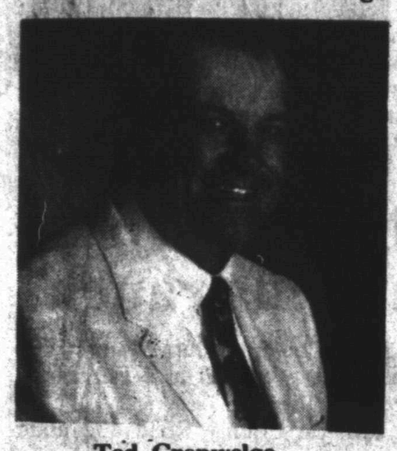
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County judge's race pulling record GOP vote

The last two elections for Scurry County judge has been a war of words — but not this time.

It might better be described as a battle of yard signs. And if that is the indicator — Tuesday's race for the Republican nomination for county judge will be close.

One thing is already certain, the GOP turnout will set a record. And the winner of that contest — between incumbent Ricky Fritz and businessman Ted Crenweldge — will not have a Democratic opponent in November.



Ted Crenwelge

The only other locally-contested race Tuesday is on the Democratic ballot where two Precinct 4 residents are hoping to replace Jerry Gannaway as county commissioner.

The candidates are deputy county auditor Chloanne Lindsey, and corporate sales representative Scott Richburg. The winner of Tuesday's election will face Republican Milton Adams in November's general election.

But it has been the county judge's race that has attracted the most voters. At the close of early voting Friday afternoon, a total of 954 votes had been cast in the GOP primary and 149 had marked a Democratic ballot.

There are 11,226 registered voters in Scurry County, and the early voting turnout of 1,103 represents 9.8 per cent of those eligible. There are 14 GOP and eight Demo mail ballots still out.

The early vote turnout, however, is still short of the early vote count last August on the hospital lease issue when 1,815 early votes were cast.

Fritz, who unseated Republican Bob Doolittle four years ago, hopes to be the first county judge in 12 years to earn a second term.

The challenger is agri-businessman Ted Crenwelge who has said he is turning his farming operations over to his son to devote full-time to the office.

Fritz said he is proud of the job that he and the commissioners court have accomplished over the past three years.

"We've worked together as a team and have managed to lower taxes two of the three years I have been county judge," Fritz said.

"We've lowered the tax rate, but have managed to keep all the county's programs intact at the same level of service.

Fritz said he feels there are benefits to keeping an incumbent judge in office. "The longer you are in office, the more exposure you will have to the people and programs that help Scurry County."

The lease of Cogdell Hospital was a heated issue last summer, but Fritz believes it was a positive. "I think there is a big benefit to the county to know how a person handles a tough situation.

"I know a priority of everyone is to keep a good, strong local hospital. I know the hospital lease issue touched everyone, but it was handled in an open, ethical and proper manner," Fritz said.

Prior to running for county judge, Fritz was Snyder chamber of commerce manager.

Crenwelge, a former chairman of the hospital board, has not made the hospital lease an issue in the campaign.

"When I announced, I pledged a pro-active, not a reactive campaign. What I have to offer as county judge is common sense, wisdom and past board experience to work through difficult problems," Crenwelge said.

Crenwelge said he has gone door-to-door during the campaign, but has likely only reached half of the citizens. "I have refused to make a bunch of promises, but there are bound to be areas of efficiency that can be considered."

Crenwelge noted that county values last year increased for the first time in seven years, but forecasts call for a substantial decrease in 1998. "I feel like my 30 plus years of experience and survival in farming and business speaks to my ability to make hard economic decisions."

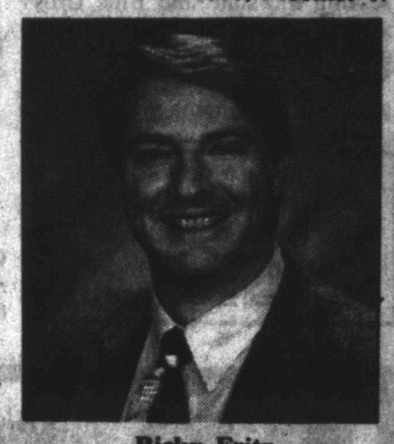
Crenwelge also pointed to his years of community service. He is a past president of the Snyder school board and has served as a member of the Colorado River Municipal Water District board. He is also chairman of the board of Snyder National Bank.

The winner of the Democratic nomination for precinct 4 commissioner will face Republican Milton Adams in November.

In other races on the ballot, precinct 2 county commissioner Roy Idom, a Republican, is unopposed but will face Democrat Linda Sellars in November.

Running unopposed Tuesday on the Democratic ballot are County Treasurer Charlie Bell and Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace John Williamson. Pamela Bryant also is running for Precinct 2 JP as an independent.

Unopposed Republican candidates are Joan Bunch for County Clerk, Trina Rodgers for District Clerk and Charlie Reynolds for Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1.



Ricky Fritz

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Home Of Tommy Trammel

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A sense of humor is not being funny, but rather the ability to notice what is funny."

Seems like the DPS officers on I-20 in Nolan County have been busy.

We're glad to see the troopers make some big drug busts. We're sort of amazed, however, that two of the drivers gave a verbal okay for officers to search their cars.

The drugs were then found to be stashed in hidden compartments. One motorist that was stopped started having chest pains and had to be taken to the hospital.

Being surprised that someone might look further than the glove compartment leads us to the story of a 45-year-old San Antonio woman who took her car in for service.

The woman was arrested after a mechanic reported to police that 18 packages of marijuana were packed in the engine compartment.

The woman later said she didn't realize the service tech would have to raise the hood to change the oil.

Car phones are said to be unsafe — especially if the vehicle is stolen.

A woman reporting her car as stolen told police there was a cell phone in it.

The investigating officer dialed the car phone and told the guy who answered that he had read a classified ad and wanted to buy the car.

The car thief and the officers arranged a meeting. Sorry — no sale.

You can't arrest me...I have an alibi.

The Belgium news agency reported that a man suspected of robbing a jewelry store said he didn't do it.

He provided proof that he was busy breaking into a school at the exact same time. He then got arrested for breaking and entering.

There is poetic justice — even in crime.

When a man attempted to siphon gasoline from a motor home parked in Seattle, he got more than he expected.

Police arrived on the scene to find an ill man curled up next to the motor home near raw sewage.

A police spokesman said the man admitted to trying to steal gasoline and plugged his hose into the RV's sewage tank by mistake.

The owner couldn't press charges — he was laughing too hard.

Candidate interest in boards still low

Ten days has passed without a new candidate declaring for a spot on one of five local boards that will conduct elections May 2.

But with only three contested races — there is still time. The filing deadline is March 18.

So far, there are contested races for trustees spots on the Snyder and Ira school boards and for one seat on the board of Western Texas College.

Three have filed for two at-large seats on the Snyder board, including incumbent Luann Burleson. Other candidates are Patricia Scott, a licensed vocational nurse at Cogdell Hospital, and Bill Moss, deputy regional director of the TDCJ's Windham School District.

At Ira, incumbent Doug White has filed for re-election to place 7. He is being challenged by Carl Smith, a former Ira ISD trustee. Also running is Place 6 incumbent Keith Clements.

One contested race has also developed at Western Texas College. Dr. Jay Kidd, a dentist and current board president, has filed for re-election. He is being challenged by Dr. James Hanks, a chiropractor. Dr. Kidd serves in Place 4.

Place 5 incumbent Carolyn Barbee, owner of Barbee Medical Supply, has also filed for re-election.

At Hermleigh, three incumbents have put their names on the ballot for re-election. They are David Higgins, Sherene Digby and Alan Culp. Culp was appointed last year after Chip Roemisch moved from the district. Culp will be seeking to complete the remaining two years of a three-year term.

There are four candidates for five spots on the Snyder City Council. Only District 3, which has been vacant since last fall when Kerry Bredemeyer moved from the district, does not have a candidate.

Terry Martin, who was appointed to an at-large seat last June, is seeking to be elected to the remaining year on that term.

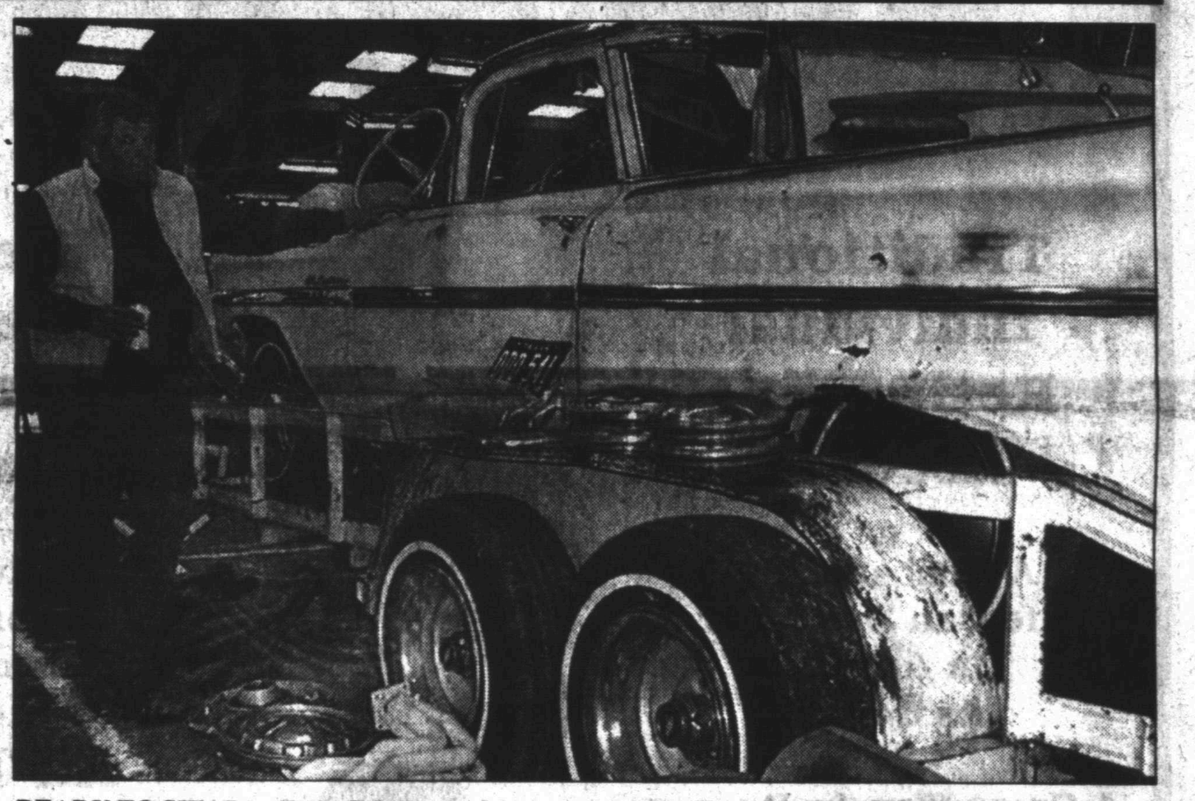
All other single-member district council members have filed for re-election. They are Vernest Tippens, District 1; Jerry Webb, District 2; and I.E. Martin, District 4.

Road work due for Towle Park entrance

Repairs to the exit lane of Towle Park onto Highway 350 are to begin Monday and continue for a week to 10 days, according to Precinct 3 Commissioner Howard Limmer.

"We will be working on the exit, or south lane," said Limmer, whose precinct the park is located.

The north lane, or present entry which is normally a one-way west-bound lane, will be marked for two-lane traffic during the construction period, Limmer said.



READY TO SWAP — Felix Calamaco of Aspermont is ready to show his 1959 El Camino to those in attendance at Snyder Wheels Car Show and Swap Meet being held through 6 p.m. Saturday at Scurry County Coliseum. (SDN Staff Photo)

New owners may breathe fresh life into landmark

Snyder's Beacon Lodge may soon be referred to affectionately as the "phoenix" as it has new owners who promise to bring it back to its original appearance from its present state of disrepair.

Gene Thompson, a Fort Worth businessman who owns and operates several motels in West Texas, bought the facility at the East traffic circle in a foreclosure sale this week.

"I had been looking at the Beacon for quite awhile," said Thompson.

"As a matter of fact, I had a contract in hand a few months back, but backed out then," said Thompson.

The building is closed down now, pending Thompson's plan for the facility.

"We're looking at several alternatives, including restoring it as a 1950s roadhouse motel using items from that period," he said.

Thompson said he welcomes suggestions on what to do with the Beacon.

Anson resident Bob Echols serves as the regional manager of Thompson's motels and he also serves as the manager of the Anson Motor Inn.

Thompson also has motels in the Big Bend area and other areas of West Texas, and is building a 26-unit motel with 30 RV spots in Baird. He attends numerous travel shows throughout the year, and heavily promotes all the activites in the communities where he has motels.

He said he would like to add RV spots at the Beacon, but that might not be possible since it operates off its own water and septic system.

"We'd much rather have city utilities out there," Thompson said.

4-day blood drive will benefit Hess

A four-day blood drive — dedicated to Snyder resident Jimmy Hess — starts here Monday, sponsored by the Scurry County blood drive advisory committee, Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary and the Texas Blood Institute.

Monday's collection will be from 8 a.m. until noon at the Student Center on the campus of Western Texas College.

Tuesday's drive will be held at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m.

On Wednesday, the mobile coach will be parked outside the doctor's lounge at Cogdell Hospital from noon until 5 p.m.

The drive then moves to the Price Daniel unit on Thursday, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Hess, a Scurry County native and nephew to Mary Ward, one of the blood drive volunteers, contacted a rare disease while working overseas for an oil company. He spent five weeks in a Lubbock hospital and received

See BLOOD Page 16A

SNS in need of workers, funding

Snyder Neighbors Sharing is in need of both funds and volunteers to help make the 1998 workday a success.

Individuals or organizations interested in working on April 25 are asked to call Thomas Fogleman at West Elementary or Sam Robertson at Robertson Insurance Agency.

The day is set aside each year to repair homes of elderly people. The number of homes that can recieve assistance is limited both by the number of available workers and available funding.

Those wishing to make a contribution to Snyders Neighbors Sharing should send checks to Robertson Insurance.

ASK US

Q. — When will the next census be taken?

A. — The U.S. Census is taken every 10 years, and the next one will be in the year 2000.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 49 degrees; low, 37; 7 a.m. Saturday, 40; .39 of an inch precipitation; total for 1998, 3.15 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy, breezy. Low, lower 30s. Sunday, becoming mostly sunny. High near 60.



Linda De La Cruz
Mostly sunny

Sunset: 6:46 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:02 a.m.
Of 65 days in 1998, the sun has shone 63 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Far and away the best prize that life offers is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.

Theodore Roosevelt

Joe Camel to be around until September

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Joe Camel isn't hanging up his shades just yet.

The cartoon cigarette pitchman will remain on duty for R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. until September, company chief executive Andrew Schindler testified Friday in Minnesota's civil trial against the industry.

Attorney Michael Ciresi, representing the state and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota, questioned Schindler about the No. 2 cigarette maker's pledge to get rid of Joe, an image critics said is designed to appeal to children.

The plaintiffs seek $1.77 billion they say they've spent treating smoking-related illnesses. They claim the tobacco industry knew cigarettes caused disease and hid that knowledge while they manipulated nicotine to keep smokers hooked.

The plaintiffs have tried to show a pattern of advertising designed to attract teen-age smokers to replace smokers who quit or died. Joe Camel was a big part of that campaign, the state claims.

All that's left of Joe is a merchandise catalog, Schindler said, which will be pulled in September. The company began taking down billboards, ending its print ads and removing its point-of-sale posters in July.

"There still could be a few pieces lying around there, but Joe's off the broad public landscape," Schindler said. "It was very open that we would have this retrospective Camel Cash catalog."

Reynolds brought out the catalog in February to offer collectibles featuring Camel cigarette advertising back to 1913, when the brand was introduced. Eight of the catalog's 30 pages are devoted to "The Joe Years."

North Carolina is also known as the Tar Heel State.

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Ft. Worth livestock show results

Scurry County 4-H'ers competed in the Fort Worth stock show Feb. 3-7.

—T'Leah Eicke showed in the Hereford class, placing second. All others steers were shown in the European Cross classes.

—Rad Eicke showed in Class 5 and placed third.

—Katie Voss placed fourth in Class 7.

—Morgan Miller, 15th in Class 8.

—Tatum Gruben, 5th in Class 11.

—Malorye Miller also exhibited her steer in Class 2. The European Cross Classes averaged 56 calves per class so Scurry County 4-H members did excellent at the show and represented the county well, Greg Gruben, county agent said.

Crime Stoppers

A cash reward is being offered by Scurry County Crime Stoppers, Inc. for information resulting in an indictment of persons responsible for the following criminal mischief complaints:

—Numerous vehicle windows shot out with BB/pellet guns. The vehicles have been located throughout the city.

—Glass doors shot at Scurry County Coliseum.

—Windows shot at Snyder Iron and Metal.

The damage occurred during the last part of January and the first part of February, and most recently the first part of March. All of the incidents reported are believed to have been done with a BB/pellet gun.

Scurry County Crime Stoppers, Inc. will pay up to $1,000 for information leading to the indictment of persons responsible for felony crimes. The caller shall remain anonymous.

—Anyone with information relating to any of these crimes is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 573-6700.

Motorcycle Observe Trials planned at Fluvanna ranch

Rounds 3 and 4 of the Texas' State Championship Motorcycle Series (Observed Trials) will he held this weekend at a Fluvanna Ranch from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Take FM 2224 from Fluvanna, turn on County Road 432 and follow pink markers and signs.

The event is sponsored by C.O.T.A. (Caprock Observed Trials Association.)

The following information by Shan Moore was taken from the March edition of "Trials Completion."

There is very little speed involved in Trials but at the heart of the event is a simple premise, the quest for total mastery of one's machine.

Also, the ability to dictate total control of a motorcycle as it navigates the roughest, most treacherous terrain imaginable.

A Trials competition requires a competitor to evaluate a section of trail to be ridden, then to navigate this section without losing points (using one's feet to maintain control.)

Sections can range from straight on rocky creeks, to turns so tight they have to be made on one wheel (front or back), to all out hill climbs.

On most motorcycle or enduro courses, novice level riders are able to complete the course on the same line as the pros, albeit at a much slower rate.

This is far from true in Observe Trials. A world or national caliber section that may be easily cleaned by the elite rider is often so difficult that it is hard to even walk through, without using hands to help oneself over obstacles.

It would be impossible for the novice or intermediate rider to ride. Separate sections must be set up to accommodate novice and intermediate level riders.

Fred Friendly laid to rest with copy of Constitution

NEW YORK (AP) — Broadcast pioneer Fred W. Friendly was laid to rest with accolades from those he taught and a well-thumbed copy of the Constitution in his suit pocket.

Friendly, who died at 82 on Tuesday, produced groundbreaking documentaries and was CBS News president from 1964-66, before becoming a Columbia University professor who conducted televised seminars on journalism and ethics.

Top television journalists like Dan Rather, Peter Jennings and Mike Wallace turned out for a memorial service Friday.

CBS anchor Rather, a young reporter when Friendly led the news division, recalled phone calls when Friendly "slammed the receiver down hard enough to shake my fillings loose."

For a while, Rather thought he had been renamed "Dammit Rather."

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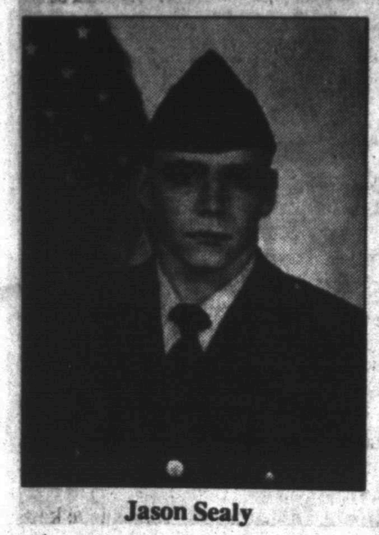
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Jason Sealy

Sealy headed to Fort Bragg

Army Pvt. Jason M. Sealy has been assigned to Fort Bragg, N.C. where he will take part in an airborne school.

On Feb. 28, he graduated from military intelligence school at Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

Previously, he had completed basic training at Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla.

Sealy, a 1997 graduate of Snyder High School, is the son of Debbie Morris and the grandson of Leona Ford and Bob and Bernadine Sealy, all of Snyder.

Man executed in S. Carolina

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — A white man who strangled a black hitchhiker and carved "KKK" into her body 20 years ago was executed by lethal injection.

John Arnold, 43, was put to death Friday for killing Betty Gardner, a 33-year-old woman who was picked up by Arnold, his cousin John Plath and a female companion in 1978.

The companion, Cindy Sheets, led police to Gardner's body and testified against the cousins under a grant of immunity. She said Arnold strangled Gardner with a garden hose while Plath stabbed her with a knife and a bottle and stomped on her neck.

Gardner was forced to perform oral sex on Plath and Sheets while being beaten with a belt. Plath is expected to be executed in late spring or early summer.

Arnold is the 14th person to be put to death in South Carolina since the death penalty was reinstated in 1976.

Road kill bill becomes law

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — West Virginia motorists who run down the odd critter can legally take it home for dinner under a law passed by the Legislature.

The bill, which has made West Virginia the butt of jokes nationally, would let drivers keep their road kill provided they report it to conservation or police officers within 12 hours.

The measure became law when Gov. Cecil Underwood declined to veto it by a Thursday deadline.

Pro-road kill legislators envision people eating deer hit on the road, but the bill allows drivers to take home any wildlife, except protected birds, spotted fawn or bear cubs.

Proponents said if drivers can be encouraged to eat their road kill, the state could save money it now pays state Division of Highways workers to remove the dead animals.



OFFICER HONORED — David Holley, school resource officer with the Snyder Police Department, was recognized Officer of the Quarter at Rotary Club Thursday. A graduate of the Law Enforcement Academy, Holley has been a policeman for 5½ years. He works at Snyder High School and the Junior High School with school administration on illegal activities on campus. From left are SISD superintendent Gayle Lomax, Rotary president; Jerra Holley; David Holley; and Rotarian Bill Covey. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



BASKETBALL FOR HEART ASSOCIATION — Several Snyder Junior High School students, boys and girls, played some three-on-three basketball to raise $371 for the American Heart Association. Pictured during play are from left, Jamaal Pruitt, James Villarreal, and Chris McLeod. Coach Chris Henson organized the event. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Attack, divorce case linked

PORDENONE, Italy (AP) — The lawyer for a Marine investigated in a U.S. jet's accidental downing of a ski gondola was bludgeoned to death outside her office Saturday.

Pordenone's chief police official, Raffaele Daniele, said there was no indication the attack was linked to the cable car accident. All 20 people aboard the gondola died Feb. 3 when a low-flying Marine jet severed its cable.

The lawyer, Francesca Trombino, represents Lt. Col. Richard Muegge, head of the jet's squadron.

The AGI news agency reported that Saturday's attack stemmed from the alleged attacker's divorce case. Police took a suspect into custody.

Daniele said a man armed with a hammer repeatedly hit the 43-year-old Trombino in the head when she arrived at her office in this small town in northeastern Italy. She died hours later.

The four-man crew of the EA-6B Prowler jet is not represented by Trombino. The gondola accident angered many in Italy, with some demanding the removal of U.S. air bases here.

Bodyguard questioned by French investigator

PARIS (AP) — The sole survivor of the car crash that killed Princess Diana is recalling the accident bit by bit, his lawyer said Friday after bodyguard Trevor Rees-Jones met with an investigating judge for the fourth time.

Rees-Jones "is remembering more details, not many ... and is hoping to remember more," lawyer Christian Curtil told reporters after the 75-minute meeting with Judge Herve Stephan.

His face still marked with the scars of the accident, the 29-year-old Rees-Jones stood briefly beside Curtil after meeting with the judge at the Palais de Justice in central Paris.

"Everything he says is what he is absolutely sure of," said Curtil, who refused to elaborate or recount what Rees-Jones told the judge.

The high-speed accident in a Paris traffic tunnel Aug. 31 killed Diana, her companion Dodi Fayed and the car's driver, Henri Paul. Rees-Jones, Dodi's bodyguard, sustained severe head injuries and suffered from amnesia.

Rees-Jones was quoted Monday by The Mirror, a British tabloid, as saying Diana was conscious and talking immediately after the car crash, which appears to conflict with French doctors who have said that she did not regain consciousness.

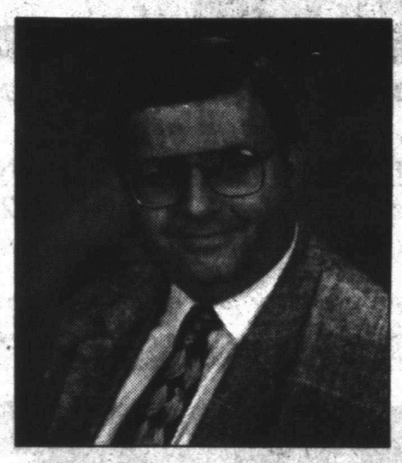
The meeting with Stephan was originally set for March 16 but was moved up by 10 days because of The Mirror interview, judicial sources have said.

Stephan has said he will speak for the first time Thursday with Al Fayed, who has alleged foul play behind the crash but given no proof.

Investigators so far have focused on the drunken state of Paul — an employee of Al Fayed's Ritz Hotel — the high speed at which he was driving and the possibility that the couple's Mercedes glanced off another car before slamming into a pillar in the tunnel.

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Scurry County schools set open houses

Snyder and Hermleigh school districts have open house observances this week, while Ira has an open house scheduled for March 24.

Hermleigh's is set for Monday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Parents are invited to tour the campus and visit with school personnel, said Hermleigh superintendent Jerry Church.

A pancake supper sponsored by the Masonic Lodge will be held in the Hermleigh cafeteria, while a "jumpathon" for the heart association will be in the gym from 6 to 7 p.m.

Wendell Sollis, assistant superintendent for the Snyder ISD, said members of the community are encouraged to visit the campuses anytime during the year, but even more so during Texas Public School Week being observed March 9-13.

Sollis said parents and local residents are invited to visit classrooms to watch the educational process at work. Parents are also encouraged to eat lunch with their child during the week.

"We ask that you call the school office where your child attends school by 9 a.m. on the day you want to eat in the cafeteria," said Sollis. "This will enable the cafeteria staff to better serve you and your child."

Activities will be occurring on the campuses of Snyder ISD schools according to the following schedule:

Central Elementary

Throughout the week, students will complete special worksheets emphasizing Texas History, crosswork puzzles on "Texas Basics," and be given the opportunity to saddle up the library computers and ride across the state on the Travel Tex World Wide Web site.

The school will conclude the week with a special invitation to grandparents of students to eat lunch with their grandchild on Friday.

Parents are also invited to attend the informational meeting with BGR architects on Tuesday evening.

East Elementary

On Tuesday, there will be Donuts for Dads in the cafeteria. Dads are invited to have donuts, juice and coffee. If the Dad is busy that morning, then another adult family member is invited.

On Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 8:45 a.m., Cyndee Gayle's class will present a play.

Northeast Elementary

Students will kick off their book fair by dressing like storybook characters on Monday.

On Tuesday, students are invited to dress like their principal, Lee Presswood.

Wednesday will be "Old Fashioned School Days" and everyone is encouraged to wear red, white and blue.

Thursday will feature the "World's Largest Concert" at 2:45 p.m., while Friday will be western day on the campus.

West Elementary

The book fair will open on Monday and will continue all week.

The campus will have a Donuts with Dad time on Tuesday between 7:45 and 8:15 a.m., and Muffins with Mom during the same period on Wednesday.

All day Thursday, parents are invited to spend the day on the campus visiting classes and eating lunch with their child.

Stanfield Elementary

The campus book fair begins Monday and continues throughout the week. On Tuesday beginning at 7:30 a.m., students will enjoy Muffins with Moms and on Wednesday, it'll be Donuts with Dads at the same time.

Thursday is the last day of the book fair. At 7 p.m., parents can meet with architects with BGR to discuss needed impmrovements.

Snyder Junior High

On Monday, parents and staff will meet with BGR architects at 7 p.m.

Parents of seventh graders are invited to eat lunch with their student on Tuesday, and on Wednesday, parents of eighth graders are invited to eat lunch.

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The campus will have open classrooms throughout the week and parents can visit anytime during the week. Parents are asked to sign in at the school's office before going to the classrooms.

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Two singers file lawsuit

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — Hootie & the Blowfish has a bone to pick with a splint maker.

A lawsuit filed Thursday accuses North Coast Medical Inc. of San Jose, Calif. of making unauthorized use of the band's name to advertise the latest plastic used in splints. The ad, which has run in trade journals, features a Chubby Checker record changing into a Hootie compact disc.

The band is seeking unspecified damages.



LEAD OPERA ROLE — Shelly Englert, a sophomore at Abilene Christian University, has the lead opera role in "For Love or Money" which opened Friday night and continues Saturday at 8 p.m. in Cullen Auditorium on the ACU campus. Shelly, the daughter of Jerry and Linda Englert of Snyder, is majoring in music education and vocal performance. (Contributed Photo)



WEDNESDAY CONCERT — Duo Guitarra, featuring Uros Dojcinovic and James Bogle, will perform at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Fine Arts Theatre on the Western Texas College Campus. Admission is free. (Contributed Photo)

Duo Guitarra will perform

The Fine Arts Division of Western Texas College will present Duo Guitarra in concert at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Fine Arts Theatre.

There is no charge for admission.

Duo Guitarra, Uros Dojcinovic and James Bogle, have been enthralling audiences throughout the world since their first concert tour of Yugoslavia and Hungary in 1991.

Their performances have inspired positive reviews, and composers from many nations have begun writing for them.

Duo Guitarra are fast becoming one of the most sought-after performers on the concert circuit.

Bogle has performed professionally since 1960. Since 1976, he has been director of the guitar program at Texas Tech University. In 1997, he became chairman of the string division at the Tech school of music.

Dojcinovic is Yusgoslavia's premier guitarist. He has performed more than 3,000 concerts since his first one at the age of 8. He is founder and director of two Yugoslavian guitar festivals and currently teaches at the Conservatory in Belegrade.

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Long On Business Experience

Crenwelge says he believes his 35 years of business experience would be helpful to the running of county government. He says, "I also understand basic government, having served on various boards."

Committed To Our Community

Ted served 15 years on the Snyder ISD board of trustees, including three years as president. He served five years on the board of managers of Cogdell Hospital and also served as chairman of that board.

Today, he is a member of the board of the Colorado River Municipal Water District. He served three years starting in 1984 and was reappointed in 1995.

He is also a past member of the Scurry County Farm Bureau board and is currently a director of the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District.

Seasoned Decision Maker

Ted grew up in Houston and earned his business degree from Texas Christian University. He moved to Snyder in 1961 and worked for one year at Snyder National Bank before going into farming.

In addition to his agriculture business, he has served as a director of Snyder National Bank since 1980, and he has served as chairman of the board since 1993. "In addition to my business background, I feel that I can offer voters maturity and flexibility in the office of county judge. I have had to adapt to changing conditions to survive in agriculture."

Ted has been a member of the Snyder Lions Club for 25 years, and he worked in Snyder youth league baseball for nine years.

Strong Family Values

Ted and his wife, Jane, have two married children. Scott and his wife, Lana, have three children. Carrie and her husband, Elliott Cox, also have three children. They are members of First Baptist Church.

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SPELLING CONTESTANTS — Sixteen students received medals for competing in Friday's county bee at Western Texas College. From left, seated,. Wes White, who finished second; Dustin Williamson, Danni Garcia, Breanna Talavera, October Wells, Shaina Kerr and Bubba Walker; back row, Dani White, Julie Mireles, Brittainy Milota, Nathan Smith, Wendy Proffitt, who won first place; Samantha Everett, Lucy Amarillas, Sara Thornhill and Terrel Culp. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



SECOND PLACE — Wes White of Ira received the second place trophy Friday in the county spelling bee from Wendell Sollis, who directs the bee. He is an alternate to the regional bee in Lubbock to be held March 28. In February, Wes won the elementary bee at Ira. The sixth grader is the son of Art and Pat White. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Judge sets trial date for McDougal case

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Whitewater figure Susan McDougal soon will be back in court to face state embezzlement charges.

Ms McDougal on Friday appeared before a judge who set her trial date for April 10 or within 30 days afterward. She is charged with embezzling $150,000 from conductor Zubin Mehta and his wife while she worked as their bookkeeper from 1989 to 1992.

She has pleaded innocent to one count of grand theft, one count of check forgery, three counts each of fraudulent use of credit cards and income tax evasion and two counts of making false financial statements.

Ms. McDougal has been jailed for 18 months for refusing to cooperate with prosecutors and testify before the Whitewater grand jury looking into financial improprieties involving a failed Arkansas savings and loan headed by her former husband, Jim McDougal.

She had been out of jail for three days on a medical furlough so doctors could examine a breast lump first detected 14 months ago, her brother Bill Henley said outside court.

Doctors at a clinic in Pasadena concluded she had benign cysts, he said.

The McDougals were partners in the failed Whitewater development with Bill and Hillary Rodham Clinton when Clinton was governor of Arkansas. Both McDougals were convicted of bank fraud, although Ms. McDougal has yet to begin serving her two-year sentence.

River Junction now back on Iowa map after thirty years

RIVER JUNCTION, Iowa (AP) — Welcome back, River Junction.

With a booming population of 25, the little town is back on the state's official road map after a 30-year absence.

"We just want to preserve our little historic area," Jerry Morgan, who led the fight to have it restored, said Friday. "We deserve to be on the map."

Located about 30 miles south of Cedar Rapids in eastern Iowa, River Junction is the lone addition to this year's Iowa Department of Transportation map. No towns were removed.

River Junction was started by the railroad a century ago. The town started to vanish when the Rock Island Lines left in the 1930s, said Morgan, president of the Old Settler's Association that has been restoring the area's historic buildings.

It was a ghost town by the 1960s, when it was kicked off the map for lack of population.

But five or six people have moved to town within the last year, and Morgan asked the DOT last year to put up a town sign on Highway 22.

"The DOT said we had to be put on the map before we could get a sign," Morgan said. "So we asked, 'How do we get put on the map?'"

To be on the map, unincorporated towns must meet at least two of six requirements. River Junction meets four of them: population of 25 or more, a retail business, an annual festival, and a school, church or cemetery. River Junction has a cemetery.

Other qualifications listed in the Iowa Code are a ZIP-coded post office and a building on the National Register of Historic Places.

Davis angry woman

ONEONTA, N.Y. (AP) — Patti Davis says she was "an angry woman" during the years she had to reconcile her peace activism with the pro-military stand of her father, Ronald Reagan.

Davis spoke about healing family wounds Thursday at Hartwick College's Wellness Week.

"It was like for years every morning I had been walking out of the house with this button on saying, 'Hi, my name is Patti and my mother is very controlling and my father just bombed Libya,'" Davis said.

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BLACK HISTORY SPEAKER — Jill Randall of the Region 14 Service Center in Abilene, seated, presented a program on black history at Stanfield last week. Ashly Weaver, counselor, is shown in back and students, from left, are, Brandon Hill, Will Clay, Wes Richardson, Cayelea Rhodes and Kealia Caldwell. Randall spoke to the students about the accomplishments of black people throughout history. Her first presentation was on Phillis Wheatley, the first black poet and the second woman to publish a book in America. She lived from 1754-1784. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Texans become alarmed as strep A death toll mounts

EL PASO (AP) — After hearing reports of a strep infection that has killed 26 Texans since Dec. 1, Sandy McFaul was taking no chances when her 3-year-old developed a 103-degree fever, a rash and sore throat.

The Mesquite woman rushed her son, Dustin, to the emergency room, where he was diagnosed with a serious sinus and ear infection — not the group A streptococcus infection that can produce very similar symptoms.

Still, Ms. McFaul said Friday, "that just scared the fire out of us."

Though doctors stress the invasive group A strep infection is still a rare illness, Texans have become alarmed as more cases have been reported and the death toll has risen.

Inquiries to doctors, local health departments and other health-care officials are climbing, said Doug McBride, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Health.

The state health department has set up a hotline specifically for this illness. Since being activated last Saturday, the toll-free number has averaged nearly 300 calls a day.

El Paso elementary school nurse Jeanna Nabhan said she's never seen this kind of reaction among parents to any other illness and has begun distributing material to anyone who asks.

"There's a certain amount of fear as they talk," she said. "I can sense it in their voice. Even students are talking about it."

Ms. McFaul said she panicked when her son became ill on Tuesday because workers at his day care notified her that two children had developed strep throat, although they were unsure of the strain.

Figures released late Friday by the health department show 117 group A strep cases across the state since Dec. 1, most reported around Austin, San Antonio and Houston. The victims included 76 adults, 40 children.

The most recent deaths include an unidentified victim who died Wednesday, a 5-year-old Channelview boy who died of toxic shock syndrome on Sunday and a 5-year-old El Paso boy who died while en route to a hospital last week.

Nine children have died in all.

McBride said about 100 cases a year is typical for Texas.

Health officials have no explanation yet for the apparent surge,

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TYPES OF STAINS: Basically, two types of stains appear on carpets:

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- **Solvent soluble, which include oils, greases, tar, crayon, lipstick, and butter.**

Treatment for Stain Removal

•To remove water soluble stains: You will first need to make a detergent solution. Mix 1 teaspoon of mild detergent (such as Ivory Liquid) into 1 pint of lukewarm water. Do NOT use automatic dishwasher detergent or any other solution containing bleach. Sponge the detergent mixture onto the water-soluble stain, and work the solution from the outer edges toward the center of the stain. A lather will form. Gently sponge off this lather with clear, cold water until all the visible signs of the suds have disappeared. Follow with a neutralizing rinse.

•Products to remove solvent-soluble stains are available at retail stores. Apply the solvent to the stain by gently blotting with a cloth. Never pour a liquid directly from the container onto the carpet. After the solvent-soluble stain has been removed, follow with the detergent solution procedure outlined above.

•To perform a neutralizing rinse, mix 1 tablespoon of white vinegar into 1 pint of cold water. Sponge this mixture lightly onto the affected area. The vinegar will neutralize the detergent residue that may remain on the carpet. Blot as much of the moisture out of the area as possible using absorbent white cloth towelling or paper towels. Finally, lay a dry absorbent towel over the area and weight with a heavy object. After the area is dry, brush lightly to restore the normal texture of the carpet pile.

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WORKER — Sid Muley keeps busy by picking up trash. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Seniors pick up trash

Sylvia Spivey, 65, has found a good way to earn some extra money and lose a few pounds at the same time — picking up trash.

Hired by a sub-contractor in Clyde, she serves as foreman for several senior citizens including her husband, Albert Ray, 70, and Sid and Harold Martin Muley, who are both over 62.

Eight hours a day, 40 hours per week they walk the area roads picking up a wide variety of trash. During a recent four-day period, Sylvia said they gathered 1,830 pounds of trash off Highway 208 including pieces of rubber.

Albert noted that no sooner do they get one area picked up than it gets trashed again.

Sylvia said they walk from four to six miles per day. In just a few weeks, she said she has lot 26 pounds. Albert added that the $5.50 per hour they receive helps to supplement their Social Security allotments.

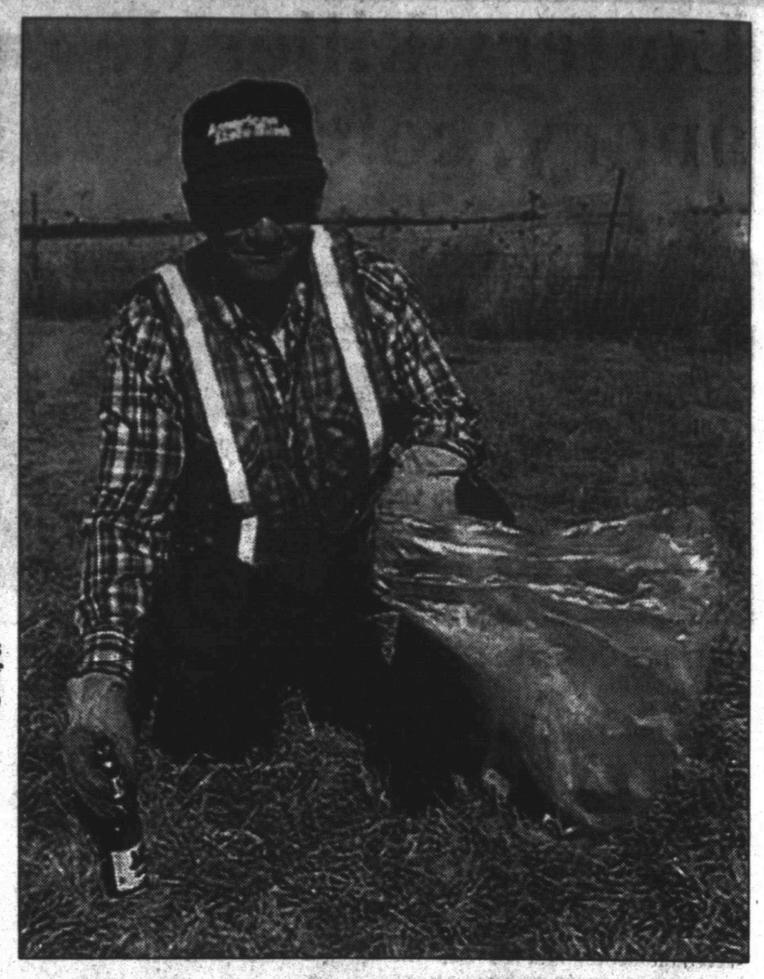
Sid noted that he likes the job because it lets him exercise and gives him something to do in his spare time. He added that before he started this job he and his wife, Paula, had just started picking up cans and other things as they walked for exercise.

Harris released by magistrate

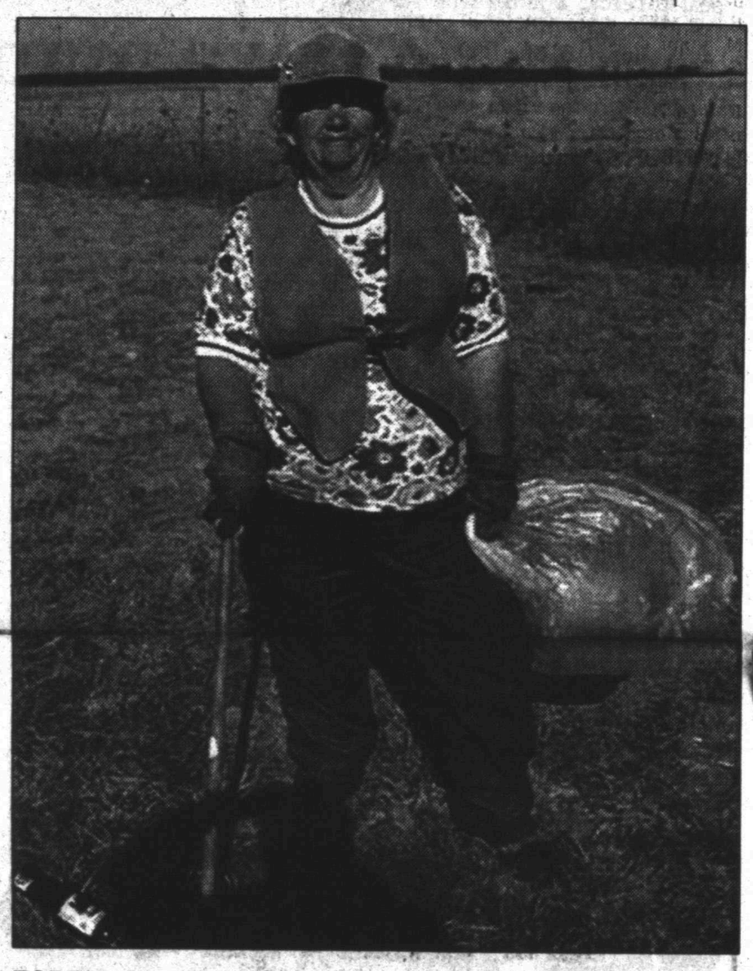
COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — A federal magistrate released a man who was arrested in the Las Vegas anthrax scare and jailed for allegedly violating his probation.

Larry Wayne Harris was brought from Las Vegas, where he and another man were arrested Feb. 18 after an FBI informant said they claimed to have deadly anthrax in their possession. He was released Friday.

Charges against Harris and William Leavitt Jr. were dismissed Feb. 23 after tests showed the material was a harmless anthrax veterinary vaccine.



MORE TRASH — Albert Ray Spivey said trash accumulates soon after they clean an area of highway or road. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



FOREMAN — Sylvia Spivey finds benefits in picking up trash. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Union Jack to grace palace in queen's absense

LONDON (AP) — For the first time in history, the Union Jack flew at full staff Friday over Buckingham Palace.

In a break with tradition, Queen Elizabeth II has ordered that the flag fly around the clock when she is not in residence. Normally, no flag graces the staff in her absence.

The Union Jack was flown for the first time at the palace — but at half-staff — on Sept. 6, the day of Princess Diana's funeral, as a sign of respect.

"The death of the Princess of Wales was the catalyst for this change," said a palace spokesman, speaking on customary condition of anonymity.

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Lottery killer described as angry, cold and calculating

NEWINGTON, Conn. (AP) — Matthew Beck was a changed man when he returned to work at state lottery headquarters from a four-month, stress-related leave. The change was not for the better.

When the 35-year-old accountant came back Feb. 25, he wouldn't talk. He was mad at the world. He seemed paranoid. Some co-workers were afraid of him.

"He wasn't the same Matt," said Karen Kalandyk, his supervisor. "He was like talking to a stone."

On Friday, the stone crumbled.

About 30 minutes after reporting for work, Beck pulled out a semiautomatic handgun and began shooting his bosses. When he was finished, four supervisors were dead. He then killed himself.

Beck killed with a calculated coldness, first walking into the office of information services chief Michael Logan. He shot Logan and stabbed him with a butcher knife. He then shot chief financial officer Linda Mlynarczyk, 38, and Rick Rubelmann, 40, vice president of operations.

Then he chased lottery chief Otho Brown into a gravel parking lot.

Brown, 54, stumbled and fell on his back. He had his hands up and was begging "Don't kill me, don't kill me," a law enforcement source said.

Beck told him, "Aw, shut up," and shot him, the source said.

Moments earlier, Beck had walked into a room where Mlynarczyk, 38, sat waiting to meet with him. Kalandyk, who was in the room, said Beck raised his gun, pointed it at Mlynarczyk and told her, "Bye, bye" before shooting her three times.

Since his return to work, Kalandyk said, Beck's cold, aloof manner and his fascination with guns and paintball frightened some co-workers.

His personal problems began more than 18 months ago.

Beck, a Florida Institute of Technology graduate who had worked for state government for eight years, contended he got a bad deal in July 1996 when supervisors shifted him from number-crunching at the lottery agency to testing computer software. He wanted back pay, contending he should have been paid more for the computer job than his accountant's salary.

Beck, a former security guard, had a permit to carry a gun. Within the past year he had moved in with his father, who acknowledged his son "had problems."

A blue sticker on their front door reads: "Warning: Trespassers will be shot. Survivors will be shot again."

But Peter Donahue, a lottery accountant, said Beck gave no hint of his murderous plan when he showed up for work Friday.

"I saw him come in and hang up his coat," he said.

Date Book

March 7, 1998

Today is the 66th day of 1998 and the 77th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1530, King Henry VIII's request for a divorce was turned down by the pope.

On this day in 1876, Alexander Graham Bell patented the telephone.

On this day in 1897, Dr. John Kellogg served the world's first corn flakes to his patients at a mental hospital in Battle Creek, Mich.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Luther Burbank (1849-1926), botanist; Maurice Ravel (1875-1937), composer; Anna Magnani (1908-1973), actress; Janet Guthrie (1938-), auto racer, is 60; Daniel Travanti (1940-), actor, is 58; Franco Harris (1950-), football great, is 48; Joe Carter (1960-), baseball player, is 38; Ivan Lendl (1960-), tennis player, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1983, Phil Mahre won the alpine World Cup skiing championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The function of the press in society is to inform, but its role is to make money." — A.J. Liebling

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1932, there was remarkably low pressure along the East Coast: 28.54 inches in Philadelphia; 28.45 inches in Boston.

SOURCE: 1998 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (March 5) and full moon (March 12).

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March 8, 1998

Today is the 67th day of 1998 and the 78th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1950, Marshall Voroshilov announced that the Soviets had the atom bomb.

On this day in 1970, Diana Ross performed her first solo concert after leaving the Supremes.

On this day in 1985, John McPherson from Newcastle, England, set a new world record by kissing 4,444 women in eight hours.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr. (1841-1935), Supreme Court justice; Cyd Charisse (1923-), dancer, is 75; Charlie Pride (1938-), singer, is 60; Lynn Redgrave (1943-), actress, is 55; Susan Clark (1944-), actress, is 54; Jim Rice (1953-), baseball player, is 45.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1968, 6-year-old Tommy Moore scored a hole-in-one at the Woodbrier Golf Course in Hagerstown, Md.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Certainty is generally illusion, and repose is not the destiny of man." — Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr.

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1909, a tornado picked up a coat near Chidester, Ark., and carried it four miles with its pocket contents intact.

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Donnis McHaney

McHaney elected to ACU Senate

Donnis McHaney, a 1996 graduate of Hermleigh High School, has recently been elected to the Student Senate at Angelo State University. She will serve on the sports committee.

Donnis has also been named to the Dean's List for the 1997 fall semester with a 3.7 GPA.

She also serves at the philanthrophy chairman of Sigma Kappa.

Donnis is majoring in political science and minoring in business administration.

She is the daughter of Diane McHaney of Hermleigh and the late Donald McHaney. Her grandparents are Mavis McHaney and Dick Fowler, both of Snyder.

OAS criticism rejected

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The government took issue Friday with a resolution by the Organization of American States which criticized Mexico for failing to fully investigate a 1995 massacre of leftist peasants by police in the southern state of Guerrero.

The OAS' InterAmerican Human Rights Commission concluded in a report published Friday that the Mexican government had violated the American Convention on Human Rights by not following up on the 1995 killings and the torture-killings of three peasants by army troops in 1997.

Local family physician...

Dr. Bid Cooper completes continuing medical courses

Bid Cooper, M.D., has completed continuing medical education requirements to retain active membership in the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), the national association of family doctors.

AAFP members are required to complete a minimum of 150 hours of accredited continuing medical study every three years. The AAFP, which has more than 80,000 members, is one of the largest medical specialty organizations in the country. It was the first national medical group to require members to keep up with medical advancements through regular continuing medical education.

Dr. Cooper attended medical school at Southwestern Medical School in Dallas from 1974-78. He went on to complete a Family Practice Internship from 1978-79 at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth where he was also a resident from 1980-82. He opened his own family practice in 1982 in Snyder and then joined the St. Mary Medical Group in 1997. He is currently practicing at St. Mary Family Healthcare Center in Snyder at 5009 College Ave.

Other physicians practicing at the center are Jim Burleson, Paul Thompson, Gary Nussey and Thomas Kerr.

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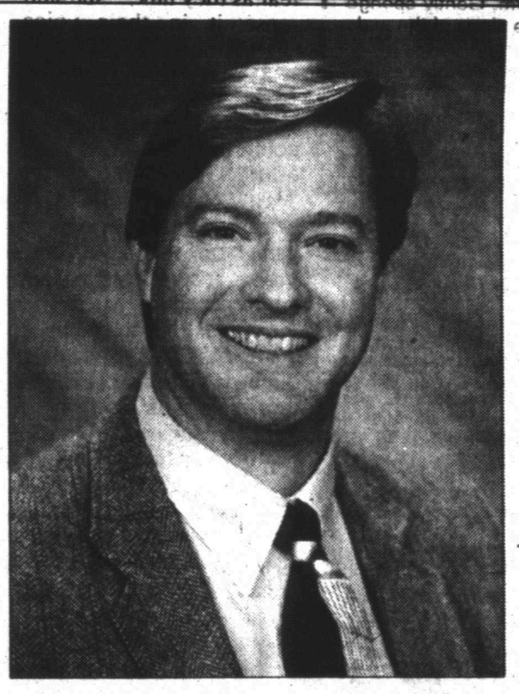
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SPORTS

Tigers split games in tourney action

WOLFFORTH — The Tigers experienced both ends of the baseball spectrum in the second round of the Frenship tournament Friday.

Snyder belted 16 hits and made zero errors in an 11-1 trouncing of Borger, before striking out eight times and committing four miscues in a 9-2 loss to Andrews.

The Tigers, now 6-2 on the season, were to have faced Plainview for third place Saturday afternoon.

Following a victory over Canyon Randall in the opening round, the Tigers came out hitting against the Bulldogs.

A lead-off double in the first inning by John Border set the tone for Snyder, as it sent two men home in the opening frame.

The Tigers then gave themselves some breathing room in the second.

Back-to-back singles by Sonny Cumbie and Chris Hernandez brought Border back to the plate with two men on.

The Snyder leftfielder delivered, blasting a 2-2 offering over the fence for a three-run homer.

The Tigers added another run before the inning was over and the onslaught was on.

Working with a lead, Snyder pitcher Kyle Beck was on cruise control. Beck faced the minimum nine batters through the first three innings.

Eric Lang busted two doubles for three RBI, as the Tigers kept the pressure on from the plate.

Beck finished with seven strikeouts, while giving up only four hits and walking three.

Snyder capped the scoring with three runs in the seventh for the 11-1 final tally.

But with a berth in the championship game on the line, the Tigers' magic ran out against Andrews.

Snyder struck out five times in the first three frames, while the Andrews bats went to work.

The Mustangs posted two runs in the first, then sent three men home in the third and fourth innings.

Four Tiger errors added to the fire as Andrews held a 7-1 advantage after five innings.

Lang would cross the plate for Snyder in the sixth, but left Border standing on third as the third out was recorded.

Andrews added a run in the bottom of the inning to end the scoring.

Following the match-up with Plainview, the Tigers get a chance at redemption Monday.

Snyder hosts San Angelo, which downed SHS in the season opener, at 6 p.m.

The Tigers then take two days off before the Snyder tournament begins on Thursday.

Snyder	2	4	1	0	0	1	3	—11
Borger	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	— 1

Snyder: Border, home run, double, two singles; Lang, two doubles, single; Berryman, double; Fish, three singles; Beck, two singles; Rodgers, Cumbie and Hernandez, single. Beck (WP), 7 innings, 1 run, 4 hits, 0 BB, 7 SO.

Snyder	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	— 2
Andrews	1	0	3	3	0	1	.	— 9

Snyder: Border, triple, single; Lang, double, single; Berryman, three singles; Beck and Cumbie, single. Hernandez (LP), 5 innings, 9 H, 3 BB, 3 SO; Roemisch, 1 inning, 1 H, 1 B, 0 SO.

Red Raiders top 'Horns on diamond

LUBBOCK (AP) — Shane Wright scattered 11 hits and three runs, one of them earned, as Texas Tech beat Texas 6-3 as the Longhorns' opened their Big 12 baseball season on the road.

Wright (4-1) gave up all three runs in a rocky third inning as the Red Raiders put together an error and two doubles for three runs.

But Texas Tech (12-7, 2-2 Big 12) began rallying back right away as left fielder Jason Landreth singled in a run in the bottom of the third.

The Red Raiders tied the game in the fourth with two runs on an RBI double by right fielder Miles Durham and an RBI bunt single by center fielder Ryan Ruiz.

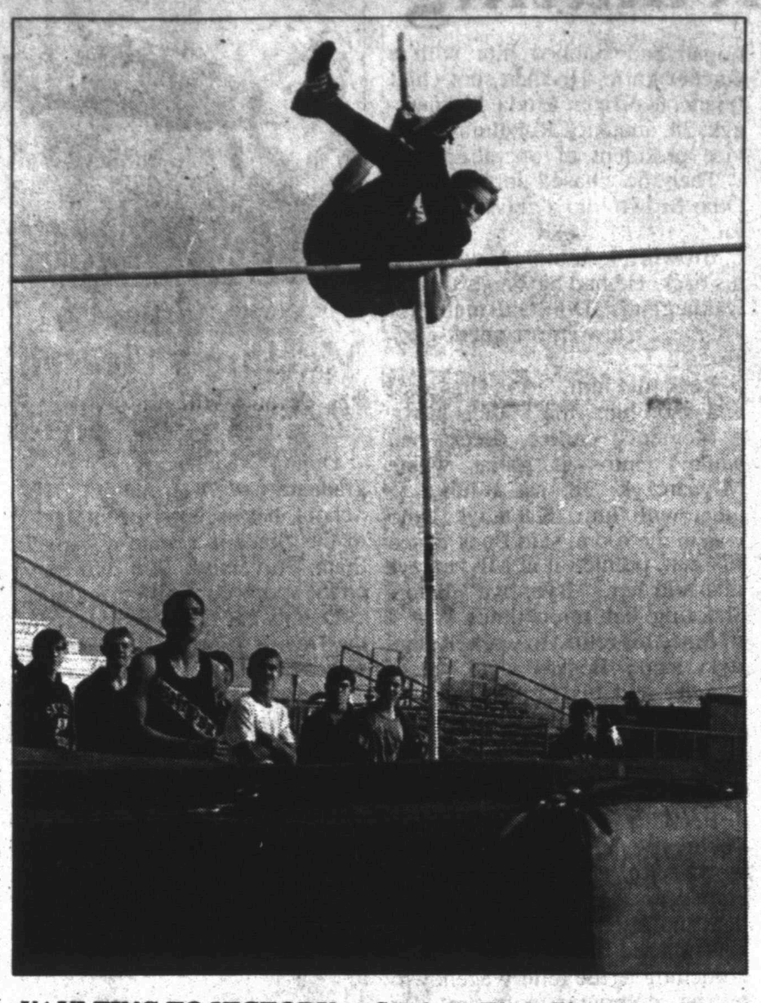
Tech went ahead in the fourth as third baseman Kevin Jordan scored when Texas (8-9-1, 0-1) mishandled another Ruiz bunt.

The Red Raiders scored two insurance runs in the eighth on an RBI single by designated hitter Brennan Burns and another Texas error.

Brad Ralston came with two outs in the eighth to hold Texas scoreless and pick up his second save.

Texas starter Scott Dunn (1-3) gave up 13 hits and five runs, four of them earned, in seven innings. He also walked two but struck out eight.

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VAULTING TO VICTORY — Snyder's Wade Pinson goes up on his way to winning the eighth pole vault event Friday at the Snyder track meet. SJHS eighth grade finished second behind Big Spring in the team standings. (SDN Staff Photo)

Lady Tigers notch error-free victory

HAWLEY — The Lady Tigers are quick learners.

Following an error-filled doubleheader loss to Abilene Cooper on Thursday, Snyder answered by not having a single miscue in an 8-1 victory Friday night over Hawley.

The mistakes which were evident in the field against Cooper, were no where around against the Lady Bearcats.

"The girls played a lot more relaxed tonight," Snyder coach Carmen Bohannon said. "I think even though we lost to Cooper, the way we were hitting the ball got our confidence up to where it needs to be. So, we came out tonight and played smarter softball."

Lady Tiger hurler Courtney Rinehart was dominant from the mound.

Rinehart allowed only three hits, while striking out five. Hawley didn't manage to send a runner home until the final inning.

Snyder didn't have that same problem.

Following a first inning in which they went down in order, the Lady Tigers busted out for four runs in the second and two in the third.

Brady Johnson slapped a triple and a single on the night, while Amanda Huff knocked a double and base hit for two RBI.

Snyder will be in action again Tuesday at San Angelo Lake View, beginning at 6 p.m.

The Lady Tigers then return home to host their own tournament.

Snyder faces Fort Stockton at 3 p.m., followed by Anson at 7:30 in opening-round contests on Thursday.

Snyder	0	4	2	1	1	—	8
Hawley	0	0	0	0	1	—	1

Snyder Johnson, triple, single; Valadez, Huff and Purcell, double and single; Fisk, double; Drummond, single. Rinehart (WP), 5 innings, 1 R, 3 H, 3 BB, 5 SO.

SJHS netters fined success

LEVELLAND — Two matches and two victories isn't a bad day's work for the Snyder Junior High tennis team.

Snyder toppled Andrews 16-12 in the opening contest, before routing Levelland, 25-10, in the second.

The girls doubles teams posted a 6-2 mark on the day.

Snyder won a total of 41 sets, while dropping only 22.

SNYDER 16, ANDREWS 12
Seventh Grade

Boys singles: Adam Rogers lost to Tom Fisher, 6-8; Horatio De Paz lost to Josh Ratliff, 5-8; Jason Hall def. Jason Pickerel, 8-3.

Boys doubles: Rogers/De Paz lost to Fisher/Ratliff, 8-9.

Girls singles: Patricia Vargas def. Erin Copeland, 8-1; Kristin Casas def. Erin Copeland, 8-3; Sara Cantu def. Melissa Pollard, 8-6; Jackie Beccue def. Katee Thornton, 8-1; Afton Sutter def. Larissa Partain, 8-5; Laura Hager lost to Katee Thornton, 6-8; Wendy Whittenberg def. Lindsey Dushang, 8-2; Amanda Hartzog def. Courtney Morley, 8-2; Stacey Bunch def. Christie Heronema, 8-2.

Eighth Grade

Boys singles: Alex Best def. Randy Stein, 8-6; Jason Hall def. D.J. Gist, 8-3; Tommy Gladden def. B.J. Gilliam, 8-4; Charlie Gorman lost to Carlos Arrieta, 8-9; Tyson Kubena lost to Derek Rea, 6-8; Dennis Evey def. Michael Hardin, 8-7; Chaz Stroud lost to Michael Hardin, 5-8; Charlie Gorman def. Clayton Collins, 8-5.

Boys doubles: Best/Hall lost to Stein/Gist, 6-8; Stroud/Evey lost to Rea/Hardin, 3-8.

Girls singles: Amy Juarez def. Candice Minatra, 8-5; Sarah Pilgrim def. Rorey Lynch, 8-5; Marci Kruger lost to Miranda Eckert, 3-8; Marci Kruger lost to Leslie Sutton, 3-8.

SNYDER 25, LEVELLAND 10
Seventh Grade

Boys singles: Rogers lost to Jeff Contreras, 6-8; De Paz def. James Capps, 8-5.

Boys doubles: Rogers/De Paz lost to Contreras/Capps, 4-8; Rogers/De Paz def. Balch/Capps, 8-3.

Girls singles: Vargas def. Allison Balch, 8-2; Casas def. Miranda Marillo, 8-4; Cantu def. Christy Pace, 8-2; Beccue def. Kim Denito, 8-0; Sutter def. Lindsey Taylor, 8-2; Hager def. Emily Marillo, 8-6; Whittenberg def. Haley Smith, 8-3; Hartzog lost to Keitha Paxton, 7-9; Bunch def. Lindsey Taylor, 8-5.

Girls doubles: Vargas/Casas def. Balch/Marillo, 8-1; Suttor/Cantu def. Denito/Taylor, 8-4; Beccue/Whittenberg def. Pace/Marillo, 8-2; Hager/Hartzog lost to Johns/Smith, 3-8; Bunch/Hartzog lost to Smith/Johns, 3-8.

Eighth Grade

Boys singles: Best lost to Matt Cash, 3-8; Hall def. Harrison Hill, 8-4; Gladden def. Keenan Lavick, 8-2; Gorman def. Dillon Webb, 8-3; Kubena def. Noel Morgan, 8-6; Evey lost to Hector Gandera, 2-8; Stroud lost to Hector Gandera, 4-8.

Boys doubles: Best/Hall lost to Cash/Hill, 2-8; Gladden/Kubena def. Lavick/Webb, 8-5; Gorman/Kubena def. Moran/Gandera, 8-2; Stroud/Evey lost to Moran/Gandera, 4-8.

Girls singles: Juarez def. Trinda Cardwell, 8-2; Pilgrim def. Aaron Hicks, 8-5; Kruger def. Megan Atchison, 8-6.

Girls doubles: Juarez/Pilgrim def. Cardwell/Hendricks, 8-3; Juarez/Kruger def. Atchison/Paxton, 8-1; Pilgrim/Kruger def. Almeda/Palmer, 8-6.

TCU ousted from WAC tourney

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Throw out the scouting report for tonight's Western Athletic Conference basketball final. If you listen to UNLV's Bill Bayno, the title will simply go to the team that wants it more.

UNLV and No. 20 New Mexico, two teams that looked pretty hungry in the semifinals, meet tonight with the conference championship at stake.

"Whatever team outhustles the other will win it," a hoarse Bayno said after coaching UNLV to a 76-67 win over Fresno State in the semifinals Friday night. "It's just going to come down to heart and effort."

UNLV certainly has shown heart and effort in winning three games on its home court, including an upset of No. 5 Utah in the quarterfinals.

So has New Mexico, which came into the tournament on a three-game losing streak but made the finals with a 80-73 win over No. 13 Texas Christian.

"For a while it looked bad for us," New Mexico coach Dave Bliss said after his team came back from an 11-point second half deficit to make the finals.

Kenny Thomas had a halftime talk with himself, then scored 18 second half points to lead New Mexico to the win.

"At halftime, I went into the locker room and didn't talk to anybody," said Thomas, who had just four points and two rebounds in the first half. "I started off the first half and I wasn't very focused. I thought inside I just had to come out in the second half and be strong down low and let them know I was there."

Thomas did just that, grabbing 10 second-half rebounds as New Mexico erased an 11-point second-half deficit to snap TCU's 16-game winning streak.

Thomas also scored the first four points of a 9-0 run in the last 2:43 that broke open a two-point game.

"Kenny started off slow and when he's not into the game it really hurts us," Bliss said. "But he turned it on in the second half and suddenly we started playing like a team again."

Thomas ended the game with 22 points and 12 rebounds as New Mexico outrebounded an opponent for the first time in 10 games. The Lobos had 42 rebounds to 33 for TCU.

In the second game, they chanted Bayno's name in the arena that Fresno State coach Jerry Tarkanian helped build.

Tarkanian had already left the court when the remaining crowd chanted "Bayno, Bayno" as the UNLV coach did a television interview following UNLV's 76-67 win over Fresno State.

Tarkanian sat in the same seat where he watched his Runnin' Rebel teams win 131 of 140 games during UNLV's heyday. His team was the home team again in the Western Athletic Conference tournament semifinal, but the near sellout crowd was cheering for the other team.

In the end, the crowd has plenty to cheer for as Kevin Simmons scored 21 points, including four in a late spurt that put UNLV ahead, to put the Rebels in Saturday's as the Runnin' Rebels beat Fresno State 76-67 Friday night to ruin Jerry Tarkanian's return to the arena his teams helped build.

It was the fourth loss in five games for Tarkanian at the UNLV campus arena since he became Fresno's coach. While coaching UNLV, Tarkanian was 131-9 in the building.

Huskers upset Baylor in second round

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — According to coach Danny Nee, Nebraska now has the third-ranked Kansas Jayhawks where it wants them — on tomorrow's schedule.

The Huskers ran their winning streak to seven straight Friday with a 65-46 victory over cold-shooting Baylor in the second round of the Big 12 tournament. In Saturday's semifinals, Nebraska (20-10) will meet the Jayhawks (32-3), the regular-season Big 12 champs.

"Kansas has been a marquee team and a marquee program in the nation," Nee said. "Any time we get a chance to play them in the postseason, we think it's a great opportunity."

The Huskers, who lost twice to Kansas by scores of 96-76 and 82-71 in the regular season, figure they've already wrapped up an NCAA tournament bid.

"If we play well (against Kansas) it would enhance our seed. If we win, it will absolutely enhance our seed. It's exciting," Nee said.

Tyronn Lue scored 22 points and broke Nebraska's season record for 3-point shooting while leading the Huskers past the Bears, who had their worst-shooting game of year while point guard Patrick Hunter fought the flu.

Lue, who was second in Big 12 scoring this season, averaging almost 22 points, hit 4-of-9 3-pointers and raised his season total to 73, breaking the record set by Jaron Boone in 1994-95.

Baylor center Brian Skinner, who had 27 points against Texas A&M on Thursday, struggled all day along with the rest of the Bears. Hampered by an ankle injury, he was just 2-for-9 in the first half while Nebraska took a 37-25 halftime lead and wound up 4-for-15 with 13 points.

The Bears (14-14) hit a season-low 27 percent while Nebraska shot 43 percent.

Baylor never got closer than 11 points in the second half and coach Harry Miller called the effort "somewhat embarrassing."

"Believe it or not, ladies and gentlemen, we are a better basketball team than you saw today," Miller said.

Hunter, who averaged almost 15 points and five assists all year, had been taking medication intravenously as late as Thursday. He played 19 minutes and had four points. With about 14 minutes left in the second half, he asked to be taken out and went to the bench and buried his face in his hands. He returned about seven minutes later.

"I just went out and did my best to try to help us win," he said. "I kind of felt uncoordinated and slow out there."

Chad Johnson and Cookie Belcher each had 11 points for Nebraska. Kish Lewis and Roddrick Miller each had nine for Baylor.

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N.C. Charlotte 65, Southern Miss. 53

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S. Carolina St. 82, Morgan St. 69

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South Carolina 71, Florida 60

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FLOATING — Snyder seventh grader Afton Schwertner competes in the high jump competition Friday during the Snyder Junior High track meet.(SDN Staff Photo)

Martin plays inspired round

AUSTIN (AP) — Casey Martin didn't get down on himself after a few bogeys.

If he needed inspiration Friday, all he had to do was look into the gallery.

When he did, he saw a 9-year-old boy with the same physical disability of Martin has.

While Martin battled the 55-degree cold and an erratic game, he took solace every time he saw Kern Loest of Richland Hills, Texas, who was riding on the broad shoulders of his father, Craig.

"He's the first person I've ever met who had my disease," Martin said. "It was good to see him."

Although his teeth chattered from the cold, young Kern wore an autographed hat courtesy of Martin. He also wore a big smile.

He was there when Martin rallied from two early bogeys to sink a 45-foot putt on his 16th hole to get his round jump-started.

"Casey plays good," young Kern said. "He's nice, too."

Martin, who won a suit against the PGA Tour for the right to use a golf cart, could have shot 80, and it wouldn't have mattered to the young boy who followed his new hero all 18 holes.

As it was, Martin shot a second consecutive 3-under-par 69 to stay within three shots of the lead held by Brad Elder and Chris Zambri at the Greater Austin Open.

He started poorly with two bogeys on the cool day as the television cameras on The Golf Channel tracked his every move.

"I got a little flustered because it was tough to play bad with so many people rooting for you," said Martin, who holed a 20-foot putt for birdie on his final hole. "My confidence will be up for tomorrow."

The 45-foot birdie putt on the seventh green got Martin going after two early bogeys caused by a fat iron shot and a hooked tee shot behind a tree.

"I had a lot of people out there rooting for me," Martin said. "I saw a lot of kids out there and I slapped five with some of them. They got a workout, that's for sure."

Martin also shot a 3-under-par 69 over the Hills of Lakeway course on Thursday. He started Friday three shots off the lead of Michael Allen in the third Nike tour event of the season.

A federal magistrate ruled on Feb. 11 that Martin could use a cart because of a right leg defect at birth. The PGA Tour has appealed to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court in San Francisco, but the process could take from 18 months to two years.

Martin's playing partners, said Martin has proved he is more than a curiosity.

Rangers pound Rex Sox, but Houston ties Tigers, 4-4

By The Associated Press

Mark McGwire's third homer of the spring wasn't enough for the St. Louis Cardinals.

Tomas Perez drove in three runs with an eighth-inning double as the Toronto Blue Jays overcame McGwire's homer to defeat the Cardinals 9-4 in Toronto Friday night.

Expos 11, Marlins 4

At Jupiter, Fla., while his half-brother was signing with the Yankees, Livan Hernandez took two balls off the shin.

Mark Grudzielanek's leadoff grounder struck Hernandez on the outer part of his right shin. The following inning, Chris Widger's grounder deflected off the pitcher's right leg.

In the third, Vladimir Guerrero hit a two-run homer, his second of the spring, putting Montreal ahead 3-0.

Rangers 9, Red Sox 1

At Port Charlotte, Fla., Pedro Martinez gave up three runs and three hits in 3 2-3 innings, allowing three extra-base hits. In his spring debut against Minnesota last weekend, he pitched two scoreless innings and Boston scored six runs in the first. Martinez left after Lee Stevens hit a two-run homer.

Dodgers 18, Orioles 2

At Vero Beach, Fla., Billy Ashley hit a sixth-inning grand slam off Gabe Molina, and Los Angeles had 20 hits in the Los Angeles Dodgers' 18-2 victory over the Baltimore Orioles.

Twins 20, Devil Rays 5

At Fort Myers, Fla., Chris Turner, trying to become Minnesota's backup catcher, hit a three-run homer and drove in four runs to lead the Twins to a 20-5 victory over the Devil Rays.

Braves 6, Indians (ss) 4

At Kissimmee, Fla., Greg Maddux had another scoreless performance in his second start of the spring. Maddux struck out four and allowed one hit in three innings. In his spring debut last weekend, the four-time Cy Young Award winner gave up one hit in two innings against Los Angeles.

With the score 4-all in the eighth, Mike Mahoney and Ray Holbert singled off loser Ron Villone, who allowed three runs and four hits in two innings, and Damon Hollins followed with a two-run double.

Tigers (ss) 6, Indians (ss) 3

At Winter Haven, Fla., Chris Wakeland's two-run double keyed a four-run seventh inning. Pete Incaviglia, Billy Ripken and Marcus Jensen also drove in runs for Detroit.

Indians starter Bartolo Colon, trying to win the fifth spot in the rotation, allowed one run and five hits in three innings. Former Indian Bip Roberts had two of the hits.

Tigers (ss) 4, Astros 4

At Kissimmee, Fla., Astros reliever Bryan Harvey threw one pitch in the ninth inning before leaving with pain in his right elbow. Harvey, 34, has 177 career saves, but hasn't pitched in a regular-season game since a single appearance for the Florida Marlins in 1995.

Ricky Gutierrez drove in a pair of runs for Houston, while Kimera Bartee had two RBIs for Detroit.

Phillies 9, Yankees 6

At Clearwater, Fla., Gary Bennett hit Philadelphia's first homer this spring, had three hits and drove in three runs. to key the Phillies' 9-6 victory over the Yankees.

Pirates 6, Reds 5

At Sarasota, Fla., Kevin Polcovich hit a tiebreaking two-run double in the eighth off Stan Belinda, making his first appearance following shoulder problems earlier in spring training.

Mets 9, Royals 8

At Port St. Lucie, Fla., Craig Paquette had three hits, including the game-winning single in New York's three-run ninth as the Mets beat Kansas City 9-8.

Athletics 5, White Sox 1

At Phoenix, Ernie Young hit a go-ahead double in the seventh as Oakland won for the fifth time in six spring games, beating the White Sox 5-1.

Mariners 18, Brewers 9

At Phoenix, Randy Johnson (2-0) struck out seven and walked none in 3 2-3 innings as the Mariners beat the Brewers 18-9.

Diamondbacks 11, Giants 7

At Tucson, Ariz., Karim Garcia had four of Arizona's 18 hits and rookie Travis Lee went 3-for-4 and drove in two runs.

Garcia, who also scored three times, singled in Mike Robertson in a three-run third that put Arizona ahead to stay at 7-5. Lee had an RBI double in the inning.

Angels 19, Cubs 9

At Tempe, Ariz., Jose Hernandez had three hits and two RBIs, and Terrell Lowery was 2-for-4 with two RBIs.

Jim Edmonds and Matt Walbeck homered for Anaheim.

Rockies 5, Padres 3

At Peoria, Ariz., Ben Petrick hit the go-ahead single with one out in the ninth and scored on Chris Sexton's single.

Scott Randall won in relief of Pedro Astacio, who allowed one run and three hits in four innings, striking out five. Padres starter Sterling Hitchcock gave up two runs and five hits in four innings.

Sports Whirl — By Eric Drennan, SDN Sports Editor

At hockey games, even lil' ole ladies get rowdy

I went to a San Angelo Outlaws minor league hockey game last weekend. I have seen the Dallas Stars play before, but never a minor league contest.

And this time I went with a different purpose in mind.

Instead of just focusing on the game, I wanted to see how West Texans acted at a hockey game.

You know what I discovered?

I learned that a few beers or a couple of mixed drinks combined with a ⅜-inch piece of plexiglass and even old ladies get rowdy.

That's right. There was this woman in front of me who was heckling the guys, yelling "You're horrible! I can't believe they even let you on the ice!"

And that was just at the Zamboni driver between periods.

She actually turned around at one point and said to the gentleman sitting next to me and myself, "What we need is to play more physical. We need one of our guys to just start kicking one of their guys' #**."

I was shocked, stunned, stymied. For the first time in my life I was at a loss for words. All I could think was "Granny, you're scaring me."

I've seen women get mad before. I once had an old lady reach up, grab my ear and just about twist it off for laughing in church.

And I've seen them get down-right irate at their grandson's little league games.

But this was hockey — a sport invented by drunk, overweight northerners who wanted to watch a winter sport but were too lazy to go outside, so they thought, "If there was just some way we could get that frozen lake out there inside this building where there's beer and heat and beer and indoor plumbing and oh, don't forget beer."

At first I figured all of this aggression couldn't be good.

But now I think maybe her getting all worked up is for the better.

Maybe everyone should go to a hockey game once in awhile and work out their aggression. Maybe then the world would be a kinder, gentler place.

And maybe then I could stop wearing those earmuffs to church.

Cuban star gets $6.6 million

MIAMI (AP) — Orlando "El Duque" Hernandez should be arriving at Legends Field in Tampa, Fla., next week.

The big question is, when will he arrive at Yankee Stadium in the Bronx?

The former Cuban star agreed Friday to a $6.6 million, four-year contract with the New York Yankees, two months after sailing away from the communist island in a small boat.

Hernandez, the older half-brother of Florida Marlins and World Series MVP Livan Hernandez, is expected to sign the deal Sunday and then work on getting a visa to report to the Yankees' spring training site by Friday, said Joe Cubas, the pitcher's agent.

The contract requires that Hernandez be placed on the Yankees' 40-man roster, but that doesn't mean he'll be with the team when the season opens.

"The Yankees are in it for the long run," Cubas said Friday night after announcing the deal. "I don't think they're going to rush him. They're not going to throw him right in the fire."

But he said Hernandez, 28, is in good shape and is determined to get to the major leagues as soon as possible.

"Knowing him, he is going to want the baseball from day one," Cubas said. "And I think that is one thing that makes him attractive to the Yankees — his competitiveness."

Hernandez is training in Costa Rica, which granted him residency after his defection.

A star pitcher on Cuba's national team, Hernandez was banned from baseball in his homeland in October 1996, a year after his 22-year-old half-brother defected while on a team trip in Mexico.

Hernandez escaped Cuba on Dec. 26 with seven others on a small boat. The U.S. Coast Guard picked them up a few days later on a remote Bahamian island and handed them over to Bahamian authorities.

Hernandez was offered a U.S. visa, along with his common-law wife and Cuban catcher Alberto Hernandez, who is not related. But all except Hernandez's wife ended up in Costa Rica when U.S. authorities refused visas to the others in the group.

Hernandez auditioned for scouts while training in Costa Rica.

By going to Costa Rica, Hernandez became eligible for free agency. If they had settled in the United States, he would have been subject to a draft by major league clubs.

Cubas said the pitcher cried when he was told about the Yankees deal.

With interleague play, the half-brothers might have the opportunity to face each other this summer when the Marlins visit the Yankees for three games beginning June 5.

"He's a great pitcher, a smart pitcher. I'm sure he'll do a good job in the big leagues," Livan Hernandez said.

When he was told about the size of his half-brother's contract, Livan Hernandez joked: "Now, I'm going to tell him to remember we're brothers."

Livan Hernandez signed a $4,495,000, four-year contract after he defected.

Cubas declined to reveal details of Orlando Hernandez's contract.

Cubas said that he is now worried about how Hernandez will react to the pressure the New York media places on players.

"He's already responded to the most difficult pressures a human being can endure ... risking his life, being completely harassed by the Cuban government," Cubas said.

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Philadelphia	21	37	.362	19½

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Indiana	42	18	.700	2
Charlotte	37	23	.617	7
Atlanta	35	24	.593	8½
Cleveland	32	28	.533	12
Milwaukee	29	29	.500	14
Detroit	27	33	.450	17
Toronto	13	46	.220	30½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	42	16	.724	-
SanAntonio	40	20	.667	3
Minnesota	32	28	.533	11
Houston	29	30	.492	13½
Vancouver	14	45	.237	28½
Dallas	13	47	.217	30
Denver	5	56	.082	38½

Pacific Division

Seattle	45	15	.750	-
L.A.Lakers	41	18	.695	3½
Phoenix	39	20	.661	5½
Portland	34	24	.586	10
Sacramento	26	36	.419	20
GoldenState	13	47	.217	32
L.A.Clippers	12	47	.203	32½

Thursday's Games

Washington 103, New York 90
Miami 117, Houston 93
Dallas 119, L.A. Clippers 109
Milwaukee 104, Denver 87
Phoenix 102, Detroit 93

Friday's Games

Boston 108, Washington 98
Utah 122, New Jersey 115
Philadelphia 80, New York 71
Charlotte 104, Seattle 98
Atlanta 115, Denver 94
Orlando 91, Cleveland 89, OT
Minnesota 113, Toronto 91
Sacramento 98, Vancouver 96
Indiana 101, Golden State 87
L.A. Lakers 91, San Antonio 84

Saturday's Games

Miami at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.
Houston at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Cleveland at Atlanta, Noon
Boston at Indiana, 12:30 p.m.
Charlotte at New Jersey, 12:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 3 p.m.
Seattle at Minnesota, 3 p.m.
Detroit at L.A. Lakers, 3 p.m.
San Antonio at Portland, 3 p.m.
Toronto at Vancouver, 3 p.m.
Chicago at New York, 5:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Denver, 9 p.m.

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Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
NewJersey	38	16	7	83	174	120
Philadelphia	31	19	9	71	170	133
Washington	26	24	11	63	163	161
N.Y.Rangers	19	26	16	54	150	163
N.Y.Islanders	22	31	8	52	160	170
Florida	18	30	12	48	144	170
TampaBay	12	40	9	33	117	200

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	31	17	14	76	173	143
Montreal	29	24	7	65	173	156
Boston	26	22	13	65	156	146
Buffalo	24	22	14	62	152	145
Ottawa	24	28	10	58	141	155
Carolina	24	30	7	55	152	171

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	38	14	9	85	185	121
Detroit	34	16	13	81	190	144
St.Louis	34	22	8	76	194	155
Phoenix	24	27	11	59	169	178
Chicago	23	27	11	57	149	149
Toronto	20	32	8	48	141	177

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	32	16	16	80	190	156
LosAngeles	27	22	11	65	174	160
Edmonton	23	29	10	56	159	177
SanJose	24	30	7	55	152	164
Calgary	19	30	12	50	163	187
Anaheim	20	32	9	49	145	186
Vancouver	18	34	10	46	172	221

Thursday's Games

Chicago 2, Pittsburgh 2, tie
Ottawa 4, Colorado 2
Boston 1, New Jersey 1, tie
Philadelphia 3, Washington 2
St. Louis 4, Montreal 0
Calgary 6, Vancouver 2
San Jose 5, Detroit 4
Carolina 2, Los Angeles 1

Friday's Games

N.Y. Islanders 4, Buffalo 2
Carolina 5, Phoenix 4, OT
San Jose 3, Anaheim 0

Saturday's Games

Chicago at Boston, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 3 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey, 3 p.m.
Florida at Washington, 3 p.m.
Dallas at St. Louis, 3 p.m.
Detroit at Los Angeles, 3 p.m.
Colorado at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Calgary at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

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Carolina at Anaheim, 8 p.m.

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BALLOON MAKERS — For their hot air balloon, Paige Smith, Lucy Amarillas and Molly Haire, from left, chose "Stars Over Texas." (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



HOT AIR — This balloon was filled with hot air before it was turned loose and allowed to fly. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



FLYING BALLOON — Filled with hot air, the sixth graders' balloons went flying. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

National Geographic film shows viewers shipwreck

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the eerie light two miles beneath the surface of the Atlantic the ship's telegraph — used to send messages to the engine room — comes into view. Preserved for the ages is the final command from the bridge of the Titanic: "All stop."

"I wanted the audience to experience the Titanic like I have, without having cold water drip down their backs," said Emory Kristof, maker of the 14-minute, three-dimensional, movie tour of the famous shipwreck.

The film opened Friday at National Geographic's Explorers Hall and will be shown there through April 5.

To collect the special 3-D scenes, Kristof spent more than 50 hours in deep sea submersibles. He also narrated the bow-to-stern tour.

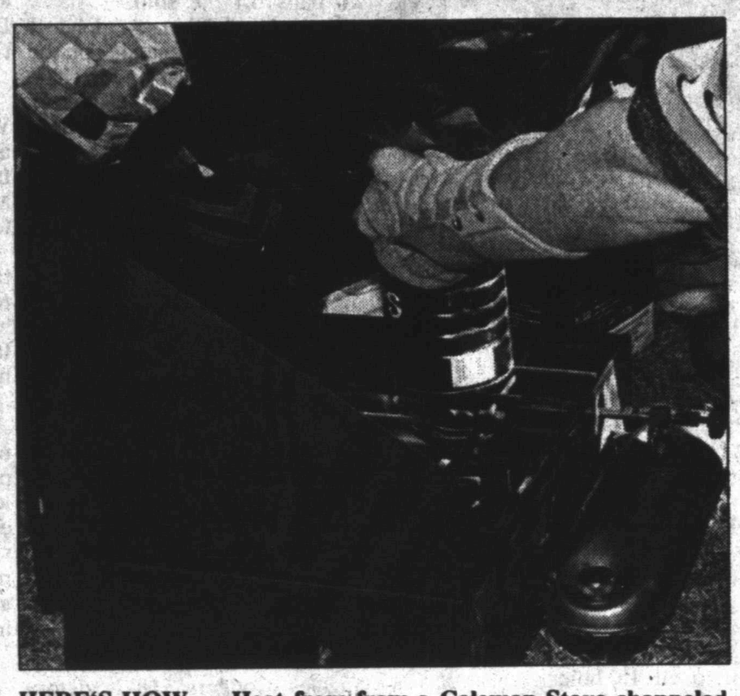
Polarized lighting provides the 3-D effect, seen through special gray lenses rather than the old colored lenses used in previous films. And the effect can be startling as steel beams reach out to the viewer and rust hangs down in stalactites.

This is the "real deal," proclaimed the society's Rick Allen. "Reality is quintessentially what the National Geographic Society is all about, real discovery."

Kristof, a National Geographic photographer who was part of the 1985 team that found the wreckage, used a pair of Russian submersibles to light and film the wreck in the North Atlantic's inky blackness.

There are essentially three wrecks, he said. The Titanic's massive bow seems almost intact, looking as if could be cleaned up and displayed in the Smithsonian Institution, he said. Observers can even see a "great, gaping hole" near where it struck the iceberg.

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HERE'S HOW — Heat from from a Coleman Stove channeled through a coffee can which had both ends cut filled the balloons with hot air and enabled them to fly. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Lawsuit dismissed by judge

CLEVELAND (AP) — A federal judge dismissed two lawsuits that challenged the mayors right to take over the citys troubled schools.

"This represents a substantial step toward the revitalization of the education system of our communitys children, Mayor Michael R. White said after Fridays ruling.

A state law passed last year gave Clevelands mayor control of the 70,000-student district, Ohios largest.

The mayor would appoint a chief executive officer to run the school district. White would also have the power to select a nine-member school board from a slate of 18 candidates.

Residents would get to vote for or against the system, but not until at least 2002.

West gifted/talented classes learn about hot air balloons

West Elementary gifted and talented students recently researched, made and flew hot air balloons.

Students did independent research about hot air balloons which they later shared with each other. Working in groups, they designed and made balloons out of tissue paper.

To fly their creations, students generated hot air by cutting the ends of a coffee can and placing it on a Coleman Stove. This acted like a stove pipe as it channeled the hot air inside the balloon which was held over the stove.

Balloons were then released, flying varying distances.

To complete this project, students utilized all academic subjects. In doing so, they learned how to write research papers and use geometric shapes to make their balloons.

Teachers included Caddye Claborn, Vickie Crawford, Dorothy Petersen and Jo Ann Ham.

Girl with knife shot by police

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. (AP) — The police chief said an officer nicknamed "Terminator" properly defended himself when he shot a 13-year-old girl in the chest, claiming she lunged at him with a steak knife.

But neighbors say officer James Callari, who is white, uses racial slurs and is overly aggressive as he patrols the mostly black neighborhood where the girl lives.

Tekelia Wimberly, a seventh-grader, was hospitalized in stable condition Friday.

Callari was placed on paid leave.

On Thursday, Callari answered a call and found two girls, both armed with steak knives, threatening each other after a dispute over a beeper.

Callari, a seven-year veteran of the Hollywood force, radioed to his dispatcher that he saw weapons and eight seconds later shouted, "Shots fired! Shots fired!" according to police tapes.

He ordered the girls to put down the weapons and Tekelia did not, police chief Rick Stone said. Seven of 10 witnesses police interviewed said she started toward Callari with the knife raised overhead and lunged at him when he got within 3 feet, Stone said.

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Small towns waiting for 'Titanic' to arrive

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — "Titanic," well on its way to becoming the biggest domestic box office hit ever, is playing at theaters around the world, from Mexico to Thailand.

Just don't go looking for the epic disaster movie in small-town America, where some of the tiniest communities are still waiting to see the saga of the sinking ship. "Titanic" is raking in big money at theaters where it's showing, but there aren't enough copies to go around.

Art Daisy, night manager of the 400-seat Capri Theater in Lake City, says he gets asked about "Titanic" all the time by people in the town of 2,000, about 100 miles north of Des Moines.

"When my phone rings at home, 50 percent of the time, it's, 'When you getting "Titanic?"' he said.

The answer is, he doesn't know.

"It's frustrating, but all the theaters that are keeping it are doing great, so you can't blame them for not wanting to give up their copies," Daisy said Friday.

Other small-market theaters across the country are still waiting, too.

Clyde Jacobs, owner of the Capri Twin Theater in Shelbyville, Tenn., also can't get his hands on a copy. He has had difficulty getting a movie only two other times in his 48 years in the business — for "Forrest Gump" and "Crocodile Dundee."

He has offered a $3,500 bonus to Paramount, but to no avail. And he's not happy.

"I show their junk ... all of the movies they produce that don't do well," Jacobs told the Shelbyville Times-Gazette. "And when they come out with one that is making money, small theater owners should have the opportunity to make a little money too."

Instead, his theaters are playing "The Wedding Singer" and "Good Will Hunting" — top-grossing films but that's not good enough.

"A print of a film cost $2,000 to make," he said. "For the company to decide not to make any additional prints for availability to small theater owners is a shame. The small theaters deserve to survive too."

A spokesman for Paramount did not return telephone messages seeking comment.

Paramount made about 3,000 copies of the movie for nationwide distribution. They went to — and remain at — movie houses that have seen phenomenal attendance.

As of this week, "Titanic," the nation's top-grossing film for the past three months, had earned $427 million in the United States and Canada. It's also showing in theaters worldwide.

The film's smashing success only prolongs the anticipation in the smallest towns.

Betty and Gene Sherman, owners of the Lake Theater in Clear Lake, also are waiting their turn.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Abby Is Called on the Carpet For Advice About Wood Floor

DEAR ABBY: I strongly disagree with the advice you gave to "Mrs. B. From N.C." You advised her to keep slippers by her front door to stop guests from gouging her new parquet floor with their spike heels.

Abby, who wants to put their feet into slippers that have been worn by others? For that matter, who wants to keep a pile of slippers — in every size — in their front hall where they'll be seen?

A basket of clean "footie" socks and a small sign that reads, "Please remove your shoes upon entering our home. Thank you." should do the trick. And a framed bill for the parquet floor next to the sign would be a real decorator's touch.

FOOTLOOSE
IN PORTLAND, ORE.

DEAR FOOTLOOSE: I get the message. Many other readers also wrote to let me know they disagreed. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: It's not just high heels that ruin a quality floor; grit on the bottom of shoes also scratches. You told "Mrs. B." to keep a collection of bedroom slippers in all sizes near the front door. Abby, I'd be afraid to wear slippers that have been worn by others for fear of getting a foot and toenail fungus. Toenail fungus is a nightmare to get rid of.

When I lived in Hawaii, people removed their shoes at the door. Mainlanders, however, do not automatically do this. When I installed marble flooring throughout my home, I placed a brass plaque on my door that reads, "Please remove your shoes." Now guests automatically remove their shoes once they've been in my home. The men remember to wear their best socks without holes, and the women remember to paint their toenails!

KAY CHIRICHIGNO,
TAMPA, FLA.

DEAR KAY: Thank you for the input. I must confess, the thought of a foot fungus never occurred to me. But now I know it's a very real concern. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm currently fighting a particularly stubborn foot fungus that I'm convinced is the result of trying on shoes. There is no way — I repeat, *no way* — I'd put on a pair of bedroom slippers that had been worn by someone else. I do not want anyone to suffer what I've been through, and I don't plan on taking any chances by wearing slippers worn by every Jane, Sue or Mary.

When invited to someone's home, attire appropriate for the occasion is selected — including shoes. I think guests would be insulted — or at least uncomfortable — to find they are expected to change into slippers in order to protect a parquet floor. I found your solution to be neither subtle nor nonoffensive. I'd rather the hostess told me in advance that she'd prefer I wore low heels to avoid damaging her new floor. I would then choose an appropriate pants outfit for the occasion rather than a dress or skirt ensemble. Or, I might just decide that "Mrs. B." thinks more of her parquet floor than her friends, and stay home!

JEAN P. TERRY,
SPRING HILL, FLA.

DEAR JEAN: Your letter reflects the opinion the majority of my readers expressed about my solution to the problem. I stand corrected. Mea culpa.

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DEAR ABBY: I'd like to warn your readers about something that happened to me. Perhaps it will save them the embarrassment I caused myself.

My friend "Emily" met a priest while walking her dog in a neighborhood park. "Father Conway" came across as friendly and courteous. He and Emily became friends. From what Emily told me, he loves his ministry and is very knowledgeable about church doctrine, the sacraments and different parishes in our area. He is not a full-time priest because he has a full-time job. He doesn't live at a rectory; he has his own apartment. I accepted that, believing the church of his choice didn't have an opening available and that he wanted to work full-time and fill in for vacationing priests.

When I married last year, he performed the ceremony. My fiance, now my husband, wanted a simple wedding. I wasn't attending church on a regular basis. Father Conway offered to perform the ceremony at the catering hall. We paid $150. We had premarital counseling at his apartment.

Everything went off without a hitch, until one day I met a "Father Reynolds" on a flight back from Florida. His parish is near my home. I began telling him about Father Conway, and he said he had never heard of him. About two weeks after, I received a call from Father Reynolds. He told me there's no record of any Father Conway in the diocese or with any of the neighboring dioceses.

When Emily and I asked Father Conway about his background, he became evasive. We asked him where he went to college and seminary school and when he graduated. The seminary and the university had no such graduate in their records. Father Reynolds knew several professors at the seminary that Father Conway claimed to have graduated from. His professors had never heard of him, either. Father Conway was nothing but a fraud.

When I thought about it, I realized that Father Conway never mentioned other priests, never invited Emily or me to any of the Masses he said he performed, never discussed his school days at the seminary or his early years as a young priest. However, he did talk incessantly about how much he had spent on his priestly garments, statues, gold candlestick holders and other religious articles.

Next time I meet a man of the cloth who doesn't live at the rectory, I'll check his background and speak to the priest he fills in for. I'll call the headquarters that the priest/minister answers to. Had I done that, I would not have been taken in by an impostor.

WISER NOW
IN MASSACHUSETTS

DEAR WISER NOW: What a mess! I took your problem to an indisputably legitimate man of the cloth, Cardinal Roger Mahony, archbishop of Los Angeles. His response:

DEAR ABBY: Please permit me to answer "Wiser Now in Massachusetts":

DEAR WISER NOW: I am very sorry that you were victimized by a man pretending to be a Catholic priest and I recommend you do two things in the aftermath of this fraud.

First, contact the district attorney in your jurisdiction to see if "Father Conway" has violated any civil laws. If he is not authorized to officiate at weddings by the state, he may be liable to criminal prosecution.

Second, if you have not already done so, make an appointment with your parish priest to have your marriage blessed by the church. This should not be a complicated matter, and I am sure your parish priest will be very sympathetic to your plight.

Your experience highlights the importance of the local parish in the life of every Catholic. Always approach your parish priest for the sacraments, even when you would like a priest from outside the parish to witness a marriage or to baptize a child. The parish priest will be able to ensure that a visiting priest has the proper faculties and delegation from competent church authorities.

Wishing God's blessing on you and your groom, I am ...

CARDINAL ROGER MAHONY,
ARCHBISHOP OF LOS ANGELES

Mariah Carey gets a divorce

NEW YORK (AP) — It looks like Tommy Mottola is no longer Mariah Carey's baby.

The pop singer's publicist confirmed Friday that Carey flew to the Dominican Republic to get a divorce from Mottola, the president of Sony Music Entertainment.

A Sony spokeswoman confirmed the divorce.

Carey, 28, and Mottola, 46, were married in 1993 and separated last May.

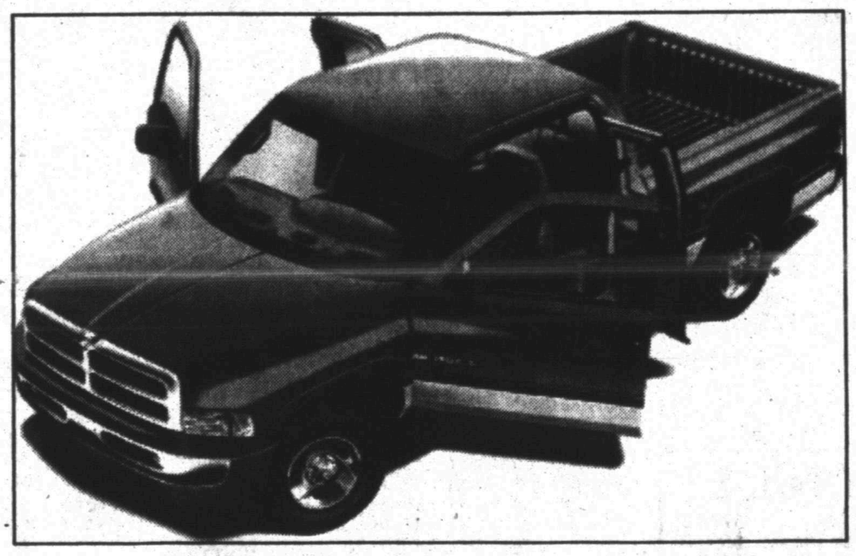
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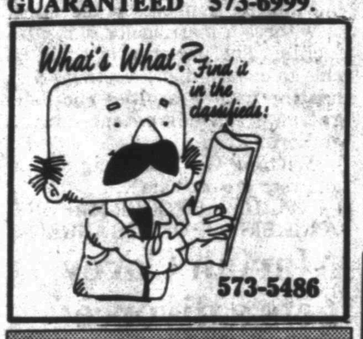
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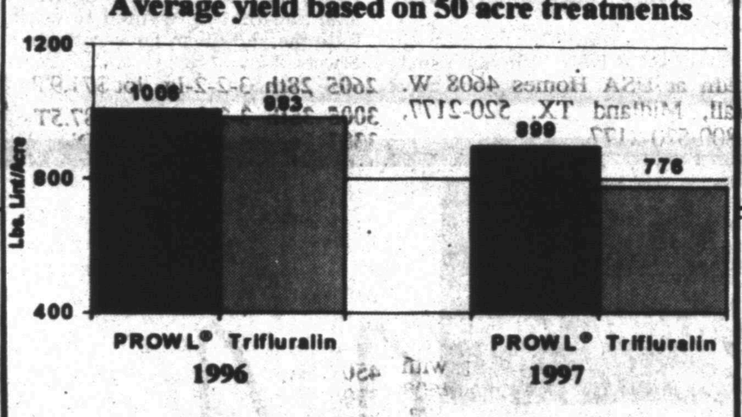
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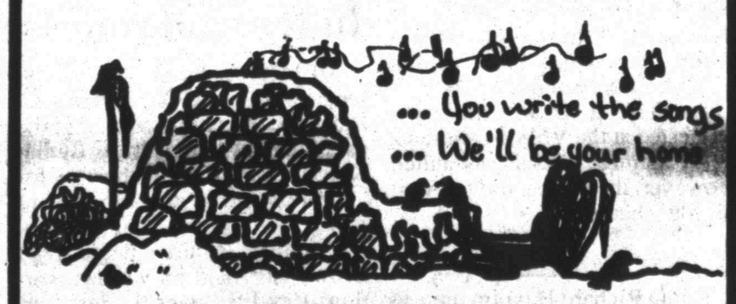
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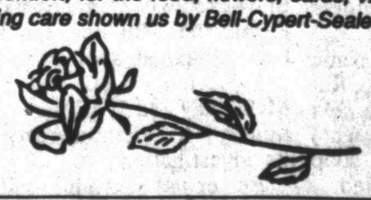
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McKinney's alibi assailed as court-martial nears the end

FORT BELVOIR, Va. (AP) — As the sexual misconduct court-martial of Sgt. Maj. Gene McKinney neared its end, prosecutors suggested the Army's former top enlisted soldier doctored a document to support his alibi for the night he allegedly forced a young subordinate to have sex.

An auto shop sign-in sheet that supports McKinney's claim that he was changing the oil in his wife's 1983 Volvo that night doesn't match a separate tally of shop users, a prosecution witness testified Friday.

McKinney's is the 13th name on the sheet for Oct. 30, 1996. But a monthly tally prepared the next day shows only 12 names were recorded that day, auto shop manager Robert Ege testified.

McKinney's is also the only name on the sheet that day that is not accompanied by either a check-mark or other notation, which Ege testified was another employee's shorthand for whether a customer had paid.

The next sheet of paper on a clipboard also bears indentations for the other 12 names but not for McKinney, an Army forensic documents expert testified.

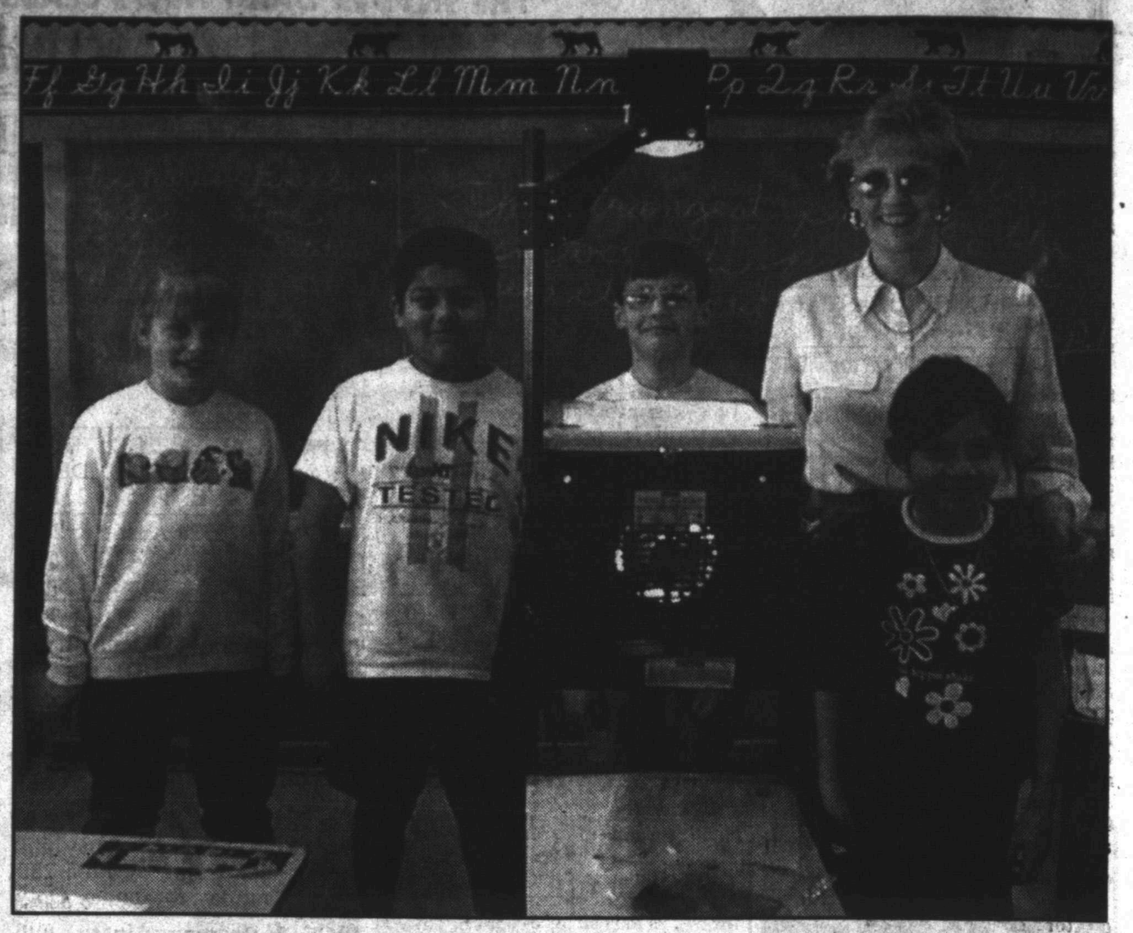
Asked why that might be true, Chief Warrant Officer Farrell Shiver replied: "One explanation is that the 13th line could have been added at another time."

Prosecutors have suggested McKinney added his name sometime in 1997, after the Army began its investigation.

Shiver also said it is possible the sheet was removed from the clipboard and signed elsewhere, or that the bottom sheet was moved or obscured when McKinney signed his name.

Prosecutors called Ege and Shiver as rebuttal witnesses after the defense rested Thursday. The case is expected to go to the jury next week.

McKinney testified this week that he signed in at the do-it-yourself garage at the Fort Myer Army base at 7:55 p.m. that night. Therefore, he could not have been at home a short time later, when Sgt. Christine Roy claims McKinney forced her to have sex on a couch in his Army quarters, McKinney testified. She was nearly eight months pregnant at the time.



CENTRAL PROGRAM — Grace Stasny of Stamford, reading and math consultant, presented a program on modeling effective strategies for Central teachers last week. That included a problem-solving math workshop. Central is utilizing funding from their TEA-TAPS restructuring grant for this project. Students from left are Courtney Tyrrell, Jeremy Rodriguez, Trent Early and Desirae Guerra. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Goodlett named to Dean's List

Todd Goodlett, a senior history major at Texas Tech University, has been named to the Dean's List for the fall 1997 semester.

This recognition is awarded to students who have attained a grade point average of 3.5 or better during the semester.

Todd is a 1994 graduate of Snyder High School and the son of Debi Guzman of Snyder and Kenneth Goodlett of Lubbock.

Snyder police probe burglary

Lat[illegible] officers are investigating a business burglary and arrested five persons during the last 24-hour period.

Three people were arrested Friday and two more were taken into custody early Saturday.

Officers are investigating a break-in at the Pink Flamingo in the 2600 block of College Avenue. The burglary was reported shortly after 2 p.m. Friday by owner Shirley Leftwich. Officers filed an offense report for burglary of a business.

Persons arrested Friday included a 33-year-old female taken into custody at 8:39 a.m. in the 200 block of 35th Street on an outstanding county warrant for theft.

At 9 a.m., a 26-year-old female was arrested in the 2000 block of Avenue E on a Justice of the Peace warrant for the issuance of a bad check.

A 44-year-old male was booked into jail at 3:32 p.m. following his arrest earlier in Fort Worth on local DPS warrants for speeding and failure to appear.

Around 12:30 a.m. Saturday, officers arrested a male juvenile in the 500 block of the Highway 84 bypass for misdemeanor possession of marijuana. He was transported to the police department.

At 2:51 a.m. Saturday, officers arrested a 19-year-old female in the 1900 block of King's Highway for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

In other activity Friday, an offense report for a dog bite was submitted at 8:35 a.m. as a person was bitten while walking in the 2500 block of 37th Street.

An officer was requested in the 3900 block of Eastridge at 1:15 p.m. as someone had "keyed" a 1994 Chevrolet pickup. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted.

Officers were called to the 1900 block of Avenue O shortly after 6 p.m. in reference to windows in a bus being broken. An offense report for Class A criminal mischief was submitted.

At 11:17 p.m., an officer was requested at the VFW in reference to a female being assaulted. However, the subject did not want to file charges.

Bruno Richard Hauptmann was electrocuted in Trenton, N.J., in 1936 for the kidnap-murder of the Lindbergh infant.

Astro-graph



By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Sunday, March 8, 1998

Successful endeavors are indicated for the year ahead either with or through people you've helped before. Something significant could happen because you were once kind enough to care.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today, you might go out of your way to help someone who lacks gratitude. Do not let this person's behavior sour you on the rest of the world. Pisces, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An acquaintance who's rarely well- received socially might try to butt into your affairs today and identify with you in a personal matter. Find a kind way to keep your distance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It benefits you today to dress and conduct yourself in harmony with your peers. Setting yourself apart in any manner could represent a poor choice.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Guard against inclinations today that urge you to take the path of least resistance in either work or play. If you don't put forth the proper effort, the results will reflect it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Carefully check the credentials of anyone you permit to handle your commercial affairs today. An improper advocate could end up costing you whatever you had gained.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Showering an associate with unearned perks today could establish a bad precedence. He or she might expect this treatment as standard procedure from now on.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Usually you're tasteful, articulate and imaginative, but today these qualities might lie dormant and you could behave in ways that won't enhance your image.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Be very careful today how you handle a sensitive friend. This person holds you in high esteem and your pal's feelings will be hurt if he or she is taken for granted.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Being yourself today will be far more effective and attractive than trying to imitate someone else's style. Do not play roles that don't suit you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Everyone likes to hear nice things said about themselves, but be careful today because you might not be able to discern between sincerity and flattery.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you're spending more than your budget allows, keep in mind the bills will be due eventually. Do not set yourself up for a case of spender's remorse.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) People you treat politely will respond accordingly today, but be prepared for rude reactions from people to whom you forget to say "please" and "thank you."

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Your Birthday

Monday, March 9, 1998

In the year ahead, you might be more independent than you have been in the past. This is admirable, but don't sever associations that have proven advantageous in the past.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you need work or service performed for you today, check out in advance any unfamiliar company or expert you're thinking of hiring.

Major changes are ahead for Pisces in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may not be as lucky as you think today in endeavors with strong elements of chance. Even if you win, it could have peculiar ramifications.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If the world doesn't treat you as compassionately as you think it should today, leave your funk on the doorstep and don't take it out on the family.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your productivity will suffer today if your logistics are poorly planned. Conceive ways to save time and steps, then find a way utilize these ideas.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It won't be wise to count on finances that aren't in your possession at present. Unforeseen delays in receiving funds could throw everything out of kilter.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Impulsiveness could contribute to your undoing today. Study potential involvements carefully and don't jump in if you don't know the depth of the water.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Guard against the urge to sweep responsibilities under the rug, hoping all will take care of itself. Wishful thinking won't get the jobs done.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Unnecessary dissension within your group can be avoided today if you don't buck the will of the majority. Subdue individualism and go with the flow.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In an important competitive involvement today, you might trip over your own erratic behavior instead of being bested by an opponent.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This is not a good day to implement new, complicated procedures. Stick with tactics you know are successful instead of endorsing the unknown.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be on guard today if involved with someone who is a taker rather than a giver. This person might start thinking of your resources as his or her own.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your present course of action has hopeful probabilities, yet an adviser might influence you to make some unwise changes that could prove self-defeating.

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Judge said removed from Ray case

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A judge who had given James Earl Ray hope of getting a retrial in the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. was taken off the case for appearing to be biased toward Ray.

Criminal Court Judge Joe Brown has ruled on various petitions Ray filed over the last four years in his attempt to take back his confession that he shot King in Memphis in 1968.

Prosecutors said Brown, 50, a Criminal Court judge since 1990, repeatedly went beyond the narrow legal questions raised in Ray's petitions. The state Court of Criminal Appeals agreed Friday, saying Brown "continues to engage in a fact-finding mission."

And comments Brown made in newspaper and television interviews gave the appearance of bias against prosecutors, the court said.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Don't worry about dust mites

DEAR DR. GOTT: What are dust mites? Are we breathing and eating them? Where are they? Should I use an air-purifier?

DEAR READER: Dust mites are tiny but ferocious-looking parasites that are ubiquitous in every house, no matter how clean the dwelling. These critters live wherever there is dust: in rugs and cracks, on upholstery, under the bed — everywhere. They eat the minuscule flakes of skin that we all shed, and they reproduce with utter abandon. They're harmless, for the most part. It's their feces that cause problems.

Many people are allergic to dust-mite excrement. Upon exposure (which may be fairly constant), such people cough and sneeze, develop postnasal drip, and suffer sinus congestion. Air purifiers rarely help the situation, because dust mites are as much a part of our complex ecosystem as are staph germs and molds. Patients with allergies to dust mites are often treated successfully with desensitizing injections.

Unless you have chronic upper-respiratory congestion (in which case you should seek medical attention), I suggest that you forget about dust mites; otherwise, you'll just get crazy.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Because of angina, I have to take six nitroglycerine pills under my tongue a day. This is a nuisance. Are there any alternatives?

DEAR READER: Nitroglycerine relieves the chest pain caused by angina, when too little oxygen reaches the heart muscle.

Nitro now comes in several forms, in addition to the traditional sublingual tablets. It can be prescribed in a cream that is applied to the skin, in a spray for the mouth, by injection (for hospital use), and in pill form (both regular and long-acting). Ask your doctor about these various options. Perhaps the long-acting pills would be easier for you to take.

However, remember that nitroglycerine serves only to relieve your symptoms of pain. You should also follow your physician's advice about prudent exercise, a cardiac rehabilitation program, other drugs to assist the heart, and — as a last resort — surgery to clean out your coronary arteries or to bypass the blockages that are causing your angina.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: Are there diseases that can be spread from dogs and cats to their owners?

DEAR READER: Without a doubt, and many of the afflictions are serious. This interesting subject was reviewed in the medical journal Archives of Internal Medicine (Sept. 22, 1997).

With more than 110 million pet dogs and cats in the United States, humans have been exposed to at least 30 types of potentially infectious agents, ranging from bacteria to fungi. Here are some of the most common ones:

— Animal bites, which represent 1 percent of all emergency-room visits, can be dangerous because the risk of infection is high (up to 15 percent). Staph, strep and a variety of unusual bacteria frequently contaminate wounds. Antibiotics — and sometimes, surgery — may be required.

— Cat-scratch disease is caused by a micro-organism called B. henselae, which causes fever and swollen, tender lymph glands. Although resolution usually occurs within six months, antibiotics may be necessary.

— Brucellosis, a disease of farm animals, can be spread by dogs, in whom it is ordinarily benign. However, human exposure to infected animal tissue can lead to fever, malaise, weight loss, fatigue, or abscesses in bodily organs. The diagnosis is made by lab testing. Antibiotics are necessary for treatment.

— Campylobacteriosis, a frequent cause of human diarrhea, is spread when people ingest contaminated water, milk or food. Up to 28 percent of dogs with diarrhea have been found to harbor this bacterium, which is easily spread to humans in a household environment. The diagnosis is made by stool culture. In most instances, treatment of symptoms (with anti-diarrheal agents) suffices.

— Leptospirosis is spread by infected dog urine and causes fever, rash, stiff neck and eye infection. The diagnosis rests on blood tests. Antibiotics are required.

— Tularemia causes eye irritation, fever, chills, headache, skin ulcers and — in later, potentially fatal forms — pneumonia. Blood tests can identify the bacteria. Antibiotics are required.

— Salmonellosis, a bacterial infection that causes diarrhea in both animals and humans, affects up to 27 percent of domestic dogs. Stool analysis is necessary for diagnosis. Antibiotics may be required for treatment.

— Yersinia, another bacterial diarrhea, is most often spread by contaminated food, but human infection has been traced to dogs and cats. The disease causes fever, diarrhea and abdominal pain, and can be diagnosed by stool cultures. Antibiotics are usually necessary.

— Parasitic infections, such as hookworm, tapeworm and roundworm, are common in animals, and cause rash, abdominal discomfort and many other symptoms. Treatment depends on the type of parasite.

— Cryptosporidiosis, which causes diarrhea and other symptoms, can appear when individuals drink water that has been contaminated by the feces of mammals. In 1993, more than 400,000 people in Milwaukee were infected from a public water supply. Antibiotics are usually not needed.

— Toxoplasmosis, a micro-organism carried by cats, can cause serious human disease that mimics mononucleosis, but can lead to spontaneous abortion in pregnant women. The diagnosis depends on blood tests. Antibiotics are necessary.

— Other diseases, such as fungus infections of the skin and giardia, are less commonly transmitted to humans by affected domestic animals.

Summing up: Although most dogs and cats are healthy and do not pose a threat to their owners, some animals carry serious diseases that can be transmitted to humans.

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Two billion used tires have piled up in the United States, but some may be back on the road — ground up and blended into asphalt for highways, says National Geographic.

Kentucky teen-ager will use mental health defense in trial

PADUCAH, Ky. (AP) — The teen-ager who allegedly shot three high school classmates to death and wounded five others while they prayed plans to claim that he had a diminished mental capacity, his lawyer said.

Michael Carneal, 14, stood next to his attorney, Charles Granner, but did not speak during a brief hearing Friday. He is being held at an unidentified juvenile facility in Kentucky.

"We're in the process of hiring a psychologist," Granner told Judge R. Jeffrey Hines, who set a trial date of Oct. 5.

Prosecutors would not comment but said they wanted their own psychologist to interview Carneal.

Witnesses and survivors of the Dec. 1 shooting said Carneal carried a pistol, shotguns and rifles into Heath High in West Paducah, then opened fire in the school's lobby just as classmates ended an informal prayer meeting.

Carneal is charged as an adult with murder, attempted murder and burglary. Court records show he admitted stealing the guns from a neighbor's garage days before the shooting.

The announcement that Carneal will use a mental health defense drew quick criticism from the families of the three dead girls, who said Carneal has not shown any remorse.

"An insanity plea is like ducking behind legal issues," said Gwen Hadley, mother of Nicole.

Carneal faces life in prison without the chance for parole for 25 years on each of the murder charges. Kentucky law requires defendants to be at least 16 to be eligible for the death penalty.

Also Friday, relatives of the three slain girls said they will file a civil lawsuit over the shootings, possibly against Carneal's parents and the school.

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Millard Grantham, Owner

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Valentine Exterminators

Bill Valentine, Owner

For safe, expert termite and pest control, many homeowners, apartment complex managers and business owners have come to know and rely on Valentine Exterminators, located in Snyder at 3801 23rd Street, phone 573-3841, where only the pests get a bad deal.

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Statistics show that over a lifetime the average American throws away 600 times his adult weight in trash. We can all start making a difference in the growing problems America is facing by visiting Big Spring Iron & Metal on a regular basis and making every day "Earth Day."

Truelove Tax Service

Dan & Sharon Truelove, Owners

With the tax deadline right around the corner, many business owners and individuals turn their thoughts toward reviewing their finances. Well versed in all aspects of tax laws, tax forms and the filing of returns, the professionals at Truelove Tax Service are ready to serve you. Their office is located in Colorado City at 475 East 2nd Street, phone 728-2352; and in Snyder at 2011 25th Street, phone 573-1976.

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Bryant's Septic Tank Service

Gary Bryant, Owner

A faulty septic tank is both a safety and sanitary hazard. The health department recommends pumping your tank once every three years, and every years if you have a garbage disposal. For fast, dependable septic tank service, contact Bryant's Septic Tank Service, located in Snyder at 505 18th Street, phone 573-3930. They are your local experts for the cleaning and repairing of septic systems.

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Fair and honest prices and a degree of personal attention seldom seen in this day and age is the reason that Bryant's Septic Tank Service is so well respected and highly recommended by area residents. Call 573-3930 for estimates or any questions or concerns about your septic system.

Nobles Automotive

John Nobles, Owner

If you're particular about your imported or domestic vehicle, then you should be very particular about who does the service and repairs. At Nobles Automotive, they're proud of the fact that they employ ASE certified auto technicians. Located in Snyder at 2412 Huffman Road, across from Plaza Truck Stop, phone 573-1331, they're the automotive service center to see for the exacting work you demand.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Five killed in Navy helicopter crash

CRESTLINE, Calif. (AP) — A U.S. Navy helicopter crashed in the rugged San Bernardino mountains during a training flight, killing the five-member crew.

The Navy planned to recover the bodies and wreckage from the remote site Saturday.

The unarmed SH-60B Seahawk aircraft took off for a routine training mission Friday from the North Island Naval Air Station on Coronado west of San Diego and was headed to Las Vegas, Navy Lt. j.g. Charlie Brown said.

Air traffic controllers lost contact with the crew an hour into the flight.

The pilot had told controllers at Edwards Air Force Base he was going to make an emergency landing because the rotor blades were icing up.

"We talked to him at 1,500 feet above ground and the aircraft was in control and not disabled," controller Michael Harne told The Press-Enterprise in Riverside. "He said, 'We are taking on ice' and he was going to descend. There was no panic."

Search crews were hindered by fog and the wreckage wasn't found until five hours after contact was lost.

The crash site was just outside of Crestline, 65 miles east of Los Angeles, at the 5,000-foot level of the San Bernardino Mountains.

Navy officials did not immediately release names of the crew.

The helicopter was assigned to the Helicopter Antisubmarine Squadron Light-47 at the Navy base. The choppers are used to locate, hunt and destroy submarines; for search and rescue and for maritime reconnaissance. The choppers are assigned to frigates, destroyers and cruisers and can be armed with torpedoes and air-to-surface missiles.

The crash came less than three weeks after five Navy servicemen were killed when their Huey helicopter crashed during a training exercise in remote Kern River Canyon near Johnsondale, Calif.

The helicopter clipped power lines, but it was unknown if that was the cause of the Feb. 18 crash.

Rainfall report

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Lake Thomas	.37
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Fluvanna	trace
Polar	trace
Loyd Mountain	1.00
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Blood drive

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many blood products.

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All donors will receive a T-shirt as a gift from TBI and will be eligible to win a weekend getaway to Lubbock for one night's stay at Residence Inn, dinner for two at 50th Street Caboose and Cinemark movie passes.

All donors also receive a free mini-physical, including blood pressure, temperature, pulse rate and iron and cholesterol level.

TBI also offers male donors prostate-specific antigen (PSA) testing for a fee of $15.

For donor convenience, appointments can be made by calling Martha or Bill Schiebel at 573-8626. For more information, call Bill Dickinson, lab manager at Cogdell Hospital at 573-6374.

Donors will be eligible to receive coupons from Dairy Queen, Sonic Drive In, Whataburger, Taco John's, McDonald's, Wal-Mart, Long John Silver's, Golden Corral, Gill's Fried Chicken, Grandy's, Burger King, The Shack, Spanish Inn, Pizza Hut, Rudy's, Subway, Lota' Burger, Pizza Inn, Jaramillo's and Wagon Wheel Ranch.

Outdoor advertising for the blood drive is donated by Bar-H-Bar, Ben Wilson Supply, McWilliams Pharmacy, Scurry County Coliseum, The Shack, Pizza Hut and Golden Corral.

The Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary will provide fruit drink and cookies will be furnished by Texas Blood Institute.

Obituaries

Connie Stirman

1925-1998

Snyder native Cornelia W. Stirman died Thursday, March 5, in a Midland hospital.

Funeral service for Mrs. Stirman, 72, is set for 1 p.m. Sunday in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel in Midland. The Rev. Bob Porterfield will officiate.

Graveside service will follow at 4 p.m. Sunday in the Snyder Cemetery.

Born on May 15, 1925 in Snyder to Frank A. and Mattie Davis Wilson, she was reared and educated in Snyder. She worked for the ASC office where she met her husband, Bill. They were married Oct. 8, 1944 in Snyder and lived in Sanderson until 1949 when they moved to Snyder, and then to Midland in 1961. Mr. Stirman died in 1991.

Mrs. Stirman was employed with Schlumberger as supervisor of central printing, retiring in 1986. She was a past president of the Midland Altrusa Club, a member of the VFW Auxiliary, and was active in Midland Women's Bowling League.

Survivors include a son, Bill Stirman of Brownwood; a daughter, Zoe Howland of Kaufman; three sisters, Jo McCullah of Plano, Nadell McGlaun of Wichita Falls and Marinell McCowen of Corpus Christi; three grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Corena Cole

1912-1998

Funeral service for Corena G. Cole, 85, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel.

The Rev. Danny Williams, pastor of the Lighthouse Assembly of God Church, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Mrs. Cole died Thursday, March 5, in Snyder Oaks Care Center, following a long illness.

Born Nov. 25, 1912 in Bosque County, she married Herbert T. Cole on Oct. 23, 1936 in Stephenville. He died in 1995.

A homemaker, Mrs. Cole was preceded in death by a daughter, Virginia Marie Scott Cole; and four brothers.

Survivors include a son, Bob Cole of Snyder; a daughter, Lanelle Joplin of Colorado City; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Irene Jackson

1916-1998

BIG SPRING — Graveside service is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Mt. Olive Memorial Park in Big Spring for Irene Jackson of Justin. She was 81.

Dr. Robert Lacey, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church, will officiate.

Mrs. Jackson, a former resident of Scurry County, died Thursday, March 5, in Justin.

Born March 7, 1916 in Ira, she married Jack Jackson on Feb. 14, 1947 in Lovington, N.M. He died in 1983.

Mrs. Jackson lived in Big Spring from 1956 to 1991 when she moved to Irving. She worked as a seamstress for Montgomery Ward in Big Spring, and she also worked with ARC in Big Spring.

Mrs. Jackson was a homemaker and a member of the Hillcrest Baptist Church.

Survivors include one daughter, Kay Jackson of Justin; a sister-in-law, Lillian Carruthers of Justin; and seven nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at Nalley-Pickel and Welch Funeral home from 3 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Blood drive Saturday at BJ

BJ Services and Texas Blood Institute is conducting a blood driven until 5 p.m. Saturday at the company's location at 311 North Lubbock Highway. Donars will receive a T-shirt and prostate screening in addition to blood work.

Northeast book fair

Northeast Elementary will hold a scholastic book fair starting Monday and ending Friday. The fair will be daily from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday only.

WTC Booster Club

Western Texas College's Basketball Booster Club will meet at noon Monday at Rudy's.

Retired Teachers meeting

The Retired Teachers Association will meet at noon Monday at the Senior Center. The program will be an update on Medicare.

Hermleigh lodge pancake supper

Hermleigh Masonic Lodge will sponsor a pancake supper from 6 to 8 p.m. Monday in the Hermleigh school cafeteria. The event is being held in conjunction with the school district's open house.

Free blood pressure clinic

Total Home Health Care of Post will sponsor a free blood pressure clinic from 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Fluvanna Cafe.

SHS Choir Boosters

Snyder High School Choir Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the choir room. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

'True Colors' workshop

Price Brown will present his workshop on "True Colors" at 4:15 p.m. Tuesday at the high school student center. The workshop is sponsored by the Texas State Teachers Association. Everyone is invited.

Childrens' Miracle Network

Both Snyder Dairy Queen locations will offer a Lemon Freezer for a 50-cent donation to Hendricks Hospital in Abilene to benefit the Children's Miracle Network. The offer is good while supply lasts.

Princes Di Ty Beanie raffle

The Snyder Lions Club is selling $1 chances for a Princess Di Ty Beanie Baby to be given away March 24. Tickets are available at various Snyder merchants and from Lions Club members.

Rotary Fundraiser

Snyder Rotary Club is selling $10 donations good for a chance for a round trip for two persons to London.

Heart walk planned

The Scurry County chapter of the American Heart Asssociation will sponsor a five-mile walk on Saturday, April 4, starting at 8 a.m. in Towle Park. Walkers are needed. Call Dee Chasteen at 573-5041.

Bible study tapes airing

Bible study video tapes and "Hope for Life's Journey" tapes are airing weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The next set of tapes, "Instilling Moral Values," followed by "Can God Forgive Even Me?," will begin at 7 p.m. Monday.

ABWA dinner

Deep Creek Chapter of the American Business Women's Association has an open invitation to all working women to attend a spring membership campaign dinner at 7 p.m. Thursday at The Shack.

Outsiders basketball tourney

The Hermleigh Senior Class is sponsoring a 5-on-5 outsiders basketball tournament April 10-11. Entry fee is $100 per team with a maximum of 10 to a team. Entry deadline is March 28. Call 863-2766 or 766-2364.

Free tax counseling

Free tax counseling for the elderly and low-income persons of any age will be held from 9 a.m. until noon and 1-3 p.m. each Wednesday at the Senior Center. Call 573-4035 or 573-3822 for more information.

Snyder Church of the Nazarene revival

Snyder Church of the Nazarene will host a revival Thursday through next Sunday. Lay ministers include Oliver Butler, Thursday and next Saturday, and Dywaine Beal, Friday and Sunday.

Evening services are 6:30 p.m., Sunday services include 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. The church is located on the Colorado City Highway.

SHS parents of Seniors '98'

Remember: March 24 is the deadline to submit your graduates three pictures to Kathye Parker at the high school. They will be projected during the "98" senior steak supper. So that we may return them to you, please write the student's name and address on the back of each pose and enclose them in a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
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Surry, Virginia Gillum farmland recognized

Eighty acres kept in continuous production for more than 100 years

Another Scurry County family has recently been recognized for keeping its farmland in continuous production for 100 or more years.

Surry and Virginia Gillum, who own 80 acres in the Pleasant Hill Community, received an award in Austin in January from Rick Perry, agricultural commissioner. The program, which recognizes both farm and ranch land, is sponsored through the Texas Department of Agriculture.

Purchased in 1889 by Zeddie Gillum, Surry's grandfather, the land is part of 160 acres which qualifies.

The other 80 acres is owned by their son, Randy. However, those acres have not been certified. The original farmland totaled 320 acres, but half have been sold or rented so they no longer qualify.

Surry Hudson was born to Walter and Sallie Gillum. He served in the U.S. Navy as an aviation cadet and an aviation machinist 3rd class MM3/C.

Surry and Virginia Dolores Dulin were married on June 5, 1947. They recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Surry said that planning for their 50th celebration was what prompted their three sons — Surry Guy, Randy Ray and Ross Lee — to get the ball rolling so to speak. Surry completed the paperwork.

Surry taught school at Dunn and Hermleigh, later becoming a rural mail carrier for the Hermleigh Post Office. He also worked on the farm. His mother, Sallie, also taught school and when she became ill with cancer, Surry finished her term in Dunn.

The Gillums attend East Side Church of Christ. Their sons received their elementary education at East, attended Travis Junior High School and graduated from Snyder High School.

Surry continues to work the land, raising wheat and small grains as well as cows.

He loves the land and wants to return it to what it was like when he was a child. So far, he has cleared the mesquite from some 80 acres.

Of the 80 acres they own, Surry said his dad gave him 40 acres and the other 40 acres and house to Virginia. He did this because Virginia had been very kind to Sallie when she was ill and he always wanted her to have a home, Surry explained.

"You don't find many daughter-in-laws who get treated like that," Virginia said, adding "Sallie was like a mother to me."

Surry described his parents as "Good, God-fearing people." He noted that even when family members disagreed they were always able to work together.

He recalled that his dad and a Bert Baugh started the first tailor shop in Snyder and that Bert bought his dad out with $40 and a gold watch.

Surry Guy and his wife, Rhonda, have a daughter, Kindra Michelle, and a son, Timothy Wayne. They live in Mission. Surry Guy teaches choir in the Farr-San Juan Alamo School District and Rhonda is a CPA.

Ross Lee and his wife, Donna, have two sons, Clint Gillum and Chris Steeley. Ross is the business manager at Smith Ford in Slaton. Donna transcribes notes for doctors in Lubbock.

Randy Ray and his wife, Meredith, have two children, Miranda Gillum and Adam Emmert. Randy is a vocational agriculture teacher at Wylie High School and Meredith is a diagnostician for Wylie schools.

Zeddie Gillum, Surry's grandfather, was born in 1861 in Logan County, Ky. His mother died a few months later and Zeddie was nursed by a black woman and reared by "Aunt Willie."

At the age of 13, he decided "to seek his fortune in the world," Surry said. That wanderlust eventually brought him to Scurry County where he founded the family homestead in 1889 with the purchase of a half section of land in the Pleasant Hill Community at $1 an acre. He married Gertrude Wasson of Murfreesboro, Tenn. in 1884. They farmed and raised cattle and paint mules.

They reared their children on the Pleasant Hill farm where their grandchildren and great-grandchildren also lived.

They had a son, Willie, born in Johnson County in 1886. Surry said his mother called Willie "One of the best riders I've ever seen." He died young though, in 1920.

Willie was noted for breaking horses, Surry said, but never recovered from a particularly difficult ride.

A daughter, Martha, was born in 1889 in Colorado City. She became a teacher and died of typhoid in 1910 in Scurry County.

Another son, Ira Claud, was born in Scurry County in 1891. He served overseas in the U.S. Army during World War II. He also helped with the family farm.

Claud eventually moved to Yeso, N.M. where he ranched for a time, later returning to Scurry County. He died in 1974 in a nursing home in Eastland.

Zeddie and his wife also had two other children: Walter Surry, Surry's dad, who was born in 1894 and Lucy Ann, born in 1899.

Lucy married Estel Whitefield in 1920. They had two children,

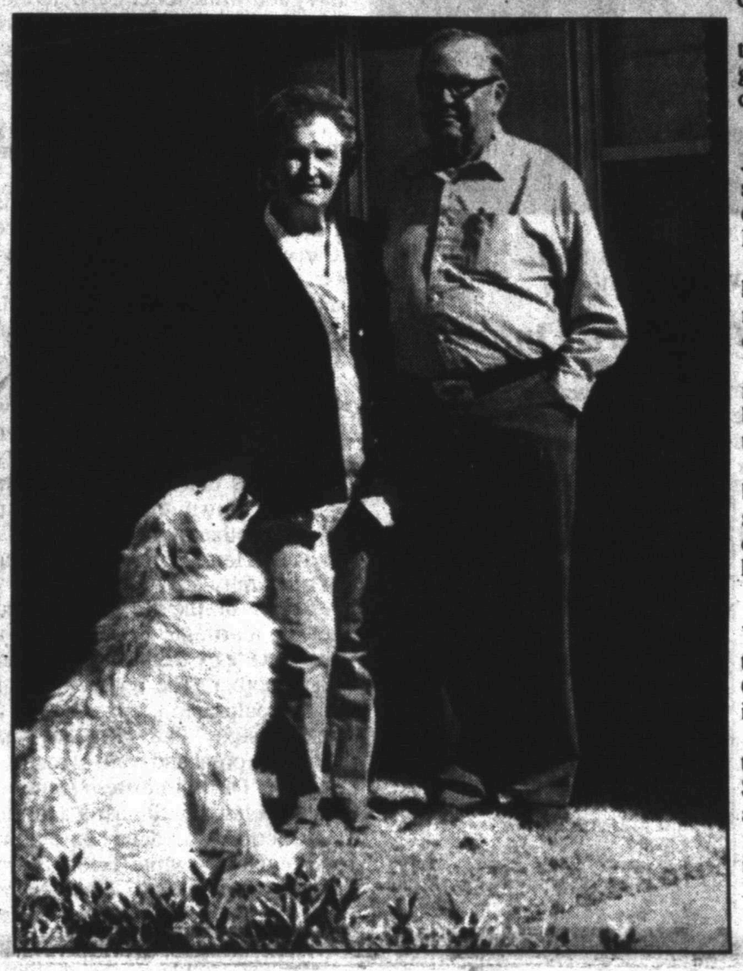
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Scurry County Folks

by Shirley A. Gorman

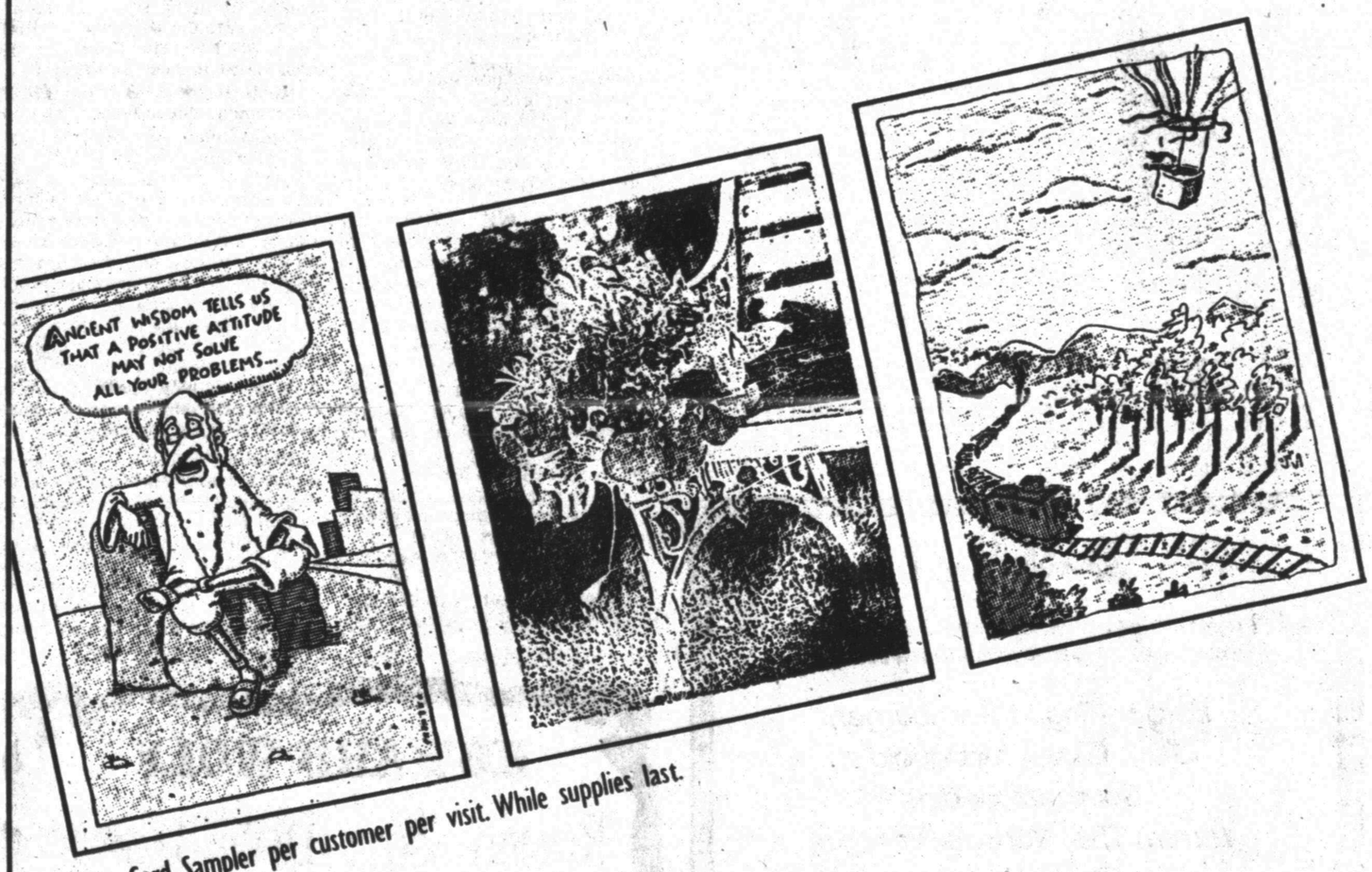




FARMLAND RECOGNIZED — The 80 acres of farmland in Pleasant Hill Community which Surry and Virginia Gillum own have been recognized through the Texas Department of Agriculture for being in continuous production for more than 100 years. Zeddie Gillum, Surry's grandfather, purchased the land in 1889. The Gillums are shown wth their dog and the 50th wedding anniversary table arrangement they received in June. (Staff Photos By Shirley A. Gorman)

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Jerrod Short and Wendi Sharp
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Miss Sharp, Short sets May marriage

David and Pat Sharp of Snyder and Neal Thomas and Connie Short of Stinnett announce the engagement of their children, Wendi Michelle Sharp and Jerrod Neal Short. They are planning a May 16 wedding at 4 p.m. in the East Side Church of Christ.

The bride-elect's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Sharp of Corpus Christi and Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Lester of Pleasanton. The prospective groom's grandparents are N.L. and Melba Sargent of Fritch.

Miss Sharp, a 1991 graduate of Snyder High School, is secretary for McDonald Welding. Short is a 1990 graduate of West Texas High School and is employed at Sid-Richardson Carbon Black Plant in Borger.

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If you're planting near a tree, you also have to watch out for roots. It's a good idea to dig, or at least loosen the soil down to about a foot and add organic materials, such as Grow Block from Ferry-Morse Seed Co., before you plant. If the soil is dry, water well.

For more gardening information, participate in D.M. Ferry's Garden Club. Call 1-800-283-6400; visit the web: http://www.trine.com/Garden Net/Ferry Morse/; or write Ferry-Morse Seed Co., P.O. Box 488, Fulton, KY 42041.

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In Ira Church of God...

Miss Davis, Beltz say vows

Amanda Yvonne Davis and Cory Edward Beltz of Oklahoma City were united in marriage at 3 p.m. on Jan. 3 in the Ira First Church of God. Rev. Michael Dorman, uncle of the bride from Veribest, performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride's parents are Donald and Cynthia Davis and the bridegroom's parents are Lee and Deanna Walls of Villa Ridge, Mo., and Bill and Shirley Beltz of Glen Carbon, Ill.

Vows were exchanged in the church decorated in navy, rose and white. Pew bows were made of navy and white tulle. Candelabras were bedecked with greenery and navy bows. The flower girls' bouquets were of matching colored flowers.

Lighting candles was Jeffery Beights, cousin of the bride from Abilene. He also ushered.

Judy Smallwood of Ira was pianist and violinist was Derence Carpenter of Houston. They played "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" and "Cannon in D." Mrs. Smallwood also played the "Bridal Chorus."

Vocalists Nannette Rippee of Poplar Bluff, Mo., sang "Grow Old With Me." David Brown played and sang "Butterfly Kisses" as the bridesmaids were escorted down the aisle. Adam Davis, brother of the bride, sang "I Will Be Here" during the lighting of the unity candle.

Father of the bride presented her in marriage as she wore a gown made by Orpha Dorman, her grandmother. The bodice was of white sculptured French lace in a rose design. The long sleeves came to a point and were of matching lace. The A-line dress featured roses outlined with pearls and the skirt bottom and detachable train was made of white bridal satin trimmed with lace. White satin roses decorated the train attachment.

Her veil, made by her mother, was a crown of pearls that reached her fingertips. The bride's bouquet was made by her aunt, Vinita Beights. With touches of the bride's colors, the cascading bouquet was of white roses and pearls, and adorned and tied with white ribbon.

Matron of honor was Crystal Shepherd of Mt. Sterling, Ky. Bridesmaids included Jennifer Rigsby of San Angelo, Jennifer Beights, cousin of the bride from Abilene, Nannette Rippee of Poplar Bluff, Mo., and Stephanie Dorman, cousin of the bride from San Angelo.

Junior bridesmaid was Heather Dup of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla, and junior groom was Josh Beights of Abilene. Flower girl was Cheyann Taylor and junior groomsman was Joshua Beights, cousin of the bride from Abilene.

Male attendants included best man, Adam Davis, brother of the bride; groomsmen, Alan Shepherd of Mt. Sterling, Ky., Daniel Jenkins, brother of the groom from St. Louis, Mo., Charles Cobb of Little Rock, Ark., and Tim Rippee of Blue Springs, Mo.

The groom wore a black tuxedo with a white vest and bow tie. Groomsmen also wore black tuxedos, but with navy vests and bow ties.

Vinita Beights and Diane Dorman, aunts of the bride, registered guests and also served at the bride's table.

At the reception held in the church annex, the bride's table featured the three-layered white wedding cake decorated with navy blue roses. The cake was circled with pearls and was topped with a ceramic bride and groom music box, given to the couple by the groom's brothers and sisters-in-law, Daniels and Sue Jenkins and Douglas and Lee Jenkins.

Serving were Diane Dorman and Vinita Beights.

The groom's table was centered with a floral arrangement and a silver wedding bell and confetti was scattered on the white lace cloth. His chocolate cake was iced with a light brown confection and it featured the states of Texas, Oklahoma and Missouri in white icing. A ceramic bride and groom, with the groom carrying the bride to Oklahoma, topped the cake.

Serving were Deidrea Farney, sister of the groom from Minnesota.



Mr. and Mrs. Cory Edward Beltz
(Contributed Photo)

Their honeymoon trip was to Dallas and their new home is in Oklahoma City.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Ira High School, and with honors from Mid-America Bible College in December, 1997. She earned a B.S. degree in behavioral science and theology.

Beltz, a 1994 graduate of Ira High School, is a candidate for May graduation, with honors, at Mid-America Bible College with a bachelor's degree in business and theology. He works for UPS and Midwest Trophy.

Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings



TO OUR READERS: A while ago, we published in the Stumped section of our column a request from Ruth Hillyard of Mitchell, Ind. She was looking for the author and the complete poem of which she only remembered the beginning: "'I'll lend you for little time / A child of mine,' he said." Thank all of you, Dear Readers, for taking the time to send us the complete poem, often written out in longhand, and for sharing your stories with us. This poem has touched the hearts and been of solace to many. It has been reprinted, as far as we can gather, time and time again, and has been variously titled "God's Child," "God's Loan," "God's Lent Child," "The Child God Sent" and "To All Parents." The authorship has been ascribed to John Greenleaf Whittier, Andrew Gourlay and Don Larson, among others. Both "Dear Abby" and "Dear Ann" have printed the poem by "Author Unknown" in their columns, and Ann included it in her book of "gems."

Many thanks to those of you who let us know that, in fact, the poem is by Edgar Guest and is called "To All Parents." It was first published in a 1938 collection of his poetry titled "All In A Lifetime." The complete, correct text is as follows.

TO ALL PARENTS
"I'll lend you for a little time a child of Mine," He said
"For you to love the while he lives and mourn for when he's dead,
It may be six or seven years, or 22 or three,
But will you, till I call him back, take care of him for me?
He'll bring his charms to gladden you, and shall his stay be brief
You'll have his lovely memories as solace and relief.
"I cannot promise he will stay, since all from earth return,
But there are lessons taught down there I want this child to learn.
I've looked the wide world over in my search for teachers true
And from the throngs that crowd life's lanes I have selected you.
Now will you give him all your love, nor think the labor vain,
Nor hate Me when I come to call to take him back again?"
I fancied that I heard them say: "Dear Lord, Thy will be done.
For all the joy Thy child shall bring, the risk of grief we'll run.
We'll shelter him with tenderness, we'll love him while we may
And for the happiness we've known forever grateful stay;
But shall the angels call for him much sooner than we've planned,
We'll brave the bitter grief that comes and try to understand."

STUMPED: ARM CHAPS — Homer Sandifer of Citra, Fla., wonders if anyone might know of a source for protective coverings for his forearms (he believes the ones the cowboys used to use were called "arm chaps"). As he must take blood thinners for a medical problem, when he's out trimming brush and trees on his property, the slightest tap or scrape leaves a reddish-purple blotch (bruise) on his skin. We'd like to help Homer, but we're Stumped!

LETTERS WE LOVE TO RECEIVE: Tammera Evans of McCook, Neb., wrote us asking for a sugared popcorn recipe. We didn't have one, so we put her request in Stumped. The following arrived in the mail from Tammera this week.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Thank you, thank you so much for your column. I wrote asking you for a sugared popcorn recipe, and let me say, your column works! Not only did I receive a lot of responses, but I feel I've gained two new pen pals. Again, I thank you so much for your column, and if there are any disbelievers out there, all I can say is — BELIEVE in Anne and Nan!

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I'm looking for the heavy-duty extra-long zippers that are found on Army field jackets, hunting coats and long winter parkas. Thanks. — **LARRY VOIGTS, Clarksville, Iowa**

DEAR LARRY: The Rain Shed is a catalog that carries everything you'll ever need (including patterns) to make your own outerwear and outdoor camping and hiking equipment: It lists tons of zippers in a variety of lengths, strengths, styles and colors. For the catalog, write to The Rain Shed, 707 NW 11th, Corvallis, OR 97330, or call them at (541) 753-8900.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: HELP! I've adopted a 6-month-old kitten from our local Humane Society, and before I had an opportunity to have her spayed, she went into heat and started to urinate on the upholstered furniture as a way of marking her territory. I know that unneutered animals will do this, but how do I discourage it now? I'm sure there are many people who could use some advice on this subject, especially those who adopt strays. Sadly, many cats are probably returned to shelters because of this habit, so any help you could provide would benefit humans and pets alike. — **KAY MOYLE, Blandon, Pa.**

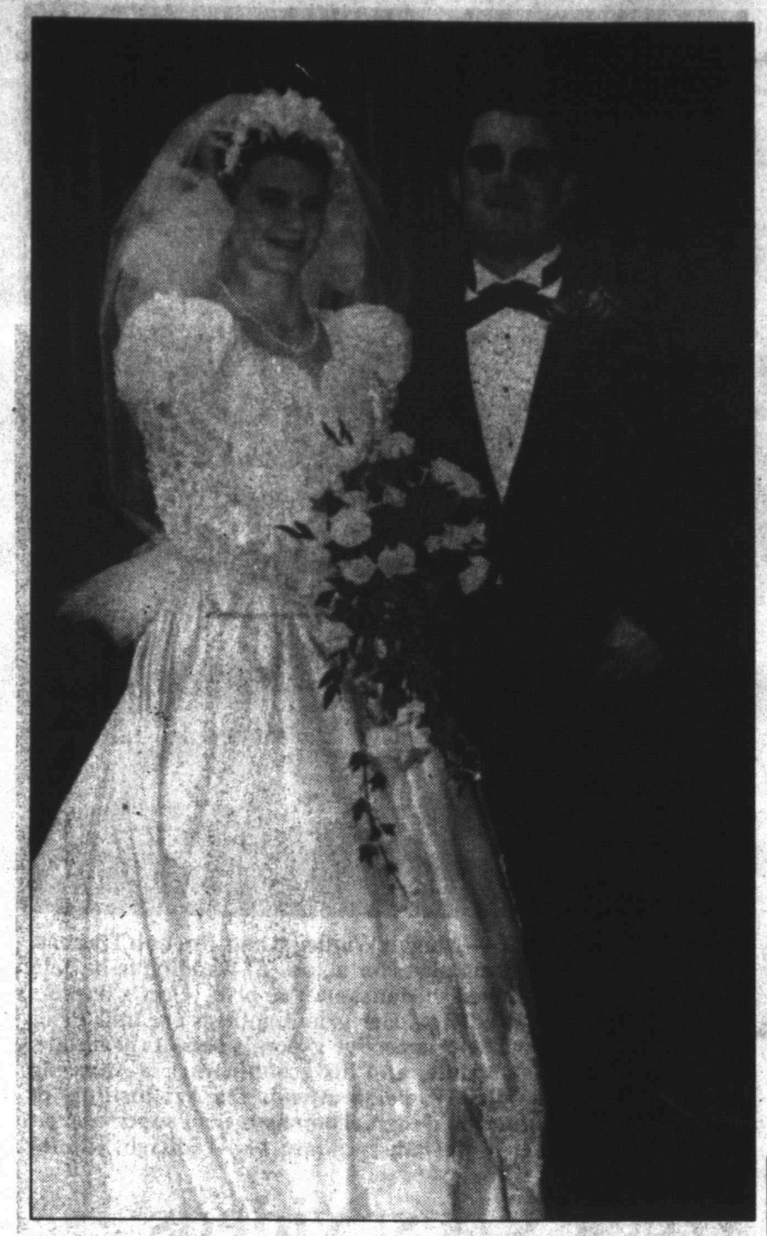
DEAR KAY: Your kitten isn't marking her territory: This is a male rather than a female behavioral trait. The chances are that she's urinating "inappropriately" because she's sexually frustrated: She'll stop as soon as she is spayed and her hormones have calmed down. If not, there is a possibility that she may have a urinary tract infection... but we doubt

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Mr. and Mrs. Jody Lynn Clark
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Kitchens, Clark pledge vows in church ceremony

COLORADO CITY — Deanna Jo Kitchens and Jody Lynn Clark were married on Saturday, Jan. 3, in double-ring rites at 3 p.m. in the Calvary Baptist Church. The Rev. Travis Monday of Sweetwater officiated.

The bride's parents are Colin and Glenda Turner and her grandparents are Glenn and Nell Baker of Snyder, and Robert and Tillie Kitchens of Santa Fe, N.M. She is the great-niece of Cecil and Dorothy Lankford of Snyder.

The groom is the son of Ronnie and Donna Clark. He is the grandson of Joanne Whitmire of Odessa and Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Clark of Denver City.

Guests were greeted by the bride's sister, Kristy Turner. Ushers included Justin Edwards, Heath Erwin and Colby Slater.

Keenan Clark of Fort Worth and Ryan Whitmire of Denton lighted candles which lined the aisle and surrounded the altar.

Maid of honor was Erika Ramirez of Roby. Bridesmaids were Bonnie Clark, sister-in-law of the groom, and Crystal White. They were attired in forest green floor-length dresses and carried cascading bouquets of fire and ice roses, white button poms, white miniature carnations and English ivy.

Best man was the groom's father and groomsmen were the groom's brothers, Kelly and Monte Clark. Ring bearer was Jacob De France of Odessa. The groom's party wore black western-cut tails, white tuxedo shirts, black cummerbunds and black Wranglers. They wore boutonnieres of fire and ice roses, made by the bride.

Callie Clark of Denver City and Amanda De France of Odessa scattered rose petals. Assisting the bride as train bearers were Amy Clark of Denver City and Erin Whitmire of Odessa.

The bride was escorted to the groom by Colin Turner, also attired in a black western-cut tuxedo jacket with tails and matching Wranglers.

The bride wore a formal white satin gown with a sweetheart neckline and deep V-back. The bodice was embellished in pearls, sequins and Raoncome lace. Her cathedral-length train featured windows of Raoncone lace and pearls. The fitted, long waist was accented in the back with a satin bow.

The matching headpiece attached a fingertip veil, and the bride wore a string of pearls, borrowed from the groom's mother, along with diamond earrings, a gift from her parents.

Brandi Hawkins sang "Love Can Build a Bridge." Tammi Whitmire of Odessa sang "From Here to Eternity" as a special dedication from the groom to his bride. She also sang, "The Lord's Prayer" as the couple lit the unity candle.

A reception was held in the fellowship hall following the ceremony. The hall was decorated with white lattice work, English ivy and double-ring quilts.

The bride's table, covered with a white lace cloth, held the multi-layered white cake towering over a cascading fountain and trimmed with fire and ice roses, white miniature carnations and green foliage. The cake was topped with a bride and cowboy groom. Serving were Shari Lentz and Kristy Turner.

The groom's chocolate double horseshoe cake was placed on a table covered with a forest green cloth. Serving were Missy and Emily Moore of Odessa.

The new Mr. and Mrs. Clark were honorees at a dance in the Civic Center. Music and entertainment were provided by James Whitmire of Odessa. The center was festively decorated with a large white balloon heart placed in the center of the floor, and burgundy and green balloons covered the floor. Tiny white shimmering lights circled the dance floor. Bubbles were given to the guests.

The couple's honeymoon trip was five days in Cancun, Mexico. They will continue to reside in Colorado City.

Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone, tolerated no telephone in his study.

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WEDNESDAY
Beef Nachos
Chicken & Noodles
Lettuce & Tomato
Pinto Beans
Fruit Cocktail
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Enchilada Casserole
Cornbread
Lettuce & Tomato
Peas & Carrots
Fresh Apples

Snyder School Menu Elementary

BREAKFAST

All breakfasts are served with assorted cereal, toast and fruit juice; all meals — with choice of milk.

MONDAY
Scrambled Eggs
TUESDAY
Breakfast Taco
WEDNESDAY
Pancakes w/Syrup
THURSDAY
Cinnamon Roll
FRIDAY
Breakfast Pocket
LUNCH
MONDAY
Corn Dog
Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Macaroni & Cheese
Pears
TUESDAY
Barbecued Chicken
Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
French Bread
Baked Potato
Buttered Corn
Pineapple Chunks
WEDNESDAY
Beef Nachos
Corn Bread
Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Pinto Beans
Fruit Cocktail
THURSDAY
Sliced Turkey
Homemade Roll
Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Mashed Potatoes
Green Beans
Pink Applesauce
FRIDAY
Frito Pie
Corn Bread
Pizza
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Tomato
Peas & Carrots
Fresh Fruit

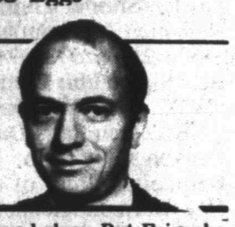
Hermleigh School Menu

All meals are served with milk.
BREAKFAST
MONDAY
Juice
Pancake/Syrup
TUESDAY
Fruit
Buttered Oatmeal
Toast
WEDNESDAY
Juice
Breakfast Pizza
THURSDAY
Fruit
Dry Cereal
Toast
FRIDAY
Student Holiday
LUNCH
MONDAY
Spaghetti/Meat Sauce
Cream Style Corn
Shredded Lettuce
Soft Bread Sticks
Gingerbread
TUESDAY
Barbecued German Sausage
Potato Salad
Pickle Spears & Onions
Hot Rolls
Plum Cobbler
WEDNESDAY
Fried Chicken/Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
Cole Slaw
Hot Rolls
Lemon Pudding
THURSDAY
Beef & Cheese Nachos
Refried Beans
Tossed Salad
Cardinal Cake

Ira School Menu

MONDAY
Nachos
Corn
Vegetable Salad
Crackers
Brownies
TUESDAY
Barbecued Chicken
Creamed Potatoes
Green Beans
Rolls
Peaches
WEDNESDAY
Turkey Sandwiches
Fritos
Oranges
THURSDAY
Pork Patties
Baked Potatoes
Black-eyed Peas
Bread
Sheath Cake
FRIDAY
Steak Sandwiches
French Fries
Vegetable Salad
Apple

Bridge
By Phillip Alder



North 03-07-98
♠ A 10 3
♥ 8 6
♦ K J 10 6 3
♣ J 9 8

West
♠ 9 5
♥ K Q 9
♦ 9 8 5 2
♣ 6 5 4 2

East
♠ 8 6 2
♥ A J 10 7 4 3 2
♦ Q 7
♣ K

South
♠ K Q J 7 4
♥ 5
♦ A 4
♣ A Q 10 7 3

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			3 ♥
4 ♥	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ 2

reach a grand slam. But Faigenbaum passed, thinking they had a 5-5 fit. Inside, Omar was groaning, but he maintained an impassive demeanor.

One feels West should have led the heart king, probably beating the contract, but he selected a trump. Perhaps Omar should have assumed this marked East with the singleton or doubleton queen, but he called for dummy's 10, taking East's queen with the ace. Two more rounds of trumps showed Omar that he had losers in both red suits. What now?

Theatrically, Omar tossed his cards onto the table and said, "I make the contract if the king of clubs is singleton." He needed to find West with four low clubs. Then he could run the suit and discard both of dummy's hearts before West could ruff in with his top trump and cash a heart.

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A bridge star from the Odeon

Who is the most famous bridge player? For insiders there are a few candidates, but for outsiders there is only one possible answer: Omar Sharif. Almost everyone knows he is a bridge player who occasionally makes movies.

He competed in the Transnational Teams in Tunisia last year, finishing 11th.

Omar was playing in a new partnership with Parisian Albert Faigenbaum. They had established that if an opponent opened one heart and one of them overcalled two hearts, it would show at least 5-5 in the black suits. So, when East opened three hearts, Omar overcalled four hearts, hoping that the same agreement applied. However, Faigenbaum took the bid to show spades and either minor. Liking his hand, Faigenbaum cue-bid five hearts. Omar cue-bid six diamonds, trying to

Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY

Six tables of duplicate bridge was directed by Jane Hinton.

1. Jane Hinton, Maribeth Vestal.
2. Durelle Gorman, Louise Thompson.
3. Charles Blakey, Rube McKinley.

SUNDAY

Four tables, directed by Hinton.

1. Billisue Stuard, Jane Hinton.
2. Martha Fagin, Maribeth Vestal.
3. Frances Stevenson, Dorothy Rosson.



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Avid rose growers...

Reap blossoms

By ED HUTCHISON
For AP Special Edition

Until a few years ago, growing roses was an all-or-nothing venture and the formula pretty much worked out to this:

Work at their upkeep and enjoy a harvest of blossoms. Ignore them and earn in return few flowers and often, a dead bush.

Enter the new, improved shrub rose and the equation shifts to this: Invest minimal effort and enjoy blossoms that are richly fragrant, colorful and of interesting shapes.

Most familiar rose varieties — Peace, Double Delight, Queen Elizabeth, Sterling Silver, Barbara Bush, Chrysler Imperial, John F. Kennedy, Mr. Lincoln — belong to different groups, notably hybrid teas and grandifloras. As a class, they require frequent feeding, watering, pruning, pest surveillance and in much of the country, protection from winter cold.

Shrub roses grow into large vase-shaped shrubs and bear blossoms in an interesting diversity of old-fashioned shapes. Many are richly fragrant. They tend to have the same pest problems as other types but they are usually more hardy over winter, sometimes doing just fine with little or no protection. Feeding and pruning chores are minimal.

Old-fashioned shrub roses typically bloomed but once a year. Most new shrub roses are repeat bloomers and David Austin, an English breeder, is generally recognized as the force behind putting new zip in this old style rose. He's coined the term English roses to describe the new types.

"Joe Blow on Main Street is looking for something easier to grow than the hybrid tea types," says Clair G. Martin, horticulturist and author of "100 English Roses for the American Garden" (Smith & Hawken/Workman Publishing, $17.95 paperback). Martin is also curator of the rose collection at The Huntington Botanic Gardens in San Marino, Calif. The collection there approaches 4,000 bushes, representing about 1,500 varieties.

He believes the average gardener wants a bush that brings color and fragrance to the landscape and is convinced the shrub roses do just that.

"The best of them are hardy and will tolerate heat, or cold. For the most part, they require minimal care, and what care you do give them is like with a lilac — a little pruning, a little shaping and supplemental irrigation during a dry period. There's minimal care needed as far as disease and insect prevention. These are the characteristics I would want in the perfect rose and that's why I like the shrub rose group."

Despite their good points, Richard G. Hawke of the Chicago Botanic Garden (CBG) in Glencoe, Ill., has reservations about the utility of the modern shrub rose as a bush in the yard.

"People who saw them here fell in love with their colors, form and fragrance but without a good year, the shrubs were doggy," he says. As CBG's coordinator of plant evaluation programs, Hawke led an evaluation of 51 shrub roses. They received minimal care, which was intentional, and none were protected over winter.

He found that modern shrub roses are similar to grandifloras, hybrid teas and other garden-type roses when it comes to bloom cover and disease resistance. Canadian-bred roses in the group had greater winter hardiness than garden roses and were somewhat hardier than English roses. Both English and Canadian groups bore blossoms that were more fragrant and interesting than garden roses.

Hawke's advice: If you like roses but have grown weary with the upkeep required of the hybrid teas and other modern garden types, try either the English or Canadian types. He believes that with minimal effort, they'll reward the gardener which fragrant, interesting blossoms throughout summer.

Here are three of Martin's favorite shrub roses:

— Golden Celebration. Grows about 4 feet high and wide and bears double, bright golden-yellow blossoms. The color remains strong for the life of the flower. Martin describes the strong fragrance as a mix of fruit and tea rose aromas. New canes are mahogany colored and almost thornless. Tolerance to blackspot and mildew is good. Martin recommends this variety as a border plant or in a cutting. Its blossoms are excellent for cutting.

— Tamora. Martin favors this variety for its compact growth, strong myrrh fragrance and profusion of bloom. Blossoms are a blend of orange, peach and apricot and are set off nicely by the dark green foliage. He likes to see Tamora planted en masse, in borders or edges. The flowers are excellent for cutting. In cool climates, mature height is about 3 feet and width about 2 feet — and a bit larger in warmer regions.

— Wise Portia. Grows just under 3 feet high and wide in cool climates and a bit larger in warm ones. Martin likes it for its profusion of carmine red to purple blossoms, its dark green, shiny foliage and disease resistance. Unlike many varieties, it does OK in part shade. The fragrance is a strong old rose scent.

Tabloid sued

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Two supermarket tabloids settled an invasion-of-privacy lawsuit in which Tammy Wynette claimed that exaggerated coverage of her illness last year hurt her singing career.

The terms of the settlement with The Star and the National Enquirer are confidential, Ms. Wynette's attorney Gary Blackburn said Thursday.

The "Stand by Your Man" singer sued over stories about her hospitalization last year in Pittsburgh, about eight months after she recovered from a liver infection.

The National Enquirer headline read: "Tammy Wynette is battling for her life, only a liver transplant can save her." She resumed performing a few weeks later with her liver intact.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

Retired Teachers; Senior Center; speaker will give update on facts concerning medicare; noon.

Martha Ann Woman's Club board of directors; MAWC; all members are urged to attend; 4 p.m.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), brown bag lunch; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information, call 573-1579 or 573-5525; noon to 1 p.m.

Defensive Driving Course; two-part: Monday and Tuesday; Snyder Savings & /Loan Community Room, 27th and College; more information by calling 573-2850; 6 to 9 p.m.

American Legion Layne Kite Post 181 and Auxiliary; 7:30 p.m.

White Buffalo Stamp Club; community room of Snyder National Bank; visitors welcome; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

TUESDAY

Plainview Family Community Education Club; 2 p.m.

Atheneum Study Club; MAWC; "Ladies in Banking," by Nelda Fields and Barbara McGee; hostess, LaDean Rhodes.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 6 p.m.

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

Beta Sigma Phi; Brenda Hedges' office; program, "David's Bugs," by WTC professor David Cates; 7 p.m.

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

Canyon Gun Club, 1910 25th; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

AARP board meeting; Senior Center; 1 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal building on W. 37th; program in oils by Janet Bybel of Levelland; hostess, Karen Rinker; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., break for lunch.

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

Ministerial Alliance; Rudy's 10 a.m.

Noah Project Advisory Committee; MAWC; noon.

Three support groups—Divorce Recovery, Cancer/Grief and Caring for Aging Parents; First Baptist Church, enter east side; anyone welcome and nursery is provided; more information by calling church office at 573-2631; 6:30 p.m.

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

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 3 p.m.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving Course; cost $30; Snyder Savings & Loan; no reservations needed, call 573-2850 for information; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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

Rolling Plains Ratite Association; The Shack; 7 p.m.

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

SUNDAY

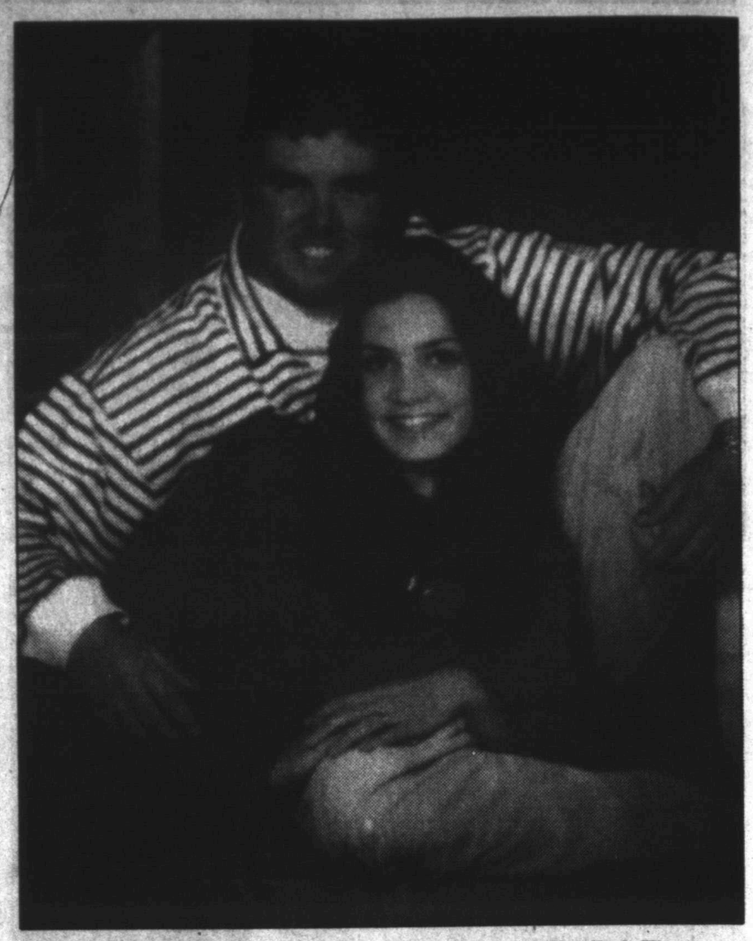
Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

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

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

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SUMMER VOWS SET — Magan Wadleigh and Jim Bob Thomas, both of Irving, are making plans for a June 27 wedding to be held in the Sweetwater Mulberry Mansion. The bride-elect's parents are Tom and Karen Wadleigh. Her grandmothers are Lois Price and Helen Wadleigh. The prospective groom's parents are Mark and Connie Rayes of Bronte, and his grandmother is Marcella Blaylock of Bronte. Miss Wadleigh attends the Art Institute of Dallas majoring in interior design. Thomas is field supervisor at Botanical Technologies of Dallas. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

Week's best videos

By The Associated Press

Weekly charts for the nation's most popular videos as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission:

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2. "Hercules," (Walt Disney)
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5. "My Best Friend's Wedding," (Columbia TriStar)
6. "Marilyn Manson: Dead to the World," (Interscope)
7. "The Blues Brothers," (Universal Studios) (Platinum)
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9. "Spice Girls: One Hour of Girl Power," (Warner)
10. "Playboy's Girls Next Door," (Playboy)

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6. "Contact," (Warner)
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5. "One Hour of Girl Power," Spice Girls (Warner)
6. "The Dance," Fleetwood Mac (Warner Reprise)(Gold)
7. "Rage Against the Machine," Rage Against the Machine (Epic)
8. "Tribute," Yanni (Virgin)
9. "Closure," Nine Inch Nails (Interscope)
10. "Down By the Tabernacle," Bill and Gloria Gaither (Spring Hill)

Sign: seeking wife

VOLUNTOWN, Conn. (AP) — John Critcherson has two horses, five goats, five cats, nine chickens and a dog named Zebulont. But something's missing.

He wants a wife.

Last July, Critcherson, 43, put up a sign next to his mailbox that says: "Wife Wanted: Inquire Inside."

"The sign is legit," the burly, bearded bachelor said. "I am looking. It's just a different way of going about it."

Critcherson says a few interested women have stopped by, but his problem is that few women ever see the sign. He lives on a rural road in a town of 2,300. His nearest neighbor is a quarter-mile away.

Critcherson, a handyman at the Pachaug State Forest tree nursery, is looking for a "country gal" who wants children. He's already got the name of his first son picked out: Jebediah James.

He describes himself as an "outdoors person; boots and jeans." He takes particular pride in his beard, which he has had since 1974.

Scurry County Library News & Views

Scurry County has an outdoor book drop which may be used to return books after hours. It is located in front of the library.

This convenience is for books only, the staff asks that tapes not be placed there due damage by heat, cold and heavy books.

BOOK FEATURE

"Joe Montana's Art and Magic of Quarterbacking," by Joe Montana.

Joe Montana shares his years of experience both on and off the field. Young players will discover what makes a quarterback successful, from the basics to the secrets that create magic at game time.

Montana starts with in-depth explanations of the proper technique for every element of the game. He proceeds to the more sophisticated aspects of quarterbacking, such as reading defenses, finding the open man, and engineering game-winning drives. Throughout the book, anecdotes and photographs from his career illustrate key concepts.

NEW NON-FICTION

"Don't Go to the Cosmetics Counter Without Me," by Paula Begoun.

"The Marriage Spirit," by Evelyn Moschetta.

"Free Money for College," by Laurie Blum.

NEW JUNIOR FICTION

"Frindle," by Andrew Clements.

"The Kid Who Ran for President," by Dan Gutman.

"Faith and the Electric Dog," by Patrick Jennings.

"Search for the Shadowman," by Joan Lowery Nixon.

Also, the library now has a selection of the "Wishbone" classics.

LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. — Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat.

10 a.m. to 9 p.m. — Tues. & Thurs.

Gillum farmland recognized



ORIGINAL HOME — This is the home where Zeddie and Gertrude Gillum and their children lived. Zeddie grew an orchard. A sugar pear tree lived to be more than 100 years old. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



FAMILY PORTRAIT — Zeddie Gillum is shown with granddaughter Shirley Gillum (now Drum). (Contributed Photo)

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Carey Kenneth and Kathlyn. Lucy died in 1978.

Walter was a stock farmer and served on both the local and county school boards, Surry said. He married Sallie Lee Hudson in 1921. She taught school at Independence, better known as Hell Roaring Hollow or Pleasant Hill, Surry added.

Her first school was at Little Sulphur. She later taught at Dunn, Hermleigh and Snyder. They were both attending the 25th St. Church of Christ in Snyder when they passed away, Surry said, Sallie Lee in 1958 and Walter Surry in 1966.

In addition to Surry, Walter and Sallie had a daughter, Shirley Elaine, who married Don Drum. They have two sons, Delton Colbert and Ben. Elaine worked on the farm but after marrying she went into real estate and presently lives in Snyder.

Surry related the following family stories. When his father was born he weighed 3½ pounds. His parents put him in the family coffee pot to weigh him.

When Walter was young, his father had a two acre orchard. He didn't want anyone pulling the green peaches and eating them. Yet the desire for peaches was so great that Walter liked to climb up a tree, eat the peaches and leave the seeds hanging.

When Zeddie discovered the seeds he confronted his son saying, "I told you if you pulled any more peaches I was going to spank you. But Walter replied, "I did not pull the peaches."

Zeddie had a smile on his face as he left, Surry said.

Walter's mother was stricken with polio when he was about five years old and was confined to a wheelchair. While the rest of the family was working in the field, Walter would stand on a five gallon flower can and cook meals.

During a severe drought about the time of World War I, Claud and Walter found work pulling cotton in Arizona and sent money home.

Known as "Uncle Zed," Surry said people often asked his grandfather why he not leave the county but always said with a grin that it was so dry the iron rims wouldn't stay on the wagon wheels and he didn't have enough money to get them "swedged."

Surry said family members were always interested in helping the Pleasant Hill Community so they would sit with the sick, dig graves, and help build a tabernacle for worship using community-wide pulling devices.

Surry said Drept Gibson said that Zeddie had the first water well drilled by machine in Scurry County. Carl Gray told Surry one day while he was on his mail route that when he (Carl) came to Scurry County he had a sucker rod break down in the well. A neighbor told him that Zeddie had the only sucker rod grab in Scurry County that he knew of.

Though Gray had never met Zeddie he came to borrow a tool and as he let him have it he told Gray, "Hi Jacks Don't forget where you got it."

The Gillums raised paint mules, horses, cows and cotton and feeds. The last of Zeddie's orchard, a sugar plum tree over 100 years old, died in 1996.

Zeddie and his sons terraced land and pastures before the government programs began, Surry said.



PRIZE STUD — Zeddie Gillum is shown with a prize stud. (Contributed Photo)



PAINT MULES — Walter Surry Gillum is shown with two paints mules which the family raised on the farm in Pleasant Hill Community. (Contributed Photo)

El Nino's wrath taking its toll on roads, drivers in California

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mudslides, flooding and farming woes aren't the only problems created by heavy El Nino storms this winter: California drivers are being bumped and rattled by a minefield of potholes.

Road crews have declared war on the car-wrecking craters, working day and night to fill the holes that can pose dangers to drivers or at least cause costly damage to their cars.

"It's an all-out offensive," said Karen Boyd, spokeswoman for the Oakland Public Works Agency, which has six to 10 crews filling an average of 150 potholes a day.

Potholes are formed when moisture softens the soil below the pavement and cars drive over the weakened spots — creating a hole in the roadway.

And California has had no shortage of moisture this year. Total rainfall in Los Angeles this winter, for example, has reached 22.83 inches as wave after wave of El Nino-powered storms have battered the state.

"This is the most I've ever seen. We're getting potholes next to potholes,'" said Sam Houston, a 30-year pothole repairman for the Orange County division of the California Department of Transportation.

Caltrans, charged with maintaining 49,000 lane miles of California roads, estimates road damage so far at $137 million. It's not known how much of that was caused by potholes.

Potholes of up to 20 feet wide and 5 inches deep have formed and reformed with each new storm. Reports of the road craters are up 400 percent in Los Angeles.

"When Mother Nature decides she wants us to know she's omnipotent, this is what happens," said Bob Hayes, spokesman for the Los Angeles Department of Public Works.

Potholes have been a problem in San Francisco, too. City crews filled holes at 157 locations, nearly four times the normal number, during the week of Feb. 19 alone.

Crews on about 24 trucks are scrambling to keep up — without too much success, said Gregory Scott, director of the city's Bureau of Street Maintenance. The city's goal is to repair potholes within 24 hours.

"We are running crews on overtime and on weekends," Scott said. "It will take four to six weeks to catch up."

With new holes appearing every day, motorists have had a hard time avoiding them — a boon for auto repair shops.

"We've had bent wheels, front ends knocked out. We replaced a bunch of wheels and tires," said Don Crenshaw of The Tire Man Store in Thousand Oaks, northwest of Los Angeles. "Some people are trying to contact the highway department because they might be able to get money from them."

But Caltrans won't be paying for pothole-related damage — not that they can't empathize with the plight of motorists. Even Caltrans spokesman Jim Drago has been a pothole victim.

"I was driving in Placer County and a truck kicked up a piece of asphalt from a pothole, onto my windshield and busted it," he said.

CBS first in sweeps

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Despite a disappointing Olympics, CBS easily beat second-place NBC to win the February ratings sweeps. Fox tied for third with struggling ABC.

CBS averaged a 13.8 household rating and 22 share for the period, according to network figures released Thursday. NBC was second with a 9.6 rating and 15 share.

A rating point represents 980,000 households, or 1 percent of the nation's estimated 98 million TV homes. Share is the percentage of in-use televisions tuned to a given show.

The three major sweeps periods of intense ratings measurement are used each year to help set local advertising rates.

ABC and Fox had matching 8.0 average ratings and 13 shares — a disappointment for ABC but the 11-year-old Fox network's best finish yet in a key sweeps month.

Woman sees with cornea from her son

TEANECK, N.J. (AP) — Blinking in the rediscovered glare of sunlight, Secundina Curtinez celebrated her dead son's final gift Thursday as surgeons removed the bandages around her newly transplanted cornea.

"Yes, yes, yes, doctor," she said in Spanish, crying and kissing surgeon Peter Hersh's hand.

A week after her 28-year-old son Ivan's unexpected death from a brain aneurysm, doctors successfully transplanted his cornea into his mother's left eye.

As the bandages were peeled back, Mrs. Curtinez saw her daughter, Ruth Nebiar, her doctor and about 20 television cameras pointed at her.

"She sees everybody," Ms. Nebiar said, putting her hand to her mouth. "It's a miracle. It's a gift of God."

Mrs. Curtinez could recognize people, count fingers and read the largest letters on an eye chart, a day after the transplant surgery at Hackensack University Medical Center. It will take up to four months to know how much of her sight will return, doctors said.

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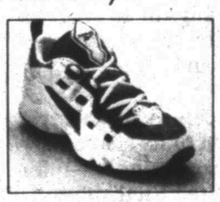
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Editorial Comment

Hook'em, Oprah

The Dallas Morning News on Oprah victory:

Hook 'em, Oprah. From the moment the judicial chute opened a month ago until the moment jurors acknowledged she had lassoed their hearts and minds, Oprah Winfrey proved to be a class act.

But her successful defense against a lawsuit filed against her by Amarillo cattlemen symbolized much more than personal triumph for the popular media maven. As she said of her win Thursday, it meant that "free speech not only lives, it rocks."

U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson may yet deem unconstitutional Texas' overdrawn 1995 agricultural product disparagement law under which lead plaintiff Paul Engler brought the suit. At issue was a 1996 Oprah Winfrey show that raised the question of whether mad cow disease could make its way from Great Britain to the United States. Texas cattlemen claimed that statements made on the show caused beef prices to plummet.

In a possible prelude to a finding that the state law protecting the perishable food products industry failed to pass constitutional muster, Judge Robinson said last week that the plaintiffs had failed to prove their case under its provisions. That left the plaintiffs' lawyers with having to try to prove their case under an alternative statute, a common product disparagement law. It requires evidence of intent to bring economic harm to specific individuals, which is fair.

But the Texas veggie libel law deserves to be trashed. It raises the specter of having courts second-guess +editorial+ decisions about stories and shows on a panoply of consumer issues.

Minimum wage

Fort Worth Star-Telegram on minimum wage:

In election years, it is difficult to get a majority of those in Congress to appear hard-hearted toward the working poor. In 1996, the last time that an increase in the minimum wage was approved, 160 House Republicans supported it, even though many of them surely doubted the wisdom of it.

That year saw a two-step increase from $4.25 to the present $5.15. It was justifiable because it was the first increase in seven years and barely enabled minimum-wage earners to catch up with inflation. Things are different now. A $1 increase (19 percent) would outstrip today's almost nonexistent rate of inflation. But the best argument against a need to raise the minimum is that not many full-time workers are receiving the minimum. The nation's long-term economic expansion and 4.9 percent unemployment rate means that many employers are paying more than the minimum in order to attract even minimally skilled employees.

The traditional wisdom is that a minimum wage increase means a certain number of lost jobs. If, as President Clinton seems to believe, that wasn't true of the recent increase, it is again because of the booming job market, not because the wisdom is wrong. If Employer A did let an unskilled employee go rather than pay more, Employer B was there to hire him or her. That will not always be the situation.

Energy intervention

The Monitor (McAllen) on Texas energy invention:

When people think of energy sources, they first note fossil fuels. And with good reason: Oil, gas and coal remain the leading sources of energy in the world.

Texas has always been among the nation's top energy producers; it remains the leading domestic producer of crude oil, and increasing amounts of natural gas are being tapped from state wells.

People in the Valley and elsewhere should nevertheless consider optional sources of generating energy. Fossil fuels are relatively finite in supply; thousands of years are required to create the oil, gas and coal that are burned up faster and faster each day. Environmentally, fossil fuels remain the most pollutant forms of energy available.

So it is only right that Valley leaders look to other forms of energy production. One of the first steps was taken Saturday with a meeting of the Texas Renewable Energy Industries Association at the University of Texas-Brownsville. The group, along with a company called Earthgard, are looking at the possibility of producing energy from plant sources.

The energy source, called biomass, entails using organic substances, rather than fossil fuels, to turn motors and turbines to generate power. An association official notes that the fertile Valley appears an ideal place to grow cassava, a tuber similar to the sweet potato, that can be processed to create ethanol gas.

Testing Lone Star students

Houston Chronicle on testing Texas students:

When Texans decided they wanted accountability from public schools, the state Legislature put in place the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills, a test to be administered yearly in certain grades. The TAAS is supposed to give an objective measure of how well schools are imparting knowledge, how well students are faring academically and how much progress is made.

It has come to light that some schools, unfortunately, are exempting so many children from the TAAS that accountability has become questionable at best. The desire of principals and school district administrators to see their schools rated "exemplary" or "recognized" is understandable. Certainly, some schools can more easily achieve those goals by exempting students they have reason to believe will perform poorly on the TAAS.

However, giving the test to all but the narrowest category of students — say, children who are new arrivals from non-English-speaking countries — would provide a more honest, accurate and fair accounting of school performance.

In the Houston area, numerous schools have garnered high state ratings, but many of them also exempted significant percentages of students from taking the TAAS, the very test on which the ratings were based. Those were among the findings of an analysis commissioned by the Governor's Business Council and carried out by education consultant Darvin Winick and University of Houston Professor Laurence A. Toenjes.

The Houston Independent School District received an "acceptable" rating last year, but tested only 58 percent of its elementary students for accountability purposes. The exemptions — for special education students and children of limited English proficiency — are legitimate under state guidelines. But they simply do not give an accurate portrayal of how well a school or a district is performing.

The liberal exemption policy has led to charges that some districts classify more students than appropriate as special education pupils. And it generates unfair comparisons between districts that stretch the limit of acceptable exemptions and those that limit TAAS exemptions to the bare minimum. Parents should not have to wonder whether their children's school earned a rating that was inflated through TAAS exemptions.

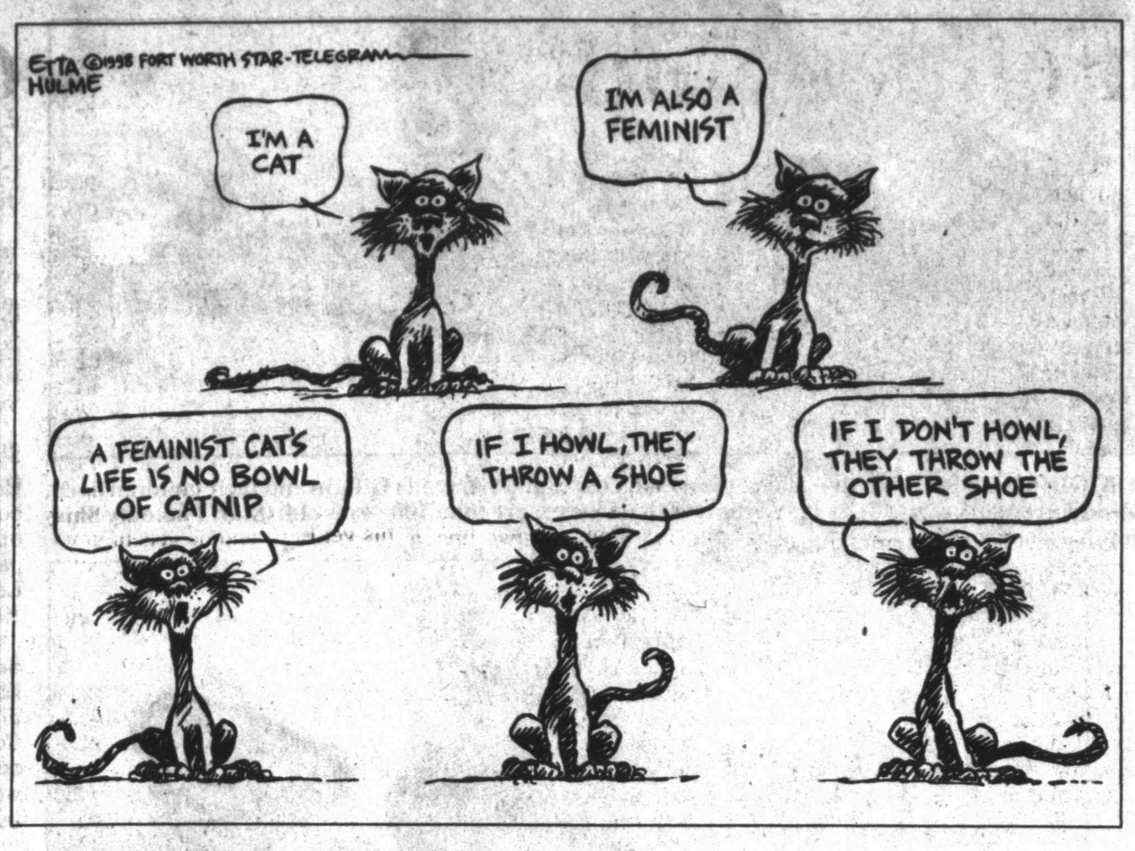
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Time to redefine sexual harassment



Joseph Spear

Imagine a conversation between Bill Clinton and Clarence Thomas at this Monica-and-Paula moment in our nation's history.

Clarence: "You are being lynched, Mr. President."

Bill: "I really feel your pain now, Justice Thomas."

When you think about it, their two experiences put a parenthesis around the Absurd '90s. In 1991, Clarence Thomas was publicly humiliated and almost destroyed by former co-worker Anita Hill's charges that he had sexually harassed her.

I didn't understand it at the time.

In 1998, Bill Clinton could be drummed out of office because he swore he didn't dally with White House intern Monica Lewinsky, which allegation came to light only because he was forced to give a deposition in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case, the basis for which is the uncorroborated charge that Bill Clinton, when he was governor of Arkansas, exposed himself to Paula and asked for sex, which request she refused, to which rejection he replies well OK, no harm no foul, which episode led to her being discriminated against in the work place, a primary example of which is that she didn't get flowers on Secretary's Day.

I don't understand, now.

Let's reverse the tape to see how we got into this pickle.

Clarence Thomas was the quintessential American success story: born poor, taunted for the darkness of his skin, worked his way through college and law school to become a high-level public official, chairman of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, federal appelate judge, Supreme Court nominee.

And that's when his real trials began.

Anita Hill sat down before the Senate Judiciary Committee that was considering Thomas' nomination and preceeded to level accusations of sexual harassment. She said that 10 years earlier, he had treated her crudely. Listen now to the litany of heiness crimes that he was alleged to have committed.

Over the course of several years, he asked her out perhaps twice. He made a few references to dirty movies, he had seen. He joked that an object on a can of Coke looked like a pubic hair,

He never asked for sexual favors. He never touched her.

And consider how the abused person reacted.

She followed him from the education department to the EEOC. She kept in touch with him for seven years after the alleged harassment, Phoned him often and invited him to lecture at the University of Oklahoma law school, where she taught.

No, insensitive brute that I am, I didn't understand all the hoo-ha then, and I don't understand it now.

Until Clarence and Bill came along, I was under the impression that a person was sexually harassed when a supervisor demanded sexual favors in return for employment favors, or when colleagues, usually male, so mistreated a co-worker, usually female, that it created acute emotional distress. That's layman's language, but it captures the essence of the thing.

Guess again, Joe. The threshold it seems, is much lower than that. Any "unwanted advance" can be interpreted as sexual harassment. Anything that tends to create an "offensive working environment" can be sexual harassment. And now, thanks to a ruling in the Paula Jones case, evidence that the accuser wasn't accorded the same attention that other putative lovers of the accused received can also be interpreted as sexual harassment.

Which means that any accuser has the right to rummage through an accused's sexual past in an effort to prove not that the accuser was substantially mistreated, but that lovers got a better deal than non-lovers — the examination of which leads to lurid exposures that make America the butt of the world's jokes.

I offer a prayer for the approaching millennium.

Dear God, vanquish our damnable urge to roast decent people on flimsy and unsubstantiated charges, bless us with a sexual harassment doctrine that is judicious, and purge our souls of this obsession with the sex lives of public figures.

A used to be big fan



Deanie Francis Mills

Dear Oprah,

I've had it with you. HAD it.

I used to be your biggest fan. When my kids were little I watched you every single day. You were my kinda gal. Someone self-made, who came up from nothing — I could identify with that. Your empathy and ability to understand people and communicate to them was a gift I appreciated. When you struggled with your weight, I was right there with you. In recent years, I've been far too busy myself to watch you every day, but I've followed your progress to the very heights success has to offer, and I cheered you on.

I'm not sure when it was that I began to realize you were slipping out of touch, that people had pandered to you for so long, and you'd been ensconced in luxury for so many years that you no longer knew what it felt like to juggle bills and fret at the grocery store. I think it was when you took all the credit for your successful weight loss, in spite of your matching home-and-office gyms, expensive personal trainers, and personal diet cooks. I resented that.

When you badmouthed the beef industry, I didn't automatically think the worst. After all, as a writer, I'm supposed to uphold the first amendment free speech rights of every American, whether I agree with them or not, and you were setting yourself up as the Joan of Arc of free speech, who would not as you said, "be muzzled."

Then you came to Texas.

First, there was the universal fawning that resulted just by your stepping foot on Amarillo soil — my goodness, you'd have thought Princess Diana reincarnated had entered that town for all the hooplah. And during the trial, I learned that your show is not, as I had always thought, taped live. It is, in fact, taped — and then you go to the editing room and snip and cut and reshape people's comments to make a controversial show even hotter, to provide soundbites and boost your ratings. Let me ask you something, Oprah does that provide a free speech platform for your guests?

And I learned that your producers go out of their way to line up crackpot-so-called "experts," and that if they provoke the crowd into more booing than, say a well-educated, reasoned expert, then you will simply edit out the comments of the reasoned one in favor of the nutcase. (But that's okay, because then you can blame their nuttiness on your staff, who booked them.)

I learned that the beef industry representatives who filed suit against your show were not suing you because you said you didn't want to eat hamburgers — even though that's what you howled about and what all the letters to "People" magazine said. Everybody was so offended that poor little Oprah couldn't express her own opinion.

It wasn't your opinion that was the problem, Oprah. It was your POWER. As an author, I've seen you take books which didn't sell 5,000 copies, hold them up in front of the camera, and according to Publisher's Weekly, within DAYS they are catapulted to the top of the best seller list with sales in the millions.

People listen to you. And when you snip and cut and edit the comments of reasoned experts in favor of crackpots and air that as gospel truth — people listen, and a man's life's work can be destroyed almost overnight. Furthermore, it wasn't your inherent heroism that won the case, my dear. It was the judge, who threw out the very law upon which the case was based, right in the middle of the trial, thus handing victory to your high-powered lawyers.

A juror said your celebrity status did not influence the jury's decision, but in the same breath, admitted he'd gone home every night and made detailed notes for a book he hoped to sell, and added that he "wanted to go on the Oprah show" if that's not celebrity influence, what is?

But that wasn't what bothered me the most, Oprah. It was your comments following the trial, when you admitted that you'd been afraid to come to Texas. "I knew I'd be a black woman on trial in Texas," you said, "and all that that means." You added that Texas was "the most southern of the southern states." I'm sure Mississippi and Alabama would be relieved to hear that.

What were you thinking? Did you think we'd be standing around in our cowboy boots with a lynch rope in hand? Apparently you did, because you sent a security team here to make sure you didn't get assassinated or your precious dogs poisoned during this CIVIL, not criminal, trial.

Instead, you were cheered, fawned over, toasted with champagne, loved, and ultimately, victorious.

If this is how you say thank you, you ought to be ashamed of yourself.

No longer yours.

Deanie

Letters to the Editor

Just a mistake

Dear Editor:

Today I received a very nice letter from City Engineer, Beverly Coots.

Seems the whole thing was some kind of mistake, which should have never happened, but it did. However the City Engineer has set everything right.

My thanks to Beverly Coots and to you. May God Bless!

C.J. Jinkins

Thanks for CMH & staff

Dear Editor:

We would like to thank Cogell Memorial Hospital, Dr. Kathleen Weaver, the surgical team, the emergency room staff and all the nurses that cared for our son, Zach, after his recent accident.

Too many times CMH is criticized and all you hear is negative comments, but we are so grateful that this facility is equipped to handle such emergencies.

Time was of the essence in Zach's situation and within an hour of arriving in the E.R. he was in surgery. We couldn't have asked for better care and we are truly blessed to have all of you in Snyder.

Zach is making good progress and we feel that he will have a complete recovery.

We also would like to thank our families and friends for all of their support and to all that had us in their thoughts and prayers.

God Bless All of You!

David & Alisa Cain

Felines find businesses purr-fect places to live

SAN ANTONIO — Like a lot of folks, Tucker wakes up early and gets ready to go to work.

Unlike most, however, Tucker is a cat. He commutes in a pink rubber crate.

The coal-black feline with golden eyes and a fluffy tail has been accompanying his owner, Leslie Baskerville, to work at And Sew On Needlepoint since he was small enough to scoop up in one hand.

"Mondays when I don't go to work, about the time we should be leaving, he's sitting in front of the crate going, 'OK we can go now,' " says Ms. Baskerville, a designer.

Tucker is a part of a special breed of business felines that make themselves at home at work: shop cats. They lounge on counters, catch rays in storefront windows, schmooze with customers and occasionally clinch deals. Some live at the shops. Others, like Tucker, come and go with their owners.

"I have one customer who comes in almost every Saturday whether she needs something or not, and half the time she comes in and plays with the cat before she ever says hello to me," Ms. Baskerville says. "He has his own clientele."

Some customers bring the cat treats and toys.

When Tucker was a kitten, Ms. Baskerville made sure no one played with him with string. Now about 9 months old, Tucker is strangely immune to the lure of colorful yarn twists that line a shop wall.

Tucker became kitty-in-residence after Chester, the previous shop cat, retired to the big catnip patch in the sky.

"Customers, I think, have come to expect an animal in this shop," Ms. Baskerville says.

Tucker's owner chooses to bring him to work. The orange tabby that prowls the grounds around the Calcutta Coffee House, however, came with the place. A stray, he was living under the building on Fredericksburg Road when Kristy Knight opened the business three years ago. Knight adopted the cat, now known as Calcutta Kitty.

It's not unusual to find him catching some zzz's in a flower box, out on the patio snoozing on students' book bags or scarfing down a treat of sliced turkey. Patrons frequently break open small containers of cream for him to lap up.

"We take care of him and pay his vet bills, and he gets turkey," Ms. Knight says. "He's got it made."

If the cats benefit from their little business arrangements, so do shop owners.

Marmalade, an orange and white tabby, and Tomasina, a long-haired gray and white tabby, are good for "customer relations," says Ronnie Grell, co-owner of Rainbow Gardens, a garden center on Thousand Oaks that the cats call home.

"We have customers who come in here just to see the cats, bring them treats," Grell says. "If they come in, they usually (buy something) any way."

Marmalade is the more social of the pair. He enjoys sleeping in boxes on the counter and greeting customers when they come to the register to pay for their purchases.

"He's got the behavior of a dog more than a cat," Grell says. "He just lies there on the counter and loves to be petted. People often come up to the counter and think he's a ceramic animal, then he moves and they jump about 10 feet when they realize he's alive."

Tomasina is more reclusive, prefering to relax in secluded spots or curl up on an empty flower pot, though occasionally she will follow customers as they browse among the plants and trees. On sunny days, however, both cats are hard to find. They go prowling around or hunting for mice and other beasties in the woody area that borders the six-acre nursery on one side.

"Both cats are good mousers," Grell says. "They do a job here."

Diane Hess keeps not one, but four cats at the Executive Service Center on San Pedro: Lucky and Sebastian, who come and go with Ms. Hess, and Tiger and Licorice, who stay at the shop. She sometimes has guest shop cats — abandoned or stray cats and kittens she brings in until she finds a home for them.

"I had a man come in to buy a typewriter, and he said the only way he would buy a machine was if we gave him a young cat we had in the store - which we were looking for a home for, so that turned out real well," Ms. Hess says.

Having the cats around has been a boon for Ms. Hess.

"I've made a lot of friends because of it, special friends who are cat people," she says. "I have been able, because of the exposure, to find homes for a lot of little pets."

Tiger, the shop cat at Northridge Liquor Store on Sunset Road, was a foundling. He was fished out of a convenience store dumpster, where he had been left to die when he was little more than a week old. Louie Weiss and Gene Granato, owners of the shop, had to bottle- feed the kitten. He now weighs 20 pounds and is a fixture at the store.

"I'm told he's not like most cats," Weiss says. "He's not fickle. He's not finicky. He's just a good cat."

For older customers who have moved into condos or apartments where they can't keep animals, "he's kind of their pet," Weiss says.

"They come in and bring him toys," he says. "It's kind of nice."

On business cards, Jim and Jewel Cash proclaim their business, J&J's Copy Center, on Fredericksburg Road, the "Home of the Copy Cat."

Named by customers, Copy Cat, a Maine coon cat, was no bigger than a tea cup when Jim and Jewel found the mewling kitten abandoned in their parking lot.

Now 8 months old, the cat is a favorite of customers.

And, Jewel says, "She's good for us, too. You get stressed, just go play with the cat. Then the stress is gone, and I go back to what I was doing."

Nearby, Half-Price Books on Fredericksburg Road has a pair of shop cats, brothers Sebastian and Longfellow. Both are large white manx cats with serene green eyes.

Sebastian, who was born with a long tail, unlike his litter mate, likes to sprawl by the register or claim boxes patrons bring when they come to sell books.

"As we empty out a box, he sits there and waits patiently until we've emptied it out, and he jumps in," says manager Irene Obregon. "Sometimes people who don't need their boxes back say, 'I'll let him keep the box because he looks so comfortable.' Little do they know that he's done this five times already that day, and he's got five boxes sitting there."

Unlike Sebastian, Longfellow doesn't like to socialize as much. When Ms. Obregon is at the store, however, he insists on climbing on her shoulder at least once a day.

"Most people love them," says Ms. Obregon. "In fact, a lot of people come in and say, 'Well, I just came in to say hello to the cats,' and they buy a book or two and then leave. Or, if they don't see them, they go, 'I hope you didn't give away the cats. If you do, I'll never come back.' So, we have to promise them that they're still here."

Retha Oliver, owner of the Cheshire Cat, a gift, card and book shop in the King William District, has both a shop cat, Honeyboy, and a shop dog, Sweet Pea.

"They contribute to (the shop) seeming home-like," Ms. Oliver says. "It's a sense of it being relaxed and unhurried and comfortable."

Honeyboy, an orange and white tabby that mirrors the grinning cat on the store's logo, is a successor to Antonio, Oliver's previous shop cat who was hit by a car on the way back from a chicken fajita breakfast across the street at Rosario's Restaurant.

Antonio, also an orange and white tabby, was a neighborhood favorite. After he died in late October, Oliver made an altar for the cat for Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead), the Mexican holiday for honoring deceased loved ones. Antonio's fans brought flowers and cat treats in tribute.

Honeyboy has some big paws to fill, Oliver says, but so far the tom is doing well. A stray recently given to Oliver by friends, Honeyboy immediately took to the shop and all the attention he gets from customers.

"There are certain things that make a store cat a store cat," Oliver says. "They need to have a very mellow disposition. They need to be completely relaxed and at peace with the world, and they need to be friendly to all customers."

A shop cat should seem "like everybody's pet," she adds.

Government says company reluctant to recall car seats

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chiefs of two federal safety agencies complained Thursday that a major child seat maker was reluctant to recall 800,000 of its popular combination infant carrier-car seats.

Ann Brown, chairman of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, said most recalls go smoothly, but with Evenflo Co., "we felt like we've been dragging them every step of the way."

The recall is of the Evenflo On My Way child seat and carrier, model numbers 207 and 492, built over a year and a half ending in July 1997. The 492 model includes a stroller.

When the seat is used outside the car as an infant carrier, the plastic locking mechanism on the carrier's handle can suddenly slip. That can cause the seats to flip forward and toss babies on the ground, some face down, officials said.

Ms. Brown described the talks with the manufacturer as "extremely difficult," as Dr. Ricardo Martinez, the head of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, nodded in agreement at a news conference.

Evenflo, based in Piqua, Ohio, agreed to the recall after being confronted with evidence of the faulty locking mechanism from the agencies' joint investigation. But for months, company officials "seemed to insist it was the customer's fault," said Ms. Brown. "This was not the customer's fault but a defect in the product."

Ms. Browns' remarks provided a rare look inside the often contentious recall process in which agencies prefer to persuade manufacturers to voluntarily recall a faulty product to avoid a costly court battle.

Last fall, agency and company representatives met to discuss a recall, but Evenflo officials offered to fix only about 150,000 seats from a four-month production period. The government performed additional tests on the seats to convince Evenflo executives to recall four times as many — all the On My Way seats made from Dec. 15, 1995, to July 27, 1997.

Evenflo spokesman Bob Potter issued the following statement on the recall process, declining further comment: "Evenflo worked closely with both the NHTSA and the CPSC to identify and resolve this issue. A considerable amount of research and testing was done by all three parties and all of that testing was freely shared."

In documents filed with the government, company officials had contended that consumers were applying more than 50 pounds of stress on the handle and "utilizing the product in an abnormal manner." The infants pitched out all weighed less than 20 pounds.

There were 176 reports the carrying handle latch unexpectedly released, and 89 injuries ranging from fractured skulls and concussions to bruises, according to the government records.

The free repair kit, provided by the company, contains a stronger plastic locking mechanism that can be easily installed by infant-seat owners, federal regulators said.

The locking mechanism was redesigned in July 1997 to strengthen it. A stronger locking mechanism also was used on the infant seats made before to the recall period, Martinez said.

Evenflo and a rival company, Century, make most of the child seats sold in the United States.

DNA results 'unreliable,' some say

CLEVELAND (AP) — Prosecutors refused to reopen the 44-year-old investigation into the killing of Dr. Sam Sheppard's wife, calling new DNA tests presented by his defenders "unreliable."

County prosecutor Stephanie Tubbs Jones said Thursday she had not seen the test results, which a lawyer for Sheppard's son released earlier in the day.

But prosecutors said the crime scene was trampled, and Ms. Jones said the tests were run on contaminated samples that would be useless in court.

She also accused Terry Gilbert, a lawyer for the doctor's only son, Sam Reese Sheppard, of trying to influence the Ohio Supreme Court as it prepares to rule in the case that inspired the TV series and movie "The Fugitive."

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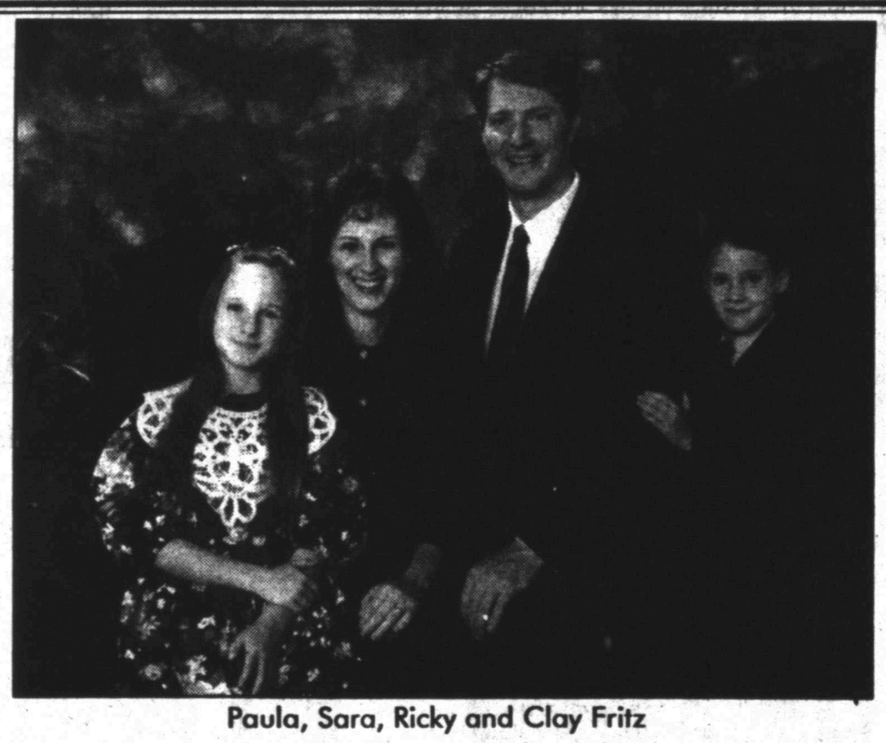
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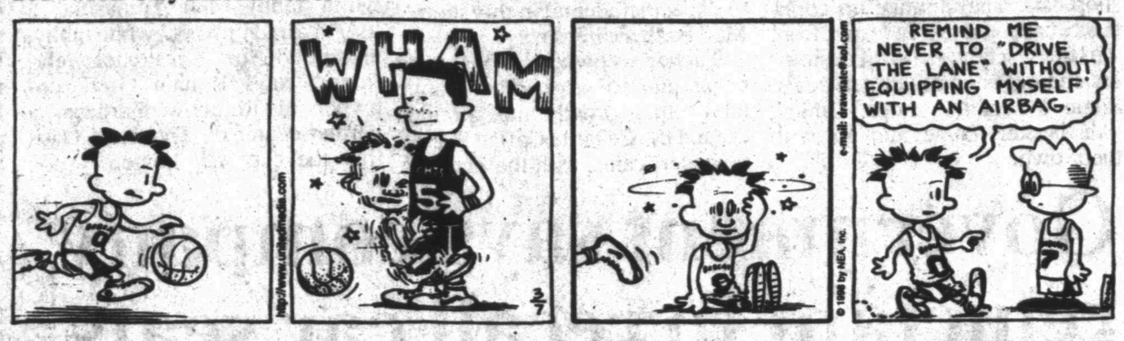
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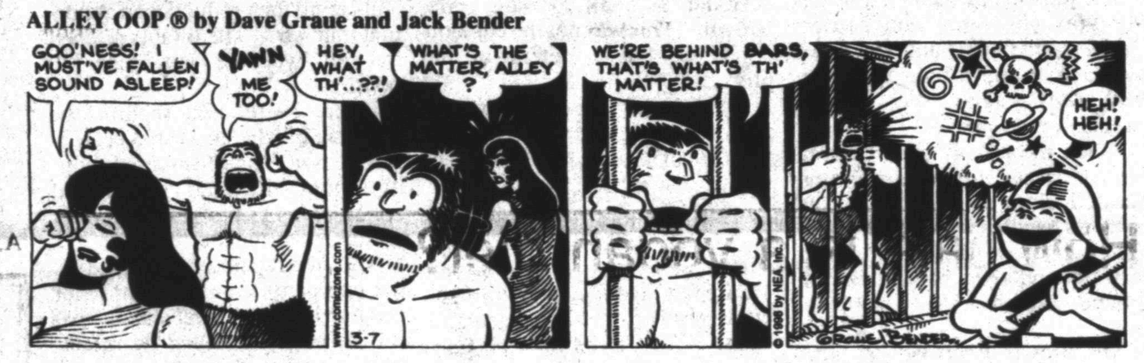


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15 Biblical mountain
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18 Bali —
20 Pub brew
21 Rubber-making substance
25 Musical instrument (trademark)
28 Having wings
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33 — down (softened)
34 Something worthless
35 Overturn
36 — with (supported)
37 Clerical cap
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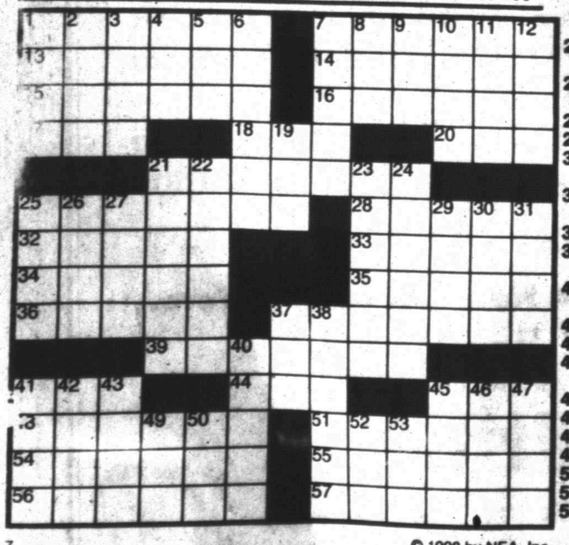
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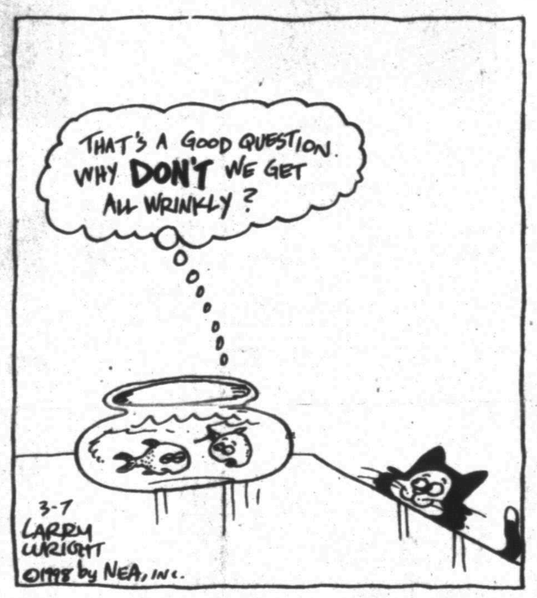
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Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Basin Testers of Big Spring Inc., 1997 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

The Pointer Family Trust, 1998 Cadillac from Big Country Autoland.

Ralph Eades, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Lonny and Beverly Coots, 1998 Ford Mustang from Roswell Ford-Lincoln-Mercury.

Janie Leary, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Robert O'Daniel, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Mike Brejjer Inc., 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Jasper A. and Leonor R. Vela, 1998 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

James F. Jr. and James F. Mathews Sr., 1998 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Mesquite Oil Tools and Jerry D. Pechacek, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Jimmy Kiker, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

E.D. Walton Construction Co., 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Associates Leasing Inc., 1998 Ford Explorer from Jordan Ford Associates.

Reg and JoAnne Hyer, 1998 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Melvin J. and Debbie Hightower, 1998 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Leonard Groves, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Joe and Joyce Groves, 1997 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Lea and Johnny L. Hair, 1998 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Dean and Mary Jimm Floyd, 1998 Chevrolet van from Big Country Autoland.

Jessie and Barbara Martinez, 1998 Dodge van from Snyder Chrysler.

Bobby Horton LJD Ranch, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

E.D. Walton Construction Co., 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Ruben Fidencio Munoz and Susan Ray Salinas, both of Snyder.

Kerry Lynn Dollins and Linda Sue Wilson, both of Snyder.

John Lewis Flores and Brandi Deann Cortez, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

Lana S. Hataway and Emmitt L. Hataway vs. Margo Grant and D.M. Cogdell Hospital, order of non-suit for D.M. Cogdell Hospital.

In the marriage of Karol Lynn Brewer and Ricky Dale Brewer, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Shelia Denice Davis and Richard Earl Davis, divorce granted.

Debbie Diane Presley vs. Joe Kavin Presley and John Williamson, garnishee, order of motion for non-suit.

Deed Records

Myron Fenton to Nancy Guerra, all of Lot 3 of Fenton's replat of Lot 3 in Block 2 of the Cody Addition.

Ronald Wayne Gloyd and Marie K. Gloyd to N.C. Smith, the south five feet of Lot 1 and the north 75 feet of Lot 2 in Block 6 of the Replat of the south one-half of Block 7 and all of Blocks 6 and 11 of the Highland Addition.

Lynn Fenton to Jose and Antonia Rodarte, the west 50 feet of the south one-half of Lot 2 in Block 32 of the Blakenship Addition.

Kenneth M. Martin, independent executor of the estate of Patsy Ann Martin, to Kenneth M. Martin, tract one being the west 25 of Lot 2 and the east 25 feet of Lot 3 in Block 2 of the West Side Heights Addition; tract two being a 5.25-acre tract in the northeast one-half of the northeast one-quarter of Section 135, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Margaret Mozell Hall, independent executrix of the estate of Arvel Hall, all the south 20 feet of Lot 12 and all of Lot 13 in Block 4 of the Scott and Browning Addition.

Rose Laverne Chandler, independent executrix of the estate of Ora Willis Chandler, to Rose Laverne Chandler, Lots 2 and 3 and the west 50 feet of Lots 1 and 4 in Block 36 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Eileene Reese Martin to Samuel Barber Martin Jr., trustee of the Eileene Reese Martin Family Trust, tract one being 2.18 acres out of Section 576, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract two being 650.96 in Section 602, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract three being 80 acres out of the northwest one-quarter of Section 663, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract four being 640 acres in Section 601, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract five being 80 acres out of the northwest one-quarter of Section 603, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract six being 160 acres out of the south one-half of Section 664, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract seven being five acres out of the northeast corner of Section 576, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract eight being 640 acres in Section 665, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract nine being 640 acres in Section 575, Block 97, H&TC survey; tract 10 being 95.6 acres in the northwest part of the northwest one-quarter of Section 574, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Troy T. and Mary Lou Scott to the Troy T. and Mary Lou Scott Revocable Living Trust, all the east 50 feet of the west 100 feet of Lot 4 in Block 22 of the Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Lanell Crank and Linda Bowen to Dan Massaro, all of Lot 21, H.E. Murray Subdivision of Blocks 39 and 42, Grayum and Nelson Heights Addition.

Jimmy L. Wilson to Debra Leigh Dennis, the east 6.2186 acres of Lot 73, Round Top Acres Subdivision of Sections 185 and 186 in Block 3, H&GN survey.

Pete J. Nachlinger to Elwanda Stewart Nachlinger, tract one being 10 acres out of Tract 50, Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision of the Grimes Ranch Lands in Section 38, Kirkland and Fields survey; tract two being 4.32 acres in Tract 50 of the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision of the Grimes Ranch Lands in Section 38, Kirkland and Fields survey.

Oscar and Mary Garcia to Paul A. and Gina Jones, parts of the north one-half of Lot 2, Block 5, Original Town of Snyder.

Wilma Lee Anderson to Lana Hataway, the west one-half of the southeast one-quarter of Section 56, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Steven and Kimberly Ann Krueger to Robert E. and Tina D. Roland, tract one being five acres in Section 91, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being five acres in Section 91, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Joseph E. and Norma Ruth Wirsching to Joseph John Wirsching, tract one being the north 191.5 acres out of the east 383 acres of Survey 100, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being the west 160 acres out of the east 191 acres of the south one-half of Survey 100, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract three being the north 120 acres of the west 240 acres of Survey 77, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Margie Shelton to Charlotte Strauwald, all of the east 90 feet of the south one-half of Lot 4 in Block 55 of the Original Town of Snyder.

M.H. and Verna Lee Roe to Dewey and Laurie Grinslade, a tract in Section 181, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Jann Kyle Jones to the Veterans Land Board of Texas, 27.229 acres in the southeast one-quarter of Section 156, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Alfred E. and Peggy Vernon to Betty Campbell and Belinda Pittman, a tract in the northwest one-quarter of Section 181, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Official says campus crime not covered up

WASHINGTON (AP) — A representative for the nation's colleges and universities says schools do not try to play down the extent of crime on their campuses by drawing their borders around trouble spots.

Stanley O. Ikenberry, president of the American Council on Education, said colleges and universities across the nation know that publicizing criminal incidents can help reduce campus crimes by heightening awareness.

"I disagree with those who suggest that colleges cover up crime," Ikenberry said Thursday during a congressional hearing on the issue. "College and university presidents are very much aware of the need to address campus crime."

Sen. Arlen Specter, R-Pa., complained that the Department of Education lets colleges get away with underreporting criminal incidents by not counting attacks on public sidewalks and streets that run through urban campuses.

Nutrition By Ed Blonz, PH.D.

How safe is a vegan diet?

By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I read an article of yours on vegetarian diets. You were responding to a woman who was concerned about her vegetarian daughter. You told her, among other things, where to get a vegetarian pyramid. My son has turned vegan. I would like to know whether there is a similar pyramid for a vegan diet, because I know there can be deficiencies in calcium and vitamin B-12 if one doesn't eat correctly.

I am also concerned about the effect such a diet would have on the reproductive system. When my son has children, will they be born with food allergies or other problems? Has any research been done in this area to ease the minds of concerned mothers? — R.D., Belle Mead, N.J.

DEAR R.D.: Good food choices and nutritional adequacy are a must, regardless of whether there is dairy or meat on the plate. If your son is selecting the right foods, there should be little concern about the functioning of his reproductive system. A diet centered on vegetables, fruits, legumes and whole grains can provide a complement of the essential nutrients. After all, aren't these the very same foods we are encouraging people to eat more of?

Your concern about food allergies is also misplaced. There is no evidence that vegetarians, or their children, experience a higher incidence of food allergies. Good nutrition is the key, so your son should understand what he is doing. Being a healthy vegetarian requires planning and knowledge about which foods to eat. There are plenty of informative books on the subject and there are several resources online. If your son has access to the Internet, have him visit the Vegetarian Pages, at http://www.veg.org/veg/.

Now let's take a look at the individual nutrients you cite. For calcium, there are plenty of foods besides dairy that contain this mineral. It is found in green leafy vegetables, broccoli, dried fruits, legumes and nuts. Other options include calcium-fortified foods, such as cereal or orange juice.

Vitamin B-12, needed for red blood cells and nerve tissue, is only found in bacteria and animal foods. Vegetarians should use specially fermented soy products, such as tempeh or miso, as a dietary source. The alternative is to rely on foods fortified with vitamin B-12 or a food supplement.

One you missed that isn't widely available in vegetarian cuisine is vitamin D, which is needed for calcium absorption and bone formation. Besides food sources such as fish and vitamin D-fortified milk products, the body produces this nutrient upon exposure to direct sunlight. Again, the alternative is to rely on a fortified food or a food supplement.

Incidentally, I received a number of direct responses from people interested in getting a copy of the vegetarian pyramid — which, by the way, is appropriate for vegans as well as vegetarians who consume dairy products. If you missed out the first time, please send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Oldways Preservation and Exchange Trust, 25 First Street, Cambridge, MA 02141.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: When eating foods with cholesterol, how does one know the percentages of HDL and LDL in a food product? — G.G., Oceanside, Calif.

DEAR G.G.: HDL stands for high-density lipoprotein and LDL refers to low-density lipoprotein — the lipoproteins being the vehicles that carry fat around in our body's water-based blood. The HDL and LDL contents of foods are not of concern since there is little, if any, of these compounds in the foods we eat. Besides, even if there were some, they would lose their unique characteristics when they were taken apart during digestion and absorption.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

Ed Blonz, Ph.D., is the author of the "Your Personal Nutritionist" book series (Signet, 1996).

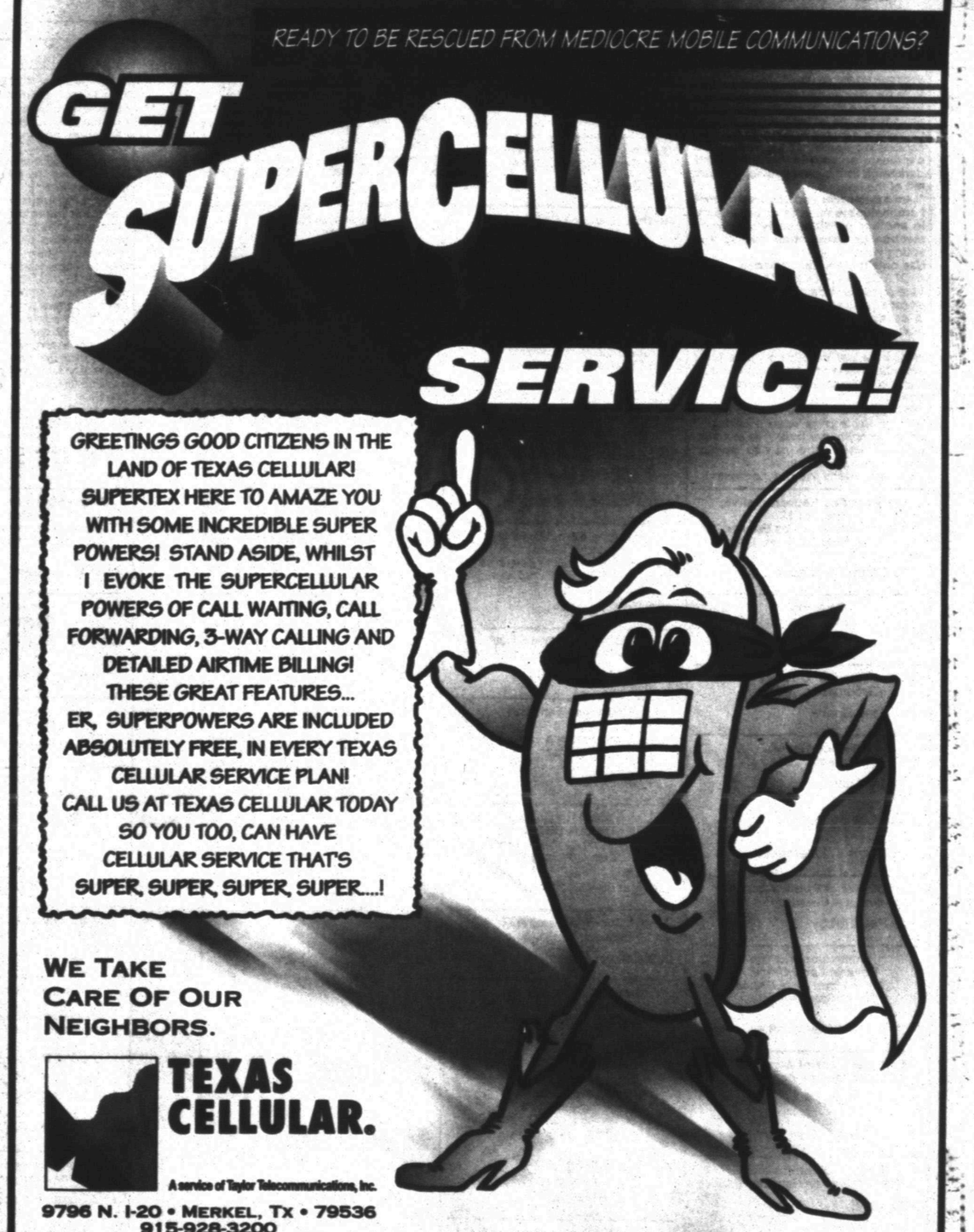
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Whitewater witness got help from friends

By Karen Gullo
Associated Press Writer

HOT SPRINGS, Ark. (AP) — When David Hale was a star Whitewater witness cooperating with prosecutors, he stayed rent-free in a fishing cabin owned by a man hired by a conservative foundation as part of a project to unearth Whitewater information, according to interviews.

Between 1994 and 1996, Hale often used a secluded cabin in Hot Springs owned by Parker Dozhier for day trips and overnight stays. FBI agents frequently accompanied Hale on the trips.

Dozhier also gave Hale, whose testimony in 1996 helped convict President Clinton's former business partners and Arkansas' sitting governor, the use of his car.

During the time he was assisting Hale, Dozhier said he was paid $1,000 a month to supply the conservative American Spectator magazine with information about Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's Whitewater investigation. In all, the Spectator paid Dozhier about $35,000 over three years, he said.

Asked whether he ever talked to Hale about the secret grand jury investigation, Dozhier told The Associated Press: "If we had any discussion, it was about what was in the newspaper that day."

Dozhier and Spectator publisher Terry Eastland said no money was ever given to Hale, who gave extensive interviews to the Spectator in 1994.

The White House has increasingly attacked the Whitewater investigation as emanating from what Hillary Rodham Clinton described as a "vast right-wing conspiracy" to injure the president.

Dozhier, a sportsman and fur-trapping expert who owns a local bait shop, said his assistance to Hale stemmed from a three-decade friendship. Hale started coming to the fishing cabin in early 1994, just as he was emerging as a key prosecution witness against former Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker and James and Susan McDougal, Clinton's Whitewater partners.

"He (Hale) went through a pretty rough time," Dozhier said, describing the extent of his assistance to Hale as negligible. "David wasn't interested in talking about the case and I'm fairly apolitical in that regard."

Dozhier's former live-in friend, Caryn Mann, disputed Dozhier's account and said she saw Hale frequently discussing the Whitewater case with Dozhier and his associates on the Spectator project.

"They discussed things having to do with Starr's Whitewater investigation consistently," Mann said. "Hale came with information and occasionally with documents and they would type up memos and send them to" officials involved with the Spectator project.

Hale declined to be interviewed for this story. His lawyer, David Bowden, said his client received financial support from the government while he was cooperating with prosecutors and he was unaware of any assistance from Dozhier.

A lawyer for Tucker, who was convicted in 1996 of taking part in fraudulent loan transactions with Hale, said news of Dozhier's assistance to Hale and his connections to the American Spectator raise questions about Hale's credibility.

"Had we had this information, it would have been extremely valuable," said George Collins, Tucker's lawyer. "This shows there a political purpose that goes to Hale's credibility."

Hale's cooperation was first secured by former Whitewater prosecutor Robert Fiske. Starr took over the case in August 1994, shortly after Hale's visits to Dozhier began.

Starr's office declined comment. But a lawyer close to his investigation, speaking on condition of anonymity, said prosecutors working with Hale were unaware of Dozhier's ties to the conservative activists. Part of the time Hale stayed with Dozhier he was in protective custody waiting to begin a prison sentence and cooperating with prosecutors.

Fiske did not return a phone call to his office.

Dozhier said his work for the Spectator consisted of clipping local newspaper articles on Whitewater and monitoring local radio and TV stories on the case.

Dozhier was the "eyes and ears" for the Spectator, magazine officials said — hired as part of a four-year, $1.7 million project to unearth information on Whitewater funded by the American Spectator Educational Foundation. The foundation is a tax-exempt group that publishes the magazine.

The foundation received substantial financial assistance — about $1.56 million between 1993 and 1996 — from two foundations controlled by Richard Mellon Scaife, a Pittsburgh philanthropist who has underwritten several anti-Clinton projects such as an investigation into whether former White House lawyer Vincent Foster was murdered.

The Scaife foundations discontinued their support of the Spectator in November 1997.

The checks to Dozhier were written on the account of Virginia lawyer Stephen Boynton, who was paid a half-million dollars to run the Whitewater research project.

Boynton gathered information and provided analyses on a series of complex land and banking transactions in Arkansas that served as fodder for the investigative series, magazine officials said.

They also said the Spectator put up about $200 that allowed Hale to make long distance phone calls to Boynton and others at the magazine while Hale was serving a 20-month sentence for mail fraud and conspiracy. The publication also rented a house from Dozhier for $800 a month in 1994 for its reporters to use when they traveled to Little Rock.

Dozhier estimated Hale, accompanied by two or three FBI agents on detail to Starr's office, mostly visited when Hale had to travel from his new home in Louisiana to Little Rock, about an hour from Hot Springs, to meet with Starr investigators.

The number of times Hale spent the night and what he did while there is in dispute.

Dozhier said Hale stayed overnight at his cabin on a dozen occasions to "relax and watch the river run by." But Mann said Hale's visits were far more frequent, sometimes as often as once a week and lasting several days. Mann said Hale frequently discussed the Whitewater case with Dozhier, Boynton and another friend assisting with the Spectator project, David Henderson, then a director of the American Spectator foundation.

In 1995 Boynton and Henderson began making monthly trips to Hot Springs to meet with Hale, she said. Boynton declined comment. Henderson did not return phone calls.

Mann, a funeral home assistant manager and a 1992 Clinton delegate to the Florida state Democratic convention, said she added Hale's wife to her car insurance policy so the Hales could use one of their cars, a copy of the policy shows. Dozhier confirmed he lent Hale a car during his stays in Arkansas, and that Hale, a former municipal judge, eventually purchased the vehicle for about $1,200.

The McDougals were convicted in 1996 of taking part in fraudulent loan transactions with Hale.

Hale, who ran a loan company, told prosecutors that Clinton and James McDougal urged him to make the illegal loans — a charge the president has strongly denied.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Associated Press reporter James Jefferson in Little Rock contributed to this story.

Appeals court panel to hear complaints

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr is biased against President Clinton and should be investigated himself because of conflicts of interest, a lawyer testified to a panel of three federal judges Friday.

Frank Mandanici, one of Starr's chief critics, wants the panel of the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to rule that a lower court was wrong to dismiss his complaint against Starr.

The government is in trouble because the president is forced to spend time on fighting Starr, Mandanici said in a hearing before the judges held at the University of Arkansas School of Law.

"If they had ... not placed Mr. Starr above the law and given him immunity, perhaps we wouldn't have this crisis that's facing the country," Mandanici said.

If the judges rule in favor of Mandanici, the case could be sent back to the district court with directions to appoint a special counsel to look into Starr.

An attorney for Starr countered that Mandanici has no right to even make his appeal because Starr never has harmed him. LeRoy Jahn, formerly an assistant prosecutor in Starr's office, said only potential defendants should be allowed to question Starr's motives.

"We have not had quiet defendants in the Whitewater prosecution," Mrs. Jahn said. "Susan McDougal on Larry King Live is not the least bit intimidated. We think the defendants would be better suited" to make Mandanici's arguments.

Mandanici, an assistant public defender in New Haven, Conn., claims Starr has a financial and political conflict because he accepted a deanship at the Pepperdine University School of Public Policy. The school received more than $1 million from the Sarah Scaife Foundation, led by one of Clinton's chief detractors, publisher Richard Mellon Scaife.

The connection, Mandanici claims, makes Starr beholden to Scaife and other critics of Clinton.

Sitting on the appeals panel were U.S. circuit judges Theodore McMillian of St. Louis, C. Arlen Beam of Lincoln, Neb., and James B. Loken of Minneapolis.

Mandanici's complaints against Starr date back to September 1994, a month after a three-judge panel appointed Starr to replace Independent Counsel Robert Fiske.

Mandanici also unsuccessfully pursued a conflict of interest complaint against U.S. Circuit Judge David Sentelle, who presided over the three-judge panel in Washington that appointed Starr.

SAMPLE BALLOTS

Democratic and Republican Primaries, March 10, 1998

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(Condado de) SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS — MARCH 10, 1998 — (10 de marzo de 1998)

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- Billy Don Haynes

Proposition No. 1 *(Proposición Núm. 1)*
Do you support a change in law requiring health maintenance organizations (HMO) to offer Texans an option to choose their own doctors? *(¿Apoya usted un cambio en la ley requiriendo organizaciones de mantenimiento de salud (HMO - health maintenance organizations) que ofrescan a los Tejanos la opción de seleccionar sus propios doctores?)*
- Yes *(Si)*
- No *(No)*

Proposition No. 2 *(Proposición Núm. 2)*
Do you support a constitutional amendment prohibiting sales taxes on food and medicine? *(¿Apoya usted una enmienda constitucional que prohibe los impuestos sobre las ventas de alimentos y medicina?)*
- Yes *(Si)*
- No *(No)*

Proposition No. 3 *(Proposición Núm. 3)*
Do you support a plan to better recruit and retain qualified teachers in Texas classrooms and to make computers accessible for education to all students in Texas public schools? *(¿Apoya usted un plan para reclutar y retener con exito los maestros calificados en los salones de clase en el estado de Tejas y para hacer disponible computadoras para la educación de todos los estudiantes en las escuelas publicas de Tejas?)*
- Yes *(Si)*
- No *(No)*

REPUBLICAN PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION
(ELECCION PRIMARIA DEL PARTIDO REPUBLICANO)

(Condado de) SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS — MARCH 10, 1998 — (10 de marzo de 1998)

INSTRUCTION NOTE: Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by darkening in the oval provided to the left of the name of the candidate. You may vote for a write-in candidate by writing in the name of the candidate on the line provided and darkening in the oval provided to the left of the line. "I am a Republican and understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year." Use only the marker provided. *(NOTA DE INSTRUCCION: Vote por el candidato de su preferencia en cada carrera llenando completamente el espacio ovalado a la izquierda del nombre del candidato. Usted podrá votar por insercion escrita escribiendo el nombre del candidato en la linea provista y llenando completamente el espacio ovalado a la izquierda de la línea. "Yo soy Republicano y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la eleccion primana o la convención de algún otro partido politico durante este año electoral." Solamente use el marcador provisto.)*

United States Representative, District 17 *(Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distnto Núm. 17)*
- Rudy Izzard

Governor *(Gobernador)*
- George W. Bush
- R.C. Crawford

Lieutenant Governor *(Gobernador Teniente)*
- Rick Perry

Attorney General *(Procurador General)*
- Tom Pauken
- Barry Williamson
- John Cornyn

Comptroller of Public Accounts *(Contralor de Cuentas Publicas)*
- Carole Keeton Rylander

Commissioner of the General Land Office *(Comisionado de la Oficina General de Terrenos)*
- Jerry Patterson
- Don Loucks
- David Dewhurst

Commissioner of Agriculture *(Comisionado de Agricultura)*
- Susan Combs
- Hamp Hodges

Railroad Commissioner *(Comisionado de Ferrocarriles)*
- Tony Garza
- Steve Stockman

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 1 *(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Num. 1)*
- Craig T. Enoch

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 2 *(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 2)*
- Harriet O'Neill
- Candace G. Tyson

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 3 *(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 3)*
- Greg Abbott

Justice, Supreme Court, Place 4, Unexpired Term *(Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 4, Duración Restante del Cargo)*
- Steve Smith
- Deborah Hankinson

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 1 *(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 1)*
- Mike Keasler
- David A. Schulman
- David Barron
- Lloyd W. Oliver
- Vicki Isaacks

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 2 *(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 2)*
- Forrest Lumpkin
- Murff F. Bledsoe
- Jerry E. Smith
- Jeffrey Brian Keck
- Harvey Hudson
- Cheryl Johnson
- William Harrison Ray
- John C. Moncure

Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3 *(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 3)*
- Lawrence 'Larry' Meyers
- Herb Hancock

Member, State Board of Education, District 14 *(Miembro de la Junta Estatal de Instruccion Pública, Distrito Núm. 14)*
- Richard Watson

State Senator, District 30 *(Senador Estatal, Distrito Núm. 30)*
- Tom Haywood

State Representative, District 70 *(Representante Estatal, Distrito Núm. 70)*
- Scott McLaughlin

Justice, 11th Court of Appeals District *(Juez, Corte de Apelaciones, Distrito Núm. 11)*
- Kollin Shadle
- Robert Pelton
- Terry McCall

County Judge *(Juez del Condado)*
- Ted Crenwelge
- Ricky Fritz

District Clerk *(Secretario del Distrito)*
- Trina Rodgers

County Clerk *(Secretario del Condado)*
- Joan Bunch

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 2 *(Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 2)*
- Roy Idom

County Commissioner, Precinct No. 4 *(Comisionado del Condado, Precinto Núm. 4)*
- Milton S. Adams

Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1 *(Juez de Paz, Precinto Num. 1)*
- Charlie Reynolds

County Chairman *(Presidente del Condado)*
- Drew Bullard
- Write-in Vote Escrito

Wichita Falls woman wins $8 million jackpot

AUSTIN (AP) — Jo Ann Hendricks, 29, of Wichita Falls, won't be washing her dishes in the bathtub any more.

Mrs. Hendricks on Friday claimed an $8 million Lotto Texas jackpot and said some of the money will go to finishing the remodeling of her home.

She and her husband, John, had been doing repairs on their first house when the Feb. 14 lotto drawing occurred.

"We didn't have the kitchen counter tops in place so we couldn't install a dishwasher or a sink. When John installed the bathtub, I used it to wash the dishes," she said.

With 25 annual payments of $320,000 each coming, Mrs. Hendricks said, remodeling will continue and the couple plans to help out her parents.

"The biggest relief I have is that I can pay my parents back for helping us to get the house," she said.

Guam's out-of-control, mildly poisonous brown tree snakes number in the millions and have wiped out nine of 12 native bird species and subspecies on the Pacific island, reports National Geographic.

HONOR ROLL

Central Elementary
Third Grade
A Honor Roll
Cinthia Arellano
Marleah Akins
T.J. Atwell
Jaedi Baze
Monica Benavidez
Brianna Bernal
Hollie Berryhill
Jada Bilano
Brett Bowlin
April Beth Boyd
William Brasher
Kelton Clayton
Dalton Cole
Taylor Courtney
Sarah Covington
Chelsey Drummond
Leslie Eades
Starla Early
Tyler Everett
Clay Fritz
Whitley Fulford
Kaitlyn Greenlee
William Greenwood
Kinsey Guynes
Jordan Lester
Ashley Luecke
Shannon Mangis
Michael Mann
Chase Medina
Claire Morris
Perla Olivia
Wesley Price
Ember Proffitt
Terann Ragland
Cody Reed
Amanda Rivera
Jeremy Rodriquez
Jared Scott
Casey Smith
Corbin Smith
Jordan Stansell
Ross Taylor
Justin Thamez
Ryne Trout
Raymond Valadez
Vivi Weaver
Bryce Westmoreland
Sydney Wright
Third Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Michael Alaniz
Rayna Alaniz
Steven Alaniz
Kriston Alarcon
Casey Arnold
Jamie Arnold
Tasha Ball
Kunal Bhakta
Mayela Borrego
Tylor Courtney
Katie Crenwelge
Monte Crooks
Julie Cruz
Alyssa Davis
Linda De La Cruz
Malcolm Deavers
Andrew Dupree
Nelson Fajardo
Laura Flores
Leslie Floyd
Amanda Ford
Chris Gaddis
Andy Garvin
David Gomez
Nolan Grady
Willy Bob Greene
Desirae Guerra
Priscilla Guerrero
Aaron Guynes
Christina Guzman
Felicia Guzman
Chelsea Hackfeld
Dustin Hall
Victoria Hermosillo
James Hernandez
Ramsey Herrera
Amber Hildreth
Stetson Kincheloe
Kade Kruger
Trevor Kubena
Kaylee Lacik
Stacie Lee
Casey Long
Christina Martinez
Ashlye Matthews
Cassie Mhoon
James Michalski
Kazual Moore
Josh Olivas
Austin Owens
Adrian Padron
Louisa Pena
Matthew Pesina
Greg Pesina
Nicole Presley
Henry Ramos
Kylan Reynolds
La Shekka Richardson
Tara Robertson
Toman Romero
Kyle Sanchez
Matthew Schoolcraft
Ricky Silba
Lindsey Small
Adrian Sosa
Levi Stahl
Courtney Tyrell
Sean Velasquez
Colton West
Syd Wiggins
Beth Witte
Jessic Yanez

East Elementary
Fourth Grade
A Honor Roll
Yulianna Arellano
Chase Ashworth
Kim Bell
Morgan Bilderback
Barrett Bowlin
Dondi Brock
Bryan Clifton
Seth Cooper
Katie Curry
Will Floyd
Kayla Hartzog
Allen Henson
Tyler Hogan
Ashley Hyer
Emily Jones
Whitney Kinney
Tara Kubena
Cale Lancaster
Jana Lewis
Chris Lopez
Austin Lyle
Megan McCormick
Calvin Nobles
Whitney Parks
Ashly Pavlovsky
Garrett Pinson
Clare Pollard
Jeremy Reed
Jeremy Ruiz
Cade Simpson
Tye Stone
Breanna Talavera
Jessica Taylor
Shaela Thompson
Temi Thompson
Ashton Wall
Andrew Welborn
Christi Williams
Dustyn Williams
Leslie Wright
Crystal Zarate
Fourth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Laura Arellano
William Banks
Ashley Barrera
Ozzy Benitez
Bridget Block
Laura Boyd
Austin Brunson
Jessica Calvert
Veronica Castillo
Jason Cave
Wes Chandler
Micah Coffee
Teddi Crenwelge
Elizabeth Dominquez
Gena Dooley
Anthony Duckworth
Abel Estrada
Tyler Ezzell
Stanley Forbes
Danni Garcia
Derek Garcia
Chance Grantham
Tatum Gruben
Salvador Guidos
Kim Henkell
Santino Hermisillo
Rachael Herrera
Rudy Ibarra
Kenetra James
Mark Keller
Kasey Krop
Erica Little
Amelia Lopez
Valerie Lopez
Amber Luecke
Eric Martinez
Nicholas Matinez
Steven Martinez
Sirena Medrano
K.D. Morrell
Krisa Murphrey
Amanda Murray
Amanda Orosco
Danny Ortegon
Samantha Pena
Aeryal Peoples
Merissa Pierson
Tyler Price
Jamie Putnam
Miracle Ramirez
Wendy Reed
Matthew Reigh
Dylan Richards
Jessica Robbins
Kim Rodriquez
Noe Ruiz
Kelli Rushing
LaCresha Schulze
Blake Seale
Dulce Silva
Tina Speedon
Stephen Tippens
Marcus Torrez
Jonathan Vasquez
Christopher Vera
Jay Weaver
Kelsea Wood
Kiki Wofford
Steven Wight
Daniel Yanez
Tyler Zalman
Ofelia Zamora

Northeast Elementary
Fifth Grade
A Honor Roll
Danisha Akins
Dustin Babcock
Tanner Bloom
Adam Booker
Kassey Burney
Nathaniel Clarady
Clint Cooper
Courtney Cox
Jessica Davis
Jarrod Fletcher
Cassie Gordon
Alan Gray
Kayla Guerrero
Jerrica Gutierrez
Erin Hackfeld
Austin Hatfield
Hadley Hirt
Heather Holmes
Lesli Jackson
Patrick Jones
Traci Jordan
Lacey Kincaid
Jolynn Munden
Marisa Munoz
Codi Nichols
Cade Owen
Stephanie Parmer
Blake Robertson
Cole Robertson
Kelsey Shaw
Jodi Stewart
Karen Taylor
Whitney Warner
Kalli Wesson
Logan West
Stacey Williamson
Chelsea Wood
Heather Zajicek
Fifth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Rebecca Aguirre
Amanda Alaniz
Nicky Alvarez
Jacy Beccue
Leeann Benitez
Clinton Blume
Brandon Bragg
Adrian Brooks
Sarah Carpenter
Lico Castillo
Krista Chaidez
Kim Cooper
Max Cormack
Jesus Cosio
Joedy Costilla
Amanda Covington
Nicole Dabney
Josh Derington
Lacee Early
Natasha Evans
Abby Foree
Zack Garcia
Eric Guadarrama
Paul Haines
Jessica Halford
Thomas Hefner
Jonathan Hembree
Aldo Herrera
Jessica Hines
Jason Hook
Brooke Jackson
Paul Jackson
Matthew Kerr
Jeremy Lopez
Logan Martin
Candy McClintock
Meggan Minor
Kelly Moore
Cindy Morin
Matthew Morris
Raul Olvera
Cody Pachacek
Crystal Pena
Tony Pena
Mechelle Renfro
Phil Rice
Brad Richardson
Crystal Rodriguez
Adam Sauceda
Christopher Smauley
Carol Tavarez
Tyler Thompson
Nikki Timora
Eric Torres
Kirisa Torres
Joshlyn Tovar
Brent Tyler
Kevin Valdez
Jose Velasquez
Richard Villarrael
Bryan Welborn
Wyl Wiggins

West Elementary
Sixth Grade
A Honor Roll
Ashlye N. Amox
Shana L. Blackard
Katherine E. Bryant
Leslie E. Burleson
Sarah Crawford
Alexis E. Clawson
Bethany A. Clements
Andra E. Dunham
Julie K. Fitts
Megan R. Fletcher
Molly C. Haire
Kristopher R. Hatley
Gretchen W. Hollis
Ashley J. Jenkins
Hollie L. Lammert
Meagan R. Langham
Emily E. Long
Jed Martin
Ashley Martinez
Molly M. Mason
Sterling E. Millhollon
Nichole D. Ornelas
Sara R. Pavlovsky
Jose L. Perez
Peter G. Perez
Joshua L. Pickerel
Bradley W. Price
Tanner B. Reed
Lee A. Scott
Kati P. Smith
Jessica C. Sollis
Elizabeth R. Stewart
Cami L. Trout
Andrea M. Valadez
Amanda J. Whitson
Stephanie J. Williams
Fahamisha G. Wofford
Sixth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Lucy H. Amarillas
Aleida F. Arellano
Laura Arellano
Tasura Baze
Jameson W. Bearden
Dominique L. Brazel
Mandy M. Burns
William Z. Cain
Marissa K. Chaidez
Katie R. Chandler
Garick Z. Clayton
Mitchell Y. Cole
Whittney N. Criswell
Ashley L. Darnell
Jordan T. Dea
Jordan R. Donelson
Kyle B. Dortch
Kelby A. Drum
Brad L. English
Romana M. Escobedo
Clayton W. Floyd
Acee D. French
Paula R. Fritz
Adrienne M. Garcia
Christy Garcia
Matthew R. Garza
Candice N. Gordon
Hayley G. Grant
Gerrico Greenlee
Blake J. Grimmett
Justin L. Guynes
Katie M. Haggard
Matthew D. Hale
Jennifer A. Halverson
Rankin Hardin
Bryan A. Huddleston
Roberto C. Jaramillo
Trey M. Jenkins
Melissa A. Jerome
Kelsi E. Johnson
Tiffany L. Kubena
Callan N. Lee
Corey M. Longorio
Jacque J. Mandrell
Chad A. Martin
Saturnino Martinez
Nickki R. McKinney
Austin E. McCormack
Diane M. Morin
Barrett K. Munson
Katherine D. Neves
Caleb D. Olibas
Brooke L. Peterson
Destiney R. Proctor
Isaac N. Ramon
Jacob L. Rodriguez
Brandi A. Russell
Roberto J. Sauceda
Holly L. Simmons
Anabelle A. Solis
Whitney L. Stewart
Justin B. Stoker
Turner C. Tatum
Lacie R. Thompson
Sara D. Thornhill
Kendall Tidwell
Michael B. Tyrell
Melissa A. Vasquez
Cody D. Wall
Temeka C. Wells
Joseph P. Ynguanzo

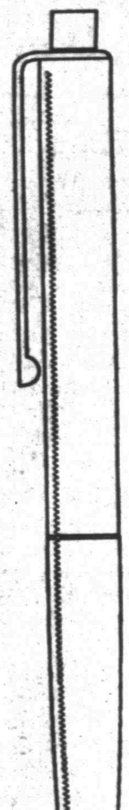
Snyder Jr. High
Seventh Grade
A Honor Roll
Kayla D. Beck
Kara A. Burmley
Brandon C. Carnes
Erin J. Cooley
William T. Cotton
Christian E. Curry
Kellie J. Dodson
Colby T. Driggers
Shelley R. Fisk
Ashlee R. Grantham
Stafford G. Gray
Joshua T. Green
Jason L. Guynes
Laura E. Hager
Amanda L. Hartzog
Sarah T. Jones
Thomas J. Jones
Whitney S. Jones
Jacinda S. Judah
Jacob R. Macias
Veronica M. Maldonado
Kristina D. Mayer
Matt E. McCormick
Natalie N. Perez
Wendy E. Proffitt
Brady D. Reed
Afton R. Schwertner
Zachry R. Starnes
Aaryn B. Stewart
Matthew D. Stokes
Lilli J. Valdez
Kasey J. Wemken
Seventh Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Alexandra J. Alvarez
Ana Y. Arce
Olivia Barrera
Neal T. Beard
Jacquelyn J. Beccue
Johnathan L. Bell
Cameron D. Brown
Daniel J. Brown
Glenn J. Burns
Sara Cantu
Kristin Casas
Rachel N. Cave
Dara D. Chambers
Casandra L. Darlin
William M. Davis
Betsy L. Dominguez
Jesse C. Durham
Erika Y. Estrada
Jeffrey A. Fine
Monica E. Fuentez
Clint R. Gale
Brandon J. Gonzales
Chance Z. Greenwood
Casandra D. Guerrero
Shell M. Hembree
Isaac P. Hernandez
Nikki L. James
Katie C. Kerley
Daniel T. Kerr
Shane K. Kitchens
Joshua K. Knox
Miguel D. Lopez
Cory M. Lyons
Rumaldo Martinez
Joshua R. Mendoza
James A. Mills
Tazmean R. Moorehead
Cindy K. Nachlinger
Oscar R. Oliva
Jacob D. Pechacek
Zipporah D. Peoples
Alberto R. Perez
Tyler G. Pollard
Hailey A. Putnam
Richard C. Reed
Chaelyn F. Robinson
Adam C. Rodgers
Marcel Rodriguez
Trey E. Roland
Isaac J. Sanchez
Sheenette E. Sanchez
Bobby D. Sands
Christopher T. Sorrells
Afton N. Sutter
Jade D. Tagart
Christopher J. Thames
Tara J. Trammell
Tyler W. Trout
Jeffrey W. Turner
Patricia A. Vargas
Isaac Vasquez
Kimberly A. Walker
Clay E. Williams
Jennifer L. Williamson

Snyder Jr. High
Eighth Grade
A Honor Roll
Joanna M. Burk
Bradley T. Bynum
Kasey M. Collier
Cassie A. Cooper
Crystal M. Garcia
Charles R. Gorman
Hayli R. Henderson
Melissa R. Jones
Marci L. Kruger
Jeremee N. Lester
David R. McAnally
Brandon T. McGuire
Sarah E. Pilgrim
Jeffrey D. Proctor
Jaci D. Smith
Mary R. Wesson
Dustin M. Whitson
Anna L. Williams
Jason L. Williams
Kate E. Wright
Eighth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Maritza Aguirre
Amber D. Alexander
Cody R. Beaver
Clifton K. Beights
Alex C. Best
Kallie A. Billingsley
Brandy C. Birkenfeld
Thomas C. Bowen
Robert T. Boyd
Kendall K. Brewster
Lana K. Broadwater
Loryn E. Brown
Christopher M. Burchfield
Tony J. Cagle
Shannon L. Chambers
Lori R. Chester
Stormy B. Clark
Steven C. Crain
Taylor P. Daniell
Jennifer L. Deel
Trace R. Dennis
Erin M. Dunham
Kristen R. Early
Haley B. Elkins
Vanessa J. Freeman
Amber D. Garcia
Stacey L. Garcia
Amanda L. Greenwood
Mark W. Haines
Haley C. Holmes
John T. Hunter
Christy M. Jones
Jackie W. Kincaid
Tyson L. Kubena
Andra B. Lancaster
Nicholas C. Landes
Vanessa Lara
John R. Logan
Bernice S. Macias
Ricky W. Martin
Daisy R. Martinez
Leticia J. Martinez
Stacy L. Martinez
Justin M. McBroom
Zackery C. McCright
Anthony R. McKamie
Christopher L. McLeod
Cole McLeod
Jenny Medrano
Jon A. Medrano
Jeremy D. Miller
Morgan S. Miller
Joseph L. Minefee
Cizun E. Moore
Tyler E. Neves
J. Brooks Nunley
Paul A. Overhulser
Adam B. Owen
Sidney A. Owen
Brodie T. Pierce
Noble W. Pinson
Carcie A. Posey
Jennifer M. Ruiz
Robert L. Sanders
Jay G. Scott
Erica A. Speedon
Bailey M. Stoker
Justin H. Stokes
Tate H. Thompson
Pauline S. Torres
Ambre' D. Trusty
Katie A. Voss
Roger D. Warr
Erika M. Ynguanzo

Hermleigh ISD
Second Grade
A Honor Roll
Benjamin Harrington
Ashley Lloyd
Brett McClure
Second Grade
A-B Honor Roll
J.D. Mireles
Third Grade
A Honor Roll
Michael Barrera
Alicia Culp
K'Leigh Jackson
Megin Kariainen
Third Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Jeffrey Bilbrey
Kelvin Doggett
Steven Hembree
Brittany Kelley
Erissa Sanchez
Cesilie Torres
Fourth Grade
A Honor Roll
Alana Culp
Fourth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Samantha Berry
Crystal Bidges
Johnathon McClure
Danni Webb
Fifth Grade
A Honor Roll
Shae Rinehart
Fifth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
James Coonrod
Justin Kelley
Misty Ritch
Sixth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Courtney Bridges
Toni Jackson
Valerie West
Dustin Williamson
Justin Williamson
Seventh Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Terrel Culp
Clarissa Sauceda
Eighth Grade
A Honor Roll
Sabrina Terry
Eighth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Christina Arelleno
Lacy Doggett
Chasity Perales
Ninth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Billy Lambaren
Tenth Grade
A Honor Roll
Trina Chandler
Joey Garza
Randi Herrington
Jared Higgins

Tenth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Kendra Dacus
Nicholas Free
Crystal Jackson
Brandy Wood
Eleventh Grade
A Honor Roll
Jennifer Roemisch
Twelfth Grade
A Honor Roll
Melissa Brasuel
Larry Lambaren
Ricky Luna
Twelfth Grade
A-B Honor Rolly
Casey Frizzell
Michael Guzman
Jason Hernandez
Ester Martinez
Gilbert Rios
Miranda Terry

Ira ISD
First Grade
A Honor Roll
Austin Calley
Logan Dunn
Ashley Fair
Kati Knauss
Kir Krop
Brandon Ramirez
Seth Sanchez
John Taylor
First Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Gerald Shearer
Second Grade
A Honor Roll
Karen Coonrod
Laura Juarez
Clayton Long
Michael Taylor
Second Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Mark Barnes
Josh Hall
Mandi Todd
Colton Harper
Dena Knauss
Kendyll Pilcher
Jimmie Schooler
Third Grade
A Honor Roll
Aryn Calley
Corbin Clements
Jessica Odom
Third Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Nickelynn Bays
Tyrelle Gilbert
Kelbi Pitner
J.B. Sharp
Brittney Sims
Candice Todd
Kate Wall
Derrick Watson
Fourth Grade
A Honor Roll
Terryn Autry
Brittany Dickerhoff
Fourth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Travis Frey
David Kirk
Fifth Grade
A Honor Roll
Brandon Crane
Colton Long
Fifth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Wesley Kellner
Amber Sanchez
Sixth Grade
A Honor Roll
Chad Everton
Savanna Sharp
Sixth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Franki Briseno
Amanda Calley
Rusty Josey
April Lollar
Jess Wall
Nathan Wilkins
Seventh Grade
A Honor Roll
Michael Allen
Colter Brown
Candae Sanchez
Celeigh Sterling
Seventh Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Kali Clements
Eric Dickerhoff
Tyler Frey
John Gainer
Krystal Loggins
Michelle Nettles
Geoffrey Pinkerton
Eighth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Case Hardy
Meagan Hatley
Lecia Knight
Kendra Krop
Brandy McGinty
Chet Stuart
Cade Tucker
Dani White
Ninth Grade
A Honor Roll
Morgan Clements
Ninth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Tara Allen
Davi Barnes
Cody Kellner
Trey Shirley
Tosha Walker
Tenth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Jerek Brown
Korby Calley
Jenson Gainer
Jamee Goolsby
Katie Howard
Jose Juarez
Eleventh Grade
A-B Honor Roll
E'Lissa Goolsby
Emily Hardy
Lindsy Josey
Terri Robinson
Brook Wilkes
Twelfth Grade
A Honor Roll
Hayley Smith
Twelfth Grade
A-B Honor Roll
Jackie Beck
Billy Keith Box
Olga Cabrera
Jacey Davis



WEST TEXAS STATE BANK
Member FDIC

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

Beef tips on noodles, green beans, golden potatoes, tossed salad, chocolate chip cookie

TUESDAY

Braised pork chop, great Northern beans, mustard greens, macaroni salad, white cake w/strawberries

WEDNESDAY

Chicken spoonbread w/giblet gravy, candied sweet potatoes, savory peas, cucumber/onion salad, pecan pie

THURSDAY

Beef enchiladas, pinto beans, Spanish rice, Mexican salad, sopapillas

FRIDAY

Roast sirloin au jus, scalloped potatoes, Italian green beans, fresh spinach salad, cheese cake w/strawberry topping

Senior Center News

Retired teachers will meet at noon Monday. Their guest speaker will have information about the new Medicare laws. Seniors are invited to join them.

Bridge begins at 9:30 a.m. on Monday and Friday. On Tuesday, 42/88 begins at 10 a.m. Dominoes are played every day, all day.

Social Security agents will be here from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1-2 p.m. on Tuesday.

The Kitchen Band will visit Snyder Oaks at 10 a.m. Wednesday. The Senior Center Advisory Board will meet at 11:30 a.m. and the AARP board meets at 1 p.m.

Also on Wednesday, the AARP tax aide volunteer will be here from 9 a.m. to noon and from 1-3 p.m.

The choir will sing at Snyder Healthcare Center at 10 a.m. Thursday. The recognition banquet for volunteers will begin at 6:30 p.m. There will be no noon meal in the center as the banquet will be the congregate meal for the day.

The home-delivered routes will be delivered at regular time. Seniors interested in attending the banquet need to phone the center by Wednesday. Seniors who need a ride must call 573-4035.

San Angelo records first homicide in nearly 2 years

SAN ANGELO (AP) — The man suspected in this city's first homicide in nearly two years surrendered to police Friday morning.

Joel Cadena Lombrana is charged in the shooting death of Juan Pedro Tapia, 34, in Tapia's front yard Thursday afternoon.

The killing possibly was the result of an ongoing feud "over some girl," police spokeswoman Debbie Davis said Friday.

Lombrana, who is charged with one count of murder, was being questioned by police Friday morning.

Minding Your Own Business



By Don Taylor

Eight years and 258,363 words ago

In 1990, the first Sunday in March was the fourth day of the month. I remember that day well. I woke early and hurried outside to pick up my copy of the Amarillo Sunday News-Globe.

I quickly turned to the second section. Page 21A carried the bold heading "Business." The lead story on that cover page told readers that cellular telephone service would soon expand to cover the Texas Panhandle.

However, on that Sunday eight years ago I didn't even notice the news. My eyes were drawn like a magnet to the upper left hand corner. There it was! The very first "Minding Your Own Business" column.

Time has flown by since that first column appeared. It's been eight quick, rewarding and very enjoyable years. I never dreamed on that first Sunday that the column would lead to more than one and half million readers, two business books and an international speaking career.

Some major changes

Eight years is not long in the annuals of history, but the business world has seen many changes. For example, in 1990 Wal-Mart stores rang up annual sales of nearly $26 billion. In the fiscal year just ended in January, Wal-Mart's sales climbed to more than $118 billion.

To keep this in perspective, Wal-Mart is nearly three times as large as America's number two retailer, Sears ($36 billion) and is three and a half times as large as Kmart ($32 billion).

I believe Wal-Mart can become the world's largest company. They operate more than 98 percent of the 3,400 plus stores in the United States, Canada and Mexico. If they implement a global plan, they can surely pass General Motors, Exxon and Ford.

Wall Street has also seen major changes in the past eight years. In early 1990, the Dow-Jones Industrial Average hovered just over the 2,800 mark. Today, as I write this column (mid-February) the Dow-Jones Average soared to a record close above the 8,300 mark.

We've also seen some major changes in Washington since 1990. In the past eight years, the Democrats have recaptured the White House, and the Republicans gained the majority in the House and Senate.

However, even with all those changes, it's still business as usual in Washington. Congress still hasn't balanced the budget, spending will hit an all time high this year and the administration is still bragging about downsizing the federal government.

According to Congressman Larry Combest (R-Texas) the president's new budget proposes $150 billion in new spending, 39 expanded entitlement programs and taxation at the highest level in America since 1945. I'm afraid the only downsizing is going to be in the area of our pocket books.

Changes at home

Yes, there have been a few changes at my house. I now have a computer in my office, and a 31-year-old Corvette roadster in my garage.

Sue, my lovely bride of nearly 28 years is finishing her doctoral work. Christi, our daughter, turned 21 in February and is attending West Texas A&M University.

The "Up Against the Wal-Marts" book, which I co-authored with Jeanne Archer, made the best seller lists. My newest book, "Solid Gold Success Strategies for Your Business" is also doing well.

God has been awfully good to me as I continue to survive my recent battle with cancer. If He grants me a few more years, I'll add to these totals: Columns to date — 417, words written — 258,363, circulation base — 100 newspapers and magazines and more than one and a half million readers like you. Thank you, my friends for being a part of these past eight years.

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