.
—Lightweight hampshires: 1. Paula Nettles; 2. and 3. Stacy Taylor.
—Heavyweight hampshires: 1. Ronal White; 2. Paula Nettles; 3. Seth Sterling.
—Lightweight OPB: 1. Audra Oliver; 2. Kent Smith; 3. Ronal White.
—Heavyweight OPB: 1. Travis Collum; 2. Karen Elam; 3. Emily Hardy.
—Lightweight crossbreeds: 1. Kayla Gunset; 2. Clint Brasuel; 3. Justin Donelson.
—Mediumweight crossbreeds: 1. Wesley Haddox; 2. Audra Oliver; 3. Katie Howard.
—Heavyweight crossbreeds: 1. Jay Nettles; 2. Seth Sterling; 3. Loran Brown.



GRAND CHAMPION STEER — Angie Robinson showed the grand champion steer at Ira's Stock Show. (Contributed Photo)



RESERVE CHAMPION — Brandy Oliver exhibited the reserve grand champion steer at Ira's Stock Show. (Contributed Photo)

ASCS Report

By Joe Hefner
County Executive Director

The Agricultural Conservation Program (ACP) is a joint effort by agricultural producers, federal and state agencies, and other groups to restore and protect the nation's land and water resources and preserve the environment.

Cost-sharing is provided to farmers and ranchers to encourage the carrying out of conservation and environmental protection practices on agricultural land that will result in long-term public benefits. ACP is designed to help prevent soil erosion and water pollution, protect and improve productive farm and ranch land, conserve water used for agriculture, preserve and develop wildlife habitat, and encourage energy conservation measures.

The program is national in scope and is available to all farmers and ranchers who establish the need for cost-share assistance in solving conservation and agricultural pollution problems. The practices approved for cost-sharing must result in long-term and community-wide benefits, and must be practices that the farmer or rancher would not, or could not, be expected to undertake without financial and technical assitance. Annual and long-term contraction arrangements are available.

ACP is administered by state and county Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation (ASC) committees. The Soil Conservation Service (SCS) and the Cooperative Extension Service (CES) are responsible for providing technical guidance in carrying out the practices. The county CES also provides educational support and planning assistance.

ACP funds are authorized annually by Congress. The funds are distributed through state ASC committees to county committees which approve the cost-share payments.

Cost-sharing is available under annual or long-term agreements. The maximum cost-share limitation for the annual program is $3,500 per person. However, lump sum payments in excess of $3,500 may be authorized for a long-term agreement under certain conditions.

The Scurry County ASC Committee will share up to 50 percent of the cost to install practices under the annual and long-term programs. Producers must agree to maintain practices for a specified number of years. Those who fail to do so are required to refund all or part of the funds provided.

To participate, a producer files a request at the county ASCS office for ACP cost-sharing. An ACP practice must be approved before the practice is started. The county committee will notify the applicant by letter whether the request for cost-sharing has been approved.

After the practice is completed, the producer certifies to the ASCS office that all specifications, technical standards and any state or local regulations have been met. The farmer provides evidence of the total cost of establishing the approved practices and is then reimbursed for the government's share of the cost.

Practices eligible for cost-share assistance under ACP are establishment or improvement of permanent vegetative cover, terrace system, livestock water wells, storage facilities, pipelines, and water impoundment reservoirs. For other eligible practices and more information, agricultural landowners and operators should contact the local county ASCS office.

Colorado City livestock auction

COLORADO CITY — All classes of cattle were higher on 1,151 head sold at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, Jan. 16.

Heifers: 2-400, 95-112; 4-600, 85-95; 6-800, 78-85; Steers: 2-400, 105-128; 4-600, 90-105; 6-800, 84-90.

Good springer cows: 600-800; older springer cows, 400-600; Good pairs: 800-1,000; older pairs: 500-700; good packer cows: 48-52; fat packer cows: 44-46; old shelly cows: 35-42; packer bulls: 55-67.

Sweetwater cattle auction

The market was active and higher on a run of 919 head for the Jan. 13th sale. Stocker and feeder cattle, $1-$2 higher and in demand. Packer cows and bulls steady. Pairs and bred cows steady.

—Lightweight stocker steers, 98-120.
—Mediumweight stocker steers, 90-98.
—Feeder steer yearlings, 82-88.
—Lightweight stocker heifers, 93-105.
—Mediumweight stocker heifers, 85-92.
—Feeder heifer yearlings, 78-84.
—Good bred cows, 650-820.
—Old and plain bred cows, 400-575.
—Good cow/calf pairs, 700-880.
—Old and plain pairs, 550-650.
—Good packer cows, 47-53.
—Low-yielding packer cows, 40-47.
—Good packer bulls, 57-63.
—Low-yielding packer bulls, 55-57.

SCS Notes

By Michael Squires
Range Conservationist

Are you going to plant one or more trees this year? The time is here. January, February and early March is the time to plant trees.

Do you know what species you want? Do you have a specific purpose in mind? Most of you do know exactly what type of tree you want and have a location picked out. For those who have not made up their mind, here are a few pointers.

Landscape: Choose a tree that is suited to the landscape plan. When fully grown, the tree should fit the space allowed. Is the tree being planted next to a building, under power lines, etc?

Soils: Select a tree adapted to the planting site. Is the soil acid or alkaline? How well does the soil drain? Make sure the tree is suited for the climate. Is the tree resistant to known pests in the area?

Site: Consider your needs when planting a tree. Will the tree enhance the heating or cooling of your home?

Ornamental Features: Will the tree add to the beauty of your landscape? Consider features such as branching, color and texture of the leaves, bark and flowers.

Healthy Trees: Select a tree with a good root ball. Do not purchase trees with wounds or scars on the trunk. Look for a tree with a "healthy" appearance.

After you make a selection and get the tree home there are further considerations. How will you care for the tree.

Water: A newly planted tree may require watering about twice a week until it becomes acclimated to the site. Watering will depend on the amount of rainfall. Too much water can do as much damage as not enough.

Mulch: Maintain a three- to four-inch mulch layer around the base of the tree for about the first three years. You can use bark, woodchips, compost, pine needles, etc. The mulch will retain moisture, control weeds, keep the soil temperature constant and improve the appearance of the tree. You should not use fresh grass clippings or pile the material around the base of the tree.

Staking: Staking a tree should only be done to hold a tree in an upright position and assure that roots are in contact with the soil. Normally, staking is not necessary. If you stake your tree, remove the stake as soon as possible to allow proper trunk development.

Protection: Avoid injury to your tree with lawnmowers and string type trimmers. Weedeaters are particularly injurious to trees because they cut into the bark while trimming near the base.

What care should you exercise when planting the tree? For containerized trees, do not remove the tree from the container until your ready to plant. Exposure to air dries and damages the hair roots. For balled and burlapped trees, leave the burlap in place but cut all twine or wires. Cut and remove all wire baskets.

Measure from the soil line of the container to the bottom of the container, or depth of the burlap ball. This is the depth of the planting hole. You should not dig the hole deeper or loosen the soil in the bottom of the hole.

Select a planting site with adequate drainage. Dig the planting hole the approximate size of the root ball. Loosen the surrounding soil at least 12 inches deep and two times the diameter of the root ball. Gently place the tree in the hole. Lift the tree by the root ball and the trunk. Check the vertical position of the tree and backfill with the removed soil. Break up large clods to eliminate air pockets.

Water with a slow stream to settle the soil and remove air pockets. Be sure to leave the soil to the existing ground line. As mentioned earlier, mulch the tree with about three or four inches of bark, compost or woodchips.

If you follow these guidelines you should have a good start to a healthy and beautiful tree.

All information given herein is for educational purposes only. Education programs conducted by the ASCS, SCS and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

SAFE KITCHEN GIFTS

Looking for a gift that's useful? Give an acrylic cutting board that helps protect against foodborne illness. Knives won't leave grooves where bacteria from fresh meat can hide. Give a meat thermometer to use for cooking large size meats. Give a chafing dish that holds buffet foods at a safe temperature of 140 degrees F. or above.

CARRY-OUT MEALS FOR SHUT-INS

Where prepared by an organized group or by a concerned individual, meals taken to shut-ins should be transported either piping hot and served immediately or refrigerator-cold with instructions to reheat. Piping hot dinners should be eaten within two hours. Often those who have need for this kind of meal are those most susceptible to foodborne illness — the elderly, the sick and the homeless.

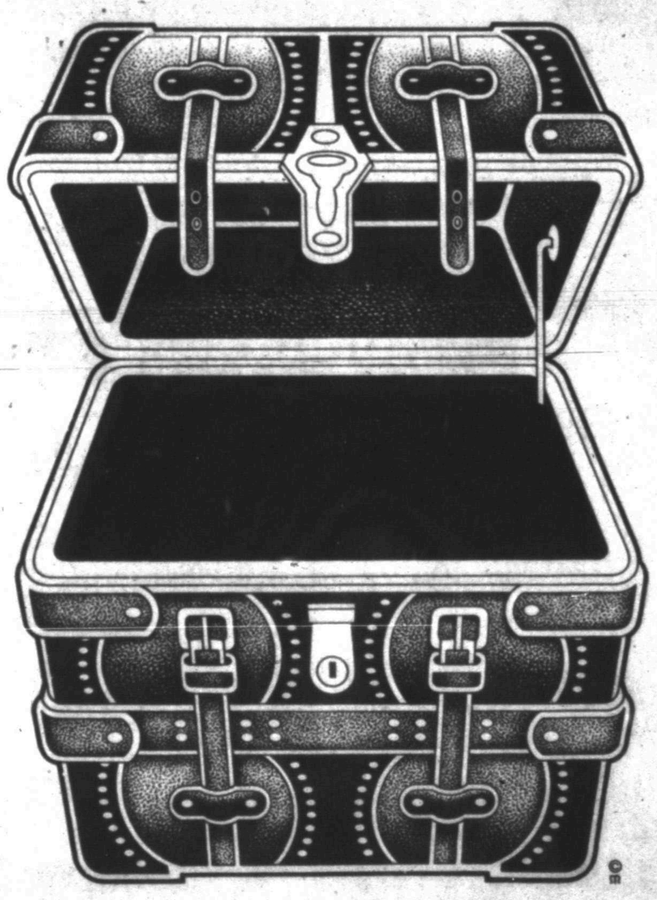
PROCESSED MEAT, AN EXPENSIVE SOURCE OF PROTEIN

Frankfurters and bologna are often more expensive sources of protein than beef roasts and steaks. That's because while they are cheaper on a pound-for-pound basis, their protein concentration is lower. It takes about four 1.5 ounce frankfurters, in fact, to supply as much protein as you would get in a 3-ounce serving of cooked, lean beef.

FAVORITE BREAKFAST COMBINATION

Waffles or pancakes with a glass of 2 percent fat milk is the favorite breakfast combination for children and teens under 18, says a survey conducted by MRCA Information Services. Oatmeal is the breakfast most often cooked in the microwave.

BE A SNOOP



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Swearing in event Thursday

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas Gov. Ann Richards says she expects to campaign for her Senate appointee as the date for the special election nears.

Richards has named former congressman Bob Krueger the state's interim senator pending a special election May 1 to fill the two-year remainder of Sen. Lloyd Bentsen's term.

Bentsen, who is President-elect Clinton's choice for treasury secretary, is expected to be confirmed by the Senate as early as Wednesday.

If that schedule holds, Krueger said Monday, he could be sworn in Thursday.

Richards, who is in town for Clinton's inauguration, told reporters Monday that she likely would campaign for Krueger later.

"I don't know how much will be required of me," she said. "Probably more in April, toward the end of the race, I'll probably spend more time."

Richards said she "feels good" about Krueger's chances in the special election, which Republican State Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchison and GOP Congressmen Joe Barton and Jack Fields have entered. Democrat Jim Mattox, a former state attorney general, soon is expected to launch his candidacy.

"I gave up a four-year job for a four-month job," said Krueger, who served on the Texas Railroad Commission, when asked how he feels about the race. "I think we have a very good chance of winning."

Krueger said he is pleased by the support he's received from Richards and other Democrats. Vice President-elect Gore and Housing Secretary-designate Henry Cisneros have offered to campaign for him, as has former congresswoman Barbara Jordan, he said.

Richards said she wouldn't ask President-elect Clinton to campaign for Krueger — at least not yet.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Parents Used to Giving Are Ready to Receive

DEAR ABBY: We are the parents of five children from 29 to 39 years old — all married with children. My husband and I worked long hours, seven days a week, in our business to provide all of our children with college educations, graduation celebrations and beautiful weddings. All of our children are professionals and we are proud of them. We have been (and continue to be) very generous to our grandchildren.

When we had profitable years, we treated the whole family to trips all over the United States and Europe. We still host family birthdays and anniversaries with gifts and cakes. We bring back mementos from our trips and buy our grandchildren clothes and toys.

We are educated, well-dressed, socially acceptable and live in a nice neighborhood. We enjoy movies, football games and concerts.

Now for our problem: We are in our 60s and not quite as energetic or financially able to do as much as we once did for our children. We would appreciate an invitation to their homes at least once a year. (A cookout in the back yard with hot dogs would be fine with us.) They give parties for their friends — and even ask to borrow party things — but we are never invited. (Thank God, we have good friends.)

Do you have a solution for our problem? They read your column. Maybe they will get the hint if you print this. Sign it ...

HURT

DEAR HURT: Insensitive people rarely recognize themselves in my column. The only solution to your problem is to get your children together, tell them that you are hurt and tell them why.

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DEAR ABBY: I have this awkward situation. Jill (not her real name) and I were roommates last year. We were not the best of friends when we lived together, and since.

I heard that Jill is going to announce her engagement soon, and I'm afraid she is going to ask me to be in her wedding, because she doesn't have any friends who are closer than me. I really don't want to be in her wedding. We do not have that much in common, and then there is the expense involved, which I really can't afford at this time.

Is there a tactful way for me to turn her down without hurting her feelings? What excuse can I give?

JUST AN ACQUAINTANCE

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No one said it more eloquently than Sir Winston Churchill when he wrote in 1944:

"At the bottom of all the tributes paid to democracy is the little man walking into the little booth with a little pencil, making a little cross on a little bit of paper. No amount of rhetoric or voluminous discussion can possibly diminish the overwhelming importance of the point."

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Burglary suspect caught

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A burglary suspect has been captured after an unknown sleeper, who was naked, took the wheel of his truck and chased him through three counties.

The episode began about 1 a.m. Sunday when the naked sleeper was awakened by his wife's screams after she saw an unknown man walking along the hallway of their rural Atascosa County home.

Miguel Angel Hernandez, 27, of the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, was charged with burglary of a habitat and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. He remained Monday at Atascosa County Jail in Jourdanton pending $50,000 bond.

Frio County Sheriff Carl Burris said the burglar, allegedly carrying the woman's purse and a stereo set, fled the house with the loot and sped off in what turned out to be a stolen car,

The homeowner, ignoring his lack of attire, dashed to his pickup truck and gave chase, Burris said.

"I think he just reacted extremely quick and didn't take time to put his clothes on," the sheriff said.

The naked man was led on a 30-minute chase along two farm roads, a state highway and an interstate expressway through Atascosa, Medina and Frio counties before crashing into a guardrail along Interstate 35 about two miles north of Pearsall.

The burglar fled on foot into a brushy area along the highway, but the naked man decided not to pursue him. Instead, he asked a passing motorist to call authorities while he watched the area where the burglar had fled.

Although he had a shotgun in his pickup, the naked man never fired the weapon, Burris said.

The suspect was arrested and turned over to Atascosa County officials.

Homeless man starts small business

NORTHAMPTON, Mass. (AP) — His resume was plenty impressive: Maurice DuBois, 43. Degree in computing. Worked as electronics technician for major company. Speaks French, travels widely, plays chess.

One word made it all moot: Homeless.

Unable to find a job for lack of a home, DuBois has added a new item to his curriculum vitae: entrepreneur.

He has built a small business as a commercial window washer for about 20 clients in Northampton. He is now working for himself, angling for more accounts, and even starting a new life in a rented room this week.

By his example, Dubois is challenging some widely held notions about the homeless.

"I like to work, and I can't get that permanent job," he said. "You really wouldn't find anything in a corporation, which expects you to have a phone and permanent residence."

During an interview at Grove Street Inn, a homeless shelter, DuBois, wearing a torn sweatshirt, sipped coffee as he reflected on how he wound up there.

Technical terms about computers and insects, which he also studied in college, crept into his conversation. He spoke of touring Europe and Asia.

This is the same slim, bearded man some people shun on the street, even in this college town of funky restaurants and leftist politics. And he never panhandles.

"I think there are people who think we are going to eat the rich," he said.

DuBois, whose father was an insurance agent, grew up in nearby Easthampton with four other children in a French Canadian family. He went to French-speaking parochial school and earned a two-year degree in computer science from Bryant and Stratton College of Buffalo, N.Y., in 1987.

He also gained credits toward his bachelor's degree at the University of Massachusetts but quit when he ran out of money.

He was once married and, building on technical skills learned in the Army, worked on a high-tech printer as a technician for Digital Corp. in Westfield for five years in the 1970s. He earned about $16,000 a year before returning to school in search of better things.

He inherited $12,000 when his father died but spent it on his college education and medical bills. He underwent a successful operation in 1980 to remove a cancerous tumor from his chest. He had insurance, but it didn't pay for everything.

He was unable to find a job out of college. He said employers in Buffalo and Seattle, where he also looked, told him his knowledge was already outdated in the rapidly changing computer field.

Desperate for money, DuBois picked apples in Washington state — the first in a string of temporary jobs. He returned to Northampton in November — homeless for the first time — after working construction in Alaska.

DuBois now makes only about $30 a week, but it was enough to enable him to rent a $90-a-month room on Thursday.

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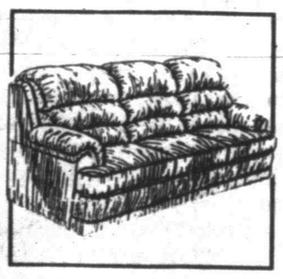

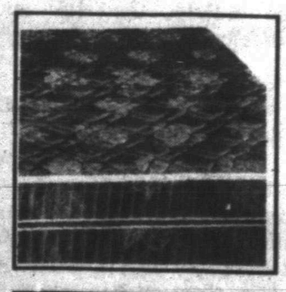

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