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Ask Us

Q—What percentage of county taxes are paid by persons or firms outside of Scurry County?

A—According to the county tax office, statements mailed to addresses outside of Scurry County account for 66 percent of the total amount of taxes paid in the county.

DAYS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Local

Lodge #706

Scurry Lodge #706 will meet at 7:30 this evening at the lodge hall.

Canyon 4-H

Canyon Reef 4-H Club will meet at 7 this evening at East Elementary.

NAACP

The NAACP will hold its regular meeting tonight at 7 o'clock in Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

Stanfield

Stanfield Parent Council will meet at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in the school cafeteria.

Jr. High Band

Snyder Junior High School Christmas band concert will be held at 7:30 this evening in Worsham Auditorium.

Resource

The Regional Community Resource Coordination Group will meet at 11 a.m. Wednesday in the chamber of commerce board room.

Alliance

The local Ministerial Alliance will meet at Willow Park Inn on Thursday. Prayer time is set for 9:30 a.m., followed by the meeting at 10.

School choirs

Snyder Junior High choir, will present a Christmas concert at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Worsham Auditorium. A high school choir concert will follow at 8 o'clock.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 55 degrees; low, 31 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 40 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1993 to date, 16.11 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy evening, becoming cloudy after midnight. Low around 40. Light wind. Wednesday, morning low clouds and fog, then becoming partly cloudy. High in the mid 60s. South wind 5-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:41. Sunrise Wednesday, 7:31. Of 340 days in 1993, the sun has shone 333 days in Snyder.

Local man indicted on three counts of sexual misconduct

A 27-year-old Snyder man, charged with two counts of aggravated sexual assault and one count of indecency with a child, was among 13 people indicted Monday by a Scurry County grand jury.

John Timora of 2434 Sunset was indicted for two separate offenses of aggravated sexual assault with a child younger than age 14, allegedly occurring on Sept. 1 and Oct. 13, and an Oct. 13 offense of indecency with a child younger than age 17.

Timora is out on $15,000 bond for the Oct. 13 aggravated sexual assault offense. Bonds have been set at $15,000 on the indecency offense and $20,000 on the Sept. 1 offense.

Indicted for burglary of a motor vehicle was 18-year-old Michael Kirk Antu of Abilene. Antu is charged with breaking into a vehicle owned by Bob Dupree on Nov. 11. He is free on $5,000 bond.

Eight of the indictments were for driving while intoxicated. These included:

—Catarino Guerrero, 44, of 212 34th St., for an Oct. 30 offense. He is out on $2,000 bond.

—Randell Wade Free, 30, of 4511 West Highway 180, for a Nov. 17 offense. He is out on $2,000 bond.

—Rogelio Sotello Martinez, 45, of 312 28th St., for a Oct. 30 offense. He is out on $2,000 bond.

—Benny Vasquez Castello, 62, of the Twin Oaks Motel # 3, for a Nov. 3 offense. He is out on $2,000 bond.

—Roy Garza Jr., 21, of Rt. 2 Box 10 BC, for a Dec. 4 offense. He is being held on $2,000 bond.

—Larry Joe Martinez, 26, of 1000 13th St. for a Nov. 3 offense. Martinez pled guilty Monday afternoon in 132nd District Court. He was sentenced to a one-year jail term and ordered to pay $750 plus court costs.

—Donald Jeffery, 61, of Kermit, for a Nov. 6 offense. He is being held on $2,000 bond.

—Jose Ricardo Molinar, 24, of 401 30th St., for a Nov. 21 offense. He is out on $2,000 bond.

Three other people were indicted on various charges but have not been arrested.

Camera installed in Hubble

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Two astronaut-mechanics installed a "beautiful, spanking new" camera in the Hubble Space Telescope today, completing the first step in opening the instrument's eyes to the fringes of the universe.

Step 2 comes tonight.

Working more than 360 miles above Earth, Endeavour crewmen Jeffrey Hoffman and Story Musgrave deftly pulled out Hubble's old camera like a dresser drawer and slid in the new one, a 620-pound unit the size of a baby grand piano. It took them 21/2 hours to make the swap, nearly an hour less than in practice.

The new $100 million wide-field planetary camera has corrective mirrors to compensate for Hubble's flawed primary mirror, which had left the telescope

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NEW ORNAMENTS — June McGlaun hangs new ornaments designed by the White House Historical Association on a tree in the Cornelius-Dodson House for open house to be held from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday. All new decorations are in place for the annual event, sponsored by the Scurry County Historical Commission and Historic Scurry County, Inc. (SDN Staff Photo)

Report shows...

Felons who receive degrees less likely to return to prison

Inmates who receive college degrees aren't as likely to return to prison after they get out, according to statistics reviewed Monday by Western Texas College's board of trustees.

A survey compiled earlier this year indicates that while the recidivism rate for convicted felons who did not participate in college programs was 52 percent, it fell to 24 percent for those earning a degree.

In other business Monday, trustees approved the annual outside audit, made an appointment to the Institutional Effectiveness Committee and reviewed pre-bid information for a greenhouse at the Price Daniel Unit.

The recidivism survey reviewed by trustees was conducted by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice and focused on academic graduates from 1986 through 1991.

"One of the questions often asked is 'do inmates who take college courses have a lower recidivism rate than other inmates.' This information clearly shows that to be the case," said Dr. Harry Krenek, WTC president. "When you look at this, we think we're getting an awfully good return on our investment."

The statistics show that of 762 inmates who received a degree from 1986 through 1991 and were released from prison, 185 later returned. Some 1,290 degrees were actually awarded, but 528 of those inmates have not been released from prison.

The survey shows a recidivism percentage of 26.2 for those receiving an associate's degree, 9.3 percent for those receiving a bachelor's degree and 14.3 percent for those receiving a master's degree.

Trustee Carl Williams was appointed by acclamation to represent the board on the Institutional Effectiveness Committee. The committee has been formed review and make recommendations on reports from deans and program directors concerning goals and objectives of the various college departments. On this committee will be the college president, a faculty member, a student, a community representative and Williams.

The board reviewed pre-bid information on the purchase and construction of a greenhouse at the Daniel Unit prior to starting a hor-

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Council gets landfill update, hears concern over ordinance

Landfill development and a request for more strict enforcement of an ordinance dealing with out-of-town vendors dominated discussion during Monday night's Snyder City Council meeting.

A delegation of three local merchants appeared before the council to voice concern about vendors without city permits and without sales tax permits.

Mayor Paul Zeck responded by saying the police department would be directed to vigrously enforce the ordinance, but also urged local citizens to contact police if they believe a vendor is in violation.

A permit requires an application and a $10 investigative fee. Vendors setting up on vacant lots must have a valid lease for at least one month. Violators are written citations to appear in municipal court.

City officials said some problems arise along east 37th Street because the south side of the street is outside the city and therefore outside the jurisdiction of the ordinance.

Retailers meeting with the city were Norma Thompson, Howard Limmer and Margaret Drum. Mrs. Thompson said she did not object to vendors who had the proper documentation.

In other business, the council heard an update from engineers concerning development of a sanitary landfill that would meet federal and state regulations.

Jeff Arrington, an engineer with the Fort Worth firm of Freese and Nichols, reported that preliminary field studies show that at least one alternate liner system could result in substantial savings.

This is based on an approximate 1.7 acre cell which engineers estimate would last the city approximately one year. The projected costs are for liner and cap system only, engineers pointed out.

A savings of another $70,000 for a liner system could be used if only a geosynthetic clay liner would meet state requirements, but engineers were less optimistic. In view of the potential savings, however, the council urged engineers not to dismiss the possibility in their model evaluations.

Mayor Zeck also asked the engineering firm representatives to come up with a contract amendment for assistance in planning an office and surface scales near the entrance to the landfill.

In answer to a question, engineers said they foresee no relaxation of regulations pertaining to landfills. Even smaller towns with the West Texas exemption must be in compliance by October of 1995. Engineers said planning is on target to submit permit modification applications to the Texas Water Commission in late January or February. The timetable calls for bidding and award of a construction contract by early summer.

Development of a Subtitle D landfill has resulted in a city sanitary department budget of $1.2 million. Garbage rates in the city at a minimum were doubled.

Good news coming from the engineer revealed that new design,

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Commissioners...

Board policy left unchanged

Scurry County Commissioners Court left unchanged a policy approved in 1992 limiting county board service to two consecutive terms.

The court discussed Monday morning, and returned for an afternoon session to discuss possible changes in the policy concerning service on various county boards. The hospital board and board of county development are exempt from term limitations.

During the morning session, County Judge Bob Doolittle said how long a board member must remain off the board before being considered for reappointment was vague and needed clarification.

However, reading of the minutes from the 1992 meeting during the afternoon revealed that the person must remain off for three years or one full term before being considered for reappointment. A person, however, could be appointed to another board without the waiting period.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Ralph Trevey said he would prefer a single three-year term "in order to get new blood involved."

Precinct 3 Commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. said that in the past, that policy would result in "running out of people to appoint." Doolittle concurred and calculated that there had been a two-thirds turnover in county boards in the past three years.

The court also discussed a change in the policy that would allow an appointee to serve a portion of an unexpired term and still be eligible for two full terms. However, the current policy was not amended.

In 1992, the court created a policy of staggered, three-year terms to ensure continuity. Terms expiring in 1994 which require court action in January include:

Wayland Huddleson and Weldon Key, airport board; Glenda Hollingsworth, Jim Rosson and Nelda Huddleston, child welfare; Charlie Bell and Doug Vineyard, county welfare; Bill Wilson III, James Palmer and G.A. Parks Jr., hospital board; Joyce Fuqua, Mrs. M.J. Merritt and Tomas Gonzales, library board.

Also, Max von Roeder and Pete Hester, BCD; Clarence Payne, veteran's land board; Jon Derouen, veteran's land farm and ranch committee; Mark Zeck, Shawn Ragland, Eddie Eicke and Drew Bullard, coliseum board; and all three members of the county grievance committee.

Present for Monday afternoon's session were Doolittle, Trevey, Gray, Roy Idom and Jerry Gannaway.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Next to the dog, the wastebasket is man's best friend."

There's an old joke about the pastor who only allowed one-armed ushers to take up the collection.

However, security at some big-churches is no laughing matter — and it's getting close to home. You may have read where church-goers in Lubbock were robbed on a recent Sunday morning.

Things have gotten so bad in some places, that some church officials are having to hire armed guards to protect the faithful.

A few years ago in Indiana, three gunmen interrupted a service at the New Mount Olive Baptist Church. They got the flock's attention by firing a warning shot into the ceiling. The bandits then forced members of the congregation to empty their pockets.

The pastor knew things were not getting better when later he learned that two robbers stunned a meeting of church women, robbing them and sexually assaulting one.

Some churches are actually resorting to hiring armed guards for security purposes. Maybe the best way to avoid a holdup is to make sure the collection is the last thing taken.

Sometime soon, a preacher will be exhorting the benefits of direct deposit.

This reminded us about the Aggie who was approached by two muggers. The Aggie fought back valiantly, but finally, the victim was subdued.

The bandits went through his pockets and came up with a total of 57 cents. "You mean to tell me," said one robber, "that you fought like this for a mere 57 cents?"

"Gosh," beamed the Aggie. "Is that all you wanted? I've have given you that. I thought you were after the $100 in my sneakers."

President's mother battles cancer with grace, humor

WASHINGTON (AP) — Virginia Kelley, the feisty First Mom with a hard-luck life story, is staying busy as ever with poker games, horse races and lunches with her chums. Anything to keep her mind off her cancer.

"She's always running and getting and going," says Estelle T. Blair of Hot Springs, Ark., a longtime friend of President Clinton's mother.

The 70-year-old retired nurse is taking her own advice: In a speech about cancer, she recently told a group of women to stay on the go "to get your mind off your problems."

Mrs. Kelley buried three husbands, one an abusive alcoholic. She moved away from Bill, her oldest child, for two years, helped her only other child through a drug addiction and — with her family's problems solved late in life — fought breast cancer with a radical mastectomy.

Friends say her cancer has resurfaced, and she is undergoing chemotherapy. The White House will not comment about her health, and Mrs. Kelley — a chatty, colorful character in scores of interviews during her son's campaign — is politely declining requests from journalists now.

There have been hints of her private struggle.

Speaking to a group fighting breast cancer in October, Clinton referred to his "brave mother who struggles on with her breast cancer condition and who has resumed her remarkable life."

In one of a series of speeches on breast cancer, Mrs. Kelley told a group of Louisiana bankers' wives last month, "I don't know how much time I have. But I told my doctor I refused to go until they find a cure for this thing."

Her advice to the women: "You stay busy to get your mind off your problems. If you keep busy, you won't have so much time to think about them."

Mrs. Kelley has given herself little time to fret.

She is working on her autobiography, makes speeches about breast cancer and carries out her functions as the mother of the president, such as the recent dedication of an elementary school in Arkansas.

Her attorney, Robert Barnett, said she works regularly with ghost writer James Morgan, reminiscing with him, talking into a tape recorder, making changes in his copy and "doing a little writing of her own."

The book, scheduled for release by Simon and Schuster next year, "is a very personal story of her journey," said Barnett.

Mrs. Kelley has been to Washington only a handful of times, most recently to go to Camp David for Thanksgiving. One day, it poured outside while the family stayed in and did jigsaw puzzles and talked. "That was — by far — her favorite day," said another friend, Johnette Taylor.

After returning to Arkansas, she caught up with the mound of mail from admirers and had lunch nearly every day with a friend.

On Sunday, she and a few pals played poker. Mrs. Kelley is a $2 bettor on weekends at the Oaklawn Park race track in her home town, but the season does not begin until early next year.

Fridays are special.

MUSIC FOR THE SEASON — Snyder Junior High and High School choirs will present a Christmas concert beginning at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Worsham Auditorium. Shown in rehearsal are high school students, from left, Sherry Highfield, Tiffany Jones, Paige Gayle; row two, Jennifer Cooke, Amy Holmes, Christina Gonzales; row three, Ellen Strayhorn, Misty Roquemore, C'Ella Clayton, Rachel Bowlin; row four, Katie Thornton, Jannica Northerns and Amy Eicke. (SDN Staff Photo)

CROP Walk raises more than $3,000

The annual CROP Walk sponsored by the Scurry County Ministerial Alliance, netted a total of $3,218.24 during the 1993 event held in October.

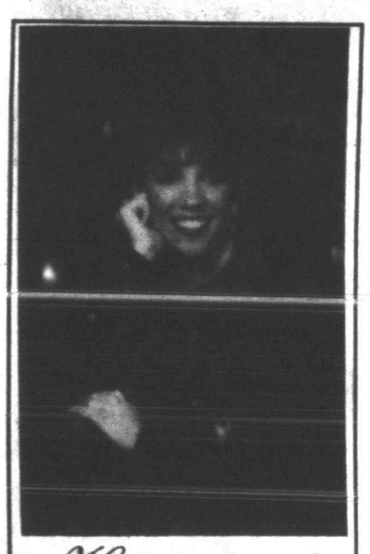
The money was remitted this past week by Dr. Tim Griffin, chairman of the CROP Walk. The money will be distributed around the globe to help victims of natural disasters and to help fund Third World economies.

Money is also used in the U.S. to help victims of hurricanes, tornadoes and floods etc.

Some of the monies collected here will go to various denominational hunger programs, and 25 percent of the funds will stay in the community to benefit the work of the Gentle Dove Food Bank which serves hungry people in Scurry County.

Dr. Griffin thanks the seven congregations who participated in this year's event.

Sixty-seven walkers participated this year.



Happy 23rd
Shannon

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — Here are results of Lotto Texas Pick 3 winning numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in this order:

0-6-8
(zero, six, eight)

Apartment complex is sued following 1992 rape incident

FORT WORTH (AP) — A woman who was raped by a tenant of a neighboring apartment has sued her complex for what her attorney calls a failure to provide adequate security.

Jury selection was continuing today in the $60 million civil lawsuit against the Pioneer Park Apartments of Arlington.

Papers filed in the lawsuit contend that the apartments denied the woman's request to install a deadbolt that couldn't be opened from the outside.

Women residents were told that "if they desired an inside-controlled deadbolt, they must install it themselves," according to court papers.

But a state law required landlords to provide such locks on demand.

The woman was attacked in 1992 by a man on parole for a previous sexual assault. Darin E. Dalton, 27, is serving a life sentence for the rape.

"It's every woman's worst nightmare to wake up and have an unknown male standing over you, and that's what happened in this case," said Kent Traylor, who represents the victim.

The lawsuit also contends that the complex management failed to adequately screen Dalton's background and didn't have enough control over keys to its 300 or so units.

There was no sign of forced entry to the victim's apartment. Her habit was to check the locks before she went to bed each night.

But according to court papers filed in the case, Traylor intends to prove that the rapist entered the woman's apartment with a key or by some other means.

Tarrant County Assistant District Attorney Greg Pipes, who prosecuted Dalton last summer, said it was never known how he entered the victim's apartment.

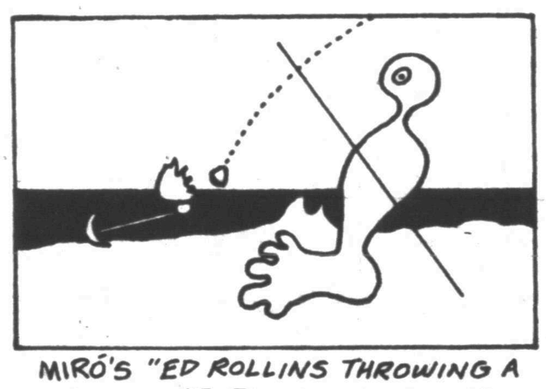
Ellen Presby, who represents DGN Management Corp., said there was no record the woman ever requested a special deadbolt. DGN Management does business as Pioneer Park Apartments.

"I think the procedures that DGN Management have in place are incredibly strong," said Ms. Presby. "There is every effort made ... to ensure the safety of the tenants."

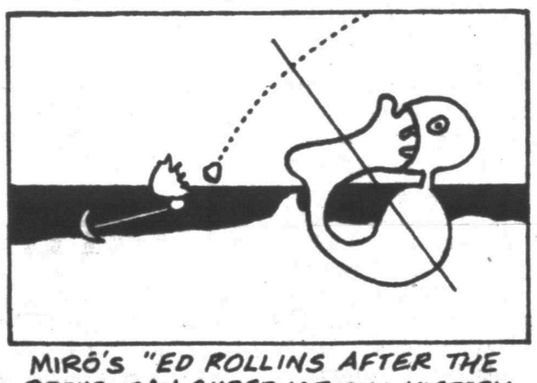
A Corpus Christi jury in 1991 awarded a rape victim $17 million from an apartment management company. In that case, the rapist broke into the management office, searched through leases to find a single woman and stole a key. That verdict is on appeal.

A Houston apartment complex agreed earlier this year to pay $4 million to a former tenant who blamed insufficient security for her rape.

Berry's World



MIRÓ'S "ED ROLLINS THROWING A STONE AT JAMES CARVILLE"



MIRÓ'S "ED ROLLINS AFTER THE REPUBLICAN GUBERNATORIAL VICTORY IN NEW JERSEY"

Jim Berry

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Yogurt slayings in Austin remain unsolved, police say

AUSTIN (AP) — For two years, Austin police have investigated one of the most notorious crimes in the city's history: the slaying of four teen-age girls in a yogurt shop.

The Dec. 6, 1991, killings remain unsolved.

Victims of the late-night slayings were Amy Ayers, 13, Eliza Thomas, 17, Sarah Harbison, 15, and Jennifer Harbison, 17.

"For a lot of people, they're aware it happened, but their lives can still go on," says Pam Ayers, Amy's mother. "I know they think about it, but it's not the daily agony we all have to deal with.

"Whoever did it is still out there, and it could happen again. And somebody else is going to have to go through what we're going through," she said.

The girls, two of them sisters, and all of them good friends, had gathered at a popular teen-age hangout, an I Can't Believe It's Yogurt! shop where two of the girls worked. It was not a place where danger would seem to lurk, but shortly before midnight firefighters responded to a call. After dousing the fire, they discovered the bodies of the girls.

Last October, it appeared there was a major breakthrough in the investigation.

Authorities in Mexico said Porfirio Villa Saavedra, 24, had confessed to the murders, but he later recanted, saying he was tortured by authorities and coerced into confessing to a crime he didn't commit.

Austin police say Saavedra and Alberto Jimenez Cortez, 26, both of Mexico, remain suspects, but they give no indication whether they are any closer to solving the case.

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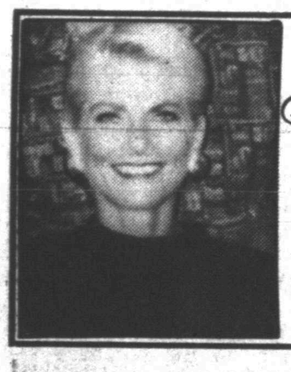

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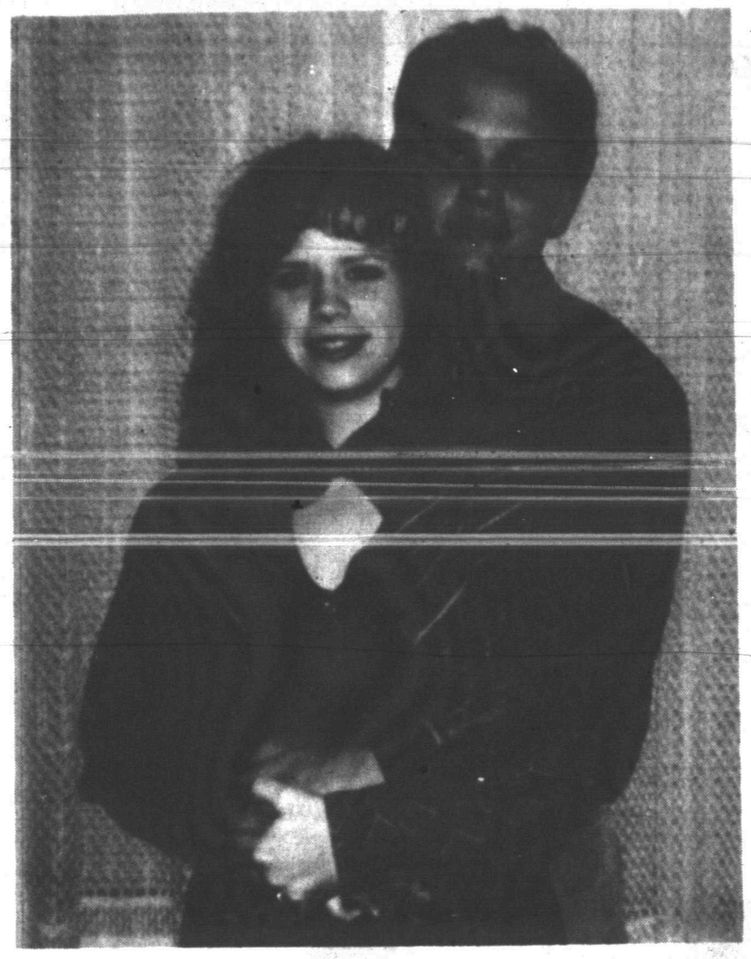

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Jennifer Carol Allen and Charles Anthony Northcutt announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage. Parents of the couple are Elvin and Carolyn Allen and James and Pauline Northcutt, and the late Cherie Northcutt. (Contributed Photo)

Gem of American heritage in new holiday dessert

By The Associated Press

They called them "rubies of the bog." Tolling on their knees through flooded acres of crimson-covered vines, pickers dislodged the fruit with long-fingered wooden scoops, rocking the tines to capture the precious harvest known as "red-gold."

Prized by North American Indians and colonists alike for their sprightly flavor and vivid color, cranberries are featured in the following recipe for Cranberry Trifle with Pumpkin Butter Cake, the creation of New York chef Anne Rosenzweig of Arcadia. Rosenzweig is also vice-chairman and a culinary advisor to New York's 21 Club and is an advisor for American menus served at White House state dinners.

"Cranberries are as absolutely American as you can get," Rosenzweig said. "There's a fabulous contrast between the piquant, vibrant cranberries and the rich, creamy spicy flavor of the pumpkin cake."

CRANBERRY TRIFLE WITH PUMPKIN BUTTER CAKE

1 recipe Pumpkin Butter Cake (recipe below)

1 recipe Cranberry Compote (recipe below)

1 envelope unflavored gelatin

1/4 cup cold water

6 egg yolks

1-3rd cup sugar

1/4 teaspoon salt

1 cup milk

21/4 cups whipping or heavy cream

1/4 cup brandy (optional)

Raspberry preserves (optional)

In a small saucepan, sprinkle unflavored gelatin over cold water. Let stand 1 minute. Stir over low heat until gelatin is completely dissolved, about 3 minutes.

In medium saucepan, combine egg yolks, sugar and salt. With wire whisk, beat mixture until very thick.

In small saucepan, heat milk just to boiling point; whisk in egg mixture.

Cook egg mixture over low heat, whisking constantly, until mixture thickens like a light custard. Remove from heat; stir in gelatin.

Transfer mixture to a large bowl; stir in prepared cranberry compote; chill until mixture mounds, about 1 hour.

Whip heavy cream; reserve 1/2 cup for garnish. Fold remaining cream into cranberry mixture.

If desired, sprinkle cake with brandy, then spread with preserves.

To assemble, place one cake layer in the bottom of a 3-quart glass bowl, then spoon on half of the cranberry mixture. Top with remaining cake layer, then spoon on remaining cranberry mixture. Garnish with reserved whipping cream.

Pumpkin Cake: In a large bowl with an electric mixer, beat 13/4 cups all-purpose flour, 11/4 cups sugar, 21/2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1-3rd cup softened butter and 2-3rds cup milk for 2 minutes. Add 1 egg and an additional 1-3rd cup milk; beat 2 minutes. Fold in 1/2 cup pumpkin puree. Pour into a greased 9-inch round cake pan. Bake in a 375-degree F oven for 35 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Let cool; remove from pan. Slice cake horizontally in half to form two layers.

Cranberry Compote: In a large saucepan, combine 12-ounce bag fresh or frozen cranberries, 3/4 cup sugar and 1 tablespoon orange-flavored liqueur. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat, stirring occasionally. Reduce heat; simmer 5 minutes. Pour into bowl, then stir in 1 tablespoon grated lemon zest. Chill.

Recipe from: The Knox Kitchens.

The top ten

Best-selling singles of the week:

1. "I'd Do Anything For Love (But I Won't Do That)," Meatloaf
2. "Again," Janet Jackson
3. "All That She Wants," Ace of Base
4. "Just Kickin' It," Xscape
5. "Please Forgive Me," Bryan Adams
6. "Shoop," Salt-n-Pepa
7. "Hero," Mariah Carey
8. "Breathe Again," Toni Braxton
9. "Gangsta Lean," DRS
10. "Can We Talk," Tevin Campbell

(Source: Cashbox magazine)

If you think little kids don't understand what adults are saying, where do you think the neighbors learned all that personal stuff about you?

Guess Who's __ Today?
Today's Her Day
What Can We Say?
When You're Looking For Cheer
This Blonde Is Happy All Year!
Love,
John, Jessica, Paul & Mary

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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Francis of that ilk

By Phillip Alder

Alexander Pope obviously didn't have much time for Bacon or Cromwell. He wrote:

If parts allure thee, think how Bacon shin'd,
The wisest, brightest, meanest of mankind:
Or ravish'd with the whistling of a name,
See Cromwell, damn'd to everlasting fame!

Well, if Bacon was the wisest, he would solve today's deal successfully; but in his mean season, he would fail.

West, luckily not having a heart, led his fourth-highest spade. How should South plan the play?

Bacon, when in mean season, sees two spade tricks and wins East's spade king with the ace. Then he leads a club. East grabs the ace and returns the spade seven, West being careful to duck the trick to dummy's 10. South may take eight tricks: two spades, three hearts (including the finesse) and three clubs. But when he leads a diamond, East wins with the ace and returns his last spade to West's three winners: one down.

When in a sage stage, Bacon realizes that East must have both minor-suit aces for his opening bid. The correct plan is to lock West's long spader out of the game. And that is done by sacrificing a spade trick. Bacon ducks the first trick. West wins the second trick with the spade queen and leads a third round to declarer's ace, but now the contract is safe. South just plays on each minor suit in turn, coming to nine safe tricks.

It doesn't matter how slowly you start a race as long as you cross the finishing line first. Ask your local hare and tortoise if you doubt it.

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Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Deep Creek Chapter ABWA Christmas meeting; Golden Corral; 6 p.m.

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

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

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

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

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

Christian Women's Club "Joys of Christmas" luncheon; program, Sue Travis of Travis' Flowers; music, Debra Martinez; speaker, Margaret Johnson of College Station; MAWC; reservations for the $5.50 lunch can be made by calling Georgia at 573-1454 or Nan at 573-3440; with reservations, free nursery at Trinity Methodist.

Altrurian Daughters Christmas luncheon; program, Emily Hataway; hostesses, Frances Thompson, Joyce Williamson and Dora Blakey; MAWC; 11:30 a.m. Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961.

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; W. 37th St, airport terminal bldg.; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Ministerial Alliance; Willow Park Inn; prayer meeting at 9:30 a.m., meeting at 10.

Noah Project-West; MAWC; noon.

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

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

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

Defensive Driving; Snyder Savings and Loan Community Room, 27th & College; 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

"It's Beginning to Sound Like Christmas," piano recital, Mrs. Billy Tune's students; Martha Ann Woman's Club; Recital I at 6 p.m., Recital II at 7 p.m.

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ENTER FESTIVAL — Piano students of Mrs. Virgil Mott who recently played in the Hymn Festival, sponsored by Lubbock Music Teachers, and received superior ratings are, from left, Audra Lilly, Christy Garner, Kelley Garner and Sarah Lilly. (SDN Staff Photo)

Yuletide open house in Houston mansion

HOUSTON (AP) — From Dec. 8-30, Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens is inviting visitors to its Yuletide Open House.

The recently re-opened and renovated mansion, which houses the design collections of the Museum of Fine Arts, is organizing a survey of two centuries of American holiday customs. Among its features will be a 17th-century punch party, a Pennsylvania-Moravian "ceppo" (Christmas celebration), a federal-era dessert banquet and a Victorian Christmas tree.

Open House hours are Tuesday to Friday 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The only Sunday opening is scheduled for Dec. 19, 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., for a Family Day with songs, dances, games and hands-on craft and art workshops. The museum is closed Dec. 24-25.

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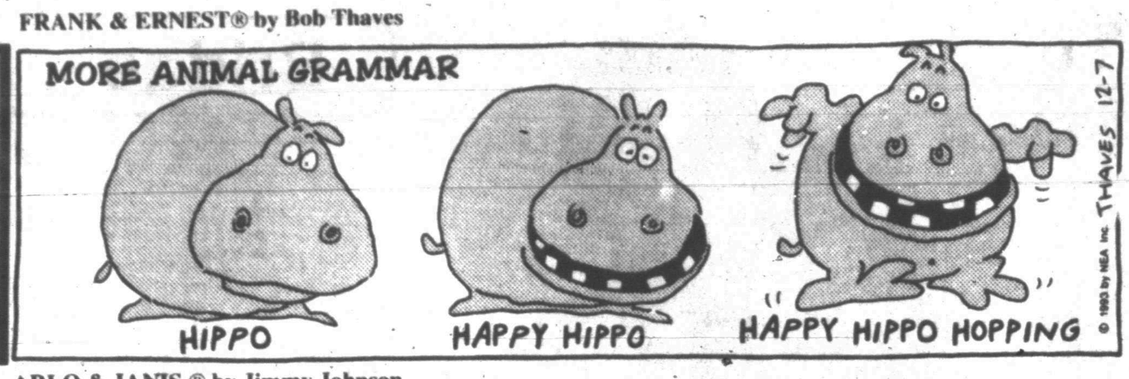

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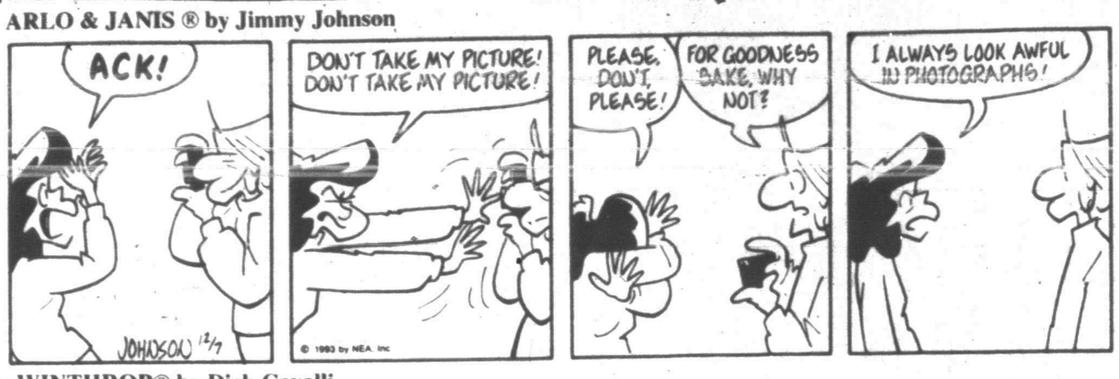

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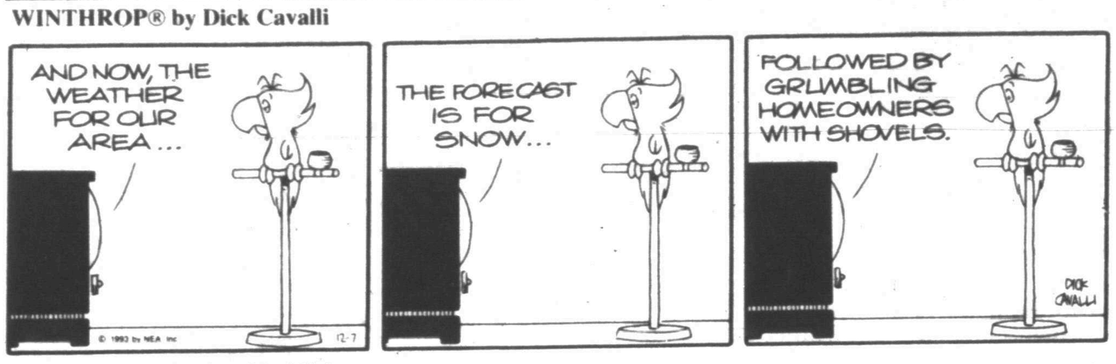

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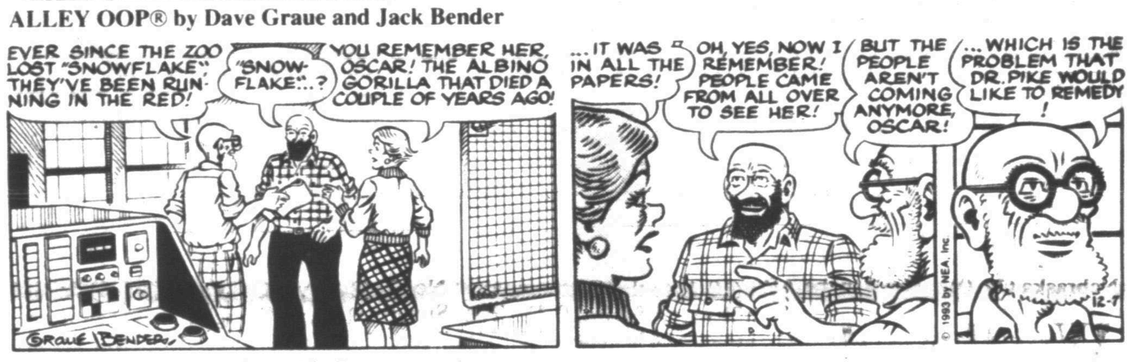

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Not only did the late ***Ted Cassidy*** star as ***Lurch*** the butler in TV's ***"The Addams Family,"*** he was also the disembodied hand called ***Thing.*** An accomplished pianist, ***Cassidy*** released a 1965 dance record called ***"Do the Lurch."*** Following the end of ***"The Addams Family"*** in 1966, the 6-foot-9-inch actor guest starred on some of the top shows of the late '60s, including ***"Batman," "The Beverly Hillbillies," "Star Trek," "I Dream of Jeannie"*** and ***"The Man From U.N.C.L.E."***

Which TV star hit the pop charts with:

a) ***"Don't Just Stand There"*** (1965) b) ***"Ringo"*** (1964)
c) ***"My Dad"*** (1962) d) ***"Your Nose is Gonna Grow"*** (1962)
e) ***"Don't Give Up On Us"*** (1977) f) ***"Makin' It"*** (1979)

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Answers: a) Patty Duke b) Lorne Greene c) Paul Peterson d) Johnny Crawford e) David Soul f) David Naughton

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1 Actor — MacLachlan
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13 Country of Asia
14 Frothy brew
15 Opp. of endo
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20 Borden's cow
22 Before
24 Hindu garment
26 Purity of color
29 — counter
33 Assistant
34 Irritated
36 — — carte
37 Monk's title
38 No man — — island
39 Fastening in string
40 Primitive word
42 Places in line
44 Arrow poison
46 Demon
47 Kate Nelligan movie
50 Low-calorie soda
52 — Vegas
55 Iced —
56 Heavenly City
58 Gasp
59 An explosive
60 Sicilian volcano
61 Grafted, in heraldry
62 Classified items
63 Office table
64 Related

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1 Capital of Ukraine
2 Non-profit org.
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4 Comedian — Philips
5 Gratuities
6 Zodiac sign
7 Short sleep
8 Scoffed
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11 Give up
19 Pro — (for the time being)
21 52, Roman
23 Fish eggs
25 Cape Kennedy rocket
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27 Musician Al —
28 River in France
30 Shipboarding platform
31 North Carolina college
32 Rodents
35 Radium symbol
38 Electrified
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41 Opp. of max.
43 Ad —
45 Short jackets
47 Singer — James
48 Allow use of
49 Devours
51 Biblical tribe
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54 British magazine
57 Native of (suff.)
58 Pod vegetable

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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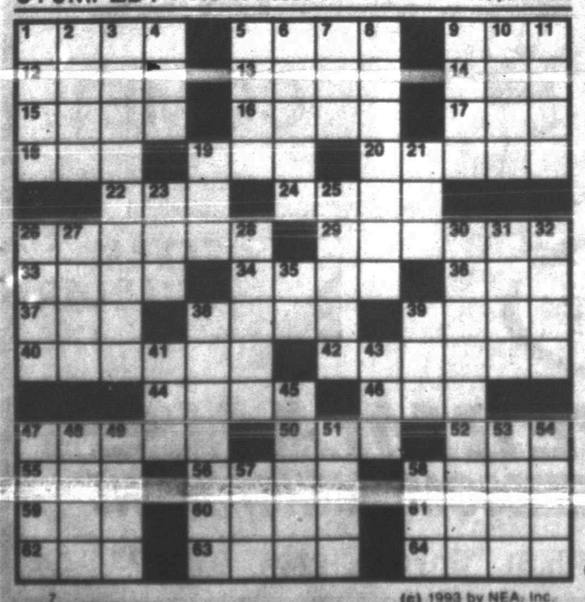

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"Walter, don't wear your pants up so high! It makes you look like an old man!"

"You think *you're* tired of Christmas! I work here all year long!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"AREN'T YOU GOING TO WRITE ANY OF THIS DOWN?"

Tigers host Mustangs; SHS girls visit B'field

Snyder's varsity basketball teams will return to the hardwood tonight following appearances at weekend tournaments.

The Tigers, who took the consolation title at the Denver City Invitational with a 42-40 win over Slaton Saturday, will host Sweetwater at SHS, while the Lady Tigers, who fell in two games Saturday at the Coahoma Invitational, will visit Brownfield.

The Snyder boys carry a 6-2 slate into tonight's contest with the Mustangs, including Saturday's victory.

Senior wingman Adrian Sneed scored 19 points and senior Jon Patrick added 10, including a pair of 3-pointers in the Tigers' win on Saturday.

Sweetwater enters tonight's contest with a 3-2 mark, including Friday's 78-74 victory over Lubbock High in which All-District 3-4A returnee Zollie Steakley scored a game-high 27 points.

Action begins with the JV game at 6 p.m., followed by the 7:30 p.m. varsity contest.

Snyder's girls will try to rebound from a 1-3 record at Coahoma against Brownfield's Lady Cubs.

Snyder, 4-6 overall, was led at Coahoma by all-tournament selection Annie Ragland, who scored nine in an opening-round loss to Forsan, 21 in a consolation win over Merkel, and 12 versus Crosbyton on Saturday.

The SHS girls will put their 4-6 mark on the line against Brownfield's 1-6 record.

The Lady Cubs' last outing was a 54-51 loss to Lockney in Saturday's consolation final of the Brownfield Tournament.

The girls' JV tilt tips off at 5:30 p.m. followed at 7 p.m. by the varsity game.

Cowboys outlast Philadelphia

IRVING (AP) — With four games to go in the season, the Dallas Cowboys don't look like the Super Bowl machine of a year ago.

But as long as they have a healthy Emmitt Smith, the Cowboys still have a shot.

Smith's 57-yard run in the fourth period, reminiscent of a 62-yard backbreaker against Philadelphia earlier this year, carried Dallas to a hard-earned 23-17 victory over the Eagles on Monday night.

"Every game is going to be like this the rest of the way," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson. "We aren't going to blow someone out. We are just a good football team. And we're going to have to scratch and fight the rest of the way. This is a tough league. No one is going to blow someone out by 40 points."

The defending champions moved a game behind the New York Giants in the NFC East with an 8-4 record while Philadelphia fell to 5-7.

"Nothing is going to be easy the next four games," said owner Jerry Jones. "We go to Minnesota, play at home against Washington then go to New York twice."

The Cowboys and the Giants meet on Jan. 2 in the Meadowlands for what could be the NFC East championship. Dallas beat the Giants 31-9 earlier in the year.

Smith, who gained 172 yards on 23 carries, broke loose for 57 yards to the Eagles 16. Five plays later fullback Daryl Johnston scored the clinching touchdown on a 2-yard run with 9:16 to play.

"It was the right play at the right time," Smith said. "They had me in check until the big run. We were struggling big-time.

"Mark McMillian caught me from behind. I thought I was going to score. It was like the road runner running up alongside the coyote."

On Halloween, Smith scored on a 62-yard run in the fourth period to cap a club-record rushing performance of 237 yards in a 23-10 victory over the Eagles.

"It is kind of ironic," Smith said. "Philadelphia has had a lot of injuries but they still play tough. Before the big run, we kept saying we had to get things rolling and the play opened up."

The Cowboys had lost their previous two games, and Johnson was relieved to have put the losing streak to rest.

"It was satisfying because the Eagles always play us tough," he said. "It's a big deal to beat them twice in a single year. We haven't done it in a long time. They've always had our number."

Johnson said Smith "always comes up with the big plays when you need them. That's what makes a great player."

Philadelphia coach Rich Kotite agreed.

"Emmitt puts pressure on you every time he touches the ball," he said. "He's a great player. We just have trouble stopping him."

And now the playoffs become that much more difficult for the Eagles.

"We're going to have to get some help in the division to make the playoffs," Kotite said. "This is really disappointing."

Bubby Brister threw two touchdown passes to tight end Mark Bavaro but the Eagles couldn't muster enough firepower for the win.

"We didn't pull it off, it was coulda, shoulda, woulda...didn't," Brister said.

Eddie Murray kicked field goals of 23, 19 and 47 yards and Michael Irvin caught an 11-yard touchdown pass from Troy Aikman in a sputtering Dallas offense.

Dallas wide receiver Irvin said the Cowboys still have a lot of work to do.

"We're not in Super Bowl synch yet," he said. "We can't get too excited."

Dallas defensive end Jim Jeffcoat said the Cowboys are running scared.

"We've put ourselves in this situation and now we've got to dig ourselves out."

NFL glance

By The Associated Press
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AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
Miami	9	3	0	.750	248	205
Buffalo	8	4	0	.667	226	177
N.Y. Jets	7	5	0	.583	246	179
Indianapolis	4	8	0	.333	163	270
New England	1	11	0	.083	140	240
Central						
Houston	8	4	0	.667	289	197
Pittsburgh	7	5	0	.583	248	210
Cleveland	6	6	0	.500	219	238
Cincinnati	1	11	0	.083	136	272
West						
Kansas City	9	3	0	.750	235	186
Denver	7	5	0	.583	293	210
LA Raiders	7	5	0	.583	219	225
San Diego	6	6	0	.500	208	205
Seattle	5	7	0	.417	190	217

NATIONAL CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
N.Y. Giants	9	3	0	.750	225	152
Dallas	8	4	0	.667	257	186
Philadelphia	5	7	0	.417	192	235
Phoenix	4	8	0	.333	238	205
Washington	3	9	0	.250	188	273
Central						
Chicago	7	5	0	.583	201	164
Detroit	7	5	0	.583	210	189
Green Bay	7	5	0	.583	255	218
Minnesota	6	6	0	.500	192	217
Tampa Bay	3	9	0	.250	170	297
West						
San Francisco	9	3	0	.750	353	204
New Orleans	7	5	0	.583	237	246
Atlanta	5	7	0	.417	245	283
LA Rams	3	9	0	.250	161	284

Sunday's Games
Houston 33, Atlanta 17
Chicago 30, Green Bay 17
Indianapolis 9, New York Jets 6
Los Angeles Raiders 25, Buffalo 24
Minnesota 13, Detroit 0
Pittsburgh 17, New England 14
Cleveland 17, New Orleans 13
Washington 23, Tampa Bay 17
Phoenix 38, Los Angeles Rams 10
San Diego 13, Denver 10
New York Giants 19, Miami 14
Kansas City 31, Seattle 16
San Francisco 21, Cincinnati 8

Monday's Game
Dallas 23, Philadelphia 17

Saturday, Dec. 11
New York Jets at Washington, 12:30 p.m.
San Francisco at Atlanta, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 12
Buffalo at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Chicago at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at New England, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Houston, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at New York Giants, 1 p.m.
Los Angeles Rams at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Minnesota, 4 p.m.
Kansas City at Denver, 4 p.m.
Detroit at Phoenix, 4 p.m.
Seattle at Los Angeles Raiders, 4 p.m.
Green Bay at San Diego, 8 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 13
Pittsburgh at Miami, 9 p.m.

College football...

Split national title possible

NEW YORK (AP) — For the third time in four years, college football could be heading for a split national championship.

The winner of the Florida State-Nebraska showdown in the Orange Bowl figures to capture The Associated Press media title. But West Virginia could win the USA Today-CNN coaches' championship with a victory over Florida in the Sugar Bowl and a Nebraska loss.

"I'd like to have any part of it I can get," said Florida State coach Bobby Bowden, who has never won a national championship despite six straight finishes in the top 4.

Nebraska coach Tom Osborne also is seeking his first national title.

"A piece of one is certainly better than nothing at all," he said.

Florida State (11-1) is No. 1 and Nebraska (11-0) is No. 2 in the AP poll, so the Orange Bowl winner probably will win the media version of the championship. But West Virginia (11-0) is No. 2 in the coaches' poll — trailing Nebraska but ahead of No. 3 Florida State — and could finish first if it beats No. 8 Florida (10-2) and the Cornhuskers lose.

"If we win, then we'd be 12-0 and I'd feel strongly that we would earn a part of the national championship," said West Virginia coach Don Nehlen.

After weeks of speculation and controversy, the final pieces of the bowl puzzle fell into place Sunday when the Orange, Sugar and Cotton matchups were announced following release of the final regular-season polls.

West Virginia turned down a Cotton Bowl invitation to play for more money in New Orleans, a move that sent No. 4 Notre Dame (10-1) to the Cotton against No. 7 Texas A&M (10-1). The Sugar pays each team $4.15 million, compared to $3 million for the Cotton.

The Orange and Cotton will feature rematches of last year's games.

Florida State beat Nebraska 27-14 in the 1993 Orange, the Seminoles' eighth straight bowl victory and the Cornhuskers' sixth consecutive postseason loss.

Texas A&M will try to avenge last season's 28-3 loss to Notre Dame in the Cotton. Aggies coach R.C. Slocum said a victory over the Irish would be even more rewarding than a win over undefeated West Virginia.

"If you beat Notre Dame, you get more credit than beating West Virginia," Slocum said.

The Rose Bowl matchup was set early Sunday morning when Wisconsin beat Michigan State 41-20 at Tokyo. The No. 9 Badgers (9-1-1) will face No. 14 UCLA (8-3) in Pasadena.

In other Jan. 1 bowls, it's Michigan (7-4) vs. North Carolina State (7-4) in the Hall of Fame; Penn State (9-2) vs. Tennessee (9-1-1) in the Citrus; Miami (9-2) vs. Arizona (9-2) in the Fiesta; and Boston College (8-3) vs. Virginia (7-4) in the Carquest.

Other postseason matchups: Ball State (8-2-1) vs. Utah State (6-5) in the Las Vegas; Texas Tech (6-5) vs. Oklahoma (8-3) in the Hancock; Fresno State (8-3) vs. Colorado (7-3-1) in the Aloha; Michigan State (6-5) vs. Louisville (8-3) in the Liberty; Wyoming (8-3) vs. Kansas State (8-2-1) in the Copper; Brigham Young (6-5) vs. Ohio State (9-1-1) in the Holiday; Southern Cal (7-5) vs. Utah (7-5) in the Freedom; Virginia Tech (8-3) vs. Indiana (8-3) in the Independence; Clemson (8-3) vs. Kentucky (6-5) in the Peach; Alabama (8-3-1) vs. North Carolina (10-2) in the Gator; and Iowa (6-5) vs. California (8-4) in the Alamo.

Raider's Morris wins Doak Walker Award

IRVING (AP) — When Texas Tech lost five of its first six games, it didn't appear that the Red Raiders would have anything to smile about in December.

But Byron "Bam" Morris led the Raiders to five straight victories, rushing for 223, 222 and 223 yards in his last three games and giving Tech a berth in the John Hancock Bowl against Oklahoma on New Year's Eve.

Along the way, Morris surpassed Earl Campbell's Southwest Conference single-season rushing record, and Monday night he won the Doak Walker Award honoring the nation's top running back.

Morris, a 235-pound junior, beat out seven finalists, including San Diego State's Marshall Faulk.

The award, named for the former All-America and Heisman Trophy winner from SMU, was announced during halftime of the Philadelphia Eagles-Dallas Cowboys game.

Other finalists were Notre Dame's Lee Becton, Nebraska's Calvin Jones, Washington's Napoleon Kaufman, Wisconsin's Brent Moss, Errict Rhett of Florida and LeShon Johnson of Northern Illinois. All but Rhett and Johnson are juniors.

Morris likely will enter the NFL draft a year early after breaking Campbell's single-season SWC rushing record with 1,752 yards this season.

Snyder takes two cage wins

BIG SPRING — Snyder's seventh grade girls posted a pair of lop-sided cage wins over Big Spring Monday, ripping the A team, 28-8, and claiming a 23-6 victory in the B contest.

Shannon Hall led the Snyder A team charge with seven points. Mandy Hess, Alicia Peoples and Morgan Kelley each canned six, Rene Trevino finished with two and Leslie Daniell had one.

The B team from Snyder was paced by Keila Helms' 14 points. Sharika Woolford wound up with five, and Amy Church and Brittany Canada had two apiece.

The Lady Tigers will be off until after the holiday break. Their next outing will be a Jan. 6 home tilt against Lamesa.

Men's cage results

Team	W	L
Snyder National Bank	9	0
Landes Furniture	7	2
Big Country Chevrolet	7	2
Bib & Tucker	4	5
Golden Corral	4	5
Patterson Drilling	2	7
Nathalie's	2	7
Jaramillo's	1	8

Monday's games
Jaramillo's 56, Patterson Drilling 52
Landes Furniture 59, Bib & Tucker 57
Snyder National Bank 71, Nathalie's 50
Big Country Chevrolet 65, Golden Corral 55

Westbrook tops Bulldogs

WESTBROOK — Westbrook Junior High scored 51 points in the last three quarters Monday to get past Ira, 55-35, in a boys' basketball game.

The Westbrook girls made it a clean sweep with a 30-23 over the Lady Bulldogs.

Ira's boys, now 2-4, were led by Todd Collom, who scored 16 points. Jason Green chipped in six and Logan Daves was good for four.

Melissa Brasuel paced the IJHS girls with 10 points Monday. The Lady 'Dogs are 4-2 on the season.

Ira will visit Blackwell Dec. 13.

S'water trips 8th graders

Sweetwater claimed a sweep of Snyder in eighth grade basketball action Monday, taking a 51-35 win in the A game, then tripping the B team Tigers 50-34.

Nathan Jones scored eight points to tie David Smith for team scoring honors for Snyder A. James Burks added six, Chad Carter put in four, Kyle Beck finished with three and Gabe Madrid, Kelly Gentry and Chris Riggins each chipped in a bucket.

Jones also had a team-high six rebounds.

The A squad, 1-2, will return to the court Friday in a 5 p.m. contest against Rotan in the Sweetwater tournament.

The Snyder B team slipped to 0-2 Monday, in spite of John Border's 15 points, 10 from Chris Thomas, Mark Rodriguez' six, two by Eldon Scott and Matt Preston's one.

The B squad will be idle until a Jan. 6 trip to Andrews.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
New York	10	4	.714	—
Orlando	8	6	.571	2
Boston	9	7	.563	2
Miami	5	8	.385	4½
Washington	6	10	.375	5
New Jersey	5	11	.313	6
Philadelphia	4	11	.267	6½
Central Division				
Atlanta	11	4	.733	—
Charlotte	8	8	.500	3½
Chicago	7	7	.500	3½
Cleveland	6	9	.400	5
Detroit	5	9	.357	5½
Indiana	5	10	.333	6
Milwaukee	3	13	.188	8½

WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midwest Division				
Houston	16	1	.941	—
San Antonio	12	5	.706	4
Utah	12	5	.706	4
Denver	8	7	.533	7
Minnesota	6	9	.400	9
Dallas	1	15	.063	14½
Pacific Division				
Seattle	14	1	.933	—
Phoenix	11	3	.786	2½
Portland	9	7	.563	5½
Golden State	8	7	.533	6
LA Lakers	7	10	.412	8
LA Clippers	6	8	.429	7½
Sacramento	4	11	.267	10

Monday's Games
Utah 103, New York 96
Seattle 103, Washington 96

Tuesday's Games
Detroit at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
LA Clippers at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Miami at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
New York at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Denver at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Ira entertains Coyotes; Lady Cards visit SHS

Hermleigh and Ira each continue the 1993-94 basketball season today with scheduled non-district tilts.

Ira's boys and girls will host Borden County in games tonight, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Both Ira teams finished second in the weekend IHS Dog Pound Classic tournament. The Bulldogs, 1-6, lost in the title game to Loraine, while the Lady 'Dogs, 4-5, fell to Borden County in the championship final.

Borden County's girls are led by Ira tourney MVP Melody Harrison, who scored 22 in the title game..

Hermleigh's girls, 5-2, visit Snyder to tangle with the Lady Tiger freshmen in a 5 p.m. contest. The Lady Cardinals took third at Ira over the weekend, handing ACHS a 63-40 loss in the third-place battle.

The Cards took the consolation crown at IHS, hammering Borden County, 76-54, in their final tourney game. Hermleigh's boys, 2-5, will host Hobbs today at 5:30 p.m.

Big Spring edges SJHS

BIG SPRING — Snyder's eighth grade girls stayed close, but couldn't come away with a win in Monday basketball action against Big Spring.

The Lady Tigers fell in the A contest, in spite of Melanie Kidd's seven points, four each from Jaime Burleson and Halea Huestis, three by Lila King and Marissa Wilson's two.

Snyder was nipped in the B battle, 18-17.

The Lady Tigers' B squad was led by Brooke French, who canned eight. Mary Higby added three, and Mandy Heaton, Jenise Judah and Laura Gonzales each hit a bucket.

Snyder's next game is scheduled for Jan. 6 when Lamesa visits.

Little Dribbler sign-ups slated

Sign-ups for boys' Little Dribblers basketball will be held through Friday at the Scurry County Boys' Club.

Hours for registration are 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. today, Thursday and Friday, and from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Wednesday.

Boys ages eight through 12 as of August 31, 1994 are eligible to compete in the league.

Players must bring a birth certificate and a parent to register. Sign-up fee is $15.

Golf club holds membership drive

Western Texas College Golf Club is holding a membership drive until Jan. 31.

Individual annual memberships, including the course improvement fee, is $331.25, a savings of over $110 over the present monthly rate. Family memberships are available for $509.86.

In addition, new members will pay a one-time initial fee of $50. Present monthly members may change to annual membership with no additional fee.

Current annual members may call the pro shop at 573-9291 before Jan. 31 to find out about their super savings package.

WTC boosters set holiday dinner

Western Texas College athletic boosters will sponosor a Christmas pot-luck supper today at 6 p.m.at Towle Park Barn.

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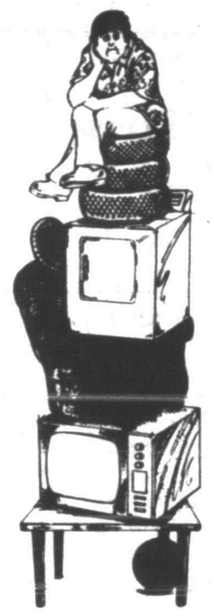

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Welfare reform analyzed

By Walter R. Mears
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — When President Clinton tackles welfare reform next year, he'll be pressing a plan that fits the New Democrat image he wants — and could invite a new coalition with Republicans as well.

Ending "welfare as we know it" was a catchy campaign promise that proved difficult to translate into legislation. It will go to Congress on a parallel track with health care, for action in the same committees that must deal with that flagship of administration programs for 1994.

AP analysis

That could lead to political strains and agenda conflicts. But it also may foster alliances, at least opening lines for the bargaining it will take to make either measure into law.

While Clinton's plan has not been completed, it would put people to work after they've received welfare for no more than two years, creating government jobs for them if none can be found in private business.

That plays better with conservatives than with liberal Democrats; 88 House members already have written Clinton that two years and off welfare would be arbitrary, too harsh and unworkable in a tight job market.

"We are moving toward making welfare a second chance, not a way of life," the president told the centrist Democratic Leadership Council, his springboard into national politics. His old allies there have been restive at his moves toward the Democratic left; with welfare reform, he's talking their language.

"Because we're Democrats, we believe in our party's historic values of opportunity, social justice ... commitment to the interests of working men and women," Clinton told the council Friday. "Because we're New Democrats, we promote those old values in new ways. We believe in opportunity, not government ... empowerment, not entitlement... ."

The idea of welfare work and time limits plays with Republicans, too. "The president is right when he says that we must end welfare as we know it," Rep. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania said Saturday in a GOP radio address. "... The system has failed the very people it intends to help by replacing individual responsibility with reliance on government."

Santorum, senior Republican on the House Ways and Means subcommittee that will consider reform, said that under the current system, 65 percent of the people getting welfare now would still be relying on it in the year 2000.

He said 162 House Republicans are co-sponsoring a bill that requires job training as a condition of welfare, provides child care and makes working mandatory within two years. He said the system must be changed to create opportunity and demand responsibility, "and we stand ready to work with the president to realize that change."

But the GOP version would reduce tax subsidies for the working poor, cut food stamp entitlements and seek other cost-cutting opposed by the administration.

"I don't agree with all of it, but there are some very good ideas in it that really give me cause to believe that we may be able to make a bipartisan coalition here," Clinton said.

The earned income tax credit is central to Clinton's version of reform; his allies point out that President Reagan backed it, too. It uses the tax system to supplement the incomes of the working poor.

The administration also links health care and welfare reform, saying that vast numbers of Americans stay on welfare now because it is the only way they can get medical coverage.

The two-year work rule will get its first tryouts in experimental state programs; that has required waivers in the federal welfare guidelines. Clinton's task force on welfare reform recommends making it the rule, not the exception.

But so far there is no cost estimate for the job training, child care and other benefits that would

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Obituaries

ALTA HOLAMON

Alta Holamon

1937-1993

Services are set for 4 p.m. Wednesday in the Colonial Hill Baptist Church for Alta Lynch Holamon, 56, who died Monday in Lubbock's St. Mary of the Plains Hospital after a brief illness.

Officiating will be the Rev. Miller Robinson, church pastor, with burial to follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

A retired English teacher, Mrs. Holamon taught in the Snyder Independent School District for 27 years. She also taught in Brownsville and Ruidoso.

Born in Coleman County, Mrs. Holamon received her B.A. degree from Howard Payne University, her master's degree from Hardin-Simmons University and worked on a doctorate degree in English at Texas Tech University.

She was a member of the Colonial Hill Baptist Church, a member of the Snyder Classroom Teachers Association, Texas State Teachers' Association and the National Education Association.

She married Kenneth Lynch on Sept. 2, 1955. He died in 1987. She married Bobby Holamon on Dec. 19, 1988 in Snyder. She was also preceded in death by her father, Leonard Turner, in 1988.

Survivors include her husband, Bobby Holamon of Snyder; her mother, Eva Turner of Snyder; two step-sons, Bruce Holamon of Greeley, Colo., and Bryan Holamon of Brownwood; a step-daughter, Tina Crawford of Brownwood; and five step-grandchildren.

FRANCISCO MORALES SR.

Mr. F. Morales

1918-1993

FLOYDADA — Services are set for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church for Francisco S. Morales Sr., 75, who died Monday in Lubbock's University Medical Center. Burial will follow in the Floyd County Memorial Park.

He was the father of Mary Ann Juarez of Snyder.

Born in Goliad, Mr. Morales married Florinda Zambrano on April 7, 1946 in Reynosa, Mexico. A retired U.S. Army veteran of World War II, Mr. Morales was a retired truck driver.

A member of the St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church, he was past-president of the Brotherhood. A son, Joe Louis Barrera, preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Florinda; five sons, Francisco Jr. of Lubbock, Florentino of Lamesa and Jessie, Martin and Amado, all of Floyada; eight other daughters, Francisca Garcia of Lewisville, Maria Barrera of Plainview, Yolanda Sepeda of Shallowater, Carmen Gutierrez of Alamo and Rosalinda Villareal, Thelma Martinez, Janie Flores and Sandra Trevino, all of Floydada; two sisters; 41 grandchildren; and 25 great-grandchildren.

Clifford Foster

1903-1993

AVOCA — Services were set for 2 p.m. today in the Avoca Baptist Church for Clifford R. "Tip" Foster, 90, who died Monday in an Anson hospital. Burial was to follow in the Funston Cemetery.

He was the brother of Mrs. Austin Morgan of Snyder.

Born in Bell County, Mr. Foster had lived in the Avoca area since 1928. He was a former Avoca school board member. A member of the Avoca Baptist Church, he served as a deacon, Sunday school superintendent and chairman of the church finance committee.

Survivors include his wife, Alma Foster of Avoca; another sister, Mrs. Bob Lowe of Hamilton; and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Stephens Sr.

1901-1993

COLEMAN — Services are set for 2:30 p.m. Wednesday in Walker Funeral Chapel for Charlie Stephens Sr., 92, who died Sunday in the Winters Nursing Home. Interment will be in the Midway Cemetery. The Rev. Larry Adams, pastor of Novice Baptist Church, will officiate.

Mr. Stephens was born on May 30, 1901, in Arkansas. He married Ela May Gray in Star Community, near Crews, Tex. She preceded him in death in 1938. A retired oilfield worker, he had resided in Coleman the past 89 years and was a member of the Mud Creek Baptist Church.

Six sisters also preceded him in death.

Survivors include two daughters, Louise White and Geneta Richards, both of Snyder; one son, Charles Stephens Jr. of Novice; a half brother, Robert White of Winters; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

'Doc' Davis

1919-1993

Services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for J.M. "Doc" Davis, 74, who died at 8:35 p.m. Monday in his home in Snyder following a lengthy illness. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens. The Rev. L.W. "Buck" Hatfield will officiate.

Born on May 1, 1919, in Brownwood, he married Wyvone Brooks on Nov. 30, 1948, in Baird. He served in the Army in World War II in the 112th Calvary-A Troop. His unit was with General McArthur when he returned to the Phillipines. Mr. Davis received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star. He and his wife operated a vending machine business in Snyder from 1947 to 1978. He was a member of the First Presbyteran Church.

He was preceded in death by a son, Benny Keith Davis on March 21, 1986.

Survivors include his wife, Wyvone Davis of Snyder; a son, David Hilton Davis of Arlington; a brother, Leonard Davis of Abilene; two sisters, Opal Price of Abilene and Ruby King of Bowie; two grandsons, Jason Davis of Haskell and Jeff Davis of Arlington.

Composer Sergei Rachmaninoff died in 1943 in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Police note two arrests

Snyder police made two arrests early this morning.

Police arrested a 27-year-old man at 12:29 a.m. in the 2400 block of Avenue D for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated, possession of drug paraphernalia and driving with a suspended license.

At 4:22 a.m., officers were notified of a disturbance at Plaza Truck Stop where they arrested a 30-year-old man for criminal trespass.

Williard Jones contacted police at 2:31 p.m. Monday in reference to criminal mischief done to a residence in the 500 block of 31st Street. A report for Class A criminal mischief was filed.

At 7:54 p.m. Monday, police were called to a disturbance in the 2900 block of Avenue Y. A report for harassment/family violence was filed. Police also transported a juvenile from the residence to a relative's home.

Don Ameche, known for 'Cocoon,' dies

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Don Ameche, versatile leading man of 1930s and '40s films whose comeback in the 1980s climaxed with an Oscar as supporting actor in "Cocoon," has died, a funeral home said. He was 85.

Ameche died Monday, said Alona Jordan, operator for an answering service for Messinger Mortuary in Scottsdale. She quoted funeral home owner Paul Messinger as saying Ameche died at 6 p.m.

Already a radio star, Ameche made a smooth transition to films, beginning with "Sins of Man" in 1936. During 12 years at 20th Century Fox, he appeared in musicals, comedies and biographical dramas, most notably "The Story of Alexander Graham Bell."

When his film career faded in 1948, Ameche busied himself on Broadway in "Silk Stockings" and "Can Can" and later in touring musicals and dinner theater.

His second film career began in 1983 with "Trading Places," starring Eddie Murphy and Dan Aykroyd.

Two years later, he appeared in the fantasy "Cocoon," in which he played one of a group of Florida retirees who discover a fountain of youth created by extraterrestrials.

Ameche's on-screen ebullience contrasted with his personal modesty. When he received an Academy Award at the age of 79 in 1986, he remarked: "For all you members of the academy, this esteemed gentleman (the Oscar) says that you have given me your recognition. You've given to me your love; I hope that I have earned your respect."

He was born Dominic Felix Amici in Kenosha, Wis., on May 31, 1908, to an Italian immigrant father and an Irish-German mother. In school his name was shortened to Don and his family name was Americanized.

Clinton expresses misgivings at Korean nuclear proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton says North Korea's latest proposal for defusing the crisis over its nuclear intentions falls short of U.S. and international demands and that he will consult quickly with South Korea.

Clinton said Monday he was "not entirely satisfied" with the Korean offer and an official of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which is charged with monitoring the Korean program, said the proposal was of limited value.

Clinton called top advisers to the White House on Monday afternoon to discuss a next step. He said afterward that meeting participants had "worked through the problem." He said he planned to talk with South Korean President Kim Young-sam in the next 24 hours "before I say more."

A senior U.S. official said Clinton's advisers reviewed the North Korean response and "reached some views as to its deficiencies." The official said the U.S. position would be presented to North Korea after the discussions with South Korea.

"We want to see if we can achieve our objectives through negotiations," said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity. "But this is a serious matter. There is not a lot of time."

But another U.S. official said "there is no set deadline" and that the United States would insist on full compliance with the demand for inspections by the IAEA.

Asked at a news conference earlier about North Korea's proposal, Clinton said he was encouraged by indications "that they understood that we needed to both start inspections and the dialogue again between the South and the North."

But he indicated the proposal did not go far enough.

"Obviously we are not entirely satisfied with the response of the North Koreans" to U.S. appeals for full cooperation with the IAEA, Clinton said. He said he could not go into detail before talking with advisers and allies about the North Korean proposal that was presented to U.S. officials in New York on Friday.

At IAEA headquarters in Vienna, Austria, spokesman David Kyd said North Korea was offering to permit unrestricted inspection of five of the seven nuclear sites at Yongbyon.

But at the other two sites, which the IAEA and the United States consider to be the most important, the inspectors could only change batteries and film in monitoring cameras. They could not, Kyd said, check seals and monitoring sensors.

Kyd said the IAEA does want to visit the five sites because it has not inspected them since February but "they are not at the heart of the program."

Those five include storage facilities, a nuclear fuel fabrication plant and a 5-megawatt, Soviet-built nuclear research reactor.

Hubble

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nearsighted.

"Ah, look at that baby," Hoffman, an astronomer, said when he opened the container in which the new camera was carried into space. "Beautiful, spanking new. We'll take some nice pictures with that."

Hubble's guidance and power systems were replaced during two earlier spacewalks, on Sunday and Monday. Today's excursion makes it three successes in a row; two more spacewalks are on tap.

"Every day it's becoming more and more like 'Can you top this?'" Mission Control told the astronauts as they wrapped up their nearly seven-hour spacewalk.

"We know that we've been incredibly lucky so far," said shuttle commander Richard Covey. "We hope that our luck holds out."

Spacewalk No. 4, due to begin late tonight, involves the installation of another set of corrective optics. The $50 million unit, which is the size of a phone booth and contains coin-size corrective mirrors, should improve the focus of Hubble's three other science instruments.

Astronomers won't know whether the new optics fixed Hubble's myopia for weeks, because of the painstaking testing and alignment needed. The $1.6 billion telescope was launched in April 1990.

Once the final optical unit is installed, "Will we be ecstatic? Of course. Will we party? No, we'll wait," said Hubble program scientist Edward Weiler.

Hoffman rode on the end of Endeavour's robot arm to replace the camera, as he did during the first spacewalk on Sunday. Musgrave hung to the telescope, anchored in the cargo bay, by foot restraints.

The work was conducted in near-darkness to prevent damage to the camera from sunlight; the spacewalkers had only the illumination from lamps on their backpacks and a flashlight that was shined on them from inside the cockpit.

Welfare

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be part of the program, let alone the creation of public service jobs if there are no others.

Donna Shalala, the secretary of health and human services, said that could be done without new taxes by cutting other programs, presumably those tied to the current welfare process. "Before one new dime is spent ... we need to look strongly as how we are spending existing money," she said.

"It's going to be a tight squeeze, but it's plausible," Democratic Gov. Roy Romer of Colorado said in a TV interview. "If you can really reduce the rolls by moving people off to work, you're going to have funds to give that adequate benefit package."

The last welfare overhaul, in 1988, was the most sweeping in 53 years, requiring education and job training and setting a community service work requirement that takes effect next year.

As governor of Arkansas, Clinton helped draft that measure. As president, he wants to overtake it with more fundamental change.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.

Bus wreck kills one

FLORENCE (AP) — A soldier stationed at Fort Hood died after his car collided head-on today with a Trailways Bus, the Texas Department of Public Safety said.

The accident occurred about 4:35 a.m. on State Highway 195, north of Florence in Williamson County, said DPS spokeswoman Laureen Chernow. Florence is about 40 miles north of Austin.

The Ford Escort driven by Charles M. Davis, 21, was headed north on the highway when it drove left of the center stripe and hit the bus, Ms. Chernow said.

She said Davis was a soldier stationed at Fort Hood, and that the car he was driving had Kentucky license plates. She said Fort Hood officials were trying to locate Davis' relatives.

The bus was driven by Andrew L. Dixon Jr. of Killeen, who was not injured, Ms. Chernow said. She said she didn't know if there were passengers on the bus, but that no injuries were reported. Davis was alone in the car, she said.

Fort Hood spokesman Dan Dumproff said he hadn't yet received information that an accident had occurred.

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as opposed to the traditional trench methods, could increase the life of the landfill from 27 to 54 years. That would require a permit amendment instead of a modification, but engineers felt confident that could be obtained sometime in the future.

In other business, the council approved specifications and agreed to seek bids for a fire truck along with trade-in. Some $110,000 has been budgeted in the current fiscal year.

The council also approved the purchase of six vehicles. Key Brothers Implement was successful with a $3,549 bid for a Polaris four-wheeler to be used by meter readers in the utility department.

Big Country Chevrolet was awarded a bid for a 1994 Chevrolet Lumina. The $12,980 vehicle, after trade, will be used in the planning and zoning department. Wilson Motors' bid of $9,950, after trade, for a 1994 Ford Ranger pickup to be used in the water department was also accepted.

Wilson Motors was also awarded the bid for three full-size pickups. Total for three Ford F-150s was $37,700. Other bidders were Big Country Chevrolet and Big Spring Chrysler.

Two ordinances were unanimously adopted on second reading. One creates the joint city-county airport zoning board and the second amends the 1992-93 budget that concluded Sept. 30.

The council also authorized the release of securities to Snyder National Bank as a result of a change in depository agreement from SNB to American State Bank.

The council appointed Mike Rodriquez to fill the unexpired term of Phillip Cockerell on the Builders Board of Appeal. The term expires in 1995. Cockerell has been transferred from Snyder.

Reappointed to the Board of Electrical Examiners were Jim Whitney and James Swiggert, with terms ending in 1995.

Mayor Zeck presided at the meeting and council members attending were Dayton Robertson, Jack Denman, Vernest Tippens, Mike Post, I.E. Martin and Ron Shaw.

College

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ticulture program there this spring. Construction and materials are expected to cost between $15,000 and $16,000.

Administrators said that tuition, fees and state contact hour funding will reimburse local tax dollars for the project "many times over."

Financial Aid Officer Dennis Carlton presented the board with some year-end financial aid numbers, showing a total of $868,294 going to student support in 1992-93, compared to $725,715 the previous year.

Trustees also approved the annual outside audit, as presented by David Allen of Springer & Associates of Sweetwater. Allen complimented the WTC staff and said the audit was a "clean one." He pointed out minor problems in inventory control and tracking of cash transfers, both of which are being in the process of being corrected.

The board also approved the monthly financial report and previous minutes.

Present Monday were board members Carolyn Barbee, Bill Wilson Jr., R.C. Patton and Williams, who presided in the absence of chairman John Gayle. Also absent were John Fagin and Jay Kidd.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Lois Davidson, 2006 27th Apt. 10; Wilbur Fry, 2211 32nd.

DISMISSALS: Phyllis Spells and baby, Oleta York.

Census: (Med.-11, Long-Term Care-34, CCU-2).

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	66	651/8	655/8	-1/4
Albtsn s	241/2	241/8	243/8	-1/2
Alldsignal	751/4	747/8	751/8	-1/8
Alltel s	28	265/8	273/4	+1
AmStores	421/8	417/8	421/8	-1/8
Amer T&T	553/4	551/8	551/4	+1/8
Ameritech	791/8	783/4	79	+1/4
Amoco	531/4	523/8	53	+3/8
AndarkPtr	405/8	397/8	405/8	+3/4
Arkla	75/8	71/2	75/8	+1/8
Armcoinc	63/8	61/8	61/4	+1/4
AtlRichfld	1043/8	1023/4	1035/8	-3/8
ATMOS	271/8	271/8	271/8	-1/8
BakerHughes	20	191/2	197/8	+1/2
BancTexas	13/8	11/4	13/8	+1/8
BellAtl	611/2	611/8	611/8	-1/2
BellSouth	583/8	58	581/4	+1/8
Beth Steel	171/2	171/4	173/8	+3/4
Borden	175/8	173/8	175/8	+3/8
Brit Pet	591/4	583/8	591/8	+3/8
Caterplr	863/4	861/8	863/8	+1/2
CenSoWst	303/8	301/8	301/4	
Chevron	873/4	865/8	875/8	+1
Chrysler	547/8	543/8	545/8	
Coastal	277/8	271/2	275/8	-1/8
CocaCola	433/4	433/8	431/2	
ColgatePalm	611/4	605/8	611/4	+3/8
ComlMetl	351/4	351/4	351/4	+1/4
CooperIn	501/8	497/8	501/8	+1/4
CyprusAmax	241/8	233/4	24	+1/8
DallSemicn	131/2	133/8	133/8	-1/8
DeltaAirl	581/2	581/4	581/2	
DigitalEq	361/4	357/8	357/8	-1/4
Dillard	403/8	40	40	-3/8
DowChem	577/8	575/8	573/4	-1/8
DresserInd	193/8	183/4	191/4	+1/2
DuPont	477/8	473/8	471/2	-1/2
EstKodak	627/8	62	62	-7/8
EljerInd	71/8	7	71/8	
Enserch	167/8	165/8	165/8	-1/4
Exxon	633/4	621/2	627/8	+1/8
FlowerInd	191/8	19	19	-1/8
FordMotor	627/8	623/8	627/8	
GTE Cp	363/4	361/4	363/8	-3/8
GnDyn	933/8	925/8	93	-1/8
GenElct	1001/2	997/8	100	-3/8
GenMills	627/8	621/8	621/8	-5/8
GenMotors	545/8	541/8	541/2	-1/4
GenMotors E	277/8	273/4	277/8	
GaPacif	721/2	72	721/8	-1/4
GlobalMar	37/8	33/4	37/8	+1/8
Goodrich	417/8	413/4	413/4	
Goodyear s	463/8	457/8	461/4	+3/8
GtAtlPac	28	273/4	277/8	-1/4
Gulf StaUt	193/8	191/4	193/8	
Haliburtn	291/2	283/4	293/8	+1/2
Hanson ADS	193/8	19	191/4	+1/4
Houstind	453/4	451/2	453/4	-1/8
IBM	541/4	533/4	54	+1/4
IntlPaper	677/8	675/8	673/4	+1/4
JohnsnJns	451/2	451/4	453/8	
K mart	223/4	221/2	223/4	
Kroger	201/8	20	20	+1/8
Litton	663/4	657/8	661/2	+3/8
vjLoneStar	21/8	21/8	21/8	-1/8
Lowes	54	537/8	537/8	-1/8
Lubys	221/2	223/8	221/2	
Maxus	51/8	47/8	51/8	+1/8
MayDS s	421/4	42	42	-3/8
Medtronic	843/4	833/4	843/8	
Mobil	761/2	751/8	761/8	+5/8
Monsanto	72	715/8	717/8	-1/8
Motorola s	94	923/4	935/8	-1/2
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Navistar s	233/4	231/2	231/2	
Nynex s	42	413/4	42	
OryxEngy	175/8	173/8	175/8	+1/4
PacTelesis	573/8	57	571/4	-1/4
PanhECp	217/8	215/8	213/4	+1/8
PenneyJC s	541/4	535/8	535/8	—11/4
Pennzoil	555/8	551/8	551/2	+1/2
PepBoys	271/4	267/8	271/8	+1/2
PhelpDodge	473/8	465/8	47	+1/4
PhilipPet	287/8	281/4	285/8	+1/8
PilgrmPrd	7	7	7	
Polaroid	363/8	361/4	361/4	
Praxair	167/8	165/8	165/8	-1/4
Primerica s	431/4	425/8	425/8	-1/4
ProctGamble	571/4	567/8	571/8	+1/8
PubS NwMx	101/2	101/4	103/8	
RoyalDutch	105	1043/8	1043/4	
SFePacCp	213/8	211/8	213/8	+1/8
SaraLee	267/8	26	263/4	+3/4
SearsRoeb s	533/4	523/4	535/8	+11/2
SherwinW	331/2	331/4	331/4	-1/4
SmthBchADS	293/4	29	291/8	-3/8
SmthBc eqt	271/4	267/8	27	-1/8
Southern Co	431/4	43	431/4	+1/4
SwAirlines s	333/4	331/4	331/2	-3/8
SwBell s	433/8	431/4	431/4	-1/8
Sprint	331/8	313/4	321/4	—1
SterlingChm	41/8	41/8	41/8	-1/8
SunCo	301/2	301/8	303/8	+1/8
TNP Ent	171/4	171/4	171/4	-1/8
Tandy	45	443/4	447/8	-1/8
TempInl	507/8	501/4	503/4	+3/8
Tenneco	503/4	501/8	501/4	+3/8
Texaco	631/8	621/4	627/8	+3/8
TexasInd	283/8	273/4	283/8	+7/8
TexasInst	623/4	611/2	625/8	+1/2
Tex Util	427/8	425/8	423/4	+1/8
Textron	541/4	54	541/8	
Trinty s	401/4	40	401/4	+3/8
TritonEngy	293/4	291/4	291/4	-1/2
Tyler	43/4	43/4	43/4	
US West	471/8	463/4	463/4	-3/8
USX Delhi	171/2	163/4	163/4	—13/8
USX-Marathn	171/8	167/8	171/8	+1/4
USX-USS	371/8	361/8	367/8	+1
UnCarbde	207/8	205/8	205/8	-1/4
UnPac	623/8	621/8	623/8	+5/8
UnitedTech	617/8	615/8	617/8	+1/8
Unocal	265/8	261/8	261/2	
UtdTelecom	23	22	22	
WalMart s	23	22	22	
WaterGasRs	301/2	30	30	-1/2
WestghEl	141/8	14	14	
WinnDixie	553/4	551/4	551/4	-1/2
Woolwth	241/8	231/2	241/8	+1/2
Xerox Cp	82	81	81	—1
ZenithE	73/8	71/8	71/4	

Poor choices, vague labeling cause trouble with cosmetics

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of American women are using cosmetics that trigger allergies or aggravate medical conditions, skin doctors say, and it may get worse with new preparations now on the market.

Dr. Andrew Scheman, a dermatologist at Northwestern University Medical Center, Chicago, said Monday that after surveying the ingredients of more than 5,000 products, he found that many of his patients' skin problems originated at the cosmetic counter.

"There are a lot of misconceptions and a lot of people who use the wrong cosmetics," he said at a national meeting of the American Academy of Dermatology.

Often the problem is caused by patients who buy and use products containing ingredients that cause existing conditions to get worse or directly block the effects of prescribed medicines. He urged the doctors to pay more attention to the creams, powders and lotions their patients use.

"Most of our topical medications we prescribe are very carefully selected," he said. "Unfortunately, many of our patients are also using cosmetics. Some of the cosmetics they use may interfere with what we are trying to do and may cause dermatological problems."

Scheman said that while patients often chose the wrong cosmetics for their skin type, cosmetic companies confuse things further with vague promises about their products.

"Companies often make a lot of claims on products that actually have very little meaning," said Scheman. "They sometimes can be very cleverly misleading."

The physician said cosmetic companies have to be vague in product labels, to comply with restrictions set by the Food and Drug Administration, but this vagueness "opens the door to misleading claims."

For instance, "hypo allergenic" conveys the idea that nobody will have an allergy to the product.

Since all companies avoid ingredients that will cause allergic reactions, "every product on the market could be called hypo allergenic. It's still going to cause a reaction in a very few individuals," said Scheman.

Some products claim they have been tested by dermatologists, but this is meaningless, he said, "because they never tell you results of the tests."

Despite his criticisms, Scheman said he was generally impressed with the "intelligent design" of American cosmetic products.

"I was taught in medical school that most cosmetics were not very good, that we should tell patients with acne, for instance, not to wear any cosmetics," said the doctor. "But when I looked at these products, I was surprised. Most of them were very good."

Scheman said patients can cause their own problems by buying products based on mistaken ideas about their own skin.

"I see a tremendous number who make mistakes," he said.

One of the most common mistakes, said Scheman, is confusing contact irritation with an allergy reaction.

Former cult leader says he's religious prisoner

ODESSA (AP) — Former Branch Davidian leader George Roden says state psychiatric officials are holding him as a religious prisoner.

Roden, found not guilty by reason of insanity in the 1989 murder of an Odessa man, is waging a campaign for release from the Vernon State Hospital.

"The world is waiting for me to appear in Waco," he wrote in October to 70th District Court Judge Jay Gibson.

In letters and phone calls, Roden tells authorities he must go to Waco to talk with Branch Davidians involved in a gun battle and 51-day standoff with federal agents.

Four federal agents were killed Feb. 28 trying to serve search and arrest warrants on cult leader David Koresh. More than 80 people died when the cult's rural homestead burned April 19.

Roden, 55, lost cult leadership after a 1987 shootout with Koresh.

Earlier this year, doctors in Vernon found that Roden "is likely to cause serious harm to others."

Despite that, he was transferred in August to a minimum-security state hospital in Big Spring. In September, he walked away, and authorities found him after four days in Abilene.

Roden's letter to Gibson offered two reasons for taking what he called "unauthorized leave" from Big Spring: to get married and to get medication.

Court records show Roden has been returned to the maximum-security Vernon facility, from which he also escaped for a brief time last year.

Ector County court administrator Janis Dunn said Roden has called the courthouse several times, claiming he must go to Washington, D.C., to help President Clinton with health care.

The letters Roden writes to various judges contain frequent biblical references. Roden told Gibson that a state psychiatrist was head of the "Mexican Mafia."

Roden filed a court document in July asking that he not be considered delusional for his political activities, which include campaigns for president in 1976 and for governor of California in 1978.

"Since the hospital said I was delusional because I said I ran for president and governor I consider this a denial of my civil and political rights to be a candidate for public office and not be considered 'delusional' for doing so," he wrote.

"So the hospital finally admitted that I am not delusional concerning these things, but that I am only delusional concerning my religious beliefs, thereby making a determination of the right and wrong of my religious faith, which is not their prerogative or Constitutional right to do."

THE GRIZZWELLS CHRISTMAS by Bill Schorr

Teachers see plot to weaken workers for free trade policy

MONTERREY, Mexico (AP) — Under a statue of revolutionary priest Miguel Hidalgo, 13 teachers are on a hunger strike to protest what they say is a plot to weaken Mexico's workers for free trade with the United States.

They and some 30,000 other teachers walked off their jobs more than a month ago, shutting down 700 schools in this industrial center of 3 million people. The teachers are angry about new laws that cut pensions and delay retirement for Nuevo Leon state workers.

And they say more workers throughout Mexico will face similar cuts as the government primes the country for the North American Free Trade Agreement, which takes effect in January.

At the center of the protest are the hunger strikers.

For 10 days, they have been drinking water mixed with honey and saying prayers under tents pitched in front of the statue of Hidalgo, who led Mexico's revolt from Spain in 1810.

Negotiations have been fruitless. By law, the government can't fire the strikers. But it is pressuring them by paying only a portion of their salary, or none at all.

"We have tried everything short of violence," said lawyer and history teacher Oscar Sanchez. "If they fire us, there will be violence. We'll use other means."

Frustrated protesters confronted and harangued President Carlos Salinas de Gortari and pushed Gov. Socrates Rizzo last week during an gubernatorial inauguration in neighboring Coahuila.

On Monday, after protesting in front of the U.S consulate, some 30 teachers dispersed to the city's main Macroplaza in front of the government palace.

There, thousands of teachers, carrying placards and shouting anti-government slogans, awaited new negotiations with the government.

Late Monday it appeared no immediate solution was in sight and teachers threatened to take over nearby government buildings.

Many of the riot police barricading the palace support the protest. As state workers, they too are affected by the law.

"Nuevo Leon is being used as an experiment for the rest of Mexico," said Sanchez. "They think because of the free trade agreement, investors will be more attracted to Mexico if they cut our rights, get more work out of us for less money."

Mexican workers may not earn much — the minimum wage is $5 a day — but they enjoy benefits that would be unthinkable in the United States, including almost total job security. It is virtually impossible to fire a Mexican worker.

Other benefits include employee loans, bonuses, housing allowances, health plans and a right to arbitration. A company must share 10 percent of its net income with workers.

"If the movement fails here, it will be bad for teachers and workers throughout Mexico," said Mario Cruz Lopez, a teacher and union leader from the southern state of Oaxaca. "This is what they want to do in all of Mexico."

The dispute began in September when the Nuevo Leon government said the state social security institute had been overly generous and had a deficit of $60 million.

Mayor files libel lawsuit

McALLEN (AP) — A libel lawsuit filed by this South Texas city's mayor accuses The McAllen Monitor of defaming him in a column written about the public official's conduct during meetings.

The lawsuit filed on Mayor Othal Brand's behalf seeks more than $50,000 in actual damages for claimed loss of "specific business relations andor mental anguish" and $100,000 in exemplary damages.

An attorney for Brand filed the lawsuit Friday in 139th State District Court in Edinburg. The newspaper defended its Dec. 27, 1992 column, which concerned Brand's actions during McAllen City Commission meetings.

The lawsuit also named R. Daniel Cavazos, newspaper editor, as defendant. It contends that the column written by Cavazos injured Brand's reputation.

The column compared Brand's style of governing to that of the late George Parr. Parr did not hold a major political office in Duval County but was known as the "Duke of Duval" for the political influence he held over the South Texas County. He died of what authorities called a self-inflicted gunshot wound in 1975 while appealing a federal prison sentence for federal tax evasion.

Papers filed in Brand's lawsuit contend that Parr was "a person who upon knowledge and belief has at some time been under criminal indictment for misconduct in office, thereby accusing Brand of criminal acts."

But Cavazos' column focused on Brand's conduct as a public official during public meetings, making no mention of criminal acts.

Dear Abby

Company Courtesy Slumps Along With the Economy

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I was unexpectedly laid off a few months ago. I had worked for this company for nine years and was devastated when I lost my job. My supervisor assured me that they hated to let me go, but they had to cut back because the economy was in a slump and they had to make some drastic cuts.

I have responded to more than 70 help-wanted ads in the past six months and have received only five interviews, 12 telephone responses and four written responses. I have the education and background for all of the positions for which I applied.

I think employers should show some common courtesy by at least calling or writing to those who apply for employment — if nothing more than to acknowledge that they received the resume. I realize that there may be numerous applicants for certain jobs, but an acknowledgment could be a postcard or even a form letter. I would be happy to receive anything to let me know my efforts had not been totally useless.

So, to all employers and recruiters: Please show a little courtesy, consideration and compassion to those of us who have shown an interest in your company.

What do you think, Abby?

UNEMPLOYED AND FRUSTRATED

DEAR UNEMPLOYED: I agree with you. I'm sure many readers will identify. A form letter — or a form postcard — would have been better than nothing.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: Once in a while you publish letters about speech irritants or pet peeves. Here is my question, and I hope you won't think it's trivial or silly.

Is one's signature his/her John Hancock or John Henry? I was taught that because John Hancock signed his name so boldly and legibly on the Declaration of Independence, we Americans have used his name in reference to our own signatures.

If my knowledge of American folklore is correct, John Henry was "a steel drivin' man" who "died with a hammer in his hand" — not an ink pen.

Yet, many times I've been asked by respected, educated people to put my "John Henry" on various documents. When I have explained the origin of the term, people have actually responded angrily that I was ignorant. Therefore, I'm referring the issue to you. Who is right? Please sign me ...

HAD IT WITH HENRY

DEAR HAD IT: You are right, of course. And people who respond in anger when someone politely points out a possible error in their thinking usually know they are wrong, which is why they become so defensive.

According to the Henry Holt Encyclopedia of Word and Phrase Origins, compiled by Robert Hendrickson, "If John Hancock had done nothing else, he would be remembered for his big, bold, belligerent signature, the first on the Declaration of Independence, writ 'so big no Britisher would have to use his spectacles to read it.' ... His name, as everyone knows, is commonly used to mean a signature, or as a synonym for 'name' itself.

"John Henry ... is a synonym for a signature or name, but we don't know how the term arose. ... John Henry originated in the American West as cowboy slang, and that's all anyone has been able to establish about it."

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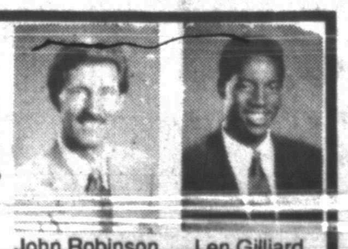

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Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

How to correct chronic constipation

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have been plagued with chronic constipation for the last few years. This seems to happen every time I go on a diet (even those run by a nutritionist). After trying to increase fiber and liquids unsuccessfully, a local health food store recommended my taking a mega-mineral tablet including 500 mg of magnesium and 1,000 mg of calcium. This is the only thing that has helped, yet I am concerned that this can be as habit-forming as taking Milk of Magnesia over a long period of time.

DEAR READER: Alas, you're correct. It's the magnesium in the mega-mineral tablets that stimulates evacuation, much as the Milk of Magnesia does. This substance can, when used for long periods, become habit-forming: The bowel may not function properly without it.

Remember that much constipation is caused by medications of all sorts. In such instances, reducing the dose or changing medicines may solve the problem. Remember also that constipation is associated with a sedentary lifestyle and certain diseases, such as an underactive thyroid gland.

You should bring your symptoms to your doctor's attention. He may wish to obtain blood tests and intestinal X-rays to diagnose your condition — or he may simply urge you to exercise more.

In the meantime, try drinking a daily 8-ounce glass of hot prune juice. This old-fashioned, safe and inexpensive antidote may relieve your constipation.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Constipation and Diarrhea." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 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: I have a discolored big toe on my right foot. I was told by a podiatrist that it is a fungus and the cure is worse than the disease. The nail is raised on top, and I can no longer even wear all my shoes. Is there a topical cream I can use?

DEAR READER: No, there isn't. The best treatment for severe, chronic toenail fungus infection is to remove as much of the nail as possible — especially the white, soapy residue under it — and then apply liquid anti-fungus medication, such as liquid Fungi-Nail (over-the-counter) or Lotrimin cream (by prescription).

Also, the use of an herbal tea (La Pacho) is reported to cure toenail fungus. The tea, available at health food stores, is prepared in the usual way. The foot is soaked in the brew, until it cools, twice a day.

In your situation, the cure is not worse than the disease, although months of therapy may be required. Ask your podiatrist to proceed.

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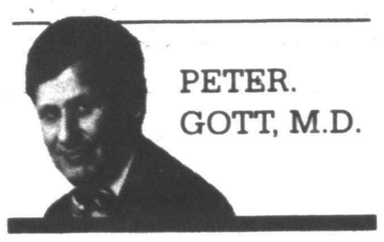

PETER. GOTT, M.D.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Wednesday, Dec. 8, 1993

In the year ahead there are strong indications you might develop several new conduits for generating income. What makes it so admirable is that each may be your own creation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You are still in a favorable cycle for the fulfillment of your hopes and expectations. The secret to your success lies in your ability to translate into practicality that for which you're wishing. Sagittarius treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $1.25 and a long, self-addressed stamped, envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Conditions are presently developing in a manner that could enable you to fulfill a secret ambition you've been harboring. Give it priority today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Regard life philosophically today and don't anticipate negative results before you've given things a chance to work out. A positive attitude enhances possibilities for success.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Sometimes it's unwise to make changes or adjustments in plans which are already in progress. Today, however, you might be able to improve your lot by doing so.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you have to make a choice today between experimenting with new methods or procedures or sticking with traditional ones that have proven themselves, hang onto the latter.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be alert for a shift in conditions today where your work or career is concerned. If you're caught off guard you might miss a window of opportunity that will have a brief existence.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Someone who knows how to make a good presentation might offer some suggestions today that sound nifty, yet are impractical. Don't be taken in.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You might feel like an underachiever today if you don't push yourself to your outer boundaries. Be productive and industrious, but don't take on more than you can manage.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today you might visualize yourself in the instructor's role, only to discover the person you're attempting to teach actually knows more about the subject than you do. Be a student, not a snob.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Possibilities for personal gain look rather strong today, provided you have a solid game plan and aren't depending too aheavily on chance to fill in the bare spots.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You might be a bit more daring than your contemporaries today and this is okay, provide you use good judgment and shift out impulses that are too erratic.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Opportunities of a financial nature may be available to you today, but not necessarily to your contemporaries. If you're participating in something privileged, keep it to yourself.

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Flight attendants ask for fed investigation

DALLAS (AP) — The flight attendants' union at American Airlines is asking the Department of Labor to investigate what it calls harassment and discrimination against members who waged a strike against the airline.

Association of Professional Flight Attendants president Denise Hedges requested the probe Monday in a letter to Labor Secretary Robert Reich.

"We see a continued pattern of harassment against our members that began before the strike and continues to this day," Ms. Hedges wrote.

She complained that more than 70 union members were withheld from service with pay while the company investigated allegations over strike-related activities, many of which she said were "trivial." More than two dozen flight attendants remained out of service, Ms. Hedges said.

"We believe this unjustified action is designed solely to intimidate our members who exercised their legal right to strike," she said. "Management is trying to send the not-so-subtle message that our members will have to 'pay' for the action they lawfully took against the company."

American spokesman Tim Kincaid called the allegations "sheer lunacy."

"We've said all along we won't tolerate harassment, and to that end we have to investigate any charges or complaints from our employees, and that's just what we're doing," he said.

Kincaid said the airline has discharged six flight attendants and returned others to service during the investigations, but he could not give an exact number of those withheld.

Officials at the Labor Department could not immediately be reached for comment.

The union, which represents American's 21,000 flight attendants, struck on Nov. 18 after contract talks with the airline foundered over disagreements on pay, health benefits, scheduling and staffing.

American, one of the country's biggest carriers, was unable to operate most of its passenger schedule during the strike, which snarled air traffic at the start of the peak Thanksgiving travel period.

The walkout ended Nov. 22 after President Clinton asked the two sides to submit to binding arbitration.

The union and the airline said Monday they still were working through the process leading to the arbitration. Spokesmen for both sides said lawsuits filed by each temporarily have been stayed pending arbitration.

DATE BOOK

Dec. 7, 1993

Today is the 341st day of 1993 and the 77th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1941, Japanese carrier-based planes made a surprise attack on the U.S. fleet at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Mary Stuart (1542-1587), Queen of Scots; Willa Cather (1873-1947), writer; Joyce Cary (1888-1957), writer; Louis Prima (1912-1978), musician; Eli Wallach (1915-), actor, is 78; Johnny Bench (1947-), baseball great, is 46; Larry Bird (1956-), basketball great, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1963, the instant replay was used for the first time, during the CBS broadcast of the Army-Navy game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "There are only two or three human stories, and they go on repeating themselves as fiercely as if they had never happened before." — Willa Cather

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1886, heavy snow fell on parts of the South and southern Appalachians. It was the greatest snow on record for Montgomery, Ala.

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TODAY'S MOON: Day after last quarter (Dec. 6).

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Pro Football Hall of Famer Art Donovan's father, Art, Sr., was a famous boxing referee.

San Antonio breaks record for second straight year

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Despite efforts to curb the killing, San Antonio already has surpassed its 1992 record homicide total.

Other large Texas cities, except Dallas and Fort Worth, also appear to be on course to match or exceed the number of homicides recorded last year.

"There's a lot of people out there with handguns, a lot of people out there with very powerful weapons," said San Antonio police Capt. Gilbert Sandoval.

The shooting death of Manuel Duran Jr., 24, Monday morning at an auto repair shop pushed the number of homicides in San Antonio this year to 221, an all-time high, topping last year's record 220.

There had been 205 killings in the city at this point last year.

"San Antonio is trying to do the best it can in terms of trying to stop the homicide rate," Sandoval said.

But even with more homicide detectives and a new team-oriented approach to solving cases, Sandoval said, killings have increased. Contributing to the grim statistic, he said, were increases in homicides linked to family and neighborhood disturbances, gang violence, drive-by shootings, drug violations and liquor-related violence.

"Fifty percent of the people involved in homicides are people who have had some kind of police record or some kind of police contact," he added.

In Houston, 468 people had been slain this year as of Friday. That is the same number of homicides as of Dec. 3 last year, the Houston Police Department reported.

In Austin, there had been 34 homicides for the year by Monday, one more than last year's 33 on that date. El Paso, with 51 homicides by Monday, also had one more slaying than at the same point last year.

Amarillo, with 17 homicides by Monday, had matched its 1992 total. Lubbock, with 13 killings, was at the same point it was this time last year.

But Dallas and Fort Worth were faring better than in past years.

Fort Worth's homicide total was at 125 for the year as of Monday, down from 142 at the same point last year.

Dallas had recorded 319 homicides for the year by Monday, down from 372 at the same point in 1992. Dallas had 391 in all of 1992, and that was down from 492 in 1991, said Detective Chris Gilliam.

It is difficult to predict the effect on homicides of the new Brady gun control law, which requires a waiting period before handgun purchases, said Sandoval in San Antonio.

"There's obviously a buying frenzy out there to beat the deadline (of the law taking effect)," he said. "On the other hand ... it gives the police a chance to do a background check on these people."

Nugent, Earley exchange barbs as campaign begins

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Railroad Commission Chairman James E. "Jim" Nugent and state Rep. Robert Earley exchanged barbs after Earley announced his candidacy for Nugent's seat.

Earley, a 10-year legislator from Portland, will face Nugent, 71, in the state Democratic Party primary on March 8.

Earley, 33, said Nugent was costing Texas jobs because "he has been the water boy for a tiny but powerful handful of giant freight companies" that have made in-state shipping more expensive than out-of-state rates.

He said the rates are causing businesses to locate out-of-state just across the Texas border.

Earley, chairman of the state House Energy Resources Committee, also said Nugent had been in politics too long, and had developed a mean streak that excludes some businesses from being able to work with the commission.

"Standing up and telling everybody ... you're the meanest man in Texas, that's not bringing jobs," said Earley.

Earley added: "When you're grandchildren are of voting age, it might be a time to retire."

"I think he wants a real personalized campaign," Nugent said.

"I hope I don't have to apologize for being older, wiser and experienced and I would hope he wouldn't have to apologize for being young and inexperienced," he said.

Nugent has served on the Railroad Commission for 14 years, and before that 18 years in the state House.

He said that in general in-state rates are less expensive than out-of-state rates.

Nugent added that those who believe the rates are unfair can appeal decisions made by the commission in court. "We wind up winning 98 percent of our lawsuits," he said.

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