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Dole campaign surges through Super Tuesday

By The Associated Press

With his 20th consecutive primary victory in hand, Bob Dole says the Republicans have anointed him "the conservative they want in the White House." His surge through Super Tuesday sets up a unique battle for the presidency between two powerful officeholders.

Flat-tax advocate Steve Forbes appeared ready to give up in the face of his winless showing, but today he insisted he would stick it out and hope for a boost in the Midwest primaries next Tuesday.

"The answer is no," Forbes said in Washington when asked whether he intended to quit the race today. "I made it clear last night when I came back from the Midwest that we need a breakthrough."

Forbes was talking strategy with his top campaign aides and family throughout the day as some aides suggested he was "looking for a graceful exit." But the publishing heir wasn't ready for his final curtain yet.

"I've taken some hits in this round, but I know there'll be other rounds," Forbes said. "I'm looking to the future."

Dole's other message-driven opponent, Pat Buchanan, says he will fight it out to the finish and isn't "looking for any deal" with Dole in exchange for stepping aside.

"Why give up a battle of ideas simply because you're behind in delegates?" Buchanan asked on NBC's "Today" show this morning. "Bob Dole has no ideas, no agenda, no vision."

With complete results from the seven Super Tuesday states — Texas, Florida, Oregon, Tennessee, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Mississippi — Dole won solid majorities in all except Louisiana, where his margin was 47 percent to Buchanan's 33 percent and Forbes' 13 percent. Dole won by 57 percent in Florida, a battleground state in the fall.

Forbes finished third or worse everywhere but Florida.

"It is time to come together now and put our ideas together and build a strong agenda for November," Dole said.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "More focus should be put on what is right than on who is right."

Tommy Fletcher brought us an interesting economic development item out of the newspaper in Henderson, Ky., an area where Toyota has located a plant.

Fletcher is owner of Fletcher's Downtown 66 in Snyder.

The article said Henderson County's chief economic development official has suggested that Japanese courses be added to the local school curriculum to improve chances for attracting Toyota spinoff industries.

"The fastest way to catch Toyota's attention is to add a Japanese curriculum," said Marty Blubaugh, executive director of the Henderson Economic Development Council. "If you want to attract additional Japanese investments to this area...education is their number one thing."

Blubaugh suggested local educators and economic leaders meet to discuss how the school system can better meet the needs of industry.

One possibility, he said, is the addition of a Saturday session in which Japanese speaking youngsters would be exposed to Japanese teaching methods and receive extra tutoring in English.

School officials there were receptive to the idea, but their response has a familar and sobering ring. "It all comes down to dollars."

The director of student services said a Japanese language class, for example, would have to attract at least 18 to 20 students to justify the hiring of a teacher.

A local professional approached us recently and expressed concern about what he preceived as a "dumbing down" of the public school curriculum.

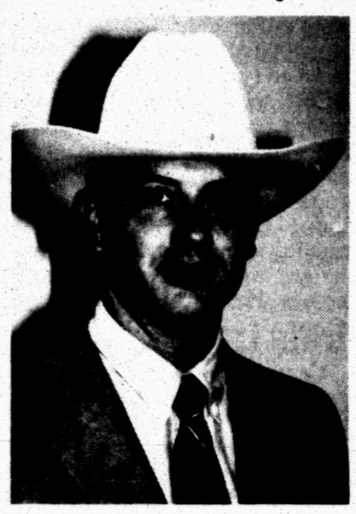
He said his son brought home an essay that had been given an A-plus. Because of grammar, spelling and punctuation errors, the father felt the composition deserved no more than a C.

The father said he wanted his kids' grades to reflect their true performance.

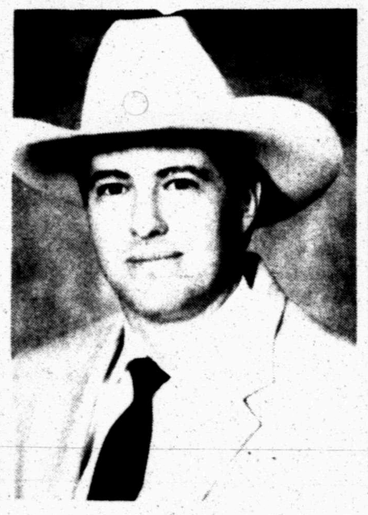
Unfortunately, a lot of today's parents don't share the same view. Some parents simply don't care, but we also see a growing number of parents who care about the wrong thing.

They want their kids eligible for extra curricular activities and on the honor rolls, irrespective of their classroom performance.

Don't blame educators, schools become what their students and parents want them to be.



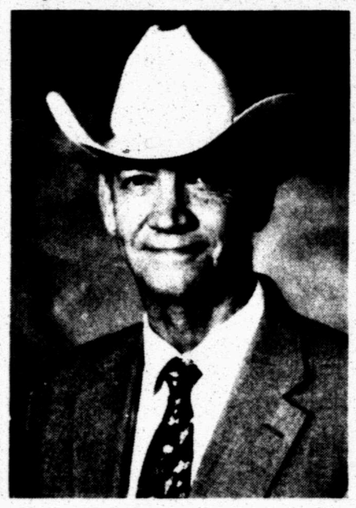
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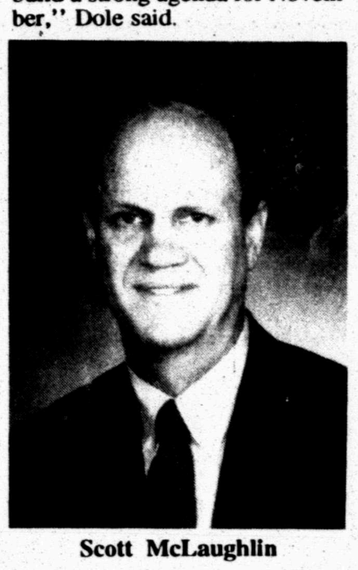
Kerry Fritz



Mike Hartman



Ralph Trevey



Scott McLaughlin

Jackson, Fritz to duel in November

Darren Jackson and Kerry Fritz were clear winners Tuesday in the race for Scurry County sheriff but voters were less decisive in who they wanted for county attorney.

In what many thought would be a down-to-the-wire race in the Democratic Primary, Jackson received the nomination for sheriff going away, claiming 71 percent of the vote over fellow deputy Joe Cheyne.

Jackson was the choice on 1,162 ballots while Cheyne polled 474 votes.

Jackson will face Fritz in the November general election. Fritz, the third Scurry County deputy seeking the sheriff's post, garnered almost 81 percent of the Republican vote, outdistancing Gorman police chief Joe Simpson 766 to 183.

Scurry County Commissioner Ralph Trevey held off a challenge by Max Beasley to keep his Precinct 1 seat. In winning the Democratic Party nomination, Trevey polled 230 votes to Beasley's 115. There was no Republican candidate.

While none of those races turned out to be close, a scant five votes made the difference in the Republican nomination for county attorney. Michael W. Hartman got the nomination, edging Dena Reecer by 461 votes to 456.

Hartman will face Democrat Joe Sentell in November. Sentell, unopposed in the primary, received 1,094 votes.

In one other contested race of local note, Scott McLaughlin won the Republican Party nomination for District 70 State Representative, defeating Carl Willingham. McLaughlin, who will face Democratic incumbent David Counts in November, carried Scurry County, 570 to 293.

Counts received 1,256 votes in the county in an uncontested bid.

Some 2,697 citizens cast ballots in the primaries, representing approximately 27 percent of the county's 10,091 registered voters.

Several local candidates who were unopposed in the primaries will face opposition in November. Republican District Attorney Dana W. Cooley will be challenged by Democrat Lealand W. "Pete" Greene. Cooley got 800 votes Tuesday; Greene picked up 1,223. Precinct 3 Commissioner C.D. Gray Jr., a Democrat, will face GOP nominee Howard Limmer. On Tuesday, Gray received 351 votes while Limmer got 326.

In one other race of particular local interest in November, Democratic U.S. Rep. Charles Stenhom faces Rudy Izzard.

In Tuesday's major national and state races, Scurry County voters mirrored much of the state. In the bid for president, Democrats backed Bill Clinton with 82.5 percent of the vote, while Republicans gave Bob Dole almost 50 percent. Pat Buchanan drew 29 percent of the Republican vote and Steve Forbes got 8 percent.

U.S. Senator Phil Gramm easily won the Republican nomination statewide and in Scurry County, where 82 percent of the votes were cast his way. But while Victor Morales did well statewide for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senator, he received just 20 percent of the vote here. Jim Chapman received 35 percent and John Bryant garnered 34 percent.

Scurry County Clerk Frances Billingsly said voting and tabulation went relatively smooth in view of new tabulation equipment that was used here for the first time.

Results were complete about 11 p.m., and Billingsley said two representatives of the tabulation equipment company were on hand to assist.

Republicans ran out of printed ballots late Tuesday, and 39 copied ballots were used and had to be counted by hand, Billingsley said, which delayed results in the GOP primary.

McLaughlin to challenge David Counts

Big Spring businessman Scott McLaughlin coasted to an easy victory Tuesday night in the Republican primary, setting the stage for a November clash against Democratic State Rep. David Counts.

McLaughlin, a political newcomer, captured 70.7 percent of the Republican votes in the 12-county 70th Legislative District.

Unofficial tally showed McLaughlin with 3,276 votes while Aspermont rancher Carl Willingham netted 1,356 votes.

McLaughlin got 570 votes in Scurry County while Willingham picked up 293.

Counts, a four-term representative from Knox City who was unopposed for the Democratic nomination, received 1,256 votes in Scurry County.

HISD trustees vote to call in state agency

Controversy looms over healthcare insurance, purchases at Sam's

By Wade Warren
Staff Writer

The rift between embattled Hermleigh ISD superintendent Jerry Church and a faction of the HISD school board grew about $40,000 Tuesday night as an investigative audit report indicated Church and his secretary had $40,580.38 in insurance premiums paid by the district from Sept. 1988 through July, 1995. The controvery centers on whether the Hermleigh ISD trustees ever approved paying the total bill for health insurance for the two.

Specifically, $17,866.27 in payments on Church's insurance is being questioned as well as $22,714.11 on his secretary's.

The audit stated that no record could be found in the minutes of the district that the trustees ever approved such payments.

As a result, the board voted 4-3 to refer the matter to the Texas Education Agency for further action, if warranted.

Richard Agee, in presenting the findings of the audit, also stated the report covered purchases made at Sam's Wholesale in Abilene from August, 1993 through September, 1995 and included items which he construed as "more personal in nature" than for school use.

Board president Milton Adams said the investigative audit was triggered when he discovered what he termed as discrepencies in payments to the district's health insurance carrier - specifically for Church and the superintendent's secretary, Debby Sandefur - a 17-year employee of the district.

"Insurance triggered this investigation," said Adams. "It's when we found discrepencies in the amount we were paying for Church's and Sandefur's insurance as opposed to other employ-

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Mobil restructuring to be felt here

A company-wide restructuring by Mobil Exploration and Producing which was announced in early January of this year could be felt locally this week at the company's Salt Creek facility in Kent County.

Darlene Taylor of the company's public affairs office in Dallas said this morning that the nation-wide restructuring process should be completed by the end of this month with employees being notified today and Thursday of their job status.

A complete breakdown of employee dismissals is not expected to be known for several weeks, although Taylor said there would be definite layoffs within the company.

She said there could be some relocations which could affect the number of people being laid off.

The company is expected to issue a news release Thursday afternoon with some additional details of Mobil's plans in the West Texas area.

Arlie Eicke is indicted

LUBBOCK — A federal grand jury, meeting Tuesday and this morning, has indicted Arlie Eicke of Snyder for failure to surrender.

Eicke, 43, remains in the Lubbock County Jail after being arrested March 1 at his Snyder home after he failed to report to a federal prison camp in Bastrop earlier that afternoon.

This morning's one-count indictment charges Eicke with disobeying a federal court order to begin serving a 38-month sentence for bank fraud and conspiracy.

Eicke, if found guilty on the new charge, faces a maximum fine of $250,000 and five years in prison. Any prison term would be served after the 38-month term is completed.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Steve Sucsy said Eicke would remain in the Lubbock jail until the current criminal case is resolved, but no trial date has been set.

ASK US

Q—What is the status of the United store?

A—Dan Sanders, marketing director, said the company is about half finished with its feasibility study to determine store size, departments and staffing. He said the study should be complete within two months.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 83 degrees; low, 45; 7 a.m. reading Wednesday, 45; no precipitation; total for 1996, .21 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low around 55. S to SW wind 10-20 mph. Thursday, mostly sunny. High around 80. SW wind 15-25 mph.



Sunset: 6:51 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:30 a.m.
Of 72 days in 1996, the sun has shone 69 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city.

Proverbs 16:32

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Infrared rays used to de-ice planes

ROCHESTER, N.Y. (AP) — Next to the runway at the Rochester airport stands a colossal, open-ended hangar with heaters hanging from the ceiling. It's a place where ice-laden jets can warm up on a chilly winter's day.

Using infrared heat instead of antifreeze, the InfraTek drive-through system cuts de-icing costs by more than 90 percent, co-designer John Chew said Tuesday at its first tryout on a full-size jet.

The experimental method might also, one day, rid airports of hazardous, de-icing chemicals, he said.

"We're just under five minutes and already the ice is melted!" Chew declared as a coating of ice dripped off a Boeing 727 before an audience of more than 100 airline executives from around the nation and beyond.

In winter, airports spray planes with chemical de-icers, mainly glycol, to remove ice before takeoff. That can cost about $3,500 for each jet, while the infrared system does the same job for less than $250, Chew said.

Airports also have come under pressure from environmental agencies to contain chemical de-icers so they don't pollute water and sewer systems. Using infrared heat wouldn't leave behind any toxic residue.

The infrared system could be in place at airports next winter if airlines decide to invest and the Federal Aviation Administration gives the go-ahead.

Critics argue that chemical de-icers are better at keeping ice from reforming after the planes are sprayed. Also, planes can be chemically de-iced at several locations while waiting for takeoff, but forcing all planes to pass through a hangar could cause huge traffic jams at busy airports.

"Safety — that's our primary concern," said Charles O. Master, an FAA flight safety research manager. "We're here to gather data so that we can make an intelligent decision if and when the time comes."

Infrared energy operates at different wavelengths than heat or visible light, so passengers wouldn't notice a thing. In tests, the temperature inside the aircraft doesn't change as the ice is melted off, Chew said.

"All we're really doing is generating enough heat to melt ice but without any negative impact on the aircraft or on the environment," he said. "We don't cook the airplane ... and the pilot isn't sterilized."

Chew and Timothy Seel, while working for a heating company, began developing the system in 1992 after installing an infrared space-heating system at an airplane hangar.

Their research firm, Process Technologies Inc. of Buffalo, initially plans to sell the system to regional airports such as Buffalo's, where much of the testing was carried out. The price tag of $1.7 million covers the cost of training.

Using the system, passenger planes taxiing toward the runway would park in the shedlike structure where natural-gas burners produce infrared energy. Sheds big enough to de-ice jumbo jets or built to handle small aircraft also are planned.

Ice on the wings can impair an airplane's lift and handling. Ice buildup was blamed in part for the crash of a USAir jet at New York's LaGuardia Airport in March 1992.

George Burns, entertainer, mourned at simple funeral

GLENDALE, Calif. (AP) — In a small and simple funeral, George Burns was laid to rest beside his beloved Gracie in a hilltop crypt.

The cigar-chomping comic and actor was mourned Tuesday during an invitation-only funeral attended by family and close friends. He died Saturday at 100.

"He was here for 100 great years. We may have wished for more but no one in this room could have wanted him to hang on, unable to hear the laughter and applause or take his bows," manager and longtime friend Irving Fein told mourners at Wee Kirk o' the Heather church at Forest Lawn Memorial Park.

"So, George, we'll miss you. I know you took your music with you, so wherever you are, I hope they're playing it in your key."

The 70 or so mourners included Ronald J. Burns and Sandra Jean Burns, the entertainer's son and daughter, plus seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The half-hour service for the show-biz legend had a Hollywood ending: As if on cue, the skies darkened and rain began to fall.

Burns had been unable to work since falling at his home in 1994. His 100th birthday shows were canceled and he was unable even to be a spectator at a gala in his honor a few days before he turned 100.

A hearse carried Burns' wooden coffin to the hilltop Freedom Mausoleum, where he was reunited with his vaudeville partner and wife, Gracie Allen, who died in 1964.

Talent show to help DARE

ROBY — The Fisher County DARE program is sponsoring a country music talent show Saturday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the Roby High School auditorium.

First and second place trophies will be awarded. Voting will be by audience participation.

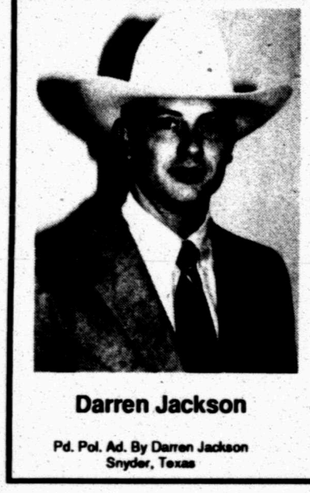
There is no entry fee or age limit.

To enter, call 1-800-466-2548, access 48, or Carrie Blair at the Fisher County Sheriff's Office, 195-776-2273.

Wife awarded millions in divorce

AUSTIN (AP) — A man who was sentenced to life in prison last month for raping a teen-ager has been ordered to pay his wife more than $8 million for physically and mentally abusing her over a span of 15 years.

Carmelia Ybarra, 36, was granted a divorce Monday from Jose Fonseca Najera. Judge John Dietz also awarded her $8.2 million, gave her custody of the couple's three daughters and prohibited Najera, 41, from contacting them.



Citizens of Scurry County,

Thank you very much for your support in yesterday's election. I look forward to the coming year and your continued support.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Joe Cheyne for the professional manner in which he conducted his campaign.

Sincerely

Darren Jackson

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Snyder, Texas

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Your Birthday

Thursday, March 14, 1996

In the year ahead you might have more luck with old endeavors than with new projects. Stick with what you have. It may be too late to teach an old dog new tricks.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The old-boy network could provide big advantages for you at this time. Do whatever you can to make your presence known in social circles. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In competitive career situations, you are now in a much stronger position than you realize. This might become obvious to you today, so make the most of it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today you may have a unique ability to solve problems friends find insurmountable. Do what you can to help while your powers are peaking.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You can achieve the greatest amount of financial success from secondary sources today. Search these channels carefully for potential profits.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) When dealing with people you care about today, listen to your heart rather than your head. What you want for them, they will want for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Things will have a way of working out to your advantage today, provided you're consistent and industrious. Do not start things you can't finish.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Luck might be on your side today in regard to a significant development that has political overtones. You can maneuver yourself into a power slot.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You will be in a better position today to resolve a complicated arrangement which has troubled you previously. The end result should be desirable.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In this cycle, both old and new friends can perform beneficial roles in your affairs. Do not play favorites, and work to strengthen your alliances.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It will work to your advantage at this time to give priority to any situation that is potentially profitable, even if it is in an unfamiliar area.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Try to be a self-starter today. Do not wait for others to approve your plans. They will hop on the bandwagon later if what you conceive looks promising.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In this time frame, you will not be deprived of the things you deserve. If you have worked hard, everything will be yours.

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Diana denies latest claims

LONDON (AP) — Princess Diana is denying that English rugby captain Will Carling was her lover and has appealed to him to do the same, newspapers reported today.

"They were neither romantically nor sexually involved," the Daily Express quoted an unidentified friend of Diana's as saying. The newspaper said the friend was speaking on Diana's behalf.

Carling and Diana reportedly met several times last summer at a swanky London gym and Carling was photographed visiting her Kensington Palace home.

He said they were just good friends, but his wife, Julia, objected to the friendship and the couple separated in September after just over a year of marriage. Mrs. Carling has filed for divorce.

The Daily Mirror reported Tuesday that Carling told his wife shortly before they separated that he had a love affair with Diana. The tabloid said Mrs. Carling told a friend about the confession and the friend told the paper.

A third tabloid, the Daily Mail, reported today that Diana has appealed to Carling to deny they were lovers.

SCURRY COUNTY ELECTION RETURNS

Republican Primary

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	Early Vote	Tues. Tot.	Totals
President			
Richard L. Lugar	1	1	2
Susan Ducey	1	0	1
Bob Dole	171	311	482
Alan L. Keyes	8	29	37
Morry Taylor	0	0	0
Charles E. Collins	0	1	1
Lamar Alexander	14	3	17
Mary "France" LeTulle	0	0	0
Phil Gramm	7	16	23
Steve Forbes	31	49	80
Patrick J. "Pat" Buchanan	102	182	284
Uncommitted	27	23	50
US Senator			
Phil Gramm	274	505	779
David Young	49	64	113
Henry C. (Hank) Grover	27	31	58
Us Rep., Dist. 17			
Rudy Izzard	273	424	697
Railroad Commissioner			
Carole Keeton Rylander	178	309	487
Robert A. (Bob) Wood	137	212	349
Chief Just., Sup. Ct.			
Tom Phillips	262	424	686
Just., Sup. Ct. Place 1			
John Cornyn	258	402	660
Just., Sup Ct. Place 2			
James A Baker	252	394	646
Just., Sup. Ct. Place 3			
Greg Abbott	249	390	639
Judge, Ct. Crim. App., Place 1			
Janice Law	37	59	96
Jeffrey B. Keck	26	37	63
Susan Baetz Brown	31	46	77
Matthew Paul	43	62	105
James (Daniel) Boone	80	118	198
Glen Beaman	14	19	33
Sue Holland	29	48	77
Judge, Ct. Crim. App., Place 2			
Brad Wiewel	18	36	54
Ray J. McQuary	36	62	98
Mike Keasler	51	76	127
Pat Barber	75	109	184
Paul Womack	71	104	175
Judge, Ct. Crim. App., Place 3			
Cheryl A. Johnson	77	123	200
J. Gary Trichter	17	30	47
Tom Price	83	123	206
John Bradley	68	93	167
State Rep., Dist. 70			
Scott McLaughlin	174	396	570
Carl Willingham	138	155	293
Justice, 11th Ct. of App. Dist.			
Jim R. Wright	242	389	631
Dist. Judge, 132nd Jud. Dist.			
Ernie B. Armstrong	281	462	743
Dist. Attorney, 132nd Jud. Dist			
Dana W. Cooley	305	495	800
County Attorney			
Dena A. Reecer	156	300	456
Michael W. Hartman	191	270	461
Sheriff			
Joe Simpson	76	107	183
Kerry Fritz	274	492	766
County Comm., Precinct 3			
Howard Limmer	141	185	326
County Chairman			
Drew Bullard	293	480	773

SCURRY COUNTY ELECTION RETURNS

Democratic Primary Election

VOTING BOXES

DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	EARLY	TOTALS
President													
Bill Clinton	26	27	139	92	50	71	15	114	91	28	152	257	1062
Heather Harder	2	10	9	5	2	0	5	3	2	5	8	8	51
Ted L. Gunderson	0	5	10	5	3	5	0	10	9	1	4	9	61
Elvena E. Lloyd-Duffie	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	5	10
Fred Hudson	0	1	7	3	7	7	0	5	2	0	5	10	47
Sal Casamassima	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	6
Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.	2	2	7	4	9	2	1	2	1	0	7	12	49
US Senator													
John Bryant	8	9	55	39	27	28	4	45	40	14	59	118	446
John Will Odam	3	4	25	10	10	7	0	14	12	4	18	43	150
Jim Chapman	13	15	68	52	24	46	8	36	40	12	51	98	463
Victor M. Morales	6	9	29	23	16	14	4	33	17	4	50	54	259
US Representative													
Charles W. Stenholm	22	33	181	123	86	90	16	130	96	38	173	314	1302
Railroad Commissioner													
Hector Uribe	22	30	140	123	86	90	16	130	96	29	135	246	1029
Chief Just. Supreme Court													
Andrew Jackson Kupper	22	29	138	94	63	72	11	106	80	29	131	243	1018
Just. Sup. Ct. Place 1													
Patrice Barron	22	28	134	96	62	69	11	104	80	28	127	237	998
Just. Sup. Ct. Place 2													
Gene Kelly	21	31	140	96	69	73	12	101	86	29	130	245	1033
Judge, Ct. Crim. App. Place 1													
Bob Perkins	13	20	86	48	46	48	5	60	52	20	90	138	626
Frances Northcutt	10	19	76	61	33	44	9	57	39	13	79	154	594
Judge, Ct. Crim. App. Place 2													
Charles Holcomb	12	15	78	52	38	36	4	65	42	20	80	122	564
Norman Lanford	5	5	23	15	8	9	2	17	13	3	19	41	160
Winston Cochran	2	5	8	9	8	10	0	6	11	4	13	32	108
Gary Taylor	1	3	37	32	21	30	7	25	20	5	37	78	296
Judge, Ct. Crim. App. Place 3													
Frank Maloney	20	23	136	87	68	62	11	95	81	28	124	231	966
State Rep., Dist. 70													
David Counts	26	32	170	118	77	94	16	122	98	36	164	303	1256
Dist. Attorn., 132nd Jud. Dist.													
Lealand W. (Pete) Greene	23	32	176	122	78	83	18	122	92	36	140	301	1223
County Attorney													
Marvin Sentell	24	31	155	101	73	74	13	114	80	27	140	262	1094
Sheriff													
Joe Cheyne	7	20	64	59	18	25	4	49	25	7	79	117	474
Darren Jackson	26	31	165	100	74	98	16	111	93	33	136	279	1162
Co. Tax-Assessor-Collector													
Rona Sikes	29	38	187	123	77	95	17	128	97	35	170	314	1310
Comm., Precinct 1													
Max Beasley	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	64	31	115
Ralph W. Trevey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	157	52	230
Comm., Precinct 3													
C.D. Gray, Jr.	0	0	0	108	75	91	0	0	0	0	0	77	351
Constable, Precinct 1													
Rodney L. Josey	16	29	144	98	81	73	9	111	0	30	131	232	954
Constable, Precinct 2													
Billy Joe Gannaway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	0	0	18	113
Scurry County Chairman													
Billy Haynes	20	27	164	103	74	80	13	117	106	103	150	287	1174

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Snyder Christian Women's Club has been cancelled for this Wednesday due to spring break.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal bldg.; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptista Church; 9:30 a.m.

Noah Project Advisory Committee; MAWC; noon.

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

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.

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

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

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.

David Geffen pledges $1 million

LOS ANGELES (AP) — David Geffen pledged $1 million at a benefit for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

The record industry chief, a co-founder in the DreamWorks SKG studio, made the pledge Thursday at the benefit gala for the hospital founded by the late entertainer Danny Thomas.

The star-studded dinner already had raised $1.1 million when Geffen said he would give $1 million more, hospital publicist Sharon Monson said Monday.

Cameras OK'd to cover final arguments

WASHINGTON (AP) — After years of banning cameras in federal courtrooms, a rule-making body has loosened the reins to allow each federal appeals court to decide whether its proceedings can be televised or broadcast.

But there still will be no picture-taking or broadcasting of trials in federal district courts. Appeals courts hear only arguments by lawyers seeking to have a lower court decision overturned or upheld.

The Judicial Conference of the United States also endorsed the use of closed-circuit television in the Oklahoma City bombing case.

The judicial conference is made up of the chief judge and one district judge from each of the 13 federal circuits and the Court of International Trade. Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist presides over the panel.

The bombing trial has been moved to Denver, and the decision by the judicial conference means the victims' families will be able to watch the proceedings in Oklahoma City.

Chief Judge Gilbert Merritt of the federal court of appeals in Nashville said closed-circuit television is appropriate in the Oklahoma City case and does not set a precedent.

He noted closed-circuit television has been used in cases where an unruly defendant is moved to another room and permitted to watch the court proceedings on television.

The judicial conference conducted a limited three-year test of cameras in federal courtrooms beginning in 1991. But when it was over, the conference decided against allowing cameras on a permanent basis, saying "the intimidating effect of cameras on some witnesses and jurors was cause for serious concern."

Merritt said Tuesday's vote loosening restrictions on cameras was 14-12.

The new policy will not apply at the Supreme Court, which bars all cameras and tape-recorders from its courtroom. The judicial conference does not set policy for the nation's highest court.

Television, radio broadcasts and still photography are permitted in many state courts at the discretion of the judge.

Some federal courts go so far in banning electronic equipment that written permission must be obtained before even a tape recorder can be brought into the courthouse.

The conference sets guidelines for federal courts but has no power to punish violators.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



NORTH 03-13-96
♠J 9 4 2
♥A 10 8 6 4
♦7
♣J 7 3

WEST
♠8
♥J 9
♦Q J 10 2
♣A K 9 5 4 2

EAST
♠10 7 6 5 3
♥K
♦9 8 5 4
♣Q 8 6

SOUTH
♠A K Q
♥Q 7 5 3 2
♦A K 6 3
♣10

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			Pass
1 ♥	2 ♣	4 ♥	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
6 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣A

The modest columnist

By Phillip Alder

Most bridge columnists (including you-know-who, he added modestly!) write up their own clever plays anonymously. One or two happily pat themselves on the back with regularity. And there are a few who try to resort to subtlety to tell the reader who the genius was. I think the describer of this deal sat West.

South was aggressive in bidding six hearts opposite the pre-emptive raise by North. However, his luck was apparently in. The percentage play in the heart suit is to start with the ace. This works when either opponent holds a singleton king. To lead the queen from hand succeeds only when East has the singleton jack. And South was an expert who knows all the percentages. Yet it didn't work out like that.

After cashing the club ace (leading the ace from ace-king), West continued with the club *two*.

South wondered what West was doing. Usually, suddenly underleading top honors shows a side-suit void. South concluded that West was hoping East would ruff this trick (but how could South use Blackwood with queen-third of clubs?) and deliver a ruff in return.

Judging that this increased the chance of West's having king-doubleton of hearts, South ruffed at trick two and put the heart queen on the table.

See if you agree that the writer was West. He described the key play thus: "Well and good — but West threw a spanner [wrench] in the works by continuing with the two of clubs at trick two... Down one. Smiles all round — followed by congratulations to West."

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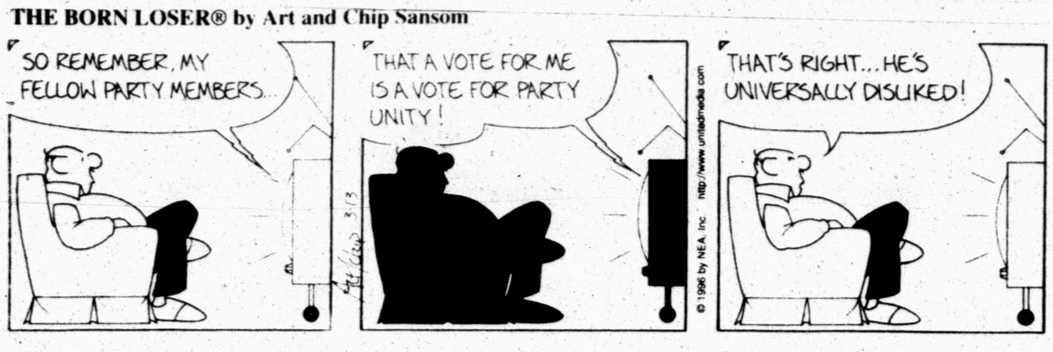
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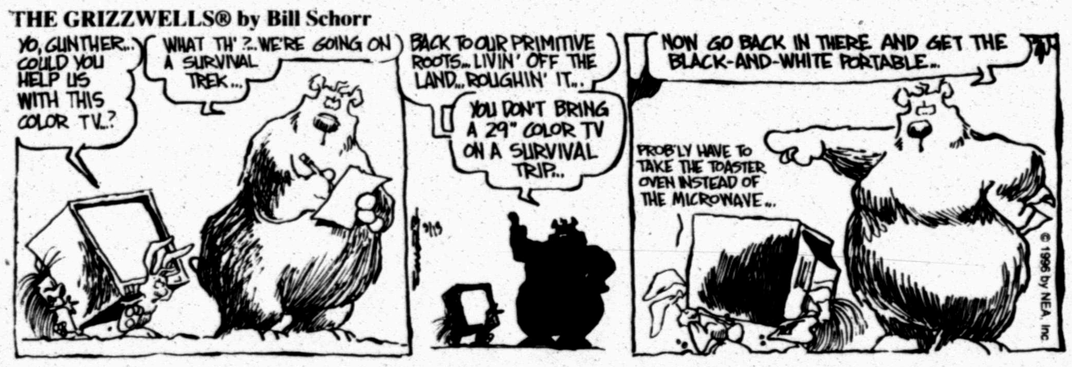
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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Actor — Tamiroff
5 British actor John —
12 African land
13 1996 Olympics site
14 Thanks (Fr.)
15 UPS employee, e.g.
16 Hot Mexican specialty
18 Cereal grain
19 — Kapital
20 Hill dweller
22 Approximately (2 wds.)
26 Therefore
28 ... to fetch — — of water
29 Can. prov.
32 Mosquito genus
34 Prefix for cycle or pod
35 Underground laborers' org.
36 Coarse
37 Dole's title (abbr.)
38 White poplar
40 Jump
42 Long ago
43 Marsh
44 — — standstill
47 As far — — know
49 Speechless
52 Dizzily
56 Greasy
57 Receiver of property
58 — — Grows in Brooklyn
59 Female deity
60 Pekoe, et al

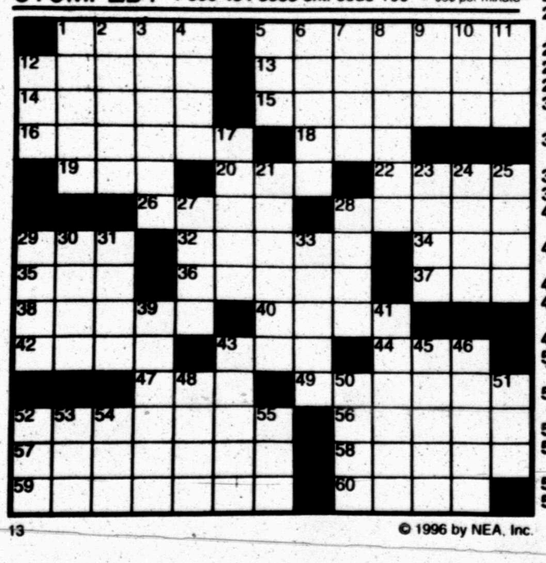
DOWN

1 Not behind
2 Destiny
3 As a precaution (2 wds.)
4 Post
5 Talk idly
6 Some Like — —
7 Director Kazan
8 Computer type
9 Econ. indicator
10 American Indian
11 Women's patriotic soc.
12 UK time
17 — beaver
21 Rounded lump
23 Rodents
24 Beget
25 TV actor Ken —
27 Competition
28 On the briny
29 Pier
30 Center of shield
31 Vase-shaped jug
33 Paradises
39 Type of gas
41 Sense of taste
43 Data collection
45 Tropical fish
46 Opening wagers
48 Trig term
50 — — first you don't ...
51 Nautical rope
52 Muzzle
53 Workers' assn.
54 Performed
55 Certainly

Answer to Previous Puzzle

T	R	O	T		P	R	O	A		M	B	A
H	U	L	A		S	U	I	T		E	A	R
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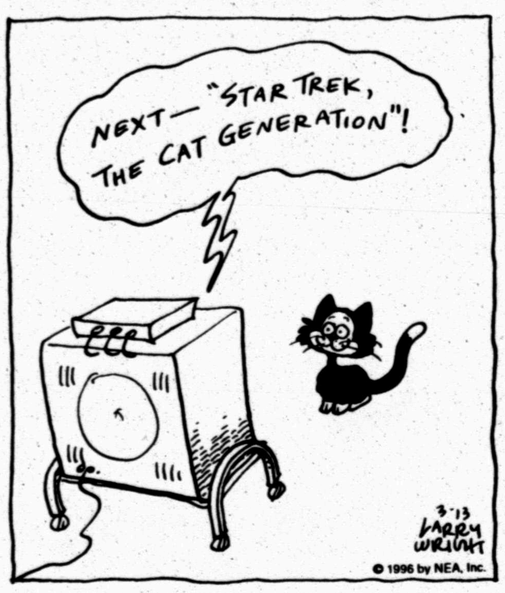
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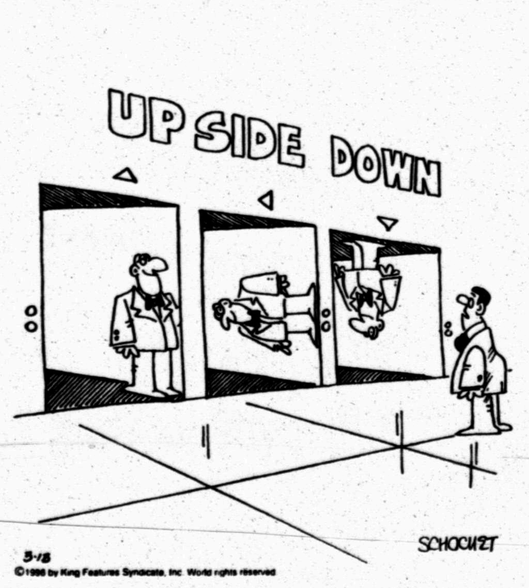
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"Is that Mr. Wilson with an *empty* stomach?"

SPORTS

35 teams competing on six fields...

Baseball & softball tournaments start Thursday

By Brent Taylor
Sports Editor

When all is said and done Saturday night, there will have been 35 teams playing 74 baseball and softball games on six different fields.

It will be anyone's guess how many balls and strikes were thrown or how many runs were scored and hits made.

The Snyder High School Baseball Tournament and the Canyon Reef Softball Tournament will begin Thursday.

The baseball part of the tournament will begin at 9 a.m. with three games.

Big Spring will take on Muleshoe at the Snyder High School practice field. Brownfield will take on state-ranked Andrews at Moffett Field while Sweetwater and Merkel will tangle in Ira on the Bulldogs' diamond.

This marks the first time that three baseball fields will be used to play the tournament.

Moffett Field will host 15 games while the practice field will see nine games and Ira 11.

In all, 11 games will be played Thursday and again on Friday, with 13 scheduled for the final day.

The 19-team field features seven Class 4A schools, 10 Class 3A schools, one Class 2A and one private high school.

In addition to Snyder, the other 4A schools will be Big Spring, Red Oak, Andrews, Fort Stockton, Sweetwater and Dumas.

The 3A teams are Muleshoe, Abilene Wylie, Kermit, Brownfield, Littlefield, Shallowater, Denver City, Lubbock Roosevelt, Huntington and Merkel.

Tahoka is the 2A school and the private school is Lubbock Christian High School.

According to coach Roland Herrera, there are not any 5A schools because most of them have started district play.

Coach Joe Ray Halsey's Andrews Mustangs will be the favorites in the top half of the bracket according to Herrera. Andrews is in the top 10 in the latest state polls.

"I have to pick us (Snyder) in the bottom half," Herrera said. "Huntington, from the Lufkin area, is a really good team."

The finals are set for 7 p.m. Saturday at Moffett Field. The Consolation finals will also be at 7 p.m. at Ira.

The Canyon Reef Softball Tournament will be pool play Thursday and Friday before going to a single elimination bracket for Saturday.

First and second place teams in each group will advance to the championship bracket on Saturday while the third and fourth place teams will go to the consolation bracket for the final day.

This year's tournament will have 16 teams, broken down into four groups with four teams in each group.

The first game is set for 2 p.m. Thursday when Snyder JV will take on Midland Greenwood.

Three fields are being used for the tournament. Fields one and two are at the Cates Softball Complex and field three will be at Logan Park, the Little League diamond.

The 16 teams are made up from five classes. The four 5A schools are Lubbock Monterey, Lubbock Coronado, Lubbock High and Copperas Cove.

Class 4A schools beside Snyder are Lubbock Estacado and Belton. From 3A are Midland Greenwood, Clyde, Eastland and Abilene Wylie.

Class 2A teams include last year's state champions, Hawley, Van Alstyne and Coahoma. Two JV teams round out the field. They are Abilene High and Snyder.

The Lady Tigers varsity will open pool play Thursday at 7:15 p.m. against Lubbock Monterey. Friday, Snyder will take on Van Alstyne at 1 p.m. and then face Copperas Cove at 6:15 p.m.

All of the Lady Tigers' pool games are set for field one.

In addition to the first game of the tournament, Snyder JV will take on Lubbock Estacado at 11:15 a.m. Friday before seeing Clyde at 4:30 p.m.

The Estacado game will be on field two and the Clyde game on field three.

According to Lady Tigers coach Billy Hicks, "Hawley is definitely the favorite going into the tournament."

Another team to look out for is Belton which made the playoffs last year.

The finals are set for 7:30 p.m. Saturday on field one. The consolation championship and third place games will both be played at 5:45 p.m. Saturday on fields two and one respectively.

CANYON REEF SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS

Pool Play

Group A: Snyder JV, Midland Greenwood, Clyde, Lubbock Estacado.
Group B: Snyder, Lubbock Monterey, Van Alstyne, Copperas Cove.
Group C: Belton, Abilene JV, Lubbock High, Eastland.
Group D: Coahoma, Hawley, Lubbock Coronado, Abilene Wylie.

Game 1: Snyder JV vs. Greenwood, 2 p.m. Thur.-Field 1
Game 2: Hawley vs. Wylie, 3:45 p.m. Thur.-Field 1
Game 3: Clyde vs. Estacado, 5:30 p.m. Thur.-Field 1
Game 4: Lubbock vs. Abilene, 5:30 p.m. Thur.-Field 2
Game 5: Snyder vs. Monterey, 7:15 p.m. Thur.-Field 1
Game 6: Coahoma vs. Coronado, 7:15 p.m. Thur.-Field 2
Game 7: Eastland vs. Abilene, 9:30 a.m. Fri.-Field 1
Game 8: Clyde vs. Greenwood, 9:30 a.m. Fri.-Field 2
Game 9: Hawley vs. Coronado, 11:15 a.m. Fri.-Field 1
Game 10: Snyder JV vs. Estacado, 11:15 a.m. Fri.-Field 2
Game 11: Coahoma vs. Wylie, 11:15 a.m. Fri.-Field 3
Game 12: Snyder vs. Van Alstyne, 1 p.m. Fri.-Field 1
Game 13: Belton vs. Abilene, 1 p.m. Fri.-Field 2
Game 14: Copperas Cove vs. Monterey, 1 p.m. Fri.-Field 3
Game 15: Wylie vs. Coronado, 2:45 p.m. Fri.-Field 1
Game 16: Lubbock vs. Eastland, 2:45 p.m. Fri.-Field 2
Game 17: Estacado vs. Greenwood, 2:45 p.m. Fri.-Field 3
Game 18: Coahoma vs. Hawley, 4:30 p.m. Fri.-Field 1
Game 19: Van Alstyne vs. Monterey, 4:30 p.m. Fri.-Field 2
Game 20: Snyder JV vs. Clyde, 4:30 p.m. Fri.-Field 3
Game 21: Snyder vs. Copperas Cove, 6:15 p.m. Fri.-Field 1
Game 22: Belton vs. Eastland, 6:15 p.m. Fri.-Field 2
Game 23: Belton vs. Lubbock, 8 p.m. Fri.-Field 1
Game 24: Copperas Cove vs. Van Alstyne, 8 p.m. Fri.-Field 2
Game 25: 3rd Place Group A vs. 4th Place Group C, 9 a.m. Sat.-Field 1
Game 26: 3rd Place Group D vs. 4th Place Group B, 9 a.m. Sat.-Field 2
Game 27: 3rd Place Group C vs. 4th Place Group A, 9 a.m. Sat.-Field 3
Game 28: 3rd Place Group B vs. 4th Place Group D, 10:45 a.m. Sat.-Field 3
Game 29: 1st Place Group A vs. 2nd Place Group C, 10:45 a.m. Sat.-Field 2
Game 30: 1st Place Group D vs. 2nd Place Group B, 10:45 a.m. Sat.-Field 1
Game 31: 1st Place Group C vs. 2nd Place Group A, 12:30 p.m. Sat.-Field 2
Game 32: 1st Place Group B vs. 2nd Place Group D, 12:30 p.m. Sat.-Field 1
Game 33: W25 vs. W26, 2:15 p.m. Sat.-Field 1
Game 34: W27 vs. W28, 2:15 p.m. Sat.-Field 2
Game 35: W29 vs. W30, 4 p.m. Sat.-Field 2
Game 36: W31 vs. W32, 4 p.m. Sat.-Field 1
Game 37: Consolation Championship, W33 vs. W34, 5:45 p.m. Sat.-Field 2
Game 38: Third Place, L35 vs. L36, 5:45 p.m. Sat.-Field 1
Game 39: Tournament Championship, W35 vs. W36, 7:30 p.m. Sat.-Field 1
Field 1 & 2 = Cates Complex, Field 3 = Logan Field (Little League)

SNYDER BASEBALL TOURNAMENT PAIRINGS

Game 1: Big Spring vs. Muleshoe, 9 a.m. Thur.- P
Game 2: Abilene Wylie vs. Lubbock Christian, 11:30 a.m. Thur.-P
Game 3: Kermit vs. Red Oak, 2 p.m. Thur.-P
Game 4: Brownfield vs. Andrews, 9 a.m. Thur-M
Game 5: Snyder vs. Shallowater, 11:30 a.m. Thur.-M
Game 6: Fort Stockton vs. Denver City, 11:30 Thur.-I
Game 7: Lubbock Roosevelt vs. Huntington, 2 p.m. Thur.-M
Game 8: Sweetwater vs. Merkel, 9 a.m. Thur.-I
Game 9: W4 vs. Littlefield, 2 p.m. Thur.-I
Game 10: Tahoka vs. W5, 7 p.m. Thur.-M
Game 11: W8 vs. Dumas, 4:30 Thur.-M
Game 12: L11 vs. L2, 9 a.m. Fri.-M
Game 13: L10 vs. L3, 9 a.m. Fri.-I
Game 14: L9 vs. L7, 9 a.m. Fri.-P
Game 15: W1 vs. W2, 11:30 a.m. Fri.-M
Game 16: W3 vs. W9, 11:30 a.m. Fri.-I
Game 17: W10 vs. W6, 11:30 a.m. Fri.-P
Game 18: W7 vs. W11, 2 p.m. Fri.-M
Game 19: L1 vs. W12, 2 p.m. Fri.-I
Game 20: W13 vs. L4, 2 p.m. Fri.-P.
Game 21: L5 vs. L6, 4:30 p.m. Fri.-M
Game 22: W14 vs. L8, 7 p.m. Fri.-M
Game 23: L19 vs. L22, 9 a.m. Sat.-I
Game 24: L20 vs. L21, 9 a.m. Sat.-P
Game 25: L15 vs. L16, 9 a.m. Sat.-M
Game 26: L17 vs. L18, 11:30 a.m. Sat.-P
Game 27: L12 vs. L13, 11:30 a.m. Sat.-I
Game 28: W24 vs. L14, 11:30 a.m. Sat.-M
Game 29: W15 vs. W16, 2 p.m. Sat.-P
Game 30: W17 vs. W18, 2 p.m. Sat.-M
Game 31: W19 vs. W20, 2 p.m. Sat.-I
Game 32: W21 vs. W22, 4:30 p.m. Sat.-I
Game 33: Third Place, L29 vs. L30, 4:30 Sat.-M
Game 34: Consolation Finals, W31 vs. W34, 7 p.m. Sat.-I
Game 35: Championship, W29 vs. W30, 7 p.m. Sat.-M
M = Moffett Field
P = Snyder High School Practice Field
I = Ira High School Field
W = Winner
L = Loser

WTC golfers finish fourth in Galveston

GALVESTON — It was a fourth place finish for the Western Texas College golf team at the Gulf Coast Invitational Tournament here.

WTC fired a two-day total 609 (308-301) on the Galveston Country Club course.

"We beat everyone in our conference and region except Midland," said coach Milton Ham. "It was a great tournament."

Midland won the tournament with a 584 (293-291). Paris was second with 601 (303-298) and Tyler Junior College shot 602 (306-296), good for third.

In the medalist race, Morten Vildhoj and Matt Clements tied for fourth with 148. Derrick Pursley from Midland was the medalist with 144 (72-72).

"We are getting better," said Ham. "We are shooting to qualify for the regional tournament."

The golf team will be off for a few weeks before playing in the Midland College Invitational on April 7-9.

WTC Golfers

Morten Vildhoj	73-75—148
Matt Clements	74-74—148
Harry Hernandez	79-77—156
John Mark Ferrel	84-75—159
Ryan Swagar	82-80—162
Bryan Hawkins	84-79—163

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	47	16	.746	—
NewYork	35	26	.574	11
Miami	31	32	.492	16
Washington	28	34	.452	18½
NewJersey	25	36	.410	21
Boston	23	39	.371	23½
Philadelphia	13	48	.213	33
Central Division				
x-Chicago	54	7	.885	—
Indiana	39	23	.629	15½
Atlanta	35	27	.565	19½
Cleveland	34	27	.557	20
Detroit	34	27	.557	20
Charlotte	29	31	.483	24½
Milwaukee	21	39	.350	32½
Toronto	16	45	.262	38
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
SanAntonio	43	18	.705	—
Utah	43	18	.705	—
Houston	41	22	.651	3
Denver	27	35	.435	16½
Dallas	21	41	.339	22½
Minnesota	19	42	.311	24
Vancouver	11	49	.183	31½
Pacific Division				
Seattle	47	14	.770	—
L.A.Lakers	38	22	.633	8½
Phoenix	31	31	.500	16½
Portland	29	34	.460	19
Sacramento	27	33	.450	19½
GoldenState	28	35	.444	20
L.A.Clippers	22	40	.355	25½

x-clinched playoff spot

Tuesday's Games
Phoenix 98, New Jersey 88
Philadelphia 118, Toronto 110
Atlanta 115, Utah 89
Miami 125, Dallas 118
Denver 110, Orlando 93
Portland 105, L.A. Lakers 99
San Antonio 106, Golden State 98

Wednesday's Games
Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Washington at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
New York at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

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California	13	1	.929
KansasCity	8	4	.667
NewYork	7	5	.583
Texas	7	5	.583
Chicago	8	6	.571
Baltimore	5	4	.556
Boston	6	5	.545
Detroit	6	6	.500
Seattle	6	6	.500
Minnesota	7	8	.467
Oakland	6	8	.429
Cleveland	5	7	.417
Toronto	4	7	.364
Milwaukee	3	9	.250

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.
LosAngeles	8	3	.727
NewYork	7	4	.636
St.Louis	7	4	.636
Atlanta	5	4	.556
Chicago	6	5	.545
Cincinnati	6	6	.500
Colorado	7	7	.500
SanFrancisco	6	7	.462
Montreal	4	5	.444
Pittsburgh	5	7	.417
Florida	4	10	.400
SanDiego	4	8	.333
Houston	3	7	.300
Philadelphia	3	8	.273

Split-squad games count in standings; games against college teams do not

Tuesday's Games
Florida (ss) 3, Baltimore 0
Chicago White Sox (ss) 5, Minnesota (ss) 1
Houston 12, Detroit 5
Florida (ss) 3, Kansas City (ss) 1
Kansas City (ss) 5, St. Louis 0
Los Angeles 5, Montreal 4
N.Y. Yankees (ss) 8, Toronto 7
Philadelphia 8, Cincinnati (ss) 4
Pittsburgh 4, Cleveland 1
Chicago White Sox (ss) 7, Texas 4
N.Y. Mets 6, Atlanta 0
California 8, Milwaukee 7
Chicago Cubs 9, Oakland 8, 10 innings
San Francisco 6, Colorado 5
Seattle 15, San Diego 8
N.Y. Yankees (ss) 4, Cincinnati (ss) 3
Boston 8, Minnesota (ss) 5

Wednesday's Games
Atlanta vs. Florida at Viera, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore (ss) vs. Montreal (ss) at West Palm Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Boston vs. Pittsburgh at Bradenton, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Detroit (ss) vs. Toronto (ss) at Dunedin, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Houston vs. Kansas City at Haines City, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees vs. Cleveland at Winter Haven, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets vs. Los Angeles at Vero Beach, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
St. Louis vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Texas vs. Minnesota at Fort Myers, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Toronto (ss) vs. Chicago White Sox at Sarasota, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Colorado vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Oakland (ss) vs. Milwaukee at Chandler, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
San Francisco (ss) vs. Oakland (ss) at Phoenix, 3:05 p.m.
San Diego (ss) vs. San Francisco (ss) at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. Detroit (ss) at Lakeland, Fla., 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (ss) vs. Baltimore (ss) at Fort Lauderdale, Fla., 7:35 p.m.

Lady Tigers open district with win

LUBBOCK — In a game that only lasted three innings, the Snyder Lady Tigers won their first district softball game by annihilating Lubbock Estacado, 25-0, here Tuesday.

"The 10-run rule does not apply until five innings are played, but Estacado called it after three," said coach Billy Hicks.

Adrienne Bailey went two for three with two triples and knocked in two runs. Raechele Wemken had a three bagger as well as a single and five RBIs. Joanie Wemken picked up a double and single while getting two RBIs.

Amanda Huff and Jodi White each had three singles while Mendy Winter hit two singles. *Julie Lang, Sharon Gulseth and Shawn Purcell all added base hits.*

Huff threw three innings of no hit softball. Huff struck out two and walked two and threw only 41 pitches to 12 batters.

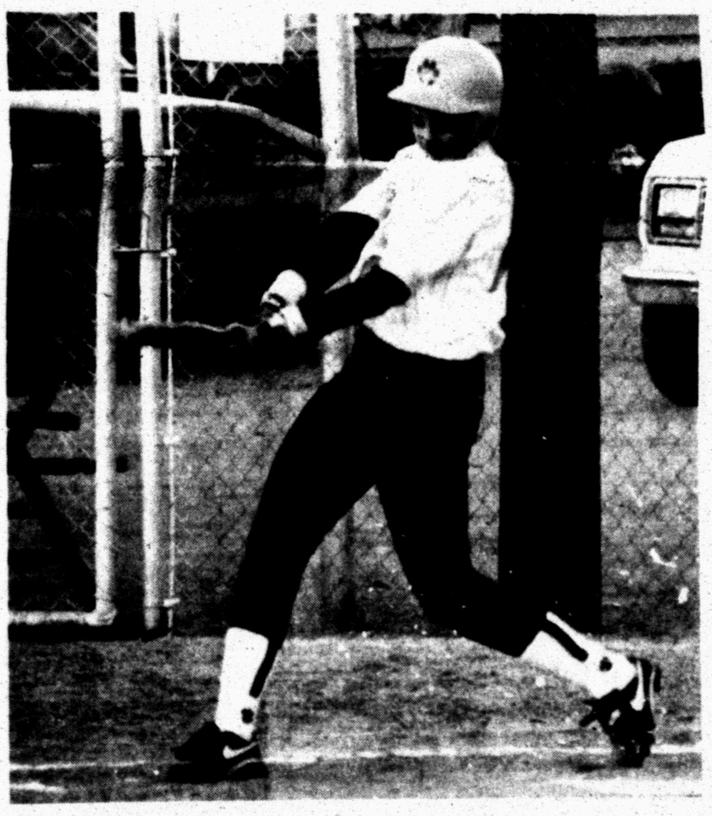
Snyder now goes to 1-0 in district play, 9-7 for the year.

The Lady Tigers will open play Thursday at 7:15 p.m. in the Canyon Reef Softball Tournament. Snyder will play Lubbock Monterey.

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SWING BATTER—It was a 25-run victory for the Lady Tigers softball team over Lubbock Estacado Tuesday as Snyder opened district play, 25-0. Adrienne Bailey stroked two triples in the game which was called after three innings. (Staff Photo by Brent Taylor)

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Billy Sims reported missing, calls station to say he's OK

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Billy Sims said a missing persons report filed by his wife is the result of a misunderstanding and he is in Detroit on business, a television station reported today.

"I'm fine, I'm not missing. Everything's OK," WDIV in Detroit quoted Sims as saying in a phone interview this morning. "I have to try to find my wife and let her know that."

Sims also was quoted as saying that he and his wife had been separated for a couple of months and he had tried to call her over the past two weeks.

"We've just sort of been missing each other," he said.

The 1978 Heisman trophy winner at Oklahoma, who starred for the Detroit Lions was reported missing Tuesday night in Norman by Edna Sims. She said he had been missing since Feb. 13, when he left to visit his children in Hooks, Texas, Oklahoma City television station KWTV reported.

The children's mother, former-wife Brenda Sims, told The Associated Press that she thought she last saw Sims during the last weekend in February.

Officer Danny Verble said the Simses were living in Texarkana, Texas, and preparing to move to Norman when Edna Sims last saw her husband. She said it wasn't uncommon to go two go three days without hearing from him.

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Dear Abby

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Dad Does Not Take Lightly Marriage to a Heavyweight

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DEAR ABBY: My father has lived with a lady for several years, but he will not marry her because of her weight. (Of course, he has not told her this.)

She is not fat, but she is a little overweight, a size 12 to 14. When we ask Dad why he hasn't proposed yet, he just says, "She's on a diet right now, and as soon as she loses some weight and stays slim for a while, I'll see about it."

Should I tell her she's wasting her time with my dad? It seems to me that he's just waiting for something better to come along. She cooks, cleans house, washes his clothes, everything. I feel he is just using her. He says he "loves" her.

I think if he loves her, he should marry her. What is your opinion?

A SOUTHERNER

DEAR SOUTHERNER: It is not your place to tell the lady anything. When your father asks for your opinion — and not until then — give it to him with both barrels.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: I am a single mom looking for a job. Recently I was called for an interview, and it seemed to go very well, as I was called back for a second interview.

The prospective employer told me he would call me next week with a decision. Abby, I waited a whole week without any word, so I decided to call them back. I left a message, and again no response.

Abby, if someone is called in for an interview, wouldn't it be simple, common courtesy for the interviewer to take a few minutes to say, yes, no, or thank you?

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DEAR SNUBBED: Yours is a question that I have been asked several times.

Of course you should have been called back (as promised) and told that you did not get the job, so you could feel free to continue your job search.

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DEAR ABBY: My personal frustration with today's impersonal communications systems led me to write the enclosed poem. It was printed in my local newspaper, and is also posted in the library. It gets lots of laughs — and is yours to print if you see fit.

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DEAR RAE: It's a hoot — and well worth sharing.

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DEAR READERS: Here's a thought-provoking quote from the late — and great — author, John Steinbeck: "We give the president more work than a man can do, more responsibility than a man should take, more pressure than a man can bear. We abuse him often, and rarely praise him. We wear him out, use him up, eat him up. And with all this, Americans have a love for the president that goes beyond party loyalty or nationality; he is ours, and we exercise the right to destroy him."

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Vince Edwards, 'Ben Casey,' dies of cancer at age 67

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Vince Edwards, who as "Ben Casey" in the 1960s launched a tradition of handsome, brooding TV doctors that continues today with stars like "ER's" George Clooney, has died of cancer. He was 67.



Vince Edwards

Edwards died at 7:40 p.m. Monday at UCLA Medical Center. He was suffering from pancreatic cancer and had been hospitalized for about 10 days, manager T.J. Castronovo said Tuesday.

"He was saying he was going to beat it," Castronovo said.

Castronovo recalled his client and friend as "a sweetheart."

"He was really an easygoing guy."

But it was as the serious and sometimes difficult Dr. Casey on the 1961-66 ABC series that Edwards gained fame. A rare TV antihero, Casey battled disease as well as the medical establishment.

Casey's mentor at County General Hospital was respected neurosurgeon Dr. David Zorba, played by the late Sam Jaffe.

The series, one of ABC's most popular, had the kind of hard-driving realism that has made NBC's "ER" a major hit. A Time magazine review of "Ben Casey" said it accurately captured "the feeling of sleepless intensity in a metropolitan hospital."

Edwards also enjoyed the kind of fan adulation given to "ER" stars such as Clooney — and then some.

Clooney has yet to score a hit pop song like that inspired by "Ben Casey" and NBC's medical hit of the same season, "Dr. Kildare," starring Richard Chamberlain: "Dr. Kildare! Dr. Casey! You are wanted for consultation."

In a 1988 interview, Edwards recalled how success came to the series — and to him — in a matter of weeks.

"My picture was on the cover of Look and Life magazines," he told The Associated Press. "I went from obscurity to fame. What a cultural shock that was. It just exploded."

Edwards, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., began his acting career on the stage in the 1940s and appeared in films and on television during the 1950s.

Among the TV productions in which he appeared were "Fireside Theatre," "The Untouchables" and "Alfred Hitchcock Presents."

In the early 1960s, his pursuit of a musical career produced a best-selling album, "Vince Edwards Sings."



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Americans said slower to get married

WASHINGTON (AP) — No longer feeling pressure to get married by some magic age, Americans are taking their time before tying the knot.

But they also are showing less patience with problem marriages as growing numbers unravel the marriage bond with divorce.

A new Census Bureau analysis found that in 1994 the typical bride was 24.5 years old and her groom was 26.7.

That's the oldest for both bride and groom since the bureau started to ask about age at marriage in 1890, according to the study "Marital Status and Living Arrangements: March 1994."

In years past, many people felt pressure to marry by some magic age, observed Stephanie Kenitzer of Odenton, Md., who wed in 1992 at age 27.

But that no longer seems to be the case.

"People aren't saying, 'I'm 20 or I'm 25, so I'm an old maid.' It's no longer looked upon as a negative that you're not married at a certain age," she said. "They're more free to make decisions on their own and so people are waiting longer. I waited longer ... there was no pressure."

But Carol J. De Vita, a population expert at the independent Population Reference Bureau, says that while "young adults are delaying entrance into marriage ... very few will forgo it altogether."

In 1890 the median age to get hitched for the first time was 26.1 for men and 22.0 for women, according to Census Bureau records.

This declined gradually over the years, bottoming at 22.5 for men and 20.1 for women in 1956, before beginning to rise again as young people increasingly pursued college and careers before marriage. Median indicates that half were married by that age and half married later.

Increasing educational and employment opportunities for women have contributed to their postponing marriage, De Vita said. For men, she added, a stagnation of wages in the 1970s and 1980s made the prospects for marriage less affordable.

Of course, postponing marriage means an increase, at any given time, in the number of people who have never wed, and that is reflected in the Census study.

From 1970 to 1994 the number of Americans aged 18 and over who had never married more than doubled, from 21.4 million to 44.2 million.

While they are slower to tie the knot, Americans are proving faster to break it. From 1970 to 1994 the number currently divorced climbed from 4.3 million to 17.4 million.

"The high levels of divorce and remarriage in the United States today suggest that Americans may be placing a high value on forming successful marriages and may be less tolerant of marital problems than were earlier generations," says De Vita.

The increasing economic independence of women today helps ease the financial pressure to remain in an unsatisfactory marriage, she added.

"The delay in first marriages and rise in divorce among adults are two of the factors contributing to the growing proportion of children in one-parent living situations," said Arlene Saluter, author of the Census study.

"Children are considerably more likely to be living with only one parent today than in 1970," she observed.

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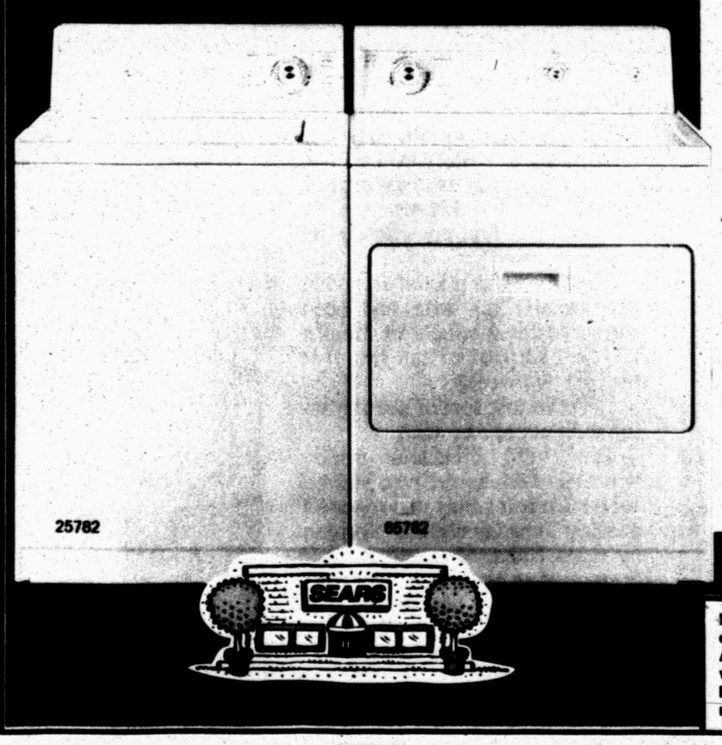
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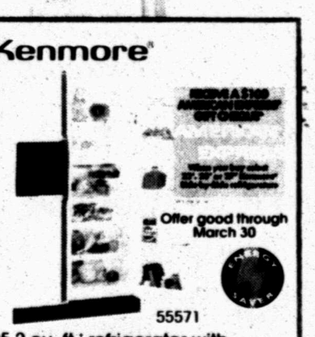
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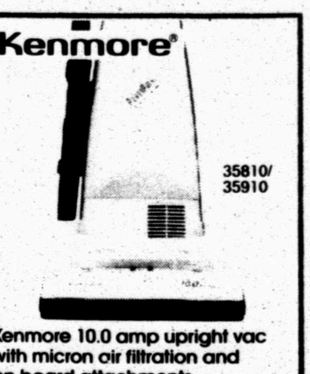
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Southwest to expand Love Field facilities

DALLAS (AP) — Southwest Airlines has planned a $72 million project to expand its base at Dallas Love Field, according to a published report.

The Dallas Morning News reported in today's editions that the nation's fastest-growing major airline planned to consolidate its training and data processing operations in Dallas.

The plans, which were anticipated to create hundreds of jobs, do not involve expansion of flights from Love Field, the newspaper reported, citing city officials and documents.

Dallas Mayor Ron Kirk and Herb Kelleher, chairman and chief executive officer of the Dallas-based carrier, were expected to announce the first phase of the project today during a City Council meeting.

The expansion, which would involve eight projects over four years, would nearly double the value of the company's holdings at the city-owned airport.

The airline has not requested a tax abatement for the projects, city officials said.

"It's a good deal," Kirk said Tuesday. "I think the upshot of it for the city is that it is a strong affirmation of Southwest's positive standing in the aviation industry and of their commitment to Dallas."

Southwest spokesman Ed Stewart declined to elaborate on the Dallas carrier's plans before today's announcement.

"Suffice it to say that Southwest Airlines is still in a growth and expansion mode, and that certainly includes our headquarters facilities," Stewart said. "We do intend to make some major changes with regards our headquarters."

The City Council is scheduled to consider changing the airline's lease at Love Field to grant the airline access to 426,875 square feet of vacant land for part of the expansion.

Some land would be used to build a $9.8 million simulator facility to train pilots near Southwest's headquarters. Southwest has committed to tearing down its existing simulator facility when the new one is completed and building a $12.8 million expansion of its headquarters.

Five projects totaling $29.4 million would start this year. They include construction of a new data processing center to handle ticketing and record-keeping and a new pilot training facility with six flight simulators.

The existing simulator building is six years old, but the rapid growth of Southwest soon would make it inadequate to train all of Southwest's pilots, Stewart said.

Other 1996 projects include a new company parking lot and renovations to the airline's employee training facilities and offices within the terminal building.

Southwest Airlines employed 2,911 people in Dallas in 1995 and had a payroll of $137.5 million. The company paid $4.8 million to the city in rent and $10.5 million in local property taxes. The new projects would bring several hundred thousand dollars a year, in additional tax revenues, according to city staff.

The company expects to employ 1,560 people at its headquarters by 2000, up from 1,205 this year, according to documents. And it plans to add 71 aircraft to its nationwide fleet between 1997 and 2000, bringing the total to 312 planes.

Berry's World



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"As the political pundits might say, your message of 'going to bed' does not resonate with me."

After tearful reunion, girl gets dad's kidney

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The tears came in a rush as Renada Daniel-Patterson stood outside the hospital room where the father she had met only twice lay in bed, flanked by two prison guards.

David Patterson, a convicted burglar, was about to donate a life-saving kidney to the daughter he deserted before she was born.

"Thank you very much for giving me a chance. I love you," Renada, 13, said Tuesday in a mix of words and sobs as she hugged her father for the first time in years.

Patterson, 34, held the daughter he has never really known and talked to her softly. "I'll be there," he said. "OK?"

The surgery at the University of California at San Francisco Medical Center lasted three hours. The teen-ager and her father were in stable condition today, doctors said.

Renada's mother, Vickie Daniel, planned to stay by her daughter's bedside through the night.

"If she could scoot over, I'd climb in with her," said a tired but smiling Daniel, 35, who also had shed her share of tears throughout the day.

"Now," she said, "they are tears of joy."

Doctors said it will take weeks and possibly months before it is known whether Renada's body accepts the kidney. Renada's chances improve because she is related to the donor, said Dr. Anthony Portale, a pediatric kidney specialist who is overseeing her recovery.

Renada was born with one kidney that failed when she was 5. She got a new kidney that year, but her body rejected it a year later. Her mother couldn't donate one of hers because she is diabetic, and no suitable matches were found.

Renada was on dialysis three times a week but had been getting sicker in recent months.

Patterson — although he knew she needed a kidney — never offered his until November, when he wrote to his daughter: "If you can forgive me, I will do my best to be the daddy I should have been a long time ago."

He and his daughter had met only twice, once when Renada was too young to remember and again when she was 8.

Patterson will recuperate in the hospital for five days to a week — guarded around the clock — before returning to the state prison in Folsom. He began serving a seven-year sentence in January 1994, but is to be released in July 1997 with credit for good behavior.

Renada will recuperate at home in Vallejo, 30 miles north of San Francisco.

Assuming the transplant is successful, she wants to attend school with her friends instead of the in-home education she's been getting because she is confined to the house.

Louisiana governor eyes constitutional amendment

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — A constitutional amendment is being considered by Gov. Mike Foster as the possible answer to Louisiana's liquor law dilemma.

"We can't leave it the way it is and be the only state in the Union that way," Foster said in response to reporters' questions Tuesday about a ruling last week by the Louisiana Supreme Court.

The court said the Legislature cannot prohibit 18-, 19-, and 20-year-olds from buying liquor. The law violates a provision of the state constitution barring age discrimination, the court ruled Friday.

The Legislature passed the original law only grudgingly in the mid-1980s when the federal government threatened to hold back highway funds. At the time, only Louisiana and Hawaii allowed those younger than 21 to buy liquor.

The Legislature included a loophole to make the law unenforceable: There were no penalties for anyone selling to patrons of that age.

Last year, the Legislature closed the loophole, putting penalties in the bill.

Liquor lobbyists and others filed suit and a state district judge in Ville Platte threw out the law. The high court agreed last week.

Foster said Louisiana cannot afford to lose federal highway dollars.

He said he will talk to state attorneys and legislative leaders before deciding whether to sponsor a constitutional amendment in the special session of the Legislature to prohibit those between 18 and 21 from buying liquor.

"It depends on what everyone tells me," he said.

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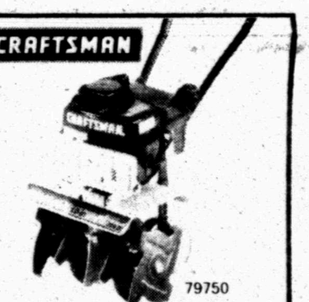
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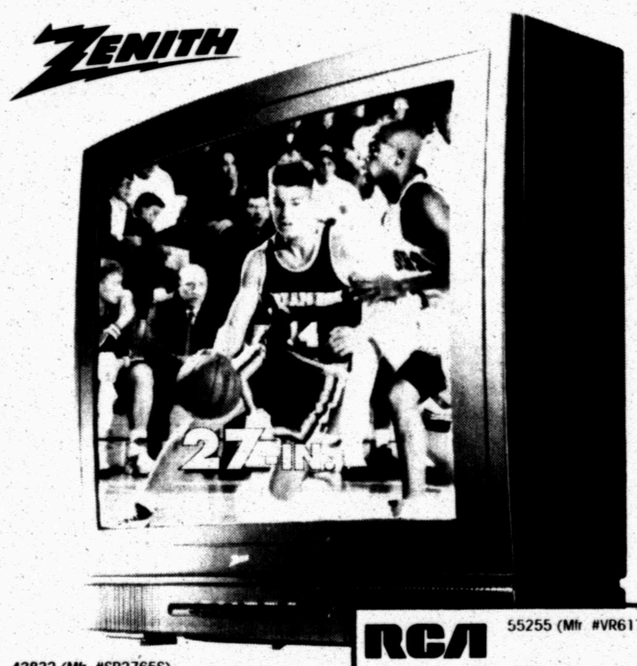
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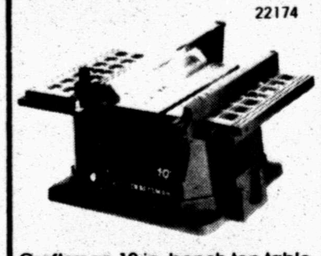
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Post primary, GOP in Texas, Demos looking to November

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Republicans say Bob Dole's big win in the biggest Super Tuesday primary shows the time has come to unify the party and focus on President Clinton.

Texas Democrats said they already are unified and looking forward to that fight.

Dole easily outdistanced his Republican rivals in Texas voting and claimed nearly all of the state's 123 GOP National Convention delegates.

Dole got 56 percent of the vote statewide. Estimates today gave him 121 delegates.

Commentator Pat Buchanan ran a distant second, with 21 percent and two delegates. Millionaire publisher Steve Forbes was an even more distant third, with 13 percent and no delegates.

The Texas total represented about one-seventh of the delegates Dole has amassed nationwide. The Kansas senator enjoyed the backing of Gov. George W. Bush and U.S. Sens. Phil Gramm and Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Texas GOP leaders said the results, combined with Dole's sweep of six other states Tuesday night, clearly demonstrate that his quarrelsome opponents should throw in the towel and start looking toward the fall.

"It's a very important step that we have taken. Now is the time to bring the party together, to strengthen our position and go into November talking about the Dole and a President Clinton," Mrs. Hutchison said.

Land Commissioner Garry Mauro, who chairs Clinton's campaign in the state, said Democrats have learned from Republicans and are ready to work hard for the president's re-election.

"In the 25 years I've been active in Democratic politics, I've never seen the party so united. I would say we're taking a page out of the Ronald Reagan election of 1984," Mauro said.

Texas Democrats will send 230 delegates to their convention. Clinton, who faced no major opponent Tuesday, got 85 percent of the vote.

State GOP Chairman Tom Pauken said Dole's whopping victory was no surprise. Republicans now are ready to turn their attention to Clinton, he said.

"The sense is that the time has come to really unite the party and focus on defeating Bill Clinton," Pauken said. "I think the perception is that Bob Dole has the best chance of pulling the social and economic conservatives together."

Pauken's Democratic counterpart, state party chairman Bill White, said he also is looking forward to the fall campaign.

"President Clinton is getting stronger every month. Bob Dole has never recovered from the criticism by Forbes and Buchanan that he has no new ideas. It's going to be a classic match between a president that symbolizes the 21st century and an old and honored war hero who's a bit of history," White said.

One possible wrench in the gears was the potential candidacy of Dallas billionaire H. Ross Perot.

Perot's independent candidacy in 1992 netted him 19 percent of the vote, and many Republicans blame him for the defeat of President George Bush. Perot now is pushing a third party effort called the Reform Party, which is seeking spots on ballots around the country.

Record ozone loss measured in the northern hemisphere

GENEVA (AP) — Ozone levels plummeted to record lows over Britain and Scandinavia this winter, exposing inhabitants to some of the worst levels of ultraviolet radiation recorded in densely populated areas, the World Meteorological Organization said Tuesday.

Ozone depletion over that region, caused in large part by manmade chemicals released into the atmosphere, also is related to the seasons and has been made worse by unusually cold temperatures.

The period of extremely low ozone levels was expected to pass later this month.

Regional ozone levels during January, February and the early part of March averaged about 30 percent below the average levels recorded between 1957 and 1978, before man-made chemicals started destroying the ozone, according to measurements published by the U.N. agency.

On days in late February and the beginning of March, the levels were as low as 45 percent below the pre-1978 levels — a depletion unprecedented in the northern hemisphere.

"This means the people have twice as much radiation as normal," said Dr. Rumen Bojkov, special adviser on ozone to the organization. "It is fortunate that at this time of the year, no one is bathing in the North Sea."

Ozone plays a vital role by shielding humans and other forms of life from damage connected with dangerous forms of solar radiation.

The gas, which lies in a band 12 to 15 miles above the earth's surface, expands and contracts in natural cycles. But tons of manmade chemicals released into the atmosphere have made the depletions worse.

The gases include chlorofluorocarbons, or CFCs, used in some countries in refrigerators and as propellants in spray cans, and methyl bromide, used as a fumigant and a fuel additive. Methyl bromide releases bromine, which is 60 times more destructive to ozone than CFCs.

Ozone has been decreasing by 7 percent a decade over the northern polar region in the last two decades and by 15 percent a year over the southern polar region.

A hole in the ozone layer over Antarctica has appeared each spring since the early 1980s — last year growing to about the size of Europe.

The patch of low ozone reported Tuesday covers an area from Greenland to the western part of the Russian Arctic — home to some 80 million people.

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Public Schools Week scheduled March 18-22

Students and staff in the Snyder Independent School District will join more than three million children throughout the state in celebrating Texas Public Schools Week, March 18-22.

This year's theme, "Education: The Heart of Texas," celebrates the array of academic and extracurricular opportunities available to those attending the state's public schools.

Established more than 40 years ago by the Masonic Lodges of Texas and promoted for the past 15 years by the Texas School Public Relations Association, Texas Public Schools Week recognizes the state's outstanding public education system. TPSW includes a full slate of activities and events designed to attract parents, families and the community onto school campuses. TPSW gives community members an opportunity to view firsthand how local schools are preparing students for the future.

"Throughout the school year, we welcome members of the community to visit our public schools," said Wendell Sollis, SISD director of curriculum. "Texas Public Schools Week is an especially exciting time for visitors because so many events are planned. We have a lot of exciting things happening in Snyder schools and we're proud to show them off."

Parents are invited to contact their child's school to inquire about planned activities.

"Texas Public Schools Week gives our district the chance to showcase the quality education our students are receiving each day. We invite parents and the entire community to witness how hard our teachers and students work," said Sollis.

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC NOTICE
CITY OF SNYDER
TEXAS COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The City of Snyder will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on March 18, 1996, at Snyder City Hall in regard to the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for a Texas Community Development Program (TCDP), Texas Capital Fund grant. The purpose of this meeting is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizen participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TCDP funding available, all eligible TCDP activities, and the use of past TCDP funds. The City encourages citizens to participate in the development of this TCDP application and to make their views known at this public hearing. Citizens unable to attend this meeting may submit their views and proposals to John Gayle, City Manager at the City Hall. Persons with disabilities that wish to attend this meeting should contact City Hall to arrange for assistance. Individuals who require auxiliary aids or services for this meeting should contact City Hall at least two days before the meeting so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
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AT&T Corp	62⅛	61⅞	62⅛+ ⅛	
AirTouch	29¼	29⅛	29⅛— ⅛	
Albertsons	38	37⅝	37⅝— ⅛	
Alldsignal		58⅛	57⅝ 57⅞	
Alltel	32⅛	31⅝	31⅝— ⅛	
AmStores	29⅛	29	29⅛— ⅛	
Ameritech		53⅜	53⅛ 53⅜	
Amoco	69⅜	69	69⅜— ⅛	
AndarkPtr	53⅜	53	53⅜+ ⅜	
Armcolnc	5⅜	5⅛	5⅛+ ⅛	
AtlRichfld	110⅛	109⅛	109⅝— ⅛	
ATMOS Egy	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛— ⅛	
Aviall	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛— ⅛	
BakerHughes	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛+ ⅛	
BellAtl	62⅜	61⅞	62 — ⅛	
BellSouth s	37⅛	36⅝	37 — ⅛	
BethSteel	14⅜	14	14⅛— ⅛	
BritPet	101⅜	101⅛	101⅛+3⅛	
BurlNoSFe	82⅛	81⅛	81⅜— ⅛	
Caterpillar	70⅛	69⅛	69⅝— ⅛	
CenSoWst		26⅛	26⅛ 26⅛	
Chevron	54⅜	53⅜	54⅛— ⅛	
Chrysler	61⅜	60⅜	61 + ⅜	
Coastal	38⅜	38	38⅛+ ⅛	
CocaCola	81⅛	80⅝	80⅝— ⅛	
ColgatePalm	80⅛	79⅝	80 — ⅛	
ComclMetals	27⅛	27	27⅛+ ⅛	
Cooperin		37⅛	36⅞ 37⅛	
CyprusAmax	27⅜	27⅜	27⅜— ⅛	
DallSemicn	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛— ⅛	
DeltaAirl	78	77	77⅛+1⅜	
DigitalEq	62⅞	61⅛	62⅝+1	
Dillard		35¼	34⅛ 35⅛	
DowChem	86⅛	85	85 —1⅛	
DresserInd	28⅛	27⅞	28 + ⅛	
DuPont	80⅛	79⅝	80⅛+ ⅛	
EastmanChem	70⅛	69⅛	69⅝— ⅛	
EstKodak		73⅛	72⅝ 72⅞	
Enserch	14⅜	14⅛	14⅜+ ⅛	
Entergy		27	26⅞ 26⅞	
Exxon	80⅛	79	79⅛— ⅛	
FstBksAm s		10⅛	10⅛ 10⅛	
Flowers s	14⅜	14⅛	14⅜+ ⅛	
FordMotor		33	32⅛ 32⅛	
GTE Cp	42⅛	41⅞	41⅞— ⅜	
GenDynam	60⅛	59⅜	59⅝— ⅜	
GenElec		75⅜	74⅞ 75	
GenMills	57⅞	56⅞	57⅞+ ⅛	
GenMotors	52⅜	51⅜	52 — ⅜	
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GlobalMar	9⅛	8⅞	9⅛+ ⅛	
Goodrich	75⅜	75⅛	75⅜— ⅛	
Goodyear s	51⅛	51⅛	51⅜+ ⅛	
GtAtlPac	28⅛	26⅞	28⅛+1⅛	
Haliburtn	54⅛	53⅜	54⅛+1	
Hanson ADS	14⅛	14⅛	14⅛— ⅛	
HarteHanks s		21⅛	21⅛ 21⅛	
HoustonInd s	22⅛	22	22⅛— ⅛	
IBM	115⅜	114⅛	115 + ⅜	
IntlPapers		38⅜	38⅛ 38⅜	
JohnsnJns	94⅛	93⅜	93⅜— ⅛	
K mart	8⅜	8⅛	8⅜+ ⅛	
Kroger	36⅛	36⅛	36⅜+ ⅛	
Litton	48⅛	47⅛	47⅛— ⅛	
Lowes Cos	35⅛	34⅞	34⅞— ⅛	
Lubys		21⅛	21⅛ 21⅛	
MayDeptStrs		50⅛	49⅞ 49⅞	
Medtronics	56⅛	55	55⅛—1⅛	
Mobil	112⅞	111⅜	112⅝+1⅛	
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Motorola	54⅛	52⅞	53⅛— ⅛	
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NoramEngy		8⅛	8⅛ 8⅛	
Norwest	34⅛	33⅜	33⅜— ⅛	
Nynex	49⅛	48⅛	48⅛— ⅛	
OryxEngy		12⅛	12⅛ 12⅛	
PacTelesis	27⅛	27	27 — ⅛	
PanhECp	29	28⅛	29 + ⅛	
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PepBoys	32	31⅛	31⅛+ ⅛	
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RoyalDutch		138	137⅛ 137½	
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SaraLee	33⅛	33	33⅛— ⅛	
SearsRoebu	49⅞	48⅜	49⅝+ ⅛	
SherwinW	43⅛	42⅜	43⅛+1	
SmthBchADS	52	51⅛	51⅜— ⅛	
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SouthernCo	23	22⅛	22⅜— ⅛	
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Sprint	35⅛	35	35⅛+ ⅛	
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TNP Ent	20⅛	20⅛	20⅛+ ⅛	
Tandy	46⅜	46⅛	46⅛+ ⅛	
TempInl	44	43⅛	44 + ⅜	
Teneco	57	56⅛	56⅛— ⅜	
Texaco		83⅜	82⅛ 82⅛	
TexasInd	64⅛	63⅜	64⅛+ ⅜	
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Tyler	2⅜	2⅛	2⅛— ⅛	
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UnPac		68⅛	68⅛ 68⅛	
UnitedTech	114⅛	111⅞	112⅛— ⅛	
Unocal	30⅛	30	30 — ⅛	
WalMart	22⅞	22⅜	22⅜+ ⅛	
WstnGasRs		12⅛	12⅛ 12⅛	
WestghEl	19⅛	18⅜	19⅛+ ⅜	
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DISMISSALS: Maria Carrisalez, Rachael Baze and baby, Vernon Groce, Melba Surratt.

CENSUS: 54 (Med., Surg.-16, Long-term Care-36, OB-1, Nursery-1).

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The Emu Report

By Shirley Pate, Pate Emu Farm

We continue our report on the meeting in San Angelo with Dennis Davis, president of United Emu, as speaker. Last week we mentioned the work being done by Dr. J.P. Hsu and Southwest Institute and Laboratory in San Antonio. Davis stated, "the reason we went to this particular lab was, it is known and respected world wide. They do research world wide on anything, their motto is, you bring it in and we will do it. We wanted them to do research on the oil and cream that can be produced from the fat.

Dr. Hsu, who is the head chemist in the lab, started this lab by himself in the mid 80's. He now had eighty employees working under him. A large part of them are working on this emu research. They are all excited with their finding thus far. As a matter of fact, their communication department will be doing an article on their research on the emu.

Dr. Hsu assures us that he can produce the same quality oil and cream each time with his method. The Pacific Rim countries have purchased a large number of samples of the oil, cream and cosmetics that Southwest Lab has made us which have already been shipped.

At this time we are setting up a rendering facility in San Antonio at Southwest Lab that will later be broken down and moved to the slaughter facility. Dr. Hsu wants to make sure that it will produce the same quality of product in each of our rendering plants as in his lab.

Dr. Hsu and his entire lab have become extremely protective of the "EMU." These Pacific Rim countries want "all" of the emu, parts that we here in the US only consider fit for the garbage. But Dr. Hsu does not want us to make contracts for any part of the bird until he has completed extensive research and is satisfied that there is no better use for it than food."

You may receive information on United Emy by calling 1-800-806-4368. For further information contact, Pate Emu Farm, 1449 CR 253, Snyder or call 573-5340.

NRCS Report

By Mark Sides
Range Conservationist

GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP

There will be a grant writing workshop sponsored by Big Country RC&D for individuals and organizations on April 10, 11 and 12 in Lubbock.

This course is designed as an intensive course to provide participants with personal attention so they will leave with a proposal draft. It will concentrate on the collection and distribution of funding information and the liaison services between applicants and the federal agencies. Each participant will write a reader-based proposal & judge proposals through reviewer's eyes.

The seminar will be taught by Ron Ayer, who is a Federal Grants Analyst with the State Grants Team, part of the Governor's Office of Budget and Planning. Mr. Ayer has eight years experience in funding research and proposal writing, and holds a master's degree in Social Work Administration and Planning from the University of Texas at Austin.

This is an excellent opportunity to learn the basics of successful grant writing or to polish your current grant writing skills. If you are interested in this seminar please give us a call at the Natural Resources Conservation Service (formally the Soil Conservation Service) at (915) 573-6317, or come by the office at 5309 Big Spring Highway in Snyder. Registration deadline for the grant writing seminar is March 29.

Programs and services of the Natural Resource Conservation Service are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regards for race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, marital status or handicap.

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 710 head of cattle for the Thursday, March 7, Sale. Cows were $2 to $3 cheaper. Yearlings and calves were $2 to $3 cheaper.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 31.50 to 36.50; Canner and low cutters 24 to 31; Slaughter bulls 40 to 46.50.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 55 to 65; 400 to 500, 55 to 63; 500 to 600, 52.50 to 58.50; 600 to 700, 52.50 to 55; 700 to 800, 51.50 to 55.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 48 to 55.50; 400 to 500, 47.50 to 52.50; 500 to 600, 47.50 to 52.50; 600 to 700, 45 to 51; 700 to 800, 45 to 50.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 50 to 55; 700 to 800, 45 to 50.

Cow and calf pairs: good 425 to 575 grade 325 to 400

Springers: 25 to 450; baby calves 45 to 110; doodlers 50 to 135.

Sweetwater cattle auction

The market at Sweetwater had a run of 417 head of cattle for the Wed., March 6 Sale. Feeder steers were 1 to 2 cwt lower with feeder heifers 2 cwt lower. Packer cows and bulls were 1 cwt higher.

STEERS
300-400: 61-68
400-500: 57-66
500-600: 56-62
600-700: 52-58

HEIFERS
300-400: 52-58
400-500: 48-53
500-600: 46-53
600-700: 46-52

BRED COWS
Good: 350-395
Older and plainer: 300-350

PAIRS
Good: No test
Older and plainer: No test

PACKER COWS
Good: 32-35.50
Low yielding: 26-32.

PACKER BULLS
Good: 41-45
Low yielding: 38-41.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 613 head of cattle at the Saturday, March 9 Sale. Stocker and feeder heifers were steady to slightly weaker. Bred stock cows and pairs were having a hard time finding a home due to dry weather and high feed. Cattle numbers were down.

Steers, calves & yearlings: 300 to 400, 56 to 66.50; 400 to 500, 56 to 64.50; 500 to 600, 54 to 62.50; 600 to 750, 54 to 63.

Heifers calves & yearlings: 200 to 300, 48 to 54; 300 to 400, 46 to 52; 400 to 500, 45 to 52; 500 to 600, 45 to 51; 600 to 750, 42 to 51.

Bred cows (young): 250 to 420.

Pairs running age: 300 to 575.

Packer cows 25 to 35.50; Packer bulls 38.50 to 48.50.

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USDA proposes changes in Step 2 cotton payments

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department wants to change a controversial subsidy for cotton exporters in order to lower its costs and prevent abuses.

The department's Farm Service Agency says it will propose setting the "Step 2" payments as of the day the cotton is shipped. Exporters now lock in a payment rate on the date an export sales contract is registered with the Agriculture Department.

As a result, the department says, exporters have been able to lock in relatively high payment rates by "bunching" sales contracts — concentrating the registrations of sales contracts in periods when rates are likely to be high.

A federal grand jury in Memphis, Tenn., has been investigating possible abuses of the program.

Also, a 1994 internal audit by the department's Inspector General found the "Step 2" program was abused by several businesses. Those firms were not identified.

A separate report in June 1995 by the U.S. General Accounting Office concluded the $3 billion put into cotton export programs had been largely wasted.

The "Step 2" program was targeted for cuts during debates over the 1995 Farm Bill. The program was saved but capped at $700 million over seven years. The department has said that without the caps, spending would exceed $1 billion.

Disaster loans now available to businesses

LUBBOCK — Businesses in Scurry, Crosby, Dickens, Fisher, Garza, Kent, King and Stonewall counties have until April 4, to file applications for low-interest loans from the U.S. Small Business Administraion (SBA).

The SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loans are available for business dependent on farmers and ranchers sustaining crop losses from drought and hot dry winds which occurred June 1, 1994 through June 9, 1995 and continuing.

Farmers and ranchers are not eligible for these SBA loans. However, nurseries that are victims of drought disasters can apply. Applications and further information can be obtained by calling the SBA toll-free at 1-800-366-6303 or TDD 817-267-4688 for the hearing impaired.

These loans are intended to assist businesses in offsetting working capital losses which they suffered as a result of the drought and hot dry winds reducing the crop income of the area farmers and ranchers. Small businesses claiming to have been physically injured by the weather are not eligible.

SBA workshop to be held in Lubbock

LUBBOCK — There will be a morning workshop on "SBA Financing for Small Business," Wednesday, March 27 in the SBA Conference Room, 1611 10th St., Suite 200, in Lubbock. The workshop is being sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives). Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the program will conclude at 10.

Subjects for the morning workshop include: "SBA Loan Application," and "Other SBA Programs." There is no registration fee for the workshop but preregistration is encouraged due to limited space.

Reasonable arrangements for persons with disabilities will be made, if requested in advance.

For more information or registration contact Ruby Abarca at 806-743-7462 or 1-800-676-1005.

Failed acreage reports due

Producers are reminded that all failed and abandoned crop acres must be reported to the county office prior to making further disposition of the acres. Regulations also require that an ASCS-574 requesting disaster credit be filed timely or disaster credit maynot be given to the acres. This p9olicy pertains to all.



Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

HARVEST MORE MONEY CLAIM EIC TAX BENEFITS NOW

Families who discover they qualify for the Earned Income Tax Credit do not have to wait until April 15 to file their claim for this benefit. Eligible employees can file a W-5 with their employers and receive up to half of their projected EIC for 1996 as a lower withholding tax from their pay checks.

Employers are not required to make sure employees are eligible for the EIC. The only EIC recipients who are not eligible for advance EIC payments are:

•Workers without qualifying children

•Farm workers who get paid day by day

•People with no Social Security and Medicare taxes withheld from their pay. Other workers who are not encouraged to apply for the advance payment option are:

•Workers who hold more than one job

•Workers with a working spouse

•Workers who get married during the year

•Workers whose earned income increases a lot during the year

Workers who earn between $650 and $915 a month can get about $50 extra in each bi-weekly pay check by filing the W-5 form with their employer. For many workers, this can make a difference in paying the rent, buying groceries and meeting other day-to-day family needs.

Employers also benefit from promoting advance EIC payments for their workers. They can help employees increase their take-home pay without having to increase their payroll budget. This can also decrease turnover in the work place. If 1,000 workers in a community kept $50 in the local economy by using the EIC payroll option, $50,000 could stay in the local economy each pay day. That means more business for local stores.

EIC is one of the current ways low- to moderate-income families can reduce their tax burden at the benefit of the local economy.

SWCD Notes

By Mindy Wills, District Clerk

The Upper Colorado SWCD is sponsoring a contest for the 1996 Conservation Educator of the Year. We want to recognize a teacher for his/her dedication to children and for teaching conservation awareness.

If you would like to nominate a teacher, please write a one page letter to the Upper Colorado SWCD describing your teacher and explaining why you believe your teacher should be recognized as a Conservation Educator.

Please send your letters to Upper Colorado SWCD, 5309 Big Spring Hwy., Snyder, Texas 79549. The deadline for nominees is April 8.

Late cold damages crops

WASHINGTON (AP) — Name just about any vegetable or fruit crop and chances are it has been damaged by this year's unusual late-winter weather.

A sampling of preliminary reports:

SOUTH CAROLINA: As much as 15 percent of the peach crop has been wiped out. Many trees were already in bloom when the bitter cold hit last weekend.

WASHINGTON: Temperatures as low as 21 below in the Mid-Columbia Valley region last month destroyed the most fragile crops — wine grapes, peaches, nectarines and apricots.

Wine grapes grow on 14,000 acres in Washington, producing 60,000 tons last year. The biggest operation in central Washington hopes to get about half a crop this year. Many vines were killed outright, but experts say a mild spring could save some badly injured vines although it could take them until 1998 to begin producing a full crop again.

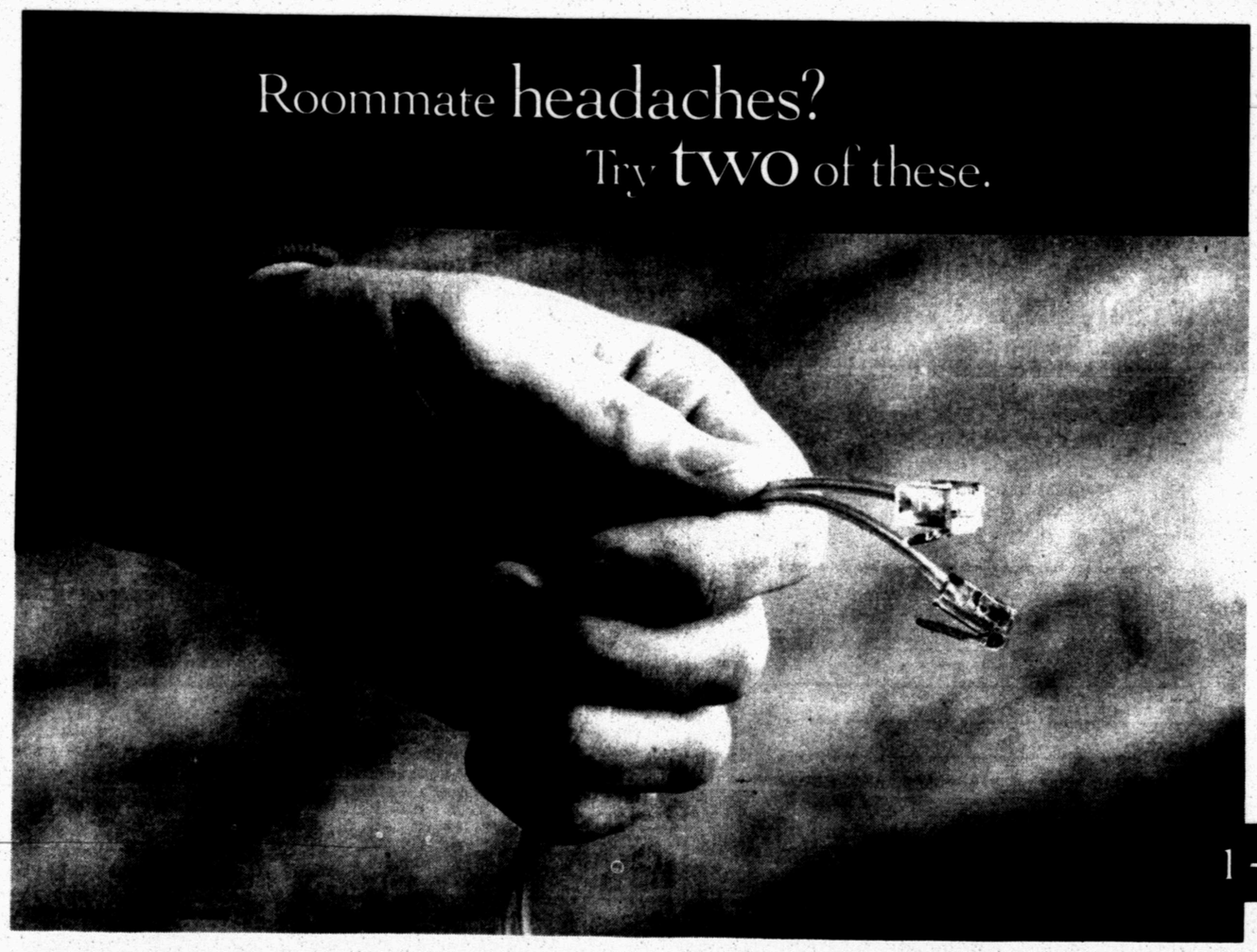
GEORGIA: Up to half the peach crop has been lost; yields of Vidalia onions are expected to drop by half; the state's entire 16,000 acres of Canola was wiped out. Turnip and collard greens took heavy damage. Young corn plants and early winter wheat suffered some damage, as did tobacco transplants.

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Town to continue opposition to proposed chicken facility

LONGVIEW (AP) — City officials have refused again to support a proposed chicken processing plant because of the millions of gallons of treated wastewater that would be dumped daily into Big Cypress Creek.

A consultant for Pilgrim's Pride Corp. tried Tuesday night to convince the Longview City Council that the company will use state-of-the-art technology to assure that its discharge would be treated properly.

But mayor I.J. Patterson and city manager Ted Willis both spoke against the plant, saying the company's track record on environmental matters has been poor.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission is considering Pilgrim's request to construct a processing plant and discharge up to 2.5 million gallons of treated wastewater a day into the creek, which is 10 miles upstream from Lake O' the Pines.

The city plans to use that lake for drinking water in the future, officials said.

The city filed a protest with the state commission in late December.

Tuesday's vote on a resolution continuing the protest was scheduled after the company's chief executive, Bo Pilgrim, met last week with Patterson and other city officials in an attempt to dissuade them from their protest.

Patterson agreed with Vernon Rowe, a consultant for Pilgrim's Pride, that the technology exists to ensure that any discharge is treated properly. But the mayor said the company has failed previously to use the technology.

Pilgrim Pride's track record, in handling its waste, "is not commendable," Willis said.

Councilman David McWhorter said the company should first install the state-of-the-art technology in its other plants in East Texas.

When the resolution came up for a vote, the city council voted unanimously to continue its opposition to the plant.

Pilgrim, chief executive officer of the company, has said he is confident the company will receive the permit despite Longview's opposition.

An economic development group in Mount Pleasant said it opposes any more Pilgrim's plants in the Mount Pleasant-Pittsburg-Longview area.

"There is no way our schools, rental and moderate-priced housing, our health services and our infrastructure, can stand up to a blow of this magnitude," Toby Abney, executive director of the Mount Pleasant Industrial Foundation, said in a prepared statement.

Pilgrim's operates a rendering plant in Mount Pleasant, which processes the chicken waste from several East Texas plants. It has been cited repeatedly by the TRNCC for the smell.

Former dean will return to 'Southwestern Baptist'

FORT WORTH (AP) — A former theology dean at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary will return to the Fort Worth seminary, one year after he resigned to join the faculty of a new, moderate seminary at Baylor University.

Southwestern trustees voted Tuesday to rehire Bruce Corley, who resigned last March after the firing of his close friend, seminary President Russell Dilday.

Corley will be professor of New Testament in the Southwestern theology department. Thomas D. Lea, a longtime seminary professor, will remain dean of theology, the post he took when Corley left.

Corley joined Dilday as a faculty member at Baylor's Truett Theological Seminary at Waco, a seminary started by moderates who believed that the nation's six official Southern Baptist seminaries were becoming too conservative.

Corley said he and his family believe that his return to Southwestern is God's will.

"I am supportive of the future direction of Southwestern under the leadership of President Kenneth Hemphill and am encouraged by the constructive steps taken by both the trustees and faculty to move forward into the 21st century," he said.

"And I express my regret for past misunderstandings with hopes to move forward together."

Hemphill, who replaced Dilday as Southwestern's president, praised trustees for rehiring Corley, calling it a moment of reconciliation.

"I believe Dr. Corley's desire to return to Southwestern sends a clear and certain signal about the health of our institution," Hemphill said. "Southwestern simply is a great place to work and to study."

The names of the trustees who voted against Corley were not announced, but the Rev. Miles Seaborn, pastor of Birchman Baptist Church in Fort Worth, said some trustees were concerned about Corley's close ties to Dilday.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Forget this quit-smoking remedy

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I recently heard on TV of a remedy to help people stop smoking. It involved taking one 8-ounce glass of orange juice and 1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar each night for 30 nights, at bedtime. Have you ever heard of this concoction and how does it curb a desire for nicotine?

DEAR READER: It does not curb a desire for nicotine, because this ingredient in tobacco is highly addictive, despite what the executives of tobacco companies have testified.

More appropriate therapy includes nicotine gum (now available without a prescription), nicotine patches or referral to a support group, such as Smoke Enders.

DEAR DR. GOTT: It boggles my mind to think that in the infinite wisdom of modern-day medicine, nothing can be done other than pain medication and rest for a person suffering from deteriorating discs in the back. Diagnostic testing and orthopedic consults have been unrewarding. There MUST be someone somewhere who knows of a helpful procedure. Sign me, Living In Pain.

DEAR READER: Deteriorating (herniated) discs between the vertebral bones in the back can press on spinal nerves and cause unremitting, severe pain. Although many people with this type of sciatica can be helped by rest, analgesics, spinal manipulation, physical therapy, special exercises, steroid injections, and other techniques, some patients may require corrective surgery. A qualified neurosurgeon or orthopedic specialist, using X-ray tests or MRI scanning, should be able to determine if your pain could be relieved by an operation.

If you've run up against a brick wall so far, I suggest that you seek referral to specialists in a teaching institution or university hospital. Modern medicine does, indeed, offer many types of therapy for afflictions such as yours; there is no reason for you to live in constant pain.

To give you more information, I am sending you free copies of my Health Reports "Managing Chron[illegible] Pain" and "An Informed Approach to Surgery." Other readers who would like copies should send $2 for each report plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2013, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the titles.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 45-year-old black female. Over the past five years, I've developed small white spots on my stomach and thighs. They don't hurt, but why are they there?

DEAR READER: I don't know. You should see a dermatologist for diagnosis. Depigmented spots can follow skin inflammation, such as eczema, or may appear without warning in conditions such as vitiligo, a harmless skin disorder of unknown cause.

The dermatologist can recommend therapy, depending on the source of your skin problem.

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Woman, ex-con in custody; suspected in slayings of five

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A woman and an ex-convict were arrested in the slayings of three video store workers and an elderly couple who had apparently stumbled onto the crime.

Esther Beckley, 41, and Shane Harrison, 26, were arrested separately Tuesday within blocks of the Hollywood Video store where three of the victims were shot to death March 3.

The suspects were being held today in the city jail. Neither was immediately charged.

District Attorney Bob Schwartz said warrants were being prepared for searches of their homes. A tip led police to the couple, but authorities would say little else.

"I will tell you robbery is still the apparent motive," Schwartz said.

Asked if investigators were sure they had the right suspects, Police Chief Joe Polisar replied firmly: "Yes."

"We can all breathe a little easier knowing the offenders are in custody and off the streets of Albuquerque," Polisar said at a news conference.

Deputy Police Chief Archie Lueras said Harrison was believed to have been paroled last August after serving time for armed robbery in New Mexico.

Employees arriving for work March 3 at the video store found co-workers Zachary Blacklock, 19, Jowanda Castillo, 18, and Mylinh Daothi, 30, dead with bullets in their heads.

Blacklock's grandparents, George and Pauline McDougall, had come to pick him up from work that night. Their bodies were found the following day near their car in the mountains east of Albuquerque. They also had been shot to death.

Police said they believed the couple had stumbled upon the crime, were abducted in their car and killed by the robbers.

A task force of local and state officers and FBI agents was formed to hunt for the suspects, and residents and merchants collected more than $90,000 for a reward.

Neighbors described Beckley as a quiet woman who worked two jobs as a waitress and had done volunteer work. A neighbor of Harrison's described him as something of a hippie who ran with a rough crowd.

A shrine, with flowers and photographs of the victims, has been set up at the video store, in southeast Albuquerque near Kirtland Air Force Base.

George McDougall's brother, Bill McDougall, said the arrests brought him some peace.

"I feel a great sense of relief — very happy that this appears to be over," he said. "And I'm looking forward to the trial — I'll be there every day."

Dog saves woman's life — by dialing 911

NASHUA, N.H. (AP) — Judi Bayly says she owes her life to the faithful companion who dialed 911 — her dog Lyric.

"I've got some kind of guardian angel sleeping on my bed with me even if it is red with a fur coat," Bayly said of her Irish setter.

Bayly, who sleeps with an oxygen mask on because of a breathing disorder, said she could have died early Tuesday when the breathing machine plug fell out and the oxygen cut off.

But Lyric remembered her training. The dog heard the oxygen alarm sound and first tried to rouse her master.

Failing that, she knocked the receiver off a telephone, and bumped a speed-dial button on the phone three times to dial 911. Several buttons on the phone are programmed for the same number, so she doesn't have to be able to choose one.

"It's amazing," said Charlene Hall, a dispatcher at Nashua Fire Rescue. "The dog is trained to go over and hit that phone three times to get 911 and she barks into the receiver."

The town's 911 system automatically gives dispatchers a caller's address. Rescuers arrived to find Bayly having a major asthma attack.

Bayly said 8-year-old Lyric, trained for her by an agency that trained seeing-eye and hearing-ear dogs, also summoned help a month or two ago when she stopped breathing.

"Animals, they really are your best friends," she said.

Datebook

March 13, 1996

Today is the 73rd day of 1996 and the 83rd day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1781, English astronomer William Herschel discovered Uranus, the seventh planet from the sun.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Joseph Priestley (1733-1804), chemist; Percival Lowell (1855-1916), astronomer; Oswald Garrison Villard (1872-1949), editor-journalist; Janet Flanner (1892-1978), journalist; L. Ron Hubbard (1911-1986), religious leader-writer; Neil Sedaka (1939-), singer-songwriter, is 57; Dana Delany (1957-), actress, is 39.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1961, Floyd Paterson knocked out Ingemar Johansson in the sixth round to retain the world heavyweight boxing title.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "A slight sound at evening lifts me up by the ears, and makes life seem inexpressibly serene and grand. It may be in Uranus, or it may be in the shutter." Henry David Thoreau

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1888, New York City was buried under 20.9 inches of snow.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day after last quarter.

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Shooting rampage claims 16 children

DUNBLANE, Scotland (AP) — A man burst into a Scottish elementary school with four handguns today and opened fire on a class of kindergartners, massacring 16 children and one teacher in "a slaughter of the innocents." The gunman then shot and killed himself.

Thirteen of the 29 children in the class were killed instantly in the attack in Dublane, a 13th-century cathedral town on the edge of the Scottish Highlands. Three more died later in a hospital, police said.

At least 12 other children and one adult were wounded in the mid-morning attack. A 5-year-old boy was in critical condition with gunshot wounds in his chest.

Panic-stricken parents gathered outside the 700-pupil Dunblane Primary School, some frantically looking for their children, others clutching their sons and daughters and crying with relief.

One mother pushing a stroller ran to the school to pick up her children as other women ran beside her. Another mother held the hands of a young boy and girl, leading them away from the school.

"You never think it is going to happen to you," said Brian Owen as he led his young son, Stuart, from the school. "All our thoughts are with the parents whose children have been killed or injured. I am lucky because my children are okay."

Chief Constable William Wilson said the gunman, identified as Thomas Hamilton, was armed with four handguns. The 43-year-old, who police said ran a boys' athletic club, was well-known in town and remembered as a loner. He apparently died instantly when he turned a weapon on himself.

Controversy over funds brews at Hermleigh ISD

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ees in the district that we began to look into this."

John Williamson, vice-president of the board and a Church supporter, disputed the statement that HISD trustees had never approved the insurance coverage for the two and stated Church had letters from three members of the board who were serving in 1988 stating they had remembered discussing the insurance during a board workshop and had subsequently approved the district's budget with the insurance apparently figured in.

Church, who had very few comments during the board meeting about the audit, said he approached the HISD board in 1988 about full coverage for him and his secretary and it was entered as a line-item in the budget and had been in every subsequent budget.

Board president Adams said since he had been on the HISD board he, too, had voted for a budget which included full insurance coverage for Church and Sandefur but the figures were included in a lump-sum item of $90,000.

"I didn't find out until later exactly what the insurance costs were and then I questioned Jerry on them," said Adams.

Adams said Church told him that administrative costs were included in the figures for the insurance for him and his secretary but later changed his story when asked to have the insurance carrier come to a board meeting and explain "administrative costs."

"He told us two years later about the increased payments for him and Sandefur," said Adams.

Adams then looked over at Church who was only one chair away and said, "In other words, you lied to us."

After some discussion on the insurance question, Williamson said he was satisfied the trustees had voted for full insurance payments for Church and Sandefur and made a motion to drop all proceedings against Church.

This brought a round of applause from the audience which numbered around 45, but the motion failed as Williamson, Sherene Digby and Chip Roemisch voted for it while Jay Roemisch, James Rinehart, Jimmy Hudgins and Adams voted against it.

An audience member then asked the cost of the audit by Condley and Company.

Adams said the bill was $10,437.08 and did not include attorney's fees.

This figure raised another reaction from the audience and one person shouted that "that amount of money could have paid for one teacher's aide in our district."

Board president Adams replied that "what we have is $40,000 of taxpayers money spent illegally."

Attorney David Burhman said the question that needed to be answered was whether or not the district authorized the payment of all of Church's insurance premiums and those of Sandefur and her dependent coverage.

"There is nothing official in the minutes authorizing these excess payments," said Burhman.

Burnham said the district's minutes authorized the payment of one-half and employees insurance premiums prior to 1993 and full coverage after that year.

"There was no dependent coverage," said Burhman.

At this time, Sandefur spoke up from the audience and stated she was given the insurance when her work load had increased as opposed to an increase in salary.

Another audience member addressed a question to Adams as how the accounting firm was to be paid.

"Are ya'll (apparently referring to the four trustees who had voted against dropping further action against Church) going to pay for it," the Church supporter questioned.

Adams quickly replied, "We'll pay the $10,000 if Church will pay the $40,000."

Board secretary Hudgins suggested that the district contact the Texas Education Agency in the matter and it was approved on a 4-3 vote with Williamson, Digby and Chip Roemisch voting against the motion.

The board was also split in paying the $10,437.08 bill to the Abilene accounting firm as Digby and Chip Roemish voted against this also.

While the insurance payments to Church and Sandefur drew the most attention at last night's four-hour meeting which included over two and a half hours in closed session which Burhman said was for discussing a personnel matter, Agee's reading of the list of Church's purchases from Sam's raised a few eyebrows of some of the trustees also.

Agee noted that school personnel had provided account codes for all the expenditures made in a two-year period at Sam's and this indicated all items had been purchased exclusively for school use.

He also stated that the accounting firm did not find any indication that the school had been reimbursed for any personal items listed on the cash register tapes.

Agee said they were shown two deposit slips which indicated Church had returned $47.88 in May, 1994 from a school-related trip to Austin and $50 dated April 3, 1995 which was noted as "J. Church reimbursement."

The report listed items from 26 different cash register receipts with items ranging from four pounds of trailmix for $5.98 to M&M peanuts in the amount of $5.48.

Other items on the register receipts for the period between Feb. 8, 1993 and Sept. 7, 1995 included several unnamed CD's at various prices, three hand vacuums at a cost of $36.94 each and numerous candy items including Hershey Kisses, Lifesavers and jelly beans.

In all, M&M peanuts were listed 16 times on the 26 register tapes.

While the report listed these items, it also stated that they could have been bought for the school or purchased for personal purposes.

Oddly enough, while the report listed mostly candy items, it also made note that several televisions, VCR's, computers and sewing machines were purchased from Sam's throughout this period of time but the accountants "did not attempt to match such purchases with such items actually on hand at Hermleigh ISD."

The report also mentioned other areas which were audited but no major discrepencies were noted.

It did note, however, that in a 28-month period from August, 1993 through November, 1995, Church had been reimbursed approximately $325 month by the district for expenses, mainly for mileage and meals. However, prior to August, 1994, none of the expense reports documented the purposes of the business trips but a new form was adopted at that time.

The report also noted that the accountants studied the general ledger of the district for a two-year period beginning in January, 1993 for specific payments to various vendors and their invoices. The report stated that no items or expenditures could have been construed as obviously personal in nature.

In other matters last night, the trustees approved the extension of one-year contracts for 13 teachers on term contracts and three teacher contracts for the second year of probation.

Temporary work halt

WEYAUWEGA, Wis. (AP) — Propane hissing from a faulty fitting forced crews to briefly stop their work of draining railroad tank cars, wrecked in a derailment that forced the evacuation of the entire town.

What's Up?

PFP programs available

People For Progress will be at Snyder Parks Club until 4 p.m. today and also on Thursday for anyone wishing to apply or needing information about utitities programs, homeless prevention or weatherization.

Spaghetti supper scheduled

The European Travel Group at Snyder High School will sponsor a spaghetti supper from 5-8 p.m. Friday in the high school cafeteria. Cost will be $3 per plate.

Skate Night is Saturday

Snyder Noon Kiwanis Club is sponsoring Skate Night from 6-9 p.m. Saturday at Scurry County Coliseum. Admission is $2 for skaters and $1 for spectators. Children under age three are admitted free. Concessions will be available.

Golden K Fish Fry scheduled

The Golden K Kiwanis Club will sponsor its annual fish fry on Sunday, March 31, from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. Tickets are $6 each. Carryouts will be available. Children under age 6 will be admitted free.

Chamber banquet tickets

Tickets for the chamber of commerce banquet are $12.50 for adults and $6.50 for children and may be reserved by calling the chamber at 573-3558.

Reservations must be made by Friday for the event, which is scheduled for 7 p.m. March 19 in Scurry County Coliseum. Dress is casual.

Pick 3

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

3-9-3

(three-nine-three)

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

8-18-32-31-3

(eight, eighteen, thirty-two, thirty-one, three)

World leaders vow to battle terrorism

SHARM EL-SHEIK, Egypt (AP) — In a dramatic show of solidarity, world leaders vowed today to band together in a war on terrorism, tracking down the financial sources of the sponsors of carnage and "cutting them off."

The gathering of kings, sheiks, prime ministers, presidents and princes was a striking display of unity in response to anti-Israeli extremists who unleashed four suicide bombs, killing 62 people in nine bloody days. It brought ancient foes together in a joint stand against terrorism.

Speaking in Hebrew to Israeli correspondents, Prime Minister Shimon Peres gave a measure of the meeting's historic symbolism to Israel:

"For 13 Arab countries to get up and express in a loud voice that their hearts are aching for the victims in Israel is something."

The gathering yielded little in the way of new initiatives to combat extremists. The leaders designated a working group to seek more specific solutions.

"Now throughout the region, as well as the world, there are peacemakers who stand against terror," President Clinton said in a joint post-summit news conference with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

The leaders agreed to reinforce the Middle East peace process with security and financial assistance, Clinton said in describing the summit communique. The agreement was carefully crafted to avoid offending any parties in the volatile peace negotiations.

"Peace and security are two sides of the same coin," Clinton said, noting that the fate and prosperity of Israelis and its Arab neighbors are linked.

Mubarak said the 29 leaders reiterated "their profound commitment to the promotion of peace and security throughout the region."

The delicacy of the summit task was underscored by how carefully Clinton and Mubarak addressed questions about the absence of Syria. Mubarak said Syria "has its own reasons" for staying away, yet he believed Hafez Assad was committed to the peace process. Clinton said, "I wouldn't overread their absence here."

Mubarak suggested that Israel reconsider its closure of the Gaza Strip and West Bank. Clinton, who was heading to Israel late Wednesday, hinted he will bring up the same point in talks with Peres. "I expect to see some changes," Clinton said.

Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat said Israeli's border-closing was hurting his people "to the extent of famine."

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