Cheney, Powell arrive in Persian Gulf

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Allied warplanes attacked Iraqi troop strongholds, bridges and missile launchers today, but the U.S. defense secretary said ground and amphibious assaults are still needed to make Saddam Hussein's soldiers more vulnerable.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrived in the Persian Gulf today to assess the status of the war. Cheney told airmen and women that they are leading "the most successful air campaign in the history of the world."

As the campaign continued, U.S. warplanes knocked out an Iraqi mobile missile launcher and scored possible hits on three others overnight, the military said.

Off the coast of Kuwait, a British Royal Navy helicopter blew up an Iraqi patrol boat with a Sea Skua missile, a pool report said. Iraq's naval fleet is all but out of commission, with most of its vessels either sunk or destroyed.

On land, U.S. Marine gunners fired more than 100 rounds at a suspected Iraqi artillery battery in Kuwait, a pool dispatch said. Iraqi troops did not return fire, and no U.S. casualties were reported, the dispatch said.

It was the first ground action near the northern Saudi border since Monday, when Marines exchanged small arms, 25mm cannon and artillery fire with Iraqi troops in southern Kuwait.

In Baghdad, allied air attacks diminished overnight, but a bridge and a communications center were demolished, an Associated Press reporter said.

The Saudi commander said today that allied forces have taken more than 900 Iraqi prisoners since the war began, and more than 400 Iraqi troops surrendered in the 5½ months before the war.

Lt. Gen. Khalid bin Sultan told reporters the POWs have told of Iraqi "execution battalions" positioned behind the front lines to kill deserters and intimidate those considering fleeing the Iraqi forces.

The British briefer, RAF Group Capt. Niall Irving, told reporters that more Iraqi aircraft flew to Iran in the last 24 hours, raising the total to 147. Including combat losses, about 40 percent of Iraq's air force is now out of commission.

The latest allied actions on land, sea and sky came as strategists debated when and how to wage a ground war against Iraq.

Cheney and Powell arrived at

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home of Bobbie Sharp

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City, county officials eye contract, use of equipment

By MISSY TRULL
SDN Staff Reporter

Snyder City Council and Scurry County Commissioners Court discussed writing a new intragovernmental service contract and the consolidation of city and county equipment during a work session Thursday evening on the campus of Western Texas College.

Sighting the present condition of the economy, Mayor Troy Williamson said a new contract will benefit taxpayers.

"Our taxpayers are all the same," he noted. The recent census revealed that two-thirds of the county's residents live within the city limits.

The city and county currently have an intragovernmental contract which dates back to 1984 in which the county pays the city $100,000 annually.

Commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. said the court felt county parks and Scurry County Coliseum would have to be considered in any new agreement between the two governments

The county maintains the parks and the coliseum facility.

"We feel that it's something that if we didn't have it (the parks and coliseum), the city would have to pick up," explained Gray.

This point may prove to be a sore spot in negotiations, that may otherwise run smoothly between the two governmental bodies.

"We all need to be comfortable with this. If we come out of this separated, then the taxpayers will be worse off than before," said Gray.

Other services provided by the county are jail and sealcoating. Landfill and fire protection are city services extended to county residents.

The city and county jointly provide ambulance service.

Most of the evening's discussion centered around consolidation of equipment using a leasing system. In an earlier work session, members of Snyder City Council reviewed bids for a new water truck and then decided to talk with county officials about using a county truck instead of purchasing the $40,000 vehicle.

City and county officials will exchange equipment inventory lists and review them at a meeting slated for 6:30 p.m. Feb. 28 in the conference room at WTC.

Chamber...

Board to redefine duties of manager

Snyder Chamber of Commerce Executive Board has decided to act collectively as the interim manager of the chamber as it proceeds through the process of finding a new manager to replace Bill Moss.

Moss, who had been executive director of the chamber for the past three years, announced his resignation on Jan. 29 to accept a position with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice school system.

The board's decision, which came in a 1 p.m. called meeting Thursday, means no acting manager will be appointed.

The board is currently in the process of defining a job description for the position, and will eventually name a selection committee for choosing a manager.

The executive board also announced that interested persons may begin submitting resumes at the chamber office. The resumes will not be reviewed, however, until the job description is prepared and an official announcement of the opening for applications is made.

Anyone having suggestions concerning the job description or chamber is invited to submit them to any member of the executive board for consideration.

Members of the executive board are Eddie Williams, Paula Gilbert, Susan Neves, Fran Farmer and Terry Bowden.

Work begins on 37th to protect line

Colorado River Municipal Water District will be placing a concrete protective cap over the main water supply line serving the Snyder municipal treatment plant during the next few weeks, construction which will necessitate periodic closing of various sections of 37th St.

CRMWD is advising Snyder residents that it will be necessary to reroute vehicles at times along sections of 37th west from College Ave. to Crockett Ave.

"CRMWD requests your patience and understanding during this project," a spokesman from the water district said.

An employee of Jack's Roadboring and Pipeline Construction, project contractor, added, "We would like to reassure everyone that any interruption of traffic flow will be kept to a minimum."

The project consists of placing a 42-inch wide, four-inch thick concrete slab over the existing line along 37th St., which brings water from Lake Thomas, by way of a reservoir five miles west of town, to the city.

The slab is being installed to prevent heavy machinery, which will be used in the widening of 37th St., from damaging the 21-inch concrete-reinforced line which serves the city. The line is presently along the north edge of the street but will be under the roadway when the road the 37th St. project is completed.

The widening of 37th St. is expected to begin this summer.

The City of Snyder is currently waiting for property appraisals to come in from Garrett Russel and Associates, of Dallas before filing condemnation on 11 parcels of property along 37th St. Those appraisals were to have reached Snyder by mid-January, but have yet to be received.

The 37th St. project, a center of controversy for over two years, includes widening the street to four lanes of travel with a left turn lane at the intersection of College Ave. The widening will entail an encroachment approaching the intersection at 37th St. and College from four to 11 feet on the south side and almost 15 feet on the north. The encroachments will average between 12 and 13 feet on the north side and between two and three feet on the south side as 37th extends from College Ave. to Austin Ave.

The project is expected to aid the east-west traffic flow, assisting emergency vehicles

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WATER PIPE PROJECT — A crew from Jack's Roadboring was working on 37th St. this morning on the Colorado River Municipal Water District's water pipe project in which a concrete slab will be poured over the city's main water supply line. The project will take approximately two weeks. (SDN Staff Photo)

Guilty pleas entered in 132nd court

Five guilty pleas and a probation revocation were actions taken the past week in Judge Gene Dulaney's 132nd District Court.

On Thursday, Jessie Martinez, 17, pled guilty to the Jan. 26 burglary of Busy Bee Grocery in which an undetermined amount of money was taken. Martinez was sentenced to six years probation and fined $500.

On Wednesday, Kenneth Walter Toby, 53, pled guilty to felony theft and was assessed four years probation and a $500 fine. Toby was charged with the theft of $2,465 in cash and checks from the office of the Kingswood Apartments on 37th St. where Toby served as manager.

The theft was reported to police on Nov. 5, and Toby was arrested and charged in the offense two days later.

On Monday, David Medina Martinez, 34, of 2110 Ave. N, pled guilty to a Nov. 2 charge of sexual assault of a child. He was sentenced to 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

On Jan. 31, Rosalinda Luna Guzman, who had plead guilty in 1987 to forgery, had her probation revoked and was sentenced to three years in the state prison system.

In other action Thursday, two persons entered guilty pleas for felony driving while intoxicated offenses. Each were given three years probation and fined $750.

(see PLEAS, page 10)

Wastewater plant key topic of city council work session

The new wastewater treatment facility dominated discussion during Thursday evening's work session of Snyder City Council at Western Texas College.

The council work session — followed by a meeting with county officials — was a preview to the agenda for Monday's 6:30 p.m. regular meeting of the council at City Hall.

Joe Smith, vice president of the financial consulting firm First Southwest Co. of Abilene, attended the meeting to discuss funding of the city's $4 million wastewater treatment facility.

Smith told council members a resolution would need to be passed requesting financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board under the State Revolving Loan Fund program.

The city presently has two similiar loans for water and sewer lines for the Price Daniel

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The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Most parents are more pleased to have a child look like them than to act like them."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors:

O.G. Nieman, in the Hereford Brand, claims that Deaf Smith County has one of the state's more active senior citizens center.

Nieman was at the center recently and listened to an old guy philosophize about the pros and cons of getting older. The man insisted there were some advantages to getting older.

"Name one," said a doubtful listener.

"You can sing while you brush your teeth."

Stephen Henry, in the Levelland News-Press, said a Hockley County minister told his flock that next week's sermon would be on the subject of lying.

In preparation for the lesson, the minister asked members of the congregation to read the 17th chapter of Mark before the next Sunday.

When Sunday arrived, the minister asked the audience how many people had read the assignment. A goodly number raised their hands. "You're the people I want to speak to since there is no 17th chapter in the Book of Mark."

Larry Crabtree, in the Vernon Daily Record, says no-fault insurance should result in a boom for the legal profession.

"After all, it will still take lawyers to figure out whose no-fault it is."

Ask Us

Q—Are Spring Break dates the same for Western Texas College and Snyder ISD?

A—Almost, but not quite. Spring Break at WTC is March 11-15. For Snyder ISD it is March 12-15. March 11 had originally been the first day of Spring Break for Snyder ISD, but bad weather has forced administrators to use that day as a makeup day. It was designated as a "bad weather day" when the calendar was approved, months ago.

In Brief

Crash claims 5

ZACATECAS, Mexico (AP) — A small private plane crashed in the mountains of this northwestern state, killing four Americans and a Mexican doctor on a medical mission to a remote Huichole Indian village.

Local

July Fourth

The chamber of commerce's Fourth of July committee will meet at 4 p.m. today to discuss preliminary plans for the annual July 4 celebration.

BSP dance

Beta Sigma Phi's annual Valentine Dance will be held at 8 p.m. Saturday at Snyder Country Club.

Tickets are $15 per couple and may be purchased at Classic Interiors or by calling 573-2990 after 5 p.m.

Reception

The public is invited to a reception planned Sunday to welcome Cogdell Memorial Hospital CEO Tim Lancaster to the community.

The event, sponsored by the hospital auxiliary, will be held from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the hospital board room.

Snyder ISD

Snyder ISD board of trustees were to meet at noon today in an emergency board meeting to discuss property and liability insurance.

Lee McNair, business manager, said that the current policy with the Texas Association of School Boards renews Sunday but the school district has received a quote from a local agent and wants to give the board a chance to review it.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Thursday, 66 degrees; low, 32 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Friday, 32 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1991 to date, 1.64 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, fair with a low in the mid 30s. South to southeast wind 5 to 10 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy. High in the upper 60s. South wind 10 to 15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 6:31 p.m.. Sunrise on Saturday, 7:24 a.m. Of 39 days in 1991, the sun has shone 34 days in Snyder.

Census suits filed

AUSTIN (AP) — Top state lawmakers say they need to proceed with the ticklish business of legislative redistricting, despite lawsuits seeking to keep the state from using 1990 census data that may exclude hundreds of thousands of Texans.

Hispanic and civil rights groups filed two lawsuits Thursday seeking to ban use of preliminary population figures that aren't adjusted for minority undercounts. Lawmakers already have begun the once-a-decade process of redrawing boundaries for legislative and congressional districts.

"I think we need to continue on, and start trying to address the redistricting. That is a very complicated and very emotional process that we have to go through," said House Speaker Gib Lewis, D-Fort Worth.

"We're hoping to get adjusted figures, but there's no guarantee that those figures will be coming, so I'd say you're really gambling on something that might not really take place," Lewis said.

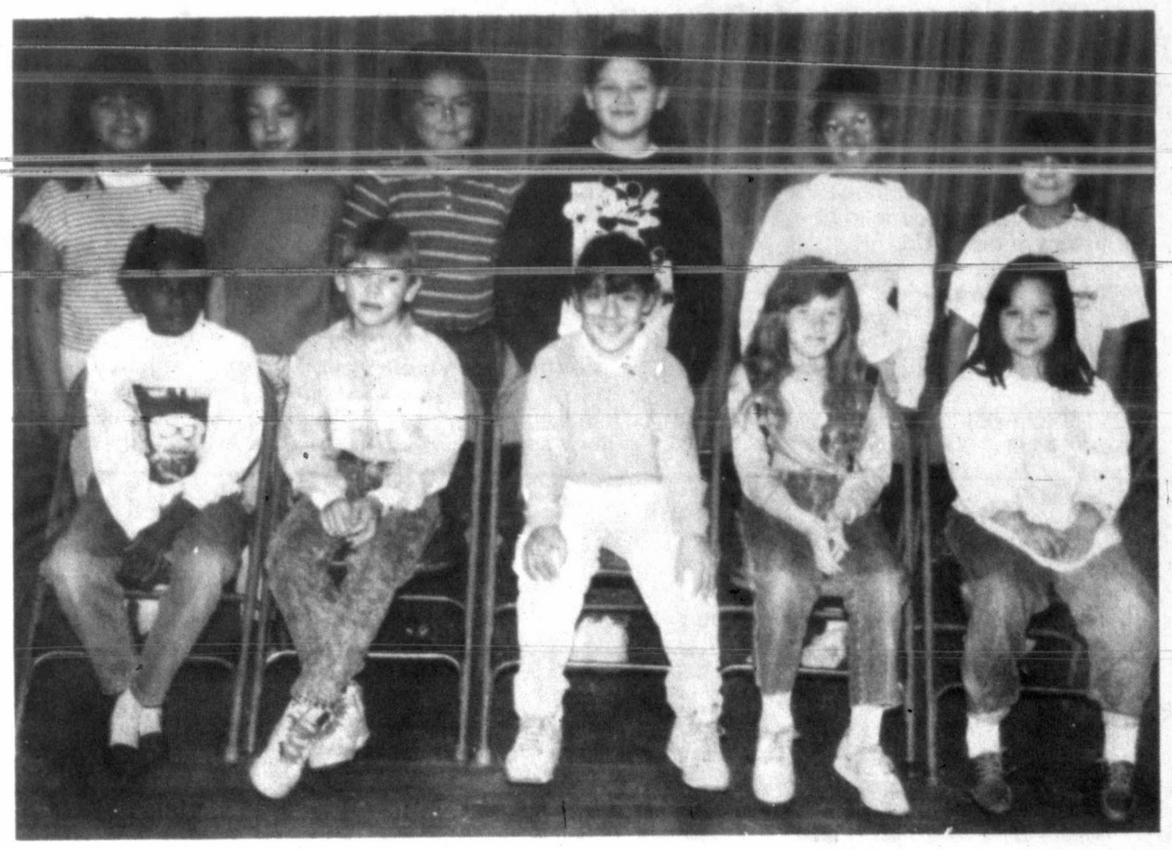
Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said a ruling on the question should be sought from Attorney General Dan Morales.

The Texas Civil Rights Project and Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund filed the lawsuits, seeking an injunction against the release or use of unadjusted census information.

Preliminary census figures have been released, but U.S. Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher will not decide whether to adjust the official data until July 15.

The state Constitution mandates that redistricting be done in the first session after the publication of the census. If publication is determined to mean when the adjusted figures are released, the task could fall to the next regular session in 1993.

The two lawsuits are aimed at forcing the U.S. Commerce Department and the state to add half a million people or more believed overlooked by the census to the data the state uses in redistricting.



HONOR ROLL — These Central fourth graders have been named to the Honor Roll for the fall semester. Those pictured are Dana Durst, Loretta Rios, Joshua Treat, Jessie Alonzo, Melissa Alvarado, Sherri Smith, Kendra Jackson, Cristy Luna and Amanda Rivera. Cynthia Gutierrez was named to the Superior Honor Roll which recognizes students who earn all A's (90 or above) and no Ns for behavior. Students on the honor roll have to earn all As and Bs (80 or above) and no N's for behavior. (SDN Staff Photo)



MORE HONOR ROLL STUDENTS — These Central fifth and sixth graders have been named to the honor roll for the fall semester. Fifth graders are Joe Gonzalez, Valerie Green, Elizabeth Lori Martinez, Mary Jane Martinez, Paul Resendiz, Melissa Torres, James Wesley, Monica Nolan, Dorothy Campos, Lisa Gutierrez, Gabriel Madrid, Cece Valadez and Priscilla Rodriguez. Amanda Bailey was named to the Superior Honor Roll. Honor roll students must earn 80 or above in each subject and have no Ns for behavior. Superior Honor Roll students must make 90 or above in each class and have no Ns in behavior. Sixth graders are Monica Aparicio, Jeremiah Johnson, Frank Martinez, Olivia Martinez, Christopher Rodriguez, J.C. Guzman, Norma Maldonado, Maritza Lopez, Devon Reed and Michelle Silva. (SDN Staff Photo)

Elephants living in a parched area of Namibia may walk as far as 30 miles to find drinkable water, and sometimes go four days between drinks, says National Geographic.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Feb. 9, 1991

Keep an eye peeled in the year ahead for a unique type of opportunity, which might be directed to you from a distant source. Stay in close touch with faraway contacts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might exert excessive effort in the hope of achieving a particular objective today, only to ask yourself later why you went to all the trouble in the first place. Everyone is lucky, but the trick is to concentrate on the right areas where it can be found.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You might be inclined to talk yourself out of a debate too early today. Try to save your most effective arguments for your punch lines.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Conditions over which you have little control could inhibit your productivity today. Don't let things come to a dead halt; try to maneuver around them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you are reluctant to make an important decision today, you could encourage someone who doesn't have your best interest at heart to decide the matter for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You're very good at issuing directives to others today, but you may lack the same consistency in setting the proper example. Action is more impressive than words.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) There are indications that you may have an opportunity to even the score with someone whom you hold a grudge against today. But, you won't take it, even though you're generally not timid in such situations.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Despite the fact that a friend may have unkind things to say about a person you've recently met, it is best to reserve your judgment in this case until you can decide for yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Unless your objectives are clearly defined today, you could steer off course rather easily, spending more time on the insignificant than on the essential.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Financial trends might not be too favorable today, so be extra prudent in matters affecting your monetary position and your material security.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try not to get too emotional today over situations that should be dealt with in a cool, logical fashion. If rage governs your reason, the results could be undesirable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Before you make a binding commitment today, be certain you have studied the matter from every angle and weighed all your alternatives. If you haven't, you might regret it later.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Keep your priorities in order today, or else you might find yourself scrimping to save a few pennies while dollars are slipping through your fingers.

Clergy decry civilian bombing

NEW YORK (AP) — Protestant, Roman Catholic and Orthodox church leaders have expressed outrage at the Iraqi missile attacks on civilian areas of Israel, which is not involved in the Persian Gulf War.

Expressions of sorrow and distress came from Catholic Archbishop John R. Roach of St. Paul-Minneapolis, head of the bishops' international committee, and from the National Council of Churches president, the Rev. Leonid Kishkovsky, and its general secreary, James A. Hamilton.

Erickson picked general secretary of Bible societies

NEW YORK (AP) — The Rev. John D. Erickson, an executive of the American Bible Society, has been chosen as the new general secretary of the United Bible Societies, a world organization made up of Bible societies in 110 countries.

Erickson, an ABS vice president, has been head both of its international relations and promotion divisions. Recommended by the UBS executive committee, he was confirmed in the international post by the UBS general committee.

The societies carry on translation, publishing and distribution of Scriptures around the world. The UBS has headquarters in Reading, England, and Erickson is expected to move there to take over the new position May 1.

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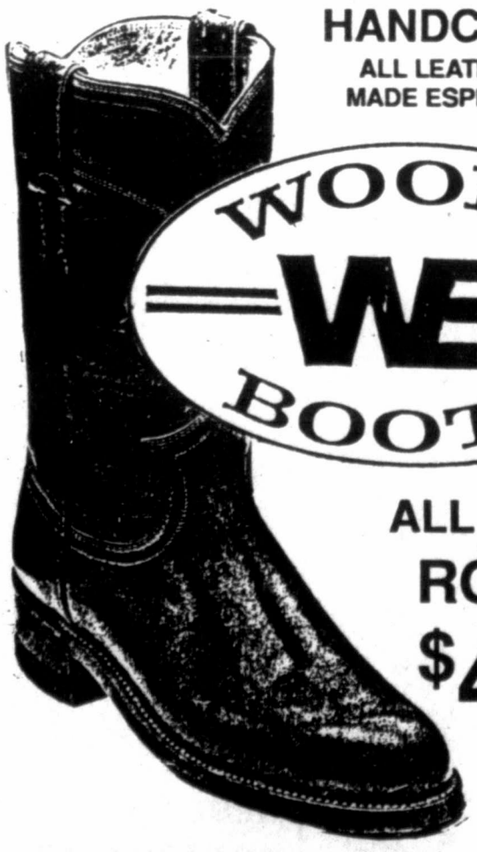
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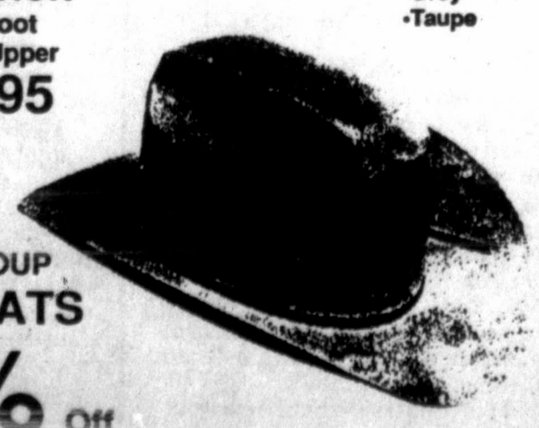
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PERFECT ATTENDANCE (PRE-K-2ND) — These pre-kindergarten through second grade students at Northeast Elementary received perfect attendance recognition for the fall semester. Pre-kindergarten: Angela Maldonado, Joey Scheppler, Matthew Vasquez and Melissa Vasquez. Kindergarten: David Arizmendi, Nikki Fuentez, Rosanne Fuentez, Daniel Gutierrez, Emmanuel Leyva, Cory Lyons, Aaron Maldonado, Billy Joe Pena, Travis Thompson and Jennifer Williamson. First grade: Marcus Barboza, Stefani Beck, Arron-Hud Benitez, Bradley Bynum, Tommy Hull, Vanessa Lara, Jose Leyva, Stacy Martinez and Randy Valadez. Second grade: Bianca Barboza, Sheena Callaway, Eric Carrisalez, Jason Dennis, Ruby Guerrero, Will Henderson, Jennifer Lara, Brandon Leatherwood, Jesse Leyva, Virginia Luna, Melissa Pena, Jessica Ramos, Johnny Ramos, Cheryl Reed, Samantha White and Adam Wood. (SDN Staff Photo)

Nation's only gay financial institution offers credit cards

DALLAS (AP) — The only gay and lesbian financial institution in the country is now offering a credit card to its members to "remind the public of the economic clout the gay and lesbian community really has," its president said.

"It's a matter of dignity and pride," said Dan Wallace, president of the 300-member Dallas Gay Alliance Credit Union, which last month began offering the pink-and-gray MasterCard stamped "Dallas Gay Alliance."

"People have always been more than willing to take our money and sell us all kinds of products and services, then turn right around and degrade us," Wallace said. "This way, they'll learn where their business is coming from, and maybe then we'll earn some respect."

The credit cards offers a 14 percent interest rate and no annual fee. Cardholders may also receive cash advances at the same low interest rate.

The Dallas Gay Alliance, which received a Texas credit union charter in 1988, was granted a MasterCard license after passing a financial audit late last year.

A tape recording at the credit union office tells callers: "This pink-and-gray card is the first openly gay- and lesbian-identified card in the nation. ... This MasterCard will allow us to demonstrate our pride every time we use it ... Use it proudly, use it wisely."

"This will make us less invisible," said Jeffery Campbell, chairman of the credit union. He said the primary focus of the venture was to provide more services for the credit union's members.

"Money and finances is the major way of doing things in this country," Wallace said.

Bridge by James Jacoby

For many years Kai Larsen owned a rubber bridge club in California. Now retired, Kai tells many interesting stories from the past. For example, in today's deal, Larsen created an illusion in the mind of an opponent.

In six spades, Kai got the lead of the jack of diamonds. He drew trumps in one round, and quickly surmised that the slam was easy if East held the heart ace. Kai then tried to determine a way to make the slam even if West held that ace. For that to work, he needed to develop a scenario in which West would think it wrong to capture the king of hearts with his ace.

So Kai cashed dummy's other high diamond and then played A-K of clubs. On the second club he played his queen, suggesting to any alert defender that declarer had started with five spades, two cards in each minor, and therefore four hearts. Next came a heart to his king.

West reasoned that Kai had started with K-Q-10-x of hearts. If so, West did not dare win the heart ace, since he would be endplayed. He would have to lead back into the Q-10 of hearts or play a minor suit, allowing declarer to discard from dummy while ruffing in his hand. So West ducked, hoping to take two heart tricks with his A-J, and Kai made his unmakable slam.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books.

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♥ 8 5 4
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♣ A K

WEST
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EAST
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♦ 8 6 5 3 2
♣ J 4 3

SOUTH
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♥ K 9
♦ Q 7
♣ Q 8 6 5

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♦	Pass	6 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: ♦ J

Community Calendar

FRIDAY

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

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.

Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101, 573-3657 or 573-3956.

Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9410. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting).

SATURDAY

Alateen Step Study Group; 2:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park. For more information, call 573-8929 or 573-5164.

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-8626 or 573-9410.

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

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

Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've been diagnosed as having aortic insufficiency. Is replacement of the aortic valve inevitable? I've been asymptomatic for five years and question the need for treatment.

DEAR READER: The aortic valve is one of the heart's major valves: It controls the flow of blood to most of the body. When the heart beats, the valve opens and blood is ejected into the aorta; when the heart rests between beats, the valve closes and prevents blood from backwashing into the heart. Therefore, a normally functioning aortic valve is necessary for a healthy heart.

In some people, the valve fails to close completely. Called aortic insufficiency or aortic regurgitation, this condition allows a portion of blood to leak back into the heart, where it must be re-pumped out into the circulation. This causes a murmur, an extra heart sound. Such inefficient valve action leads to cardiac overwork because with each beat, the heart is forced to pump an extra amount of blood. With time, this can produce heart enlargement (cardiac hypertrophy) and, eventually, heart failure, as the heart becomes increasingly unable to compensate for the additional, unnecessary work.

Like any affliction, aortic insufficiency can be mild, moderate or severe. It may result from a heart attack (which weakens the valve), infection (which destroys it) or trauma (which injures it). Mild forms do not need treatment — at least initially — unless and until signs of cardiac overwork appear. Severe aortic insufficiency always needs treatment because this mechanical abnormality can, in a short time, lead to irreversible heart failure. Treatment of moderate aortic insufficiency depends on the age and health of the patient, and the doctor's judgment.

The only consistently favorable therapy is valve replacement. This is serious surgery but is literally lifesaving when performed at the proper time, before the cardiac overwork causes permanent heart damage.

Therefore, I cannot say whether you need valve replacement now — or will in the future. The decision depends on many factors, primarily the severity of your disease and the presence (or absence) of a weakened heart.

You can be tested to see if you are a candidate for surgery. A Doppler study (using sound waves to measure cardiac contractions), a cardiogram (to assess heart strain) and an angiogram (an X-ray study to delineate the degree of valve malfunction) will help your doctor decide if you should consider valve replacement.

There is no medical treatment for aortic insufficiency. Physicians frequently use drugs, such as beta-blockers and calcium-channel blockers, to reduce cardiac work in an attempt to postpone surgery or improve cardiac function before the operation. However, the definitive therapy is replacement of the natural, defective valve with a synthetic one.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "An Informed Approach To Surgery." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 with their names and addresses to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Fleer graduates

Jeffrey Fleer, son of Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert E. Fleer, received a BA in agriculture from Texas Tech in December of 1990. He is currently employed by the J. Paul Getty Foundation in Santa Monica.

The easiest way to know if your baby is drinking enough water is to check how many times a day the child wets the diaper. Anywhere from four to eight times a day is normal, say experts at Beech-Nut Nutrition Corp.

Enters guilty plea

DALLAS (AP) — Former Dallas thrift president Edwin T. McBirney III told a federal judge he committed bank fraud and other felonies while leading Sunbelt Savings Association in the mid-1980s.

McBirney pleaded guilty to four federal crimes Thursday and told U.S. District Judge Robert B. Maloney he'd made a plea bargain with prosecutors.

Under the bargain, McBirney will testify against other savings and loan fraud figures. Prosecutors, in return, asked Maloney to limit McBirney's penalty to a maximum prison sentence of 15 years, a $7.5 million restitution payment and $8.5 million settlement of civil claims by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Maloney set sentencing for April 4. McBirney declined comment as he left the courtroom.

McBirney may be called as a witness as early as next month, when former Western Savings Association owner Jarrett E. Woods goes on trial on 37 charges he misapplied funds and falsified records.

The first count to which McBirney pleaded guilty charged that he arranged a fraudulent $30 million reciprocal loan arrangement with Western to finance a Southern California real estate purchase by a Sunbelt subsidiary.

McBirney's Sunbelt was among eight institutions closed by regulators in 1988 and combined into a new Sunbelt Savings FSB.

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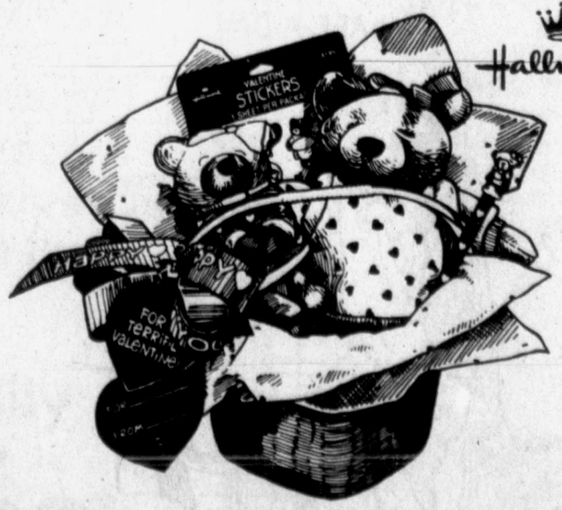
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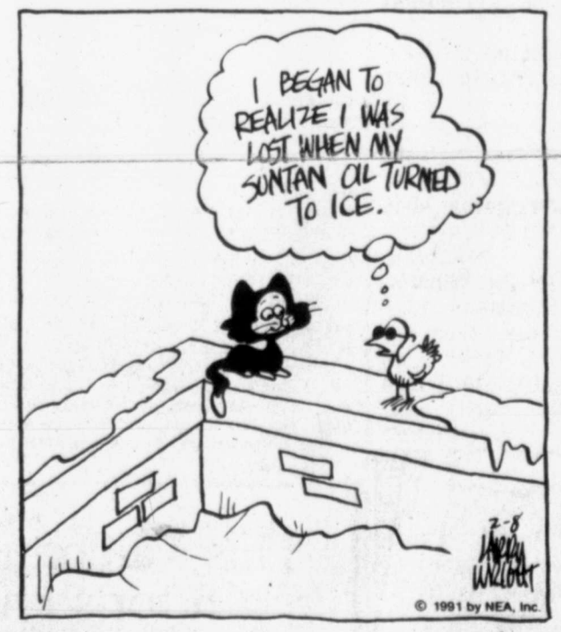
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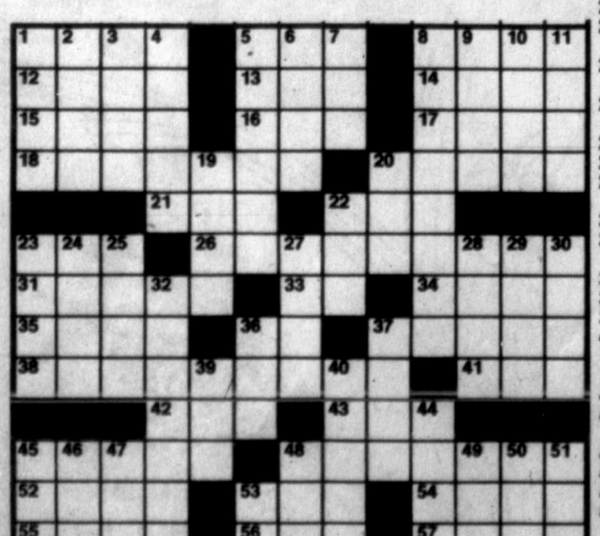
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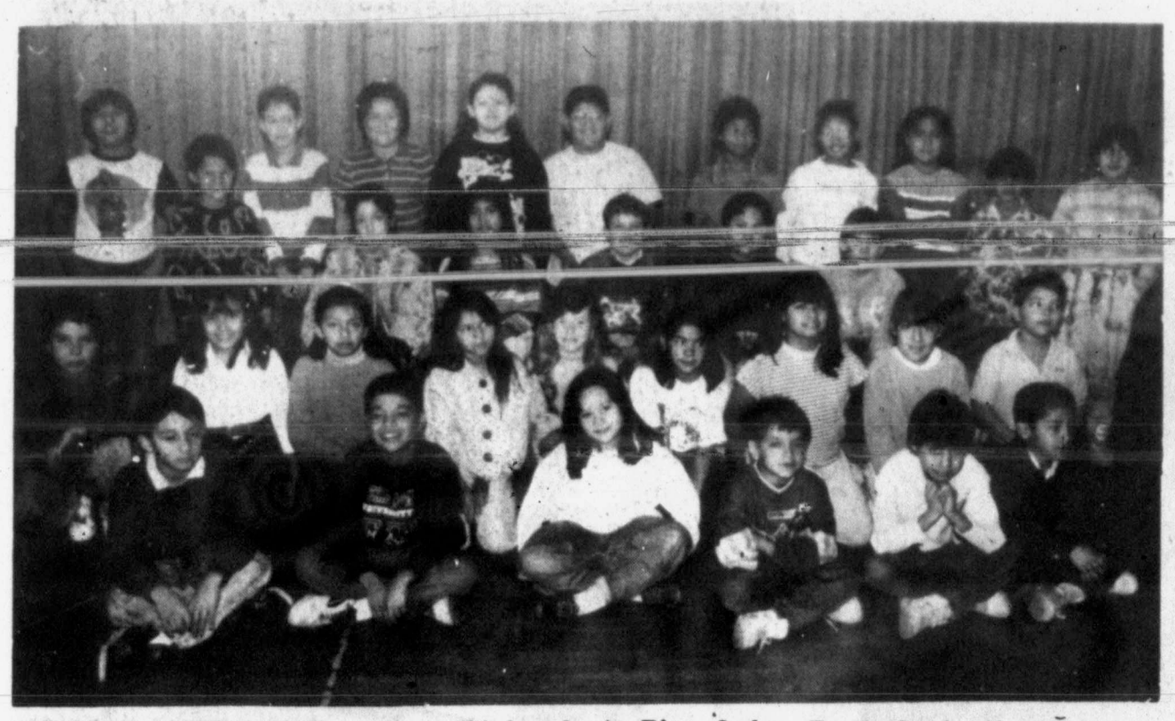


"I don't know what to tell ya, Joey. When they tell a stand-up comedian to sit down, he's in trouble."

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"BUT DON'T YOU WANT TO SEE WHAT I'D DO IF I WAS IN YOUR SHOES?"



PERFECT ATTENDANCE — These third and fourth graders at Central received perfect attendance awards for the fall semester. Third graders are Eva Alonzo, Heidi Anguiano, Vanessa DePaz, Joe Angel Garcia, Solomon Suarez, Leeroy Tavarez, Pete Torres, Melinda Arellano, Michael Baez, Ray Carreon, Merce Lara, and Mike Martinez. Fourth graders are Michael Borrego, Loretta Rios, Joshua Treat, Jessie Alonzo, Melissa Alvarado, Max Arreguin, Griselda Castillon, Jacob Rodriguez, Rose Ruiz, Florinda Olivarez, Maria Barron, Tanya Costillo, Raymond Guzman, B.J. Hernandez, Charles Jones, Cristy Luna, Fernando Nolan, and Elizabeth Guzman. (SDN Staff Photo)



OUTSTANDING — These West students have all received certificates of achievement for physical education for the fall semester. Back row: Halea Hustis, Shawna Huddleston, Kristen Bailey, Melanie Kidd, Mandy Hess, Cas Reneau and Kyle Beck. Third row: David Smith, Chad Carter, Curtis Clay, Daniel Parker, Adam Beck and Brett Gibson. Second row: Jaime Burrow, Bandy Rollins, Lila King, Josh Ward and Trey Gorman. Front row: Cara Best, Lacey Kidd, Tyler Warren, Laura Huddleston, Amy Church and Jared Hester. (SDN Staff Photo)



HERMLEIGH BETA CLUB — Andrea Smith, left, a senior at Hermleigh High School, will be one of two students to represent Texas in the upcoming national BETA convention. Rebecca Ramey, a junior, was runner-up in her bid for state secretary and will serve as the alternate secretary. Hermleigh Betas not pictured are April Blair, Alison Beeks, Chris Lambaren and Melinda Estrada. (SDN Staff Photo)

Hermleigh students earn Beta Club honors

Hermleigh Beta Club members recently returned from the state convention and competitions. Students are not placed in categories according to school size. Students from all schools (A-5A) compete against each other.

Andrea Smith, senior, will be one of two students from the state to represent Texas in the orators competition at the national convention.

Rebecca Ramey, junior, was first runner-up in her bid for state secretary and will serve as the alternate secretary. She defeated candidates from schools much larger than Hermleigh, including East Central in San Antonio.

The Hermleigh Beta Club members plan to attend the National Beta Club Convention in New Orleans in June.

Fagin passes state exam in accounting

Belinda Fagin of Kingwood, daughter of Sammie and Maurice Scott of Snyder, has been notified that she has passed the state examination for certified public accountant.

Mrs. Fagin graduated from Snyder High School in 1980 and received her masters degree in accounting from Texas Tech in 1985.

Her husband, Paul, is a petroleum engineer with Oryx in Houston.

Official says...

Insurance plan is costly

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Making good on a promise by Gov. Ann Richards to provide health insurance for all Texans would likely send the state's insurance industry into turmoil and raise rates across the board, a leading industry official says.

"Insurance is an economic discipline," said Dr. Rogers Coleman, president of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Texas Inc. "If you play games with the rules, you are likely to wind up with the same scenario we have with the savings and loans and banks."

Richards promised during her campaign to provide Medicare to all Texans who fall below the federal poverty line at a price of $400 million.

"I am not saying it can't be done," Coleman said at an insurance luncheon Thursday. "But taking everybody in would change the price and drive up everyone's rates."

Coleman said he agrees with Richards that the insurance business needs cleaning up.

But he disagrees with her attack on the State Board of Insurance.

"Ann Richards is a conscientious lady," Coleman said. "She is as frustrated as everybody else is about the dilemma and a remark like that is made simply to underline her frustration."

In her State of the State address Wednesday, Richards chastised the State Board of Insurance for rubber-stamping unnecessary rate increases.

Richards urged board chairman James Saxton and board member Richard Reynolds to step down.

Coleman said the insurance board can not streamline the industry until it receives more information on the financial solvency of new companies entering the marketplace.

Start-up companies he called "fly-by-nights" are dropping their premiums well below the industry average to attract business, but end up going under because they don't have the capital to survive.

Grand jury is next stop for operators of sweepstakes

HOUSTON (AP) — The operators of a sweepstakes offering to put an American aboard the Soviet space station plan to continue the contest even though they have been charged with violating state gambling laws, their attorney says.

David Mayer, president of Space Travel Services Inc., and James Davidson, the firm's senior vice president, were ordered Thursday to appear before a grand jury later this month. They were arrested Wednesday for alleged violations of Texas gambling laws and their offices were searched by investigators from the Harris County district attorney's office.

The two men made a brief appearance at a probable cause hearing Thursday before State District Judge Michael McSpadden.

"We intend to run a sweepstakes that is legal, just like McDonald's does or Publishers' Clearinghouse does and keep law enforcement happy," said Arch McColl, a Space Travel Services attorney.

McColl said a 900 telephone number, which charged callers $2.99 to enter the contest, had been suspended temporarily. The fee is at the heart of the dispute with the district attorney's office.

"You can enter the Publishers' sweepstakes and you don't have to buy books. You just mail it back in," said Russel Turbeville, chief of the district attorney's consumer fraud division. "It's that $2.99 entry fee. Our position is that if anybody can pay a fee, it's a lottery."

The contest rules provide for entries also to be mailed in at no charge, which McColl contends makes the contest legal in Texas.

"You can run a sweepstakes 'No purchase necessary,'" McColl said. "We have an alternative form. He (Turbeville) is viewing it in a different light and I think we're going to be able to persuade him that we're going to be in compliance with the law."

"We think the loophole is specious," Turbeville said. "A lottery like this couldn't be set up in Las Vegas."

The promotion, unveiled in December and billed as "The Ultimate Adventure," has been under investigation since then by the district attorney's office.

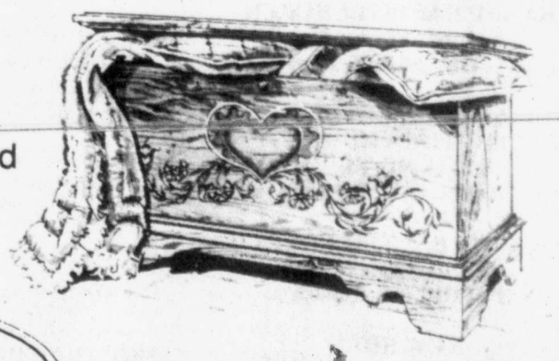
Mayer and Davidson were ordered to appear before a county grand jury Dec. 19, but subpoenas were dismissed after they agreed to cooperate with authorities and they never faced jurors' questions.

McSpadden ordered the pair to return to a grand jury within the next two weeks. A Feb. 21 arraignment date was set if the jury returns an indictment.

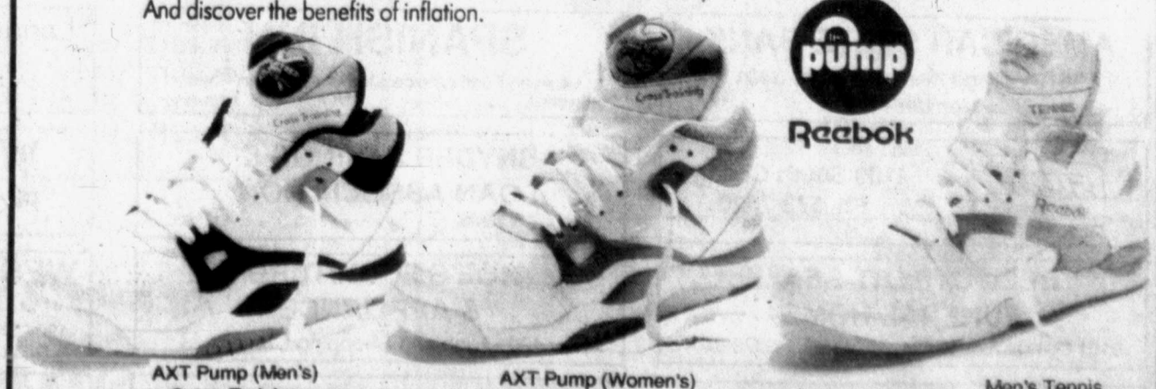
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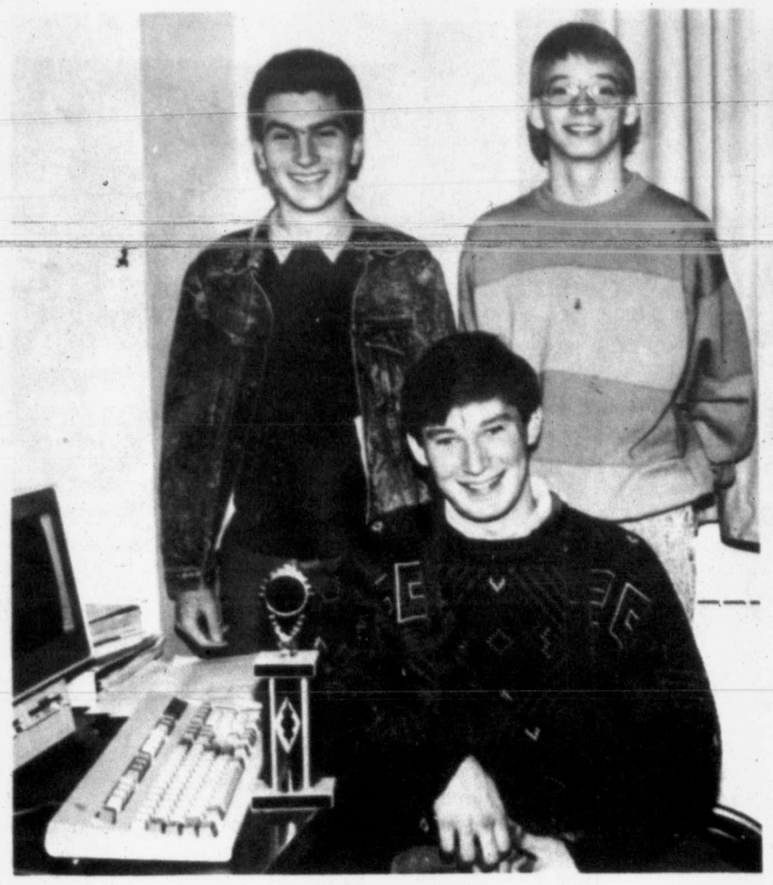
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SECOND PLACE WIN — Ginny Fenton and Andy Rumpff, juniors at Snyder High School, captured second place in the Region 14 Texas Computer Educators Association's competition held recently in Abilene. (SDN Staff Photo)



STATE QUALIFIERS — Pictured left to right are, Chris Gober, David Cozart and Eric West, Snyder High School juniors, who won first place in the Region 14 Texas Computer Educators Association's competition held recently in Abilene. The team will compete in the state contest in Austin. (SDN Staff Photo)



GO-CART WINNER — Nici Hill, daughter of Mike and Sonja Hill of Snyder, was winner of a drawing for a go-cart at Wal-Mart Saturday morning. (SDN Staff Photo)

Christian unity requires mutual recognition of members

CAMBERRA, Australia (AP) — The doctrinal office of the World Council of Churches says Christian unity requires mutual recognition of members and ministries and "Eucharistic fellowship" in celebrating Holy Communion.

Prepared for the council's general assembly here Feb. 7-20, the fresh description of the "unity we seek" says it must be manifested both locally and universally.

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TI, Kobe Plant to use new chip

DALLAS (AP) — Texas Instruments Inc. and a Japanese steelmaker will use 8-inch silicon wafers at a new semiconductor manufacturing plant.

The new wafer fabrications are more efficient than 6-inch wafers that are commonly used to make semiconductors. A Texas Instruments plant in Hiji, Japan, has been developing 8-inch wafer technology for memory devices.

Texas Instruments and Kobe Steel Ltd. will operate the new plant in Nishiwaki, Japan, through the joint venture company they formed last year, KTI Semiconductor Ltd.

The new plant will produce complementary metal oxide semiconductor logic devices, including very large scale integrated circuits and application-specific integrated circuits. The plant will begin production next year.

The KTI venture is part of Texas Instrument's strategy to counter the downturn in semiconductor production by broadening its product mix.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



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DEAR ABBY: The letter from the lady whose older sister had criticized her all her life inspired me to write. I know how she feels. I am 74 and my sister is 86. She's the oldest in the family and I'm the youngest, and she never criticized any of our other siblings the way she criticized me.

After being a widow for eight years, I recently remarried, and when I chose my 4-year-old great-granddaughter for my flower girl, Sis criticized me by saying, "Older couples do not have flower girls at their second wedding."

She also criticized the write-up of my recent wedding in the local newspaper. She said I should not have named all the out-of-town guests, told where they came from and how they were related to the bride or groom — the list was too long and boring.

Abby, I never criticized any of her weddings, and she has been married six times. (Three times before she was 45, and three times after.)

I am enclosing the write-up of my wedding that she criticized. Please give me your honest opinion of it.

SICK OF SISTER'S CRITICISM

DEAR SICK: I think the write-up is lovely. Perhaps your sister isn't aware that it is customary to list all the out-of-town guests, where they came from and their relationship to the bride or groom.

Don't be too hard on your sister, dear. Some older siblings tend to criticize their younger siblings out of habit.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: If you can spare the space in your column, I would like to offer some advice to anyone contemplating marriage or living with someone.

Before you move into the house or apartment, divide *all* of the storage space equitably: that drawer is yours, this drawer is mine; that shelf is yours, this shelf is mine; that closet is yours, this closet is mine, etc. If you don't, you might wake up one day and discover you have been living with a pack rat.

By then it will be too late. Every drawer, every shelf, every closet, space beneath the bed, every nook and cranny will be filled with her or his valued possessions, memorabilia, souvenirs, etc. Mopping, vacuuming and dusting will become a memory.

I learned too late. I've tried pleading, compromising and even threatening to leave. All to no avail. The accumulating goes on and on.

Establish the ground rules at the beginning. It prevents problems later on. Remember, pack rats are not easy to identify. They come in all shapes, sizes, colors and sexes.

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Snyder hosts LHS in last home game

The Snyder Tigers were mathematically eliminated from the District 2-4A basketball race Tuesday with a 71-69 overtime loss to No. 5 Lamesa.

They will try to regroup and stop a 3-game losing streak against the district's second-place team, Levelland, tonight in the Tigers' home finale.

"Levelland plays as good a caliber of defense as you'll see in this district," said coach Bud Birks. "It's no accident they are going to the playoffs. They are a good team."

Levelland, a 50-46 winner over Snyder when the two squads met on the Lobos' home court, boast a 6-2 record in district games, including a 64-60 decision against Estacado Tuesday night.

The Tigers carry a 2-6 mark in loop games into Friday's tilt.

Junior Hayward Clay paced the Tigers with 26 points in their heartbreaking loss to the Golden Tornadoes Tuesday.

The Tigers held a 6-point lead going into the final minutes of regulation but could not score from the free-throw line, allowing Lamesa to tie the score in regulation.

A bank shot at the buzzer by junior Bervane Martinez gave LHS its eighth district win in a row.

Friday's game will be the last appearance at home for Snyder seniors Ed Rios and Carlton Sanders.

Tip-off time at Scurry County Coliseum is 8 p.m.

The Snyder JV will entertain Levelland at 6:30 p.m.

SPC downs Westerners, 100-71

LEVELLAND — Corey Beck, Dwight Stewart and Charles Outlaw combined for 50 points Thursday night as South Plains College slammed WTC's Westerners, 100-71, in Western Junior College Athletic Conference action.

Western Texas standout Dominick Byrd, averaging almost 21 points per game was limited to just four by the stingy SPC defense.

The No. 2 ranked Texans took a commanding 46-20 lead late in the first half before taking off on an 11-0 run, led by Beck's seven points, and led, 61-29, at intermission.

Stanly Cunningham, a 6-7 talent from Ringold, La., paced the Westerners Thursday with 15 points.

Cunningham nailed five buckets from the floor, including one 3-pointer, and was perfect in four attempts from the free-throw line.

Allen Smith and Chris Hill each managed nine for WTC followed by Jeff Shelley and Paul Johnson with eight apiece.

South Plains, now a perfect 25-0 on the season and 10-0 in WJCAC contests, had five players in double figures on the evening.

Stewart led the Texans with his 18 points followed by Outlaw, Beck and David Diaz with 16 and Ulyses Moran with 12.

In other Western Conference matchups Thursday, Midland eased into fourth place in the standings with a 111-95 win over Frank Phillips, New Mexico Military Institute notched a rare victory, 71-69, over Clarendon, and Howard rolled past New Mexico JC, 102-92.

With the loss, WTC's third straight, the Westerners slide to 13-11 on the campaign and 3-8 in league play.

Monday night the Western Texas men play host to NMMI in an 8 p.m. effort to get out of the doldrums.

Howard will tangle with Odessa in a battle of the conference elite Monday along with Midland at Clarendon and South Plains at NMJC.

WESTERN TEXAS — Smith 4 1-2 9; Braziel 1 3-4 5; Landrum 1 0-1 3; Johnson 3 0-0 8; Shelley 2 3-6 8; Richardson 2 0-0 4; Byrd 2 0-0 4; Cunningham 5 4-4 15; Garmon 2 0-0 4; Hill 3 3-4 9; Davis 1 0-1 2; TOTALS 26 14-22 71.

SOUTH PLAINS — Campbell 3 0-0 6; Williams 3 0-0 7; Nash 1 0-0 3; Harrison 1 1-2 3; BEck 5 5-8 16; Diaz 6 2-3 16; Alexander 1 0-0 2; Hightower 0 0-2 0; Outlaw 7 2-3 16; Stewart 8 2-2 18; Moran 3 5-8 12; Medina 0 1-2 1; TOTALS 38 18-30 100.

3-point goals: WTC 5 (Johnson 2, Shelley 1, Cunningham 1, Landrum 1), SPC 6 (Williams 1, Nash 1, Beck 1, Diaz 2, Moran 1). **Total fouls:** WTC 24, SPC 21. **Fouled out:** Garmon Shelley. **Halftime score:** SPC 61, WTC 29. **Records:** WTC 13-11, 3-8; SPC 25-0, 10-0.

WJCAC standings

MEN

Team	Season W	Season L	District W	District L
South Plains	25	0	11	0
Howard	24	1	10	1
Odessa	20	6	7	3
Midland	14	9	6	4
Frank Phillips	13	10,	5	6
NMJC	12	11	4	6
WTC	13	11	3	8
NMMI	8	15	2	9
Clarendon	6	15	1	10

Thursday's games

South Plains 100, WTC 71
Midland 111, Frank Phillips 95
Howard 102, NMJC 92
NMMI 71, Clarendon 69

Monday's games

NMMI at WTC
Midland at Clarendon
South Plains at NMJC
Howard at Odessa

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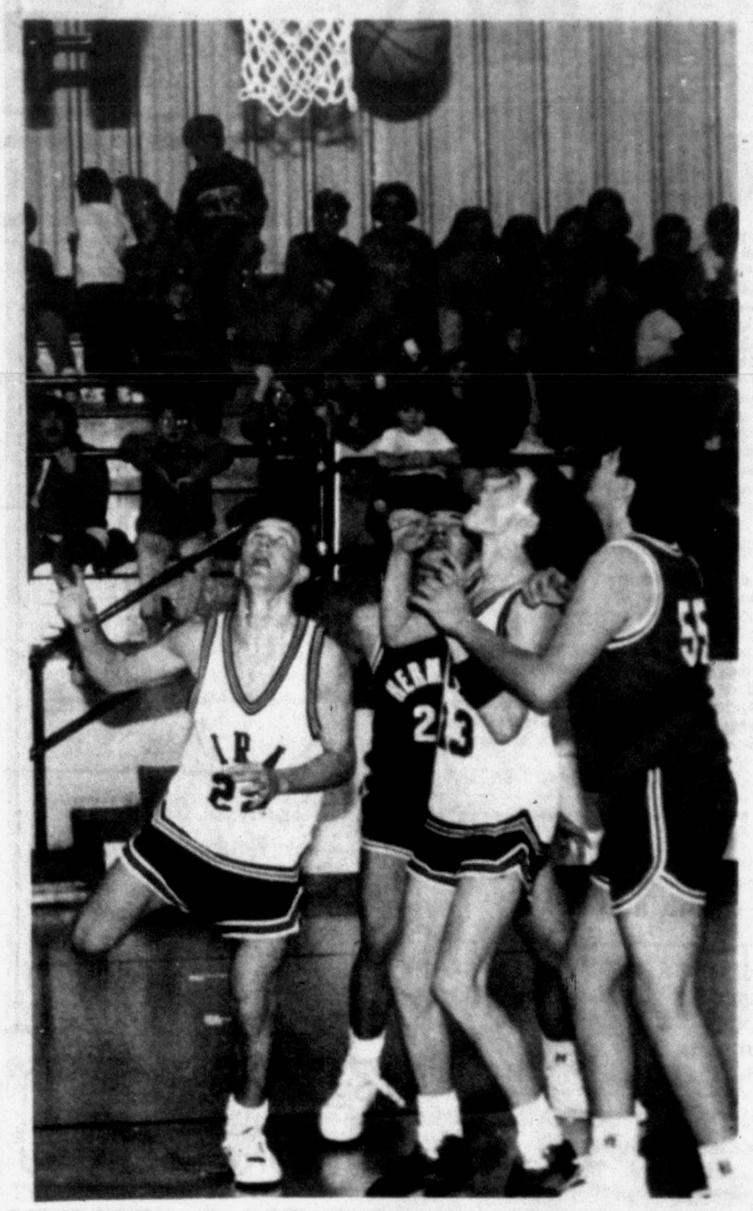
Team	Season W	Season L	District W	District L
South Plains	22	2	8	1
Howard	22	2	8	1
Odessa	21	1	7	1
Frank Phillips	11	5	3	4
NMJC	12	14	2	6
WTC	8	19	1	8
Clarendon	2	13	0	8

Thursday's games

South Plains 69, WTC 53
Howard 79, NMJC 61

Monday's games

South Plains at NMJC
Howard at Odessa



DID IT GO IN? — Ira's Mike Hughes looks up after a running shot to the hoop in Tuesday's 56-48 Bulldog win over Hermleigh. Justin Box, No. 23, looks for the rebound for the 'Dogs. Ira, set to advance to the Class A basketball playoffs, will battle Meadow at 8 p.m. Saturday in Wilson in a practice game. Playoff sites, times and opponents for the Bulldogs have yet to be released. (Howard Bigham Photo)

Dusters fall to South Plains

LEVELLAND — The South Plains College Lady Texans retained a share of first place in the Western Junior Conference Athletic Conference women's division Thursday night with a 69-53 win over Western Texas College.

Sheryl Swoopes knocked down 24 points, including four baskets from behind the 3-point line, Jeree Blakemore added 13 and Rosie Llanas put in 11 on three treys and a deuce for South Plains in the win.

Monica Ramirez put in 17 on five hoops from inside the paint and 7-of-8 from the stripe for the Lady Dusters followed by Jill Forrest with 10.

The one bright spot for the Dusters was free-throw shooting. As a team, WTC nailed 18 of 25 attempts for a success rate of 72 percent.

South Plains took only seven freebies and converted just two.

The Lady Texans, currently 8-1 in conference games, 22-2 overall and ranked second nationally, bolted to a 38-21 halftime lead and held on for the last 20 minutes.

Western Texas falls to 1-8 in WJCAC contests and 8-19 in all games with the loss to South Plains.

In the other league women's tilt last night, Howard dismantled New Mexico Junior College, 79-61, behind Cindy Williams' 24-point performance.

The Dusters will have an open date Monday while the WTC men host New Mexico Military Institute and will try to regroup and stop their 3-game losing streak Thursday, Feb. 14, against NMJC at Scurry County Coliseum.

WESTERN TEXAS — Sutton 1 2-3 5; Hinojos 2 1-2 5; Ramirez 5 7-8 17; Forrest 5 0-0 10; Brown 0 4-6 4; Mendez 0 4-4 4; Jackson 4 0-0 8; TOTALS 17 18-25 53.

SOUTH PLAINS — Llanas 4 0-0 11; Swoopes 10 0-1 24; Blakemore 7 0-0 14; Anderson 1 0-0 2; Benford 3 1-2 7; Brown 3 0-0 6; Bailey 2 1-4 5; TOTALS 30 2-7 69.

3-point goals: WTC 1 (Sutton), SPC 7 (Swoopes 4, Llanas 3). **Total fouls:** WTC 10, SPC 18. **Fouled out:** none. **Halftime score:** SPC 38, WTC 21. **Records:** WTC 8-19, 1-8; SPC 22-2, 8-1.

College slates annual spike tilt for Feb. 12

The fourth annual volleyball match between Snyder community leaders and Western Texas College faculty and staff members is slated for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, in the WTC gym.

The contest is part of WTC's observance of Community College Week.

The match is played in a best two-out-of-three format.

The city leaders' squad includes Dalton Moseley, Donna Fowler, Mark Estes, Charles Church, Bob Lang, Shawn Ragland, Rudy Garza, Jeffrey Martin, Lee McNair, Helen McLeod, Roy McQueen and Bruce Kallemeyn.

Also on the squad are J.B. Tate, Luann Burleson, Jackie Hall, Paula McWilliams, Dennis Chisum, Jackie Skellenger, Pam Murray, Max Von Roeder, Charlie Streetman, Les Woods and Jeana Duke.

Tennis squad begins season

The spring tennis season gets under way today as Snyder's District 2-4A fall championship net squad hosts Colorado City.

Coach Charlie Chrane's Tigers boast a list of eight all-district performers from the fall campaign including, Marcus Best, Kevin McMillan, Jason Warren and Michael Hess on the boys team and Kathy Ogburn, Robin Cave, Christina Gonzales and Leslie Sandoval for the girls.

Snyder breezed through its fall slate of loop tilts, going undefeated in the team-tennis format.

The Abilene Tournament is the Tigers stop next Friday and Saturday followed by trips to the Big Spring tourney Feb. 22-23 and Sweetwater March 1-2.

Snyder will host its own tournament March 8-9.

District 2-4A, including teams from Lamesa, Levelland, Dunbar, Estacado and Frenship, will hold its loop meet in Lubbock April 12-13.

2-4A basketball

Boys

Team	Season W	Season L	District W	District L
Lamesa	24	4	8	0
Levelland	10	17	6	2
Estacado	11	17	4	4
Snyder	16	13	2	6
Dunbar	10	14	2	5
Frenship	10	15	1	6

Tuesday's games

Lamesa 71, Snyder 69 OT
Levelland 64, Estacado 60
Dunbar at Frenship

Friday's games

Snyder at Levelland
Dunbar at Estacado
Frenship at Lamesa

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BLUE RIBBON TUMBLERS — Members of the Tiger Tumbling Team from Snyder recently attended a meet in Abilene. Blue Ribbon winners included back row, from left, Lakrisha Brown, Jace Foreman, Jennifer Mayer, Erica Lee and coach Steve Parker. Front row from left, Todd Wall, Angie Glover and T.J. Jones. Girls in the event competed on the balance beam and the uneven bars and in the vault and floor exercise. Boys events included the vault, floor exercise, rings, pommel horse, parallel bars, horizontal bars and rings. The group's next meet is tentatively scheduled for April in Sweetwater. (Contributed photo)

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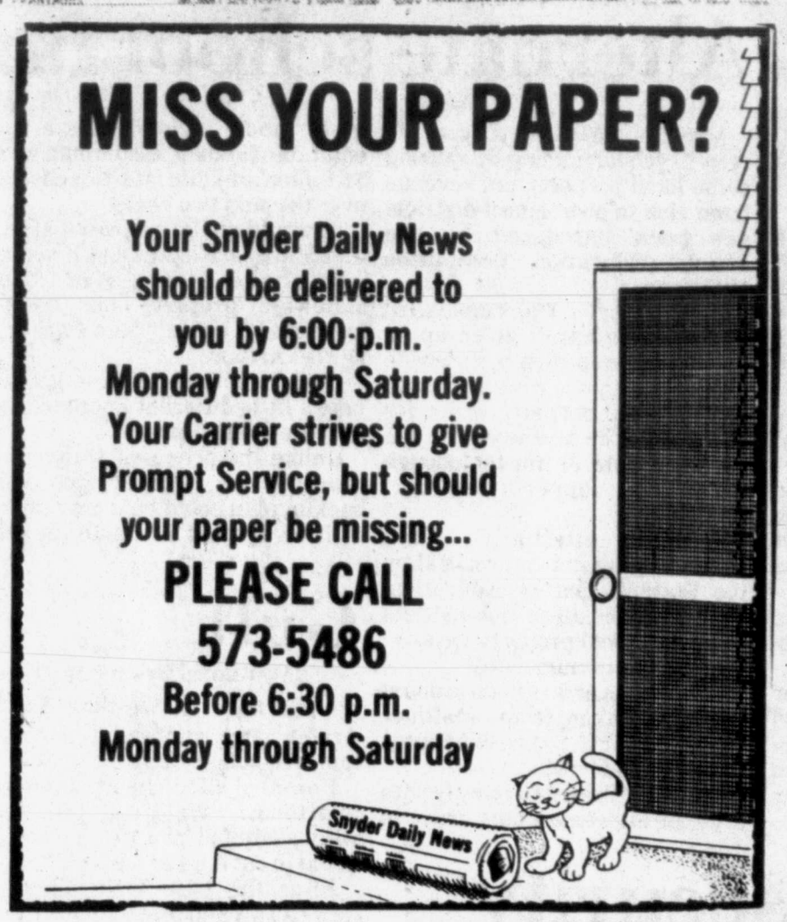
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Firms say new restrictions are hazardous

Texas' sudden moratorium on hazardous waste facilities decried

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas' sudden moratorium on hazardous waste facilities is prompting warnings of dire environmental consequences from industry, but supporters of the ban say the companies are crying wolf.

In response to a call by Gov. Ann Richards, state agencies have halted work on permits for new and expanded commercial sites for disposal and handling of hazardous waste.

"This could result in far more environmental harm than she's seeking to avoid," Jon Fisher, senior vice president of the Texas Chemical Council told the Houston Chronicle.

The move could prompt continued use of "less desirable" disposal technologies, risks from increased storage and transport of waste, and "improper storage in a lot of places," Fisher said.

But environmentalists reject such statements as a tired replay of industry's earlier predictions — which did not come true — that anti-pollution regulations would be burdensome or harmful.

"It sounds a little like hysteria to me," said Ken Kramer, director of the state Sierra Club.

Texas now has existing facilities that offer "enormous capacity" for disposal of hazardous waste, he said.

"Every time a strengthening of hazardous waste regulations is proposed, we hear the cry of 'midnight dumping' and that's simply not the case," Kramer said.

"I've heard industry cry wolf on this exact theme every time some regulation is proposed," said Brigid Shea, Texas program director of Clean Water Action. "I want to hear some American ingenuity" to reduce hazardous waste production.

The dispute now moves to the Legislature, where Richards will seek a law imposing a two-year moratorium on new waste facilities.

It would let lawmakers consider waste-reduction mandates, "which could substantially reduce the need for new disposal facilities," Richards wrote.

Richards said in her letter the state was "moving too quickly to grant permits to facilities that may jeopardize public health and sensitive environments."

During the 1990 campaign, Richards pledged support to opponents of American Envirotech's proposed incinerator near Channelview homes and Hunter Industrial Facilities' proposed waste cavern near Lake Houston, a major drinking water supply.

John Murphy, spokesman for Hunter Industrial Facilities, said it poses "adverse repercussions to the economic vitality of the state."

Texas Water Commission Chairman Buck Wynne echoed that worry Thursday. While the moratorium could spur industry to reduce waste, he said, "It may be an incentive for them to close down and move to Louisiana, too."

He said a new federal definition of waste regulated as "hazardous" could automatically triple or quadruple Texas' volume of those substances.

Alternate school funding proposal filed

AUSTIN (AP) — A plan to reform school funding by shifting some local property tax revenue from rich to poor school districts has been introduced by the Senate Education Committee chairman.

Sen. Carl Parker said Thursday he hasn't given up on legislation proposing a statewide property tax, which would replace local property levies for schools. But he said as yet, he has not been able to muster enough legislative support for that reform idea.

Parker's alternative plan, which is similar to a proposal by the State Board of Education, would require all school districts to impose local property taxes at the same minimum rate.

Revenue over a certain amount would be taken from wealthier school districts and redistributed to poorer districts.

The plan, meant to comply with a Texas Supreme Court order to give poor school districts equitable funding, also would add $2 billion in state aid to schools over the next two years.

"I would not be surprised after all options are examined if some who have castigated the statewide property tax begin looking at it again," said Parker, D-Port Arthur.

"But sometimes, you've got to take a little different approach to educate folks," he said.

Unlike the proposed statewide property tax, Parker said his backup plan could be done either with or without a constitutional amendment. A proposed constitutional amendment requires approval by two-thirds of the Legislature and passage by voters in a statewide election.

The proposed statewide property tax, which would replace local property taxes for schools, has met with opposition.

IRA foils red alert security

LONDON (AP) — It was the IRA's prime target and a bold moment: a mortar attack in broad daylight on the prime minister's 10 Downing St. residence during a top-level security alert for Iraqi-inspired terrorists.

Prime Minister John Major was meeting with his Gulf War Cabinet Thursday when the mortar, fired from an abandoned van, exploded in the back garden of his home.

He was unharmed, but they audacity of the strike by the Irish Republican Army and the enormity of what could have happened prompted charges that police were not doing their job. There also were demands for even tighter security.

But such calls are as much a ritual after an IRA attack as are the grim acknowledgments by government leaders and others that perhaps there's nothing left to do — that a determined IRA cell will eventually find a way.

"There's a limit to the sort of defensive measures that can be taken," Home Secretary Kenneth Baker told the House of Commons.

"In a democracy, people wish to be free to go about their business. To disrupt their lives any more than we have to would be a concession to terrorism," he said.

Or as the IRA warned after nearly killing Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in 1984: "Remember, we only have to be lucky once. You have to be lucky always."

Thursday's attack underscored what Cmdr. George Churchill-Coleman, head of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist squad, called the "versatility" of the outlawed IRA's guerrilla campaign to end British rule of Northern Ireland.

This attack was made with a homemade, three-tube mortar hidden inside a white van with a hole cut in the roof.

The driver parked the van in a no-parking zone within 100 yards of Downing Street and just off busy Whitehall, a broad thoroughfare at the heart of the British government.

He rode off on the back of an accomplice's motorcycle just before the mortars fired, Churchill-Coleman said.

The mortar shell scorched the rear of the prime minister's 17th century residence, and broke windows there and at two neighboring houses, said Stewart Goodwin, a spokesman for Scotland Yard.

The blast occurred within 50 feet of where Major was meeting with senior government officials including Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd, Defense Secretary Tom King and the chief of the defense staff, Air Marshal Sir David Craig.

Three police officers and a civil servant were treated for minor injuries, a hospital spokeswoman said.

Some critics asked why police didn't ticket the van immediately when it stopped in the middle of a top-level security operation, to protect against terrorist attacks in retaliation for Britain fighting with the allies in the Gulf War.

Opposition Labor Party legislator Merlyn Rees, a former Home Secretary, claimed the van was parked for eight minutes before the explosion.

"Something went wrong," he charged.

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010 LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Canyon Reef Formation, Salt Creek Field Unit (05254) Lease, Wells No. C236W, C249W, C353W, C58W, G57W, H44W and J35W. The proposed injection wells are located 9 miles NW from Clairmont in the Salt Creek Field, in Kent County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 6300' to 6550'.

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

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6790).

Pleas

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Pleading guilty to a Sept. 30, 1990 DWI offense was Ray Winford Goss, 40, of 2601 O'Neil. Henry Carrizales, 30, of 903 Ave. Q, plead guilty to a Dec. 21, 1990 DWI violation.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Ava McLarty, Seymour; Lillie Phillips, 213 34th; Quintella Rose, 122 Milburn; Margorie Parks, Tucson, Ariz.

DISMISSALS: Teddy Cooley, Katy Phipps, Cecilia Floyd

Census: 47 (Med.-13, Long-term Care-32, OB-1, Nursery-1)

John Thomas new c-club president

John Thomas has been named president of the Snyder Country Club for 1991.

Officers and new directors were named at the club's annual membership meeting, according to Jeff Poland, club general manager.

New board members include Glen Patterson who was also elected vice president, Margaret Birdwell and Joe Jackson. Holdover directors include Neal Carter, Dutch Stehley and Bill Murphy.

Retiring directors were John Reed, Sue Mize and Liza Oudt. Reed served as club president in 1990.

Gulf

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an air base in western Saudi Arabia and addressed several hundred people there.

Powell elicited cheers when he told them: "We'll get this over with a simple process — we're going to cut it off and kill it."

After the base visit, Cheney flew to Taif and met with the exiled emir of Kuwait, Sheik Jabir al-Ahmad al-Sabah.

En route to the gulf, Cheney for the first time publicly raised the prospect of a limited ground campaign, rather than an all-out assault.

"You add the amphibious element or the ground forces in the fashion that forces him to move out of his prepared positions, and it's moving out of those positions that makes him vulnerable once again to the air force," Cheney told reporters traveling with him.

Cheney and Powell have in the past promised a swift and violent campaign using most if not all of the U.S. firepower in the region.

But a limited campaign could give allied ground forces an opportunity to test Iraq's response. It could also serve to lure Iraqi units into the open for new air assaults — and buy some time for late-arriving American ground units to prepare for an all-out offensive.

Police make three arrests

Snyder police made three arrests during a period from Thursday morning to early this morning, including two for driving while intoxicated.

At 8:47 a.m. Thursday, police arrested a 36-year-old male at municipal court and transported him to the county jail to lay out fines for public intoxication.

At 6:45 p.m., police arrested a 32-year-old male in the 3000 block of Ave. E for DWI, no liability insurance, no Texas driver's license and expired motor vehicle identification. He was booked into the county jail.

At 12:08 a.m. today, police arrested a 30-year-old male in the 1600 block of 24th St. for DWI and transported him to the county jail.

At 1:36 p.m. Thursday, Bobby Burnett of Burnett Safety Services contacted police in reference to someone forging checks. Police said an offense report would be submitted for forgery.

After receiving a report of a man sitting on the steps of the Guadalupe Church at 9:31 p.m. Thursday, police transported the subject to the station, where he was later assisted by the Ministerial Alliance.

Police also responded to several minor disturbance calls which they handled without incident.

Deputies note single arrest

Scurry County sheriff's deputies arrested a 35-year-old female at 1600 Ave. E Thursday for issuance of bad checks (IBC) out of Tom Green County.

The woman, arrested at 10 a.m., was charged with a Class C misdemeanor.

The only other item on the SO blotter was at 7:55 a.m. when the department noted some cows along a road near Fluvanna. The cows were penned up in short order.

City council holds session

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Unit.

The resolution needs to be passed no later that Feb. 21 with the loan application going before TWDB March 21, said Smith.

The 20-year loan would require a user charge system for sewage in which residents are charged on the amount of water they use instead of the current system which charges by the number of bathroom facilities.

The user charge system must be in place no later that completion of the project. Construction is expected to begin in 1992.

Council members are expected to pass the resolution during Monday's meeting.

After reviewing bids for a new 2,500 gallon water truck, the council decided instead to discuss leasing a truck from the county.

Some $25,000 had been budgeted for the equipment which was bid at $40,000. The truck is used for dust control at the city landfill and to water trees at the landfill ind in the city's downtown area.

Also reviewed were bids for 80(new dumpsters.

During Monday's meeting, the council will be presented with a new drilling ordinance concerning bonding of companies which drill within the city limits and Mayor Troy Williamson is expected to authorize a general election May 4.

Up for election will be the two at-large seats held by Mike Thornton and Paul Zeck and the unexpired term of District 2 held by Jack Denman.

Feb. 18 will be the first day to file for application on a ballot.

Following the regular meeting, the council will meet in executive session to discuss potential or pending litigation with the council's third party administrator.

Present for the meeting were Mayor Williamson, City Manager John Gayle and council members Thornton, Zeck, Denman, Vernest Tippens and Jackie Greene Jr. Absent was Joe Coronado.

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and reducing school traffic congestion. City officials have noted that the widening was originally called for in the city's 1972 master plan.

Obituaries

Lelia Green

1917-1991

Services have been set for 2 p.m. Saturday at the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Lelia Florene Green, 73, of Fluvanna, with the Rev. Leon Green, pastor of the Plainview Baptist Church, officiating, assisted by Don Campbell, minister of the Fluvanna Church of Christ. Burial will follow in the Fluvanna Cemetery.

Mrs. Green died Wednesday at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock following a brief illness.

Born Sept. 12, 1917, in Kerns, she was a Fluvanna resident since 1982 and married Garland (Bunk) Green Sept. 10, 1982, in Lovington, N.M. She was a Baptist and a housewife.

Survivors include her husband of the home; three daughters, Adele Farley of Lindsay, Okla., Genell Shawn of Lewisburg, Tenn., Kim Anderson of Big Spring; two sons Bennie Hancock of Odessa, Wallace Hancock of Redding, Calif.; three stepdaughters, Jeanette Huddleston, Kay Greenwood, both of Snyder, Garlene Sims of Lovington, N.M.; one step-son, Mathel Green of Jal, N.M.; 12 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; 12 step-grandchildren; and 12 step-great-grandchildren.

Enid Irving

1920-1991

Graveside services have been set at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Snyder Cemetery for Enid Irving, 70, with Dr. Wylie "Buff" Hearne, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Ms. Irving died at 8:10 a.m. today at the Snyder Nursing Center.

Born June 22, 1920, she was the granddaughter of Dr. A.O. Scarborough, the first doctor in Scurry County. She was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last
AMR Corp	56½	56⅛	56⅛
ALLTEL Cp	36½	35¾	35⅞
Ameritech	68	67½	67¾
AmStores	65⅜	65	65
Amer T&T	34⅜	33⅞	34¼
Amoco	52⅛	51⅝	51⅝
AndarkPtr	28	27⅞	27⅞
Arkla	18⅞	18⅜	18½
ArmcoInc	4⅞	4¾	4¾
AtlRichfld	129¾	129	129½
BakerHugh	27½	26¾	27⅜
BancTexas	¼	¼	¼
BellAtlan s	50⅜	50	50¼
BellSouth	52⅜	51⅞	52¼
Beth Steel	15¼	14⅝	15¼
Borden s	32⅛	31½	31⅞
Caterpllr	48⅝	47⅜	47⅝
Centel s	34⅞	34½	34⅝
CentSo West	44	43⅞	43⅞
Chevron	74⅛	73¾	73⅞
Chrysler	12	11½	11¾
Coastal s	32¼	32	32⅛
CocaCola s	50¼	49⅝	50⅛
Colg Palm	72⅞	72½	72⅞
ComlMetl	19½	19¼	19½
CyprusMn	21¼	21	21
DallSemicn	8⅜	8¼	8¼
DeltaAirl	73¼	72¾	72¾
DigitalEq	70⅝	69¾	70⅜
Dillard	96⅞	94¾	95½
DowChem	51⅜	50⅝	51¼
DresserInd s	23¼	22⅜	22½
duPont	37⅛	36¼	36⅞
EstKodak	44	43⅝	44
Enserch	18⅞	18⅝	18⅞
Exxon	53⅞	53½	53½
FtCtyBcp	4⅛	4	4
FlowerInd	16	15¾	15⅞
FordMotor	30⅜	29¾	30
GTE Cp s	;0½	30⅛	30⅜
GnDynam	27¼	26	26¾
GenElct	65⅛	64½	65
GenMills s	49⅜	48¼	48⅜
GenMotors	36⅜	35⅝	36⅛
GnMotrE s	45	44⅛	44¼
GlobMar n	4⅜	4¼	4¼
Goodrich	40⅛	39⅝	39⅞
Goodyear	18⅝	17¾	17⅞
GtAtlPac	49⅛	48⅜	48⅞
Gulf StaUt	10¾	10⅝	10⅝
Haliburtn	47⅞	47¼	47¼
HoustInd	37⅝	37⅜	37⅝
IBM	129½	128¼	128⅞
IntlPaper	61⅛	60½	61⅛
JohnsJhn	76½	75¾	76⅛
K Mart	33⅜	32⅞	33⅜
Kroger	19⅜	19	19⅛
vjLTV Cp	1	⅛	15-16
Litton Ind	82	81¾	81¾
vjLoneStar	4	4	4
Lowes	29	28⅝	28⅞
Lubys s	18¼	18⅛	18¼
Maxus	8⅞	8½	8⅝
MayDSt	47¾	47	47¾
Medtronic	99	98	98⅛
Mobil	60⅜	59⅞	60
Monsanto s	56⅜	55½	55¾
Motorola	56⅜	55¼	55⅜
NCNB Cp	30¾	29⅞	30
Navistar	3½	3⅜	3⅜
Nynex	74	73⅝	73⅞
OryxEngy	38⅝	38⅜	38⅝
PacTelesis	43⅜	42⅞	43⅛
PanhECp	14¼	13⅞	14
PenneyJC	52¾	52⅛	52⅛
PepBoys	11	10¾	10⅞
Phelps Dod	64½	64¼	64⅜
PhilipPet	27⅛	26½	26⅞
Polaroid s	25½	24¾	25⅛
Primerica	28⅜	28	28⅜
ProctGamb	82	81⅜	81⅞
PubS NwMx	8½	8½	8½
SFePacCp n	7¾	7⅜	7½
SaraLee s	34⅜	34¼	34½
SearsRoeb	29¾	29⅜	29½
SherwinWm	43½	43	43
SmthBchm	63¼	65¾	66
SmthBch eq n	57¼	56¾	57⅛
Southern Co	27¼	26⅞	27⅛
SwstAirl s	25¼	24⅞	24⅞
SwstBell	55⅜	54¾	55¼
SterlingChm	6	5⅞	5⅞
SunCo	32	31¾	31⅞
TNP Ent	19⅜	18⅞	18⅞
Tandy	32½	32	32
TemplInl s	37⅜	37¼	37½
Tenneco	49⅜	48¼	48⅞
Texaco	61½	60¾	61
TexasInd	17¼	16⅞	17¼
TexasInst	41⅛	40¾	40⅞
Tex Util	37¼	36⅞	36⅞
Textron	29⅞	29⅝	29⅞
USX Corp	30¾	30⅛	30¼
UnCarbde	18⅝	18½	18⅝
UnPacCp	75⅜	74⅞	75⅜
US West s	38⅞	38⅛	38⅝
UnitTech	49⅛	48⅝	48⅞
Unitel s	25	24⅝	25
Unocal	26⅝	26⅛	26⅜
WalMart s	36	35⅛	35½
WestghEl s	27½	27	27⅛
Woolwth s	32⅞	32⅜	32¾
Xerox Cp	50¼	49⅝	49⅞
ZenithE	6⅞	6¾	6⅞

Free, pending appeal

HOUSTON (AP) — Two reporters sentenced to 30 days in jail and fined $500 each for refusing to comply with a judge's order to help identify murder witnesses are free without bond pending their appeal in federal court.

James T. Campbell of the Houston Chronicle and Felix Sanchez of The Houston Post were released on their own recognizance Thursday afternoon by U.S. Magistrate Nancy Pecht.

The two newsmen are free at least until a Monday morning hearing on their contempt citations before Ms. Pecht, who later will made a recommendation to U.S. District Judge Kenneth Hoyt.

Earlier Thursday, Campbell and Sanchez were sentenced to jail and fined by State District Judge William Harmon after they refused to comply with his order for a third time.

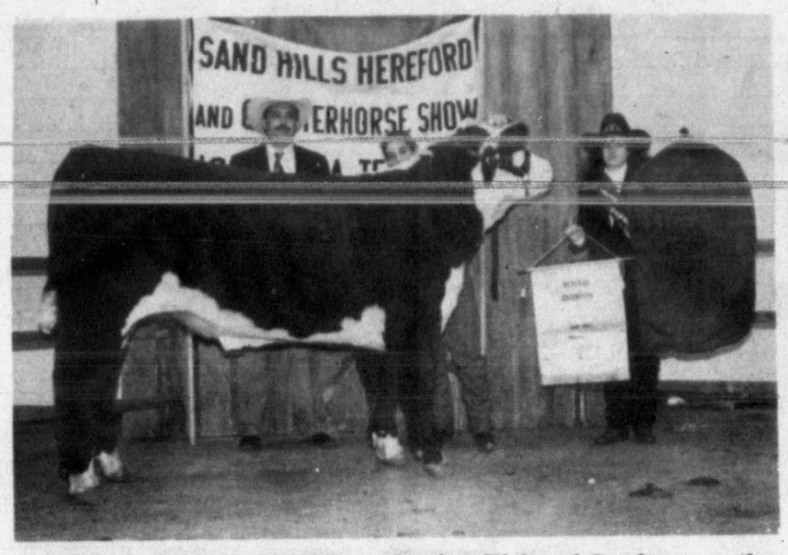
Harmon had cited the two for contempt of court Tuesday after they refused to comply with his order to help a defense attorney identify murder witnesses. The judge could have sentenced them to a maximum six months in jail.

"I couldn't be happier," Sanchez said as he walked out of Ms. Pecht's courtroom Thursday afternoon. "It seems as if someone is going to hear what our argument has been, which is that we have nothing helpful to offer the defense."

A hearing on the reporters' appeal was scheduled Thursday, but Ms. Pecht delayed it until Monday to give lawyers for the Harris County Sheriff's Department, which issued the subpoena, time to prepare their case.

"I'm happy to not be spending the night at the Klevenhagen inn," Campbell said, referring to Sheriff Johnny Klevenhagen, who runs the Harris County Jail.

"I'm just happy that now we have somebody who's going to listen to the merits of our case. We think what we've done is right," Campbell said. "We had resolved ourselves to having to possibly spend time in jail, but I think now we've got some relief and hopefully our writ will be granted."



RESERVE GRAND STEER — Jessica Eicke of Snyder won the reserve grand champion steer honors at the Sand Hills Hereford Show in Odessa. The home-bred entry weighed 1,190 and was sired by K&B Summit 4064 1ET. Pictured from left are, Judge Jarold Callahan of Stillwater, Okla.; Eddie Eicke of Snyder; and Texas Hereford Queen Johnna Hay of Austin. (Photo By American Hereford Association.)



BLUE RIBBON WINNER — Rad Eicke (at the halter) of Snyder showed the blue-ribbon winner steer of Class I at the Sand Hills Hereford Show in Odessa. The 1,100-pound entry was sired by TOO American Express. Rad is the 10-year-old son of Johnny and Fairy Eicke of Snyder. (Photo by American Hereford Association)

USDA says 27 Texans face more than one charge

WASHINGTON (AP) — Special agents from the Agriculture Department and local law enforcement officials in Central Texas began serving arrest warrants Thursday on 27 people charged with trafficking in food stamps and drug violations.

A federal grand jury in Waco returned sealed indictments earlier this week charging nine defendants with exchanging narcotics or controlled substances for food stamps and cash. The remaining 18 individuals face similar state charges.

USDA officials said the indictments were part of "Operation Straightshooter."

Undercover USDA agents and police officers exchanged more than $6,000 in food stamps for $1,200 in cash and quantities of narcotics during the month-long investigation, USDA said.

The operation was a joint investigation by the Central Texas Narcotics Task Force, the Temple Police Department, the Milam County Sheriff's Office, and USDA's Office of Inspector General.

The apparently haphazard wanderings of elephant family groups studied in Zimbabwe were not random, but were coordinated with one another for weeks at a time, even when the groups were far apart.

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P205/75R15	$46.56		

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*P215/60R14	$122.95	P215/60R16	$130.95
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950R16.5 BSL D	$139.95	$0.68
LT235/85R16 BSL E	$139.95	$0.98
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LT215/85R16 D	$120.95	—
LT235/85R16 D	$125.95	$0.58
750R16 D	$128.95	$0.26
LT235/85R16 E	$131.95	$0.74

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P185/75R14	$78.95	P205/75R15	$92.95
P185/70R14	$81.95	P215/75R15	$96.95

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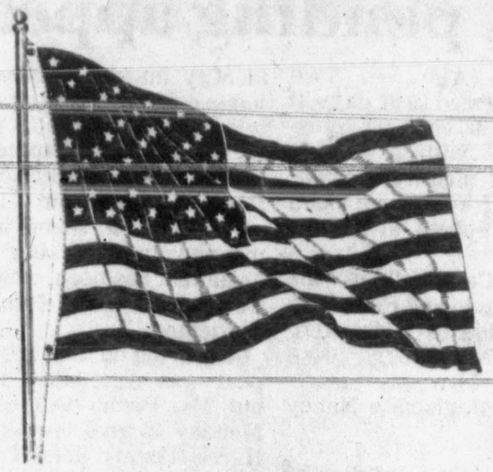
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Desert Storm Update



DAY 23

Around the gulf

Here are developments in the Persian Gulf war:

□ U.S. warplanes knocked out an Iraqi mobile missile launcher and scored possible hits on three others overnight, U.S. military sources said, and U.S Marines mounted their first ground action since Monday, firing artillery shells across the border into Kuwait.

□ Off the coast of Kuwait, a British Royal Navy helicopter blew up an Iraqi patrol boat with a Sea Skua missile. Iraq's naval fleet is all but out of commission, with most of its vessels either sunk or destroyed.

□ Patriot missiles blasted another Iraqi Scud missile out of the skies over Riyadh Friday, and U.S. bombers destroyed at least one Scud launcher in Iraq.

□ A Persian Gulf oil spill is 40 to 60 miles from a vital desalination plant in Saudi Arabia — not 10 miles, as had been reported. The discrepancy was caused by a map-reading mistake by Saudi authorities.

□ The Commerce Department approved exports to Iraq of $1.5 billion in equipment with potential military uses during the six years preceding Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. A partial list obtained this week by The Associated Press show the items included emulsion explosives, nuclear power equipment, lasers, computer equipment, aircraft supplies and chemical materials.

□ A Democratic push to overhaul America's intelligence apparatus is hitting opposition from Republicans who say it will distract the nation's spy agencies from the Persian Gulf War.

□ An Iraqi hospital director says 47 civilians were killed this week in the southern Iraqi city of Nasiriyeh when allied bombers attacked a bridge crowded with pedestrians, a London newspaper reported Friday.

Lubbockites believe war will drag on

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — President Bush's adopted sounding board believes the allied forces are in for a long haul in the Persian Gulf War.

In the latest Pulse of America survey of 400 Lubbock residents, 57 percent of those polled say the war will last anywhere from three to 12 months.

Fifteen percent say the battle will not last three months and 17 percent say the war will carry on for more than a year.

"Who knows how long the fighting will go on," said Dan Young, owner of the Farmer's Corner agriculture supply store. "But I guarantee you one thing. We will be there 'til the end. If it takes three days or three months, we will be there."

Bush's handling of the Gulf War drew rave reviews with Lubbockites. But his popularity dropped considerably when it came to domestic problems.

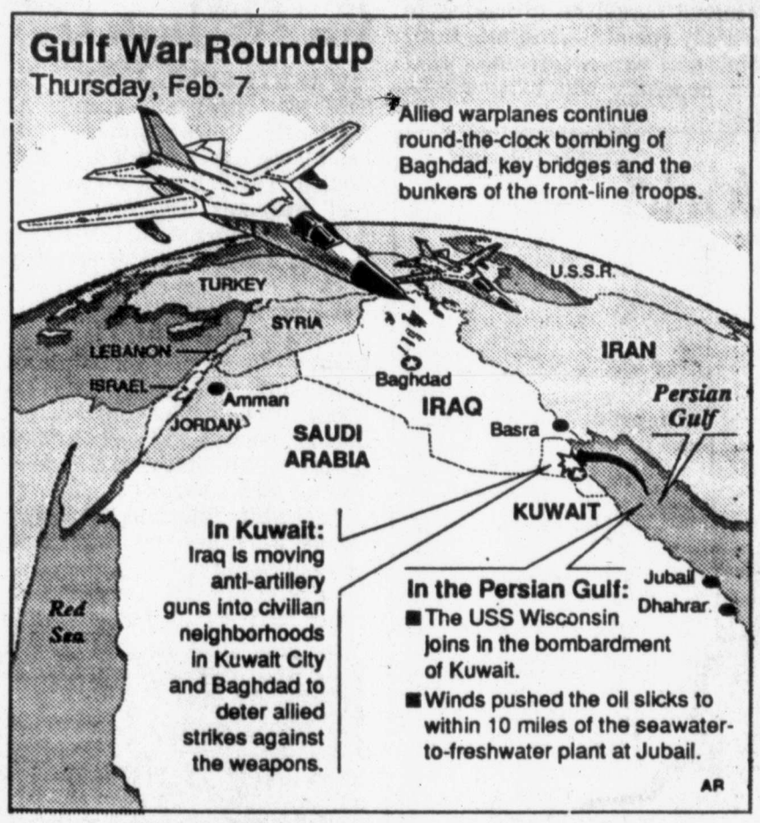
Eighty-five percent of those polled in this windblown West Texas city say Bush has made the right decisions concerning the Middle East.

"Bush is doing an excellent job in the war effort," Jess Maynard, a 64-year-old World War II veteran, said from his stool at the Pancake House Thursday.

"I give (Iraq) another week or so and they will be ready to say 'uncle.' Then we can go in with ground forces and clean things up."

But 50 percent of those surveyed in this mostly conservative farming community say Bush is doing a fair-to-poor job of handling domestic affairs like the economy, civil rights and taxes.

"I think his attention to other issues is being diverted by the war," Young said. "I don't know if he is getting too much help from Congress either. I think we ought to just get rid of everybody in Congress and get a new batch of blood in there."



Blind workers make helmet chin straps

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The chin straps used on the helmets of U.S. soldiers in Operation Desert Storm are being manufactured by blind workers who are completing one order for 170,000 chin straps and are anticipating a second $520,000 contract for an additional 210,000 straps.

And two of the workers have a special interest in making the straps. One has a son in Saudi Arabia and another has a nephew who is a U.S. Marine in Operation Desert Storm.

Raymond Siess, vice president of operations for the San Antonio Association for the Blind, said Thursday that workers can turn out more than 35,000 chin straps per month.

The chin straps are used with the Kevlar helmet, which replaced the old-style helmet used since World War II. The straps are made of durable nylon material and feature a quick disconnect snap, which allows for a swift removal of the helmet. The cup of the strap is made of a soft cotton to provide comfort.

About 150 blind or visually impaired employees work at the association's Lighthouse for the Blind rehabilitation center, he said.

"We have to meet very stringent quality standards because most of the items we build are made to specification," he said. "Our complete emphasis, on anything we do, is quality."

Celia Torres, blind such birth, packages hundreds of the chin straps each day.

Her son, Michael Spears, has been stationed in the Persian Gulf with the U.S. Army since last August.

She said it's possible she packaged the chin strap he uses on his helmet.

"He told us not to worry, that he's doing all right, just doing his duty and serving the country," Ms. Torres, who has another son stationed in Kentucky,

"I worry about him, but I'm proud he chose to serve his country," she said.

Raymond Flores, who turns out more than 100 components of the chin strap each hour, has a nephew, Mario Flores, who has been with a Marine detachment in the Gulf since October.

The chin strap work is his way of contributing to the war effort, Flores said.

Ingenuity keeps combat-damaged planes in air

HAMPTON, Va. (AP) — When a $32 million F-15 gets a hole shot in its wing by Iraqi ground fire, somebody on the fighter's maintenance crew may have to chug-a-lug a can of soda to make a repair.

If a stabilizer bar is damaged and there's no spare, the ground crew will just forget about sweeping those Saudi Arabian sands out of the hangar and cut off the broom handle for a makeshift rod.

When it comes to war and keeping planes flying, Air Force technicians are taught to use whatever's handy — even if that means borrowing a part from the general's jeep, says Capt. Gary Fletcher of Langley Air Force Base.

"The airplane needs to go into combat more than the general needs to get around. It doesn't do any good on the ground. I think any general would agree with that," said Fletcher, who heads aircraft maintenance training at Langley, headquarters of the Tactical Air Command.

At Langley, aircraft maintenance specialists in electronics, hydraulics, fuel systems and other areas train for battle damage repair. For two weeks, the technicians are taught the art of the speedy fix. They get two days of refresher training every six months.

"We're like medical triage in reverse," said Fletcher, a 21-year Air Force veteran.

Just as a doctor in combat triage evaluates injuries and sets priorities for treating the wounded, a war zone aircraft assessor looks at damaged planes, consults with pilots and lines up jets for repairs. The reverse part is that the least damaged planes get fixed first. With people, the most seriously injured are treated first.

Spare parts, of course, are the first choice for repairs. But in a pinch, mechanics use whatever's available — even soda cans and broom handles.

"If it comes to the point where we had no sheet metal, they could use a Coke can," said Master Sgt. George Winkley, superintendent of aircraft maintenance training at Langley. "If we're out of parts, we use whatever we can get our hands on."

Heavily damaged planes can become like junk cars, targets of quick-fix scavengers looking for parts to get another plane back in the air, Winkley said.

In case of a hole in the fuselage or wing, a piece of sheet metal — or soda can — can be cut to fit the opening and riveted to the skin. A special tape is put over the front edge to reduce wind resistance, and the repair is complete.

While peacetime aircraft repairs are strictly monitored by inspectors, and maintenance crews must follow detailed technical orders, ingenuity is needed for combat repairs, said Master Sgt. Joe Ramirez, manager of the battle combat training program at Langley.

Theoretically, an F-15 could wind up looking like a flying soda machine, but Fletcher said the lightweight cans are used sparingly. Ramirez said he teaches maintenance crews to use leftover ammunition boxes or even a stop sign pulled off the side of a road.

The goal is to get the plane fixed and get it flying, and neatness doesn't count, he said.

Winkley and Ramirez said the ad-hoc repairs don't limit the ability of the planes to fly their missions. "It'll restrict some maneuvers, but it won't hurt its performance," Ramirez said.

"We're not going to let a pilot go in an airplane that's unsafe," Winkley said.

Army dismisses guardsmen's gripes

KILLEEN, Texas (AP) — Fort Hood officials have dismissed claims of mistreatment by Louisiana National Guard members who went AWOL, saying the troops were subjected to nothing more than tough combat training.

"I am disappointed that these soldiers sought to solve their problems in this manner," said Brig. Gen. Gary Whipple. "The training that we're doing is very intensive, very difficult, very demanding, stressful training. But that's what combat's like."

In all, 67 soldiers of the 4,387-person 256th Brigade left the Central Texas post for Shreveport, La., the Army said. Of those, 40 were declared AWOL Wednesday and 27 were on 24-hour passes.

Thirty-eight of the Guardsmen returned to Fort Hood Thursday, some saying they had accomplished their goal of drawing attention to conditions at the post.

Army officials said it would be later today before they would have a final count of the number of troops that remained AWOL.

Asked if national attention had made the brigade look like "crybabies," Whipple, the brigade commander, said, "Only 67 of them."

But some of the Guardsmen defended their actions.

"We were just trying to let the public know what was going on," Sgt. Byron Lloyd, a 20-year-old tank driver, said Thursday after he stepped off a bus from Shreveport.

"The TV seems to always show the smiling faces, the babies, the cameras, the people waving flags. But it's more to it than that, though. When we tried to voice our opinions about what was wrong, we were being ignored," Lloyd said.

Army officials, meanwhile, said they had foiled an attempt by some Guardsmen from the 34rd Battalion, 156th Infantry to charter buses and join the exodus from the fort.

Whipple said an investigation into the soldiers' complaints had been launched, but he gave little merit to their grievances and criticized the troops for not going through the proper military channels.

Kin, friends mourn Marine

WILMINGTON, N.C. (AP) — When Albert Haddad Jr. was born at Dover Air Force Base nearly 23 years ago, his father was bringing home cargos of Vietnam War dead. Now the senior Haddad will bring his son home from Dover to be buried.

Haddad, the son of Karin Smith of Kure Beach and Lt. Col. Albert G. Haddad, a retired U.S. Air Force officer of Palo Alto, Calif., died early Sunday when his Marine Corps UH-1 Huey helicopter crashed in Saudi Arabia.

Ms. Smith — the mother of four — is still trying to deal with the death of her only son.

"I finally had to say to myself, 'He died. He is dead. He is not a number," she said in an interview published Thursday. "I want to remember him as a real person; he had a life. He is not a 'casualty.' There is nothing casual about war."

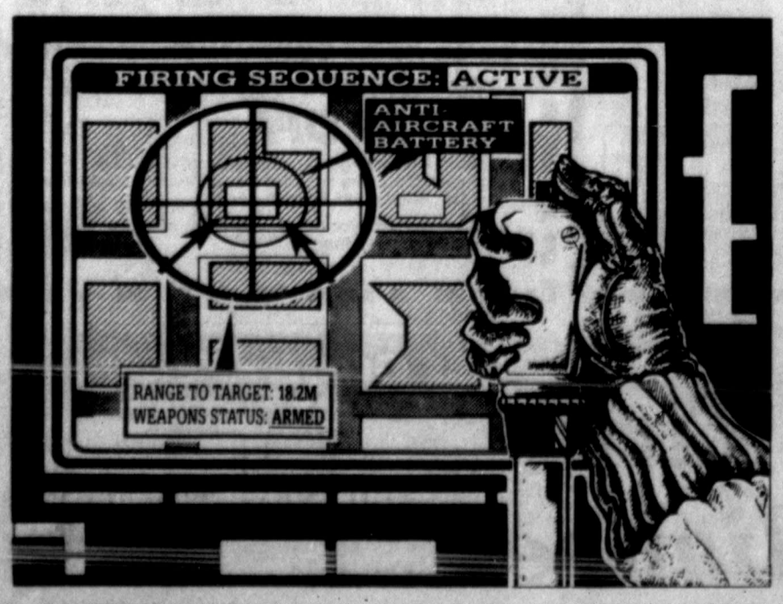
In her own pain Ms. Smith felt sadness for her ex-husband.

"This will be very hard for him," she said. "He'll be part of the honor guard taking Albert to Texas from Dover Air Force Base. He's going out to buy a uniform. Albert was born at Dover when his father was flying bodies back from Vietnam. Isn't that sad? God, isn't that sad?"

Haddad's body was flown Thursday to Delaware, where he was born on April 20, 1968. From Dover a military escort that includes his father will form to accompany him to his burial early next week in Texas.

The corporal was crew chief and gunner on the helicopter. A Marine spokesman told his father that all four men aboard were killed instantly. The Pentagon would give no further details of the crash.

Haddad was a member of Marine Light Attack Squadron 369, Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, Calif. Marines use the Huey for, among other duties, observation, command and control and extracting wounded from the battlefield.

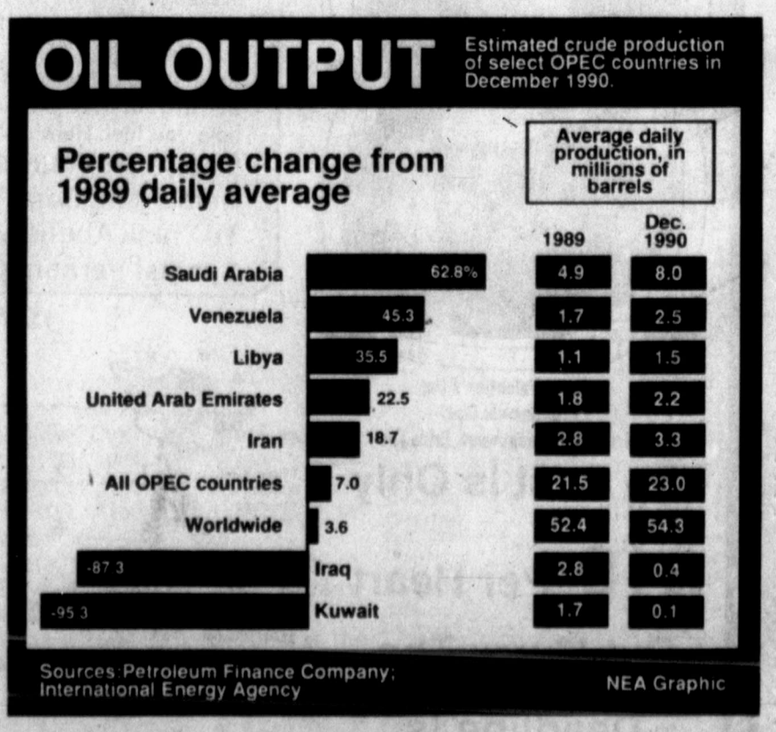


Texas pilot says Iraqi tank like Texas cockroach

HOUSTON (AP) — Air Force Capt. Jon Engle of Houston says destroying Iraqi tanks is like dealing with a Texas cockroach.

"You stomp and they move a little bit. But every time you hit one, you are getting one more. You are getting rid of them slowly but surely," the pilot told the Houston Chronicle in Eastern Saudi Arabia.

Engle, 28, assigned to the 354th Tactical Fighter Wing out of Myrtle Beach, S.C., had completed a mission over Kuwait Thursday in which one Iraqi helicopter and several tanks were destroyed.



By the end of 1990, Saudi Arabia had increased its daily oil production by the highest rate of any nation — over 62 percent more than the year before. The average worldwide increase in oil production was only 3.6 percent.