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Ask Us

Q—Will there be any type of forum or debate scheduled prior to the May 2 board elections so that citizens may learn more about the candidates?

A—Western Texas College is planning a forum for college board candidates, tentatively scheduled for April 28. Snyder Daily News will also be mailing out questionnaires next week to each of the candidates in contested races and those responses will be published in future editions.

Local

Commissioners

Scurry County Commissioners Court will not meet Monday.

Hermleigh

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the high school.

Ira PTA

Ira PTA will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the new gym.

Afterwards, students will perform a play, "The Foreigner.

MAWC

Martha Ann Woman's Club salad luncheon and game day will be held Wednesday at the clubhouse.

Reservations are needed by noon Monday. The meal is $6.

Orientation

Eighth grade parents are encouraged to attend an orientation on high school preregistration at 7 p.m. Tuesday in Worsham Auditorium.

SHS band

Senior members of the Snyder High School band need to submit three photographs for the senior slide show.

Included should be a baby picture, youth picture and senior picture. They should be labeled and sent to Linda Cozart by April 5.

Banquet

Tickets are on sale for the March 31 chamber of commerce banquet.

Tickets, at $12.50 each, may be purchased at the chamber office and various businesses, including Snyder Daily News.

Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Lena Guerrero will be guest speaker for the 7 p.m. event.

Weather

Snyder Area Forecast: Saturday night, partly cloudy. Low in the mid 50s. Southwest wind 10 to 20 mph. Sunday, partly cloudy. High near 70. Wind becoming north 10 to 20 mph.

Snyder Temperatures: High Friday, 69 degrees; low, 39 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Saturday, 51 degrees. No precipitation; total precipitation for 1992 to date, 6.70 inches.

Almanac: Sunset Saturday, 6:56 p.m. Sunrise Sunday, 6:44 a.m. Sunset Sunday, 6:57 p.m. Sunrise Monday, 6:43 a.m. Of 80 days in 1992, the sun has shone 72 days in Snyder.

Murder trials are postponed

Monday's jury selection in the 132nd District Court capital murder trials of two Snyder men has been postponed due to an illness in the family of one of the defense attorneys.

Two hundred Scurry County residents had been called as potential jurors in the trials of Bruce Wayne Nelson and Christopher Maurice Thompson, both charged in the death of another Snyder man.

Because of the large jury panel called, the court plans to use the WTC Fine Arts Theatre for the jury selection process, which court officials speculate could take as many as two weeks.

District Attorney Ernie Armstrong said that the trials have been postponed due to the illness of former State Supreme Court Justice Zollie Steakley, among other factors. Steakley is the uncle of Zollie Steakley of Sweetwater, who is representing Nelson.

Those called for jury duty will be notified at a later date as to when and where they need to appear.

Nelson, 33, and Thompson, 32, are charged with the death of Arnulfo Ronnie Hernandez.

According to police reports, a passerby discovered Hernandez lying on the side of the road at 35th Street and Avenue J at 10:04 p.m. Jan. 1, 1991. Hernandez, suffering from head injuries, was taken to Cogdell Hospital by Snyder EMS and later transferred to St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock. He died the following day.

A third man charged in the case, 33-year-old Melvin Riggins, was sentenced to life in prison in July, 1991 on charges of aggravated robbery.

Armstrong will serve as prosecuting attorney when the trials are called. Thompson is being represented by Mike Brown. Gene Dulaney, 132nd District Court judge, will preside.

Attorneys have not yet determined whether Nelson or Thompson will be tried first.



NEW COURTS — Danny Corsaw of Austin, Ronnie Reece of Oklahoma, and Lucy Corsaw of Austin, left to right, repaint the tennis courts at Snyder High School Friday afternoon. The courts are expected to be open for play again on Monday. (SDN Staff Photo)

Iraq backs down to avert air strike

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Threatened with military strikes, Iraq has softened its objection to cease-fire provisions and admitted having far larger weapons stockpiles than it previously disclosed.

A U.N. team was scheduled to arrive in Iraq Saturday to verify the new information and destroy equipment.

Iraq's disclosure appeared to be a breakthrough in its standoff with the Security Council over destruction of its ballistic missiles and chemical, biological and nuclear weapons potential mandated under the year-old Gulf War truce.

But diplomats cautioned that the new information released by Iraq had to be verified, a comprehensive disclosure still was needed, equipment had to be destroyed and Iraq still must accept intrusive long-term U.N. monitoring.

President Bush and British Prime Minister John Major have warned that surgical military strikes against undeclared weapons installations were possible if Iraq did not comply.

The higher numbers provided by Iraq have not been revealed. But U.N. chief inspector Rolf Ekeus told reporters at the United Nations on Friday that the Baghdad government had disclosed "a considerable number" of additional weapons — Scud and Al-Hussein missiles and missile warheads containing nerve gas.

Ekeus, head of the U.N. commission charged with eliminating Iraq's nonconventional arms, said Iraq claims to have destroyed all the missiles but not the chemical arms.

The disclosure did not include nuclear or biological weapons programs.

'Disproportionate share' program...

Cogdell to receive $250,000

Cogdell Memorial Hospital is on a list of hospitals targeted to receive "disproportionate share" checks from the Texas Department of Human Services next week.

Cogdell will receive $250,140 from a total of $26.7 million being sent to 91 rural hospitals.

"We're excited about it," said Tim Lancaster, Cogdell administrator. "We had been checking with the Department of Health to see who would get the funds. We heard there was a cutoff and didn't know if we would be on the list."

The checks represent eight months of payments through a disproportionate share program. The program was approved by the state Legislature in July of 1991 to increase Texas' share of federal Medicaid matching funds.

Though the program became effective in August, funding was delayed until Feb. 21 after a battle with the Health Care Financing Administration.

The program is designed to assist hospitals with a disproportionate share of low-income or uninsured patients.

Lancaster estimated that 17 percent of Cogdell's patients come under Medicaid. Another 1½ percent can be classified as indigent, meaning they are unable to pay. Medicaid and indigent care totals about $185,000 a month at Cogdell, although some of the Medicaid is reimbursed.

Under the program, 24 of the larger hospitals in Texas are assessed 1.25 percent of their non-Medicaid patient income monthly. This "pool," estimated at $293 million, is then used to draw $818 million from the federal government.

Nintey-five percent of the funds go back to the hospitals who participated in the pool. The remaining five percent goes to rural hospitals like Cogdell.

The Health Care Financing Administration had published new regulations last fall to block states from increasing their Medicaid funding. However, Congress stepped in with legislation which allows states to use hospital taxes to draw more Medicaid funds.

Beginning next month, the hospitals will begin receiving monthly checks.

Area rural facilities scheduled to receive the eight-month checks next week include Medical Arts Hospital in Lamesa, $189,284;

(see HOSPITALS, page 10A)

Business workshop scheduled

Small business owners interested in expanding their existing operations or persons who want to start their own business are invited to attend a Business Development Workshop co-sponsored by Western Texas College and Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

The workshop is free to the public and will be held from 6:30 p.m. until 9 p.m. Thursday in the WTC Fine Arts Theatre.

Keynote speaker will be Murray Edwards, president and chief executive officer of a large feed mill operation with plants in Texas and New Mexico, as well as grain elevators throughout West Texas.

Also scheduled to speak are Snyder business owners Joe and Nathalie Kelley, who operate their own self-started business, Nathalie's; Joel Hook, owner of the local McDonald's franchise; and Mark Estes, senior vice president for West Texas State Bank.

Program development has been handled by Jack Price, assistant professor of management at WTC.

"Basically, we want to focus on the idea of economic development using the 'small business in a small town' slant," Price said.

Bush says he'll attempt to kill $3.6 million in 'pork' projects

WASHINGTON (AP) — Widening an election-year fight over taxes and spending, President Bush ridiculed Congress for throwing money away on projects such as mink reproduction and manure disposal. He said he would try to kill $3.6 billion approved for such "items of pork."

"Wasteful spending destroys public confidence in the integrity of the government and Americans have every right to be outraged and disgusted," Bush said in a partisan speech to Republican activists and members of Congress.

Bush announced plans to deny $3.6 billion in federal money for 68 programs.

The biggest item was $2.8 billion for the Seawolf submarine program that the administration wants to cancel.

Bush also assailed Congress for refusing to enact his version of an economic revival plan by the Friday deadline he had set. He said the Democratic-led Congress was in disarray and was blocking his economic plan "because they're afraid it will work."

The House and Senate rushed to approve a $77.5 billion tax cut for the middle class financed by tax increases on the rich. Bush signed a veto message even before the bill left Capitol Hill.

The president sought to seize the political offensive by portraying Democrats as wasteful spenders who want to raise taxes. Democrats hoped to score points on their "tax fairness" issue, demanding higher taxes on the wealthy to help the broader middle class.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell called on Bush to "start acting like a president, not a panicky candidate for reelection."

Denouncing a "status quo Congress," Bush said, "It is more partisan. Its campaigns are financed by special interests. It has grown out of control. It has lost the ability to police itself. And perhaps most importantly, it is no longer accountable to individual American citizens and voters. This must change."

Poking fun at the problem-plagued House bank and post office, Bush said Congress was controlled "by the Democratic caucus which cannot manage a tiny bank or a tiny post office." He called for limiting the terms of congressmen and said, "The bottom line is that we need a new Congress."

Clinton steps up campaign

NEW YORK (AP) — Democratic front-runner Bill Clinton is stepping up his campaigning in New York and Connecticut in a bid to keep remaining rival Jerry Brown from making inroads among former supporters of Paul Tsongas.

Clinton strategists don't give Brown much chance of winning presidential primaries in either state. But a stronger-than-expected showing by the former California governor could slow the momentum Clinton got from Tsongas' withdrawal from the race and signal vulnerability in the November election.

"We're not shutting it down yet," Brown declared as he vowed to make a strong challenge to Clinton in Tuesday's Connecticut primary and the April 7 showdown in delegate-rich New York.

Clinton began Saturday by picking up the endorsement of the 30,000-member New York State United Teachers Union.

He told the teachers that if elected he would "stop the blame ... the division ... trying to tear this country apart by race, by region, by gender, by income."

Clinton said he was committed to achieving excellence in educational standards and "unlike President Bush I won't posture about them."

He was also endorsed Saturday by three New York Democratic congressmen who had been neutral before, Reps. Charles Schumer, Ted Weiss and Jose Serrano.

The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It's better to sleep on what you're gonna do than to lie awake thinking about what you've done."

With unemployment in the news, we still notice many jobs advertised in the want ad sections of the newspapers. We've also noticed that there seems to be more demand for health-care personnel than any other area.

There are also some "code phrases" used in many of the ads, and we came across a little item that helps the reader decode many of those ads.

"Must be able to assume total responsibility" means that you will be a department of one. If anything goes wrong, it's your neck.

"Work closely with top management" likely means you'd better know when to agree and to keep quiet.

"Flexible working hours" could mean that you can come in anytime before 8 and leave anytime after 5, unless your supervisor requires longer flex hours.

"A fast-paced office" means budget cuts have caused the office to be understaffed. Plan to do the work of 1.5 to 2 persons.

"Must be a self-starter." The boss is gone a lot, so you'll be expected to do your work — and his or hers.

"Inelude your salary history with resume" means they want to know your bottom dollar.

"Work with a close-knit team," likely means six people in the office with only three computers.

"Some travel required" means the restroom is down the hall.

Former SDN editor Wacil McNair once told a prospective employee that "keeping his cool" is important. "Remember," he said, "Diplomacy is the art of getting a load off your chest while keeping your shirt on."

That reminds us of a new employee who spent most of his time looking for another job. Finally he was successful. He later mused:

"I wish I were now where I was when I wanted to be where I am now."

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Administration modifies advice on abortion

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration on Friday said doctors in federally funded clinics could give their patients advice on abortion even in situations where the life of the mother is not at risk.

The decision provides an exception in the so-called gag rule that forbids the clinics from directing women to get abortions. Doctors would be able to refer women to facilities that provide abortions.

Administration officials said the doctor's advice must be based on medicine and not on social concerns.

Planned Parenthood of America said the apparent policy shift was a smoke screen that merely bolsters the gag rule.

"We feel that the doctors are ungagged," insisted an official of the Department of Health and Human Services.

"What a physician does is not something that we're going to get involved in," said the official, who spoke to reporters on condition of anonymity.

In guidelines that are to take effect within three months, the department said "referral to specialized medical care for medical conditions which may complicate pregnancy still must be made, even if the ultimate result may be the termination of ... pregnancy."

The Department of Health and Human Services sent the guidelines Friday to regional offices around the country.

Doctors in the clinics can refer patients to get abortions based on medical judgment, and the government will not second-guess that judgment, the official said.

"We don't intend to try to interfere with physicians' speech," the official said.

The rules for other clinic staffers remained another matter. They can only talk about abortion if asked, and then they are to refer the patient elsewhere.

"We're not in the business of providing counseling on abortion," the official said.

The Planned Parenthood of America Federation denounced the guidelines, saying that they actually solidified the gag policy instead of relaxing it.

"With the gag rule in place, speech about abortion and abortion-related referrals will be censored," said David Andrews, executive vice president of the organization.

When told that the administration was calling this a lifting of the gag rule, Andrews replied: "I don't care what they said. This is more administration double talk."

"Most Americans will agree with President Bush that abortion is not an acceptable method of birth control and should not be promoted by tax dollars," said Douglas Johnson, legislative director for the National Right to Life Committee National Right to Life.

Kate Michelman, president of the National Abortion Rights Action League, said Bush "thwarted the will of the American People and of Congress."

The ban on abortion counseling in federally supported clinics has stirred heated opposition from abortion rights groups and in Congress.

FDIC files lawsuit against Dallas County commissioner

DALLAS (AP) — Federal regulators have sued a Dallas County commissioner in an attempt to recover more than $100,000 the politician owes on a delinquent property loan, a television station has reported.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation filed the suit in Dallas late Thursday against John Wiley Price, KXAS-TV in Fort Worth reported.

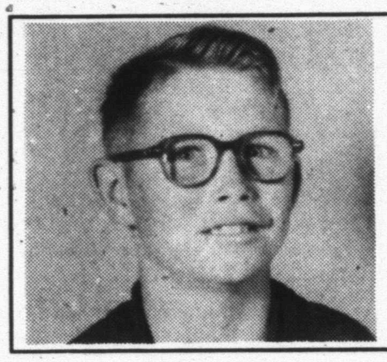
KXAS reported Price applied for a $137,752 loan on Dec. 24, 1988, from First National Bank of Garland. The bank failed in 1990 and the FDIC, which took over the failed bank, foreclosed on the 6-acre property in Rockwall County for non-payment of the loan.

The FDIC sold the land for an appraised $20,000 and went to Price to collect the $116,121 balance.

According to the suit, KXAS reported, Price promised the FDIC last summer to pay the balance. But no payment had been made as of Friday.

A call by The Associated Press to Price's home was not returned late Friday.

Meanwhile, a scuffle between KXAS cameraman Fred Watts and Price broke out Friday night when Watts and a reporter tried to question Price outside a radio station KKDA in Grand Prairie, where Price tapes a weekly talk show.



Oh-Oh It's the BIG 5-0
Happy Birthday, S.L.M.

Registration due March 30 for workshop

"Let's Preserve," a one day workshop providing the latest information on food safety and preservation skills, is planned for Saturday, April 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Southwestern Public Service Company in Lubbock.

Topics will include principles of canning, freezing, drying, food preservation equipment (maintenance and repair) and food preservation and safety enhibits.

Dr. Peggy Van Laanen, nutrition specialist with Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will conduct the training.

The workshop is being sponsored by South Plains Association of Extension Home Economists and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

A pre-registration fee of $30 is due by March 30. Interested homemakers need to contact the Scurry County Extension office as soon as possible. Contact Kathryn Roberts, County Extension Agent, at 573-5423.

Only limited space is available for the workshop. No registration will be taken at the door. Registration fees are transferable, but not refundable.

Cave certified to treat eye diseases

Dr. Bryan Cave recently received therapeutic certification from the Texas Optometry Board. To receive certification, he was required to attend 90 hours of board approved post-graduate courses and pass a national certification examination.

Dr. Cave was among the first optometrists in Texas to successfully take advantage of a new state law passed last year which enables optometrists to treat eye diseases.

Texas was the 27th state to pass such a law.

Dr. Cave is a 1984 graduate of the University of Houston, College of Optometry and has practiced in Snyder since he graduated.

Real estate course slated

For persons interested in receiving their real estate selling license, Western Texas College will be offering "Real Estate Principles" beginning later this month through the college's Continuing Education Department.

Fifteen classes are planned from March 23-May 4, on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:30-9:30 p.m.

Instructor will be Pat Cornett, a broker associate with Jack & Jack Realtors in Snyder.

The course will serve as an introduction to real estate transactions, real estate law, business concerning real property and concepts of home ownership.

In addition, fair housing laws, contracts, real estate taxes and liens will be discussed. Tuition costs for the class will be $56.25. A required textbook will cost an added $38.95.

For more information, contact WTC's Continuing Education Department at 573-8511, ext. 390.

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Survivors of Doolittle raid, rescuers reunite

RED WING, Minn. (AP) — Almost 50 years ago, a band of American airmen under Col. Jimmy Doolittle staged a daring bomber attack on Tokyo — and then flew on to China where they put their lives in the hands of peasants and workers.

On Friday, eight of the aging airmen were reunited with five of their Chinese rescuers and got a second chance to say "Thank you."

"We've thought about these people for 50 years," said retired Lt. Col. Frank Kappeler of Santa Rosa, Calif., navigator on one of Doolittle's B-25 bombers.

The Chinese and Americans, now in their 70s and 80s, were brought together by artist and history buff Bryan Moon, from the nearby town of Frontenac. He led a 1990 expedition to China to recover parts of the bombers that made the historic raid and met some of the people who had rescued the Americans.

"It was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity," Moon said. "This was the 50th year. It had to happen now."

Forty-two of the 80 airmen who made the raid are still alive. Doolittle, 95, lives in Pebble Beach, Calif., and was unable to attend, but sent a message to be read to the Chinese at a reception Sunday.

The desperate raid on Japan on April 18, 1942, came just four months after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, a time when American morale badly needed a boost. It was depicted two years later in the film "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo," starring Spencer Tracy as Doolittle.

Doolittle's 16 bombers took off from the USS Hornet, the first fully loaded bombers ever to take off from an aircraft carrier.

After the raid, the Doolittle raiders were to fly on west to land at airfields in China that were in friendly hands. An early takeoff, coupled with strong headwinds, depleted their gasoline reserves and almost all had to abandon their planes and bail out.

Of the 80 airmen, five drowned or were killed when they parachuted. Eight landed in Japanese-held China and were imprisoned, three later to be executed as war criminals and a fourth to die in prison.

Doolittle and 66 others came down in free China or the Soviet Far East and made their way back to U.S. forces, some with the help of people like Zhao Xiaobao, a fisherman's wife. She attended the reunion and recalled how one of Doolittle's bombers crashed near her home on the coastal island of Tan Toushan.

"That night, I saw an airplane flying low in the sky, and then there was a tremendous noise," said Mrs. Zhao, who helped hide and rescue Maj. Griffith Williams, a co-pilot, his engineer-gunner, Lt. Col. Edward Saylor, and two others.

"We fled to the mountains. When we came home, we found four airmen hidden in the pigpen of our home," Mrs. Zhao said through an interpreter.

"They probably saved our lives," said Williams, now of El Cajon, Calif. "The Japanese were within 2 miles. (The Chinese) kept us under cover."

The Chinese and Americans met and reminisced for about two hours before sitting down to lunch in a hotel banquet room. Lt. Gov. Joanell Dyrstad gave the Chinese certificates making them honorary Minnesotans.

Kappeler was reunited with Zeng Jainpei, a postal inspector who arranged for him to ride to safety in a postal truck.

Col. Dean Davenport of Panama City, Fla., a co-pilot, met again with Dr. Chen Shenyan, who treated his wounds for two weeks.

"It's wonderful to see you," Davenport said.

The trip was financed largely by private and corporate donations. Moon said he hadn't estimated the total cost.

Idaho became the 43rd state of the union in 1890.



PLAQUE PRESENTED — Janice Mitchell received a plaque from the Scurry County Commissioners Court and the Scurry County Library Board of Directors in appreciation of her interest and dedicated leadership in strengthening the county library. Mitchell, right, librarian from 1984 to 1991, received her award from Nona Williams, board president. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ammie Harrison is math winner

Ammie Estell Harrison, a student at Snyder Junior High School, has been named a United States national award winner in mathematics. She was nominated by her teacher, Theresa Vest.

The award is presented by the United States Achievement Academy.

She is the daughter of Willis and Darlene Harrison and the granddaughter of Easter Smith, C'Ella Harrison and Hiram Thompson, all of Snyder.

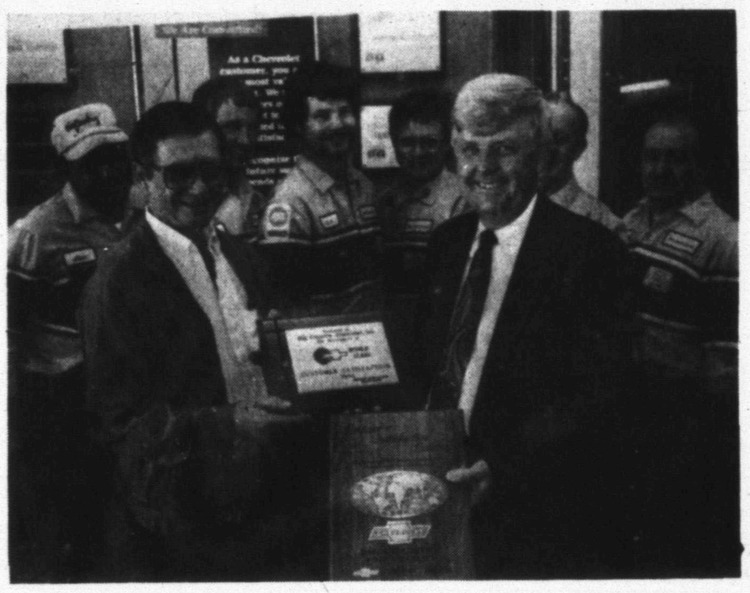
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CUSTOMER SERVICE AWARD — Bill Wilson's Big Country Chevrolet Service and Parts Departments were recently presented the "World Class" Customer Satisfaction Leader Award which is earned as a result of customer polls taken concerning quality and friendliness of customer services. Clint Chesser, front left, is shown receiving the award from David Gehle, Chevrolet Account Manager — Service. In the back from left are, Alvin Selmon, Mike Bragg, Rick Schwertner, Randy Chesser, Wayne Williams and Freddy Peralez. (SDN Staff Photo)

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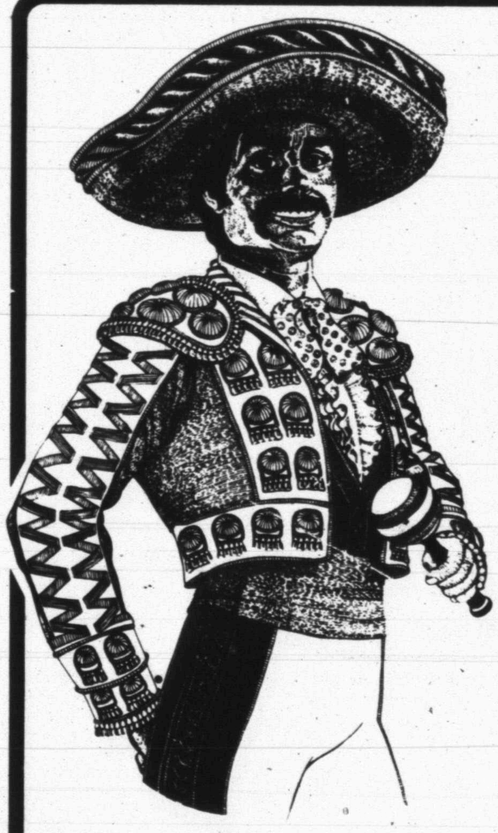
Divorced Parents
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The earned income credit, child care credit, and the head of household rate are still available to a divorced parent if he or she maintains a home for a child for more than half of the year, even if that parent has waived the dependency exemption. Also, the parent who pays the child's medical expenses gets the deduction for them.

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Judge approves agreement in state psychiatric dispute

DALLAS (AP) — A federal judge approved a final settlement Friday in a 1974 lawsuit over care of state psychiatric patients.

The agreement, reached in January by the state Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation and some patients in the state's eight psychiatric hospitals, was approved by U.S. District Judge Barefoot Sanders Friday.

The pact is expected to remove constant court monitoring of the state's psychiatric hospitals by mid-1994.

"This is a real step forward," said David Pharis, the court-appointed monitor in the matter. "I think this moves us to closure of the lawsuit."

The agreement sets minimum standards for compliance, returns the burden of monitoring back to the agency and provides for a release from the 1974 lawsuit once the standards are met.

The 1974 case was first settled in 1981, but was later reopened after Sanders found MHMR violated the pact in 1984 and again in 1985. A revised agreement was made in 1989. In September 1990, Sanders ordered plaintiffs and defendants to resolve the case by June 1, 1991.

The parties submitted their initial plan and were given additional time to negotiate the settlement.

Another final hearing on the matter is to be held next week before implementation of the plan can be made, Pharis said.

Under the agreement, each of the state's psychiatric facilities would begin monthly reviews of six program areas: medical treatment, individual care, special treatment procedures, patients' rights, client abuse and neglect investigation procedures and consent to treatment with psychiatric medications.

The reviews would be submitted to both MHMR officials in Austin and Pharis and then verified by a Quality System Oversight team made up of a state hospital employee, a clinical professional, a member of a state advocacy group, a consulting administrator and an independent psychiatrist.



MONETARY DONATION — The Snyder High School Key Club presented Snyder Neighbors Sharing a check for $767.90 to use toward the cost of its repairing homes for those unable to so themselves. On April 25, approximately 10 homes will be repaired in Snyder. SNS president Sam Robertson, left, accepts the gift from Jodie Shepard, Key Club secretary; Eric West, past president; Dane Farley, treasurer; and Zane Greenwood, president. Funds and volunteers are needed for this project, noted Robertson. For information, call 573-4053. (SDN Staff Photo)

2 on honor rolls

Two Snyder residents qualified for one of the two honor rolls for the fall, 1991 semester at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

The President's Honor Roll recognizes students who maintain a 4.0 grade point average. Stephen Warren, a student from the division of behavioral science and kinesiology, was listed on the President's Honor Roll.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students who maintain a grade point average between 3.5-3.999. Ronald Gloyd, also from the division of behavioral science and kinesiology, was listed on the Dean's Honor Roll.

Braun pleads 'no contest'

GARDEN CITY, Kan. (AP) — A man who was sentenced to life in prison without parole for killing a convenience store clerk in New Mexico during a 1989 crime rampage through four states, including Texas, has pleaded no contest to killing two clerks in Garden City.

Gregg F. Braun, 30, of Garden City, entered the pleas Friday to two counts of felony murder, two of aggravated kidnapping and two of aggravated robbery.

Braun also is accused of killing a photo processing shop owner in Pampa, Texas, and a flower shop employee in Ardmore, Okla., in the July 1989 crime rampage.

Braun's attorney, Dennis Bahr, initially asked to appear in Finney County District Court to enter a motion so Braun would not have to appear at his trial, which was to begin Monday.

Instead, Bahr told Judge Philip C. Vieux that it was Braun's intention to plead no contest to the charges.

Braun told the judge that he made his plea, in part, because many of his motions had been denied.

"The admissibility of all this, what I consider bogus testimony, makes it legally impossible for me to defend myself against these charges," Braun said. "I'm already doing life without parole in New Mexico, so the consequences of these charges would have no bearing on my future whatsoever."



NOAH AWARD — The Noah Project presented Rio Evans, right, an award of appreciation for seven years of volunteer service to the shelter for victims of family violence. Evans, minister at Hermleigh Church of Christ, is moving to Colorado this week to begin mission work there. Noah outreach coordinator Jim Evans presents the award on behalf of the organization. (SDN Staff Photo)

Financial Focus

Common stock represents ownership in a corporation. For issues requiring a vote before the corporation's board of directors, owners of common stock--shareholders--are entitled to one vote, either in person or by proxy, for every share owned. This ensures that each owner has a proportional voice in the decisions of the company.

Better Investing, the official publication of the National Association of Investors Corporation (NAIC), recently reported on a proposal that would reduce the voting clout of individual investors by placing more power in the hands of large, institutional investors.

The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) got the ball rolling in November 1989 by requesting special votng privileges because of its size ($64 billion). Its request was based on the hypothesis that as a sophisticated, institutional investor, CalPERS is "not only able to play a positive role in the government of public corporations but, as the owner of these corporations, has a right to assert that role."

Better Investing argues that managers or individuals who direct a large fund may administer that fund but do not own it. Decision-making belongs to each investor in direct porportion to his or her ownership. CalPERS' proposal, though, would give its $64 billion worth of proxies greater voting authority than the proxies of individual investors.

The NAIC's primary concern, of course, is individual investors, and the organization fears that approval of CalPERS' proposal would put more control of corporations into the hands of fewer people.

As it stands now, adoption of CalPERS' proposal by the SEC could create a privileged class of shareholder. Back-room agreements among large, institutional investors could potentially influence corporate decisions without the usual SEC filings and clearances.

The problem is compounded by the fact that the proxy procedure is complicated for many individuals who are not directly involved in the process.

At this writing, there is no indication as to what will be the outcome. However, the consequences could be far-reaching.

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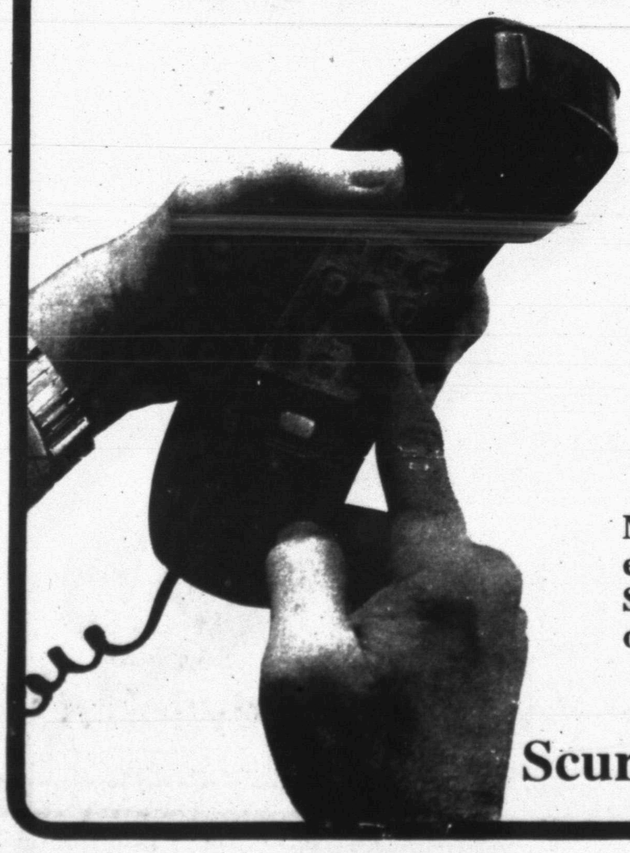
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'HEATHER DAY' — Three days of Coke and candy sales at Snyder Junior High School was contributed toward the purchase of a high frequency chest compression unit for Heather Floyd, who has cyctic fibrosis. In addition, the money made was matched by the student activity fund and exceeded $2,000. From left are Jennifer Gordon, Michele Nichols, Lochie Applin, Kendra Helms and Miss Floyd. (SDN Staff Photo)

Father seeks missing son

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Murali Krishnan's father traveled 9,000 miles to Austin this week to find answers to his oldest son's disappearance.

But Raghavachari Krishnan will return to his family in India with a heavy heart and more questions than when he arrived Tuesday.

"I will cry inside if I have to leave without finding out more," Raghavachari said from the Austin home of a fellow Indian.

Murali, a 24-year-old graduate student and teaching assistant in the University of Texas mechanical engineering department, has been missing since Feb. 28.

The last sign of the 5-foot-7, 165-pound student was his backpack lying on the north bank of Town Lake near the First Street Bridge, said Sgt. Robert Pewitt of the Austin Police Department.

One of Murali's professors and fellow students say Murali seemed sad and had told them before his disappearance that he tried to commit suicide. They said academic and financial pressures sometimes caused him to hide in his apartment sometimes for days at a time.

Now the troubled father wonders why no one helped Murali get professional counseling.

"(Raghavachari) is a little upset because there were clear signs of Murali's depression," said Bhatt Satish, the Austinite at whose home Raghavachari is staying. "A friend called a university counselor about his suicide attempts and the counselor said, 'Tell him not to do it.' It's a matter of life and death and that's all they said."

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BROOKE COZART

Cozart earns band honor

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The award is sponsored by the United States Achievement Academy.

Brooke is the daughter of Stanley and Linda Cozart of Snyder. Grandparents include Nell Spence of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. O.C. Cozart of Dublin.



SNS DONATION — Bill Jacobi of Chevron, right, presents a $500 donation to Snyder Neighbors Sharing board member Bob Womack. SNS workday is set for April 25. (SDN Staff Photo)

Human rights group ends boycott

BOSTON (AP) — A human rights group said it has ended a two-year boycott of U.S. coffee brands using Salvadoran beans now that a cease fire and United Nations-sponsored peace accord have taken hold in El Salvador.

Neighbor to Neighbor targeted U.S. coffee makers, especially Procter & Gamble Co.'s Folgers brand.

Federal deficit

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal deficit totaled $48.8 billion in February, nearly twice the $26.2 billion imbalance during the same month a year ago, the Treasury reported.

Economists said the numbers look worse than they actually are because last year's deficit was held down by allied contributions to the Gulf War.

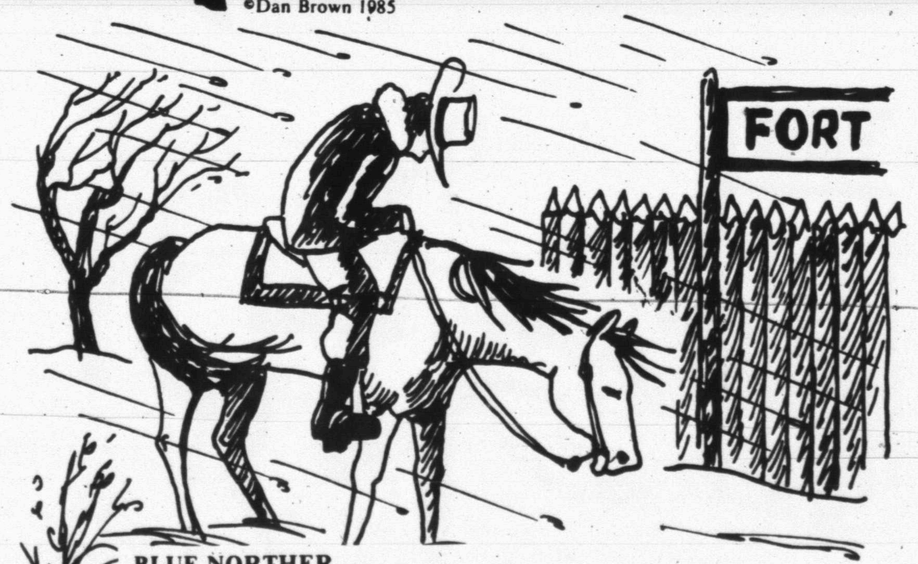
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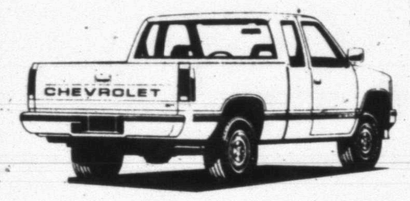


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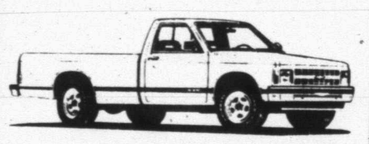
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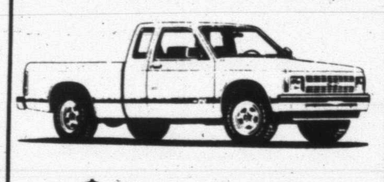
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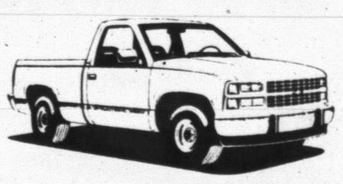
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TCU Frogs are last SWC team playing

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — With Houston and Texas knocked cold in the NCAA tournament, it's up to Texas Christian to gain a little respect for the Southwest Conference.

TCU will visit Purdue (17-14) in the second round of the NIT Monday night.

The Frogs turned to little Brent Atwater Thursday night, and he turned up his game for 12 second-half points, sparking TCU's 73-61 victory over Long Beach State in TCU's first post-season appearance in five years.

Atwater missed all five of his shots in the first half — shots that could have buried the 49ers sooner.

"Coach told me to concentrate and stick with it," Atwater said. "They were trying to go physical to stop Reggie. My man was sagging in."

"It was hard for him because Long Beach didn't guard him," TCU coach Moe Iba said. "They'd drop the guard off and overplay everyone else. At first he was tentative, then we told him at the half to take the ball to them. In the second half, he started penetrating and causing things to happen."

"We were told to go back to the basics," said Reggie Smith, who led the Frogs with 24 points and 11 rebounds for his 20th double-double of the year.

Carrying the flag for the SWC is new territory for the Frogs, who won 12 road games this year despite playing shorthanded. Iba resorted to suiting out his equipment manager after four reserves quit in December.

NIT glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST
First Round
Wednesday, March 18

Tennessee 71, Alabama-Birmingham 68
Notre Dame 63, Western Michigan 56
Virginia 83, Villanova 80
Kansas State 85, Western Kentucky 74
Pittsburgh 67, Penn State 65
Washington State 72, Minnesota 70

Thursday, March 19

Manhattan 67, Wisconsin-Green Bay 65
Purdue 82, Butler 56
Florida 66, Richmond 52
Boston College 78, Southern Illinois 69
Rhode Island 68, Vanderbilt 63
Texas Christian 73, Long Beach State 61
Utah 72, Ball State 57
New Mexico 90, Louisiana Tech 84
Arizona St. 71, UC Santa Barbara 65

Friday, March 20

Rutgers 73, James Madison 69

Second Round
Times TBA
Monday, March 23

Texas Christian (23-10) at Purdue (17-14), 7:30 p.m.
Kansas State (16-13) at Notre Dame (15-14), 7:30 p.m.
Tennessee (19-14) at Virginia (16-13), 7:30 p.m.
Manhattan (24-8) at Rutgers (16-14), 7:30 p.m.
Florida (17-12) at Pittsburgh (18-15), 8 p.m.
Washington State (22-10) at New Mexico (19-12), 9:35 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24

Rhode Island (21-9) at Boston College (17-13), 8 p.m.
Utah (21-10) at Arizona State (19-13), 10 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
New York	41	25	.621	—
Boston	38	30	.559	4
New Jersey	30	36	.455	11
Miami	30	37	.448	11½
Philadelphia	30	37	.448	11½
Washington	22	46	.324	20
Orlando	16	51	.239	25½
Central Division				
x-Chicago	56	12	.824	—
Cleveland	44	21	.677	10½
Detroit	41	27	.603	15
Indiana	33	36	.478	23½
Atlanta	32	35	.478	23½
Milwaukee	29	37	.439	26
Charlotte	26	39	.400	28½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Utah	44	23	.657	—
San Antonio	41	25	.621	2½
Houston	37	31	.544	7½
Denver	22	44	.333	21½
Dallas	17	51	.250	27½
Minnesota	11	55	.167	32½
Pacific Division				
Portland	48	19	.716	—
Golden State	44	21	.677	3
Phoenix	43	25	.632	5½
Seattle	37	30	.552	11
LA Clippers	36	32	.529	12½
LA Lakers	35	32	.522	13
Sacramento	21	47	.309	27½

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Friday's Games

New Jersey 99, Washington 96
Atlanta 112, Charlotte 110
Cleveland 122, Golden State 107
Indiana 102, Milwaukee 97, OT
Boston 104, Detroit 99, OT
Sacramento 125, Dallas 96
LA Clippers 114, Phoenix 101
LA Lakers 131, Minnesota 121

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HAWKS — Snyder's Little Dribbler Minor League Champions for 1992 were the Hawks, pictured above. The team, 12-0 on the campaign, won the regular-season title then captured the post-season tournament crown. Team members include, front row from left, Jason Dennis, Case Hardy, Clay Preston, Josh Arnold and Donnie Sims. Middle row from left, Jared Hester, Paul Camp, Justin Rosson and Kevin Taylor. Back row from left, coach Leon Ward, Josh Ward and coach Richard Hester. (Contributed photo)

SDN sports week

Monday, March 23

Baseball
Snyder JV hosts Brownfield at 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24

Baseball
Snyder Tigers at Brownfield at 5:30 p.m.
Ira hosts Sweetwater JV at 5 p.m.

Track
Ira Junior High at Jayton Track Meet.

Friday, March 27

Baseball
Snyder Tigers at Abilene Wylie at 4 p.m.
Snyder JV at Big Spring Tournament.
Ira at Coahoma JV at 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 26

Track
Snyder Lady Tigers at Abilene All-America City Track Classic.
Ira at Aspermont Track Meet.

Golf
Snyder Tigers and Lady Tigers at Frenship.

Saturday, March 28

Baseball
Snyder JV at Big Spring Tournament.

Track
Snyder Lady Tigers at Abilene All-America City Track Classic.
Snyder Tigers at Sand Hills Relays in Monahans.

Tennis
Snyder freshmen at Colorado City JV Tournament.
Snyder Junior High at Big Spring Tournament.

WTC plans women's rodeo schools

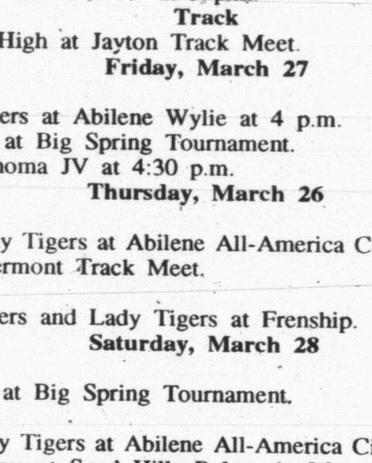
A pair of standout women rodeo performers will conduct schools at Western Texas College March 28-29.

Lari D. Guy, the 1991 NIRA National Champion breakaway roper and 1991 Southwest Regiona NIRA Champion goat tier Jennifer Lee will be the guest instructors.

Cost is $150 for the breakaway roping class and $125 for goat tying. Classes will be held at the college arena.

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NCAA basketball...

Tulane upsets Redmen 61-57

by The Associated Press

Tulane, which resumed basketball in 1989 after a self-imposed four-year shutdown caused by a point-shaving scandal, upset cold-shooting St. John's 61-57 Friday in the opening round of the Southeast Regional.

David Whitmore had 15 points and six rebounds for Tulane (22-8), which was making its NCAA tournament debut.

"This is one of the best wins in the history of Tulane basketball," said coach Perry Clark. "I told them before the game that this one was for them. They have worked hard and played well for us, but I wanted them to have fun and win this one for themselves.

"Nobody expected us to be here," Clark said. "This is gratifying for these kids because they worked so hard and went through so much adversity."

Whitmore, a senior forward who transferred from Georgia Tech after his freshman season, said he wasn't thinking of the NCAA tournament when he first arrived in New Orleans.

"I must say no," he said, "because anybody would think I was crazy if I said yes."

Tulane's next opponent is 11th-ranked Oklahoma State, which routed Georgia Southern 100-73.

In the East, No. 6 Kentucky beat Old Dominion 88-69 and Iowa State edged North Carolina-Charlotte 76-74.

No. 12 Cincinnati dumped Delaware 85-47 and No. 14 Michigan State beat Southwest Missouri State 61-54 in the Midwest, while New Mexico State topped DePaul 81-73 in the West.

St. John's (19-11), the No. 7 seed in the Southeast, shot only 36 percent from the field and committed 16 turnovers against 10th-seeded Tulane.

"They are very quick and they have tremendous team speed," St. John's coach Lou Carnesecca said. "They had good intensity, they're well-drilled and they hit some big, big buckets under pressure."

St. John's missed 15 of its last 16 shots from the field in the first half, allowing Tulane to go on an 18-4 run that put the Green Wave ahead 35-30 at halftime.

"It was a lack of execution on our part," Carnesecca said. "They took us out of our rhythm."

EAST
No. 6 Kentucky 88, Old Dominion 69

At Worcester, Mass., Kentucky used a late 15-2 run to beat Old Dominion in the Wildcats' first NCAA tournament game since 1988. Kentucky (27-6) led by only three points with 8:25 remaining against the team with the worst record in the tournament (15-15). The Wildcats turned up the defensive pressure, finally found the range on 3-pointers and opened up a 77-61 lead. John Pelphrey had 22 points for Kentucky, which missed the last two tournaments because of probation after failing to get a bid in 1989.

Iowa St. 76, NC-Charlotte 74

Iowa State nearly slid out of the tourney despite leading North Carolina-Charlotte by nine points with less than two minutes left. The 10th-seeded Cyclones pulled out the victory after Charlotte (23-9) closed to 71-69 on a 3-pointer by Rodney Odom with 45 seconds left. Justus Thigpen led Iowa State (21-12) with 21 points.

SOUTHEAST
No. 11 Oklahoma St. 100, Georgia Southern 73

At Atlanta, Byron Houston scored 29 points and Oklahoma State took charge with a 20-0 second-half run. Georgia Southern (25-6), the Trans America champion, stayed with the Big Eight power until Sean Sutton started the big run with a 3-pointer with 16:15 remaining. Oklahoma State (27-7) improved to 17-0 outside the Big Eight.

MIDWEST
No. 12 Cincinnati 85, Delaware 47

At Dayton, Ohio, Nick Van Exel scored 18 points and Cincinnati's pressing defense forced 33 turnovers as the Bearcats snapped Delaware's 20-game winning streak. Anthony Burford added 14 points for Cincinnati (26-4). Delaware (27-4), making its first tourney appearance, shot only 39 percent from the field.

NCAA glance

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EAST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 19
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.

Seton Hall 78, La Salle 76
Missouri 89, West Virginia 78
Duke 82, Campbell 56
Iowa 98, Texas 92

Friday, March 20
At The Centrum
Worcester, Mass.

Kentucky 88, Old Dominion 69
Iowa State 76, N.C. Charlotte 74
Massachusetts 85, Fordham 58
Syracuse 51, Princeton 43

Second Round
Saturday, March 21
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.

Duke (29-2) vs. Iowa (19-10), 12:10 p.m.
Seton Hall (22-8) vs. Missouri (21-8), 30 minutes after

Sunday, March 22
At The Centrum
Worcester, Mass.

Iowa State (21-12) vs. Kentucky (27-6), 2:30 p.m.
Massachusetts (29-4) vs. Syracuse (22-9), 30 minutes after.

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 19
At Riverfront Coliseum
Cincinnati

North Carolina 68, Miami, Ohio 63
Alabama 80, Stanford 75
Ohio State 83, Mississippi Valley State 56
Connecticut 86, Nebraska 65

Friday, March 20
At The Omni
Atlanta

Tulane 61, St. John's 57
Oklahoma State 100, Georgia Southern 73
Michigan 73, Temple 66
East Tennessee State 87, Arizona 80

Second Round
Saturday, March 21
At Riverfront Coliseum
Cincinnati

North Carolina (22-9) vs. Alabama (26-8), 2:25 p.m.
Ohio State (24-5) vs. Connecticut (20-9), 30 minutes after

Sunday, March 22
At The Omni
Atlanta

Tulane (22-8) vs. Oklahoma State (27-7), 12:15 p.m.
East Tennessee State (24-6) vs. Michigan (21-8), 30 minutes after.

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 19
At The Bradley Center
Milwaukee

Arkansas 80, Murray State 69
Memphis State 80, Pepperdine 70
Georgia Tech 65, Houston 60
Southern California 84, Northeast Louisiana 54

Friday, March 20
At U. of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio

Michigan State 61, Southwest Missouri State 54
Cincinnati 85, Delaware 47
Kansas 100, Howard 67
Texas-El Paso 55, Evansville 50

Second Round
Saturday, March 20
At The Bradley Center
Milwaukee

Arkansas (26-7) vs. Memphis State (21-10), 4:45 p.m.
Georgia Tech (22-11) vs. Southern California (24-5), 30 minutes after

Sunday, March 21
At U. of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio

Cincinnati (26-4) vs. Michigan State (22-7), 12:20 p.m.
Kansas (27-4) vs. Texas-El Paso (26-6).

WEST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 19
At University Pavilion
Boise, Idaho

Georgetown 75, South Florida 60
Florida State 78, Montana 68
Louisiana State 94, Brigham Young 83
Indiana 94, Eastern Illinois 55

Friday, March 20
At University Activity Center
Tempe, Ariz.

New Mexico State 81, DePaul 73
SW Louisiana 87, Oklahoma 83
Louisville 81, Wake Forest 58
UCLA 73, Robert Morris 53

Second Round
Saturday, March 21
At University Pavilion
Boise, Idaho

Florida State (21-9) vs. Georgetown (22-9), 4:35 p.m.
LSU (21-9) vs. Indiana (24-6), 30 minutes after

Sunday, March 22
At University Activity Center
Tempe, Ariz.

SW Louisiana (21-10) vs. New Mexico State (24-7), 2:20 p.m.
UCLA (26-4) vs. Louisville (19-10), 30 minutes after.

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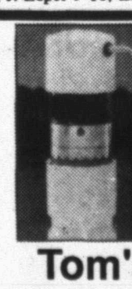
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Tigers suffer tourney losses

Fall Friday to West and Big Spring at Snyder Invitational

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

After exploding for 18 runs and 12 hits in Thursday's first round game against Merkel, the Snyder Tigers could only manage six hits in two losses Friday in the second day of play at the Snyder Invitational Baseball Tournament.

Snyder dropped their second-round game to an upstart West squad, 5-1, then fell to Big Spring, 3-2 in third-round action.

"That West team really surprised me," said SHS coach Albert Lewis. "They have a good baseball team. They are really solid defensively. They just don't let anything get through."

"And," he added, "they are an excellent hitting ball team."

In other tournament action Friday, Lamesa clinched a berth in Saturday's championship game with back-to-back 2-1 wins over Levelland and West; Frenship moved to within a game of the title matchup by drilling Brownwood, 6-2; Brownfield downed Merkel, 7-6; and Sweetwater claimed a 7-6 decision over Borger.

The Tigers last game in the tournament was to be a 2 p.m. Saturday contest against the loser of the morning's Canyon-Levelland tilt.

Other Saturday games included Frenship versus Big Spring with a spot opposite Lamesa in the championship game at stake; San Angelo Lake View taking on Brownfield, and the Frenship-Big Spring loser battling West.

In addition, Merkel faced San Angelo Lake View, Borger met Brownfield and the Canyon-Levelland winner squared off against Sweetwater.

Snyder senior Daniel Espinosa fell to 3-2 on the season with the loss to the WHS Trojans, allowing seven hits, one strikeout and a walk in two innings of work.

The Tigers managed five hits, including an RBI double by shortstop Mark King that drove in Raymond House from second after a single and his 20th consecutive stolen base.

Mark Polansky took the win for the Trojans.

The Steers' Frankie Martinez allowed just one hit to the Tigers in the loss to Big Spring in the third round.

A Chad Fox single in the bottom of the seventh was the only base hit of the night for SHS.

Fox's rap, Chad Martin's free pass after being hit by a pitch and a walk to Michael Fields loaded the bases with no outs in the seventh.

Consecutive sacrifice flies to right by Bobby Clinkinbeard and House closed the gap to 3-2 before Michael Fields was caught trying to take second on the last fly ball to end the game.

Senior David Patrick slipped to 2-2 on the campaign with the loss. He scattered five hits, fanned four and walked just two.

House was Saturday's scheduled starter against the Canyon-Levelland winner.

Snyder slipped to 9-4 on the season with Friday's losses.

Snyder Baseball Tournament
Thursday, March 19

Game 1 — Lamesa 10, San Angelo Lake View 0
Game 2 — Levelland, bye.
Game 3 — West 6, Brownfield 4
Game 4 — Snyder 18, Merkel 2
Game 5 — Brownwood 10, Sweetwater 2
Game 6 — Frenship 8, Borger 3
Game 7 — Big Spring 8, Canyon 3

Friday, March 20

Game 8 — Lamesa 2, Levelland 1
Game 9 — West 5, Snyder 1
Game 10 — San Angelo Lake View receives a bye to Game 19.
Game 11 — Brownfield 7, Merkel 6
Game 12 — Frenship 6, Brownwood 2
Game 13 — Sweetwater 7, Borger 6
Game 14 — Big Spring 3, Snyder 2
Game 15 — Lamesa 2, West 1

Saturday, March 20

Game 16 — Levelland vs. Canyon at 9 a.m. at SHS Field.
Game 17 — Frenship vs. Big Spring at 9 a.m. at Moffett Field.
Game 18 — San Angelo Lake View vs Brownfield at 11 a.m. at Moffett Field.
Game 19 — Canyon-Levelland loser vs. Snyder at 2 p.m. at Moffett Field.
Game 20 — Frenship-Big Spring loser vs. West at 4 p.m. at Moffett Field.
Game 21 — Canyon vs. Levelland at 9 a.m. at SHS Field.
Game 22 — Canyon-Levelland winner vs. Sweetwater at 11 a.m. at SHS Field.
Game 23 — Big Spring-Frenship winner vs. Lamesa at 6 p.m. at Moffett Field.

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WAITING THEIR TURNS — Snyder designated hitter Chad Fox, right, and right fielder Chad Martin watch while waiting their chances to swing the lumber during the Tigers' 5-1 second-round loss to West Friday in the Snyder Invitational Baseball Tournament. (SDN Staff Photo)

Springers finish second at Crane meet

The Snyder Springers tumbling and trampoline team captured second place in the recent Crane meet with six team members gathering first-place honors in tumbling and trampoline events.

In addition, the Springers advanced team competed in Lawton, Okla. with Kristi McClure earning a berth in the national competition June 16-20 in Dallas.

Host Crane took first in the trampoline and pre-novice events in the six-team competition.

Snyder entrants earning double firsts were Patricia Brzozowski, Shannon Hall, Kelby Drum, Amy Harless, Adam Loy and Lynn Boyd.

Earning first places in tumbling were Springers Kali Wesson, Meagan Riley, Erin Burleson, Taylor Daniell and Latrisha Rollins.

Vanessa Freeman, Logan Boyd, Amber Loy, Hailey Putnam, Anna Williams and Kristen Harless each claimed first in trampoline competition.

McClure's qualifying for nationals came as a results of her second place in tumbling, first in trampoline and a third in double-mini in the Oklahoma meet.

Also attending for the Springers were Corey Cox and Jennifer Seabourn.

Cox took a third in tumbling and double-mini and a second in trampoline at Lawton while Seabourn turned in a second in double-mini, a fourth in tumbling and a seventh in trampoline.

Crane Meet
Snyder competitors

Tumbling: 1st — Patricia Brzozowski, Shannon Hall, Kelby Drum, Amy Harless, Adam Loy, Lynn Boyd, Kali Wesson, Meagan Riley, Erin Burleson, Taylor Daniell, Latrisha Rollins, Brittany Drummond. **2nd** — Vanessa Freeman, Logan Boyd, Kristell Fitts, Misty McClure, Stephanie Boyd, Amber Loy. **3rd** — Ashley Jenkins, Maritza Aguirre, Hailey Putnam, Jessica Brown, Anna Williams. **4th** — Jessica Yanez, Kristen Harless. **5th** — Briana Burk. **6th** — Audra Reneau.

Trampoline: 1st — Patricia Brzozowski, Shannon Hall, Kelby Drum, Amy Harless, Adam Loy, Lynn Boyd, Vanessa Freeman, Logan Boyd, Amber Loy, Hailey Putnam, Anna Williams, Kristen Harless. **2nd** — Audra Reneau, Jessica Brown, Stephanie Boyd, Brittany Drummond, Taylor Daniell, Erin Burleson. **3rd** — Kali Wesson, Kristell Fitts, Maritza Aguirre, Jessica Yanez, Briana Burk. **4th** — Ashley Jenkins, Misty McClure, Latrisha Rollins. **5th** — Meagan Riley.

Advanced Meet
Lawton, Oklahoma
Snyder competitors

Kristi McClure — 2nd tumbling, 1st trampoline, 3rd double mini. **Corey Cox** — 3rd tumbling, 2nd trampoline, 3rd double mini. **Jennifer Seabourn** — 4th tumbling, 7th trampoline, 2nd double-mini.



SPRINGERS — The Snyder Springers took first in tumbling and second in trampoline in their recent appearance at the Crane Meet. Team members include Shannon Hall, Patricia Brzozowski, Kelby Drum, Amy Harless, Adam Loy, Lynn Boyd, Kali Wesson, Meagan Wiley, Erin Burleson, Taylor Daniell, Latrisha Rollins, Brittany Drummond, Vanessa Freeman, Logan Boyd, Kristell Fitts, Misti McClure, Stephanie Boyd, Amber Loy, Ashley Jenkins, Martiza Aguirre, Hailey Putnam, Jessica Brown, Anna Williams, Jessica Yanez, Kristen Harless, Briana Burk, and Audra Reneau. (Contributed Photo)



ADVANCED TUMBLERS — Members of the Snyder Springers Advanced Team are, from bottom, Jennifer Seabourn, Corey Cox and Kristi McClure. The squad recently attended a meet in Lawton, Okla. where McClure earned a berth in the June national meet in Dallas. (Contributed Photo)

WTC-MGA slates business meeting

Western Texas College Men's Golf Association will hold an organizational meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday at The Shack.

The agenda includes the election of officers, the upcoming season's schedule and other necessary business.

Benavides HR carries Cincy past Texas, 6-5

PLANT CITY, Fla. (AP) — Freddy Benavides homered and doubled and Glenn Braggs went 3-for-4 to lead the Cincinnati Reds to a 6-5 victory Friday over the Texas Rangers.

Benavides and Texas first basemen Jack Daugherty both hit bases-empty homers in the first. The Reds erupted for five runs off Rangers' starter Hector Fajardo in the third.

Jeff Stone started the rally with a lead-off walk and Benavides doubled him to third. Fajardo (0-2) retired the next two batters before Braggs singled to center, scoring both runs.

Mark Howie walked and Joe Oliver doubled in two runs. Al Newman's single scored Oliver with the fifth run.

The Rangers scored twice in the fourth on Monty Fariss' double, a walk, a run-scoring grounder by Jose Hernandez and a single by Fajardo.

Texas added another run in the fifth on Ruben Sierra's second home run of the spring and another in the eighth on Daugherty's double, a single by Juan Gonzalez and an error.

Dwayne Henry retired the last six batters without a hit to record his second save of the spring. He has allowed only one hit in six appearances, totaling 8 1-3 innings.

Reds starter Tim Belcher (1-0) went four innings to earn the victory, allowing three runs and three hits, walking three and striking out two.

The Reds are 11-5 in exhibition games, the Rangers 8-8.

Exhibition baseball

Friday's Games

Cincinnati 6, Texas 5
Detroit 8, Philadelphia 3
N.Y. Mets 10, Houston 5
Baltimore 9, Toronto 5

Bowling News

JACK AND JILL
3-18-92

Team	W	L
Outlaws	67½	36½
Sonic	66	38
Timely Finance	61	43
Misfits	56	48
Matthies Const	56	48
Matco Tools	56	48
Snyder Paint-Body	54	50
Champions	53½	50½
Better-n-Nuttin	53	51
Strugglers	51	53
Garcia Tire	48½	55½
Club 250	47	57
Hillside Mem Gdn	45½	58½
Lucky 7	41	63
Just One Pin	39½	64½
Silver Bullet	38½	65½

High Series: Strick Posey 551; Billie Pippin 545. **High game:** Strick Posey 205; Bernie Sealy 210. **High handicap series:** Woody Taylor 620; Donna Jackson 651. **High handicap game:** Darrell Highfield 235; Melba Surratt 249.

200-500: Strick Posey 205, 551; Roger Batchelor 200, 533; Bernie Sealy 210, 512; Darrell Highfield 201; Bob Sealy 507; Woody Taylor 509; Jimmy Fletcher 524; Billie Pippin 545.

Converted splits: Billie Jackson 3-5-10, 2-7; Roger Batchelor 4-6-10; Sandra Clawson 6-7-10; Alma Posey 6-7, 5-10; Woody Taylor 2-7; Daphene Thompson 4-5; Matilda Olvera 6-7, 2-7; Kenneth Kellner 3-10; Jester Pippin 3-10; Sophie West 3-10; Jack Stack 5-6; Mary Batchelor 4-5.

WISHBALL
3-19-92

Team	W	L
W-M	91	49
Johnson Exxon	84½	55½
Snyder Lanes	84	56
A and W	74	66
Ridge Riders	65½	74½
Melco	60	80
Snyder Golf	52	88
Lefties	49	91

High Series: Mike Shrimplin 596. **High game:** Monte West 214. **High handicap series:** Tim McCright 672. **High handicap game:** Rick Mammolite 234.

Splits converted: D. Lyle 3-10; R. Mammolite 6-7-10; M. Shrimplin 9-10; M. West 3-10, 4-5; J. Loper 9-10; L. Smith 2-7; P. Herridge

COMMERCIAL
3-17-92

Team	W	L
City of Rotan	133½	86½
Stephens Ofc Sup	127½	92½
WTP Energy	110	110
Key Kennels	108	112
Pro Parts	107½	112½
Bar-H-Bar	103	117
Reef Chemical	102½	117½
Wilson Mtrs	88	132

High Series: Tommy Early 592. **High game:** Wayne Loper 216. **High handicap series:** Wayne Loper 638. **High handicap game:** Gary Kinder 239.

Splits converted: Don Johnson 2-7-8; Robert Early 3-9-10; Richard Beck 2-7; H.G. Tidwell 5-6.

ROLL N HOPE
3-18-92

Team	W	L
Cotton Patch Casuals	68	36
Louise's Coffee Shop	66½	37½
E.D. Walton	64	40
Musselwhite Trucking	47½	56½
LaRoux State Farm	45	59
Pro Bail Bond	45	59
City Nat'l Bank	41	63
IGA	41	63

High Series: Cindy Loper 612. **High game:** Paula Beuerlein 221. **High handicap series:** Debbie Massingill 696. **High handicap game:** Deborah Pruett 280.

Splits converted: Deborah Pruett 3-10; Dorothy Matthews 3-10; Nancy Crow 5-7; Bernie Sealy 3-10, 3-10; Emma Braziel 5-6; Sammie Lyle 3-10; Jeneal Chambers 2-7.

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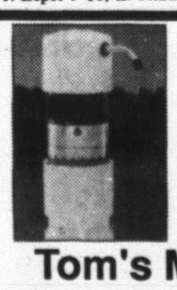
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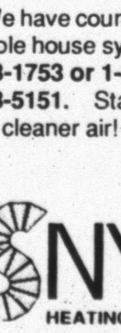
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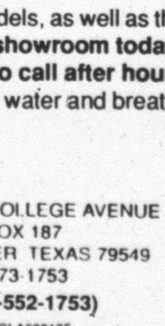
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Commonwealth puts off some issues, future said in doubt

KIEV, Ukraine (AP) — Russia and Ukraine intensified their rivalry at a commonwealth summit, but the rancorous meeting also showed most member states realize the need to cooperate on some economic and security issues.

"If we don't change the conditions on which the decisions of the commonwealth are carried out, the fate of the commonwealth is sealed," Ukrainian President Leonid Kravchuk said in a grim assessment of the one-day meeting Friday in the capital of his country.

Still, not all leaders of the commonwealth's 11 states expressed such pessimism, and there were signs of cooperation.

The group agreed tentatively to send military observers and possibly peacekeeping forces to regional trouble spots, including Nagorno-Karabakh in Azerbaijan and Trans-Dniester in Moldova.

"The commonwealth has a better chance of being a commonwealth than the Soviet Union had of being a union," Kazakh President Nursultan Nazarbayev told reporters.

The summit was the fourth since the commonwealth succeeded the Soviet Union in December. During the meeting, the leaders also agreed to meet again this spring in Tashkent, capital of Uzbekistan, and signed lesser documents, such as one recognizing joint control over the archives of the old Soviet state.

Kravchuk, however, refused to sign an agreement that Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin held paramount: establishing a unified military command over the former Soviet armed forces for a two-year period.

The Ukraine president also restated his decision to halt removal of tactical nuclear weapons from Ukraine to Russia until an international commission is created to supervise their dismantling. Arms accords call for the transfer to be completed by July 1.

Ukraine joined Kazakhstan and Belarus later in saying that they intended to become non-nuclear states and to abide by arms treaties signed by the Soviet Union.

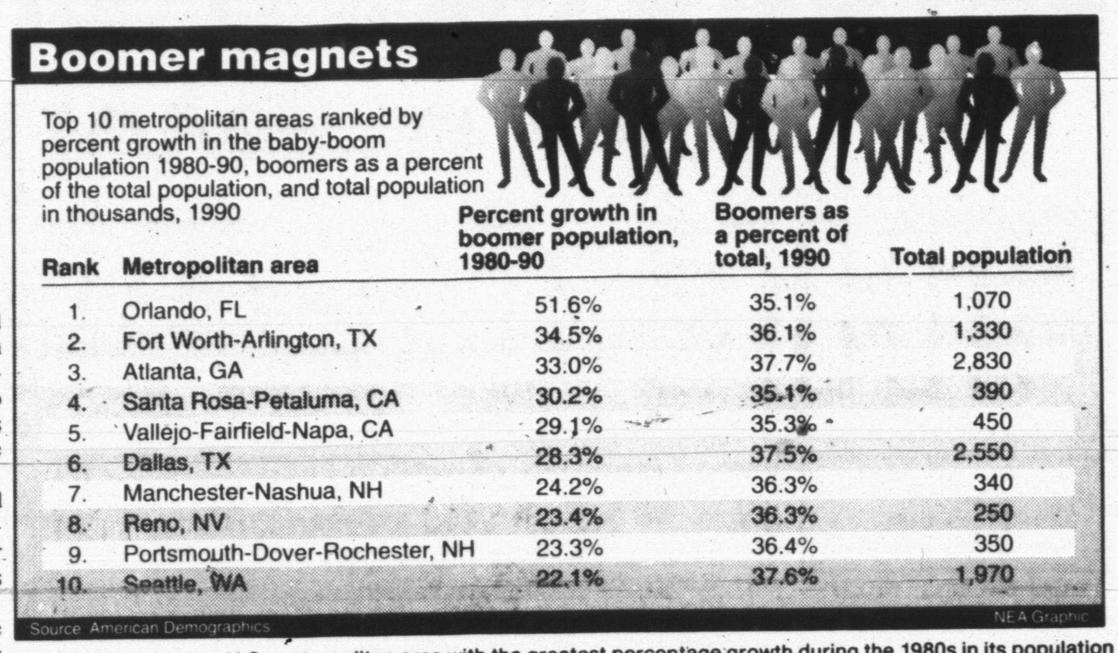
The three plus Russia are the only former republics to possess long-range nuclear weapons. Unconfirmed Ukrainian news reports said Ukraine had sent only about half of its estimated 4,100 warheads to Russia.

Amid the disagreements, some signs of cooperation did emerge from the meeting.

Although Yeltsin and Kravchuk bristled at each other during the summit and joint news conference, they agreed on establishing a joint force to guard the commonwealth's external borders.

The leaders also ratified an agreement reached March 13 in Moscow accepting joint responsibility for the estimated $89 billion Soviet foreign debt.

But Kravchuk deferred discussion of strategic issues, ensuring that Russia and Ukraine will continue to argue over division of the Black Sea Fleet.



Orlando, Fla., was the U.S. metropolitan area with the greatest percentage growth during the 1980s in its population of baby boomers — people born during the post-World War II era. In baby boom growth, Orlando outstripped the No. 2 metro area — Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas — by 17.1 percent.

Attorney general appoints judge to head bank probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General William P. Barr appointed a retired federal judge Friday to determine whether the Justice Department should open a criminal investigation of the House bank scandal.

Barr appointed retired Circuit Judge Malcolm R. Wilkey, to review the controversy involving 355 current or former House members who wrote bad checks against their accounts at a private bank for lawmakers.

The attorney general was quick to note in his statement that Wilkey's review "does not reflect any escalation of the Justice Department's effort."

The attorney general said Wilkey "will have full discretion and powers." A senior Justice Department official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Wilkey would have the power to subpoena witnesses and take testimony in a grand jury.

The appointment of Wilkey takes the matter away from the capital's U.S. Attorney, Jay B. Stephens, who caught Justice Department officials off guard Monday when he announced through a spokesman that he was conducting a preliminary inquiry to determine if there was any criminal wrongdoing in the operation of the House bank.

Stephens' announcement had raised the possibility that Justice Department prosecutors were on the trail of possible criminal wrongdoing in a scandal that involved mostly Democrats.

The next day, three former House Republicans who serve in President Bush's Cabinet disclosed that they had written bad checks during the 39-month period reviewed by the General Accounting Office and the House ethics committee.

Barr reiterated his "complete confidence" in Stephens but said that "given the unique circumstances and sensitivities to this matter, I have concluded that the public interest will be served by appointing an individual like Judge Wilkey."

Justice Department officials on Friday stressed that Wilkey's review would not differ from the one Stephens said he had launched last fall after the General Accounting Office delivered its findings on the operation of the House bank.

The Justice Department's statement said that Wilkey would conduct the preliminary review and report to Barr "on the extent, if any, to which further investigation is warranted."

"My direction to Judge Wilkey is to conduct a fair, tnorough and expeditious review of this matter, and to report to me as promptly as possible on whether there is any individual wrongdoing which requires further action," Barr said in his statement.

Police make three arrests on warrants

Snyder police arrested three people on warrants and closed a criminal mischief case with the identification of two suspects Friday and early Saturday.

Officers arrested a 36-year-old man in the 1200 block of 25th Street at 2:50 p.m. Friday on a Lubbock County warrant for felony theft. The man has been released pending further investigation by the Lubbock County district attorney's office.

At 5:58 p.m., officers arrested a 23-year-old man at 22nd Street and Avenue E on Abilene DPS warrants for speeding and failure to appear.

Officers also arrested a 25-year-old man at 1:12 a.m. Saturday in the 2700 block of Avenue G on Abilene DPS warrants for speeding and failure to appear and on Colorado City Police Department warrants for running a stop sign and failure to appear.

Police closed a criminal mischief case Friday which dated back to March 15. Amy Foster of 3901 Ave. O, had notified officers on that date that someone had damaged her vehicle with a rock. Two young men, ages 16 and 17, have been identified as suspects. They were released to their parents and the case will be forwarded to the district attorney's office. Estimated damages to the vehicle have been set at $370.

At 8:15 p.m. Friday, Doug Proffitt notified officers that someone had damaged railroad equipment at 20th Street and Avenue I. A report for criminal mischief Class A was filed.

A second report of criminal mischief, Class B, was filed Friday after Western Texas College security officer Tommy Miller informed police that someone had damaged a dispenser in a women's restroom at the college.

Police worked a minor traffic accident in the 3800 block of College Avenue at 2 p.m. Friday. Involved were a 1989 Nissan driven by Sandra Adams of 605 19th St. and a 1985 Cadillac driven by Virginia White Bethel of 2700 42nd St.

Officers also handled several domestic disputes and disturbances involving juveniles, all without incident.

Students send 'hate mail' to Review's managing editor

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Third-graders wrote a newspaper editor messages including "I will kill you" and "you smell like a rat" because he didn't publish a photograph of their teacher.

The messages were hand-delivered in a packet to The Review, a weekly newspaper, and addressed to Managing Editor George Beetham Jr. A cover sheet read, "From the mouths of babes."

"I will kill you if you do not put my teacher's picture spelled right in the Review. I was very angry not to see it today!" one of the 14 students wrote.

"I hate you. You smell like a rat because you did not put my teacher's picture in the newspaper. You ugly rat and four eyed geeks ... I'm going to rip all your hair off, put it in your mouth and take your clothes and put them on your head and beat you up, you rat," wrote another.

The students said they were angry because Beetham didn't run a publicity photo showing Mimi Shapiro, their teacher at James Dobson Elementary School. It showed Shapiro volunteering for an exhibition game promoting a city tennis tournament.

Shapiro, 40, will continue teaching while the school district investigates, said William McClain, principal of the James Dobson. Shapiro's telephone number isn't listed and she couldn't be reached for comment Friday night.

The children were "only defending the honor of their teacher" and will not be reprimanded, McClain said.

The packet was delivered to the newspaper on March 11, Beetham said. The first page carried the message "From the mouths of babes ..." in adult handwriting, he said.

James Lytle, regional school superintendent, said parents were outraged when they heard about the hate mail.

"Our principal was besieged," he said, "It looked like the kids were being exploited."

'Snow White' said restricted at Florida elementary school

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — A public school district placed "Snow White" on a restricted list at its elementary schools because some parents complained the children's classic contains graphic violence.

Children must now get permission from their parents to check the book out of libraries at Duval County's elementary schools.

In the fairy tale, a hunter kills a wild boar and a wicked witch orders Snow White's heart torn out.

Two Stephen King books, "The Dead Zone" and "The Tommyknockers," recently were yanked from the shelves of Duval County middle schools. High school students can check them out only with a parent's permission. A parent complained about a graphic rape scene in one book and vulgarity in the other.

"I am very, very discouraged," Rosalyne Cowdrey, media specialist at Sandalwood High School, said Thursday.

After a complaint is filed, a district committee of parents and media specialists reads the book and makes a recommendation. The committee can restrict the book to certain grade levels, place it on a restricted shelf or ban it.

Over the years, more than 60 books have been banned by the school system after complaints from parents. Some years passed without any complaints.

This year, 18 complaints have been filed.

Targets of complaints this year have included Shel Silverstein's "A Light in the Attic," a book of poetry which includes a caricature of a person whose nude behind was stung by a bee; "Skateboarding" magazine, because of a complaint it promoted anti-social behavior, and "My House," a book by black poet Nikki Giovanni, because of a complaint of vulgarity, racism and sex.

Hospitals

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Garza Memorial Hospital in Post; $61,307; Brownfield Regional Medical Center, $316,171; Stamford Memorial Hospital, $235,264; Permian General Hospital in Andrews, $426,949; and Lynn County Hospital in Tahoka, $151,256.

Others include hospitals in Denver City, Aspermont, Lockney, Dimmitt, Tulia, Hereford, Monahans, Levelland, Seminole and Morton.

Obituaries



ADELL MISTROT

Adell Mistrot

1925-1992

CORPUS CHRISTI — Services have been set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at Seaside Memorial Park in Corpus Christi for former Snyder resident Virginia Adell Campbell Mistrot, 66.

Mrs. Mistrot died in a Corpus Christi hospital Friday following a brief illness.

She was born in Snyder to the late Emitt and Fairy Hargrove on Sept. 26, 1925. She moved to Corpus Christi in 1980.

Survivors include her husband, Dave Mistrot of the home; three sons, Tommy Campbell of Snyder, Carl Campbell of East Hartford, Conn., and Troy Campbell of Pensacola, Fla.; one sister, Shirley Hall of Hobbs, N.M.; Allen Hargrove of Carrollton; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Bruce Halmon

1942-1992

COLEMAN — Services were conducted at 11 a.m. Saturday at Stevens Funeral Home Chapel for Bruce Halmon, 49, who died Thursday in a Coleman hospital. Burial followed in the Santa Anna Cemetery.

He was the father of Jennie McIntire of Snyder.

Born in Coleman, Mr. Halmon attended schools in Coleman and Valera. He lived in Tuscon, Ariz., where he was an oilfield welder and heavy equipment operator. He was a Baptist and a U.S. Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Rose Marie Halmon of Tucson; three other daughters, Kim Blaine of Nederland, Ginger Bates of Portland, Ore., and Jane Melendez of Hobbs, N.M.; his mother and step-father, Opal and Clay Clearman of Coleman; four stepchildren; six grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

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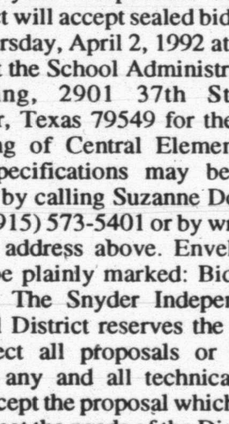
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The Snyder Independent School District will accept sealed bids until Thursday, April 2, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. at the School Administration Building, 2901 37th Street, Snyder, Texas 79549 for the Re-Roofing of Central Elementary. Bid specifications may be obtained by calling Suzanne Doolittle at (915) 573-5401 or by writing to the address above. Envelopes shall be plainly marked: Bid No. 92-06. The Snyder Independent School District reserves the right to reject all proposals or bids, waive any and all technicalities and accept the proposal which will best meet the needs of the District.

PUBLIC HEARING
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE FACILITY SITE PROPOSAL

A Public Hearing will be held by the Scurry County Area Foundation for the purpose of obtaining citizen input regarding a proposal to site a Texas Department of Criminal Justice facility. The hearing will be held on April 1, 1992, beginning at 7 p.m. in the Scurry County Coliseum. All persons interested in voicing their support or opposition to the proposal are invited.

Persons in support of and persons in opposition to the proposal will be afforded an equal opportunity to present their opinion. Due to overall time limitations, it is suggested that persons with similar viewpoints coordinate their presentations prior to the meeting. A representative(s) of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice will be in attendance to observe and report citizen input to the Board of Criminal Justice.

The hearing agenda will include a brief presentation of the hearing rules; comments from elected officials present; a summary of the proposal and formal presentation of those in support; formal presentation by those persons in opposition to the proposal; and a public input session consisting of alternating testimony for and against.

For further information or a copy of the Public Hearing Guidelines, please contact the Scurry County Area Foundation, Chamber of Commerce office building, located at 2302 Ave. R., Snyder, Texas 79549.



GOOD CITIZENS — Receiving good citizenship awards for the fourth six weeks at Northeast Elementary were: pre-kindergarten: John Anthony Gomez (not pictured) and Troy Vancleave; kindergarten: Chevy Block, Leslie Carrisalez (not pictured), Vanessa Carrisalez (not pictured) and Kimberly Rocha; first grade: Marina Barrera, Virginia Benitez (not pictured), Debra Bollinger, Eric Denson, Cory Lyons and Rumaldo Martinez; second grade: Marcus Barboza, Stefani Beck, Leticia Martinez and Henry Rocha; third grade: Kala Kemph, Naomi Perez, Jessica Ramos and Paddy Vantine; fourth grade: Trisha Block, Veronica Carrisalez, Carrie Hernandez, Alberto Perez, Kayla Phipps and Veronica Sarabia; fifth grade: Karley Clayton, Terra Lyon, Mike Martinez, Cheyenne Robinson, Brandi Wolf and Johnny Pena; and sixth grade: Angelia Berkley (not pictured), Stacey Davis, Jana Gonzales, Amanda Hermosillo and Lisa Valenzuela (not pictured). (SDN Staff Photo)

Council headed back to court

AUSTIN (AP) — The Austin City Council has a date in court after four of its members defied a judge's earlier order to set a May date for an election on a citizens' water protection initiative.

"This is the logical extension of the court's finding that we had a right to a May election," said Brigid Shea, director of the Save Our Springs Coalition, which led the petition drive for the election.

"Since City Council members violated the court order, it is logical for the court to order an election," Ms. Shea said.

The SOS group began collecting petition signatures last fall to force a voter referendum on the proposed ordinance to limit real estate development in the southwest Travis County watershed that feeds the popular Barton Springs swimming hole.

But the council failed earlier this week to call a May 2 election. On Tuesday, Judge Jeanne Meurer ruled that the council violated the city charter by not scheduling the election.

On Wednesday, four council members abstained from casting votes on the election question — Louise Epstein, Charles Urdy, Ronney Reynolds, and Bob Larson. The remaining three council votes weren't enough to act.

Judge Meurer then scheduled a hearing for next Tuesday, and Mayor Bruce Todd said it was unfortunate that a judge is now considering what should be council business.

"We hate to have to be guided by the courts," Todd said. "Our job is to legislate at the council level. But in that we failed to comply with (the judge's) order, it is no surprise that a hearing has been set."

City Attorney Diana Granger said she was researching to see what powers judges have with regard to forcing the council to call an election.

The controversy has sparked heated debate both among council members and Austin residents.

Environmentalists have accused some council members of being in cahoots with real estate developers, while others say the watershed ordinance being sought is unnecessary and would hurt the city's economy.

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Early retirement to be offered

HOUSTON (AP) — Marathon Oil Co. said Friday it was offering a voluntary enhanced retirement program to more than 11 percent of its 9,600 employees to cut costs.

The program, effective June 1, extends eligibility to 1,100 employees age 47 and over in many Marathon segments nationwide. The retirement package formula will add three years to an employee's age and service, the company said.

"Today's business environment, along with our current slate of activity, indicates a need for reorganization within the company. We've decided to start with a voluntary retirement program," Ken Matheny, Marathon's human resources director, said.

Matheny said anticipated retirements under the program, "and any involuntary terminations which may be necessary following expiration of the program, will further allow the company to reorganize in a more cost effective manner."

The company did not estimate the number of employees who might accept the retirement package, or the savings that would result from the program and possible involuntary layoffs.

Mike Dixon, manager of public affairs for Marathon, said no target number had been set for employee reductions.

Palmer named to honor roll

James Kirkland Palmer, a first-year student at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, is included on the recently released undergraduate honor roll for the fall semester.

To be listed on the SMU honor roll, students must achieve a 3.5 or higher cumulative grade point average, which places them in the top 12 percent of all SMU undergraduates.

Palmer is a theater studies major and will be making his acting debut on the SMU stage this spring in the Meadows School of the Arts "Comedia Del Arte." The production will run April 1-3.

He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. James D. Palmer.

A BELIEF IN GOD
By Homer Anderson



Last week we said there are four "cornerstones" that will make America great again because they made America great in the first place: A BELIEF IN GOD, A BELIEF IN THE BIBLE, A BELIEF IN A HEAVEN AND A HELL, and A BELIEF IN THE DIGNITY OF MAN. Today, we will examine briefly the first, A BELIEF IN GOD.

God was a part of every facet of our lives as the strength of America was being built. Not that we were so "godly"--often far from it--but we let God be an important force...

In our HOMES: we paused to say "grace before we ate; we tucked our kids in bed with those little prayers like, "Now I lay me down to sleep, I pray the Lord my soul to keep;" we displayed dollies and framed pictures that said, "God bless this house."

Our SCHOOLS were God-oriented--Harvard, Yale, etc., were founded originally as religious schools. Local school days began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, a scripture reading, a prayer, and perhaps singing, "God Bless America."

Our GOVERNMENT: We put on our money, "In God We Trust;" inaugurals invoked God's blessings; legal documents were signed, "in the year of our Lord."

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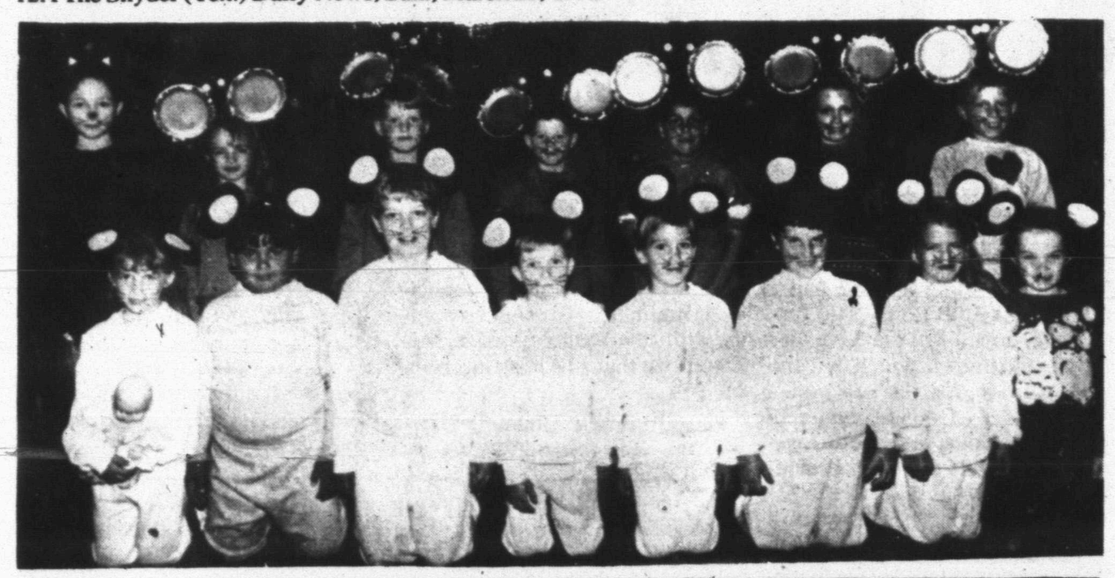


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OUTER SPACE PROGRAM — North first and second graders recently presented "The Mice From Outer Space." Those in costume are Chelsea Strunk, T.J. Fye, Jeffrey Proctor, Cody Beaver, Stormy Clark, Josh Alaniz, Trey Decker, Dancy Hopping, Brandy Shafer, Kasey Wemken, Chelsea Forbes, Stafford Gray, Josh Green, Chance Greenwood and Lilli Valdez. Other performers were Casandra Darlin, Rudy Duckworth, Ashlee Grantham, John Jasso, Priscilla Martinez, Louis Midwell, Shavon Pesina, Ricky Rios, Blake Robertson, Kayce Taylor, Brandon Kennedy, Melonie Adams, Randy Carrizales, Chasity Perales, Tommy Boggess, Bailey Stoker, Jamie Vaca, Roxanne Chavez, Cheyenne Walker, Jonathan Bell, Ryan Coffey, Monica Diaz, Joseph Garcia, Jason Maldonaldo, Robert Overby, Jenna Neff, Elida Renteriz, Marcie Rodriquez, Jeffery Turner and Jason Ynguanzo. Directors were Jean Baugh, Kay Hensley, Kim Krueger and Paula Howard. (SDN Staff Photos)

2nd baby with rare disorder born in Harlingen this week

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) — Three Cameron County babies have been born with neural tube defects over the past month, including one who was delivered stillborn because of a rare disorder in which the brain fails to develop.

The stillborn delivery on Friday was the second case of anencephaly in the county in a week.

Valley Baptist Medical Center spokesman Bill Elliot refused to release any information except to say "There was one stillborn."

Anencephaly, in which babies are missing all or part of their brains, and spina bifida are both neural tube defects, disorders involving the brain or spinal cord.

A girl born Tuesday with anencephaly was clinging to life Friday at Brownsville's Valley Regional Medical Center, said nursing director Gloria Atkinson.

About two weeks ago, a baby was born suffering from spina bifida, a deformity of the spine, said Dr. Carmen Rocco, a Brownsville pediatrician.

The Texas Department of Health and the national Centers for Disease Control have been investigating the county's high neural tube defect rates since three anencephalic babies were delivered during a 36-hour period last spring in Brownsville.

Medical officials have noted that NTDs have been occurring in seasonal clusters, beginning in the spring, for the last two years, Ms. Rocco said. "It's too early to tell whether that is a trend or not," she said.

Before this year's apparent cluster, medical investigators had detected 20 cases of anencephaly and 10 cases of babies born with spina bifida or an encephalosele. Spina bifida can range from mild to severe. Anencephaly, however, is fatal; the babies are either stillborn or die soon after birth.

The state Health Department and the CDC plan to release a report on their probe later this year.

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Local cowboy poet to perform April 11

Stan Paregien of Snyder will recite his original poems at the Fourth Annual Oklahoma Cowboy Poetry gathering Saturday, April 11, at the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City.

Paregien will be one of approximately 50 cowboy and cowgirl poets to perform during morning and afternoon poetry sessions, starting at 9 a.m. and continuing through 5 p.m.

Baxter Black, nationally known cowboy bard, will be the headliner poet for the event. He will make an appearance early in the day, then give a full performance in the afternoon.

Black will also appear at Bootleggers' Bash, a dance benefiting the Metropolitan Library System, set for 8 p.m. to midnight on April 11.

Paregien has only been writing poetry for about two years, but his poems have already been published in a half-dozen national magazines including "Saturday Evening Post," "Farm and Ranch Living," and "American Cowboy Poet Magazine.

However, his non-fiction writing includes hundreds of magazine articles and three published religious books.

Paregien is the director of the Scurry County Mental Health Clinic in Snyder. He is president of the chamber of commerce's Goldcoats organization, president-elect of the Lions Club, and an elder at East Side Church of Christ.

He became a member of the Western Writers of America in 1986 and has served as historian of this professional writers association since 1988.

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Emily Hataway wins Willy Award in Post

POST — The Sixth Annual Willy Awards were presented here March 7. Emily Hataway of Snyder received Best Supporting Actress for her work as Mrs. Frank in "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Other winners were as follows:

—Best play: "Steel Magnolias."

—Best actress: Karen Copple as M'Lynn in "Steel Magnolias."

—Best actor: Troy Timms as Sputters in a "A Harley Sadler Show."

—Best cameo actress: Mandy Swafford as the sketch nurse in "The Sunshine Boys."

—Best supporting actor: Jon Steele as Zambra in "A Harley Sadler Show."

—Best cameo actor: Troy Timms as the guard in "A Shot in the Dark."

—Best set design: "The Diary of Anne Frank."

—Best program cover design: "Steel Magnolias."

—Garza theatre board award: Wesley W. Burnett.

—Director's award for cultural awareness: KCBD—TV, Channel in Lubbock.

—Director's award for youth achievement: Rachel Greene.

—Director's award for distinguished volunteer service: Becky Warren.

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TUESDAY
Grilled Pork Chop
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FRIDAY
Fried Fish
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Senior Center activities listed

Senior citizens with birthdays in March will be honored at the McDonald's birthday party Wednesday in the Senior Center. The party will begin at 10 a.m. in the dining room and friends of the birthday celebrants are welcome to attend.

Benny Benitez and his band will be playing for country/western dancing in the center at 7 p.m. Tuesday. The Browning band will be performing in the center at 11 a.m. Tuesday.

The Kitchen Band will provide musical entertainment in the center at 10:30 a.m. The Sunshine Choir will go to Snyder Oaks Care Center for a performance at 10 a.m. Friday. The Friday Sing Along in the center's dining room will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Swimnastics classes for senior citizens will resume on Tuesday at Western Texas College after spring break. The class normally meets each Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. and senior citizens who would like to join the group can meet with them at the pool or inquire in the Senior Center office for more information.

The Golden K Kiwanis Club will be hosting a fish fry in the Senior Center on March 29. Tickets can be purchased in advance from club members or at the door. The Golden K Club is made up of men and women 60 years of age and older and meets at noon each Tuesday in the Senior Center. Proceeds from the fish fry go for club projects, many of which benefit the center.

Senior Citizens interested in participating in the spelling bee to be held in the center on April 6 are reminded that they can pick up word lists in the office. Fourteen persons have already indicated they will enter. The winner will be eligible to compete in the state finals bee on April 26 in the Civic Center Auditorium in Abilene.

Located at 2603 Avenue M, the Senior Center is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. All county residents 60 years of age and older are eligible to participate in its programs and activities.

Five people were killed in 1977 when a New York Airways helicopter, idling on the heliport atop the Pan Am Building in midtown Manhattan keeled over because of a broken landing gear, sending a huge rotor blade flying.

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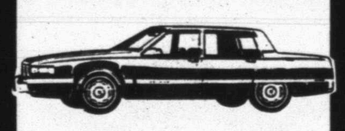
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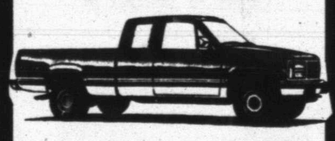
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Scurry County Folks

By Shirley A. Gorman

Carol Miller's first "students" were tin cans.

As a young girl growing up in Runnels County, she taught tin cans in the family barn and wrote chalk lessons for her imaginary pupils on the walls.

Inspired by her mother, Clair Westbrook, who was a teacher, the seeds of Carol's love for education were planted early in her childhood and cultivated throughout her life.

"I always remember what my mom and dad said, 'When you plan for a year, plant a seed; when you plan for a decade, plant a tree; when you plan for a century, educate a child,'" Carol said.

Her first teaching assignments were at Blackwell in 1950 where she taught one-half of the second grade students and all the third graders. A year later in Bronte, she taught departmental language arts for eighth graders and all of the high school physical education classes. She also coached sports after school, including basketball, volleyball and track.

Carol's husband, Frank, also a retired Snyder educator, donated his services as bus driver for out-of-town trips, including games in Ira and Hermleigh.

"Frank was very supportive during my coaching days and did not mind the long hours or having to be back at school the next day," Carol said.

Snyder oil boom's enhanced salaries brought the Millers to town in 1952. Carol remained with the Snyder school system (but transferred from teaching to education diagnostician and counselor) until 1990 when she resigned to become a counselor at the Price Daniel Unit Windham School.

As a counselor, Carol interviews all inmates when they arrive to assess their vocational interests. She considers her work challenging and rewarding.

Inmates may choose one of three programs — building maintenance or construction careers, facility care and auto specialization. If eligibile, they are enrolled as soon as space is available.

Carol checks to see if each inmate has completed high school or has earned a GED before he can be admitted to college level courses.

Part of the interview process includes an achievement test on which inmates must score at least as high as the sixth grade level. If not, they must attend classes until they are able to do so.

Carol said it is not unusual for inmates not to have finished high school or have a GED. Some have trouble reading or writing.

She has discovered that most inmates are anxious to learn because classes help "the time to pass faster." Also, many inmates want to straighten out their lives because they do not want to return to prison after they have been released.



MANY MEMORIES — Carol Miller, longtime Snyder resident, has enjoyed a rewarding career in education. Recently, she shared some of her memories with the Snyder Daily News. Carol, who will retire this month as counselor for Windham School at the Price Daniel Unit, started out as a teacher before earning certificates as an education diagnostician and counselor. (SDN Staff Photo)

She said she tries to motivate the inmates and get them to "look at life realistically."

Carol said she has found the inmates to be "respectful and motivated." They frequently talk over problems with her.

She often tells them "A friend is one who comes in when the whole world goes out."

Carol is proud of the prison library, which has a large supply of reading materials, including many hometown newspapers. She is equally proud of the high attendance of classes at the prison.

Carol said teaching at the college level is "the same song and dance" but "it's less wearisome."

Prior to taking the job at Price Daniel, Carol had never been inside a prison nor had she known any inmates.

Her first day was quite an experience when the doors clanged shut behind her. But as she became more familiar with her surroundings, she ceased to think about her workplace in terms of a prison.

At Price Daniel, Carol has "applied the same counseling techniques that I have always used," she said. But she did have to learn prison rules such as no physical contact with any of the inmates.

When Carol first learned that Snyder would get a prison she was excited at the prospects and inquired about job possibilities before anyone was hiring.

She welcomed the professional change and has thoroughly enjoyed working with inmates. But she intends to retire this month and pursue other interests such as reading, sewing, cooking, playing bridge and traveling.

The Millers usually managed to travel during summer months when Carol was not in graduate school. She said they have traveled to Chile with neighbors, Dr. Robert Hargrove and his wife, Bobbie, to visit Dr. Nelson Brice. They met Brice when he visited in Snyder as part of an Rotary Exchange Program. Eventually, Brice and his family moved to Snyder where he established a medical practice.

The Millers also traveled to Mexico, taking one of the first train trips to Los Mochis. Their traveling companions were Pinkie and Dottie Ferguson.

They have a son, G.G. Miller, who is a doctor in Houston. His wife, Lisa, also a doctor, is the director of pharmacology at M.D. Anderson Hospital. They have two sons.

When Carol and Frank first moved to Snyder in 1951, Snyder's base pay was $3,000 as opposed to $2,403 elsewhere in the state.

They had been visiting in Carlsbad, N.M., and stopped in Snyder to visit college friends, Bob and Joan Bell, en route to their home in Bronte. M.E. Stanfield interviewed them during that visit. They resigned their positions in Bronte and moved to Snyder for the start of the 1952-53 school year.

Carol taught second graders at North her first year here. Attendance fluctuated from Monday through Friday because a lot of people were moving into and out

(See FOLKS On Page 2B)

Retirement party slated for April 5

A retirement party for Carol Miller is planned from 2-4 p.m. on Sunday, April 5, at 3011 Avenue X.

Margaret's
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Hours 10 to 5:30

HOWARD WOLF

Spring Collection





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of the district during those early years, she said.

Classes were overflowing with students in the 1950s, but later a limit of 25 students per class was accepted.

Carol said Superintendent Cecil Yarbrough encouraged teachers to "leave a good impression wherever they went and to let everyone know they were from Snyder."

"It was very rewarding to work with and have the progressive leadership of Dr. Yarbrough. The existing school buildings were included in his long ranged foresight for education in Snyder. One of his projects — Stanfield Elementary — opened in 1959," Carol said.

During those first years, all the teachers had to teach their own PE and music classes and conduct their own library periods she said.

Eventually, each school received part-time librarians and music teachers and then full-time librarians, PE teachers and music teachers.

Teachers ate with their students and took turns at bus duty, lunch room duty and hall duty. Carol took advantage of the opportunity to teach her students etiquette and table manners. First and second grade students were dismissed at 2:30 p.m. In the 1950s, kindergarten classes were privately taught.

Playground equipment was not as elaborate as today, so teachers had to devise games for their students to play.

As a teacher, Carol said it was her privilege to teach some very exciting students. Throughout the years, she has compiled a storehouse of students' remarks which could easily rival Art Linkletters' collection of anecdotes in "Kids Say The Darndest Things."

One enterprising student who wanted to be assured of an "A" chose Carol's legs as the topic for a paper about the most beautiful sight he had ever seen.

Another always complained in later years that Carol was the only teacher who had ever given him a "B."

Another student once asked, after Carol had rearranged all the students, "How do you expect me to work when you have moved everyone away from me?"

Some of Carol's junior high level special education students still keep in touch with her. She taught them basic life skills such as how to save money and the importance of being involved in a church. Some still seek her advice. And one told her about the positive changes in his life after he had gotten in trouble and served some prison time. Remembering that Carol placed great importance on being an active church goer, he had joined a church and was in the process of straightening out his life.

"Students being so different from each other is what made school so much fun to teach," Carol said.

While teaching the entire class, Carol also learned the best way to deal with each student. She followed the "listen, look, do" approach because she always believed it was important for students to learn to follow directions.

In 1957, she taught second grade at East. Carol took the 1958-59 school year off to have her son, returning to teach first grade at Stanfield.

She then taught special education at Travis Junior High School and later served as educational diagnostician until 1990. Counseling responsibilities were added to her duties during her last year.

As an educational diagnostician, Carol was trained to determine a student's weaknesses and strengths.

To become a diagnostician, she had to complete 36 more hours of college work. Since "experience never hurts," Carol said she chose something of interest in the education field and focused on it until she became certified.

Later, she took the same approach when she sought certification as a counselor.

Carol grew up on a farm and often tended stock, milked cows, and hoed cotton. Her father, in addition to owning a farm, also worked for the railroad.

When she was in the second grade they all moved to Coke County. Of her two brothers, one is now deceased and the other is a professor at Tarleton State University.

Carol attended Mary Hardin Baylor at Belton. She has bachelor's and master's of education degrees from Sul Ross University, and professional certificates from Loyola Marymount University in Los Angeles, Calif., Texas A&M, and Texas Tech.

Carol also studied at the University of Hawaii and did extended work on her counseling certification in the Caribbean. Her husband accompanied her on these excursions.

Certificates include counselor, professional supervisor clinical, special education supervisor, professional mental retardation, language learning disability, educational diagnostician, counselor, administrator, principal, superintendent, elementary and secondary.

She is also a life member of Texas State Teachers Association and the National Education Association, holding offices at the local and state levels.

Other memberships include the Classroom Teachers Association. In addition, she is also a chamber of commerce volunteer, a past board member of the now defunct SCOOP as well as Kappa Delta Phi, a fraternity for teachers, and Delta Kappa Gamma.

She is also a life member of Martha Ann's Woman Club and past president of the board of directors. She is past president of the Atheneum Study Club and is currently a member of the executive board for the Cosmorama Study Club. To augment her interest in working with young people she also served as sponsor of the Gay 20s social club.

Carol is also a past president of Region XIV's Oilbelt Texas Educational Diagnostician Association (TEDA). She was one of the charter members of the association.

She is also a member of the Scurry County Schools Federal Credit Union and serves as a member of the Credit Committee.

She is also available for marital and individual counseling.

Carol is an active member of Colonial Hill Baptist Church and had been a member since it was organized. She has served on different church committees.

Her religious philosophy has always been, "One should be a worker as well as an active member. Everyone can do something to make the world better. He/she can at least improve himself/herself."

Carol said she has always believed that her activities, both religious and social, paralleled her son's childhood growth in that she encouraged him to "be active in religious, school and social events. Parental guidance and activities must parallel a child's growth in order for him/her to successfully meet the global needs of development."

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by Polly Fisher

DEAR POLLY — Instead of buying expensive potpourri, make this simple version by mixing whole cloves, cinnamon sticks and dried apple and orange peelings. It's easy and fragrant! — CHERRY

DEAR POLLY — To discourage deer from getting into your garden, sprinkle a box of blood meal around. You may have to do it again in a few weeks, but blood meal is also is a good fertilizer. It has always worked for me. — MRS. L.M.

DEAR POLLY — When I was 16, I worked as a stock boy, and one of my responsibilities was to sweep the floor. When there would be gum on the floor, I would simply peel it up with a putty knife. — D.H.M.

DEAR POLLY — Put a layer of marshmallow in the bottom of a pumpkin pie. Then add the filling. You will have a nice topping, as the marshmallows will come to the top during baking.

Cut drinking straws in short lengths and insert through slits in a pie crust to prevent the juices from running over in the oven. This also permits steam to escape.

To remove the white membrane from oranges, soak them in boiling water for five minutes before you peel them. — GRACE

DEAR POLLY — Try chocolate in your mousetraps. Mice love it! — HELEN

Polly's newsletter, "Pointers for Pet Lovers," offers tips for selecting the perfect pet, caring for it, traveling with it and more. Send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope for each copy to POLLY'S POINTERS, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 93863, Cleveland, OH 44101-5863.

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Wright, Hicks marry

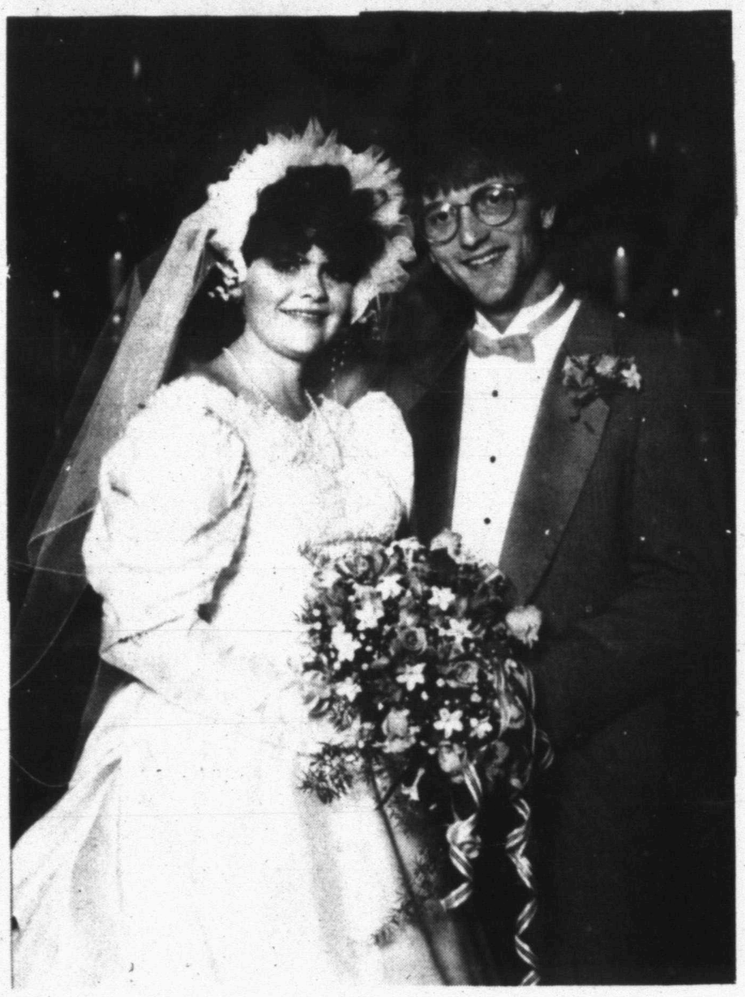
Jean Ann Wright became the bride of Thomas Guy Hicks, both of Dallas, in a double ring ceremony at 4 p.m. on Dec. 7, 1991, at the First United Methodist Church. Dr. Wylie Hearn, pastor, officiated.

Parents of the couple are Neely and Jean Wright of Snyder and Mrs. Helen Hicks of Garland.

Vows were promised before a prayer bench and a brass candelabrum arch with white bows, greenery and baby's breath entwined beneath long, white tapers. Brass spiral candelabras, holding white tapers, were on each side. Centered on the altar were four large candles and an arrangement of long stemmed, pink roses, white and pink gladiolus and baby's breath. Large plants of peace lily and Jannet Craig completed the setting.

Candlelighters were Thomas Wright of Colorado Springs, Colo., brother of the bride, and Jeremy Faulkenbery of Allen, nephew of the bride.

Mickey Broach of Carrollton sang "Friends" while the couple held hands. He sang "The Lord's Prayer" while they knelt at the prayer bench. Pam Gibson, organist, played selections of "Ava Maria," "Theme From Ice Castle," "Love Story," and "Somewhere In Time" as the mothers entered, escorted by their sons, Thomas Wright and Kenny Hicks. Ms. Gibson played Lohengrin's "Bridal Chorus" and Mendelssohn's "Wedding March."



MR. AND MRS. THOMAS GUY HICKS
(Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

The bride, given in marriage by her father, was attired in an orginal bridal gown of Victorian design in white satin. The bodice back was decorated with a row of satin buttons and a lace insert. The front was tapered, coming to a point. The pouf sleeves, tapered to a lace point over the hands, had lace appliques enhancing the romantic look.

Her full skirt, with a cathedral train, was trimmed with lace, pearls, sequins and appliques, matching inserts on the front. The bride's white illusion tulle veil, was trimmed with silk organza flowers, pearls and sequins.

The bride carried a cascading bouquet of pink roses, alstroemeria lillies, baby's breath, white stephanotis and sprigeria.

In keeping with tradition, the bride carried a handkerchief belonging to her paternal grandmother for something old; her dress and veil were new; her garter was blue; and she wore pearls belonging to her sister-in-law for something borrowed.

Matron of honor was Dorothy Wright of Colorado Springs, Colo., sister-in-law of the bride. Amy Faulkenbery of Allen, niece of the bride, was bridesmaid. Junior bridesmaid was Jamey Hicks of Garland, sister of the groom. They wore tea length Victorian rose morie taffeta dresses featuring sweetheart necklines, trimmed with beads and pearls. They carried arm bouquets of pink roses, lillies and baby's breath.

Bridal attendants placed pennies, minted in the couple's birth years, in the bride's shoes.

Flower girl Terian Autry wore a pink silk, long dress with rose satin ribbon and silk roses. She wore a headband of silk pink, rose and white roses.

Ring bearer Lucy Dennis of Lubbock wore a cranberry wine, long dress with a matching head band.

Best man was Mike Holden of Garland, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Neely and Allen Wright, brothers of the bride, and Kenny Hicks of Garland, brother of the groom. Ushers were Jeremy Jaulkenbery and Thomas Wright.

The groom was attired in a Pierre Cardin fulldress grey tuxedo with a Victorian rose tie and cummerbund. Groomsmen and ushers wore matching tuxedos, ties and cummerbunds.

Brandy McGuffey of Van, cousin of the bride, registered guests at a table covered with white lace with rose pink underlay. It held the bridal book and an arrangement of fresh flowers.

The reception was in the church's fellowship hall. The bride's table was covered with a full lace, draped tablecloth adorned with white satin bows and silk roses. The centerpiece was the bride's bouquet laid by Victorian rose candles. An antique crystal punch bowl, belonging to her grandmother, held mauve punch. Other appointments were of sterling silver.

The traditional three-tiered white cake was decorated with pink roses. The tiers were separated by crystal pillars, topped with white satin wedding bells decorated with delicate ribbon and rose buds in colors of wine, rose and pink. Serving were Lisa Gray and Sherry Autry, they wore pink rose corsages.

The groom's table was round and covered with a floor length wine morie taffeta cloth and topped with an ecru linen overlay. Hot cider and coffee were served from a silver service. The groom's cake, a double heart-shaped German choclate cake, was iced with Swiss chocolate. Serving was Kris York of Lubbock. She also wore a pink rose corsage.

Following a honeymoon to the Hawaiian Islands, a gift of the bride's brother, Ron Wright of Honolulu, the new Mr. and Mrs. Hicks are at home in Irving where the groom is employed as a rehab technician at Meadowbrook of Arlington. He is a Garland High School graduate, attended Richland College and received a BA degree from the University of North Texas in Denton.

Mrs. Hicks is a 1984 graduate of Snyder High School, received an associate degree at Western Texas College and a BA from University of North Texas. She is a teacher at Children's World Learning Center in Dallas.

Scurry County Library News and Views

Did you know that the Scurry County Library has a microfilm reader/printer? The library has census records and periodicals on microfilm that may be copied on the reader/printer at a cost of 25 cents per sheet. Three other microfilm machines are available for reading, too.

BOOK FEATURE

"There Are No Children Here," by Alex Kotlowitz.

In the spirit of James Agee, Alex Kotlowitz brings to our attention a side of America we could not otherwise know. He explores our embattled inner cities throughout the lives of two remarkable boys. They live in a public housing complex disfigured by crime and neglect, growing up where the act of growing up is an achievement. The older has responsibilities beyond his years, white the younger loves to write stories and manages to rise above family crises.

Kotlowitz shows us firsthand their special and tender relationship, nurturing each other in the face of tragedy and somehow managing to chase rainbows like the other children.

NON-FICTION

"War in the Gulf."

"The 30 Day Fat-Burner Workout," by Nancy Burstein.

"1001 Ways to Improve Your Child's Schoolwork," by Lawrence J. Greene.

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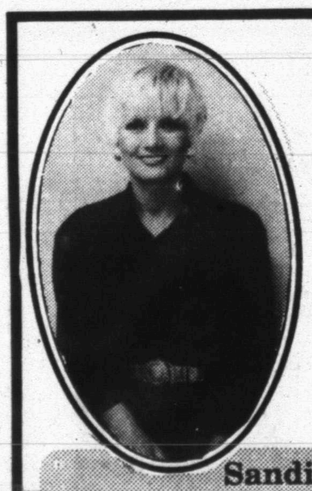
"Guardian Angel," by Sara Paretsky.

"Catalyst," by Philip Cornford.

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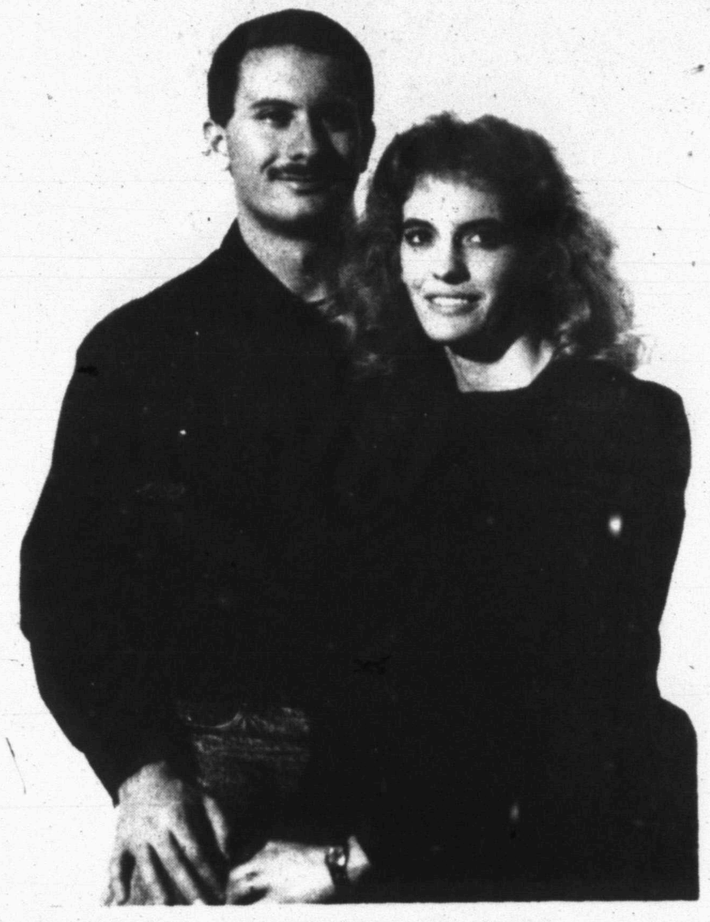
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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mr. and Mrs. John Zalman III of Hermleigh announce the engagement of their son, John Zalman IV, to Robyn Rachelle Pfrimmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse T. Pfrimmer III of Amarillo. The future bridegroom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Zalman Jr. of Hermleigh and Ealon Stinnett of Snyder and the late Ruel Stinnett. The couple is planning a 2 p.m. wedding on May 23 in Amarillo. (Contributed Photo)

In home ceremony...

Double ring nuptials said by Short, Bailey

Melinda Dawn Short became the bride of Glen Allen Bailey at 1 p.m. on March 7 in the home of the groom's parents. The Rev. Larry McAden officiated the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clemmer and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bailey, all of Snyder.

The bride was presented in marriage by her father. He escorted her down a stairway that was decorated with boxwood greenery, white roses and pearls. The bride wore a white silk jacquard, slim dress with small pearl buttons, accented with gold. She wore a caplet of white silk roses, iridescent white leaves, and cascading pearls which held her shoulder length veil. White satin shoes completed her attire.

She carried a cascading bouquet containing emerald green roses, royal blue carnations, white roses and gladiolas, ivy, and black baby's breath tipped in emerald green. It was tied with cascading pearls, white lace, and black and green ribbon, falling into long streamers tied in love knots.

For something old, the bride carried a handkerchief intermingled into her bouquet that belonged to her father. Something new was her wedding attire. Something borrowed was a diamond ring belonging to her mother. Something blue was her garter which held a penny minted in the year of the couple's birth dates. The penny was from the groom's late Grandmother Hogie's penny collection.

Bobby Sue Earnest was maid of honor. She was attired in an emerald green taffeta tea length dress with scallops at the waist. Her shirred elbow length sleeves and jeweled neckline complimented the bodice. She carried a nosegay of predominate emerald green and white roses, adorned with flowers matching the brides' bouquet.

Best man was James Short, brother of the bride. He wore a black suit, white shirt and emerald green bow tie and cummerbund. His boutonniere was an emerald green carnation, adorned with matching baby's breath, and green leaves.

The groom wore a black pinstriped suit, white shirt, black bow tie and cummerbund. His boutonniere was a royal blue carnation.

Chris Elliott registered guests at a round table covered with a white long skirt and a lace overlay, tied with white and royal blue ribbon and pearls. It held the bridal book, an emerald green feather pen and a brass candle holder, circled with flowers and a green votive candle in a crystal cup.

Wilma Olson of Post provided wedding music. Jon Eric Olson of Seminole, nephew of the groom, lit the candles as "Lost In Your Eyes," was sung. Jon and Nancy Olson, sister and brother-in-law of the groom, sang "Love Chapter," as Jon played the guitar.

The setting for the nuptials was a white fireplace and a mantel holding cascading flowers of the bride's colors. Three large white bows with pearls completed the mantel decorations.

The floral arrangement was a brass candle stand, holding 11 white tapers. Tall brass vases, holding bouquets, flanked the fireplace. Centering the area was a tall brass stand, with a glass top, holding the couple's memory candle and two white tapers that were circled by emerald green carnations and matching flowers.



MR. AND MRS. GLEN ALLEN BAILEY

(Contributed Photo)

As the couple lit their memory candle, Sue Harper of Houston, sister of the groom, sang "The Lord's Prayer."

The reception was held in the dining room and den set with banquet tables. The bride's table was covered in a double lace skirt. An overlay was tied with emerald green taffeta bows featuring black ribbon and pearls. It was centered with the bride's bouquet, placed on a black velvet stand. The three tier heart-shaped cakes were set on an individual white stand, graduating upward with the top cake reaching 20 inches. It was topped with a western bride and groom, nestled beneath a pearl and lace wrapped rope, adorned with matching accessories. The other cakes, iced in white with pearl drapes, held bouquets of the bride's flowers. Green slush punch and heart mints and nuts were served. Appointments of crystal and silver were beside black toasting glasses.

Sandra Lawler and Trina Rodgers, cousins of the groom, served at the bride's table.

The groom's table was covered with a long, white cloth and overlay, tied with royal blue and black satin bows. The centerpiece was a silver candelabrum holding white tapers and decorated with blue and white roses. The groom's three tiered chocolate cake was heart shaped, decorated with chocolate roses and gold leaves. Also served were coffee, almond bark pretzels and nuts. Nancy Olson and Trissa Green attended the groom's table.

Also a variety of foods were served buffet style along with tea from a gold fountain.

All floral arrangements were designed and made by the groom's mother. The cakes and buffet was catered by Reta's Cake Shop. The groom's last Easter basket as a child was decorated and held the rose-shaped rice bags. Dispersing rice bags were nieces of the groom, Becky Olson, Monica Olson and Mindy Green.

The couple graduated from Snyder High School in 1989. The groom served two years in the U.S. Marines. He is employed by Lease Equipment.

The houseparty included Reta Graham, Martha Ratliff, Wayne Woodard and Sandra Hall.

Bridge

by Phillip Alder

The quiet man can play

By Phillip Alder

A friend of mine says that most bridge players have egos the size of planets. Few would argue. But not all champions are larger than life. One of the world's best players is also one of the quietest and most modest: Michel Perron of Paris. He has many titles to his name, but the most prestigious is the 1980 World Team Olympiad.

Perron played today's hand during a promotional tour of the Caribbean in 1984 organized by Jaime Ortiz-Patino, who was then president of the World Bridge Federation.

Cover the East-West cards. Against your contract of five hearts, West leads the club six.

East's three no-trump showed a solid seven-card minor with no side ace or king. North might have doubled five clubs for a sure profit (of 300 points), but, expecting his partner to be void in clubs, he went for the vulnerable game bonus.

Perron ruffed the club lead and drew trumps in two rounds. He played a spade to dummy's king, ruffed another club and ran the spades, discarding a diamond. Now the last club was ruffed, eliminating that suit.

As West was marked with the diamond ace, things didn't look too good. But East was known to have started with 2-2-2-7 distribution. If he had two low diamonds, declarer could exit with a low diamond. Because of dummy's 10, West would have to win with the jack and concede a trick to declarer's diamond king. But if East had the jack or queen doubleton, this wouldn't work. As there are six honor doubletons to three low doubletons, Perron exited with the diamond *king*. The defenders had no riposte.

NORTH 3-21-92
♠ A K J 4
♥ 10 7 5
♦ 10 5 3
♣ 5 4 2

WEST
♠ 10 9 6 2
♥ J 3
♦ A Q 9 2
♣ 10 7 6

EAST
♠ 8 5
♥ Q 2
♦ J 6
♣ A K Q J 9 8 3

SOUTH
♠ Q 7 3
♥ A K 9 8 6 4
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1. Dot Casey, Barbara Yorgesen.
2. Ann Davis, Joyce Bass.
3. Sue Mize, Ena Carroll.

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1. Polly Ballard, Verdi Kimbro.
2. Malven Stevenson, Rogene Spruell.
3. Tizzy Hall, Rube McKinley.

SUNDAY

Swiss Team

Dot Casey directing.

1. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson, Barbara Yorgesen, Tizzy Hall.
2. Ann Davis, Joyce Bass, Verdi Kimbro, Polly Ballard.

TUESDAY

Dot Casey directed four tables.

1. Nona Morrison, Polly Ballard.
2. Frances, Malven Stevenson.
3. Louise Thompson, Jane Hinton.

Antennas size of grain of sand produced by researchers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Antennas the size of a grain of sand have been produced by researchers at the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

According to the scientists, the antennas can effectively capture the extremely short wavelengths of infrared radiation, measuring from 3 to 30 micrometers.

This could lead to novel devices that "see" images of heat radiating from all warm objects such as people, animals and buildings. Such detectors could be used in astronomy, medicine and national defense, researchers note.

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Bring cajun cooking to your table

By NANCY BYAL

Some folks call them crawfish; others call 'em crawdads. No matter which you say, both terms refer to same sweet, tender delicacy, a favorite of Cajuns in Louisiana.

During crawfish harvest season, which runs March through June, you can find crawfish in fish markets throughout the United States. When fresh crawfish are unavailable, look for frozen, peeled crawfish tails, and make sure they are curled, an indicator of wholesomeness. For information on cooking live crawfish, refer to a basic cookbook.

CRAWFISH CREOLE

1 pound fresh or frozen cooked and peeled crawfish tails
1 cup chopped onion
1/2 cup chopped green pepper
1/2 cup chopped celery
4 cloves garlic, minced
1/4 cup margarine or butter
One 16-ounce can tomatoes, cu up
2 tablespoons snipped parsley
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon ground red pepper
1 bay leaf
Hot cooked rice

Thaw crawfish tails and drain. In a skillet cook onion, green pepper, celery and garlic in hot margarine or butter about 3 minutes or until tender. Add the undrained tomatoes, parsley, paprika, red pepper and bay leaf. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer, uncovered, about 20 minutes or until the mixture reaches the consistency of tomato sauce.

Add crawfish meat. Cook and stir until heated through. Remove bay leaf. Serve over hot cooked rice. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Nutrition information per serving: 346 cal., 13 g fat, 75 mg chol., 21 g pro., 37 g carbo., 574 mg sodium, 665 mg potassium, 4 g dietary fiber. U.S. RDA: 16 percent calcium, 22 percent iron, 32 percent vit. A, 57 percent vit. C, 15 percent thiamine, 21 percent niacin.

In season, you can order live crawfish, pre-boiled and seasoned crawfish, or crawfish tails by mail. For information on ordering, write to the Louisiana Crawfish Farmers Association, Box 9656, New Iberia, La. 70562-9656. The prices will vary with availability.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.

Rebekah Lodge 294; Lodge Hall; 7:30 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; Morning Side Baptist Church fellowship hall; 7:30 p.m. For information call: JoAnn at 573-9839; Dorothy at 573-6712; Anne at 573-8322; or Shirley at 573-8881.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8626, 573-9924 or 863-2349.

TUESDAY

Beta Delta Phi; 7 p.m.

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

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

Sport Card Swap Club; Willow Park Inn, for information call 573-1961; 7 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

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

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

Al-Anon; CADA office on the square, 2513 College Ave., 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956, 573-2101, or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club and Game Day; reservations are needed by 5 p.m. Monday by calling 573-3427; $6 per person; serving begins at 11:30 a.m., after lunch games of choice will be played.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; W. 37th St.; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

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

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

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

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; Martha Ann Woman's Club; 7 p.m.

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

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

Al-Anon; CADA office on the square, 2513 College Ave. For more information call 573-2101, 573-8626, or 573-3956; 8 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-5524 days, 573-2101 nights; 8 p.m.

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

SATURDAY

Alateen Step Study Group; Park Club at Winston Park; For 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 573-2349, 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

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

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

Best books

FICTION

1. "The Pelican Brief," John Grisham
2. "The Elf Queen of Shannara," Terry Brooks
3. "Star Trek: Probe," Margaret Wander Bonanno
4. "The Road to Omaha," Robert Ludlum
5. "Rising Sun," Michael Crichton
6. "Trial by Fire," Harold Coyle
7. "Scarlett," Alexandra Ripley
8. "Hideaway," Dean R. Koontz
9. "Death Gate: Serpent Mage," Margaret Weis and Tracy Hickman
10. "Vox," Nicholson Baker

NON-FICTION

1. "A Return to Love," Marianne Williamson
2. "Revolution From Within," Gloria Steinem
3. "Rogue Warrior," Richard Marcinko
4. "Double Cross," Sam Giancana and Chuck Giancana
5. "More Wealth Without Risk," Charles J. Givens
6. "How to Satisfy a Woman Every Time," Naura Hayden
7. "Awaken the Giant," Anthony Robbins
8. "Memories," Ralph Emery
9. "The Texas Connection," Craig I. Zirbell
10. "Anointing," Benny Hinn

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JUNE WEDDING PLANNED — Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Finley of Lancaster, formerly of Monahans, announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Liane, to Bradley Thomas Holcomb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Holcomb of Snyder. A 4 p.m. wedding has been planned for June 27 at the East Side Church of Christ in Snyder. The ceremony will be officiated by the groom's father, Tom Holcomb. (Photo by Harley Bynum)

Hermleigh ISD School Menu

BREAKFAST

MONDAY
Fruit
Buttered Rice
Toast
Milk

TUESDAY
Juice
Cinnamon Rolls
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Fruit
Blueberry Muffins
Milk

THURSDAY
Juice
Waffles/Syrup
Milk

FRIDAY
Fruit
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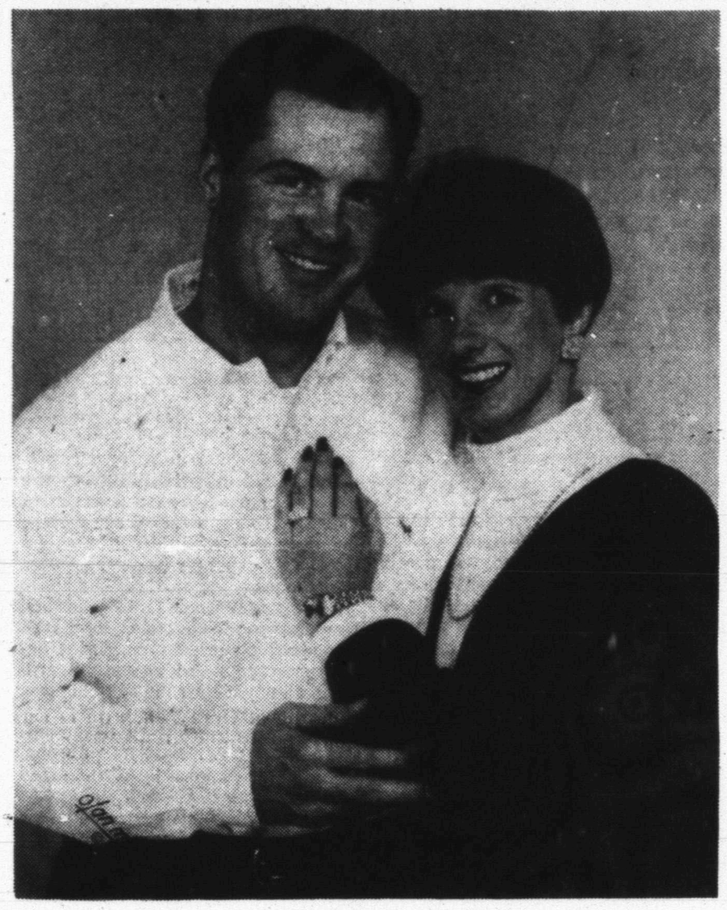
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Barbecued Franks
Potato Salad
Baked Beans
Hot Rolls
Applesauce Cake
Milk

TUESDAY
Chicken & Rice Casserole
Sweet Potatoes
Cranberry Sauce
Hot Rolls
Rainbow Jello
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Lasagna
Buttered Potatoes
Pickled Beets
Soft Bread Sticks
Chilled Pears
Milk

THURSDAY
Chili Beans
Glazed Carrots
Buttered Cabbage
Corn Bread
Fruit Bars
Milk

FRIDAY
Hamburgers
Burger Salad
French Fries
No Bake Cookies
Milk



MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED — Mr. and Mrs. Waylen Holder announce the marriage of their daughter, Grace Anne, to Danny Smedley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan L. Smedley of Midland. The couple was married on March 14 and are at home in Dallas. (Contributed Photo)

Snyder ISD Menu

BREAKFAST

MONDAY
Oatmeal
Toast
Apple Juice
Milk

TUESDAY
Waffles
Grape Juice
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Cinnamon Roll
Pineapple Juice
Milk

THURSDAY
Buttered Toast
Jelly
Orange Juice
Milk

FRIDAY
Biscuit, Sausage
Apple Juice
Milk

LUNCH

MONDAY
Pizza
Green Beans
Pineapple Tidbits
Milk

TUESDAY
Corn Dog
Baked Beans
Chilled Peaches
Cookie
Milk

WEDNESDAY
Chicken Patty Burgers
Burger Fix'ns
French Fries
Cherry Cobbler
Milk

THURSDAY
Salisbury Steak
Brown Gravy
Whipped Potatoes
English Peas
Hot Rolls
Milk

FRIDAY
Beef-n-Cheese Nachos
Pinto Beans
Corn
Corn Bread
Milk

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Terry Anderson reflects on hostage experience

Editor's Note — AP Chief Middle East Correspondent Terry Anderson was kidnapped by Shiite Muslim fundamentalists seven years ago March 16. He was released last Dec. 4. Since then, he has been vacationing in privacy in the Caribbean, where he remains. These are his thoughts on the anniversary.

By Terry Anderson
Associated Press Writer

I should have known better. After 21/2 years in Lebanon, you get to be able to smell danger. Unfortunately, my nose went numb.

The day before they got me, four men in a new Mercedes had tried to kidnap me as I drove back to work from lunch in my seaside apartment.

They screeched past me at a turn and tried to force my car to the curb. I whipped my car around theirs and kept going. They chased me and tried again, but I got away with a sharp right turn down a side street. They gave up as I neared a Lebanese army checkpoint.

The next day, I just got up as usual and went to keep a 7 a.m. tennis date with AP photographer Don Mell. I don't know why. Maybe too many chances taken successfully had made me too sure of my safety.

It didn't last.

As I stopped to drop Mell off after the game at his apartment a few hundred yards from mine, the Mercedes reappeared. The men, armed with pistols, leaped out and yanked open my car door before I could move.

Mell was lucky. They wanted me. He was left at gunpoint, standing at my car as my unshaven young captors shoved me into their car.

It would be almost seven years before I would be a free man again. In that time, I was moved to nearly 20 places — underground cells, secret hiding places, even ordinary apartments but with windows covered with sheet metal — in Beirut, South Lebanon, the Bekaa Valley.

Like all the hostages, I spent much of my time blindfolded and chained. Some were beaten. Some were psychologically abused. Several died of sickness or neglect — murder just the same.

The physical and verbal abuse was, of course, hard to take. But it was less difficult for me than for some of the others. Six years in the Marine Corps and fifteen knocking around the world for the AP — Asia, Africa, the Middle East — had taught me to take whatever came along, good or bad. The first time I was beaten, by two armed and vicious guards, as I lay chained by both hands and feet and blindfolded, I offered no resistance — just telling myself over and over "Do nothing. Fighting back is useless. They'll get tired."

The humiliation of such treatment, and the thousands of major and minor humiliations that followed over the years, were harder to deal with. Often I objected, loudly and vehemently. Sometimes it worked; more often it just brought more punishment. The only real defense was to remember that no one could take away my self-respect and dignity — only I could do that.

Constantly over the years, I found consolation and counsel in the Bible I was given in the first few weeks. Not other-world, "this is just a test" kind of consolation, but comfort from the real, immediate voices of people who had suffered greatly, and in ways that seemed so close to what I was going through. I read the Bible more than 50 times, cover to cover, in those first few years.

The other most important factor during those years was my fellow hostages.

Except for a total of perhaps a year of solitary confinement, in spurts of varying lengths, I always had companions. All of the nine men I shared cells with at various times helped me, and I hope I helped them. We talked, endlessly and about everything. We played chess, and cards (secretly at first with homemade decks — cards are forbidden by the strict fundamentalists who held us. Later, they conceded us the privilege.). We made a Monopoly set, and a Scrabble game. We taught each other things — agriculture, economics, education, journalism, literature. Mostly, we depended on each other.

The treatment improved after a while, though it often slipped back. We were allowed a radio, and books from time to time, and for the last year, news magazines almost every week — Time, Newsweek, The Economist, Business Week. But the chains and blindfolds stayed.

Strangely, though, there seemed to be no great personal dislike toward most of us. "It's political," my captors often said. "There was nothing else we could do."

Their logic was impossible to grasp. Our differences went beyond culture or religion or language. Their minds were just different from ours. Two and two made not four but six, or 16 or 60 or whatever it might be fantasized to.

Even the most reasonable of them, those we could talk to in English or French, eluded us and we would give up, too weary to try to build what seemed to be an impossible bridge. And yet we had to deal with them every day, depend on them for every small thing we needed.

I'm convinced they believed there was nothing else they could do to bring their demands to the world's attention. I told them often that there is always some other way.

Their logic was impossible to grasp. Our differences went beyond culture or religion or language.

And now, their demands aside, events went forward — their jailed brethren in Kuwait were free, Iran-

After meeting a close friend, Robert Fisk, at the embassy, and talking with my family by phone, we went to the waiting U.S. Air Force plane, and on to the military hospital at Wiesbaden in what had become a routine for released hostages.

I found myself suddenly swept up, despite the fine efforts of the hospital staff and my friends to protect me, in a bewildering round of examinations, meetings and phone calls. Stacks of mail awaited me, and dozens of gifts. Everyone was enormously kind, but I never seemed to quite catch up with everything, through the week at Wiesbaden and the trip to New York, where city police cleared the streets for our motorcade from the airport, fire trucks lined the airport runway and fire boats opened their hoses in the river.

New York had never been so friendly, so welcoming. People from the AP headquarters in Rockefeller Plaza and neighboring buildings jammed the street to greet me. Taxi drivers refused to take my money, and people in restaurants sent over bottles of wine when we went out for dinner. Washington was equally openhearted. A visit to the White House, the Christmas tree lighting, a reception hosted by the organization called No Greater Love and the Journalists' Committee to Free Terry Anderson — it was a homecoming I had never dreamed of.

As a crowning touch, the AP sent us to a private resort on a small Caribbean island, one of the loveliest, quietest spots I've ever visited. There, with the help of two psychiatric specialists in hostage and prisoner decompression, I began to understand fully what readjustment would mean. It will take a long time, and it's hard work. But it's joyful work, learning again about the people I love, and about myself.

There have been both physical and psychological aftereffects. I found myself much weaker than I thought — I could barely run a hundred yards, and a few days walking on New York's hard concrete sidewalks made my knees and ankles ache. Daily sessions of weight lifting at a gym are solving that problem.

The first few weeks found me late for every single appointment, and incredibly disorganized. I'd lost the skill of managing all the small things that make up a day — when to shave, where I put my wallet, what I'm supposed to do next.

Most of all. I've been bemused by the sudden onslaught of choices — from where and what to eat to what will we do when this enormously pleasurable vacation is over.

I've been a journalist nearly all my adult life, and most of that for the AP. Twenty of the last 25 years I've been out of the country. Do we go back overseas? Where? Do I change careers? I'm 44. This is the last chance I'll have to make major alterations in my life. What should they be?

There are many things, though, that are less confusing. Getting to know my daughter has been a joy. She finds it a bit startling — the father image in her mind is suddenly a real, live (and not always enjoyable) person, with whom she has to share her mom. But she's highly intelligent, spirited and beautiful, like her mother.

And that's another joy. John McCarthy put it so well after he was released. "It's wonderful," he said in an interview on the BBC, "to fall in love again with the woman you already love."

This is one of the lessons I learned in those seven years — what's important. People are important, and the ones you love are more important than anything else — job, money, anything.

Sometimes as we walk down the beautiful beach late at night, ankle-deep in the clear water, with thousands of stars overhead, I think about that mocking reference to the "real world."

This isn't the real one either. It's too beautiful.

The real one, with its bustle and intensity, its crowds, its hopes and its pains, large and small, is still waiting for me. I'm almost ready for it.

Retired general celebrates 100th

POLK CITY, Fla. (AP) — More than 1,000 people turned out to help retired Army Gen. James A. Van Fleet celebrate his 100th birthday.

America's oldest living four-star general was praised Thursday as a hero, a soldier's general, a combat commander whose campaigns remain models today in war colleges and the man who helped stop communism in Greece and Korea.

"And many of us feel he won the war in Europe as well," said Gen. Edwin H. Burba Jr., noting that Van Fleet spearheaded the landing at Utah Beach on D-Day and the Battle of the Bulge.

Places in the News

UNITED KINGDOM

Campaigning is taking place in what could be the most important national election in 25 years in the United Kingdom, which includes Britain and Northern Ireland. Prime Minister John Major of the ruling Conservative Party called the election for Thursday, April 9.

Under British law, the prime minister — who leads the political party with a majority of seats in the House of Commons — must call a national election at least once every five years. He or she can do so at any time within the five years on as little as 17 working days notice, the timing of which could benefit the incumbent party.

The Conservatives have been in power since 1977. Major took over Conservative leadership from longtime Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher in November 1990, when opinion polls showed that she and the party had lost the support of a wide majority of voters.

The British economy has been weakened by the country's longest recession since the 1930s. The national rate of unemployment is 9.2 percent.

Major has fought hard to turn popular opinion around to the point where current polls show the Conservatives in a dead heat with the opposition Labor Party. Therefore, Major decided to call the election.

Although polls show a narrow majority of voters favor a change from Conservative to Labor, the same polls show that Major is personally much more popular and trusted than Labor Party leader Neil Kinnock.

With personalities playing such an important role, one commentator has already called the election "the dirtiest of this century."

The contest is so close that it's possible neither the Conservatives nor Labor will win a majority of the 651 seats in the House of Commons. A small third party, the Liberal-Democrats, could end up as the swing votes, forcing a coalition government, most likely with the Labor Party.

Among the issues at stake in the election is the role Britain will play in the European Community. Although Major has brought Britain closer than Thatcher to full participation in the EC, he maintains serious reservations about common currency and the possibility of a non-NATO military structure. A Labor government would more fully embrace the EC.



Weight Loss Surprises Researchers

WASHINGTON --A nutrition organization was hopeful that a nutritionally complete "hi-tech" food tablet would help erase world hunger problems, until a study revealed that one of the ingredients could cause significant weight loss.

Although other studies and scientists may not agree, researchers in Europe found that the ingredient, a natural plant colloid, actually caused people to lose weight, even though specifically instructed not to alter normal eating patterns, according to one study published in the prestigious *British Journal of Nutrition*. Researchers in an earlier study had speculated that the weight loss was due to a decrease in the intestinal absorption of calories.

While the development of the product called Food Source One, a project of National Dietary Research, would not be used to successfully fulfill its original goal, the formula which has since been improved with other natural colloids has been a windfall for some overweight people. A Daytona Beach, Florida woman fighting a weight battle for 12 years used the product on the recommendation of her physician and lost 30 pounds. She stated, "Not only have I lost 30 pounds but my cholesterol has dropped from 232 to 143. I have two closets full of clothes which have not fit me in two years that I can now wear." In a separate report, a telephone interview revealed that a Wilmington, North Carolina pharmacist lost 14 pounds in 3 weeks on the product and was never hungry.

Food Source One tablets are part of National Dietary Research's comprehensive plan to bring a rapid end to obesity in this country. A variety of nutritionally sound diet plans, specially prepared by NDR, accompany each bottle and provide a natural, drug free alternative for confronting the problem of obesity.

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Buffalo Reef

By Bill McClellan

I used to be a shoe repairman.

If you lived in Austin in the late 1960s and had your shoes repaired at Juanita's Shoe Repair, I might have done the job.

You'd know if I did. I wasn't that good.

Look at a pair of good dress-type shoes and you'll notice there is a detachable heel there on the bottom. If you wear that down, no problem. If you wear past that, look out.

Depending on what the shoe is made of, you can build the original part back up, slap on another heel, and everything's fine. If the original part is plastic, sometimes the only thing a repairman can do is grind it down level — and do the same with the other shoe to match.

I wasn't too swift at the grinding game.

If you brought in four-inch high heels and a week later wondered why you were suddenly shorter, now you'll know why. Women's high heels were my failing.

Which is not to say I didn't have plenty of practice. Oh no.

Every weekday after lunch, and most Saturdays, there would be a pile of worn shoes waiting in the back corner of the little shop. They were waiting for me.

Half-soles, dye jobs and the rest were handled by the owners. My job was heels. Well, I swept out the place, too.

All for $1 an hour.

I'd get all the women's high heels together and do them first. They were always the easiest or the worst, depending on how worn they were. The easy ones took five minutes, tops, including "inking" — taking a swipe around the new heel with black dye.

A worn pair of high heels could take an hour. A little grinding here; a little there. Back and forth. And the cramped, musky smelling repair shop would begin to get hot. And I'd sweat. And I could picture some woman, hobbling after me screaming "You ruined my shoes! What did you do to my shoes!"

It never happened.

My bosses had been in the business a long time.

"We're very sorry. You see, these shoes were quite worn when you brought them in. We did the best we could with what we had to work with, but sometimes..."

Sometimes that high school kid in the back goes nuts with the grinder, is what they could have said. But that wouldn't have been good for business.

My employment as a shoe repairman, and do I use the term loosely, didn't last long. Synthetic shoes, many of which can't be repaired, began to replace leather ones. And high heels took a temporary slide in the fashion world.

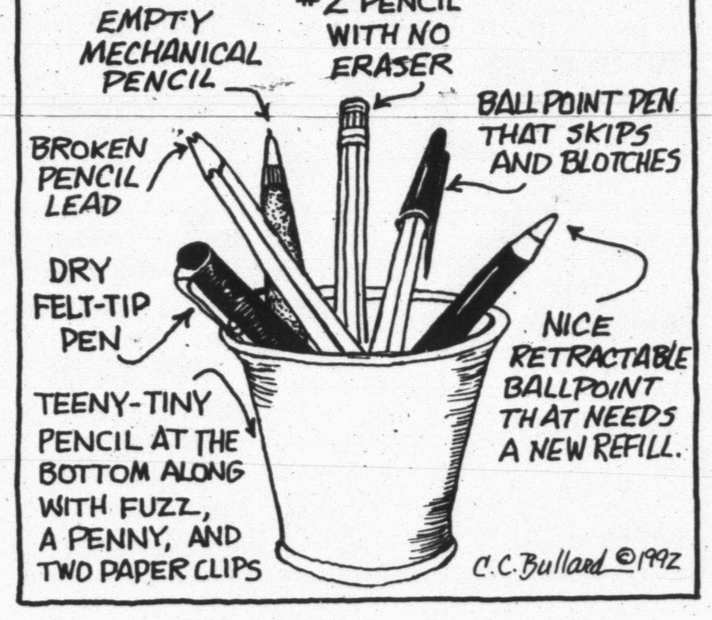
My work dropped from several hours a day to several a week. Juanita just could't afford to keep me on the clock if there wasn't work to be done.

Finally, they'd just call if they needed me.

A good friend got me a job at his brother's convenience store on the University of Texas campus and I left the shoe repair business forever. My new job was more entertaining, and paid a buck thirty-five, if I remember right.

Sometimes though, I like to remember Juanita's...except for the high heeled shoes.

PORTRAIT OF A PENCIL CUP



Country Life

By Deanie Francis Mills

When my daughter asked me if I'd sleep out with her in a tent beneath a full moon on the first night of spring break, I thought to myself, "Why don't mothers and daughters do stuff like this more often? I mean, why should fathers and sons (or more rarely, fathers and daughters) have all the fun?"

We don't camp out much in this family. My husband has two reasons. His first reason is that, "People go camping to get away from it all. We ARE away from it all." His second reason is, "I spent many months camping out, 'neath the rockets red glare and bombs bursting in air. Sort'a takes the fun out of it. That was quite enough for one lifetime."

But kids have a way of changing people. So this year, he bought a tent and some sleeping bags and stuff. The idea was for him to take our son out some time. It is, after all, the way most people think. Until my daughter asked me to join her. I was pretty flattered, after all.

So that night we gathered up sleeping bags and teddy bears and our pillows and some essential stuff, like snack crackers and cold drinks and — because she has a rather unorthodox mom — a fat book of ghost stories, some Ray Bradbury for good measure, and a flashlight for reading.

I would have preferred a truly dark night, mainly so that we could see more stars, but also because coyotes love a full moon, and let me tell you, they sound lots closer when you're sleeping out than when you're snug in your bed. Their yips and howls come from all directions, as if they're salivating in a circle 'round your tent, hoping to flush you out. A spooky wind fluttered the sides of the tent and battered the window flaps to and fro against the nylon with a convincing z-z-zip sound, like an intruder sneaking in.

While I read aloud stories of the moody and the macabre, my daughter scooched her sleeping bag just a bit closer to mine, and we both jumped when our old dog Fibber leapt up from his guard post with a growling, ferocious bark. (Neither of us had the nerve to check.)

But the sleeping bags were cozy and eventually pulled us towards sleep in spite of ourselves. While the wind plucked nervously at the tent, moonlight filled it with an otherworldly glow, sending my dreams scattering into confused images of shadows and nightsounds.

When the moon dipped low enough on the horizon to light up the ceiling of the tent with a flourescent glow, the wind lost its sanity and yanked and beat on the tent with a fury that woke us both. When the sides started to collapse, I said, "Do you think the guys'll think we wimped out if we go in?" Just then a tent support wobbled, leaned, and fell with a clang. She said, "Who cares what the guys think? Let them go find the tent after it sets sail and glides across two counties."

And so they found us the next morning, dead to the world in our respective beds, the tent flat and lifeless on the ground. They didn't say much; didn't even tease; which let me know that even the most rugged outdoor types know when to let Mother Nature have her way.

Meanwhile, this mother and daughter will carry the voice of Ray Bradbury by moonlight, windsong, and coyote call in our memories long after time takes us our separate, and unseparable, ways.

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor,

Please let the people of Snyder know that the Floyd family thinks Snyder is the greatest. There truly aren't enough words to describe our feelings about "Heather Day."

While Heather was in a Dallas hospital last month, being treated for a bacterial infection caused by cystic fibrosis, we were introduced to a new piece of respiratory equipment that is much more effective than what we are able to do. We were enthusiastic, but the price was high and our insurance was reluctant to pay.

Meanwhile, in Snyder, Cynthia Waldrum and Sheila Melton put their heads and hearts together about a way to help get the money. As they passed on their vision to others, plans for a benefit and a group called UpWard Bound were formed.

Because of the benefit, we are able to purchase the medical equipment and pay the outstanding hospital bill. Our friends have truly blessed us. We now have the machine in operation and are looking forward to healthier days for Heather.

Friends, strangers, civic groups and churches united in an unbelievable effort for this benefit. There are people who gave, worked, planned, collected, cooked, wrote, phoned and prayed. We'll never know who they all are, but will you please tell them that we love them all. They have been the heart, arms and legs of an awesome God loving this family.

Sincerely,
Ted, Renee, Holly and Heather Floyd
Snyder, Texas

Dear Editor,

I would like to take a few moments to clarify my position concerning the RV park proposal. Snyder desperately needs a boost to its economy and this proposal may help bring in more money. I am not opposed to the RV park, I just question the proposed location.

The park area is basically a residential and recreational area. A RV park would change the type and increase the amount of traffic in the park. The park roads are narrow and tend to melt in the summer and I fear that this increased traffic would make the cost of repair and upkeep increase over the amount of money brought into the city.

My major concern is for the environment. The proposed plan calls for a black seal coating to be placed on an estimated 4,500 square feet. This coating would greatly increase the solar heat held by the area. The few small mesquite trees and grassy areas that remain could not keep the heat down. I am concerned that the added heat and fuel fumes might have an adverse effect on the existing prairie dog community. This seal coating would also limit the amount of rainfall that could be absorbed by the soil and would add to the runoff problem that already exists in the park. An increase in standing water would also increase the mosquito population in the area.

I am also concerned that someone could illegally dump waste materials in the area. Once human wastes are released there is little anyone can do to clean it up. Some of the material runs down slopes and some of it soaks into the ground or mixes with water already standing there. The untreated human wastes could cause an increase in the spread of disease through contact with contaminated materials or movement of insects. There is also the consideration that the odor from this release would spread throughout the area, reducing its appeal to visitors.

I realize that most people of all groups follow the rules and restrictions, but the possibility exists that someone will not adhere to the rules. Just like one person in a group of shoppers will shoplift, one person out of many causes vandalism, one person drinks and then gets behind the wheel of a car and injures someone, or one RVer illegally dumps his/her waste tank and contaminates the area. This does not mean that the vast majority of any group does not stick to the rules, just that a few can ruin it for the rest of us.

I do not want any harm or damage to come to the beautiful and serene park area that so many residents already use and enjoy. And I want to preserve the living creatures and vegetation that inhabit this area for future generations to observe and enjoy.

I appreciate the considerate way that the county commissioners listened to my points and I hope that they reach a decision that will be in the best interest of all of Scurry County.

Sonja Hanks
Snyder, Texas

To the Editor:

What is wrong with this picture? Scurry County commissioners approved qualifications of a coliseum director/promoter. Minimum qualifications include a bachelor's degree and two years experience in a related field as recommended by the coliseum advisory board, a working knowledge of public facilities management and techniques, and considerable knowledge of budget preparation. Public relations are other requirements.

These qualifications could be met by a completion of two years of college and six years experience in mid-level management with supervisory experience over

See Letters, page 10B

Look Back

By JoAnn Nunley

5 YEARS AGO

The Snyder Junior High School staff donated funds to purchase a live oak tree dedicated to James "Dutch" Stehley, former junior high principal who retired in 1986 after serving SISD for 30 years.

10 YEARS AGO

Four SHS students earned individual honors in zone one-act play competition for District 2-4A. Jack O'Banion was best actor; Mark Shaw, all-star cast; Rayne Marlo, all-star cast; and John Wilson, honorable mention.

15 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Marshall Parham was presented with a life membership award from the Ira PTA.

20 YEARS AGO

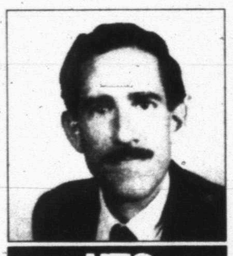
The League of United Latin American Citizens Council (LULAC) was organized in Snyder. Ted Martinez was president; Ricardo Corrales, vice president; and Ruben Gonzales, secretary/treasurer.

25 YEARS AGO

SHS Tennis Team defeated Sweetwater in a dual match, the first time anyone could remember. Members were Mike Flynn, Wayne Anderson, Jerry Bell, Sandy Wellborn, Jim Spence, Jimmy Gardner, Gordon Stokes and coach Ken McAllister.

AT ISSUE

Cut U.S. Foreign Aid?



YES

Alan Tonelson is research director of the Economic Strategy Institute, a Washington, D.C.-based think-tank. He has published widely on American politics and foreign policy.

Should U.S. foreign aid be cut?

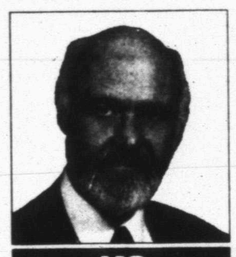
Yes. The communist threat that originally motivated foreign aid's founders is dead. Most Third World regions are becoming less and less important to America economically. And today's aid appropriations are either being borrowed from future generations or denied to needy Americans — undermining the moral argument for aid. Further, it is now clear that Western experts know little about economic development and that few Third World countries are structured to use aid resources effectively. The same is probably true for most former communist lands. Future U.S. aid should be restricted to short-term, humanitarian assistance and financed only through tax increases.

What impact would cutting foreign aid have in the United States?

Decidedly positive. The debt crisis revealed how many of America's Third World markets were created mainly by outside resources and are, therefore, unsustainable. America's key Third World economic partners generally owe their prosperity to their own reforms and will continue to attract private investment. Although U.S. aid always has been modest, the concrete benefits to America have been even smaller. At a time when every budget dollar counts, the money is better spent on domestic needs. Further, because most Third World countries are so poor, small and weak, their continued instability would have little effect on U.S. security. True, a nuclear civil war in the former Soviet republics could endanger America, but aid cannot work quickly enough to eliminate this threat. Only a missile defense system can do the job.

What effect would cutting foreign aid have internationally?

International turmoil would increase, but no politically realistic amount of outside assistance can eliminate the root causes of Third World instability — exploitative social systems and pre-modern cultural outlooks. Moreover, instability is a defining condition of world politics. American foreign policy should focus on achieving security and prosperity in a disorderly world rather than invest billions more in a futile quest for Utopia.



NO

John W. Sewell is president of the Overseas Development Council in Washington, D.C. He also has served as the assistant to the president of The Brookings Institution and in the U.S. Department of State.

Should U.S. foreign aid be cut?

U.S. foreign aid needs to be overhauled, not scrapped. Eliminating Cold War relics from the foreign aid budget — like "rent" payment for foreign military bases — makes sense. So does focusing our remaining aid on a few key, achievable objectives. Indiscriminate cuts do not.

Limited aid resources must instead be redirected to emphasize new priorities. Helping the countries of Eastern Europe, the former Soviet Union and the Third World establish stable democracies and market economies is good for the United States strategically and economically. Addressing the interlocking problems of global poverty, population growth and environmental degradation also is important for the future of our country.

What impact would cutting foreign aid have on the United States?

The budgetary impact would be very small. Development assistance is less than 1 percent of the U.S. budget. But chaos in the former Soviet Union would be a direct threat to U.S. security. Further stagnation in developing countries would lead to increased illegal immigration, drug trafficking and the loss of U.S. exports. The United States has already lost $1.8 million jobs since 1980 due to economic stagnation in the developing world — 20 percent of our current unemployment. Environmental threats such as ozone depletion can be stopped only with the cooperation of developing countries.

What effect would cutting foreign aid have internationally?

By severly cutting foreign aid, the United States would effectively concede any claim to global leadership in economic development. The Japanese already have surpassed us as the world's largest aid donor.

Most U.S. aid goes to a few strategic allies; only a tiny fraction goes to alleviate poverty or promote American economic interests. Cutting the relatively small but effective U.S. humanitarian efforts would dramatically increase human suffering and environmental degradation. We owe our children, and the world's children, a healthier, safer and more just world.

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AP analysis...

Problems with Iraq are case of deja vu

By Barry Schweid
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Saddam Hussein: "He is a menace. He is a bully. He is brutal and he is tyrannizing his own people."

Sound familiar?

It is the same refrain we heard in 1991 and 1990. Now comes 1992, and Bush is once again condemning Saddam, and weighing his options.

Iraq is refusing to open its ballistic missile facilities to U.N. inspectors and destroy all its remaining weapons of mass destruction. This refusal has raised another chorus of outrage from the United States and its anti-Saddam allies, and the White House has let it be known that it has contingency plans for a military strike.

It doesn't mean Bush is about to pull the trigger.

It also doesn't hurt Bush's cause for Saddam to think the President is not bluffing.

Bush in January 1991 launched a devastating air attack on Iraq, and followed it with a lightning ground attack in February to free Kuwait.

The oil-rich emirate was liberated. Much of Saddam's arsenal was destroyed. But some of it remained, including facilities for Scud missiles and factories for making nuclear bomb parts and chemical and biological weapons.

And Saddam is still Iraq's president even though 19 months of trade sanctions have severely limited import of essential goods, making life hard for most Iraqis.

Bush has hoped the Iraqi people would remove Saddam in order to ease the pressure. The Iraqis have not taken the hint.

"He is a menace. He is a bully. He is brutal and he is tyrannizing his own people," Bush told the magazine Middle East Insight in a recent interview.

Would Bush dare order an attack on an Arab country when Arab solidarity historically supersedes internal disagreements? The coalition that Secretary of State James A. Baker III so painstakingly pulled together doesn't exist today.

Two key Arab leaders, Presidents Hosni Mubarak of Egypt and Hafez Assad of Syria, have announced that they oppose further use of force against Iraq.

"Our concern was the liberation of Kuwait and the withdrawal of Iraqi forces from Kuwait," Assad said Wednesday in Cairo, referring to the war. "This was a necessity which required military action. But I do not see that there is a necessity to take military action now."

Russia, meanwhile, is hesitant, preferring patient diplomacy as the Soviet Union urged before the war.

On the other hand, Jordan's King Hussein, a holdout last year, "agreed on the importance of full Iraqi compliance with all Security Council resolutions," the White House said in a statement after the king called on Bush on March 12.

And Margaret D. Tutwiler, the State Department spokeswoman, said Thursday she was "not aware of any change in the international coalition" despite Assad's statement in Cairo.

Diplomatically, Baker does not believe the United States needs a resolution from the Security Council to authorize military action against Saddam. He believes the authority is already there.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Barry Schweid has covered international affairs for The Associated Press since 1973.

Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: Recently, I found myself in the middle of some very trying times. I began to repeat (mentally) positive phrases at particular moments of distress to help in coping.

I believe in the power of repetition, so I came up with a way to remember exact phrases. Putting them in alphabetical order made it easy to recite the whole list, or recall a particularly appropriate one. I gave a copy to my daughter for her 21st birthday, and a copy to my son for his departure for a long-term adventure in Hawaii. Several people requested copies, and my mother suggested that I send you one. It has been very helpful to me. Perhaps it can help others.

I've enjoyed your column for years, Abby, and want to thank you for all you've done for so many. You have my permission to use my name.

TO ACHIEVE YOUR DREAMS, REMEMBER YOUR ABC'S

Avoid negative sources, people, places, things and habits.
Believe in yourself.
Consider things from every angle.
Don't give up, and don't give in.
Enjoy life today; yesterday is gone, and tomorrow may never come.
Family and friends are hidden treasures. Seek them and enjoy their riches.
Give more than you planned to give.
Hang on to your dreams.
Ignore those who try to discourage you.
Just do it!
Keep on trying. No matter how hard it seems, it will get easier.
Love yourself first and most.
Make it happen.
Never lie, cheat or steal. Always strike a fair deal.
Open your eyes, and see things as they really are.
Practice makes perfect.
Quitters never win, and winners never quit.
Read, study and learn about everything important in your life.
Stop procrastinating.
Take control of your own destiny.
Understand yourself in order to better understand others.
Visualize it.
Want it more than anything.
Xccellerate your efforts.
You are unique of all of God's creations. Nothing can replace you.
Zero in on your target, and go for it!

WANDA CARTER,
ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA.

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DEAR ABBY: I am having a disagreement with a fellow worker. John says a sister-in-law is a blood relation only; for example, a brother's wife. I say that my husband's brother's wife is also MY sister-in-law.

Who is correct?

JUST CURIOUS
IN ORANGE CITY, IOWA

DEAR JUST CURIOUS: According to Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary, you are right. "Sister-in-law" is defined as: 1) the sister of one's spouse; 2a) the wife of one's brother; 2b) the wife of one's spouse's brother.

DEAR ABBY: I have several grandchildren under 10 years of age, and I am so concerned about how they talk to their parents — name-calling and naughty words that I, as a child, would have never been allowed to use. I have suggested to their parents that they should not allow this, and they say, "They hear it from other kids" and, "We have tried sending them to their room — nothing works. We guess they will grow out of it."

I can't believe all children are that disrespectful to their parents. Our children never would have been allowed to say such disrespectful words — they would have gotten a punishment that they would have remembered for a long time. We weren't child abusers, but we believed in discipline.

As a result, we raised very polite and respectful children, so it is a mystery to both my husband and me why our children did not teach their children courtesy and respect as they were taught. I am very worried about our future world.

CONCERNED GRANDMOTHER

DEAR GRANDMOTHER: Don't give up so easily. When they are in your care, insist that they meet your standards, and correct them firmly and consistently. Children will push adults to the limit, testing to see how much they can get away with. Reward them for good behavior and punish them for bad behavior. Surprisingly enough, children feel more secure knowing what their limits are. Trust me.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 32-year-old, struggling single mother with a very intelligent 4-year-old daughter.

After being out of school for 15 years, I decided to return to school and make a career for myself.

Recently I learned I'm pregnant. Abortion is not an option for me. So, I decided to give up the baby for adoption, as the father of the child does not want any responsibility.

I will be showing shortly, and my question is how — and what — do I tell my daughter? A sister and a sister-in-law recently had babies, and my daughter knows when tummies get "fat," there is a baby on the way.

I don't know how to tell her I am giving our baby away. Your advice is needed, Abby.

WORRIED IN A BIG CITY

DEAR WORRIED: Answer her questions honestly. She may not be able to comprehend everything you tell her, but stick to the truth. There are some compassionate, non-judgmental counselors at your local Planned Parenthood facilities. Seek them out, and tell them that "Dear Abby" suggested you call on them. Good luck, and God bless you.

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DEAR ABBY: I just read the article about the 70-year-old lady who talked to herself. I am recently widowed and 81 years old, and have decided it is all right to say, "What am I going to do today?"

Or, watching TV, I might say, "Isn't that funny?" And when I am looking for something, I might say, "Where did I put it?"

Living alone is a new way of life for me, and I rather enjoy using my voice once in a while in this big, empty house. It's sad enough to be left without your spouse without giving up your voice, too.

Is there anything wrong with that?

SYLVIA IN IDA GROVE, IOWA

DEAR SYLVIA: Nothing whatsoever. Another widow wrote to say, "I talk to myself when I feel the need for intelligent conversation."

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What teen-agers need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with their peers and parents is now in Abby's updated, expanded booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Sheila Eckert, 1992 Chevrolet from Big Country Chevrolet.

Wendell Sollis, 1992 Chevrolet from Big Country Chevrolet.

D.L. Peterson Trust, two 1992 Ford pickups from Williamsburg Motors of Baltimore, Maryland.

Dwain and Sheila Collier, 1992 Chevrolet Blazer from Big Country Chevrolet.

Bill Wilson Leasing Corporation, 1992 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Roger and Patti Cloe, 1991 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Eiland Cattle Company, 1992 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Chevrolet.

Tracy and Kim Knipe, 1991 Mercury from Wilson Motors.

Daniel F. Sanchez, 1992 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Marsha L. and David N. Krenek, 1991 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Marriage Licenses

Loyd Wayne Pinkerton and Angela June Ellege, both of Snyder.

Charles Herman Lieb and Pamela Jean Graves, both of Snyder.

Jeffrey Coleman McKenzie and Shanna Lynette Byrd, both of Lubbock.

Gilbert Martinez Gonzales and Sharon Lue Perez, both of Snyder.

Randall Keith Morris and Donna Marie Gordon, both of Hermleigh.

Kelly Reed Scott and Shawna Lynn Hightower, both of Snyder.

Glenn Allen Bailey and Melinda Dawn Short, both of Snyder.

Michael A. Moreno of Carlsbad, N.M. and Lydia Albarez of Snyder.

Filed in District Court

William B. Scott and wife, Frances L. Scott vs. Parkinson Electronics Company and Associates Commercial Corporation, petition for declaratory judgment.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Van Wayne Sullivan and Janet Leigh Sullivan, divorce granted.

Warranty Deeds

Margaret Amelia Key to Juan B. Quiros, et ux, the northeast quarter of Section 5, Block 1 of J.P. Smith survey.

C.B. Martin, et ux, to Henry Webber, et ux, a 13.158 acre tract of land in the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 250, Block 97 of H&TC survey.

Richard C. Blakey, et ux, to Dupree Motors, Inc., a Texas Corporation, the west 2½ feet of Lot 7 and all of Lot 8, Block 11 of the replat of of the south half of Block 7 and replats of Blocks 6 and 11 of the Highlands Addition.

Bank problems may hurt strength of House Demos

WASHINGTON (AP) — With many House members struggling to save their careers because of the House bank affair, some Democratic leaders say it is becoming tough to persuade them to cast politically risky votes.

This will make it tougher for Congress' majority party to confront President Bush, the leaders worry, on a host of touchy but crucial election-year issues, like today's planned vote on raising taxes on the rich.

The tax bill is the centerpiece of congressional Democrats' effort to woo voters battered by the recession. An earlier version of the measure, which includes reductions for middle-income families, was killed by just 12 votes last month. The new bill faces a Bush veto and Democratic leaders can afford to lose any votes this time around.

But most when the leadership most needs loyalty of rank and file members, those same members are worried about their own re-election chances this fall.

"You're talking about an institution that's been deeply wounded here," said House Budget Committee Chairman Leon Panetta, D-Calif. "Having been thrown into the pit on this (banking) issue, they're basically going to fight for their survival on other issues."

Lawmakers saw several of their colleagues lose in Tuesday's Illinois primary, including Democratic Rep. Charles Hayes, identified by congressional sources as one of the worst bad check writers that the House Ethics Committee has identified.

And House members are upset with Speaker Thomas Foley, D-Wash., for allowing the embarrassing banking ordeal to mushroom.

Plea bargain details will be revealed

DALLAS (AP) — A plea bargain agreement between prosecutors and former Presidio County Sheriff Rick Thompson will be unsealed Monday, U.S. District Judge Jerry Buchmeyer has decided.

Buchmeyer opted to wait until 4 p.m. Monday before making the court records public to give attorneys a chance to appeal to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, said Charles Durant, senior law clerk.

The plea bargain was made to keep Thompson from going to trial on federal drug charges. Both the government and Thompson want the arrangement to remain secret. The Dallas Morning News sued to have the agreement made public after it was sealed last month.

Buchmeyer had given attorneys for both sides until the end of business Wednesday to respond to his intentions to publicize the agreement.

The judge asked that Thompson's attorneys "demonstrate there's a compelling reason to keep the agreement sealed," Andy Nace, a law clerk for Buchmeyer, said earlier.

Prosecutors have said they didn't want the plea bargain agreement open to the public because authorities are still investigating the drug smuggling case. The case was sealed when Thompson pleaded guilty to a charge of conspiracy to import a load of cocaine that was found in a horse trailer at the Presidio County fairgrounds.

Before his indictment, Thompson had said he moved the 2,421-pounds of cocaine from the Rio Grande to Marfa last year as part of a one-man reverse drug sting he was conducting. The cocaine's street value was estimated at $48 million.

Thompson now faces between 10 years to life in prison and a maximum $4 million fine. Sentencing is set for May 8. The former sheriff of 18 years remains free on $5,000 bond.

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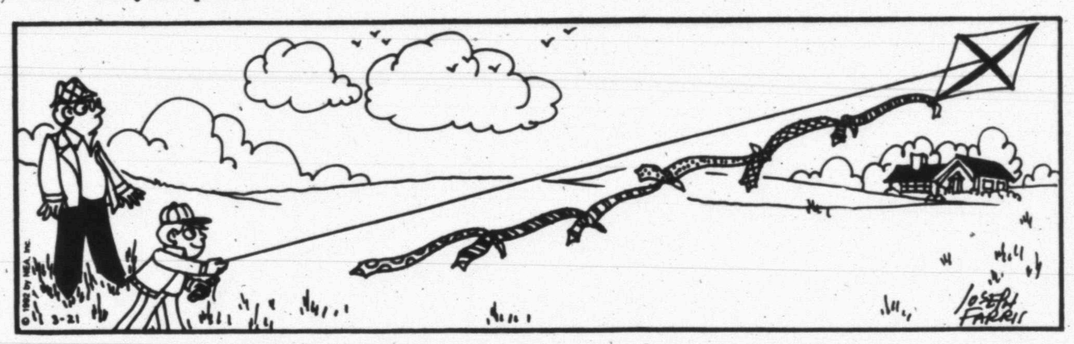


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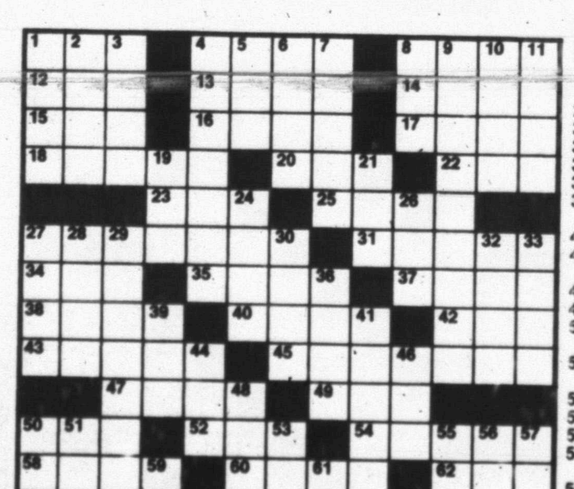
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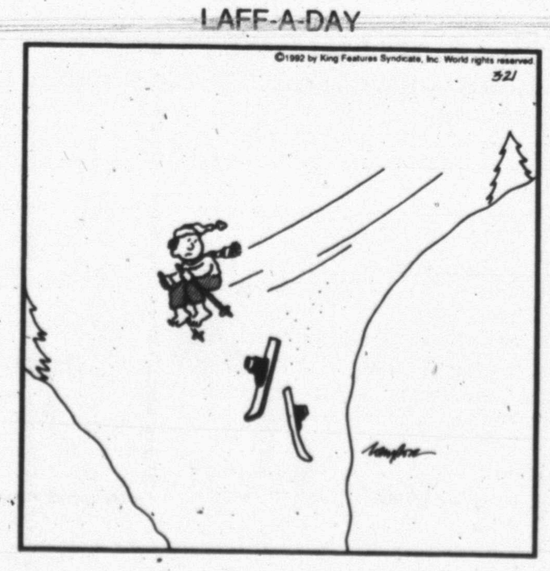
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Astro-graphs

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

March 22, 1992

A joint endeavor with an outsider could work out rather well for you in the year ahead. However, the same might not be true in a collective venture with a close friend.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Someone you're closely associated with may not want you probing too deeply into this individual's affairs today. Be sure to maintain a discreet distance. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Aries' Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) There is a possibility you might lock horns today with an individual whose objectives are usually opposed to yours. Handle this individual with kid gloves.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't be too assertive today in situations where you are an equal to those involved and not their superior. Arrogance could cause sparks to fly quicker than you think.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Commercial arrangements where everyone profits in some manner should work out well today. However, involvements where you or the other guy tries to grab more could fall flat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In your haste to get a matter resolved today, you might move too fast for your own good. You may cure an immediate problem but create bigger ones for yourself further down the line.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you walk around with a chip on your shoulder today, sooner or later you will encounter someone who is prepared to knock it off. Make it a point to smile instead of sneer.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Avoid taking financial risks today on situations about which you know little. What looks like a good deal to you might be a lemon to an expert.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you meet with opposition today, try not to overreact. Don't wheel up your cannons where a pop gun would suffice. Temper your temper with good judgment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You're likely to have an abundance of energy today, but it might not be constructively channeled. Don't let your impulsiveness complicate simple situations.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your friends might want you to participate in an expensive activity today of which you're not overly fond. If you agree to take part under duress, you're not apt to have a good time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your standing with certain associates might be much more fragile than you think today. If you try to boss them around, this could become evident.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do not get too closely involved today with an individual for whom you have hard feelings. It won't take much to light your fuse.

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Your Birthday

March 23, 1992

Don't overlook any opportunities in the year ahead to add to your bank of knowledge. The more you know and the greater expertise you possess, the better your chances are for a profitable cycle.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You're good at conceptualizing today, but you might assign the implementation of your plans to those who aren't qualified to carry them out. Your good ideas could count for nothing. Major changes are ahead for Aries in the coming year. Send for Aries' Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your probabilities for putting a profitable business arrangement together today are rather iffy, because you may delegate important elements to chance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try not to put yourself in a position today that allows another to make decisions for you that you should be making for yourself. This individual's judgment is not as good as yours.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do not discuss important career matters with associates prematurely today. There's a chance someone you talk to might use your ideas and take credit for them along the way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Resist the inclination today to jump into speculative involvements you haven't thoroughly explored. They could be comprised of sizzle rather than substance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Keep your personal objectives in focus at all times today and, above all, don't rely on individuals who have proven to be ineffective allies in the past.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's very important that you are able to distinguish between legitimate optimism and wishful expectation today. Hanging your hopes on the latter could lead to disappointment.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you are anticipating some gains today, expect them to come through a logical sequence of development. Don't look for the tooth fairy to accelerate the process.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) How you handle yourself in public will be closely scrutinized by your peers today. Focus on social amities and, above all, don't be a braggart.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Charity should begin at home today. This doesn't mean you should be indifferent to the needs of others but that you should keep your priorities in order and take care of those who depend on you first.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you have commercial dealings with a friend today, be sure what is expected of each party is clearly spelled out in advance. A misunderstanding is likely without a solid game plan.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Conditions look promising today for a partnership. However, you might lose this advantage through the poor judgment of either you or your ally.

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Matrix awards

NEW YORK (AP) — ABC correspondent Syliva Chase, Time Publisher Elizabeth P. Valk and Women's Wear Daily columnist Aileen "Suzy" Mehle are among the winners of this year's Matrix awards.

The 22nd annual awards will be given at an April 8 luncheon held by New York Women in Communications Inc.

The winners, named Thursday, were chosen by their peers. The awards are given to women in communications.

Countdown begins

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA started the countdown Friday for next week's liftoff of space shuttle Atlantis on an atmospheric research mission.

The countdown clocks began ticking at noon. Shuttle commander Charles Bolden Jr. and the six other astronauts planned to arrive at Kennedy Space Center this evening.

Dow Corning's offer criticized by some

WASHINGTON (AP) — Dow Corning Corp.'s offer to help some women pay for removal of breast implants the company developed may turn out to be mainly a public relations gesture, say some lawyers.

The company's promise to pay up to $1,200 per woman for removal of the silicone gel implants will not shield the firm from lawsuits by women who claim they have been injured, the lawyers said. And, they said, the offer only will cover a fraction of the cost of removal.

"It's damage control," said Aaron Levine, a Washington lawyer who represents women suing implant manufacturers.

Dow Corning announced Thursday it is quitting the breast implant business. Questions have been raised over whether the silicone gel devices can cause health problems, including cancer and auto-immune disorders.

The company said it will pay up to $1,200 per patient to help defray the cost of having Dow Corning implants removed for women who cannot afford the operation and whose doctors say the surgery is medically necessary.

Levine and others said it often costs more than $9,000 to remove the implants.

Dow Corning Chairman Keith McKennon said the company will not require women to sign a paper promising to not sue in exchange for the $1,200.

"I've been concerned about any woman with Dow Corning implants who has no money and no insurance coverage but who needs an implant removal procedure," McKennon said. "We have now designed a program to help women in that situation."

Dow Corning, other manufacturers and many plastic surgeons say there is no proof that the implants pose a risk to health.

But Thomas Valet, a New York City lawyer whose firm represents women in implant suits, called Dow Corning's offer "an admission the implants are unsafe."

But he said a jury in a lawsuit against the company probably would not be allowed to consider the offer as evidence against Dow Corning.

Professor E. Donald Shapiro of New York Law School said the admissibility of the evidence depends on where lawsuits are filed.

Federal courts bar the use of evidence showing defendants made "remedial repairs," Shapiro said. "The theory is, 'Why discourage people from making repairs?'"

He said California and other Western states permit plaintiffs to introduce evidence that a defendant made repairs.

Robert Fogarty, a Cleveland lawyer who specializes in personal injury claims, compared Dow Corning's $1,200 offer to a homeowner's repair of a stairway after someone has fallen down the stairs.

At least in Ohio, he said, "You can't be forced to admit to a subsequent repair" as proof of negligence.

Dow Corning, which has $250 million in liability insurance, faces hundreds of millions of dollars in lawsuits by women who blame the implants for various health problems.

The company was ordered in December to pay $7 million to a California woman who also accused it of covering up studies that found adverse reactions in implant patients. Dow Corning is appealing that verdict.

The company stopped making and selling the implants on Jan. 6 after the Food and Drug Administration asked for a moratorium because of health concerns. But Dow Corning did not announce until Thursday that it was stopping production permanently.

Agency failed to alert Austin residents of contamination

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Water Commission repeatedly failed to alert residents about ground water contamination at a gasoline tank farm on the city's east side despite state laws requiring disclosure, a newspaper reported Friday.

One law, enacted in 1989, requires the commission and seven other state environmental agencies to publish an annual list detailing each ground water contamination site in Texas.

Another law, which took effect in 1987, requires the commission to notify county judges and health officials of each case where ground water contamination poses a potential public health hazard.

The tank farm made neither list, state records show, even though Water Commission inspectors confirmed ground water contamination there in 1988.

Agency officials said the omission from the annual list was a mistake.

"There was a slip-up. The (tank farm) should have been on the list of ground water contamination sites," said Executive Director Jesus Garza. "We had the information but it was not forwarded properly, and so the list was not comprehensive. It should have been."

Garza, a former Austin assistant city manager who has headed the Water Commission for two weeks, said, "The tank farm will be on the (1992) list. I can assure you of that."

State regulators' failure to promptly alert area residents about the pollution has been a key complaint of neighbors. The gasoline tanks are owned by six oil companies.

"Both of those laws were designed to alert the public about problems, and this agency has apparently chosen to ignore that," said state Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin. "We just didn't pass those laws for the fun of it."

Water Commission spokesman Bill Colbert said there is a backlog of more than 3,400 contamination cases.

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

March 21, 1992

Today is the 81st day of 1992 and the 2nd day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1935, Persia was renamed Iran.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), composer; Florenz Ziegfeld (1869-1932), producer; Peter Brook (1925-), director, is 67; Timothy Dalton (1944-), actor, is 48; Matthew Broderick (1962-), actor, is 30.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1964, UCLA defeated Duke, 98-83, to give coach John Wooden his first national championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there." — John Wooden

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1988, Portland, Maine, recorded its coldest spring day. Even though the sun was out, the day's high only reached 21 degrees.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (March 18) and last quarter (March 25).

TODAY'S BARB
BY PHIL PASTORET

The smart optimist sells the pessimist a pair of dark glasses so he won't be tempted to look on the bright side of things.

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THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

March 22, 1992

Today is the 82nd day of 1992 and the 3rd day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1946, the first U.S. rocket to leave the Earth's atmosphere was launched, attaining a height of 50 miles.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Karl Malden (1913-), actor, is 79; Marcel Marceau (1923-), mime, is 69; Stephen Sondheim (1930-), composer-lyricist, is 62; Pat Robertson (1930-), religious leader-evangelist, is 62; William Shatner (1931-), actor, is 61.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1986, Debi Thomas of the United States became the first black woman to win the world figure skating championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I prefer neurotic people. I like to hear rumblings beneath the surface." — Stephen Sondheim

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1951, the French research station at Port Martin, Antarctica, had a 24-hour mean wind speed of 108 mph. Its monthly mean wind speed for March 1951 was 65 mph.

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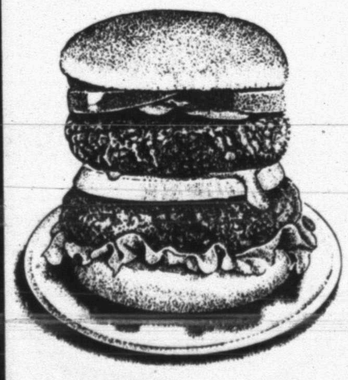
Our minister says that, about the time he tires of seeing his wintertime flock, the Florida gang returns and the winter bunch go golfing.

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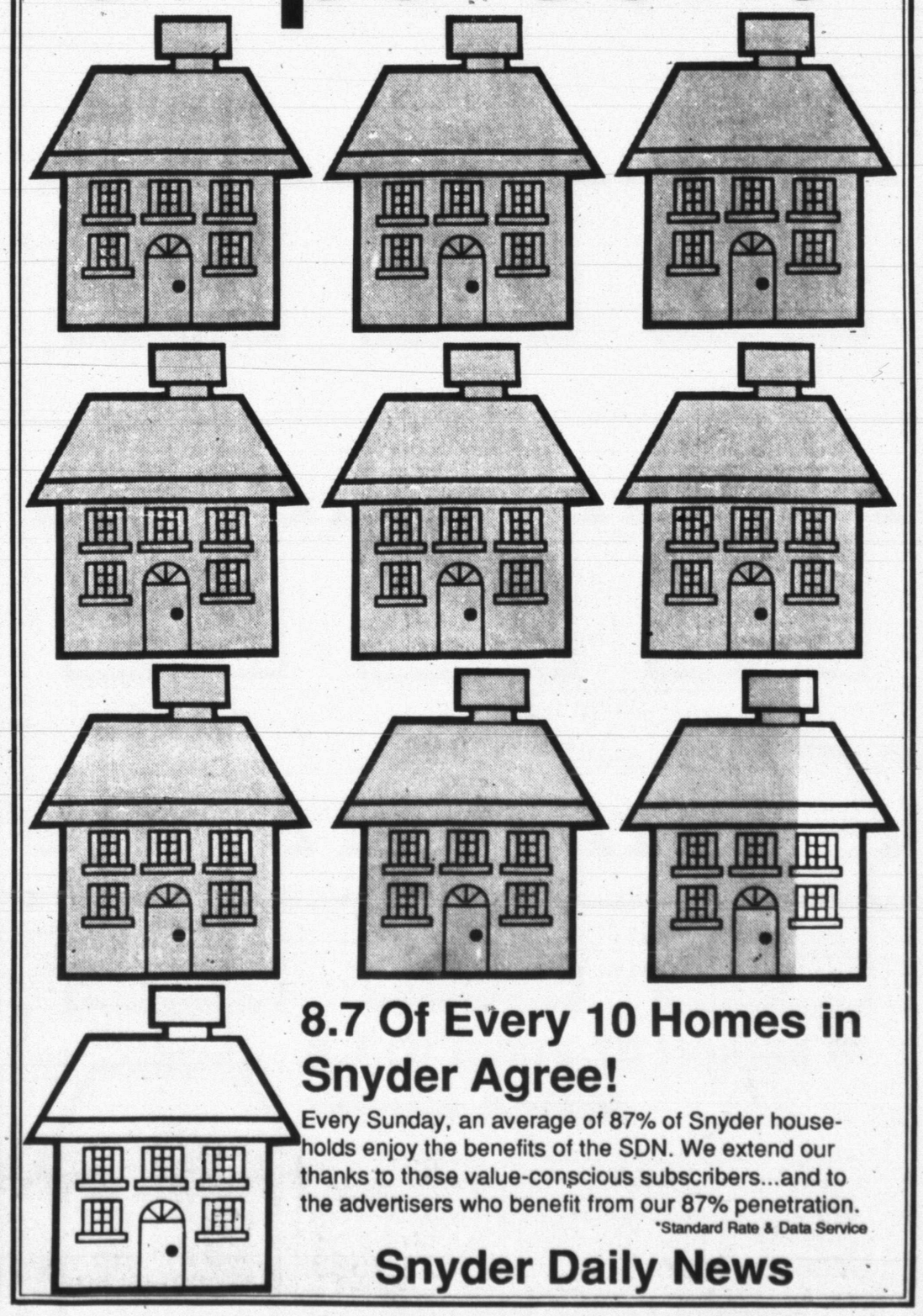
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Dr. Gott by Peter M. Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

I suppose it was predictable that several of the 21 businessmen accompanying President Bush on his trip to Tokyo earlier this year would complain the Japanese trade concessions were inadequate. The CEOs of America's big three auto manufacturers were the most vociferous critics; they lectured Japanese executives about how to boost the United States' sagging trade with Asia.

Judging from news reports, the Japanese were not particularly impressed by our massively overpaid, whining, posturing execs who continue to suck millions in personal profits from debilitated corporations that can't break even. As intelligent businessmen, the Japanese know full well that the American trade deficit is a complex issue, not likely to be affected by the selling of a few thousand U.S. cars and auto parts in the Far East.

Many economists agree that the crux of the problem is an American attitude that everyone else is to blame for our economic woes; however, American industrialists reject the view that Americans, not Japanese, will have to solve our own problems.

Detroit's captains of industry are not alone in attempting to shift a portion of the blame from themselves to others — to anyone who is conveniently at hand. For example, doctors do this all the time; it's a position that suits the profession.

Several years ago, in medical corridors, at social gatherings and on the golf course, most doctors discussed three primary issues: interesting and challenging cases, ways to enlarge their practices and how to cover emergencies during vacations and holidays. In other words, physicians were concerned primarily with their service role; the emphasis was on providing what patients needed.

Today, the focus is on money.

This shift is going to be our downfall because it's away from the most important ingredient in professional satisfaction. Just as U.S. auto executives rant and rave that no one buys American, doctors are screaming that their biggest problem is loss of income.

Hardly anyone believes this.

Doctors already make good livings; of course, some make more than others. Strangely, it's the high earners who are complaining the loudest — kind of like the millionaire big shots who arrogantly lectured the Japanese about what the Japanese already do better: designing the product to suit the consumer. Remember that Lee Iacocca wants to sell cars in Japan, but Chrysler won't market the cars with right-hand drive, which is standard in that country. Do doctors also market their services without regard for patient preference? Sometimes. Should we begin re-focusing on service? Yes.

Being a member of what I call the medical proletariat — at the lowest levels of the medical pay scale — I will never be called upon to set policy or help cure what one colleague has termed "metastatic bureaucracy." (By likening government interference to a spreading malignancy, he coined a picturesque phrase.)

However, I can re-establish some balance in my life by attending to my own business, attempting to discover what my patients need and trying to deliver the desired product. Such a Japanese approach is worthy of general consideration; it certainly beats the current tantrums exhibited by doctors and business leaders, who are unwilling to take responsibility for their own plights.

Regardless of the outcome, this orientation will at least leave me with my dignity, which isn't a bad goal. In fact, this is what the Japanese were left with after the political dog-and-pony show came home.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a third year nursing student and have recently treated several patients with MS. In reviewing their histories, I couldn't help but notice that each patient has a history of substance abuse. Is there a connection between substance abuse and MS in any studies?

DEAR READER: To my knowledge, no study has shown a relation between multiple sclerosis (a neurological disease) and drug abuse. Although such a relation is possible, it seems unlikely, because millions of people who abuse drugs do not suffer from MS.

As you are aware, drug abuse is a common and challenging problem, which is further complicated by the number of abused drugs and their purity.

For instance, alcohol abuse has been recognized for millennia; doctors pretty well understand the effects of chronic alcohol abuse, including brain deterioration, heart disease and liver scarring.

Similarly, cocaine and the narcotics have been around for awhile and, as with marijuana, the medical profession is familiar with complications following abuse of these substances.

The same is not true of so-called "designer drugs," illicit compounds that periodically flood the market. Also, no one is sure what impurities are mixed with such drugs. Therefore, it's entirely plausible that these drugs themselves (or their impurities) could cause long-term neurological harm, leading to nerve diseases like MS. It's an interesting theory that should be investigated. You're to be congratulated on your perceptive analysis.

To provide further information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Multiple Sclerosis." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 73-year-old woman who has developed resorption in a tooth. Neither my family doctor, dentist, periodontist or endiodontist can tell me what causes this and if the condition will return. Can you?

DEAR READER: I'm sorry to say that I am not qualified to answer your question about loss of calcium from the area in and around the tooth. I am not a dentist and, therefore, your query should be directed to someone trained in this field. If your own dentist cannot answer your question, I suggest you ask for a referral to a dental clinic at a school of medicine and dentistry, where specialists welcome challenging cases.

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Relics of death headed for auction

LONDON (AP) — Famed hangman Albert Pierrepoint may have retired from the scaffold, but the tools of his macabre trade are heading for the block.

Everything from the hood he placed on prisoners to the Bible he carried to executions are scheduled to be auctioned off along with other relics of torture and punishment spanning four centuries.

"I'm 63 and you can't take it with you, although I would love to and ask St. Peter's permission," said antique dealer Michael Forman, whose collection of more than 200 chilling artifacts will be sold by Christie's May 29.

"Seriously," he added, "the collection is difficult to store, my family isn't interested, and in this recession I don't see anyone prepared to open a museum of crime and punishment which I would have liked."

From the briefcase Pierrepoint carried from gallows to gallows comes an array of gruesome fare: his rope looped with a brass eye and rubber ring to stop the noose from slipping; straps for binding wrists and ankles, the hood for the prisoner's head and a measuring tape to calculate how far each prisoner would have to drop.

Forman is also selling the Bible that Pierrepoint had in his pocket at every execution.

"Pierrepoint hanged more people than any other British executioner and I expect his relics to be the prime attractions," said Melvyn Gallagher, who is valuing the items for Christie's.

Forman said Pierrepoint sold him the items after retiring in 1956. Pierrepoint, 87, lives in Lancashire in northwest England.

The last hangings in Britain were in 1964 and capital punishment, except for treason, was abolished in 1969.

Other pieces to be sold include a German executioner's ax of 1634 with 16 punched stars recording aristocratic beheadings; an 18th-century "scold's bridle" to gag gossips; leg irons; thumbscrews; a birching bench and birch and an iron whip.

Even Pierrepoint's blue suit, shirt and tie are up for bid.

But Gallagher believes Pierrepoint's "Execution Record Book" could be one of the top items, possibly fetching more than $50,000.

It lists the 530 men and women he hanged, their ages, heights and weights — from which he worked out how far they would have to drop for an efficient execution.

"That means, without jerking their heads off," Gallagher said. "The spinal cord had to snap between the second and third vertebrae and the gallows was tested the day before an execution with a bag of sand."

Pierrepoint — who ran a tavern near Manchester named Help the Poor Struggler — would often walk into the execution chamber with the white cotton hood for the condemned flapping out of his breast pocket like a handkerchief.

On one day in December 1945, he hanged 11 people in Germany — eight men and three women — who had run the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp.

He also worked in Ireland, Gibraltar, Egypt and Austria.

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three or more employees.

Other qualifications include an ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships, direct the work of subordinates and be bonded according to the requirements of the position. All this for $30,000 plus $500 monthly for travel.

With the economy being what it is, the job uncertainty and the unlimited ways Snyder and Scurry County have to take what few dollars we do make to feed their insatiable desires, it has been as hard to find anything to laugh about as it is to find anyone who voted for the half-cent tax increase. I thank you, Mr. Editor, for the above. I have not laughed this hard since the half million dollar notoriety we got from the college basketball team.

If you get someone to apply with the above resume why not bulldoze the coliseum, pay him/her four times the suggested $30,000, call him/her a county manager and save us all a pocket full of money?

I must admit my curiosity is aroused as to the requirements of a commissioner?

Bachelor's Degree — Divorced acceptable.

College — To have driven by one or to name a city that has one is acceptable.

Experience in related field — A friend's field is acceptable.

Knowledge of public facilities/techniques — This is a must. To know the location of all coffee shops and how to evade the check.

Knowledge of budget preparation — Not required, we have secretaries to help with your bank statements, and a tax assessor if you overdraw.

Public relations — another must! If you want to keep this cushie job you must mingle with the citizens prior to election.

Supervisory experience — Not required, we have foremen to do the work.

etc. etc. etc.

I hear our locals visited a pig farm to check the odor. Was this to see if the college's pig farm is up to standard or could it be they need help to cover up the aroma that seems to hover over the county of Scurry?

Thank you again Mr. Editor for the laugh, and keep that money going out of town.

Omer T. Pointer
Snyder, TX

No contest plea

WACO, Texas (AP) — A former elementary school teacher entered a no contest plea Thursday to a charge of indecency with a student, court records show.

Under the terms of Robert Sardaneta's plea bargain, he could be placed on deferred adjudication for 10 years, ordered to pay for the 14-year-old boy's psychological counseling and forced to register with state and local authorities as a sex offender.

Sardaneta, 31, and his attorney, Rollin Khoury, both declined comment after his plea.

Canseco, prosecutors talks progress

MIAMI (AP) — Jose Canseco and prosecutors reached a tentative agreement that could keep the Oakland Athletics slugger out of court on charges he rammed his wife's car.

Terms of the agreement were not made public, but prosecutor Margaret Rosenbaum said Thursday it could prevent the case from going to trial.

Police arrested the 27-year-old ballplayer Feb. 13 after he allegedly rammed his wife's BMW twice with his Porsche. He pleaded innocent to aggravated assault, which carries up to five years in prison. He is free on bail.

Esther Canseco, 25, wants authorities to drop the case. She says the couple have halted divorce plans.

Rosenbaum and a lawyer for The Miami Herald argued that the tentative deal should be made public. Canseco's lawyer, Claire Tacher, wants the file sealed.

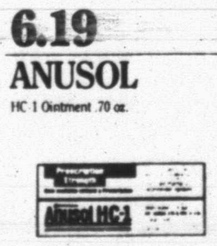
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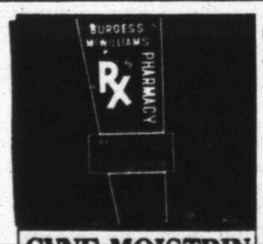


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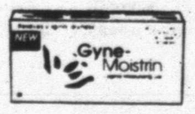
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