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MONDAY

Snyder Daily News

Ask Us

Q—Has the uniform planting date for Scurry County been selected? If so, when is it?

A—The recommended uniform planting date for this area is usually around May 20. However, the date has not been set.

Local

Wheels Club

Snyder Wheels Region Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Spanish Inn.

B&G Club

Scurry County Boys & Girls Club board will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday at the club building.

Family Life

"Surviving Prosperity" will be the Family Life video series program airing at 7 this evening on Snyder Cablevision Channel 2.

Toastmasters

Toastmasters will not meet this evening. The club's next meeting will be Monday, April 11, at 6 p.m. in the chamber board room.

Grand jury

The Scurry County grand jury will convene at 9 a.m. Tuesday in 132nd District Court. The grand jury is expected to consider six cases.

VFW #8231

VFW Post #8231 and the Ladies Auxiliary will meet at 7 this evening for a joint meeting, to be followed by a regular meeting.

Crusade

The American Cancer Society will have its annual neighborhood crusade on April 18. The training session for all workers is at 5:15 today at the First United Methodist Church fellowship hall.

8th grade

Parents of eighth graders who would like to help with end-of-school activities are encouraged to attend a meeting set for 7 p.m. Thursday at 5505 Cedar Creek. The meeting had been set for Tuesday but has been changed because of a conflict.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Saturday, 87 degrees; low, 37 degrees; high Sunday, 69 degrees; low, 36 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Monday, 53 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1994 to date, 1.11 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, a 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms, otherwise partly cloudy. Breezy. Low in the mid 50s. South to southwest wind 15-25 mph and gusty. Caution advised on lakes. Tuesday, partly cloudy, windy and cooler. High 65-70. Southwest to west wind 20-30 mph and gusty, becoming north in the afternoon. Caution advised on lakes.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:05. Sunrise Tuesday, 7:27. Of 93 days in 1994, the sun has shone 86 days in Snyder.

Buffalo proposal draws opposition from local citizen

A historical commission proposal to replace the white buffalo on the courthouse square with a bronze sculpture met strong opposition from a long-time Scurry County resident.

The opposition surfaced during this morning's meeting of the Scurry County Commissioners Court in which the historical commission sought permission to replace the current white buffalo with a 13-foot bronze sculpture.

Objecting to what she described as "destroying history," opposition was voiced by Mrs. Elmo Crowder who served on the historical committee when the white buffalo was placed on the southwest corner of the courthouse square in 1967.

Mrs. Crowder said that school students and citizens paid for the fiberglass statue which commemorates the shooting of a rare white buffalo in Scurry County by J. Wright Mooar.

G.A. Parks Jr. and Charles Anderson, representing the historical commission, said the commission had voted unanimously last week to move the current fiberglass white buffalo to the coliseum grounds and replace it with what they described as a "valuable piece of art that would attract numerous visitors."

Anderson said the project has been in the works since 1988 when Dr. Robert Taylor agreed to do the sculpture. Anderson said the work is valued at $300,000 and the community will be able to get it at the foundary cost of approximately $40,000.

Mrs. Crowder continued her opposition, repeatedly citing "changing history." She also said that Mr. Mooar shot a cow and the proposed statue is that of a male buffalo.

Historical commission representatives stressed that the sculpture is that of a female and also presented a letter from Judy Hays, granddaughter of Mr. Mooar, stating that she had no objection to the proposal.

A motion by commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. to let the historical commission move the white buffalo to the coliseum to make room for the bronze sculpture died for lack of a second.

The court then unanimously agreed to allow the historical commission to pursue the proper direction concerning any change, including consultation with the state historical commission as it relates to the current historical marker.

That decision merely delays any action, and the issue will likely appear on a future court agenda.

In other business, the court heard the outside audit report from Larry Anderson of Lubbock, representing the firm of Mason, Warner and Company.

The court took no action, saying it would take time to study it before accepting the audit. The hospital was not included in the audit and that audit will be presented to the Cogdell board of managers at its April 14 meeting.

Anderson commended the court and county auditor Eddie McHaney for its record keeping efforts.

The court tabled bids on replacement of a boiler at the Scurry County Coliseum. It was reported that the coliseum advisory board is still evaluating the two bids received.

The court also granted a request from the Juvenile Probation Department to transfer $22,574 from the general fund into its account to pay for residential placement of 11 juvenile offenders through April.

Probation Officer Larry Thompson said the department returned $19,000 to the general fund at year-end. He said the result of jailing the young offenders has re-

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RODEO QUEEN CONTESTANTS — Among the students vying for the title of 1994 WTC Rodeo Queen are, from left, Toni Evans, Neally Hernandez and Sarah Halsell. The winner will be announced at the first night of rodeo competition, April 14, at Scurry County Coliseum. Also competing is Tess Worthington, who is not pictured. (SDN Staff Photo)

Runoffs...

Early voting begins today

Raul Gonzalez, Rene Haas, Don Wittig and Patricia Lykos aren't exactly household names but Scurry County residents who believe strongly in their constitutional right to vote will find them on the ballot this week.

Gonzalez and Hass are running off for Supreme Court Justice Place 1 on the Democratic ticket. Lykos and Wittig are runoff opponents on the Republican ticket for State Attorney General.

Early voting in the Democratic and Republican runoff elections began today at the county clerk's office in the courthouse. Due to the lack of local candidates, voter turnout is expected to be low.

Those planning to vote should note that the early period runs only through Friday. Election day is April 12.

Perhaps drawing the most interest in the election is the Democratic runoff for U.S. Senator between Richard Fisher and Jim Mattox. That race, the Gonzalez-Hass race, and the race between Gene Kelly and Betty Marshall for Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Place 2, are the only ones on the Democratic ticket.

On the Republican ticket are the Lykos-Wittig race for Attorney General and the race for Criminal Appeals Judge Place 2 between Sam Bayless and Sharon Keller.

Voters who cast a ballot in the March Democratic Primary may only cast a ballot in Democratic runoff. Likewise, voters who cast a ballot in the Republican Primary may only cast a ballot in the Republican runoff election. Anyone who is registered to vote but did not vote in March is eligible to vote in either party runoff, but not both.

Early voting at the clerk's office this week will be during normal business hours. Voting on April 12 will be from 7 a.m. until 7 p.m.

On election day, those voting on the Republican ticket will cast their ballots at City Hall.

Democrats will have four voting locations on election day. Voting Precincts 5, 6 and 7 will be at the county library; 8, 9 and 10 will be at Towle Park Barn; 11, 12 and 13 will be at the south side of the coliseum; and 14 and 15 will be at the north side of the coliseum.

'Cadillac' tickets on sale Tuesday

General admission tickets for "The Solid Gold Cadillac" go on sale Tuesday at the Senior Citizens Center.

The play, produced by the Ritz Community Theatre, opens Thursday in the North Elementary auditorium, and continues Friday, April 8, through Monday, April 11.

Curtain time will be 8 o'clock nightly except for a 2:30 p.m. matinee on April 10.

Tickets are $6 each and can be reserved by calling the Senior Center at 573-4035 between 2 and 5 p.m. beginning tomorrow.

"The Solid Gold Cadillac," a comedy written by George S. Kaufman and Howard Teichmann, is set in the mid 1950s. It pokes fun at big business and government and the audience will recognize many of the same situations in today's news.

Ellie Dryden is directing the show, with Sammie Jarrell serving as assistant director.

Members of the cast are Jeff Fowler, James Aaron, Lloyd Cummings, Matt Cross, Sue Griffin, Heather Floyd, Max Thomas, Kelly Michell Wilson, Rick Freeman, Sue Pulattie, Jim Gorman, Mary Langford, Christi Devers, Emily Hataway and Mike Dennis.

Routine items face city council tonight

Numerous routine items face the Snyder City Council when it convenes at 6:30 this evening.

Agenda items include four bid items, second reading of an ordinance, city board appointments and first reading on an updated ordinance dealing with platting and subdivision of land.

Bid items include aggregate and asphalt to be used in the city's summer sealcoating projects. The council will also discuss a bid concerning asbestos abatement at City Hall.

The last bid item, which engineers have estimated could cost $106,000, is for installation of a chlorine injection system into the raw water near the water treatment plant. The chlorine injection system is required to conform with new state and federal standards.

The council will consider, on second reading, an ordinance that names the city as the sole provider of sanitation services within the city limits. The action was prompted by a request from Wal-Mart to use a private vendor for solid waste pickup and disposal.

Appointments up for consideration are two seats on the Colorado River Municipal Water District, three seats on the board of adjustment, two seats on the planning and zoning commission and one spot on the builders' board of appeal.

Also on the agenda is first reading of an updated ordinance setting out regulations for platting and subdividing land within the city.

Short course to be offered

The public is invited to participate in a four-part cotton short course scheduled the next two Tuesday and Thursday evenings at Western Texas College.

Producers attending will receive six continuing education units, or 1½ each session.

The programs will be held this Tuesday and Thursday, and the following Tuesday and Thursday, April 12 and 14, at 7 p.m. in the WTC Occupation Technology building, Room 111.

Tuesday's program will be an explanation by Kater Hake, cotton agronomist, of how cotton grows. On Thursday, Charles Stichler, agronomist, will discuss how to manage a cotton crop.

Programs on April 12 and 14 will be on integrated pest management and weed control and herbicide modes of action. Guest speakers will be announced at a later date.

The short course, sponsored by the Texas Agriculture Extension Service, is open to anyone who is interested. Admission is free.

Exemptions available to homeowners

Homeowners can reduce their property tax bills in 1994 by taking advantage of exemptions. Application forms are available at the Scurry County Appriasal District office.

Chief Appraiser L.R. Peveler informs homeowners that Texas law allows them to file a one-time application for home exemptions. These exemptions reduce the appraised value of the home.

Property owners who have never received exemptions on their homes in which they were living on Jan. 1, 1994, and those who became 65 or disabled during 1993, must apply this year to receive exemptions for 1994. Homeowners must file signed, completed applications at the appraisal office by April 30.

A homeowner's principal residence and yard are considered the residence homestead. It can include up to 20 acres of land and improvements (buildings), such as a swimming pool, greenhouse or other structure, as long as the owner uses them for residential purposes.

Peveler said that a property must meet four tests set by law to qualify for the residence homestead exemption. The person or persons claiming the exemption must own the property on Jan. 1; the property must be designed or adapted for human residence; the owner must use the property as a residence; and the property must be the principal residence of an owner who qualifies for the exemption.

A mobile home, even on leased land, can qualify for the exemption if it meets the four tests.

"A property owner can still qualify for the homestead exemption if part of the residence is rented out or used for other purposes, such as a home business," Peveler said. "And the home will not lose its exemption if the owner moves away temporarily, so long as he or she intends to return and doesn't claim another homestead exemption elsewhere."

Texas law provides several types of exemptions for homeowners. For school tax purposes, there is a $5,000 general homestead exemption for all homeowners and an additional $10,000 exemption for those 65 or older or disabled.

The school tax exemption for those 65 or older provides a special property tax "ceiling" for school taxes. While the market value of an elderly person's home may fluctuate with the market, the school taxes cannot increase above the tax amount in the first year that person qualified for the exemption.

The ceiling can increase, however, if the owner adds an improvement, other than normal maintenance or repair. When that happens, the new improvement is taxed at its current market value and the current tax rates. The new rates are added to the previous tax ceiling to create a new ceiling.

If an elderly homeowner dies, the surviving spouse may apply to keep the tax ceiling if the spouse was at least 55 years of age when the older spouse died.

The ceiling does not apply to taxes levied by the county, city or other taxing units. An elderly homeowner who has not previously received the over-65 exemption must apply for it before April 30, Peveler said. To qualify, the homeowner must be 65 or older in Jan. 1, 1994.

Videotapes offer little insight into ill-fated raid on Davidians

WACO (AP) — Federal agents say they're disappointed with the quality and content of videotapes shot from a helicopter and airplane during last year's ill-fated raid of the Branch Davidian compound.

The Waco Tribune-Herald received copies of the videotapes from the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms under the Freedom of Information Act.

The tapes, however, were frequently out of focus and failed to offer a continuous view of the Feb. 28, 1993 raid, the newspaper reported Sunday.

"It almost looks like a homemade job," said Bob Pritchett, head of ATF's disclosure branch.

"There's not anything there. I guess we know why they didn't introduce it into evidence at the trial" of 11 Branch Davidians in San Antonio, he said. "I got bored after 10 minutes. I said, 'Let me know if anything interesting comes up.' Nothing ever did."

The helicopter was one of three that approached Mount Carmel from its back side just before the raid, during which four agents and six sect members were killed. The attack led to a 51-day standoff that ended with an April 19, 1993, fire that killed Davidian leader David Koresh and about 80 followers.

The helicopters were intended to distract the Branch Davidians' attention while two cattle trailers containing 75 ATF agents drove to the compound's front door, the agency said.

The ATF is denying a contention by surviving Branch Davidians that agents in the helicopters shot at them, piercing the compound's roof.

The video doesn't solve the controversy, according to the newspaper.

Some viewers said they thought they saw muzzle flashes coming from the so-called lookout tower in the middle of the compound. However, the video is so jittery and blurry that it was impossible to be certain.

Suddenly, the helicopter with the cameraman appears to veer, judging from the angle of the view, and the camera apparently is dropped. When the video resumes, the helicopter is landing on a field adjacent to Mount Carmel.

Several bullet holes are then visible on the side of the helicopters.

The helicopters apparently were supposed to film the agents storming Mount Carmel, but the video never shows the front of the compound or the cattle trailers.

"That may have been their intention, and when the shooting started they decided to get the hell out of there," Pritchett said.

The tape shows the door to the chapel-gymnasium at Mount Carmel appears to be open just before the camera is dropped. It's unclear from the video if anyone is standing in the doorway.

The airplane views of the compound apparently began when the cattle trailers left the staging area near La Vega High School. But the video does not show the cattle trailers pulling into the compound.

When the camera operator tried to zoom in on the front of the compound, where ATF agents hid behind cars and a fence during the shootout, images only got more blurry.

The video released was all that was shot, said Pritchett.

Beavers executed

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Convicted killer Richard Beavers got his wish early today when Texas prison officials put him to death for the 1986 abduction and murder of a Houston restaurant manager.

Beavers, 38, had asked that all appeals on his behalf be stopped and volunteered to receive lethal injection. The execution was the second in Texas in a week and the third this year.



NEW SIGN AT LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER — Sheriff Keith Collier looks over the new sign in front of the Scurry County Texas Law Enforcement Center at 1300 26th Street. The Snyder Police Department is expected to join the Sheriff's Office and Texas Rangers at the facility in mid April. (SDN Staff Photo)

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Don't ignore ringing in the ears

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What causes tinnitus? Can it be cured?

DEAR READER: Tinnitus (ringing in the ears) has many causes, ranging from Meniere's disease (tinnitus plus vertigo and deafness) that is untreatable, to excess wax in the ear canals, which is curable.

In my practice, the most common cause of tinnitus is irreversible nerve damage from noise. This is an occupational hazard in people employed in noisy professions — such as construction, the airlines and the military. But it is becoming more of a problem in young, healthy adults who damage their ears by listening to amplified music. Anyone exposed to high levels of noise should take special precautions, such as using ear plugs or ear muffs; if possible, avoid the noise altogether or turn down the volume.

People with tinnitus should be examined first by their family doctors (who can easily remove ear wax or treat infection), then — if necessary — by otolaryngologists. Tinnitus should not be ignored, because if the cause is not discovered and corrected, the symptoms may worsen with time and become more difficult to treat.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Ear Infections and Disorders." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

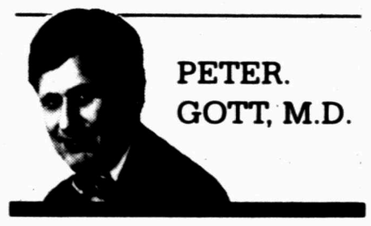
DEAR DR. GOTT: What could be the cause of gradual deforming of my husband's toes and fingers? They all look knobbed, and the tips are red and globular. The nails are unnaturally convex, striated, woody and yellowish.

DEAR READER: Your husband may have a circulatory deficiency, as commonly affects diabetics, that is worsened by a chronic fungus infection of the nails. This can be treated with prescription drugs, such as Nizoral.

He should be examined by a podiatrist for appropriate nail care and then, if necessary, by a physician who can order blood analyses and other tests to determine your husband's general health and his state of circulation. In my opinion, he can be helped — but only by qualified professionals.

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Protecting your nest egg

By George W. Smith, CPA

At retirement some employees are entitled to a lump-sum payment instead of a monthly pension. If the lump-sum payment, which often totals in the tens of thousands of dollars, was immediately subject to income tax, the new retiree could be faced with a staggering tax bill.

Certainly, that would not be a pleasant way to start any retirement. It would not be fair to tax your retirement nest egg heavily while others, who have been funding theirs year-by-year in an Individual Retirement Account, continue to defer taxes.

So Congress changed the rules and created the "rollover." The law provides that, within certain limits, a lump-sum distribution can be rolled over into an IRA tax free. When you decide on a rollover, every dollar of that distribution is sheltered from any immediate income tax. As long as the funds remain within the IRA, the earnings are also tax deferred.

It is possible for an employee to retire at age 65, receive a lump sum from his employer, convert it into an IRA through a rollover and create a fund from which he can withdraw funds over a period of years. Obviously, such a maneuver can provide real financial security in retirement. This type of success with a rollover is possible if you have enough other assets to support you until you are required to begin taking the distribution at age 70 1/2. However, even without such a cushion of extra assets, a rollover is worth exploring.

You may qualify for rollover treatment if at least 50 percent of your account balance in the plan is distributed. Careful: Even though there may be no tax required, a rollover has to be listed on your tax return.

In most company plans, a departing employee may receive his benefits either in monthly payments for life or in one lump sum.

Retirement is not the only event that can trigger a rollover situation. To be eligible for the tax-deferred rollover, the distribution must have been received because of retirement, separation of service (either you were fired or you quit your job), termination of a plan or the death of the employee. In the case of death, the spouse who receives the distribution can make the rollover.

The distribution could be from a qualified pension, profit-sharing, stock purchase, or thrift program of the employer. A qualified program is one that has been approved by the IRS, and the payments to the plan are tax deductible by the employer.

It is rare for an employee to be entitled to distributions from all four of these accounts, but it could happen. Each of the four distributions would be eligible for a rollover.

1. Company contributions.

2. Earnings (either dividends or interest) on the company contributions.

3. Employee contributions.

4. Earnings on the employee contributions.

Just like an IRA or Keogh account, a rollover can be opened at a savings and loan, a commercial bank, credit union, insurance company or stock brokerage firm.

New law. Starting in 1993 lump sum distributions from pension and profit-sharing plans will be subject to a 20 percent federal withholding tax unless the employee arranges for a "direct" transfer to another plan or an IRA. This is true even if you withdraw your funds and then decide to rollover your money within the required 60 day rule.

Withdrawing your funds. IRA or Keogh account withdrawals before age 59 1/2 from a rollover account may mean that the account holder must pay the IRS a penalty of 10 percent of the amount withdrawn in addition to the normal income tax on the amount withdrawn. There are exceptions but this is the general rule.

Example: Let's say that at age 58 an emergency occurs and you withdraw $5,000 from your rollover account. That $5,000 is added to your other taxable income for the year in determining your income tax liability. The amount withdrawn is reported on Form 1099R by the disbursing institution. Unfortunately, a $500 penalty would then be computed (10 percent of the $5,000 that was withdrawn early). The penalty is computed on Form 5329, Return for Additional Taxes Attributable to Qualified Retirement Plans (Including IRAs), Annuities and Modified Endowment Contracts, and entered on line 51 of Form 1040.

Fundamentals of estate planning. Most of us work hard and pay taxes during our lifetime to accumulate assets. All too often, we fail to adequately insure that these assets will pass at death to the desired beneficiaries free from unnecessary taxes and administrative costs. Proper use of the various methods of passing assets at a person's death can guarantee that your beneficiaries will receive your assets with a minimum of tax and administrative cost. This is what estate planning is all about.

The four commonly used methods of passing property at a person's death are: (1) joint property with right of survivorship; (2) use of beneficiary designations on life insurance policies, pension, profit-sharing and other employee benefit plans; (3) wills; and (4) revocable living trusts.

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(George W. Smith is a CPA in Southfield, Mich.)

NEA TAX GUIDE

Mattox says experience gives him the edge in senate race

AUSTIN (AP) — Out of elected office for four years and raising a new family, renowned political brawler Jim Mattox says he's softened a bit.

But, he says, that doesn't mean he won't fight as hard as always for what he believes.

"Having a wife and two kids has taught me how to really love," Mattox said. "Its made me even more dedicated to trying to do the best for young people, and it makes me understand the fallibility of people a lot easier."

Now at 50, Mattox says, "I have only a short time to do a lot of things that I'd like to do."

Mattox faces Richard Fisher in the Democratic Party's April 12 runoff for the nomination for U.S. Senate. The nominee will face U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, a Republican, in the November general election.

Mattox says Fisher, a multimillionaire businessman from Dallas, is guilty of the original political sin — he hasn't paid his dues by working in the Democratic Party or holding public office.

"He's an opportunist who simply is trying to find his niche," Mattox said of Fisher.

"The Democratic Party has got to decide whether they want a guy who can write a million-dollar check and buy a seat or unite together behind my candidacy and get somebody that's got a long record of support for Democratic positions," Mattox said.

In the March 8 primary, Mattox finished first in a field of four with 41 percent of the vote. But Fisher appeared to have the most momentum, finishing second with 38 percent.

Mattox attributes Fisher's success to his money. Digging deep into his own pockets, Fisher has spent more than $3 million in this current campaign and last year's special U.S. Senate election, in which he finished fifth out of 24 candidates.

What Mattox lacks in money, he hopes to make up for with support based on his years in politics and office.

A Dallas native, Mattox said he had a rough childhood. His father left the family when Mattox was 12, leaving his mother, a waitress, to raise three children. Mattox, the eldest, worked his way through college and ended up helping his brother and sister get their educations too.

After law school at Southern Methodist, Mattox served as an assistant Dallas County prosecutor and then opened a private practice before running for the Texas House.

He served two terms in the Legislature, winning accolades as a reformer. He won election to the U.S. House in 1976. But his aggressive style soon got him crosswise with congressional party leaders.

With his chances at re-election diminishing under redrawn congressional district lines, Mattox returned to Texas in 1982 and won consecutive four-year terms as attorney general.

In that office, he championed himself as the "People's Lawyer," taking on "big oil, big insurance companies and big utilities." His agency took over the job of child support enforcement in an unprecedented effort.

Midway through his first term, Mattox stood trial on a charge of commercial bribery for allegedly threatening the lucrative bond business of the powerful Houston law firm, Fulbright and Jaworski, which wanted to question his sister in a lawsuit. After a month-long trial, jurors took just three hours to find him innocent.

By 1990, Mattox focused on the Governor's Mansion. He and then-state Treasurer Ann Richards advanced to a runoff. It was a bruising campaign.

Mattox accused Richards of having used cocaine, and the voters rejected him.

Mattox offers no apologies and says his fight with Richards is water under the bridge. He later supported Richards.

Several months after his defeat, Mattox quietly married Marta Karpan, a former Houston V journalist. They now have two children, 3-year-old James, better known as Jimmer, and 10-month old Janet Mary Kathryn.

Mattox returned to private law practice but wanted to run for office again.

Last year, Richards appointed Bob Krueger to replace U.S. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, who was appointed Treasury secretary by President Clinton.

Mattox considered running against Krueger in the subsequent special election but was persuaded not to when Democratic leaders lined up behind Krueger.

DATE BOOK

April 4, 1994

Today is the 94th day of 1994 and the 16th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1968, the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was shot and killed in Memphis, Tenn.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Dorothea Dix (1802-1887), social reformer; Tris Speaker (1888-1958), baseball great; Arthur Murray (1895-1991), dancing teacher; Robert Sherwood (1896-1955), dramatist; Muddy Waters (1915-1983), blues musician; Elmer Bernstein (1922-), composer, is 72; Gil Hodges (1924-1972), baseball great; Maya Angelou (1928-), writer, is 66.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1986, Edmonton's Wayne Gretzky scored three assists to break his own single-season NHL record, in a 9-3 loss to Calgary.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Self-pity in its early stages is as snug as a feather mattress. Only when it hardens does it become uncomfortable." — Maya Angelou

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1987, a late-season snowstorm set many snow records from parts of the South to eastern Ohio. North Carolina's state snowstorm record (60 inches) was set at Newfound Gap.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (April 2) and new moon (April 10).

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Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Murphy and Associates has completed the No. 5-A Rasco in the Sharon Ridge field, two miles southwest of Ira. The well was completed to produce 48 barrels of 28 gravity oil and 19 barrels of water. Perforations were from 1,717-3,065 feet, and location is in Section 121, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Kent County

Gunn Oil Co. will drill the No. 1 Powell, a 5,000-foot wildcat located five miles northwest of Girard. Location is in Section 130, Block 1, H&GN survey.

Gunn Oil Co. will drill the No. 1 Powell in the Gilpin field, five miles northwest of Girard. Planned for a depth of 5,100 feet, location is in Section 130, Block 1, H&GN survey.

Howell Petroleum Corp. will drill the No. 1 Wallace, a 7,900-foot wildcat located 11 miles west of Clairemont. Location is in Section 19, Block G, W&NW survey.

Fisher County

Union Pacific Recources will drill the No. 1 J.W. Lanning, a 6,400-foot wildcat located eight miles south of Sylvester. Drill site is in Section 2, Block 20, T&P survey.

Howard County

Cobra Oil and Gas will drill the No. 1 Adams in the Middleton field, five miles north of Knott. Planned for a depth of 9,500 feet, location is in Section 31, Block 33, T&P survey.

The Wiser Oil Co. will drill the No. 1-A O'Daniel Ranch, an 8,500-foot wildcat located 12 miles northeast of Big Spring. Drill site is in Section 29, Block 27, H&TC survey.

The Wiser Oil Co. will drill the No. 2-2 O'Daniel Ranch, an 8,500-foot wildcat located 12 miles northeast of Big Spring. Drill site is in Section 37, Block 27, H&TC survey.

Nolan County

Union Pacific Resources will drill the No. 3 ESH, a 7,500-foot wildcat located five miles east of Maryneal. Location is in Section 56, Block 1-A, H&TC survey.

TDC Engineering Inc. will drill the No. 1 Osborne Unit, a 7,500-foot wildcat located five miles southeast of Sweetwater. Location is in Section 49, Block 23, T&P survey.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

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

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 6 p.m.

Canyon Reef 4-H Club; Senior Citizens Center; 7 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Bilingual; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8626, 573-1141 or 863-2349.

Overeaters Anonymous; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 7:30 p.m.; call 573-8322 for more information.

TUESDAY

Scurry County Chapter of American Heart Association; The Shack; noon.

20th Century Study Club; Mrs. Lester Moore, hostess; "Wildflowers," program; 3 p.m.

Alpha Study Club; MAWC; Katy McKenzie and Bea Treavey, hostesses; "Snyder Neighbors Sharing," program; 3 p.m.

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church; 5:30 p.m.

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

Deep Creek Chapter ABWA; Golden Corral; 6:30 p.m.

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

Snyder Police Auxiliary; Snyder National Bank Community Room; 7:30 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi; Snyder Country Club; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-1141, 573-5867.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M, 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956, 573-2101 573-1141 or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Garden Club; MAWC; skit by club members; Gussie Gray and Doris Beaver, hostesses; 9:30 p.m.

Snyder Fire Dept. Auxiliary; Central Fire Station; 7 p.m.

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

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

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308 or 573-1141.

FRIDAY

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; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave M, 8 p.m. For more information call 573-1141, 573-2101, 573-8626, or 573-3956.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-1141. (Last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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 573-1141, 863-2348, 863-2349 or 573-8110.

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

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

Businessman, philanthropist Mark Hannah dead at age 90

HOUSTON (AP) — Friends are remembering Mack H. Hannah Jr., a confidant of President Lyndon Johnson and the founder of Texas' first black-owned savings and loan, as a role model and a force in the black community.

Hannah died Saturday at St. Joseph's Hospital in Houston after a long illness. He was 90.

"He did so many things of value and importance, not only for the black community, but for the city and this country," said longtime business associate Harrel Gordon Tillman.

Said the Rev. Bill Lawson, a Baptist minister who knew Hannah for 38 years: "He represented self-reliance. His model was to take what you have and your disabilities and with grit and determination, you can make it."

Hannah was born in Brenham, but called Port Arthur home. It was there that he began successful careers as a casket salesman and in the home construction industry.

In 1951, Hannah founded the Houston-based Standard Savings Association, the first savings and loan in Texas controlled by blacks.

Hannah's business ventures also included serving as director of Great Liberty Life Insurance Co. of Dallas and Texas Southern Finance Co. in Houston.

He was considered an influential political power in the 1970s. In a 1981 interview, Hannah said he counted NAACP leader Roy Wilkins and former President Johnson as "friends, close friends."

In another interview, he recalled how he delivered thousands of minority votes for Johnson in the 1948 U.S. Senate election, which LBJ won by 87 votes.

"After that election, I never had trouble getting through to the White House," he said.

Johnson had picked Hannah in 1966 as his personal representative to the Economic Conference on Africa in Nigeria. It was the first time a nondiplomat had represented the United States at the conference.

He later served as chairman of the Texas Southern University board of regents and in 1981 became the first black elected chairman of the University of Houston board of regents.

Hannah is survived by his wife, Reba O. Hannah, daughters Daisy Hannah of Houston and Barbara Hannah Keys of Port Arthur and eight grandchildren.

Morningside sets revival

Morningside Baptist Church will have revival services Wednesday through Sunday. Services will begin daily at 7:30 p.m. Sunday services will be held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

The evangelist will be the Rev. Roy Prather, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Jacksonville. Darrell Prather, music and youth director of Enon Baptist Church in Alba will direct the music. Both are brothers of Morningside Baptist Church pastor, Keith Prather.

Special singing will be heard nightly and everyone is welcome to attend and participate in these revival services. The church is located at 119 36th St.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 4-4-94
♠ J 10 2
♥ 7 6 3
♦ K 5 2
♣ 6 5 3 2

WEST
♠ Q 9 8 6 5
♥ Q 10 5
♦ J 9 8
♣ 7 4

EAST
♠ A 3
♥ J 9 8 4
♦ Q 10 7 4
♣ K 10 9

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

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 6

Summer's coming: play ball!

It is the opening day of the baseball season. And the declarer is like a baseball manager. He controls his players — the cards — bringing his choices up to the plate at each trick. Sometimes he even makes trades, giving up high-salary honors for cheaper but potentially more useful spot cards — as in today's deal.

Against three no-trump, West threw out the spade six: two, ace, four. Back came the spade three. How should South manage the team from there?

The answer is: out of the dugout, through the back door of the stadium and down the street as quickly as possible. Declarer started with six tricks: one spade, two hearts, two diamonds and one club. The other three tricks would have to come from the club suit. That requires finding East with the king and at most two other clubs. But if East has king-third, declarer will have to take two finesses. And each finesse requires a dummy entry.

Let's go back to the opening pitch — trick one — and sacrifice the spade king under the ace. Making the reasonable assumption that West has led his fourth-highest spade, South is only going to win one spade trick, and he badly needs that dummy entry. If the defenders clear the spades (or duck the second round to dummy's 10), South — at first base — can take a club finesse. He moves to second base — dummy — with a diamond to the king, rounds third base by repeating the club finesse and, when both opponents follow, slides into home with his contract.

If the defenders switch from spades, South plays the suit himself.

Readers are invited to send card-play questions to Phillip Alder, in care of this newspaper. They can be answered only through the column.

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Vidkun Quisling was sentenced to death in Norway in 1945 for having collaborated with the Nazis during World War II. He was found guilty of betraying his country.



SAME BUSINESS-NEW BUILDING — Fast Oil Change owner Paul Dickerhoff has begun construction on a new building behind his current location that should be completed in June. Dickerhoff plans to install a carwash and increase his staff by two in the new facility that will accomodate trucks, motorhomes and cars. (SDN Staff Photo)

Veteran Bandido dead at age 78; funeral set

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — The motorcycle rider considered to be the Bandidos' elder statesman, and possibly one of the gang's original 19 disciples, has died. Robert "Grandpa Bob" Shields was 78.

His funeral, tentatively scheduled Wednesday, likely will draw hundreds of aging motorcycle riders to Corpus Christi, once considered the Bandidos' national headquarters.

The Bandidos have planned a motorcycle procession to a grave site in Odem, about 10 miles north of Corpus Christi across Nueces Bay.

Friends and fellow Bandidos said Saturday that Shields died in his sleep Thursday night at his Corpus Christi residence after a long struggle with cancer.

"Grandpa was one of the original Bandidos who got his charter in Lake Charles, La., in 1966," Bob Dumas, a businessman and longtime Bandido, told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times. "He may be the last of the original Bandidos."

Don Chambers, who founded the motorcycle gang in Houston in 1966, dispatched 19 disciples to form chapters of the organization in Texas and Louisiana.

It is believed that Shields was one of those disciples who started a chapter in Lake Charles before moving to Corpus Christi, said Dumas and another local Bandido, known as Little Steve.

In the early 1980s, the Bandidos became linked with Corpus Christi when "Big Al" Frakes, its national president at the time, lived in the Gulf Coast city.

A retired iron worker, Shields was considered an elder statesman among the Bandidos, once reputed to be a violent outfit involved in drug trafficking.

"Sometimes there were problems in the Bandido family. He was the one the others looked up to," Corpus Christi Police Chief Henry Garrett said.

Known for straddling Harley-Davidson "hogs" and playing the roles of highway outlaws, the Bandidos have mellowed in recent years.

Members and police say the Bandidos have aged, settled down and become law-abiding. Shields is remembered for tying antlers to his handlebars during Christmas toy drives for underprivileged children.

"I guess you don't hear as much as you used to because we're getting older," said Dumas, 60, who owns a number of Corpus Christi businesses, including the Legs topless bar and Silver Dollar Saloon nightclub. "We're not as young and wild as we used to be."

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are the Lotto Texas winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery:

3-8-10-11-26-40

(three, eight, ten, eleven, twenty-six, forty)

Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $10 million

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are the Lotto Texas Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery:

9-9-1

(nine, nine, one)

Minority hiring plan said failed

HOUSTON (AP) — University of Houston officials say they're doing their best to hire more minorities for top jobs. So far, the effort appears to be failing.

The school has no blacks or Hispanics in executive academic positions, only a handful of minorities are full professors and there's only one minority associate dean.

UH definitely is not alone in struggling to change from an institution dominated by white men to one more reflective of society.

But school leaders acknowledge that the diversity problems put the university at risk of becoming irrelevant to the two races that by 2000 will constitute two-thirds of new entrants in the work force.

"We're not where we would like to be in terms of diversity," UH Chancellor Alex Schilt told the Houston Chronicle for Sunday's editions.

"But we've had some success and the difficulties we've had have given us a resolve that I believe will enable us to be more successful in the future."

In the past few years:

— Five white men have been hired as deans.

— Schilt rejected a slate of three minority finalists vying to become the system's lawyer. He reopened the search and hired a white male.

— The board of regents bypassed the Hispanic vice chairman to elect a white chairwoman.

Schilt points as successes to "my hires" of former UH President Marguerite Barnett, who died in 1992, and UH-Downtown President Max Castillo.

Minorities say such gains are part of a record that is mixed at best, considering that it was Schilt who changed President James Pickering's status from interim to permanent last year.

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Dinner Buffet - $5.69
TUESDAY
MEATS
Hot Buffet Shrimp
Seafood Newburg
Shrimp Creole
Cajun Buffet Shrimp
Sliced Turkey
Clam Strips
SOUPS
Idaho Potato
Clam Chowder
Cajun Chicken Gumbo

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11:30 - 2:30 p.m.
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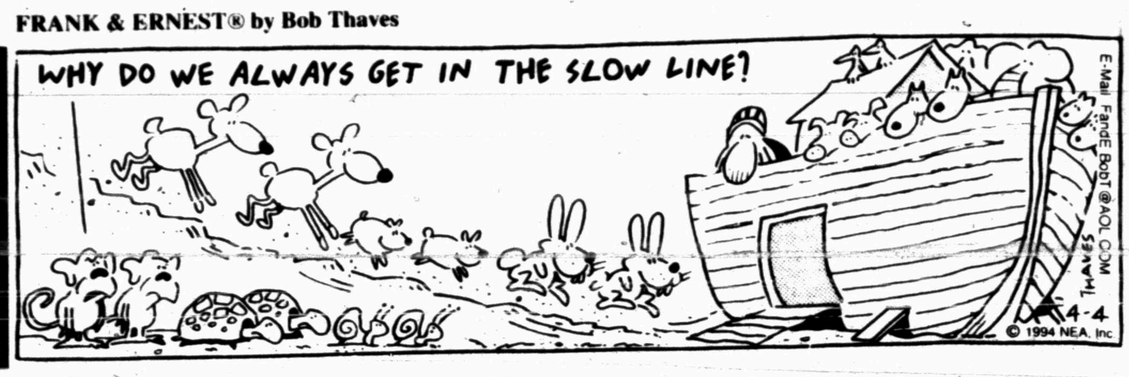
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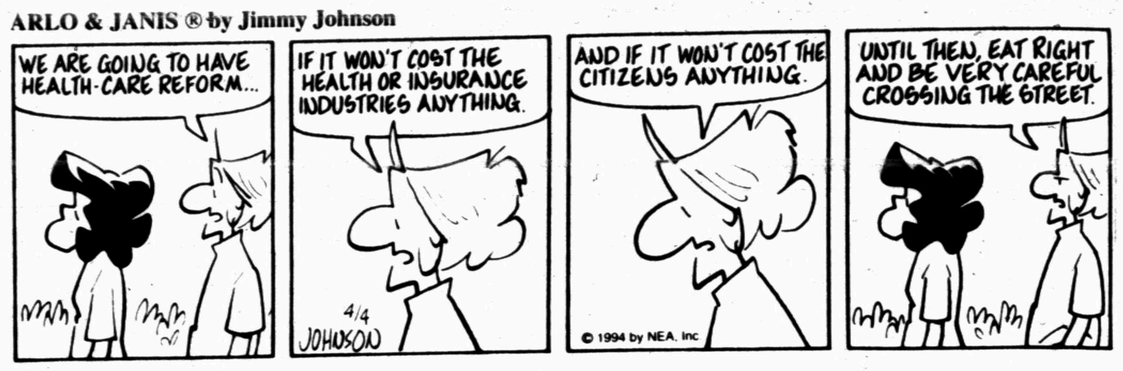
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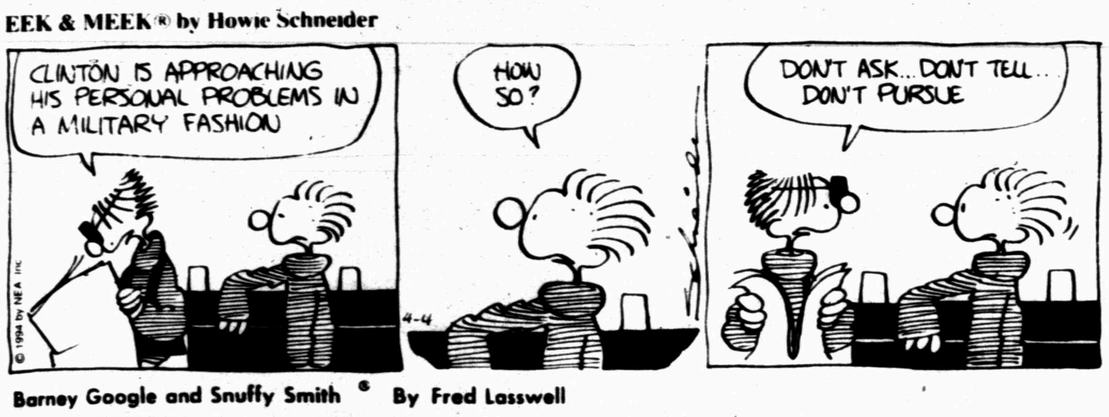
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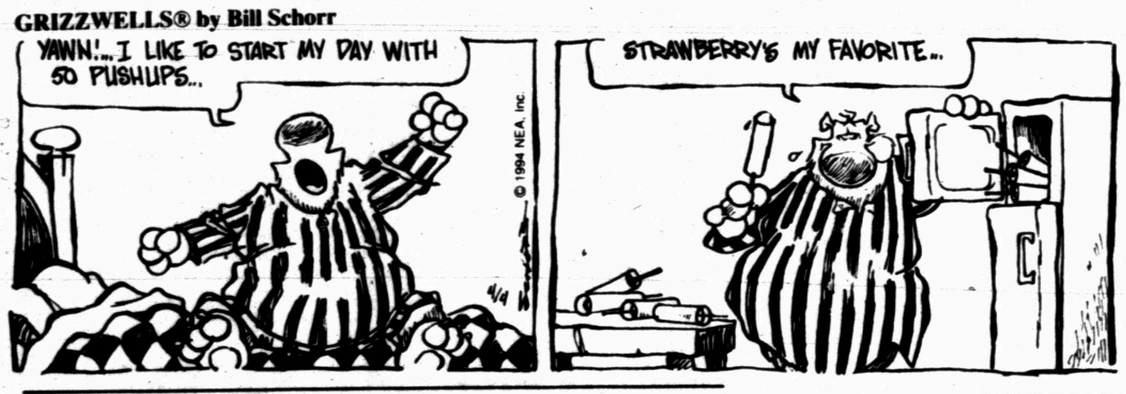
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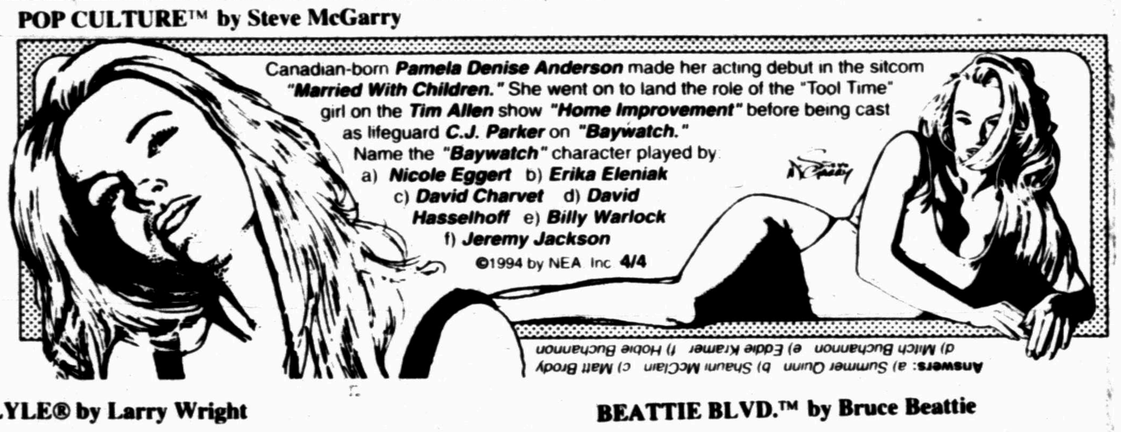
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ACROSS

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4 Brilliant stroke
8 An Egyptian
12 Garden tool
13 W. Coast coll.
14 Cosmonaut — Gagarin
15 — Landers
16 Treatments
18 Cuddle up
20 Broadcast
21 In this place
23 Strong upward movement
27 Radiation device
30 Wrestling holds
32 Hint
33 Floating ice mass
34 Witty remark
35 Food fish
36 Flower
37 Arrived
38 Aristotle —
40 Underground worker
41 Barbra Streisand movie
42 At that time
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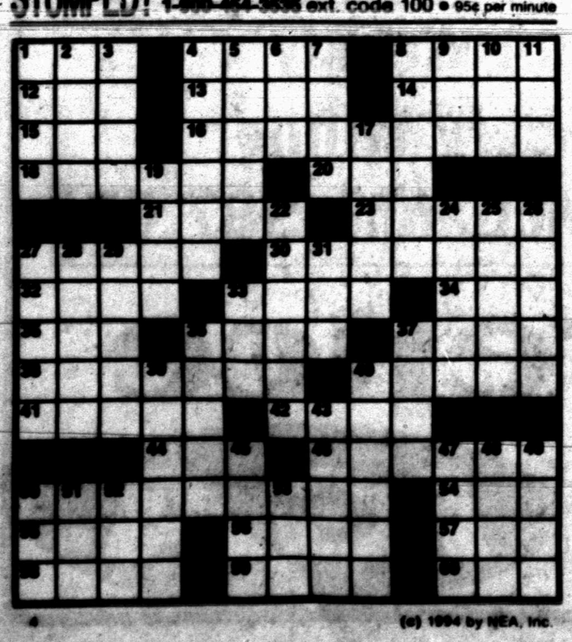
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3 Intense desires
4 Knife maker
5 Yellow pigment
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9 French yes
10 Before (pref.)
11 — the season to be ...
17 Passageway
19 Of — I Sing
22 Sign up
24 An Italian
25 Elf's cousin
26 Chemical compound
27 The real —
28 By oneself
29 African country
31 Dawn goddess
33 Next to Sat.
36 Small island
37 Motion picture
39 Remained
40 Blends
43 Sharpened
45 Keep clear of
47 Chow
48 Acting award
49 Title
50 Ore. summer time
51 Falsehood
52 One (Scot.)
53 Same (pref.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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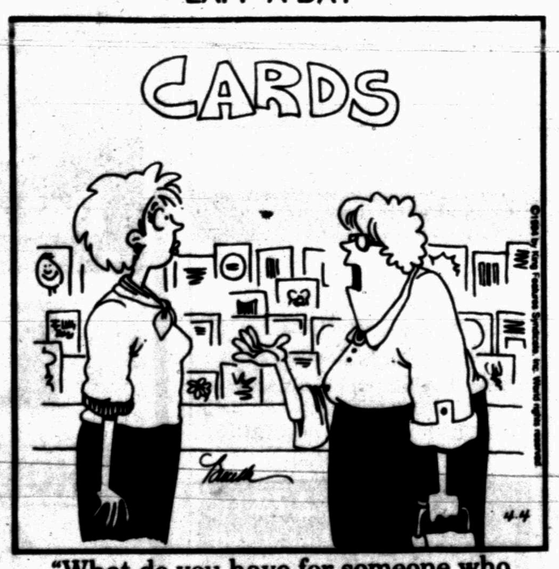


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NCAA tournament champs

Recent winners of the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Tournament

	Team	Record	Coach
1993	N. Carolina	34-4	D. Smith
1992	Duke	34-2	M. Krzyzewski
1991	Duke	32-7	M. Krzyzewski
1990	U.N.L.V.	35-5	J. Tarkanian
1989	Michigan	30-7	S. Fisher
1988	Kansas	27-11	L. Brown
1987	Indiana	30-4	B. Knight
1986	Louisville	32-7	D. Crum
1985	Villanova	25-10	R. Massamino
1984	Georgetown	34-3	J. Thompson



In the past 10 seasons, only Duke captured more than one NCAA Division I men's basketball title. The Blue Devils, coached by Mike Krzyzewski, won championships in 1991 and 1992. Duke was the runner-up in 1986 and 1990.

Duke, Hogs to battle for title

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson wants two things that Duke's Mike Krzyzewski already has — a national championship and respect for his program.

His shot at both comes tonight when his Razorbacks (30-3) play Duke (28-5) in what figures to be an intriguing NCAA title game.

Richardson has been to the Final Four before — the Razorbacks made it that far in 1990, losing in the semifinals — and he has been a winner at every level of coaching. He won a junior college national championship and, while coaching Tulsa, won the NIT.

"It would be a triple crown as a basketball coach" to win an NCAA title, Richardson said Sunday.

And he expects it would do big things for the program. Despite spending nine weeks ranked No. 1 this season, more than any other team, Richardson and his players feel the Razorbacks have not received the kind of respect afforded teams such as Duke, North Carolina and Indiana.

"We will probably never, ever get total credit for what we do because we're way down in Arkansas," Richardson said.

The Razorbacks clearly have the respect of Krzyzewski, who has won two national titles and has his team in the championship game for the fourth time in the past five years.



"All I know is they've been No. 1 most of the year. I don't know how much more respect you can give a team other than voting them No. 1," Krzyzewski said. "I know in the profession, they are very, very highly respected."

He said the Razorbacks are the best team Duke will have played this season. "They're smart. They know how to use their strengths. I'm not sure that they have weaknesses."

Did he say smart? Richardson would be pleased to hear that. During Sunday's news conference, he mentioned that he had seen a television show that morning in which a sportswriter predicted the "smarter team" would win.

"You know who that is," he said. Then, motioning to his players, he added, "You know it ain't these guys."

The Arkansas players said such a label is disconcerting, but at least one Razorback was able to make light of it. Corliss Williamson, the 245-pound forward who will likely have a large bearing on how the game winds up, put it this way:

"If there are two guys in a fight, and you have one smart guy and one dumb guy who is a lot bigger and a lot stronger, who do you think is going to win?"

Arkansas is clearly the bigger team. When Richardson uses his big lineup, the Razorbacks are 6-foot-11 at center, 6-9 and 6-7 at forward, and the lightest one in the group is Williamson. But he is also the strongest.

Williamson had 29 points and 13 rebounds in Saturday's semifinal victory over Arizona. Krzyzewski said he is among the top five players in the country.

How well Duke is able to muscle with the Razorbacks could be crucial. The Blue Devils' center, 6-11 Cherokee Parks, woke up Sunday morning with a swollen knee that Krzyzewski said was apparently the result of an injury that occurred against Florida in the semifinals.

Parks did not practice Sunday and was expected to be held out of all activities until game time.

"I'm sure he'll play, and we'll go from there," Krzyzewski said. "We've been a no-excuse team the whole year long. I don't see any reason to change now."

While Richardson has relied more on his big lineup and a half-court game in recent weeks, he may opt for a smaller, quicker group and more pressure. Duke has had some trouble at the guard spot this season, although the play in the backcourt has ben solid through the tournament.

Richardson said he had not decided which way he would try to attack the Blue Devils. But he did say he didn't think Duke was as quick as Arizona, and that controlling the tempo would be important to both teams.

NCAA Final Four

Charlotte, N.C.
Saturday's games
Semifinals
Arkansas 91, Arizona 82
Duke 70, Florida 65
Monday's game
Championship
Arkansas (30-3) vs. Duke (28-5), 8:22 p.m. CDT.

WTC men, women nab wins at Howard

BIG SPRING — The surging Western Texas College men's team picked up 100 points on Southwest leader Vernon Regional JC, while the WTC women remained unbeaten in the 1993-94 season with top finishes at the weekend Howard College NIRA Rodeo.

The WTC men, currently in second in the region, scored 280 points, led by a top three sweep in bareback riding.

The women from Western Texas padded their lead in the NIRA's Southwest Region with Dusti Beaton's event-best 20.1 two-head time in goat tying, and a third-place 7.9 clocking in breakaway roping by Leslie Lewis.

D'Aun Gudgell of Eastern New Mexico captured All-Around honors, taking second in both breakaway roping and goat tying.

Western Texas' women accumulated 145 points at the rodeo. Tarleton, second in the region, was runner-up here with 90, trailed by New Mexico JC's 85, Vernon's 70 and 40 from West Texas A&M.

Cleve Schmidt scored 139 points on two rides, including a first-go score of 71, to win the bareback riding for Western Texas in men's competition. Teammate Troy Thomson was second with a 135 and Travis Whiteside earned an event-best 73 in Saturday's short go to move into third in the final standings with a 133.

Fletcher Tigner gave WTC a saddle bronc title here, as well, racking up twin 68-point rides for a 136 total.

Thad Little, former WTC wrangler and HC Rodeo All-Around winner, earned second in the event with a two-head 133, four points ahead of WTC's Trey Griffin, who wound up third.

Other event winners included Vernon's Shane Hatch, who posted a two-run time of 19.9 to win calf roping; steer wrestler Brad Stewart of Howard, who won with a combined 11.2; John Ford, whose 148 was tops in bull riding; and the team roping duo of Turtle Powell of Tarleton and Howard's Wayne Folmer, who flashed a 14.9.

Western Texas will return to the arena Thursday through Sunday in Hobbs, N.M. at the New Mexico JC Rodeo.

Howard College NIRA Rodeo
Rodeo Bowl, Big Spring
Final results - 2 go-rounds
Men

Team scores: 1. Western Texas College 280; 2. ENMU 245; 3. Howard 240; 4. Tarleton 210; 5. Vernon Regional JC 180; 6. West Texas A&M 70; 7. Texas Tech 40; 8. Sul Ross 35; 9 NMJC 20.

All-Around cowboy: Thad Little, ENMU.

Bareback: 1. Cleve Schmidt, WTC, 139; 2. Troy Thomson, WTC 135; 3. Travis Whiteside, WTC, 133; **Calf roping:** 1. Shane Hatch, VRJC, 19.9; 2. Troy Brown, Tarleton, 20.5; 3. Kullen Burk, Texas Tech, 20.6; **Saddle bronc:** 1. Fletcher Tigner, WTC, 136; 2. Thad Little, ENMU, 133; 3. Trey Griffin, WTC, 129; **Steer wrestling:** 1. Brad Stewart, Howard, 11.2, 2 Clay Gentry, WTAM, 11.3; 3. Ross Lowry, Howard, 12.0; **Team roping:** 1. Turtle Powell-Wayne Folmer, Tarleton-Howard, 14.9; 2. Jim Tom Cardwell-Baker Chapman, Sul Ross, 15.4; 3. Bachie Acevedo-Jim Tom Cardwell, Sul Ross, 16.3; **Bull riding:** 1. John Ford, ENMU, 148; 2. Brandon Arrington, Howard, 146; 3. Cade Schalla, Odessa, 142.

Women

Team scores: 1. Western Texas College 145; 2. Tarleton 90; 3. NMJC 85; 4. Vernon Regional JC 70; 5. West Texas A&M 40; 6. Odessa 20.

All-Around Cowgirl: D'Aun Gudgell, ENMU

Breakaway roping: 1. Kippi Kuykendall, Tarleton, 7.3; 2. D'Aun Gudgell, ENMU, 7.; 3. Leslie Lewis, WTC, 7.9; **Goat tying:** 1 Dusti Beaton, WTC, 20.1; 2 D'Aun Gudgell 21.4 3 (tie) Keri Jo Hukill, Odessa, 22.9; Christi Sultemeier, Vernon, 22.9; **Barrel race:** 1. Amy Cox, Tarleton, 37.81; 2. Kelly Freeman, NMJC, 37.96; 3. Gina Kile, WTAM, 38.02.



LADY CARDINALS — Members of Hermleigh's District 21-A champion girls' basketball team earning all-district honors were, from left, first-teamer Connie Payne and honorable mentions Kelly Gonzalez, Sheri Sandefur, Michelle Roemisch and Bridget Moore. Not pictured is Brandi Bates, who was selected to the first team. (SDN Staff Photo)

Season to start without Ryan

ARLINGTON (AP) — These days, Nolan Ryan's time zips by almost as fast as his 100 mph heater did.

So it's no wonder that the all-time major league strikeout king has few regrets about the major league season beginning today without him for the first time since 1965.

"I wonder how I had time to play baseball because my days are so full," Ryan said last weekend after throwing out the first pitch in The Ballpark, the Texas Rangers' new home.

The biggest chunk of Ryan's time goes to his businesses, including four ranches, two banks and nearly as many endorsements as that other baseball player, Michael Jordan.

He's also been spending quality time with wife Ruth and his three children. He often can be found on the mound at Alvin High, his alma mater, throwing batting practice to son Reese's varsity team.

"I throw them good curveballs and give them some with good velocity," said Ryan, adding that the torn right elbow that ended his career two starts early is held together by scar tissue.

"My theory is don't just go out there and lob them in, let them work on something. That way, when they get in a game and see a curveball, they'll have more confidence because they've seen it before," he said.

Ryan also has had more time to be with daughter Wendy, a junior volleyball player at Alvin High, and eldest son Reid, a senior pitcher at Texas Christian.

"I work my schedule around their games," he said.

With so much on Ryan's agenda, he hardly has time to think about his amazing career or the Hall of Fame induction likely awaiting him in 1999.

Not that he would anyway.

"I don't even think about it," he said, laughing because it's the answer he's given for years yet people keep asking. "I just basically started a new era of life. I've never really been the kind to look back and reflect."

Ryan, 47, broke into the majors briefly in 1966 with the New York Mets. He returned to the majors in 1968 and stuck around for 27 seasons, one of the more than 50 records he holds.

He's now under a 10-year personal services contract with Texas requiring him to work between 30 and 60 days a year at $210,000 annually. It's basically meant to make sure he wears a Rangers hat into the Hall of Fame.

"I really don't know what role I'll play with the ballclub," he said after Friday's first appearance in his new role. "They've been so busy it's not a big priority."

With team owner George W. Bush running for governor against popular incumbent Gov. Ann Richards, Ryan said he'd be happy to help his friend and fellow Republican.

"I told George I'd be available if I could," Ryan said.

Could politics be in the future for Ryan, who once considered running for agriculture commissioner?

"No," he said quickly. "I'm just trying to get my life to slow down."

2-4A baseball

Team	Season		District	
Snyder	10	8	1	0
Frenship	10	8	1	0
Estacado	10	8	1	0
Lamesa	11	7	0	1
Levelland	10	7	0	1
Plainview	9	10	0	1

Thursday, March 31
Snyder 2, Lamesa 1 (9 innings)
Saturday, April 2
Estacado 8, Levelland 7
Frenship 8, Plainview 6
Tuesday, April 5
Snyder at Levelland
Frenship at Lamesa
Estacado at Plainview

Major League openers slated

by The Associated Press

Suffice to say, there was plenty of interest in today's baseball openers.

A day after only 32,803 fans saw St. Louis and Cincinnati start the regular season at Riverfront Stadium, sellouts were expected throughout the majors.

President Clinton was to be part of a full house in Cleveland, where the Indians played Seattle in the first game at Jacobs Field. More than 80,000 fans were to turn out in Denver, where the Colorado Rockies began their final season at Mile High Stadium with a game against Philadelphia.

As always, there were no tickets left at SkyDome in Toronto, where the two-time World Series champion Blue Jays played Chicago in a meeting of last year's AL playoff teams, and none were left at Camden Yards in Baltimore, where the new-look Orioles played Kansas City, minus George Brett.

At Yankee Stadium, Joe DiMaggio was to throw out the first ball when New York played the Texas Rangers, without Nolan Ryan and with Will Clark. At Fenway Park, Nancy Kerrigan was to make the ceremonial toss before Roger Clemens and the Boston Red Sox played Detroit.

"I'll be excited driving into the park," Clemens said. "You're always anxious and excited about the opportunity. I'll never lose that."

The Los Angeles Dodgers had some anxious moments Sunday when Darryl Strawberry did not show up for an exhibition game and was AWOL until late that night. General manager Fred Claire did not say why Strawberry left the team, but was not satisfied with the player's explanation. He planned to meet with Strawberry today.

There was not too much excitement for the opener between the Cardinals and Reds. Even a home run by Ray Lankford leading off the game did not make it anything special at chilly Riverfront Stadium, where St. Louis won 6-4.

Reds owner Marge Schott treated the first Sunday night opener as little more than an exhibition game. She said the Reds, who volunteered for the game, would ignore it because she wasn't able to work out the customary pre-game parade downtown, known as the Findlay Market parade.

"I can understand Mrs. Schott's feelings. I'm sure the schedulers in the future certainly will take her feelings under consideration," said new NL president Len Coleman, who threw out the first ball.

All of the traditional pageantry, plus a sellout, was expected today in Cincinnati when the Cardinals again played the Reds.

The game between St. Louis and Cincinnati began baseball's new era of realignment. Those teams are now in the NL Central.

The White Sox won the AL West last season and have moved into the AL Central. They'll take on the Blue Jays, trying to become the first team since the 1972-73-74 Oakland A's to win three straight titles. To reach the postseason, all they'll need is the league's top second-place finish to win the wild card.

Barry Bonds, trying to win an unprecedented third straight MVP award — and fourth overall — will lead San Francisco against visiting Pittsburgh and Zane Smith, a three-game winner last season.

Greg Maddux, hoping to win a record third straight Cy Young Award, will pitch for the Atlanta Braves in San Diego.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-New York	51	19	.729	—
Orlando	42	29	.592	9½
Miami	38	34	.528	14
New Jersey	37	34	.521	14½
Boston	26	44	.371	25
Washington	21	50	.296	30½
Philadelphia	21	51	.292	31
Central Division				
x-Atlanta	50	22	.694	—
x-Chicago	48	24	.667	2
Cleveland	41	31	.569	9
Indiana	38	33	.535	11½
Charlotte	32	38	.457	17
Detroit	20	51	.282	29½
Milwaukee	19	52	.268	30½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-San Antonio	52	20	.722	—
x-Houston	51	20	.718	½
x-Utah	45	27	.625	7
Denver	35	35	.500	16
Minnesota	19	52	.268	32½
Dallas	8	63	.113	43½
Pacific Division				
x-Seattle	54	17	.761	—
x-Phoenix	48	23	.676	6
x-Portland	43	30	.589	12
Golden State	41	30	.577	13
L.A. Lakers	32	39	.451	22
L.A. Clippers	25	46	.352	29
Sacramento	24	47	.338	30

x-clinched playoff berth

Saturday's Games
Washington 104, Milwaukee 96
Indiana 128, Orlando 113
Cleveland 95, Dallas 88
New York 110, Miami 87
San Antonio 117, Charlotte 111
Utah 101, Denver 91
Seattle 119, Golden State 109
Sacramento 102, Minnesota 87

Sunday's Games
Chicago 96, Detroit 93
Portland 109, New Jersey 105
Houston 106, L.A. Clippers 98
Boston 135, Philadelphia 112
L.A. Lakers 102, Atlanta 89
Phoenix 108, Denver 98

Monday's Games
No games scheduled

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Worshippers reunite at church

PIEDMONT, Ala. (AP) — Eight-year-old Michelle Noah's chin trembled and tears filled her eyes as she sat staring at the ruins of the red-brick church where 20 people died a week earlier.

"It just looks scary to me now," she said Sunday, her broken leg propped up on a folding chair during Easter sunrise services outside the shell of Goshen United Methodist Church, leveled by a tornado on Palm Sunday.

There was no fear in the voice of Marcus Woods, 13, who lost his father and little sister to the winds.

"I just wanted to be here," said the youth, sitting in a wheelchair because of a badly bruised right knee.

And there was courage in the voice of the Rev. Kelly Clem, whose 4-year-old daughter Hannah was among six children killed last week by whirling bricks during their Easter pageant.

"There's no place I'd rather be today," said Mrs. Clem, who greeted parishioners, some for the first time since tornadoes and storms killed at least 44 people across the Southeast last Sunday.

Mrs. Clem's dress was dark red, her lace collar white, and her forehead and eyes bruised purple and crimson. Friends and relatives took turns hugging the 34-year-old pastor and her 2-year-old girl, Sarah.

About 200 people gathered in the parking lot of the ruined church. Some needed crutches, others wheelchairs and some the shoulders of relatives and friends.

"We kind of need each other," said the pastor's husband, the Rev. Dale Clem, a youth minister in nearby Jacksonville.

Mrs. Clem read from the New Testament Book of Romans and chatted over a microphone with small children. She presented the children with wrapped Easter baskets, donated along with money, supplies and children's gifts streaming in from around the country.

"Do you know how many people love you?" she asked.



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Prison time up in state

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Ever so slowly, it appears prison time served by Texas felons is going up.

In 1993, Texas inmates served an average 2.4 years of their total sentence, which averaged 11.3 years.

The time served was 26 percent more than the previous year's average, 1.9 years for sentences averaging 11.1 years.

"The combination of more beds and parole policies slowed down the flow of releases," Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman David Nunnelee says.

The statistics, compiled in the agency's 1993 annual report for the year ending Aug. 31, show a life term in Texas generally means 13.2 years behind bars. For 1992, life equaled 12.7 years before parole or some form of probation.

Carol Vance, chairman of the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, noted in the report that more than 500,000 Texans are in prison, on parole or on probation for serious crimes.

"This is one out of every 34 Texans and roughly one out of every 18 males," he said. "This is a shocking and disturbing fact of life.

"The home has been severely weakened and too often is found to be dysfunctional or non-existent. The lack of sound family values and morals leads to dropouts, alcohol and drug use, unemployment, and theft and violence."

"Until some massive societal changes can reverse this pattern and restore our collective sense of right and wrong, especially with our youth, more prisons will be a way of life," Vance warned.

Some 32,364 inmates were received in 1993, swelling the state's prison population to 64,313. Of those, 14,104 were returned as parole violators.

Ninety-five percent of all inmates were male; 47 percent were black, 28 percent white and 24 percent Hispanic.

The average inmate was almost 33 years old, had an IQ of 92 and quit school in the 10th grade. Fifty-five percent had served time before in a Texas prison and 70 percent previously had been on probation.

Twenty-three percent came from the Houston area and 21 percent from the Dallas metropolitan area. Fort Worth and San Antonio each accounted for 7 percent of the prison population.

Almost half of the people locked up — 47 percent — were there for violent offenses. Property offenses accounted for 28 percent of the inmates and 18 percent were incarcerated for drug offenses.

The number of paroles dropped 37 percent, from 29,860 in 1992 to 18,887 in 1993. At the same time, the backup of state inmates in county jails increased 41 percent, from 17,286 in 1992 to 24,320 in 1993.

The jail backup has continued to grow, swelling to 28,000 by the end of the calendar year. State officials have announced plans to ease the county problems by opening temporary lockups and work camps to hold thousands of inmates until new prisons are completed this summer.

England's Queen Elizabeth I was born in Greenwich, England, in 1533.



EASTER EGG HUNT — Stephen Kelley talked with the Easter Bunny before searching for Easter eggs Saturday afternoon at Towle Park The event was sponsored by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce and Don's Value King. More than 1,000 children hunted for 10,000 pieces of candy, toys and eggs. (SDN Staff Photo)

Church leaders, racing moguls against casinos

HOUSTON (AP) — Religious leaders faced off against racing industry promoters a few years ago when the Legislature considered legalizing pari-mutuel betting.

Now the former enemies are unlikely allies in the high-stakes game to keep casino gambling out of the state.

The casino issue came up again last month, when Las Vegas gaming mogul Stephen Wynn announced a partnership with Maxxam Inc. chief executive officer Charles Hurwitz to bring casinos to Houston if they're legalized.

They are the latest of many corporations picking Texas sites in hopes that state lawmakers allow casinos.

Church leaders and racing industry proponents are staunchly opposed to casino gambling in Texas, but for different reasons.

"It's a form of regressive taxation," said the Rev. Ed Young of Houston's Second Baptist Church. "Those who can least afford to lose, lose."

Those in the racing industry, meanwhile, say their relatively young horse and dog tracks haven't had enough time to develop a fan following. They add that casino gambling has hurt race tracks in other parts of the country.

2 burglaries, 9 arrests made during weekend

Area law enforcement officers investigated two burglaries and made nine arrests, mostly on family assault charges, during the past 48 hours.

Snyder police discovered a broken window at the C&W convenience store on 25th Street at 6:39 a.m. Saturday. An investigation revealed that the business had been burglarized. A report for burglary has been filed and the investigation is continuing.

At 5:31 p.m. Saturday, Cherie Ortegon contacted officers in reference to some money stolen from a residence at 408 23rd St. A report for burglary of a residence was filed.

Police responded to a disturbance in the 2300 block of Avenue J at 11:24 p.m. Saturday where they arrested a 29-year-old man for family violence.

At 1:34 a.m. Sunday, officers arrested a 30-year-old woman and a 28-year-old man in the 2200 block of 26th Street on charges of assault/family violence.

At 3:01 a.m. Sunday, police arrested a 22-year-old man in the 1800 block of Avenue T for public intoxication.

A 37-year-old man was arrested at noon Sunday in the 2900 block of Avenue N for driving with a suspended license.

Police arrested a 22-year-old man on two warrants for failure to appear and another 22-year-old man on warrants for failure to appear and probation violation at 6:34 p.m. Sunday at 33rd Street and Avenue H.

At 7:05 p.m. Sunday, Snyder police received calls from several subjects in reference to two small children walking west on 37th Street carrying suitcases. The children's mother was located and she picked up the juveniles.

At 7:32 p.m. Sunday, officers responded to a disturbance in the 800 block of 26th Street where they arrested a 30-year-old man for assault/threats.

At 12:44 a.m. today, police officers arrested a 36-year-old woman in the 1000 block of 28th Street for public intoxication.

At 5:08 a.m. today, officers filed a criminal mischief report in reference to someone writing on the high school student center windows with shoe polish.

Officers also worked a minor traffic accident at 1:28 p.m. Sunday at 3803 Galveston. Involved were a 1985 Chevrolet Suburban driven by Shirley Tovar of 3803 Galveston and a parked 1988 Chevrolet pickup owned by Jimmy Layne of 10018 Highway 350.

Markets
Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	57	553/4	57	
Albtsn s	285/8	277/8	285/8	
Alldsignal s	363/8	345/8	361/4	-1/4
Alltel s	251/4	241/2	247/8	-3/4
AmStores	507/8	50	503/8	-7/8
Amer T&T	51	501/8	507/8	-3/8
Ameritech	373/4	361/2	375/8	-1/2
Amoco	523/4	517/8	517/8	—11/8
AndarkPtr	451/4	441/2	447/8	—11/8
Arkla	65/8	61/2	61/2	-1/4
ArmcoInc	47/8	41/2	43/4	-1/8
AtlRichfld	941/4	93	93	—2
ATMOS	265/8	26	26	-3/4
Aviall n	15	143/4	15	-1/8
BakerHughes	175/8	171/4	171/2	-1/4
BancTexas	13/8	13/8	13/8	-1/8
BellAtl	51	505/8	507/8	-7/8
BellSouth	575/8	561/2	571/2	-3/8
Beth Steel	193/4	193/8	193/4	-1/8
Borden	131/8	127/8	131/8	-1/4
Brit Pet	591/8	583/8	59	—23/8
Caterpllr	1111/4	1091/4	1111/4	—11/8
CenSoWst	243/8	241/4	243/8	-3/8
Chevron	837/8	831/4	833/4	-1/4
Chrysler	505/8	49	501/2	—13/8
Coastal	301/2	301/8	301/8	-3/8
CocaCola	407/8	393/4	403/4	+1/8
ColgatePalm	57 1-16	56	57 1-16	—13-16
ComlMetl s	233/8	23	231/4	-1/2
CooperIn	361/2	353/4	361/2	-1/2
CyprusAmax	28	271/4	277/8	—1
DallSemicn	165/8	163/8	165/8	-1/4
DeltaAirl	443/4	441/4	441/2	-3/4
DigitalEq	291/8	281/2	29	-5/8
Dillard	333/8	327/8	33	-1/2
DowChem	603/4	585/8	603/4	+5/8
DresserInd	215/8	201/2	215/8	+3/8
DuPont	525/8	511/2	525/8	-3/8
EastmnCh n	40	395/8	393/4	-1/2
EstKodak	437/8 43	43	11-16	—11-16
EljerInd	8	8	8	
Enserch	131/8	127/8	13	-1/4
Entergy	313/8	311/8	311/4	-1/2
Exxon	621/8	61	613/8	—11/2
FlowerInd	17	163/4	163/4	-1/4
FordMotor	573/4	567/8	573/4	—1
GTE Cp	305/8	301/8	305/8	-3/8
GnDyn	841/8	821/2	831/4	—15/8
GenElct	975/8	961/8	971/2	—21/2
GenMills	55	537/8	541/4	-7/8
GenMotors	537/8	52	535/8	-1/4
GenMotors E	341/4	33	341/4	
GaPacif	623/4	611/4	621/8	—15/8
GlobalMar	37/8	33/4	37/8	
Goodrich	411/2	411/8	411/2	—1
Goodyear s	40	39	397/8	-5/8
GtAtlPac	241/8	233/4	233/4	-3/4
Haliburtn	285/8	277/8	283/8	-7/8
Hanson ADS	195/8	191/4	193/8	-1/2
HoustInd	351/4	351/8	351/8	-3/8
IBM	531/4	521/4	531/4	—13/8
IntlPaper	671/4	661/8	663/4	—11/8
JohnsnJns	371/2	361/2	373/8	-3/8
K mart	18	177/8	177/8	-1/4
Kroger	231/2	23	231/4	-5/8
Litton	30	291/4	291/4	—13/8
vjLoneStar	21/8	2	2	
Lowes s	313/4	297/8	311/2	-5/8
Lubys	231/4	23	231/4	+1/8
Maxus	41/4	41/8	41/8	-1/4
MayDS s	411/8	405/8	407/8	-3/4
Medtronic	783/8	771/8	775/8	—21/8
Mobil	743/8	731/8	733/4	-5/8
Monsanto	773/8	7678	773/8	-3/8
Motorola s	1003/4	981/2	1003/4	-1/2
Motorola wi	505/8	495/8	505/8	-1/4
Nationsbk	453/8	445/8	451/4	-1/2
Navistar s	217/8	213/8	213/4	-1/2
Nynex s	341/4	331/2	333/4	—1
OryxEngy	161/8	157/8	161/8	
PacTelesis	511/2	51	511/2	—11/8
PanhECp	207/8	201/2	205/8	-3/8
Penney JC	521/4	513/8	521/4	-1/8
Pennzoil	497/8	491/2	495/8	-3/8
PepBoys	277/8	271/4	277/8	-3/8
PhelpDodge	515/8	501/2	511/2	-3/4
PhilipPet	263/4	26	263/4	+1/8
PilgrmPrd	85/8	83/8	83/8	-3/8
Polaroid	313/4	311/4	313/4	-1/8
Praxair	171/4	163/8	171/4	-1/8
ProctGamble	537/8	513/4	537/8	+3/8
PubS NwMx	127/8	123/4	127/8	-1/4
RoyalDutch	98	971/4	977/8	—11/2
SFePacCp	221/2	221/8	221/2	-1/4
SaraLee	213/8	207/8	211/4	-1/2
SearsRoeb s	431/2	421/8	433/8	+1/4
SherwinW	315/8	311/8	311/2	-3/8
SmthBchADS	271/8	27	27	-3/4
SmthBc eqt	243/8	24	243/8	-5/8
SouthCo s	191/8	183/4	187/8	-1/8
SwAirlines s	323/8	313/4	323/8	-3/8
SwBell s	391/8	385/8	39	1-16—13-16
Sprint	333/4	331/4	335/8	-5/8
SterlingChm	51/2	53/8	51/2	-1/8
SunCo	321/8	311/2	317/8	-1/2
TNP Ent	165/8	161/8	163/8	-1/4
Tandy	357/8	351/8	357/8	-3/8
TemplInl	45	443/4	45	-3/4
Tenneco	521/4	513/8	517/8	-7/8
Texaco	621/8	613/8	613/4	—11/4
TexasInd	373/4	371/8	373/4	+1/8
TexasInst	761/2	743/4	761/2	-3/4
Tex Util	371/4	361/2	361/2	-7/8
Textron	533/4	531/4	531/2	-1/2
Travelers s	341/2	333/4	341/4	—1
Trinty s	377/8	37	37	—1
TritonEngy	267/8	261/2	267/8	-1/2
Tyler	51/4	51/4	51/4	-1/8
US West	40	393/8	393/4	—1
USX Delhi	133/4	131/4	131/4	-3/8
USX-Marathn	163/8	161/8	161/4	-1/4
USX-USS	363/4	353/4	363/4	-3/8
UnCarbde	225/8	211/2	221/2	
UnPac	563/4	553/4	561/2	-1/4
UnitedTech	613/8	603/4	607/8	—11/4
Unocal	247/8	243/8	241/2	-3/4
WalMart s	251/2	243/4	251/4	-5/8
WstnGasRs	281/8	281/8	281/8	
WestghEl	117/8	115/8	113/4	-1/4
WinnDixie	541/8	531/4	54	—1
Woolworth	141/4	133/4	141/4	-7/8
Xerox Cp	947/8	937/8	943/4	-3/4
ZenithE	97/8	91/2	93/4	-1/4

Fisher names steering panel, Mattox plans an early vote

DALLAS (AP) — U.S. Senate runoff candidate Richard Fisher today released the names of more than 500 members in a statewide steering committee, saying they're part of the Democratic Party's new effort to make real changes in government.

Fisher said he was confident that by week's end, when early votes are tabulated, and when regular balloting ends April 12, he will be his party's nominee. The winner in the runoff election will face GOP incumbent Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Today begins the first of a series of debates with opponent Jim Mattox.

"When you look through this committee, you'll see Democrats of every stripe and color," Fisher told a news conference outside the Dallas County Clerk's Office.

"You've got good 'yellow-dog Democrats, you've got Democrat-Democrats, you've got young Democrats and what we call 'good enuff' Democrats.'"

In addition to the names of former Gov. Mark White and former Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, Fisher said endorsements also included "people who have served on every level of our government and ordinary hard-working citizens."

But Fisher expressed concern about voter turnout after a record-low 17.5 percent participation in the primary. With bad weather a factor, Fisher said "democracy was put on hold" in that election.

Fisher urged Democrats to go to the polls this time around. He said he would vote next Tuesday.

Mattox, meanwhile, planned to cast a late-morning ballot today in early voting.

The bitter campaign, in which Fisher and Mattox have traded numerous accusations, included an announcement last week by the Dallas millionaire of a new ad campaign against former attorney general Mattox.

Mattox had accused Fisher of telling newspapers he could support higher taxes. Fisher today denied that charge, saying he preferred Vice President Al Gore's proposal of reinventing government.

"We cannot ask the taxpayer for a penny more of taxes until we've cut our spending and made it efficient — made our government entrepreneurial and efficient," he said.



LUCKY WINNER — Kimberly Bell (left) and her brother, Johnathan, pose with the three-foot-tall bunny she won in a drawing at Perry's Variety Store Saturday morning. They are the children of David and Donna Bell of Snyder. (SDN Staff Photo)

Streisand tickets sell for up to $1,500 each

DETROIT (AP) — When ticket brokers mention Barbra Streisand's rich voice, they're not talking tonal quality.

Brokers are charging up to $1,500 per ticket for three concerts at The Palace of Auburn of Auburn Hills next month. The tickets sold out at prices of $50, $125 and $350 in less than an hour last week.

Scalping is illegal, but brokers skirt the law by selling someone a pen for several hundred dollars and throwing in the ticket, or getting buyers to say they joined a ticket club and pay extra for "services."

"The extra money is a service charge for transportation," said broker Joel Schwartz. "I fax you maps. I Federal Express you the tickets. We do all the things that TicketMaster doesn't do."

Rick Franks, president of Cellar Door, a concert promoter, said Streisand is against scalping.

Singer wants to play a cop

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Lorrie Morgan isn't a police officer. She just wants to play one on TV.

The country music crooner said her character in a potential network television show "Loralei Lee" has a lot of herself in it.

"I didn't want to do a wimpy character or something that was cutesy," said Morgan, who starred in a cable TV movie, "Proudheart," last year.

"Loralei Lee" began shooting Friday. CBS hasn't decided whether to add the show to its fall lineup.

Morgan, whose hits include "I Guess You Had to be There," will release a new album called "War Paint" on May 10.

Caray wants to continue job

CHICAGO (AP) — Harry Caray doesn't hesitate about what he wants as he begins his 50th season announcing baseball games.

"I hope to do 50 more," says the 70-something announcer. "I love it ... I can't conceive of what I'd do if I wasn't broadcasting baseball."

Investors urged to ride out turmoil of plunging prices

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's top economic aides have some advice for investors trying to cope with two weeks of plunging stock prices: Keep your nerve steady, think long term and don't try to outguess the market.

Robert Reich, the secretary of labor, and Robert E. Rubin, director of the National Economic Council, urged investors in interviews today and Sunday to ride out the turmoil, while focusing on predictions of solid economic growth and moderate inflation this year.

"One doesn't make predictions about the stock market because no one knows from day to day," Reich said today on ABC. "Any predictions must be based, over the long term, on the fundamentals, on where the economy really is. And what we're seeing is, again, good, solid, sustainable growth on all fronts."

A government economic report, issued when the stock market was closed in observance of Good Friday, is expected to touch off a new round of selling today.

The Labor Department reported the biggest surge in non-farm payrolls in six years in March, fueling fears that inflation soon will reemerge.

"The key is to keep your balance and keep your nerve steady and keep your eyes on what you think is going to happen over the long term," said Rubin, who before entering government was co-chairman of the Wall Street powerhouse Goldman, Sachs & Co.

"One thing I would absolutely not try to do is out-trade or outguess the market. ... Nobody knows what the market's going to do day-to-day," he said on ABC-TV's "This Week with David Brinkley."

By focusing on the long term, Rubin and other administration officials are trying to keep people from abruptly yanking their money from stock mutual funds, which have swelled over the past three years as people bailed out of low-rate bank certificates of deposits.

The Dow Jones industrial average has fallen about 8 percent from its peak on Jan. 31 and economic experts appearing on the ABC show warned of further declines.

"I think there's no doubt that the market's going to at least open on the down side," said Chemical Bank economist Irwin Kellner.

Investment banker Kenneth Lipper of Lipper & Co. said the next several weeks are "going to be choppy and very scary and very challenging to the average investor."

Some analysts have worried that a 1.5 percentage-point rise in long-term interest rates since October will squelch home sales and other engines powering economic growth.

But Rubin predicted long-term rates set in financial markets would remain "at levels that are consistent with the kind of growth we're projecting."

He declined to comment on short-term interest rates, saying that would infringe on the independence of the Federal Reserve, which sets them.

Obituaries

Gene Gunn

1921-1994

VERNON — Services were to be held at 2 p.m. today in Community Funeral Home Chapel for Gene Gunn, 72, of Vernon. Interment was to be in Eastview Memorial Park. The Rev. Ron Fox was to officiate.

Mr. Gunn died Saturday in a Wichita Falls hospital after a lengthy illness.

He was the father and father-in-law of Betty and Wayne Woodard, the grandfather of Chris Woodard and Tammy Spradlin, and the great-grandfather of Kathy Spradlin, all of Snyder.

A former owner of Wilbarger Automotive and a farmer, Mr. Gunn had been a resident of Vernon since 1938. He was a Baptist, a veteran of World War II, a member of the VFW, a retired member of the Vernon Volunteer Fire Department, a founding member of the Vernon Industrial Foundation and a member of the Vernon Chamber of Commerce.

He married the former Adell Doherty on Aug. 29, 1944, in Tillman County, Okla.

Other survivors include two sons, William Gunn of Wichita Falls and Al Gunn of Lubbock; two other daughters, Shirley Gallmeier of Amarillo and Patsy Kirkpatrick of Houston; two brothers, Bill Gunn of Corpus Christi and Jack Gunn of California; a sister, Lorraine Appleby of Corpus Christi; 12 grandchildren; and another great-grandchild.

Reno Martin

1993-1994

COLORADO CITY — Services are set for 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Reno James Martin, 8 months old, who died Friday in the Mitchell County Hospital. Officiating will be Dr. Ted Spear with burial to follow in the Colorado City Cemetery.

Born Aug. 10, 1993 in Colorado City, he was the son of James Martin and Leisa Martin, both of Colorado City. The father is an employee of Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Other survivors include a twin brother, Kamron Morris Martin of Colorado City; two sisters, Autumn Leigh Martin and Ariel Joy Martin, both of Coloraodo City; maternal grandparents, Tex and Jolene Blankenship of Colorado City; paternal grandparents, Joyce and Wayne Childs of Big Spring and Troy Martin of Kerrville; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arron Blankenship of Lawn, Mildred Martin of Kerrville and Mable and Elwood Graham of Loraine.

Marshall Davis

1903-1994

HAMILTON — Services will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Riley Funeral Home Chapel for Marshall Davis, 90, of Purmela. Burial will be in the Ireland Cemetery.

Mr. Davis, formerly of Snyder, died at 5 p.m. Sunday in a Clifton hospital after a long illness.

Born on Dec. 28, 1903, in Knapp, he married Ethel Matthews on March 26, 1926, in Knapp. She died on June 12, 1989. He was a farmer and rancher and had taught Bible class for 54 years in the Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Nora Della Buchanan on July 27, 1990; three brothers; and three sisters.

Survivors include two daughters and one son-in-law, Ertis Kulla of Purmela, and Mae Edna and Clistus Addison of Snyder; three sons and two daughters-in-law, Marvin and Betty Davis of Brownsboro, Carl and Mary Davis of Clinton, Okla., and Calvin Davis of Brownsboro; a brother, Melton Davis of Knapp; four sisters, Mildred Skelton of Knapp, Esther Peveyhouse of Midland, Della Brooks of Loop and Lura Perry of Vincent; one son-in-law, Raphael Buchanan of Big Spring; 12 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

Two new books say Brian Jones was murdered

LONDON (AP) — Two new books claim Brian Jones was murdered a month after splitting with the Rolling Stones in 1969.

A coroner ruled at the time that the 27-year-old guitarist drowned in his swimming pool "while under the influence of alcohol and drugs."

Both books — "Paint It Black: The Murder of Brian Jones" by Geoffrey Giuliano and "Who Killed Christopher Robin?" by Terry Rawlings — claim the pop star was murdered by London builder Frank Thorogood, who died in November.

The books allege that Thorogood, who was renovating Jones' home, was swimming with the rock star and held his head under water until he stopped breathing. Giuliano alleged that Thorogood might have been helped by an unidentified accomplice.

Texas agency seeks cause of mysterious rise in dolphin deaths

DALLAS (AP) — With more dolphins dying than ever before along Texas beaches, marine biologists are looking at everything from agricultural runoff to whirring boat propellers as causes.

Although pollution is a less likely culprit, environmentalists suspect pesticide- and fertilizer-laced water that makes its way into coastal bays and estuaries from farms is a factor.

Biologists' biggest problem is analyzing fresh tissue samples, which haven't been available from more than 100 strandings, or beaching of dead or distressed animals, so far this year.

"The problem is, most of the animals coming ashore so far have been found in quite advanced states of decomposition," said Dr. Graham Worthy, director of the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network.

In just the past week, about 60 of the playful sea mammals have washed up on beaches.

"Normally, we'd see about 150 animals a year die in Texas. In the first three months of this year, we've had 140," said Elsa Haubold, operations coordinator for the mammal stranding network.

A certain number of "strandings" from old age, illness or even trauma is expected, but the recent rash of incidents is unusual.

More than two dozen dolphin carcasses washed up late last month on the Texas coast, most near Surfside Beach in Brazoria County. Other strandings were reported from Sabine Pass to Padre Island.

"Something odd is definitely going on," Worthy said.

He said one possible explanation is a spreading infection among only dolphins because other animals aren't dying in large numbers.

"We won't know for sure until we can perform necropsies on some fresh tissue," Worthy said.

With 367 miles of Texas coastline, finding such a specimen is difficult.

But more than 150 coastal residents have volunteered through the Texas Marine Mammal Stranding Network to respond to reports of dolphin sightings.

Anyone who sees what looks like a beached dolphin is advised to call the stranding network at 1-800-9MAMMAL, but not to touch the animal.

All marine mammals — dolphins, porpoises, whales, walruses, seals, sea lions and manatees — are protected by federal law.

Dr. Daniel Odell, resident biologist for Sea World Inc. in Orlando, Fla., said although dolphins are common, "when they're dying in large numbers, people get concerned."

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sulted in a dramatic drop in local violations by young offenders.

He said when the 11 are returned to Scurry County, future offenses by them would result in their being sent to a Texas Youth Commission facility.

In a final action item, the court awarded 2,200 tons of grade four sealcoat rock to Tex-Sand of Sweetwater. The bid was $8.75 a ton to be used in Precincts 1 and 4.

County Judge Bob Doolittle presided at the meeting. Commissioners attending were Gray, Roy Idom, Ralph Trevey and Jerry Gannaway.

Grass fires extinguished

Snyder Fire Department responded to several minor fires Saturday.

Firefighters extinguished a grass fire 10 miles north of Snyder at 4:45 p.m. Saturday.

At 6:32 p.m., firemen put out a grass fire at 2100 21st. St.

And at 10 p.m. Saturday, fire fighters extinguished a grass fire 14 miles northwest of Snyder on the Shannon Ranch. Fluvanna volunteers aided in the effort.

According to fire reports, the three grass fires were all started by electrical wires bumping together during high winds.

Also Saturday, at 5:31 p.m., firemen responded to a hay fire one mile east of Camp Springs.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Clara Allen, 2406 Ave. B; Dorothy Downing, 2305 30th; Leon Mireles, 2901 Ave. Q; Mario Ortega, 1510 39th; Eva Scott, Snyder Healthcare Center; Dillion Durrett, Big Spring; Norman Burgess, 6026 W. Highway 180; Glenn McCathern, 4500 Beaumont.

DISMISSALS: Yvonne Amarillas, Margaret Lopez and baby, Inez Rinehart, L.A. Wright, Lucy Garza, Kurtis McCathern, Loyce Thompson, Johnnie White, Brenda De La Paz and baby, Mildred Wilson, Melissa Burney and baby, Reta Baldwin.

Census: 48 (Med.-14, Long-Term Care-34).

Judge Reinhold added to show

RADNOR, Pa. (AP) — Judge Reinhold plays Elaine's new boyfriend on "Seinfeld," and they won't just be messing around.

"We're not just dating — we're involved, we're, like, doing it," Reinhold said in next week's issue of TV Guide.

Reinhold, who played a goofy police officer in the "Beverly Hills Cop" movies, steals the heart of Elaine, played by Julia Louis-Dreyfus, in an upcoming one-hour episode.

English poet Dame Edith Sitwell was born in Scarborough, England, in 1887.

Dear Abby



Reader-Rigged Cabinets Will Trap Snoopy Guests

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: Your reader asked how one gets marbles into a medicine cabinet to catch snoopy guests. Easy.

Take a long, sturdy piece of thin cardboard and hold it in front of the bottom shelf to act as a "dam." Drop in the marbles and raise the cardboard to the next shelf and repeat the action. Close the door and gently slide the dam out. Your booby trap is set.

My grandmother, Julia Pullen, laughed when she heard about this. She thought you should know that a variation of this saved her crystal after the recent Northridge earthquake. The china cabinet didn't fall over, but the crystal fell against the glass door. Three grandchildren, using long knives and working one shelf at a time, slid the knives between the door and the crystal to hold the crystal in place. My husband slipped his hand in and nudged each piece securely back onto the shelf. We saved all but one piece, which was broken in the earthquake.

The "knife method" might also work to get the marbles in the medicine cabinet, but be careful — you wouldn't want to lose your marbles.

JULIA IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR JULIA: I could not believe the number of readers who wrote to explain how to booby-trap a medicine cabinet. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: The solution to putting marbles into the medicine cabinet is very simple. Tie a string to the bottom of a plastic bag; fill the bag with marbles and place the bag on a shelf with the string coming out over the top of the door. Close the door and pull the string and bag out the top.

PHIL IN A MOBILE HOME PARK

DEAR ABBY: For the man who wanted to know how to booby-trap a medicine cabinet: Cut both ends out of a soup can and tape a string to the top. Place the soup can on an empty shelf and fill with marbles. Tape the other end of the string to the partially closed door so that when it is opened it will pull the can out and release the marbles. Warning: Don't forget the trap, or you will be the one who gets caught.

MARLIN HUTMAKER
IN WAHPETON, N.D.

DEAR ABBY: In response to the letter about the snoopy guest who had a habit of looking in everybody's medicine cabinet, the guest probably needs help. I used to do that, too, because I was a drug addict looking for Valium or Percodan or whatever my host had that was better than what I had. I'm in recovery (AA) now.

BIG MIKE IN ATLANTA

DEAR ABBY: About marbles in the medicine cabinet: I saw that on a hidden-camera TV show when I was a kid, and yes, I used to open everyone's medicine cabinet. However, after that show, I have never snooped in a friend's cabinet again. I must admit that it is not out of respect for their privacy, but out of fear of embarrassment in case they pull that joke.

LOST MY MARBLES IN
WICHITA

DEAR ABBY: Tell "Dick in Walnut Creek, Calif." to empty a shelf in his medicine cabinet and hold a piece of cardboard against the space to make a pocket into which he can put marbles. Close the door on the cardboard, then pull the cardboard out. Be prepared for some laughs.

I did it once to see if I had any snoopy guests, and it paid off. A guest was in the bathroom when my wife and I heard the racket of marbles hitting the sink!

The guest came out with a red face and walked right out of the front door. We couldn't stop laughing.

RICK M.,
WEST CONCORD, MASS.

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DEAR ABBY: I have a suggestion for the man who wanted to know how to get marbles in the medicine cabinet. Make a "jar" out of ice; fill it with marbles and place it in the cabinet. When the ice melts, you have marbles loose in the cabinet.

STEVE FROM CENTER CITY

DEAR STEVE: How do you make a "jar" out of ice?

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Fisher spends own funds on campaign

AUSTIN (AP) — For Richard Fisher, the businessman who would be senator, it's come to this.

After spending $3.5 million of his own money to wage two U.S. Senate campaigns in less than a year, he's earned the chance to have Jim Mattox call him names.

Fisher shrugs. Then he works the Mattox salvos into his campaign theme of new vs. old, future vs. past, change vs. status quo.

"Jim doesn't talk about issues. It's character assassination. I'm prepared for it because he did it to the governor (in 1990)," Fisher said. "It's vicious politics. It's the past. It's outmoded. The voters aren't going to buy it."

Mattox, the veteran politician who's only been out of office one term in 20 years, rips Fisher as a rich guy who belongs to the all-white Dallas Country Club and now wants to buy a Senate seat.

"Richard has a substantial advantage. And that's the advantage of being a multimillionaire," Mattox says. "I don't think there's a doubt that you would not have given Richard Fisher five minutes worth of consideration were it not for the fact that he can buy multimillion-dollars worth of television commercials."

But Fisher did buy those commercials and in return got 38 percent of the March 8 primary vote. Mattox got 41 percent. They meet April 12 in what's expected to be a ferocious runoff.

Fisher, who runs an investment company, spent $2 million of his own money and ran fifth in the 1993 special Senate election eventually won by Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison. So far this time, he says he's spent $1.5 million.

Not unlike independent presidential candidate Ross Perot, to whom he was an adviser, Fisher insists that voters don't mind candidates spending their own cash.

"It doesn't bother Texans one bit," he said. "I put my money where my mouth is."

His wealth also lets him turn down contributions from special interest political action committees and, not coincidentally, point out that Mattox takes PAC money.

"Mr. Mattox once said that PAC money was the crack cocaine of politics. He's taking PAC money. I do not take PAC money," Fisher said.

Fisher does bristle, though, at the racism charge. Fisher says he's helped minority-owned businesses raise cash, wants the country club to integrate and notes that one-third of his staff is black.

"There's not a racist bone in my family's body. That's the kind of politics of division and negativism that just doesn't work."

At 45, Fisher tells audiences his father was an abandoned orphan in Australia; his mother was born in a shack in South Africa. They immigrated to the United States, worked hard and reached the middle class, he says.

Fisher was born in Los Angeles in 1949, attended Farragut Academy, a New Jersey prep school, and entered the U.S. Naval Academy. He attended Annapolis from 1967 to 1969, leaving for Harvard, where he majored in economics.

Fisher's biography says he worked his way through Harvard building bicycles, cooking hamburgers and waiting tables.

After graduation, he studied at Oxford and Stanford universities, then entered the world of high finance and old money with the Wall Street investment firm of Brown Brothers Harriman. In 1987, he formed Fisher Capital Management, which manages more than $300 million in assets.

He is married to Nancy Collins Fisher, daughter of the late U.S. Rep. Jim Collins, R-Dallas.

His resume also lists some government and political service. He was an executive assistant to the Treasury secretary during President Jimmy Carter's administration. In the early 1980s, he joined then-Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton and others in forming the Democratic Leadership Council and its drive to push the party toward the center.

That effort, mixed with some Perot-style establishment bashing, cooked the populist stew that is Fisher's stump speech.

"Our party has lost so many people. We've lost young people, we've lost small business people, we're losing farmers, we've lost ranchers, we're losing teachers. I want to revive the whole process," he said.

"I argue for dramatic change in the way government is structured and who it stands for. To get back to the Harry Truman doctrine of representing people not special interests. I represent a rebellion against divisiveness."

Fisher makes some rank-and-file Democrats flinch. At a recent State Democratic Executive Committee meeting, Mattox grabbed the spotlight and headlines with the endorsements of several committee members.

Fisher's been accused of helping, even voting for, Republicans. He doesn't deny having given money to his father-in-law or family friends such as Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Indiana. But he says he's a lifelong Democrat.

Then there's the Perot connection.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, April 5, 1994

Secret ambitions you've been harboring should be brought out into the open in the year ahead and acted upon. Your chances of making them realities are better now than the have been previously.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Operate at full throttle today where important objectives and goals are concerned. Instead of merely moving with events, move events to meet your requirements. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today you might be inclined to anticipate end results. This is well and good, provided that which you envision is positive. Think win and act accordingly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A matter that has caused you some concern recently might suddenly take a turn for the better today. The shift will be due to two strange factors introduced into the game.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You have a marvelous knack today for arbitrating touchy situations in a way that both parties concerned feel they got the best deal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Whatever you do today strive to do your very best, because your accomplishments might have far reaching effects of which you'll not be aware.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It will be very hard for companions to be dispirited in your presence today. Your optimism is contagious and could affect all with whom you're involved.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Something could develop for you today that would make it possible to add to your resources through other than your usual channels. Act promptly, because these might be fleeting opportunities.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you expand your agenda a bit today you should be capable of effectively handling several situations simultaneously instead of merely one at a time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You might be more fortunate in your financial or commercial affairs today than you will be tomorrow. Strive to flow with events while everything is running in your favor.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Try to get out and circulate today if things have been a bit dull for you where your social life is concerned. Seek out a different venue where you'll have a chance of meeting new people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Generally speaking conditions look rather favorable for you today. Your best probabilities for success, however, are with matters that are materialistic or financial.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your leadership qualities are likely to be much better today than they were yesterday. If you did something you would now like to revise, take a second shot at it.

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Battle brews over selling art pieces

DALLAS (AP) — A city councilman's suggestion to auction artwork to balance budget cuts is a horrifying thought for Dallas Museum of Art officials.

The museum, which faces a $200,000 budget cut after City Hall pledges to increase minority arts funding, is trying to derail Councilman Bob Stimson's proposal.

"We would regard this as a very, very, very ill-fated move that can only bring embarrassment and disrepute upon the city and the museum," said DMA director Jay Gates.

Stimson, who plans to meet with DMA officials today, said he now recognizes that the situation is "more complicated" than simply putting a "for sale" sticker on museum pieces.

The council member has fielded telephone calls from critics since suggesting selling some stored artwork in tight budget times.

An art sale would cause a "truly international scandal," said Susan Barnes, the museum's deputy director and chief curator.

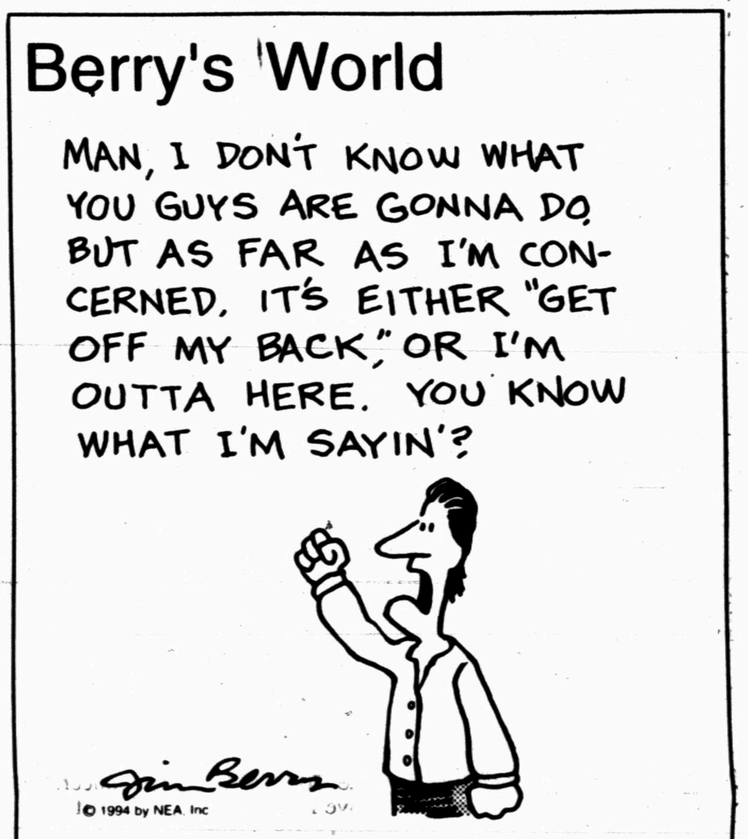
While the city owns the DMA, the museum operates under strict ethics guidelines and codes of the American Association of Museums.

"Among the violations of this code of conduct, using money (from art sales) for anything other than buying art is the most egregious of anything you could do," said museum spokesman Peter Foley.

Besides ownership of about 8,300 pieces worth hundreds of millions of dollars, the museum also attends to more than 7,500 city-owned pieces.

"Light-sensitive prints, for example, can only be displayed for three months, then must be stored for a minimum of one year," said Philip Jones, director of the city's Office of Cultural Affairs.

Berry's World



PATRICK HENRY, AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY LEADER AND ORATOR, GIVES AN UPDATED VERSION OF THE SPEECH HE MADE ON MARCH 23, 1775

Mickey Mantle's son gets married

DALLAS (AP) — Danny Mantle, the youngest son of Hall of Famer Mickey Mantle, has married Dallas businesswoman Kay Kollars.

The Rev. Dale Assink of Christ Community Church performed Saturday's service, which was followed by a reception at the Stouffer Hotel. About 150 people attended the party.

Dan Mantle, 34, is an entrepreneur who has been involved in a number of ventures, including the memorabilia business.

He and his wife are planning to open a chain of coffee shops in Dallas, where they will live, said Roy True, Mantle's business manager.



The United States is proposing to double its peacekeeping troops in Macedonia to about 500. The soldiers were sent to the troubled Balkan country last year to prevent the war in the neighboring former Yugoslavia from spreading. The additional U.S. troops would replace Scandanavian peacekeeping forces that are being sent to Bosnia to support United Nations operations there.

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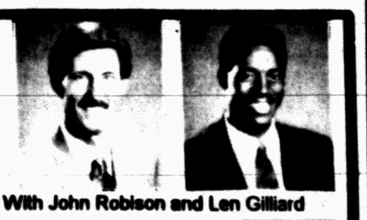
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Longview youth has double-lung transplant

ST. LOUIS (AP) — His voice still hoarse from double-lung transplant surgery, Braden Gibbs, 13, of Longview, Texas, smiled and spoke firmly.

"I feel 100 times better since the operation," the frail-looking Texan said Thursday after playing video games. "Before, I couldn't walk five minutes without resting. Now, I can walk for about an hour."

His battle with lung disease is inspiring thousands in his hometown and across the nation. He gets about 75 letters a day.

Before his transplant surgery March 13 at St. Louis Children's Hospital, Braden's story was told by the media all over Texas. Later, he appeared on two network TV talk shows.

His surgery and treatment will cost about $500,000, but Braden's spunk has spurred both the unknown and the famous to donate $325,000 so far.

Schoolchildren and retired folks have sent him their dollars. Celebrity donors have included the cast of "Star Trek — The Next Generation;" Dallas Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman; country western singer Neal McCoy; and rock star Don Henley.

Last year, doctors performed 654 lung-transplant operations nationwide in both adults and children. About 70 of them were done in St. Louis. A shortage of donated organs means children have to wait about a year for lung transplants. At Children's Hospital, 23 children are now on the waiting list.

After Sandra Gibbs' divorce from Braden's father, she got some shocking news: her ex-husband had let their health insurance lapse.

That was in November 1992, when Braden had become so sick that he was on oxygen. Doctors implanted a feeding tube because his weight had dropped to 42 pounds, Gibbs said. They told her that his only chance for survival was a double-lung transplant.

Ever since Braden was a toddler, his lungs have been prone to infections and scarring. The cause isn't known.

"My nursing students raffled a Chevy pickup truck for $30,000," said Gibbs, a nurse. "That enabled us to come to St. Louis in March 1993 for Braden to be evaluated for a transplant."

Gibbs teaches at Kilgore Community College. Her 200 students kept up their fundraising until it spread nationwide.

The 4-foot 11-inch Braden now weighs 77 pounds and says he has never felt better. His once-pallid complexion now is a healthy pink.

"Braden will thank my class for saving his life when they graduate on May 6," Gibbs said. The class wants Braden to be their graduation speaker.

Meanwhile, Braden is staying at the Ronald McDonald House. Sandra Gibbs' mother, Mary Boyce of Albuquerque, N.M., is staying with Braden so that Gibbs can return to teaching.

"He's a neat kid," Ms. Boyce said. "He's learning to give himself his own intravenous medicines so that he can be more independent when he gets home. He's ready to go. He's beginning to climb stairs like you wouldn't believe."

Despite McDonald House's video games and other activities, Braden is getting restless. "I have some friends whose mom is driving them from Texas to see me over the weekend," he said. "I want to take them to a (Blues) hockey game. I've never seen a hockey game." Dan Harbaugh, executive director of McDonald House, says he's trying to get them tickets.

Dr. George B. Mallory, Braden's pulmonary specialist, calls the boy's rapid recovery from transplant surgery "nothing short of amazing." Many children struggle with postsurgery problems for up to three weeks. Braden left the hospital for McDonald House 12 days after his surgery, Mallory said.

Braden's cheerfulness and determination bode well, Mallory said. But Braden must take drugs to keep his immune system from rejecting his new lungs. He'll have to take several precautions, such as wearing filtering masks whenever he mixes with crowds, Mallory said.

But that doesn't faze Braden. "I'm trying to catch up with my school work — I'm about a month behind," he said. He added:

"I want to be a comic book artist or a biochemist who finds cures and stuff."

How elections might work...

If citizens could have their own way

By Mike Feinsilber
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — For political scientist Larry Hansen it was a dream assignment: Take $74,000 in foundation money and find out how citizens, if given the chance, would reinvent the way Congress gets elected.

Or, as cynics might put it, gets itself re-elected.

Washington is always preoccupied with finding out what the citizenry thinks. Polls are studied here with the breakfast table intensity that box scores and stock market tables get in other places.

But what Hansen wanted was what political scientists call a "deliberative poll." It is the opposite of the conventional poll, in which people are summoned to the phone from the dinner table to offer an unqualified yes or no on matters to which they may not have given a previous moment's thought.

Hansen's idea: First give citizens a chance to get smart about the way things work.

He picked 200 heartland Americans — farmers, homemakers, teachers, corporate managers, real estate sales people, students, community organizers, retirees, artists, civil servants, nurses, public relations specialists, mechanics, small business owners, civic activists — from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan.

Ninety-seven percent of them said they vote in all or most elections. Thirty-five percent called themselves conservative, 45 percent liberal, 16 percent moderate and 2 percent something else. They follow the news.

Hansen wrote a 51-page background paper on the issue at hand. He says he made it as objective as he could.

Meeting in homes or the neighborhood library, the participants spent a few hours reading it and even more time talking over the issues before checking their own opinions.

The most surprising result was a negative one. This bunch was lukewarm about congressional terms limits, which are thought to be universally popular. Voters overwhelmingly approved term limits in the 14 states that voted on them.

"One group composed entirely of Republicans didn't cast a single vote for term limits," said Hansen, a professor at George Washington University who got a grant for his research from Chicago's Joyce Foundation. "This flies in the face of conventional wisdom."

Hansen's group heard the arguments against automatically throwing the rascals out — that legislative staffs and lobbyists' power would be enhanced; that people should not be denied representation by a veteran legislator if that is what they want.

When they were "deliberatively polled," 30 percent favored limits; 20 percent opted for a careful five-year study of the effect of term limits. Forty-five percent opposed any limits.

That kind of caution characterized the results.

The participants were cool toward mass congressional mailings.

They didn't like the way politicians design congressional districts to protect incumbents.

They wanted to give third-party candidates and independents an easier time challenging the establishment parties.

They opposed abandoning the country's current single-member, winner-takes-all election system.

But a significant 41 percent were willing to take a look at proportional representation. Its supporters say it would increase political competition, voter turnout and minority representation in government.

Fifty percent would require broadcasters to give free air time prior to elections.

Overall, the participants did not like the way the news media, especially broadcasters, cover campaigns. They found too much reliance on sound bites, too much concentration on conflict, scandal and celebrity; too much handicapping the election and using polls; too much dwelling on candidates' past mistakes.

For redistricting, they favored the Iowa method in which boundaries are drawn by a nonpartisan organization prohibited from considering partisan data and factors.

Too radical for these folks was the "none of the above" system that some political scientists advocate. Under that system of voting, if "NOTA" gets more votes than any candidate, a new election, with new candidates, is conducted.

Hansen says a "strong commitment to political fairness," came through.

He was struck by the noncombativeness of his slice of the electorate.

Outside of Washington, he said, people don't think of themselves as liberals or conservatives, as Republicans or Democrats.

Given the facts, he says, they think for themselves.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Mike Feinsilber has covered events in Washington since 1968.

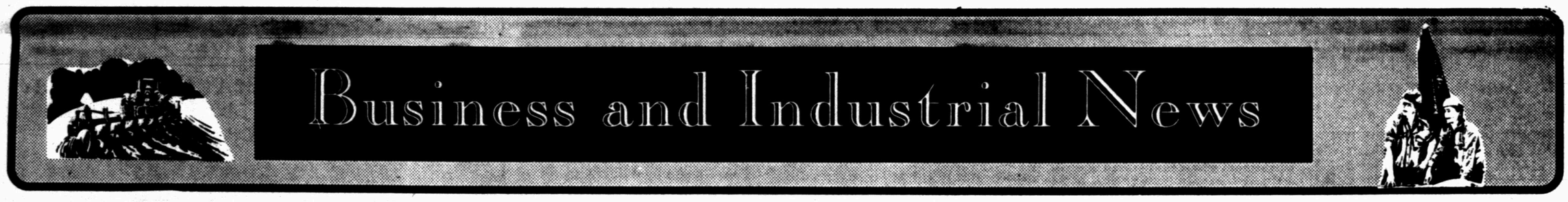
Baker considers White House run

HOUSTON (AP) — James Baker spent nearly 20 years helping others get into the White House. Now the former chief of staff and secretary of state admits he's "thinking long and hard" about running himself.

Baker, who served in key positions in the Ford, Reagan and Bush administrations, has been widely touted as a Republican presidential candidate in 1996.

"While I haven't decided I'm going to run, I haven't decided I'm not going to run," Baker told The Houston Post for Sunday editions. "I have to decide if that's what I want to do with a good portion of the rest of my life."

Baker, who turns 64 this month, spent a year "laying low" after moving back to his native Houston from Washington. Recently, he's criticized President Clinton on foreign policy, crime, health care and the economy.



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