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Cowboys' Irvin makes visit to Daniel Unit

Talks with ex-cop who hoped to see him killed

From Local, Wire Reports

The former Dallas police officer who pleaded guilty to trying to hire a hitman to kill Michael Irvin was visited at the Price Daniel unit Tuesday afternoon by the Dallas Cowboy receiver.

Senior Warden T.J. Medart confirmed that Irvin visited with Johnny Hernandez for about 90 minutes early Tuesday afternoon. Medart said he did not know the purpose of the visit, and said an attorney who had asked to be present did not attend.

There were news reports Tuesday that Hernandez, who has been confined to the Price Daniel unit since last September, is making a pitch to get out of prison early.

Hernandez had told local prison officials that he is seeking a special review of his case by the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles to determine if his claim of entrapment has enough validity to qualify him for an early prison release.

The Denver native was sentenced last August to two six-year prison terms after he pleaded guilty to solicitation of capital murder and an unrelated bribery charge. He is serving the sentences concurrently.

Hernandez was accused of trying to hire a hitman to kill Irvin because he believed the football star had threatened his girlfriend. Irvin denied threatening anyone.

The former officer says he tried to back out of a murder-for-hire deal he made with an undercover agent from the Drug Enforcement Administration, but the agent persuaded him to go ahead with the plot.

Because of Hernandez' guilty plea, the entire contents of undercover audio and videotapes have never been revealed.

Hernandez' parents on Tuesday presented tapes they say support the entrapment claim to a parole board analyst who recommended that the full board review the tapes. That review will come next week.

"We were fortunate that we recovered these tapes that the government never did want the public to see about my son," said Manuel Hernandez, father of the former officer. "I pray that the parole board reviews these tapes and they find out that my son was entrapped.

"Right now I feel very optimistic because I have seen the tapes and viewed them and I know my son was entrapped."

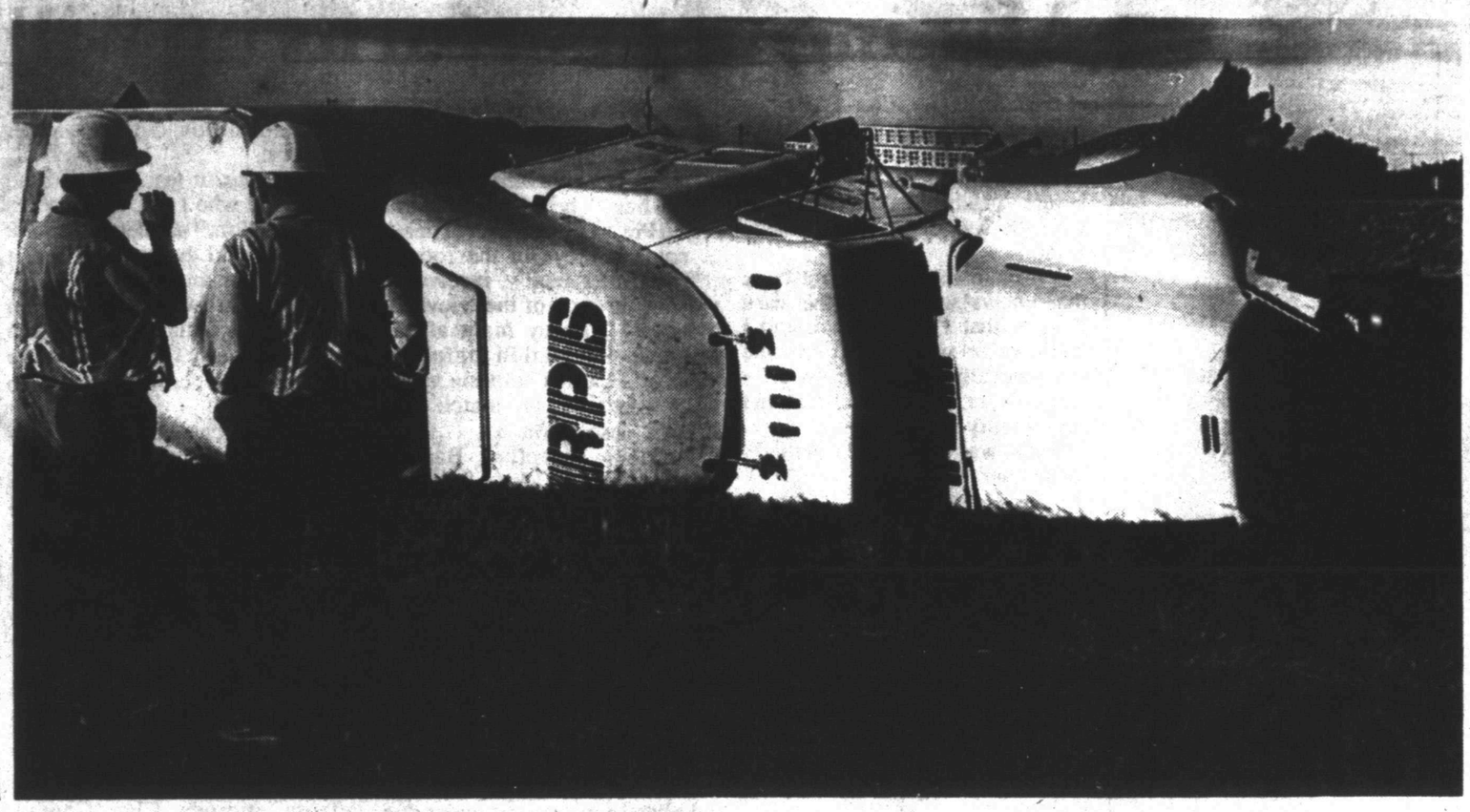
The full board is expected to review the tapes within the next month to determine if there is enough evidence to warrant an early release for Hernandez, KDFW reported. If not, his next chance for parole will come in 1999.

Neither Hernandez' attorney, John Read, nor the U.S. attorney's office in Dallas returned telephone calls from The Associated Press on Tuesday.

Medart said only a few knew in advance of the impending visit, "and that was by design." Medart said he arrived in a stretch limousine wearing his trademark diamond-studded earring. Irving was described as "real cordial."

Medart said Hernandez' confinement at the Price Daniel unit had presented no special problems.

The warden said the visit was arranged through the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in Huntsville.



EARLY MORNING WRECK — Two Texas Department of Transportation employees take a break after directing traffic around a one-vehicle accident that occurred around 3:30 this morning. Daniel Frasl, 46, of Wichita Falls, was injured when his tractor-trailer overturned at the Highway 208 exit on U.S. Highway 84. He was taken by Snyder EMS to Cogdell and then transferred to Lubbock's University Medical Center where he is listed in satisfactory condition. (SDN Staff Photo)

Russian ship collides with Mir

Situation stabilized and astronauts reported to be safe

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A Russian cargo ship crashed into the space station Mir today during a test, causing one module to lose pressure, NASA said. The three men on board, including a NASA astronaut, were reported to be safe.

The crew watched as the Progress ship, filled with garbage, moved toward the Mir and collided into a module during a test of the docking system, said NASA spokesman Rob Navias. A solar panel on the module was damaged, and pressure began to drop inside. "It's heading toward zero," Navias said this morning.

The crew hurriedly sealed off the module to prevent a further drop in pressure in the rest of the sprawling station.

Vera Medvedkova, a spokeswoman for the Russian Mission Control Center near Moscow, confirmed the accident.

Although the rest of the station initially lost some pressure, the situation has since stabilized and is back to normal — except for the sealed Spektr module, Navias said. The ship has six modules, gradually added over the years. Spektr was launched in 1995.

Navias said there was no plan to abandon Mir at this time. A Soyuz spacecraft always is docked to the station for such purposes.

The Progress, launched with crucial supplies and repair equipment in April, was supposed to redock this morning and then be jettisoned for good on Saturday, Navias said. It eventually will burn up in the atmosphere, as is normal.

NASA astronaut Michael Foale has been living on Mir since mid-May, along with two Russian cosmonauts. Foale replaced Jerry Linenger, who experienced a series of problems during his four-month visit, including a near-miss with a Progress and a fire.

Like the current Mir crew, Linenger's team was testing the docking system of another Progress more than three months ago when the supply ship headed straight for Mir. The Progress veered underneath the station at the last minute, Linenger said.

Stenholm staffer to be here

Annette Wilson, a staff worker in U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm's Stamford office, will be here Thursday morning to visit individually with citizens.

She will meet citizens in the chamber of commerce board room from 10 a.m. until noon.

Mrs. Wilson will offer an opportunity for anyone having a problem with a governmental agency such as Social Security Administration, HUD, Department of Veterans Affairs and others to seek assistance.

She will also listen to persons who wish to express an opinion on current governmental issues. An appointment is not necessary.

Court rejects law to expand religious freedom

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ruling in a Texas case that Congress had overstepped its power, the Supreme Court today struck down a 1993 federal law aimed at curbing governmental interference with Americans' spiritual lives.

The justices said the four-year-old Religious Freedom Restoration Act — a congressional response to a highly controversial high court ruling — unconstitutionally usurped the power of federal courts.

Today's 6-3 decision in a dispute between the city of Boerne and a local Catholic parish likely will make it tougher to successfully challenge some government actions that are seen as restricting religious freedom.

The 1993 law "was designed to control cases and controversies, such as the one before us," Justice Anthony M. Kennedy wrote for the court. "But ... the provisions of the federal statute here invoked are beyond congressional authority; it is this court's precedent, not RFRA, which must control," he said.

Kennedy was joined by Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and Justices John Paul Stevens, Clarence Thomas, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Antonin Scalia. Justices Sandra Day O'Connor, David H. Souter and Stephen G. Breyer dissented.

Congress was reacting to a 1990 Supreme Court ruling when it passed the 1993 law. The 1990 decision had said laws that otherwise are neutral toward religion can be valid even if they may infringe on some people's religious beliefs.

The court ruled in that case that Native Americans have no constitutional right to take the hallucinogenic drug peyote as a religious practice.

St. Peter the Apostle Church invoked the 1993 law after Boerne thwarted its attempt to tear down part of a 70-year-old sanctuary and build an addition. The church argued that Boerne's refusal to issue the permit was an example of governmental action banned by the law.

City officials, in turn, mounted a full-fledged constitutional attack against the law.

When the justices agreed to study that challenge, what had begun as a landmark-preservation squabble quickly became one of the most closely watched religion cases of the 1990s.

The Rev. Oliver Thomas of the National Council of Churches called it "the most important religious-freedom case the Supreme Court has ever had to decide."

Today's ruling also reflected the high stakes of governmental power.

"Our national experience teaches that the Constitution is preserved best when each part of the government respects both the Constitution and the proper actions and determinations of the other branches," Kennedy wrote.

A broad coalition of religious and civil rights groups contended that the high court in its peyote decision had turned its back on vigorously protecting religious rights.

Congress agreed, and the 1993 law required that any federal, state or local law imposing a "substantial burden" on someone's religious beliefs must serve a "compelling" government interest in the least intrusive way.

Sixteen states joined in supporting Boerne's sweeping attack against the 1993 law. They said the law had disrupted prison life by allowing "gangs and like-minded groups to shroud illicit activity under the cover of 'religious' belief."

J. Brent Walker of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs said of today's ruling: "'The least dangerous branch' of government has turned out to be the most dangerous branch."

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Real trouble is having a car that won't start and payments that won't stop."

Billy Tim Atwood called from Arlington the other day and suggested that we might want to get a copy of Sport magazine.

He advised that the July edition was the publication's swimsuit issue, but that wasn't the reason for his alert.

Inside was a feature on Texas Ranger slugger Juan Gonzalez, who is a hit with all fans on the field and kids off the field.

The three-page feature on Gonzalez includes a picture of the baseball star with Billy Tim and Luis Mayoral. Both Billy Tim and Mayoral are off-field, breakfast-eating best friends with Gonzalez.

Mayoral is the Spanish broadcaster of Ranger baseball games. Sitting with Mayoral in the announcing booth is Billy Tim Atwood, a Snyder native.

We told Atwood that his voice sounded different. "No, I haven't had any speech training...I guess I have just been listening to Mayoral."

Billy Tim says that the TV cameras often show the announcing booth, "especially when Fox is broadcasting," Atwood added.

Billy Tim, the son of Claudene Atwood and the late Bill Atwood, has been employed by the Rangers' organization for the past three years.

The late Bill Atwood was a former major league catcher for the Philadelphia Phillies.

Billy Tim says he's had lots of calls from folks back in Snyder wanting to get them tickets. "In most cases, I've been able to do it."

Incidently, the picture was on page 65.

We recall a story told by Bill Atwood in the coffee shop.

A scout reported that he'd discovered a great pitcher. In the previous night's game, he had struck out all 27 batters. Even more remarkable was he had gotten all of them on three pitches, except for one guy who hit a foul.

The manager was impressed, "Get the name of the guy who hit the foul. We need hitters."

ASK US

Q—What is an acre foot and how much water is contained in an acre foot?

A—An acre foot is the amount of water it takes to cover one acre to a depth of one foot. That's approximately 326,000 gallons of water.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 86 degrees; low, 64; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 65; no precipitation; total for 1997, 19.28 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy; 20% chance of storms. Low around 70. S wind 10-20 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy. Less than 20% chance of storms. High 85-90. SE wind 10-20 mph.



Erissa Sanchez

Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:52 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:41 a.m.
Of 175 days in 1997, the sun has shone 163 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

You can't have a better tomorrow if you are thinking about yesterday all the time.

Charles F. Kettering

Skeptics tough sell on new 'alien' explanation

WASHINGTON (AP) — With an almost straight face, Col. John Haynes began his public presentation of the Air Force's latest debunking of the Roswell UFO "incident" by saying this surely would put to rest the most enduring of UFO stories.

"We're confident ... that this will be the final word," Haynes said with the hint of a grin.

Even before he finished explaining the Air Force's 231-page Roswell report Tuesday — subtitled "Case Closed" to emphasize a point — skeptics were dumping doubt, and it was clear the case is not closed.

Kent Jeffrey of the International Roswell Initiative, which does not believe UFOs visited Roswell, said the Air Force did itself no favor by offering a new explanation for the alleged sightings of alien "bodies" at Roswell.

The explanation is this: The "bodies" witnesses reported being removed from debris in the New Mexico desert in July 1947 were actually life-size dummies the Air Force used in the 1950s in high-altitude parachute experiments.

Three years ago, the Air Force gave its explanation for the debris. It was from parts of a high-altitude Air Force balloon that pulled disc-like radar reflectors and other devices as part of a classified reconnaissance operation. Tuesday's follow-up report offered the first explanation of the "bodies."

But Haynes said the Air Force had no explanation for the time gap: Why would witnesses mix up the 1947 event with sightings of dummies a decade later?

"If you find that people talk about things over a period of time, they begin to lose exactly when the date was," said Haynes, an Air Force declassification officer who presented the report at a Pentagon news conference.

"I have no other explanation."

That, in Jeffrey's view, will only add fuel to the fire of those who believe the Air Force conspired to cover up its recovery of UFOs and their extraterrestrial crews.

Deon Crosby, director of the International UFO Museum and Research Center in Roswell, said the report raised more questions than it answered — and it certainly is not sufficient to let the Air Force wash its hand of the controversy.

"It's not going to do that at all," she said.

What it has done, however, is reopen a window on a fascinating period in Air Force history, at the brink of the United States' first steps into outer space.

Haynes showed reporters file footage from the 1950s of dummies dressed in Air Force flight suits pulled aloft by enormous high-altitude balloons, then dropped to Earth: The object was to devise a way pilots or astronauts could reach Earth if forced to escape at extremely high altitudes. One Air Force test pilot later made three such jumps himself — one from 102,800 feet in August 1960, which still stands as the world record highest parachute jump by a human.

The black-and-white footage is a one-of-a-kind collection of Air Force film and photos, including a shot of a fully outfitted dummy called "Sierra Sam" standing upright with his arms outstretched over the shoulders of two officers.

The majority of the dummies — which had skeletons of aluminum or steel, skin of latex or plastic, cast aluminum skulls and instrument cavities in their torsos and heads — landed outside military bases in eastern New Mexico.

Missing woman turns up with amnesia

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Fifteen days ago, a woman wandered into Columbia Park Medical Center suffering from a severe headache, not knowing who she was or where she came from.

"If there's somebody out there that knows who I am, the hard thing is that I'm homesick and I don't know where that is," she said tearfully on television after police were unable to determine her identity.

There was somebody out there, in another country.

"It's her. Absolutely," Darryl Allan said of his sister, Susan Dawn Allan, who vanished from Fort Frances, Ontario, more than two weeks ago.

"We just finished having a group hug," he told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "There's ... not a dry eye in the room."

The Allan family received a videotaped copy of the television broadcast Tuesday night after a Minneapolis station informed them of a Florida amnesia victim who appeared to match Ms. Allan's description.

Orlando Detective Barbara Bergin was with Ms. Allan, who didn't even know it was her 27th birthday Tuesday, when she received the news of her identity. The information did not jar her memory.

"She was in tears ... confused now about who I am, why am I in this condition," the detective said. "When I said the name to her, it didn't mean anything."

More than two weeks ago, on June 10, Ms. Allan left her home in Fort Frances, Ontario, to make the short drive across the bridge to Minnesota.

She never came back. Her family became distraught when the next day, her car was found abandoned in the parking lot of the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn., nearly 250 miles away.

Police suspected foul play and had photos of her distributed to the media.

But two days after she vanished, she turned up at the Columbia Park Medical Center, roughly 1,800 miles away, having no idea who she was.

There was nothing physically wrong with her. She had no bruises and did not appear to have been hit in the head. Tests showed she had not been drinking or taking drugs.

An FBI database search of her fingerprints failed to find a match, and she spent much of the past two weeks trying to jar her memory by watching television and reading.

As luck would have it, a Minnesota man was in Florida when Ms. Allan's plea aired. He recognized her as the woman from the photo and called the Orlando station, which then contacted KSTP-TV in Minneapolis.

That station called the Allan family and played the audio portion of the woman's plea. Family members said it sounded like their Susan. A videotape was rushed over and when they saw her face, they knew.

Such cases of amnesia are rare.

Dr. Alan Keck of Mid-Florida Psychological Associates, who has treated hundreds of amnesia cases, said the most common causes are head injuries or traumatic events, such as accidents.

Most victims usually lose memory about a specific event or period of time, not completely like Ms. Allan, he said.

McQuay receives 20 years for molestation

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Larry Don McQuay, the convicted child molester who has begged the state to castrate him, has been sentenced to 20 years in prison after a judge found him guilty on three more counts of child molestation.

McQuay, who claims to have attacked scores of children, wants to be castrated because he fears he'll commit further crimes.

He was paroled in April 1996 under mandatory release rules after serving six years in prison for the sexual assault of a 7-year-old boy in San Antonio. Under teams of his release, McQuay was kept in a lockup in downtown San Antonio.

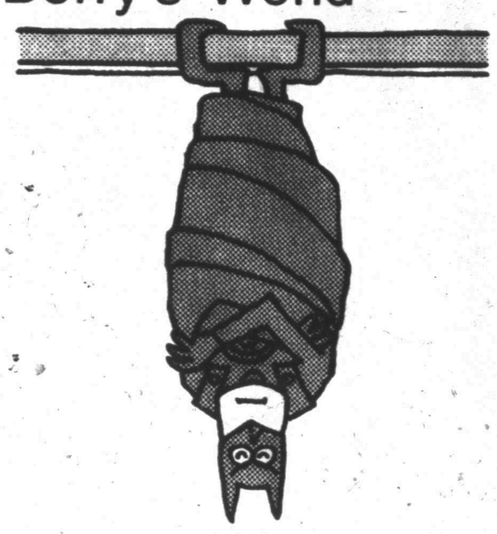
On Tuesday, McQuay, 33, waived his right to a jury trial but pleaded innocent to three charges of indecency with a child stemming from a 1989 incident in San Antonio.

No testimony was presented, and after 15 minutes of reviewing written evidence state District Judge Terry McDonald found McQuay guilty. He assessed three 20-year sentences to be served concurrently.

Describing McQuay as "manipulator," McDonald ordered that he be taken to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice in Huntsville immediately.

Later, outside the courtroom, defense attorney Clay Conrad described McQuay as a man "obsessed with his fantasies" who should receive treatment or the castration he has sought.

Berry's World



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BATMAN CATCHING SOME Zs

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, June 26, 1997

In the year ahead your popularity could ascend to some very high points, both socially and career-wise. There are also indications of another positive change regarding a favorite sport or hobby.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today could provide the opportune time to discuss an important issue you've been wanting to talk about with your mate. He or she should be receptive and open-minded. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mailing $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Two close associates might each treat you in a very special, considerate manner today, unbeknownst to the behavior of the other. Lucky you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your judgment and communication skills are two of your strongest assets today. You will be armed for success in your social or commercial dealings.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You may feel inclined today to putter around the house a bit. If you think of it more as a hobby than as work, the results could be very gratifying.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your charming, attractive manner will be very appealing to your colleagues today. These attributes will make you a standout wherever you go.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The concerns created by a material matter look like they might be erased today in a way that could produce a happy ending for you and your family.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) When presenting in front of an audience today, make your points with a touch of theatrics. You will be more effective and better remembered.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It looks like something you've been wanting might soon be acquired. The way in which it comes to you could be a trifle mysterious and surprising.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Someone for whom you did a favor recently may do a nice deed for you today without mentioning it. It will be up to a mutual friend to fill you in.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Wishful thinking is not a frivolous endeavor for you today, provided that your aspirations are earnest. Intense expectations stimulate positive action.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Conditions will be easier for you today if you approach life philosophically. Keep in mind that whatever occurs can be used for your ultimate good.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today you may accomplish something that will fill you with a great deal of pride, yet you might be secretive about its happening.

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Datebook

June 25, 1997

Today is the 176th day of 1997 and the fifth day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1630, Massachusetts governor John Winthrop introduced the table fork to America.

On this day in 1876, Gen. George Custer and his men were killed at the Battle of Little Big Horn in Montana.

On this day in 1969, Mick Taylor made his first appearance with the Rolling Stones at the Colosseum in Rome.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Henry "Hap" Arnold (1886-1950), U.S. Army Air Force general; George Orwell (1903-1950), writer; Sidney Lumet (1924-), director, is 73; June Lockhart (1925-), actress, is 72; Willis Reed (1942-), basketball great, is 55; Carly Simon (1945-), singer-songwriter, is 52; Phyllis George (1949-), sports broadcaster, is 48; George Michael (1963-), singer, is 34.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1881, Chicago's George Gore stole seven bases in one game, setting a major league record.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The great enemy of clear language is insincerity." — George Orwell

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1988, Erie, Pa., hit a record high temperature of 100 degrees.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (June 20) and last quarter (June 27).

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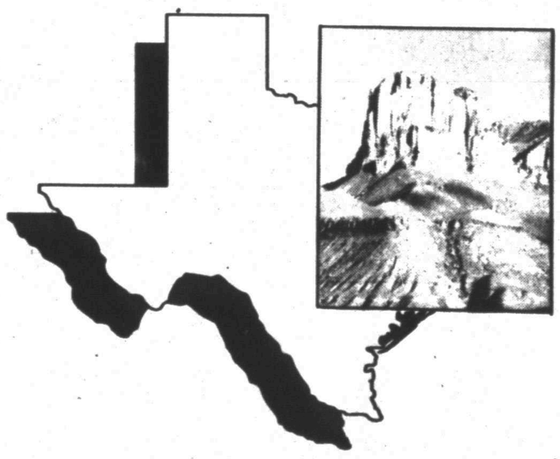
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JULY 4TH FOOD BOOTH APPLICATIONS NECESSARY

All persons and/or clubs who plan on operating a food booth during the July 4th celebration must ***first*** fill out an application for a temporary vendor permit at the Scurry County Health Unit. The cost of the vendor permit is $5.00.

The application must be completed and returned to the Scurry County Health Unit before 5:00 p.m. July 2, 1997. Those who do not turn in an application will not be allowed to operate a food booth. Once your menu has been decided and it has been written on your application, you ***cannot*** add to it, though you can delete any of the items. ***MENU IS TO BE LIMITED TO THREE (3) POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS. EXAMPLES:*** BEEF, CHICKEN, RICE, BEANS, PORK. ***ALL POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS MUST BE PREPARED ON SITE. NOT AT HOME.***

We want our July 4th celebration to be a fun event for everyone, but most importantly we want it to be a safe one! We are located at 911 26th Street, Snyder, Texas 79549. Our phone number is 915-573-3508



SCHOLARSHIP — Leisha Leatherwood, who graduated from Ira High School in May, is the recipient of a scholarship from Masonic Lodge #934 in Ira. Shown congratulating the recent graduate is lodge member Lloyd Knipe. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Assurances sought for ratings change

WASHINGTON (AP) — Worried that it will be hounded to make more changes in the future, the TV industry wants assurances from Congress that strengthening program ratings would head off any attempts to force a tougher system or require more family-friendly programs.

Getting those assurances is the biggest sticking point to a final deal that would add new onscreen codes to 5-month-old ratings to flag violence, sex and crude language in shows.

A final deal was expected this week, although it could slip to next week, industry and congressional sources said. Negotiations between the industry and advocacy groups were to resume today.

In the House, Billy Tauzin, R-La., is optimistic broadcasters and cable networks will get the assurances they want.

Tauzin has "an agreement in principle" with House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., that if a deal is reached "the issue of TV ratings and content-based legislation is considered resolved in the U.S. House of Representatives," said Tauzin's spokesman Ken Johnson.

On the Senate side, John McCain, R-Ariz., head of the Commerce Committee, has said he would not move forward on ratings legislation if a deal is reached, but he hasn't extended that assurance to efforts to improve the quality of TV shows.

Complicating the process, at least one unidentified advocacy group involved in the negotiations objected to putting the assurances in writing as the TV industry wants, congressional and industry sources said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Negotiators also are trying to fine-tune details of the expected agreement.

Still, by this fall, parents are likely to see the letters "V," "S" "L" and "D" show up alongside the current ratings that now flash in the upper left corner of TV screens for 15 seconds at the beginning of a program. The letters indicate violence, sex, potentially offensive language and language filled with sexual innuendo.

One or all of the new notations could be added to "TV-PG" for parental guidance suggested; "TV-14" for programs unsuitable for children under 14; and "TV-MA" for mature audiences only.

But the letter codes are not expected to be added to the current "TV-Y7" rating category, which designates children's programs suitable for children 7 and older.

Instead, a special designation is expected to be added that would apply to cartoons or fantasy programs aimed at older children, such as "FV" for fantasy violence.

There's also general agreement on making the description accompanying the "TV-PG" ratings more specific.

Actor Brian Keith dies at age 75; apparent suicide

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — Brian Keith, the burly actor best known as Uncle Bill on the TV sitcom "Family Affair," did not want to wait in a hospital for cancer to take his life.

Instead, Keith, 75, went home and apparently killed himself.

"Knowing Brian, who has been so independent all his life and always wanted to do things the way he wanted to do ... that could've meant beating the grim reaper before the reaper got him," said Kathy Garver, who played Cissy on the popular CBS-TV series, which ran from 1966 to 1971.

He left the hospital "because he didn't want to die there," she said.

Family members found Keith at his Malibu home Tuesday with a self-inflicted gunshot wound, sheriff's deputies said. Newspaper reports said Keith had lung cancer and emphysema.

"He was a crusty old character, but a lot of fun," said Paul Doherty, an agent for Keith. "A wonderful guy, wonderful talent."

Keith appeared in movies throughout the 1950s and '60s, including such light comedies as Disney's "The Parent Trap" in 1961 and "With Six You Get Eggroll" with Doris Day in 1968.

On television, Keith played retired Judge Milton G. Hardcastle in the ABC crime drama "Hardcastle & McCormick" from 1983 to 1986.

In "Family Affair," the blond-haired Keith played a bachelor raising his orphaned nieces and nephew — Buffy, Cissy and Jody — with the help of a proper English butler, Mr. French.

Johnnie Whitaker, who played Jody, said he spoke to Keith by telephone about five days ago.

Teen-ager pleads innocent to killing her baby at prom

FREEHOLD, N.J. (AP) — Appearing grim and nervous, a teen-ager whose baby boy was found strangled in a trash bin during her senior prom pleaded innocent to a charge of murder.

Melissa Drexler, 18, was charged Tuesday after an autopsy concluded her 6-pound, 6-ounce baby was strangled and left in a plastic bag taken from a sanitary-napkin receptacle in a restroom. She also was charged with endangerment.

Prosecutors said they do not plan to seek the death penalty. If convicted, Drexler could get up to life in prison.

In court, her lawyer entered the plea on her behalf. She spoke only to answer "yes" to a judge's brief questions.

About an hour later, after posting $50,000 bail, Drexler appeared to be on the verge of tears as she left the courthouse and made her way through a sea of reporters and photographers and into a black sport utility vehicle.

"She's not very happy," attorney Steven Secare said after Drexler left. "She's very nervous."

He told reporters, "Melissa Drexler is not guilty of murder."

The baby's body was found by a janitor at the catering hall on June 6.

Prosecutor John Kaye held a news conference and gave new details about how Drexler gave birth, dumped the baby's body in the trash at the Lacey Township High School prom, and went back to the dance floor.

Some witnesses saw blood dripping while Drexler was in the stall, Kaye said. She dabbed at it with her shoe, as if trying to wipe it away.

"Go tell the boys we'll be right out," Drexler yelled to a friend before coming out of the stall, Kaye said.

The infant was strangled and suffocated, although it was not clear whether that was by the plastic bag from the napkin bin or a hand being placed over the baby's mouth, Kaye said.

Drexler may have used the sharp edge of the napkin receptacle to cut the umbilical cord, he said.

Sara McDonald graduates SMU

DALLAS — Sara Elizabeth McDonald of Snyder was among more than 1,500 students at Southern Methodist University who received their diplomas at the University's 82nd annual May commencement.

McDonald graduated magna cum laude with departmental distinction and received a bachelor of arts degree with a major in journalism (broadcast news).

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.m.; for more information, call 573-6534.

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

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

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

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome; 3 p.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

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

Narcotics Anonymous Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 5 p.m.

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

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 06-25-97
♠ J 9 8 3
♥ K J 8 3
♦ Q 8
♣ 9 3 2

West
♠ ---
♥ 9 5 4 2
♦ A 10 7 5 2
♣ A K J 4

East
♠ Q 7 5 2
♥ 10 7
♦ 9 6 4 3
♣ Q 10 5

South
♠ A K 10 6 4
♥ A Q 6
♦ K J
♣ 8 7 6

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	1 ♦	Pass	Pass
Dbl.	2 ♣	Dbl.*	2 ♦
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	All pass

* For takeout

Opening lead: ♣ A

The same, but different

By Phillip Alder

Yesterday, I described how North's two-heart contract was defeated. (I have rotated the deal today to make South the declarer.) Now let's look at the play in four spades.

West led the club ace, East dropping the five to show an odd number. He switched to the diamond ace, East playing the six as he had an even number. West continued with another diamond, giving South, Barbara Travis, a chance. South cashed the spade ace, played the heart six to dummy's jack, and took four more rounds of trumps. West threw his remaining diamonds, the club four and club jack. Declarer cashed the heart ace and overtook the heart queen with dummy's king. However, West took the last two tricks with the heart nine and club king: one down.

There were two ways home. As the play went, at trick 11, declarer could have retained the lead with her heart queen. She exits with a club to West's king, forcing him to concede the last trick to dummy's heart king. This is called a steppingstone play. (West could have avoided this ending by discarding his club king and keeping a lower club.)

Alternatively, at trick five, declarer could have overtaken the heart queen with dummy's king. Then, after drawing trumps, when the heart ace drops East's 10, declarer can finesse dummy's heart eight.

This deal highlights the inexpediency of using only count signals. If East can signal with an encouraging club 10 at trick one, it is easy for the defenders to take the first four tricks.

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Continentals to sing here

The Frontline Continentals' 1997 30th Anniversary Tour, featuring contemporary Christian music, is planned for 6:30 tonight at the First Baptist Church.

Featuring over 25 singers, dancers and technicians, the program will include music for all ages.

For 30 years, the Continentals have been sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ, through music, to people all over the world. More than 170,000 young men and women have traveled to over 70 countries on six continents.

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ACROSS

1 Spouse
5 Rodents
9 — — Clear Day
12 E pluribus —
13 Two-toed sloth
14 Shack
15 Leslie Caron role
16 Type of poisoning
18 Mournful poems
20 Singer Diana —
21 Female sandpiper
22 Japanese sash
24 Cake maker
27 Study of animals
31 Words of understanding
32 Musical group
33 Farm tool
34 Place
35 Gossip maven Barrett
36 Realize
37 Capture
39 Sales figure, before deductions
40 First number
41 It's for horses!
42 Some sheep
45 Temperature scale
49 Footwear insert (2 wds.)
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56 Non-profit TV
57 Organs of sight
58 Being

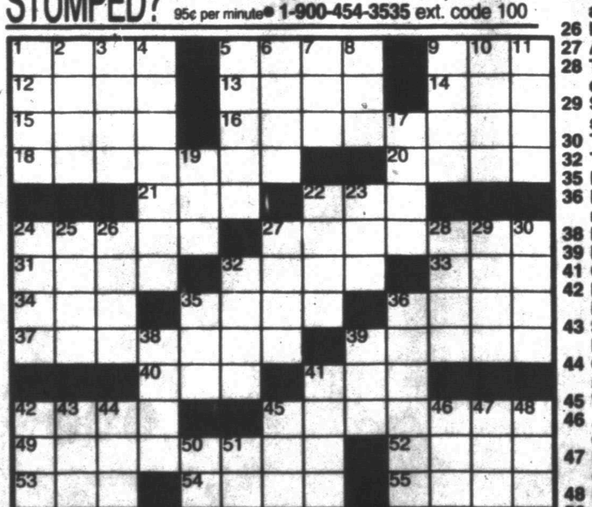
DOWN

1 Stubborn one
2 Dye
3 Western marsh plant
4 Certain migrant
5 Money in India
6 Aardvark's diet
7 Chinese philosophy
8 Total
9 Toledo's state
10 Convent dwellers
11 Tropical fruit
17 Seed covering
19 Comparative suffix
22 Mrs. Charles Chaplin
23 Physique (sl.)
24 Liver fluid
25 Straight — — arrow
26 Lock openers
27 Author Grey
28 Two words of dismay
29 Sticky substances
30 Trees
32 Tiresome one
35 Raced
36 Linda Evans role
38 Facial feature
39 Four qts.
41 Obeys
42 Invitation inits.
43 Seeker of Moby Dick
44 Clever sayings
45 Wax
46 Adjective ending
47 Plant containers
48 Large knife
50 Mao — -tung
51 Light beam

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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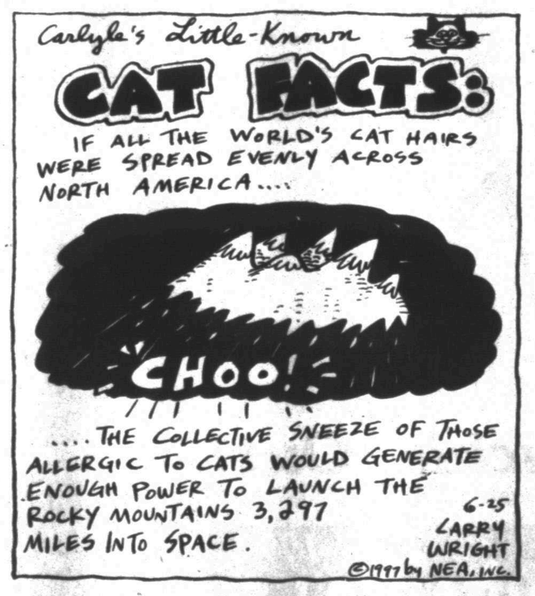
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SPORTS

Texas falls under .500 with 7-6 loss to Angels

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers have sprung a leak, falling under .500 for the first time since they were 4-5 on April 14.

Tony Phillips of the Anaheim Angels has seen a lot of baseball over his 15 major league seasons, and Phillips thinks he knows what's wrong with the Rangers, who dropped their seventh straight with Tuesday night's 7-6 loss to the Angels.

Phillips thinks the Rangers (36-37) made a mistake when they let shortstop Kevin Elster and center fielder Darryl Hamilton move on via free agency.

"They're missing Elster and Hamilton," Phillips said. "They didn't replace them. It's just not the same. You can't take away 99 RBIs from their shortstop and a .300 hitting outfielder. It can't be the same."

One-run losses continue to plague the Rangers, defending AL West champions. Texas is 5-16 in one-run games after Craig Grebeck's one-out RBI double in the ninth off relief ace John Wetteland snapped a tie.

Five of the seven losses in the current Texas skid have come by a single run.

On Tuesday, the Rangers' defense and relief pitching were the culprits as the Angels claimed their sixth consecutive victory.

Texas committed three errors and has nine errors in its last four games.

Meanwhile, the Rangers relievers blew their fourth straight save opportunity and are 3-for-9 in June save chances.

Luis Alicea doubled with one out in the ninth off loser Xavier Hernandez (0-1), and Grebeck followed with a double off Wetteland down the left-field line to score Alicea.

Rich DeLucia (6-2) pitched one-third of an inning to pick up the victory, and Troy Percival pitched the ninth for his ninth save.

The victory moved Anaheim to 16-10 in one-run games.

The Angels moved in front 6-4 with a three-run seventh. Darin Erstad's pinch RBI single off Hernandez with the bases loaded tied the game at 4. Phillips' force-out grounder knocked in the tie-breaking run and another run scored on a throwing error by Rangers shortstop Benji Gil.

But the Rangers rallied for a run in the seventh on Juan Gonzalez's RBI single, then tied it at 6-6 in the eighth on an RBI pinch single by Lee Stevens.

Texas lost starter Ken Hill in the fourth when he was struck in the right shin by a line drive off the bat of Garret Anderson. Hill was helped off the field by team trainers and was taken for X-rays, which were negative.

"I've been in this game for 30 years and I've never had a feeling like I have in my stomach right now," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "It's going to take a few hours for it to go away. It's something different every single night. I'm at a loss for words."



SNYDER ALL-STARS — The Snyder Little League 9- and 10-year-old all-stars will be playing in the district tournament June 28-July 14 at Logan Field. Members of the all-star team are, front row, left to right, Jeremy Lopez, Wyl Wiggins, Caleb Gutierrez, Garret Pinson, Bradley Price and Jerrod Fletcher. On the second row are Cade Simpson, Colton Long, Zach Garcia, Clint Cooper and Cade Owen. On the back row are coach Terry Williams, manager Grady Gafford and coach Bobby Wall. Not pictured is Cameron Boydston. (SDN Staff Photo)

Pirates pound Astros

HOUSTON (AP) — Jon Lieber pitched seven strong innings and Al Martin and Kevin Young hit back-to-back home runs as Pittsburgh defeated Houston 8-3 Tuesday night to move within 1½ games of the Central Division-leading Astros.

Lieber (4-8) beat the Astros for the first time since July 14, 1994. The right-hander gave up one unearned run, struck out five, walked five and held Houston scoreless after the second inning.

Every Pirate starter had at least one hit, while the Astros, who have scored three runs in their last 23 innings, managed only five hits to give them seven in their last two games.

Consecutive home runs by Martin and Young keyed a three-run first for Pittsburgh. Tony Womack led off with a single to center and stole second. One out later, Martin hit a 2-2 pitch from Donne Wall (2-5) over the right field wall for his sixth homer of the season. Young drove a 3-2 fastball from Wall over the fence in right-center field for his fifth homer.

The Astros cut the Pittsburgh lead to 3-1 in the second. Luis Gonzalez singled and reached second when Pirate third baseman Joe Randa fielded Derek Bell's ground ball and threw wildly attempting to get the force at second. A walk to Thomas Howard loaded the bases before Brad Ausmus hit into a double play to score Gonzalez. Lieber then struck out Tim Bogar to end the inning.

"The Pirates are a young, scrappy team, they don't care that they weren't picked to win this year," Gonzalez said. "They're just a bunch of blue-collar guys going out and playing hard and winning and having fun."

A run-scoring single by Kevin Polcovich — one of three hits by the Pirate shortstop — and RBI singles by Lieber and Jermaine Allensworth chased Wall in the fourth as the Pirates increased their lead to 6-1.

Wall lasted 3 2-3 innings and allowed six runs on nine hits. The right-hander struck out two and did not walk a batter while losing to the Pirates for the first time in five career appearances.

"If they keep pitching like they did these last two games, they're not going to go away," Houston manager Larry Dierker said. "They have that energy of youth on their side."

The Astros scored two in the eighth on an RBI double by Gonzalez, who scored after a pair of wild pitches by Marc Wilkins.

Welcome to District 2-4A, it could be anybody's race

By Eric Drennan
Sports Editor

It's here again. *Dave Campbell's Texas Football* magazine has been published for 1997.

Although Little League baseball hasn't ended, we can take a look at how *Texas Football* thinks the District 2-4A race might end up come November.

The district will once again be very competitive, which can make it tough to predict a champion this early. But one thing is for sure, Lubbock Estacado is the team to beat.

The Matadors are returning 21 lettermen and 14 starters from their 7-4 district co-champion team of a year ago.

Two players rated among the top 300 in Texas will highlight the roster for the 13th-ranked team in the state.

"Estacado is probably the best team in the district right now," said Levelland head coach Tom Ramsey. "But I think you also have to add in Snyder and Plainview because of their excellent junior varsity teams last year."

Ramsey's Lobos are ranked second in the race for the district crown. Levelland is returning 22 lettermen and eight starters from their 8-4 Division II area playoff team.

The offensive line will be back in Levelland but gone are two running backs who combined for nearly 2,600 yards last year.

However, the biggest concern for Ramsey will be his defense which lost eight starters to graduation.

The third slot goes to Plainview which finished only 2-8 in '96 but had a good JV season. The Bulldogs return 23 lettermen and 11 starters.

Texas Football only ranks the top three teams in each district, so the following teams are in no particular order.

Last year's other district co-champion was Frenship. The Tigers are returning 13 lettermen and six starters from their 6-5 district co-champion team.

"I think Frenship could have a good ballclub this year," said Snyder head coach David Baugh. "They're the second largest school in the district and always have a large pool of students from which they can get their players."

As for Baugh's Tigers, youth will be the keyword. Snyder returns 16 lettermen and four starters from their 4-6 team of a year ago.

A total of 15 lettermen are gone, including defensive back Matt Fambro, who signed with UTEP, and defensive tackle Chris Post, who will play for SMU.

Linebacker Kevin Kerr, who had 70 tackles, and tight end Kyle Beck, who averaged 32 yards per punt, will return. Beck should contribute on both sides of the ball in '97 and will help Snyder's balanced offense which averaged 250 yards per game last year.

"Our biggest obstacle will be inexperience," Baugh said. "We've got some really good athletes coming up this year, they just lack the experience of playing on Friday nights."

Lamesa will be looking to improve on last year's 1-9 mark. The Golden Tornadoes should have some experience to work with as they return 14 lettermen and 12 starters from last year.

So that's how the district lines up for 1997 according to *Texas Football*.

"It's a tough district every year," Baugh said. "I think Estacado believes they have what it takes to win a state championship.

"But we have some good kids this year and we play a rough non-district schedule. If we can get some good experience before district play, then we could be right up there at the end."

Now it's time to just wait until fall to see what happens. And I'm looking forward to it.

In fact, isn't that a chill I feel in the air and drums that I hear in the distance. Yes, I believe I can almost see the stadium lights from here.

SDN Local Sports Briefs

Tennis mini-clinic

A tennis mini-clinic will be held each Friday from 8 to 10 a.m. and from 10 a.m. until noon. The clinic is for junior high and older. Cost is $5 per two-hour session. Class sizes are limited to six. Call Alan Lee at 863-2305.

Raggedy Ann and Andy tourney

The annual Raggedy Ann and Andy golf tournament will be held this Saturday and Sunday at Snyder Country Club. Entry fee is $150 per couple. The tourney will be pre-flighted by total handicap and the format will be six holes of alternate shot, six holes of scramble and six holes of low ball. Call Carolyn Green at 573-5775.

Volleyball Fireworks Classic

A July 4th volleyball classic will be held starting at 9 a.m. The coed division is open to all ages. Play will be double elimination and T-shirts will be awarded to the first and second place team. Deadline to register is July 1 and fee is $10 per person. Late fee is $6. To register call Patty Grimmett at 573-9416.

Coed basketball camp

Coach Rick Archer, SHS girls' cage coach, will hold a coed basketball camp for boys and girls who will be in the 2nd through 8th grades next year. The camp will be July 7-11 at Snyder High School. Cost is $45 per camper if received by June 25, $55 June 26-July 5 and $60 for registering July 7. Brochures are available at any Lawrence IGA. For more information, call Archer at 573-7672.

Snyder volleyball camp

A volleyball camp for girls in the 5th through 9th grades will be held July 14-17 at the high school gym. Sessions will be from 8:30 a.m. until noon. Cost is $40. For more information, call Coach Patty Grimmett at 573-9416.

Athletic physicals

All incoming 7th and 9th graders, and all students new to SISD who plan to participate in athletics must take a physical. Students not participating in sports last year, or who answered yes to questions 1, 4, 5, 6 or 7 on medical history forms, will need a physical.

Anyone needing a physical should schedule an appointment before Aug. 5. The school will pay for exams through Aug. 5 only.

Participating doctors are Drs. Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey and Pierce. Anyone not needing a physical must return all forms filled out to the athletic department.

All-star tournaments

The all-star tournament for nine- and ten-year-olds will be June 28-July 14 at Logan Field.

The all-star tournament for 11- and 12-year-olds will be June 28-July 12 in Abilene.

The Senior Little League will play its tournaments July 1-8. The 13-year-old all-stars will play at Wylie and Abilene Redbud Park. Moffett Field and Abilene Southwest will host the 14- and 15-year-old tournament.

Ladies playday Tuesday

The Women's Golf Association at Snyder Country Club will have its weekly playday starting at 9 a.m. Tuesday. The format will be all irons on the back nine. There will be a luncheon and business meeting following play.

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American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	49	23	.681	-
NewYork	42	32	.568	8
Toronto	33	38	.465	15½
Boston	34	40	.459	16
Detroit	32	40	.444	17

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	38	33	.535	-
Chicago	36	37	.493	3
Milwaukee	35	36	.493	3
KansasCity	34	37	.479	4
Minnesota	34	40	.459	5½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	43	32	.573	-
Anaheim	40	34	.541	2½
Texas	36	37	.493	6
Oakland	31	46	.403	13

Tuesday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 12, Detroit 9
Cleveland 10, Minnesota 5
Boston 9, Toronto 6
Baltimore 6, Milwaukee 2
Chicago White Sox 4, Kansas City 0
Anaheim 7, Texas 6
Oakland 4, Seattle 1

Wednesday's Games

N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 8-5) at Detroit (Thompson 7-5), 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 8-2) at Milwaukee (Eldred 7-7), 2:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Belcher 8-7) at Chicago White Sox (Darwin 2-5), 2:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Perisho 0-2) at Texas (Witt 8-4), 2:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Robertson 7-4) at Cleveland (Nagy 8-4), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Wakefield 2-7) at Toronto (Hentgen 8-3), 7:35 p.m.
Oakland (Wengert 3-5) at Seattle (Wolcott 3-4), 10:35 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	47	28	.627	-
Florida	44	30	.595	2½
NewYork	43	32	.573	4
Montreal	42	32	.568	4½
Philadelphia	23	50	.315	23

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	37	39	.487	-
Pittsburgh	35	40	.467	1½
St.Louis	34	40	.459	2
Cincinnati	31	43	.419	5
Chicago	29	46	.387	7½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanFrancisco	43	32	.573	-
Colorado	40	36	.526	3½
LosAngeles	37	38	.493	6
SanDiego	32	43	.427	11

Tuesday's Games

San Francisco 4, San Diego 1
Cincinnati 7, Montreal 6, 10 innings
Florida 4, Philadelphia 1
N.Y. Mets 6, Atlanta 5
St. Louis 7, Chicago Cubs 2
Pittsburgh 8, Houston 3
Colorado 6, Los Angeles 2

Wednesday's Games

Florida (Fernandez 7-6) at Philadelphia (Maduro 3-6), 1:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Cooke 5-9) at Houston (Kile 8-3), 1:35 p.m.
Cincinnati (Mercker 5-5) at Montreal (P.Martinez 9-3), 1:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Glavine 7-4) at N.Y. Mets (Jones 12-3), 1:40 p.m.
San Diego (Ashby 3-3) at San Francisco (Fernandez 3-4), 3:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Trachsel 4-6) at St. Louis (Morris 5-4), 8:05 p.m.
Colorado (Burke 2-1) at Los Angeles (Valdes 3-8), 10:35 p.m.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

Eastern Conference

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	2	0	1.000	-
NewYork	2	0	1.000	-
Charlotte	0	1	.000	1½
Cleveland	0	1	.000	1½

Western Conference

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	1	1	.500	-
Sacramento	1	1	.500	-
Utah	1	1	.500	-
LosAngeles	0	2	.000	1

Wednesday's Game

Charlotte at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Utah at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
New York at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

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Noah Project-West, a Non-Profit Tax Exempt Organization: invites all interested bidders to submit bids to build a new office/shelter facility to be located in Snyder, Texas. Plans and Specifications will be available June 18, 1997, after 1:00 p.m. from the Noah Project-West office located at 2707 College Avenue in Snyder, Texas. Sealed bids will be accepted at this location until 5:00 p.m. on June 26, 1997. Bids submitted after 5:00 p.m. on June 26, 1997 will be returned to bidder unopened. The bid opening will take place on June 26, 1997 at 5:30 p.m. Noah Project-West will accept the most advantageous bid and reserves the right to reject any bid.

All bids should be addressed to: Noah Project-West, PO Box 425, Snyder, Texas 79550. Attention: Building Committee. Sealed envelope shall be clearly marked "Shelter Bid".

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Odds went against homeowner on lake

LAKEWAY (AP) — Jim Strubar built a home next to Lake Travis in 1992, even though he knew a record flood swamped the area just a year earlier.

"I went back and checked the records and I felt it was worth the risk building here," said Strubar. "I figured it would be another 100 years before floods would hit like they did in 1991. I was wrong."

Strubar was living in a motel today because 8 feet of water sat in his living room. A family of ducks swam through his neighborhood, called Graveyard Point because it was once a cemetery.

The sky was mostly clear today, but scattered showers were forecast through Thursday.

Strubar's home was among the 200 to 300 Lake Travis homes damaged from flooding caused by weekend downpours that sent rivers spilling over their banks. One home partially submerged belonged to race car driver A.J. Foyt, the four-time Indianapolis 500 winner.

Four deaths were blamed on the flooding. Homes were flooded along a 100-mile stretch from just west of San Antonio to northwest of Austin.

In Marble Falls, at least 100 homes were damaged and residents were told to boil their water because of sewer problems. At least 30 homes were damaged in Llano. Residents also were cleaning up at Kingsland on Lake Lyndon B. Johnson.

"We have boats, boathouses, fishing docks, large trees, just about everything in the world scattered throughout the river," said Ron Downing, office manager for the Kingsland Chamber of Commerce.

97 pints of blood drawn

Ninty-seven units of blood were drawn during the latest Texas Blood Institute drive.

The units represented 109 total donors.

Jeff Mason received an eight-gallon pin. Others receiving pins were Olin Bunch, six gallons; Vickie Rowland, two gallons; and Gary Poe and Roy Kent Sutton, one gallon.

Receiving gift certificates were:

Jaramillo's: Nancy Harper, Vernest Tippens, Olin Bunch, Rayburn Burgess, Tammy Voss.

Lota' Burger: Patricia Hayes, Ronnie Black, Santiago Gutierrez.

Pizza Hut: Ken Spoor, Jerri Riley.

Pizza Inn: Shelly Beasley, Toni Wallace, Troy Greenlee, Donna Mills.

Spanish Inn: Homer Godair, Elizabeth Jenkins, Juanita Rayborn, Monette O'Day, Diane Irwin.

Rudy's: Bill Wood, Kathy Caldwell, Thadine Hart, Lena Atkinson, Sharon Fry.

The drive was sponsored by Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary and Scurry County Advisory Council for TBI.

Two arrested by law officers

One person was arrested Tuesday on an outstanding warrant and another was taken into custody early this morning for driving while intoxicated.

An 18-year-old male was arrested at 9:41 p.m. Tuesday in the 2900 block of Avenue C on a warrant for unlawful carrying of a weapon.

At 12:30 this morning, officers arrested a 41-year-old male on Avenue G near Coliseum Drive for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

In other activity Tuesday, officers received reports of fire crackers being popped in the 4400 block of College Avenue and the 2600 block of Avenue K.

A report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted at 12:07 this morning in reference to a vehicle in the 800 block of 27th Street having a window broken.

Markets

Midday Stocks

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AT&T Corps	37	36⅛	36	11-16— ⅛
AirTouch	28⅛	28⅛	28	11-16+3-16
Albertsons	37⅛	37	37⅛	+1-16
AlldSignal	84	11-16	83⅛	84⅛+ ⅛
Alltel	33⅛	33⅛	33⅜	— ⅛
AmerOnline	58⅛	57⅛	57⅝	— ⅛
AmStores	50⅛	49	11-16	50⅛+ ⅛
Ameritech	70	3-16	69⅛	70 3-16—3-16
Amoco	88	1-16	87	19-32 87⅛— ⅛
AndarkPtr	61⅛	61	3-16	61⅜+9-16
Armcolnc	3	15-16	3¼	3¾— ⅛
AtlRichfld s	72⅛	72⅛	72	9-16+ ⅛
ATMOS Egy	24⅛	24	3-16	24⅛+ ⅛
Aviall	14⅜	14	13-16	14⅜
BakerHughes	37⅛	37⅛	37	3-16—1-16
BellAtl	75	74	3-16	74⅜— ⅛
BellSouth	45	5-16	44	13-16 45 3-16— ⅛
BethSteel	10⅜	10	7-16	10 9-16+1-16
BritPet s	71⅛	70⅜	71	1-16+5-16
BurlNoSFe	91⅛	90¼	91⅛+ ⅛
Caterpillar	108½	107⅛	108⅜— ⅛
Caterpillar wi	54⅛	54	54⅜+ ⅛
CenSoWst	20	15-16	20⅜	20⅜—3-16
Chevron	74	5-16	73⅜	74 3-16—1-16
Chrysler	32½	32½	32⅝— ⅛
Coastal	53¼	52⅛	53⅛+7-16
CocaCola	70	9-16	69	13-16 70 3-16— ⅛
ColgatePalm s	65⅛	64	13-16	64 15-16— ⅛
ComclMetals	30⅛	30¼	30⅜— ⅛
Cooperin	51	3-16	50⅞	50⅞—5-16
CyprusAmax	24	9-16	24⅛	24 9-16—1-16
DalSemicn	37	7-16	37⅛	37⅛
DeltaAirl	86⅛	85⅞	85	15-16+1-16
DigitalEq	36⅜	35	13-16	36⅜+ ⅛
Dillards Inc	35	5-16	35	35 — ⅛
DowChem	89⅛	88	19-32	89⅛— ⅛
DresserInd	36	15-16	36	7-16 36⅛— ⅛
DuPont s	61	15-16	60⅛	61⅜+ ⅛
EastmanChem	62		61⅛	61⅜— ⅛
EstKodak	77	7-16	76⅞	76 13-16—11-16
EDS Corp	44		43	1-16 43⅜+13-16
Enserch	22⅜		22⅛	22⅜+1-16
Entergy	27		26⅛	26 15-16+5-16
Exxon s	62⅛		61⅛	61⅜— ⅛
FstBksAm	13¼		13¼	13¼
Flowers s	16	13-16	16⅛	16⅝
FordMotor	39	5-16	38	15-16 39⅛+ ⅛
GTE Cp	44⅜		44⅛	44⅜+ ⅛
GenDynam	77⅜	76	13-16	77⅛— ⅜
GenElecs	66	15-16	66	5-16 66 9-16+ ⅛
GenMills	64⅜	64	7-32	64⅛— ⅛
GenMotors	57⅛	56⅜	56	15-16+3-16
GaPacif	88⅛	87⅛	87⅛	—2 5-16
GlobalMar	22		21⅛	21 11-16—7-16
Goodrich	46		45⅛	45⅝— ⅛
Goodyear s	62⅜		62	1-16 62⅛
GtAtlPac	26⅛		26⅛	26¼— ⅛
Halliburta	75⅜	74⅛	75	1-16+9-16
Hanson ADS n	25	15-16	25⅛	25⅜—5-16
HarteHanks	30⅛		30⅛	30⅛
HomeDepot	69	13-16	69⅛	69 7-16— ⅜
HomeDepot wi	46⅛		46⅛	46⅛
HoustonInds	21	11-16	21⅛	21⅜+1-16
IBM s	93⅛	91⅞	92	13-16+1
IntlPaper	50	7-16	49⅝	50 1-16—13-16
JohnsonJn	66⅛	65⅛	65	5-16—1 1-16
K mart	12⅛	12⅛	12	3-16
Kroger s	28⅛	27	13-16	28⅜+5-16
Litton	48⅛	47	9-16	48⅛+15-16
LockhdMart	102⅛	101⅛	102⅛+ ⅜
Lowes Cos	37⅞	36⅞	37⅛	+5-16
Lubys	20	1-16	20	20 — ⅛
LucentTech	73¼	72	1-16	73 +13-16
MayDeptStrs	48⅜	48		48⅜— ⅜
Medtronic	85⅛	85		85 7-16+1⅜
Mobilwi	70⅛	69⅛		70⅛— ⅛
Monsanto	43⅞	43⅜		43⅜+ ⅛
MorganJP	109⅛	108⅛		108 9-16— ⅛
Motorola	75		72	74⅛+3⅛
NCR Corp s	30⅛	28	13-16	30 +1 3-16
NationsBk s	68⅛	68		11-16+ ⅛
Navistar	17	7-16	17	1-32 17 7-16+3-16
NorsanEngy				15 7-16 15 5-16 15⅜
Norwest	58⅛	57	19-32	57 15-16—3-16
Nynex	56	13-16	56	1-16 56 11-16—23-64
OryxEngy	20⅜	20		20 5-16+5-16
Penney JC	52⅜		52	52⅛
Pennzoil	77		76⅛	76⅜— ⅛
PepBoys	34⅛		34	34 3-16
PepsiCo	37	13-16	36⅞	37⅛+3-16
PhelpDodge	84	3-16	83	9-16 83⅜—7-16
PhilipPet	43¼	43	3-16	43 7-16+5-16
PilgrmPrd	11⅛		11⅛	11⅜+ ⅛
Polaroid	50		49⅝	50
Praxair	55⅛		54⅛	54⅝— ⅛
ProctGamble	137⅞	136	19-32	137 5-16—5-16
PubSNwMx	18		17	13-16 17 13-16—3-16
RoyalDutch	210	9-16	209	5-16 210¼+5-16
SBC Comm	60⅛		60	60⅜— ⅜
SaraLee	41	15-16	41	9-16 41⅛— ⅛
SearsRoeb	54		53⅛	54 + ⅛
SherwinW s	31	9-16	31⅛	31⅜+3-16
SmthBc ADS	89⅜		88⅛	89⅜+1⅛
SouthernCo	21⅛	21	21-32	21 13-16—1-16
SwstAirlines	26⅛		25⅞	26⅛
Sprint	52		51⅛	51⅜+7-16
SunCo	31⅛	31	1-16	31⅛— ⅜
TNP Ent	23	9-16	23⅛	23⅜
Tandy	55⅛	55	11-32	55 7-16—3-16
TempleInland	57⅜		57⅛	57⅜+ ⅛
Tenneco	45	15-16	45	9-16 45 9-16—3-16
Texaco	111	11-16	110	111 3-16— ⅛
TexasInds	26⅜	26	7-16	26 7-16+ ⅛
TexasInst	90⅜	88⅛	90	+1 9-16
TexUtil	34		33	13-16 33 15-16
Textron s	66⅜	64⅜	66⅛	+1 1-16
Travelers s	65⅛	63	15-16	65⅛+ ⅛
TrinityInds	33⅜		33⅛	33⅛
TritonEngy	44		43⅛	43⅜— ⅛
US WestCm	36⅛	36	1-16	36⅜—1-16
USWstMda	21	1-16	20⅛	21
USX Delhi	13	12	13-16	12 13-16—3-16
USX-Marathn	29	11-16	29⅛	29⅛+ ⅛
USX-USS	34	5-16	33	15-16 34 5-16+ ⅛
UnCarbde	47⅛	47	7-16	47 11-16+7-16
UnPac s	70	15-16	70⅛	70 13-16+ ⅛
UnitedTech s	86		85	85⅛+ ⅛
Unocal	39	13-16	39⅛	39⅜— ⅛
WalMart	33⅜	33	5-16	33⅛—1-16
WstnGasRs	19⅛		19	19
WestghEl	23⅜	22⅛	23	5-16+ ⅜
WinnDixie	39⅜	39⅛	39	7-16—9-16
Woolworth	24⅜	24⅛	24	11-16+ ⅜
Xerox Corp	77⅛	75⅜	77⅛	+2⅛
ZenithE	12⅜	12⅛	12	3-16—1-16

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Alfred Floyd, 2206 45th; Theresa Ervin, 2200 45th; Lisa Cross, 2205 41st.

DISMISSALS: Laura Chandler.

CENSUS: 48 (Med., Surg.-10, Long-term Care-35, OB-2, Nursery-1).

Births

Matt and Lisa Cross of Snyder announce the birth of their son, Samuel Custis Cross, at 7:56 p.m. on June 24 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed seven pounds, 13 ounces.

Scurry County Country



Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts,
County Extension Agent

Just say no and help your child grow at a healthy pace

A recent report shows that children are gaining about one-half pound more per year than children twenty years ago. To maintain or achieve healthy weight for your family, you may need to Just Say No to ways that cause extra pounds and to Just Say Yes to ways that will help your children build healthy eating and exercise habits.

•Just Say NO to those second helpings and extra bites. An extra 100 calories a day than a child needs to grow normally or an adult needs to maintain weight results in an extra ten pounds in one year. One hundred calories is not much food. For example 100 extra calories are 10 potato chips, an eight ounce glass of coke, a large cookie, a slice of bread and butter, a handful of peanuts.

•When you're tempted to fry foods, Just Say NO!! Grill, bake or use small amounts of water. For baked goods, use applesauce in place of oil or fat. Grill, bake, or cook in small amount of water.

•Just Say NO to butter and cheese sauces for casseroles and vegetables. Instead of butter, season with herbs and spices.

•Just Say NO To preparing sweet desserts. Serve canned or fresh fruit for desserts. Learn to serve sweet desserts only occasionally.

•If weight is a problem for your family, Just Say NO To snacks such as chips, dips, cookies, crackers. Your family will "wear" the food you purchase and serve. So choose and serve wisely the food you wish them to "wear" later.

•Just Say YES to using the Food Guide Pyramid when preparing meals. By serving the recommended servings in the Food Guide Pyramid, you can meet the recommended goal of less than 30 percent of calories from fat. Build your family's diets on whole grain breads and cereals, fruits and vegetables. These are low in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol. Then add the recommended amounts of milk and dairy foods and meat, chicken or fish.

•Just Say YES to family exercise. According, to C. Everett Koop, past Surgeon General and promoter of the new "Shape Up America" program, exercise is a family value. He believes that family exercise is as important as families eating meals together.

Families who exercise together at least 30 minutes a day can keep their families healthy in more ways than one. Parents are responsible to potty train their children, teach them to brush their teeth and take a bath regularly, do homework, or get enough sleep. The same is true for exercise. Like brushing teeth, eating a healthy diet and getting enough exercise are habits, and parents are responsible for developing these habits in their children. Research shows that parents and school faculty and staff are imporant role models for children to learn good exercise habits.

Every year, about a dozen newborn babies are kidnapped from hospital maternity wards. Despite the relative rarity of this heinous crime, hospitals are devising security devices that make abduction more difficult. High-tech tagging systems are sometimes placed around a baby's wrist that activate alarms if the baby leaves a secured area and staffs are being trained at anti-abduction courses.

Crop Report

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Record-breaking rains flooded and damaged many crops in Central Texas this weekend, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reported.

In the midst of warm and cold fronts, isolated thunderstorms deposited as much as 30 inches of rain in some counties.

Extension economist Jose Pena of Uvalde said that flooding in Bandera, Kerr and Kendall counties caused problems in the surrounding area as well.

"The heavy rains caused downstream flooding around Uvalde, Medina and Bexar counties," Pena said.

"The floods caused fence line destruction and left some livestock isolated from herds.

In addition to these problems, Pena said various crops will suffer from this weather. Producers expect losses in onion and cantaloupe crops due to the recent floods.

"We were ready to harvest about 600 acres of onions when the floods hit," Pena said. "Now the onions are sitting in waterlogged soil and we don't expect them to dry out in time."

Pena added that field crops such as corn, sorghum and cotton do not appear to be damaged by the floods. In fact, he believes cotton will benefit from the moisture.

In other regions of the state, however, cotton fields have suffered from adverse weather conditions.

Extension entomologist Emory Boring of Vernon said that cotton in the Rolling Plains was mostly planted between May 26 and June 20. He said sand blown by high winds was responsible for damage done to the cotton crop there.

"We were still planting when the floods hit and some cotton was very susceptible to the high winds," Boring said.

He said some buds were damaged; however, the rest of the plant should repair itself. Harvest may be delayed for up to 10 days. The damage has left some producers wondering if they should replant their cotton crops.

"Although the damage should be minimal, producers will determine by the end of the week whether they will replant," Boring said.

Besides damage done to crops and livestock, at least three human deaths have been reported due to the flooding. A water shortage in the city of Llano is adding to the devastation.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: soil moisture adequate. Ranges excellent. Cattle good to excellent. Cotton very poor to good; some stands lost to heavy rain, hail, cool soil temperature. Wheat fair to good with hail damage reported. Wet fields delaying sorghum planting.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures, ranges in good condition. Many cotton fields damaged due to weather; destroyed fields will be planted to alternative crops. Peanut planting is nearing completion. Wheat harvesting continues.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture adequate. Pastures, ranges in excellent condition. Cattle are gaining well. Cotton has been affected by weather; many producers are replanting. Wheat harvest delayed by high moisture. Light casebearer damage to pecans.

NORTH TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures, ranges poor to excellent; weeds very persistent. Livestock good. Corn good to excellent with crop tasseling. Cotton being sprayed for weeds, thrips. Mildew, insects, disease persist on the sweet potato crop.

FAR WEST TEXAS: soil moisture short to adequate. Pastures, ranges poor to excellent. Cattle good. Cotton fair to excellent; high winds forcing farmers to replant. Wheat harvesting under way with poor yields. Pecans fair; Casebearer damage persists. Peanut crop excellent.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture adequate to surplus. Pastures good. Cattle good, but internal parasites persist in sheep, goats. Cotton planting nearing completion; flooded fields being replanted. Harvesting of wheat under way. Haying of forage sorghum under way.

CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture surplus. Pastures, ranges good. Wheat harvest delayed by rains; good yields reported. Oat harvest under way. Peanuts being planted. Insect problems continue on cotton. Midge damage to early sorghum fields.

Hog sells for a piggy $48,000

ALBION, Ind. (AP) — A Hampshire boar is living the high life now that he's become the toast of the hog world.

The Earnhart family of Noble County, Ind., sold the boar for $48,000 at the World Pork Expo in Indianapolis earlier this month. Not bad, considering the average hog fetches about $150.

The boar, which possesses the frame, muscle and overall genetic characteristics that pork producers love, is among more than 100 boars residing at Lean Value Sires in New Carlisle, Ohio.

Growing consumer preference for fat-reduced foods has resulted in a major push for leaner pork — and higher prices for hogs with the genetics that produce it.

In that respect, the Earnharts were farsighted: They've been "trying to grow these leaner, meatier hogs for about 30 years," Steve Earnhart said.

The prize breeding hogs "have a pretty good life," Mary Pavelko, vice president and manager of the farm. "They have their individual pens, and they're fed individually.

"We collect their semen for artificial insemination. Then we ship it all over the United States, and we export it to a lot of countries, including Mexico, Canada, the Philippines and Asia."

A mature boar can produce 20 to 30 doses of semen a week, which sells for up to $150 a dose, Pavelko said. Boars usually are productive for four to five years.

Less than 1 percent of the boar's offspring will be raised for market, she said. Most will be breeding and show hogs.

"He is one of the best boars we've ever seen," Pavelko said of the Albion hog.

Lean Value sells boar semen up to a year in advance of its production, in bottles of 6 billion to 8 billion sperm. A popular boar there typically might have sold up to six weeks of semen in advance by now, and its highest-priced hog already has sold about three months' worth, Pavelko said.

The Earnharts have about 125 purebred Hampshire sows. Their operation is divided evenly between livestock production for breeding stock and for a packaging plant.

Lamb, goat sale goes well

The Eighth Annual Club Lamb and Meat Goat Sale at the Wylie High School FFA Showbarn in Abilene held recently raised a record $21,775 for the West Texas Rehabilitation Centers in Abilene and San Angelo.

Breeders from Texas and surrounding states donated 150 lambs and 74 goats for the sale. Animals purchased at the sale are eligible for the WTRC Jackpot Show on Dec. 6, at the Dorthea Griffin Arena, at the fair grounds in Abilene.

The high selling lamb (medium wool) was donated by Usner Brothers of Fredericksburg and brought $320. The top selling goat sold for $350 and was donated by Powell-Holman of Eldorado. Volunteer Lamb chairmen for the event were Gaines Price, Roscoe; Wade Stephens, Cross Plains; John Helmer, Tye; and Charlie Palmer, Clyde. Jennifer Morris, Colorado City, chaired the Meat Goat Division.

Danny Isbell, WTRC project coordinator for the sale, expressed appreciation to the volunteer chairmen, the Wylie FFA sponsors, and to several area county FFA and 4H students who worked to make the sale a success. Kevin Hutson and Dale Sheets were the volunteer auctioneers for the event.

John and Sue Kearney and Russell and Becky Kott were presented a Jodie Boren limited edition chuckwagon print for their previous seven years of work and dedication as co-chairpersons of the lamb sale.

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 634 head of cattle for the Thursday, June 19, sale. Cows were $2 better. Calves and yearlings were steady. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows: 38 to 46; canners and low cutters: 30 to 37; slaugher bulls 47 to 55.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 80 to 120; 400 to 500; 80 to 100; 500 to 600, 74 to 92; 600 to 700, 72 to 84; 700 to 800, 70 to 76.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 75 to 92; 400 to 500, 70 to 82; 500 to 600, 68 to 75; 600 to 700, 67 to 73; 700 to 800, 65 to 71.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 70 to 80; 700 to 800, 67 to 72.

Cow and calf pairs, good: 600 to 825; grade, 573-600.

Springers: 375 to 610; babay calves: 75 to 200; doodlers: 150 to 240.

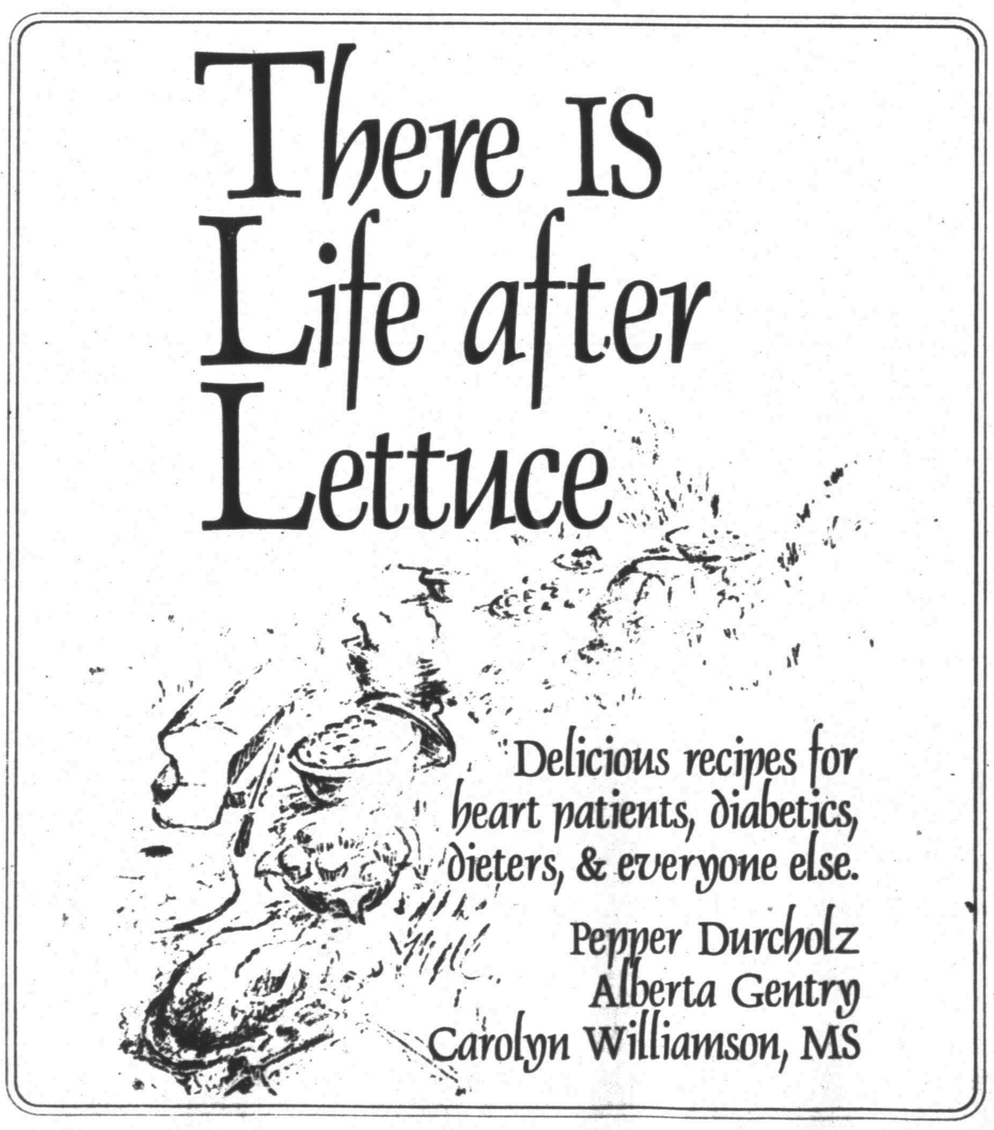
Colorado city cattle auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 661 head of cattle for the Saturday, June 21 Sale. Stocker and feeder steers and heifers were $1 to $3 higher. Demand good, very active market. Slaugher cows were $1 to $3 higher. Bulls were $2 to $5 higher. Pairs and bred cows were steady.

Heifers:
200 to 400: 88 to 98
400 to 600: 72 to 93
600 to 800: 68 to 78.50
Steers:
200 to 400: 95 to 121
400 to 500: 85 to 94.50
500 to 600: 78 to 94
600 to 800: 72 to 84.50

Young bred cows: 550 to 650
Medium age to older bred cows: 495 to 550.
Young cows and calves: 675 to 875.
Medium age to older cows and calves: 585 to 650.
Packer cows: 36 to 45.75.
Packer bulls: 50 to 57.25.

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Medicare...

Senate endorses higher eligibility age

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate agreed today to extend welfare benefits to immigrants who become disabled, siding with the Clinton administration over what had become a contentious battle with the House.

By voice vote, Senate leaders agreed to allow immigrants who were in the country when last year's welfare law was signed to remain eligible for Supplemental Security Income, should they become disabled.

Republicans agreed to the deal Tuesday night after auditors reevaluated the budget bill and found an extra $1 billion, said a Republican aide, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The bipartisan budget deal called for restoring disability benefits for immigrants. But a House committee, in its version of the budget bill, said no new immigrants could apply for SSI. Instead, it chose to cover elderly noncitizens already in the program — a group left out under the budget deal. House leaders have said they are willing to discuss the issue in conference with the Senate.

The Senate bill, expected to pass later today, now includes funding for all immigrants in the SSI program and those who may become disabled in the future.

The change provides "fairness to people who come to this country legally, who pay their taxes in good faith and play by the rules," said Sen. Frank Lautenberg, D-N.J.

Sen. Pete Dominici, chairman of the Budget Committee, acknowledged the differences with the House and said they would have to be worked out later. He accepted the amendment offered by Lautenberg without a roll call vote.

Earlier today, Senate Democrats lost an 11th-hour attempt today to kill dramatic Medicare changes that would make more affluent older people pay more for Medicare premiums and raise the age of eligibility gradually to 67.

An amendment proposed by Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I., failed on a vote of 75-25 to strip the provisions from the Senate's massive bill designed to save $136 billion from Medicare, Medicaid and other programs and balance the budget by 2002. All 25 supporters of Reed's amendment were Democrats.

In a stunning pair of votes Tuesday that would make the most dramatic Medicare changes in years, the Senate endorsed raising the program's eligibility age and increasing costs for the best-off beneficiaries.

President Clinton has said he believes the changes have no place in the balanced budget deal, making their ultimate fate questionable. But Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said the proposals are a matter of "fundamental fairness."

"Why should working people making $35,000 a year be paying for wealthy people who make $100,000 to get Medicare?" he asked Tuesday.

The overall bill was expected to pass the Senate by a wide margin today after a series of votes on unresolved issues including how generous a benefit package to provide under new children's health programs.

The House also was set today to take up its own version of the bill, but it did not call for such dramatic changes in the government health care program for the elderly.

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., and other Democratic leaders have urged the party's rank-and-file to oppose the bill, arguing that it contains unfair cuts in programs aiding the poor. But late Tuesday, the House Rules Committee cleared the way for an amendment to the spending bill that would resolve some but not all of the Democrats' objections.

"This is a pretty good first step," Rep. John Spratt, D-S.C., told the panel. The Rules Committee approved a series of amendments that would provide $1.5 billion to cover premiums for low-income Medicare recipients and provide minimum wage and other worker protections and anti-discrimination provisions for people who participate in the welfare-to-work program.

But the Rules Committee's action didn't include an agreement to ensure disabled immigrants who legally entered the country before Aug. 23, 1996, would be eligible for Medicaid and Social Security benefits.

The Rules panel also agreed to increase from $9.7 billion to $20.3 billion the revenue the government would receive over five years from auction of sections of the public airwaves as the broadcast industry moves to new digital broadcast services.

Senate ready to debate tax bill, Demos offer alternative

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the Senate prepares to debate the biggest tax cut in 16 years, Democrats are pushing an alternative to the GOP proposal that would scale back a capital gains tax cut in favor of expanding a $500 child tax credit to lower-income families.

The alternative drafted by Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., departs significantly from the GOP tax plan by giving the $500 per child tax credit to an extra 10 million families, according to a draft summary obtained by The Associated Press.

Daschle was to unveil his tax plan today, before the scheduled beginning of Senate debate on a GOP tax bill drafted by Senate Finance Chairman William V. Roth Jr., R-Del.

House Republicans, meanwhile, held a rally today to urge members to present a unified front when their bill goes to the floor on Thursday. "Today and tomorrow we are at a historic moment," said House Speaker Newt Gingrich. "This is one of the most important votes in modern times."

House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer said that while everyone won't agree with everything in the tax package, "we need all of us to stay together on every vote."

While several Democrats voted for the GOP's bill in the Senate tax panel last week, Daschle said that measure "wasn't a bill that Democrats would write had we had a chance to do it. There's a better way to write a bill."

Democratic aides said they were hopeful all 45 Democrats would support the Daschle proposal when it came to a vote, which is expected later this week.

The Senate Finance Committee's bill, approved by an 18-2 margin last week, calls for a $500 tax credit for children under age 17, incentives to save for college education and retirement.

Originally, the bill sought to deliver an $85 billion net tax reduction over five years, but after a series of amendments, the proposal came short of that goal, delivering a net tax reduction of about $77 billion, congressional tax staff said.

The Roth bill was expected to be debated through Friday on the Senate floor, and perhaps into the weekend, committee aides said.

The Daschle plan departed from Roth's plan in significant areas. The Democratic alternative would make the $500 credit available to lower-income families who would lack income after taking other tax breaks aimed at assisting the poor.

Parents could receive the full $500 credit if they elected to invest it in a special Individual Retirement Account for the child; if not, the tax credit would be lower.

House approves bill for defense

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House today passed a $268 billion defense budget that adds modestly to President Clinton's request and bars extending the U.S. troop deployment in Bosnia.

In a last-minute victory for the White House, the House reversed itself on a measure that would have cut off arms reduction aid to Russia. On Monday, the House voted narrowly to cut off the aid should Russia sell sophisticated new anti-ship cruise missiles to China. The concern is that China might sell the missiles to Iran where they could threaten Navy ships in the Persian Gulf.

Democrats and the Clinton administration managed to change a net of 11 votes against the original amendment — five Republican and six Democrat — and defeated it today in an unusual revote.

Clinton administration backers passed out handbills arguing that "the administration is already pursuing every possible way to dissuade Russia from selling this missile to China."

A separate version of the aid cutoff has already passed the House as part a State Department bill, but that measure would affect foreign aid to Russia, not the so-called Nunn-Lugar funding which is used to help dismantle Russia's nuclear arsenal.

"I'm not mad," said Rep. Dana Rohrabacher, R-Calif., who saw his amendment defeated today. "The most important thing is that a message has been sent to Russia that this is a serious issue. If they start selling high-tech weapons to other countries, they're going to start to suffer the consequences."

Defeat of an amendment on a revote is highly unusual in the House. Rep. Ronald Dellums, D-Calif., ranking Democrat on the House National Security Committee, engineered the action after concluding that members did not fully understand the issue in Monday's brief debate. Dellums emphasized that cutting off arms reduction aid to Russia would punish the United States more than Moscow.

About $200 million in aid was at stake.

Indecency case continues in district court

A 10-man, two-woman jury broke for lunch at noon today after hearing testimony from two Snyder ISD employees in the 132nd District Court case of a 19-year-old Snyder man on trial for indency with a child.

Jean Burns, a Snyder High School teacher, and ISD diagnostician Daisy Lewis were called to the stand in defense of David Lee Wager this morning.

Burns was giving testimony when District Judge Ernie Armstrong ordered a lunch break, and her testimony was expected to continue when court reconvened again at 1:30 p.m.

Four people testified in his defense Tuesday afternoon, including Wagner's mother, father and a sister.

The prosecution rested its case Tuesday afternoon after hearing testimony from Deputy Sheriff Brian Peterson and the alleged victim, a 14-year girl. Peterson was a corporal with the Snyder Police Department and the investigating officer on Oct. 27, 1996 — when the incident is alleged to have occurred.

Other defense witnesses are expected to be called..

Wagner is represented by Donald McPhail of Abilene. Prosecuting the case is District Attorney Dana Cooley.

Obituaries

Roy Garza

1953-1997

SWEETWATER — Roy Garcia Garza, manager of the Lakeview Apartments in Sweetwater for the past four years, died Monday, June 23, at the apartment complex. He was 43.

A rosary service will be held at 7 tonight in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel.

Service is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the Holy Family Catholic Church with the Rev. Mike Goode, officiating. Burial will follow in Snyder's Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born Sept. 18, 1953 in Karnes County, Mr. Garza had lived in Snyder before moving to Sweetwater four years ago. He was a member of the Holy Family Catholic Church.

Mr. Garza married Dolores Gonzales on April 8, 1985 in Snyder. He was preceded in death by his mother, Blanca Garza.

Survivors include his wife, Dolores Garza of Sweetwater; two sons, Roy Garza Jr. of Snyder and Joshua Garza of Sweetwater; two daughters, Linda Garza and Amy Diaz, both of Snyder; three step-daughters, Michelle Akers of Lawton, Okla., Joni Williams and Christina Garza, both of Sweetwater; three brothers, Oscar Garza of Midland, Rene Garza of Snyder and Lee Garza of La Grange; a sister, Maye Alonzo of Snyder; his father, Salvador Garza, also of Snyder; and 11 grandchildren.

Mary Gochicoa

1914-1997

HAMLIN — Mary Gochicoa, the sister of Severa Martinez of Snyder, died Monday, June 23, in an Abilene hospital.

Service for Mrs. Gochicoa, 82, is set for 11 a.m. Thursday in the First Assembly of God. The Rev. Ted Miller will officiate and burial will follow in the Hamlin East Cemetery.

Born in Ramsey, she had lived in Hamlin since 1934, moving from Eagle Lake. She was a homemaker, a Catholic and was the widow of Pete Acuna and Agustin L. Gochicoa.

Survivors include a daughter, Helen Stewart of Hamlin; two sons, Vincente Acuna of Tucson and Stanley Acuna of Kerrville; two other sisters, Andrea Duarte of Houston and Conde Contreras of Phoenix; two brothers, Pete Longoria of Big Lake and Jessie Longoria of Dallas; eight grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

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What's Up?

Cogdell Hospital board

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will meet at 8 a.m. Thursday in the hospital board room. Agenda items include the annual evaluation report; reports from the medical staff, nursing department and home health; May accounts payable; and May financial statements.

Tribute to veterans

The Senior Center will present a tribute to veterans of the Korean conflict from 10 a.m. to noon Friday. All veterans, their families and the general public are invited.

Luck 13 Rush Dance

The Lucky 13 Rush Dance will be held from 8 until midnight Friday at Billy Ray Browning's barn, north on the Polar Road past the Wagon Wheel Ranch. Everyone is welcome. Admission is $3 per person and $5 per couple.

Blood pressure clinic

Interim Healthcare will sponsor a freee blood pressure clinic from 2-4 p.m. Saturday at Eckerd's.

37th St. Church of Christ

Rex Boyles will speak Sunday at 37th St. Church of Christ, as part of the Fifth Sunday series. Services are set for 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Hobbs Baptist Church revival

Hobbs Baptist Church has planned a revival Sunday through next Wednesday. Rev. Henry Roe will be the evangelist. Services are set for 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Sunday and at 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Vacation Bible School

Avenue D Baptist Church
This week through Friday, 9-11:30 a.m., age 4 years through 6th grade. Theme is "Good News Stampede."

Writing contest

West Texas Poets, Etc. is sponsoring a writing contest through June. There are three catagories: poetry, short stories and children's stories. Adults within a 50-mile radius of Snyder are eligible. For information, call 573-2008, 573-3437 or 573-7369. Entries must be mailed by June 30 to Helene Tutt, 13525 U.S. 180 East, Hermleigh, 79526. Prizes will be awarded July 17.

Class of '87 reunion

Registration forms are being sent out for the SHS 1987 Class Reunion to be held Aug. 2. Anyone not receiving a registration form by mail should call Robyn Fambro Wilson at 915 368-4583. RSVPs due July 1.

Snyder Bowhunters raffle

Snyder Bowhunters are holding a raffle for a new 4-wheel drive Honda four-wheeler to be given away Aug. 3. Tickets are $10 each. To purchase tickets, contact Steve Hand at (915) 556-3313 or 573-0257; Dale Putnam at (915) 634-9589 or 572-2420; or Woody Wooddell at 573-8566.

Bible study series

Bible study video tapes are airing on TCA Cable Channel 2. They are followed by a series of tapes titled "Archaeology and the Bible." The next tape, "Known by His Justice," will air at 7 p.m. Monday, followed by "The Divided Kingdom."

G-20 to help museum

G-20 Club members are painting street numbers on curbs. Donations will be given to the Scurry County Museum. If you are not contacted and wish to have the painting done, call 573-6107 from 8-5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 13-17-28-33-39.
Number matching five of five: four.
Prize per winner: $37,247.
Winning ticket(s) sold in: Granbury, Dumas, Garland, Belton.
Matching four of five: 470. Prize: $476.
Matching three of five: 15,165. Prize: $25.
Next Cash 5 drawing: Thursday night.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
5-5-4
(five, five, four)

FBI investigated soldier months before racial killings

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — The Army knew one of its soldiers was suspected of criminal activity before he killed a black couple, although it has repeatedly said it had little or no knowledge of the allegations, CBS News reported.

The Army was informed by the FBI that the Fort Bragg soldier had threatened to blow up the police chief in his hometown. Yet the Army allowed the soldier, James Burmeister, to work in an arms room in the months before he killed a black couple as a skinhead rite of initiation, CBS says in a report to be broadcast Thursday on "48 Hours."

Burmeister's commanding officer, Capt. Vincent Baker, who has since resigned, said the FBI assured him it was not necessary to restrict Burmeister from working in the arms room.

But the victims' families are asking why the Army and FBI didn't stop Burmeister before he committed murder.

"It's hard for me to understand what (the authorities) were waiting for, unless ... they were waiting for someone to die," Alan Rogers, a lawyer for the families, told CBS.

Burmeister and fellow soldier Malcolm Wright were convicted of murder and sentenced to life in prison earlier this year.

Joanne Morley, an FBI spokeswoman in Charlotte, told The Associated Press that the Army was told Burmeister was being investigated for an alleged criminal conspiracy in the months before the December 1995 murders.

She said it regarded "a lead out of our Philadelphia office," which presumably would have been about Burmeister's alleged threat against the police chief, although Morley did not elaborate.

IRS panel calls for overhaul of tax collector

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seeking to restore public faith in the tax system, a congressional panel today recommended the biggest reforms at the IRS in more than 40 years, including a new outside board of directors for the IRS that's strongly opposed by the White House.

A central recommendation by the National Commission on Restructuring the Internal Revenue Service is to create a new seven-member outside board of directors, including private business executives, to oversee operations at the IRS.

"The problems throughout the IRS cannot be solved without focus, consistency and direction from the top," according to a commission report, to be released today.

The commission plans to draft legislation, to be introduced next month, to implement many of its proposals.

One idea calls for extending the April 15 tax filing deadline to June 15 for people filing taxes electronically as an incentive to eliminate paper tax forms. The report proposes a new May 15 deadline for paper filers in order to help the IRS better manage its work flow.

Among the more intriguing ideas would be to require Congress to determine how pending bills affect the paperwork burden on average Americans.

The report, citing one prominent economist, said taxpayers may spend up to $75 billion a year to comply with tax laws. "Congress should require any legislative proposal be accompanied by a 'Tax Complexity Analysis' before it can be considered in committee or on the floor of either the House of Representatives or the Senate," the report said.

Commission staff members said this proposal, if enacted, could prevent some unforeseen consequences to taxpayers that result from tax amendments. The panel also wants Congress to coordinate its IRS oversight activities so the agency isn't given mixed messages about its future direction and budget.

The IRS restructuring commission was created by Congress last year to help find long-term solutions to the IRS' problems. Its work began after revelations the agency botched a $3.4 billion computer modernization program aimed at reducing the paperwork blizzard every April 15. The General Accounting Office also has accused the IRS of failing to accurately track revenues it receives and management lacked accountability when problems arose.

The commission's proposal for an outside board of directors continues to be heavily criticized by the Clinton administration.

Deputy Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers said such a board could create conflicts of interest involving the private sector board members' business interests and obligations to the IRS.

A day before release of the restructuring commission's report, President Clinton issued an order Tuesday creating a new board of executive branch officials to assist in IRS management.

The panel will consist of at least 20 members appointed from the IRS, Treasury Department, Office of Management and Budget, vice president's office and other agencies to help the IRS with operations, modernization and customer service. It will meet monthly and prepare semiannual reports to Congress.

And on Monday, the Justice Department said an outside board with private members could have constitutional problems and other shortfalls.

"Simply put, we fear that a private board will put too much emphasis on generating revenue and not place enough emphasis on law enforcement," said Acting Deputy Attorney General Seth P. Waxman, in a letter to the Treasury.

A co-chairman of the IRS restructuring commission, Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., said the Treasury's criticisms were "red herrings" and that constitutional experts disagreed about the effects of an outside board on IRS operations.

"We've put extensive protections in our legislation," Kerrey said. He emphasized that the board members could be removed by the president and the panel wouldn't deal with law enforcement or tax policy issues.

The other co-chair of the IRS restructuring commission, Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, said the Treasury management board "raises the specter of politicizing the IRS." Such a board would be subject to turnover when administrations change, denying the IRS much-needed management continuity, Portman added.

Mediplex earns accreditation

ABILENE — Mediplex Home Health has achieved accreditation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

With offices in 12 different locations, Mediplex provides home healtlf services in Abilene and the surrounding area. The accreditation was awarded after a seven day on-site survey demonstrated compliance with the Joint Commission's national standards for home care organizations. Accreditation signifies a commitment by Mediplex to quality patient care and quality improvement.

The Joint Commission is an organization whose purpose is to improve the quality of the nation's health care through voluntary accreditation. Their standards of quality have been developed in collaboration with health professionals and others. It stimulates health care organizations to meet or exceed the standards through accreditation and the teaching of quality improvement concepts.

Two named to honor rolls

ABILENE — Two Snyder students have been listed on spring semester honor rolls at Hardin-Simmons University.

Jeffrey Hobbs was listed on the President's List.

The President's List requires at least 12 semester hours and completing all courses with a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

Regina McNair was listed on the Dean's List.

The Dean's List requires at least a 3.75 average on all courses taken with a minimum of 12 semester hours.

TV lobbyists try to stall handover of free stations

NEW YORK (AP) — Television industry lobbyists are trying to thwart a federal rule meant to force stations to return free channels they were granted to ease the transition to digital broadcasting.

The lobbyists are pushing two provisions that would allow them to evade the biggest commitments they accepted in exchange for the free channels, The New York Times reported in today's editions.

The provisions, in House and Senate budget bills, would enable broadcasters to keep the free second channels for an indefinite period, and push back government-set deadlines for beginning cinema-quality digital television broadcasts, the paper said.

The free channels were a gift from the Federal Communications Commission to lay groundwork for the full switch to digital in 2006. The FCC loaned free second stations to the nation's 1,600 TV stations in April.

But in response to complaints about the loan, the FCC passed a rule to reclaim the extra channels in 2006 and planned to auction the vacated channels for a projected $5 billion.

The provisions being sought by the lobbyists could stall such an auction.

Under one provision, broadcasters would be allowed to keep the additional channels beyond 2006 in any city where more than 5 percent of homes were still watching conventional television.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is it Alzheimer's or dementia?

DEAR DR. GOTT: What is the difference between senile dementia and Alzheimer's disease?

DEAR READER: The term "dementia" refers to the progressive decline of mental functioning. Patients with the disorder exhibit forgetfulness, confusion, poor judgment, and diminished cognitive ability.

There are many causes of dementia, including alcohol abuse, hypothyroidism, Parkinson's disease, vitamin B12 deficiency, stroke, and Alzheimer's disease. Often, very old people experience an age-related ("senile") dementia, the cause of which is unknown but may be the consequence of "mini-strokes."

As a general rule, Alzheimer's disease strikes at an earlier age than does senility, progresses more rapidly and is more profound.

Identifying the cause of dementia can be a difficult task. For example, Alzheimer's patients frequently have normal CT or MRI scans, whereas senile patients show merely "cortical atrophy" (brain shrinkage).

In my opinion, patients with declining mental ability should be examined and tested by neurologists, especially if such patients have symptoms at a relatively early age — say, younger than 80 years. Although there is no definitive test for Alzheimer's disease, some forms of dementia are both preventable and curable.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I object to the fact that you dismissed gin-soaked raisins as a cure for arthritis. I have a friend who regularly uses this antidote, and she has no arthritic pain. Don't knock a treatment until you've tried it.

DEAR READER: I have no problem with people who use alternative therapies. In fact, on occasion, I may even encourage such treatments, especially if they are free of side effects.

However, it would be irresponsible of me to endorse therapy solely on the basis of testimonials, without any scientific backing. There are a lot of people who use various treatments for medical disorders; this doesn't mean that these treatments are appropriate for everyone. Therefore, I do insist on some objective evidence before I'll give my stamp of approval.

Moreover, I don't have to try a therapy first. I have no intention of subjecting myself to — for example — chemotherapy just to see what it feels like. I can still applaud this treatment, based on solid scientific evidence derived from people with cancer, without having to experience the effects first-hand.

If you want to use gin-soaked raisins for arthritis, fine. However, I think that there are more effective treatments, such as ibuprofen and prescription anti-inflammatory drugs.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Tales of Overcoming Odds Inspire Others to Succeed

DEAR ABBY: I've kept a column of yours for more than a decade. It dealt with famous people who had overcome life's adversities to become outstanding winners. Mine is so worn, I can barely read parts of it. I tried to make a copy, but it didn't come out very well. Will you please print it again?

EVELYN McKINNON, EASTPOINTE, MICH.

DEAR EVELYN: The column you're referring to was a two-parter. My readers had submitted names of individuals who managed to succeed against the odds. I think it's well worth repeating. Read on:

DEAR READERS: In a recent column, I shared an item sent by Herman Endler, who, at age 40, suffered a stroke that left him totally disabled. He wrote:

"I wasn't able to get out of bed, but by the grace of God and a surgeon's skill, I made it. At times I was so despondent, I prayed it would all end. Then a friend gave me the enclosed inspirational piece, which I must have read 1,000 times. There were moments when I thought, 'This is it; this is the end.' Then I'd read the message again, and it pulled me through.

"Abby, some of the greatest men and women of our times have been saddled with disabilities and adversities but have managed to overcome them.

"Perhaps somewhere there is someone who is at the end of his or her rope and needs encouragement. Pass this along. It may save a life. It saved mine."

A portion of the inspirational piece:

"Bury him in the snows of Valley Forge, and you have a George Washington.

"Raise him in abject poverty, and you have an Abraham Lincoln.

"Subject him to bitter religious prejudice, and you have a Disraeli."

The response to that column was overwhelming. A distinguished publisher, philanthropist and former U.S. ambassador to Great Britain wrote:

"Dear Abby: Your column, 'From Adversity, Many Find Strength,' is indeed a masterpiece. I am adding it to my personal collection of 'reminders.'

"There are two great sources of inspiration in life, enthusiasm and tragedy, and I have been boxed in by both. But having been boxed in by both, I also recognize that perseverance is the key to escape and satisfaction. Sincerely, Walter Annenberg"

Hundreds of readers submitted additional names for the list of those who had succeeded against the odds. Some contributions:

— Spit on him, humiliate him, then crucify him and he forgives you, and you have Jesus Christ.

— Strike him down with infantile paralysis, and he becomes a Franklin D. Roosevelt, the only president of the United States to be elected to four terms.

— When he is a lad of 3, burn him so severely in a schoolhouse fire that the doctors say he will never walk again, and you have a Glenn Cunningham, who set the world's record in 1934 for running a mile in 4 minutes, 6.8 seconds.

— Have him or her born black in a society filled with racial discrimination, and you have a Booker T. Washington, Harriet Tubman, Marian Anderson, George Washington Carver or Martin Luther King Jr.

— Make him the first child to survive in a poor Italian family of 18 children, and you have an Enrico Caruso.

— Have him born of parents who survived a Nazi concentration camp, paralyze him from the waist down when he is 4, and you have the incomparable concert violinist Itzhak Perlman.

— Call a slow learner "retarded" and write him off as ineducable, and you have an Albert Einstein.

(See tomorrow's column for others who have succeeded against the odds.)

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