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Lowest since '74...

Deficit drops to $22.6 billion

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal budget deficit has dropped to $22.6 billion, the lowest it's been since 1974 and smaller than even the White House had expected, administration officials said today.

The sharp decline gave President Clinton something to boast about in a speech to the Democratic Leadership Council.

Administration officials credited the drop to strong economic growth and a resulting increase in tax revenue.

The deficit was reduced even before the White House and Congress reached a balanced-budget agreement during the summer, but the final figure was even lower than Clinton administration officials had predicted.

The new figure, covering the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30, was based on the Treasury Department's final calculations of government spending and tax receipts.

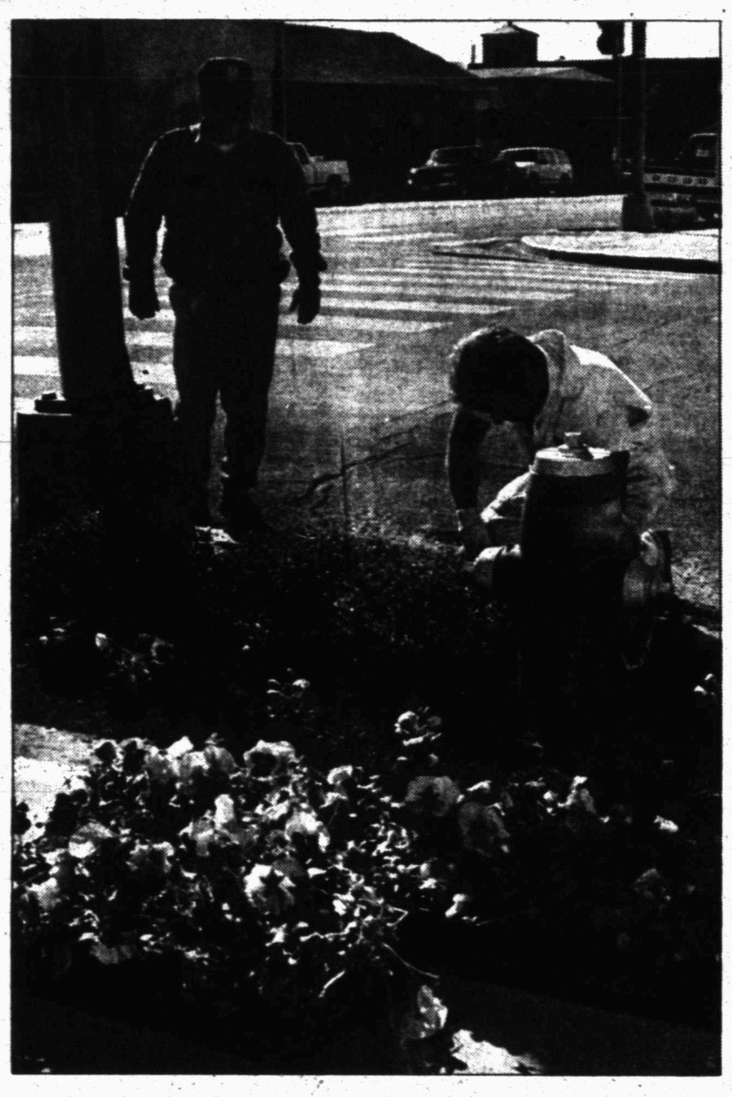
The gap is the lowest since 1974, when it was $6.1 billion. The deficit is now equal to 0.3 percent of the nation's economic output, the lowest since 1970, the year after the government recorded its last budget surplus.

The deficit, which hit a record of $290.4 billion in 1992, has been declining since that time, helped out by an improving economy and the tax increases and spending cuts pushed through Congress by Clinton in 1993.

The U.S. deficit is now lower than any other major industrialized country and has declined to a point in relationship to the overall economy that is viewed as insignificant by many economists.

Administration officials warned that tax cuts would likely cause the deficit to increase next year. Economists said painful fiscal measures — including the tax increases passed in 1990 during the Bush administration and those approved in 1993 under Clinton — were responsible for some of this year's drop.

They attributed it mostly to economic growth. The administration had started the fiscal year expecting a deficit of $128 billion.



SNYDER BEAUTIFICATION — Price Daniel Unit's off-site work crew took advantage of a pretty day Friday as it planted pansies and shrubbery on the square. Correctional officer Ed Harrelson watches as Paul Nodler brightens up one corner. It was pansy weather this morning as the area received its first widespread frost of the fall. The temperature fell to 29 degrees. (SDN Staff Photo)

WTC delays action on firm's proposal for capital campaign

Western Texas College Scholarship Foundation board members heard recommendations concerning a capital campaign to raise money for scholarships this morning, but delayed action until January.

Harry Pettus, of Cargill Associates, recommended a capital campaign of $800,000 and a challenge goal of $1 million.

Cargill Associates is a Fort Worth-based corporation with extensive experience in community college fund-raising.

Pettus told the foundation board that 65 percent of his company's efforts go toward campaigns with community colleges.

"As the community colleges lose state-generated funds, it is more important than ever for these type campaigns," he said.

He suggested a 20-month campaign with a cost to the college of $98,000.

Among other recommendations Pettus made was for the college to hire a director of development to provide on-site administration of the campaign if the scholarship foundation and WTC's college board decides to implement the program.

WTC President Dr. Harry Krenek suggested that the board forego any action until the information Pettus gave can be reviewed.

"We need to decide whether we want to proceed," said Krenek.

Board chairman Bill Wilson Jr. said the board needs to look at a campaign and decide if it is something the college can do itself.

Krenek said a combination grant writer and development officer might be a way to proceed.

"For that kind of money, I think we can come up with someone who is dedicated to the task and have a more-or-less in-house program," said Wilson. "I feel we might have better luck with a program of our own."

Krenek told the board that a better view of a campaign might be after the college's self-study program scheduled next month.

"The WTC board meets in January and will see the results of the survey," said Krenek. "After that meeting, we might have a better knowledge of any resources

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Trial resumes in 132nd Court

A seven-man, five-woman jury began hearing testimony this morning in 132nd District Court in the case of a man charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

District Attorney Dana Cooley was presenting the state's case against 23-year-old Derrick Dwayne Birmingham, who allegedly shot a bystander during an argument on May 31.

According to police reports, the shooting took place shortly after 1 a.m. at 1201 29th Street.

The injured party, Sandra Jackson, is expected to testify. She suffered a wound to the lower back when a .380 caliber pistol discharged during the argument between Birmingham and another subject, according to police.

The jury was selected last Monday but District Judge Ernie Armstrong postponed testimony until this morning after Birmingham became ill. Birmingham later underwent surgery for acute appendicitis.

The defendant is being represented by court-appointed attorney Isaac Castro.

If convicted, Birmingham faces from two to 20 years in prison.

Blood drives set throughout the week here

Texas Blood Institute and Snyder Hospital Advisory Council are sponsoring a series of blood drives here this week.

All donors will receive a complimentary T-shirt from TBI and will be entered in a raffle to win a 21-inch color television set courtesy in part by Radio Lab of Lubbock.

The schedule of drives will be:

Tuesday — Snyder Community Drive at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center, 1701 27th Street, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Wednesday — Cogdell Memorial Hospital Drive will have the TBI mobile coach parked outside the doctor's lounge from noon to 5 p.m.

Thursday — Price Daniel Unit drive will be held in the prison's visitation room from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Friday — Western Texas College will hold a drive in the student center from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

To sign up for any of the drives, call Martha or Bill Schiebel at 573-8626 or the TBI center at 1-800-333-6920.

Local businesses have also donated coupons for free or reduced-price items.

In appreciation for blood donations, each participant will receive coupons for a DQ Sundae from Dairy Queen, a malt or milk shake from Sonic, a medium drink with the purchase of any dessert at Whataburger, a small soft drink and order of Potatoes 'Ole from Taco John's, food from McDonald's, a medium drink with any food purchase from Wal-Mart, a medium drink with a meal purchase from Long John Silver's and a $1 savings at Golden Corral.

To be given away by random drawing are seven $5 gift certificates from Rudy's, Jaramillo's, Pizza Hut, Lota' Burger and Spanish Inn; seven coupons for one six-inch or two four-inch sandwiches from Subway; 20 Whoppers from Burger King; 30 cinnamon buns from Grady's and a Sunday buffet for two at The Shack.

Every fifth donor will receive a six-pack of cola and every other donor will receive a coupon for a regular order from Gill's Fried Chicken.

Orange juice will be furnished by Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary, fruit drink by TBS and cookies by Lawrence IGA.

Donors are reminded that they are required to show identification before donating blood. Acceptable identification can be a driver's license, birth certificate or Social Security card.

Impacts 2.1 millon students...

Teacher strike shuts down classes

TORONTO (AP) — A last-gasp bid to prevent North America's biggest teacher strike failed, and union leaders ordered Ontario's 126,000 public school teachers to the picket lines today to halt classes for 2.1 million students.

Parents across Canada's most populous province scrambled to find alternative child-care arrangements and pondered options for at-home instruction.

The dispute is not over wages, but over control of education policy. The teachers are demanding that Ontario's budget-cutting Conservative government overhaul a bill that would give the government, rather than local school boards, power to regulate such things as class size, teacher preparation time and the length of the school day.

Ontario Premier Mike Harris insists the reforms are needed to halt a decline in student performance. But he has confirmed that the proposed legislation coincides with a broader effort to slash hundreds of millions of dollars from Ontario's education budget.

No previous teachers' strike in the United States or Canada has affected as many pupils. The biggest strike in New York City, the largest U.S. school district, involved 60,000 teachers in 1975 and affected 1.1 million students.

Picket lines went up by 8 a.m. at schools across the province. Some of the signs carried by teachers said, "They're our kids too."

Although the teachers unions had set today as their strike deadline five days ago, they accepted a government offer to continue negotiations over the weekend under the mediation of a former Ontario chief justice, Charles Dubin.

Late Sunday, both sides said the talks had collapsed. Education Minister Dave Johnson said no new negotiations were scheduled.

"This is definitely the most difficult announcement I have had to make in my professional life," Eileen Lennon, president of the Ontario Teachers' Federation, said after the breakdown.

"Teachers will not be in their schools tomorrow. Parents should assume that schools will be closed and plan accordingly."

The government urged principals and other non-union employees to keep the schools open so children could obtain some sort of supervised care. But many administrators were expected to honor the picket lines.

"It's furthest from my wishes that we would have an illegal strike," Johnson said. "I've asked that the teachers ensure that the children are allowed access without harassment to the schools."

In Toronto, some drivers honked their car horns today in support of picketing teachers while others, opposing the strike, shouted "Get back to work."

To many parents and students, the dispute boils down to a power struggle between a government intent on slashing education spending and teachers unions intent on preserving their clout. A group of parents in Waterloo, Ontario, has threatened a class-action lawsuit against both sides.

Gore dismisses fund-raising queries

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — Vice President Al Gore dismisses questions about fund raising in the last election, arguing that "real people" have not brought up the issue as he campaigns.

Gore also discounts suggestions that he faces problems with important Democratic interest groups because of a big dispute over trade. He also says he is confident his message is overcoming reports of investigations that are dominating the media.

"People are listening for and hearing a discussion of the issues that really matter to them — how their lives are going to be better, how their jobs are going to be more secure," Gore said in an interview with The Associated Press.

Gore, generally considered the leading contender for the 2000 Democratic presidential nomination, spent Saturday cementing his ties with activists in Iowa, where precinct caucuses mark the first test in the presidential nominating season.

During his swing, he headlined the state Democratic Party's biggest annual fund-raising event and confronted a couple of the problems that have faced his campaign in its early stages.

Former Vice President Dan Quayle, addressing a $100-a-plate fund-raiser in Manchester, N.H., Sunday night, challenged Gore to a debate on "family values."

"He can stand up for the Hollywood values and I am going to speak for the middle-class values of the American people," said Quayle, considered a likely candidate for the Republican presidential nomination.

In 1992, Quayle accused Hollywood of glorifying single parenthood. In a recent Hollywood speech, Gore cited a situation-comedy episode in which the lead character announces her homosexuality as evidence of television's ability to "open hearts and minds."

Persistent questions have come up about Gore's fund-raising practices during the 1996 campaign, but he argued he does not hear that as he talks with voters.

"What I get asked from real people are the bread-and-butter issues," said Gore. "How can we improve education? How can we keep the economy going? How can we get health care? Those are the issues people talk to me about."

He rejected suggestions that he feels frustration about making his case while the fund-raising questions swirl.

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri, viewed as Gore's strongest potential challenger for the Democratic presidential nomination, scored points with union activists by attacking the trade deals during a recent visit to Iowa.

Some party activists conceded there was tension, but noted the campaign calendar leaves lots of time for healing wounds from the dispute.

ASK US

Q—When was the last liquor election held in Snyder?

A—It was held on May 8, 1978 with 61 percent of the voters turning down liquor sales in Scurry County.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 57 degrees; low, 36; high Sunday, 57; low, 29; 7 a.m. Monday, 29; no precipitation; total for 1997, 23.20 inches.

Area Forecast: Monday, sunny, warmer. Highs 65-70. SE winds 5-15 mph. Monday night, mostly clear. Lows, 35-40. Tuesday, sunny. Highs, lower 70s.



Nolan Grady
Sunny, Warmer

Sunset: 5:59 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:56 a.m.
Of 299 days in 1997, the sun has shone, 286 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The good news is that the bad news can be turned into good news when you change your attitude.

Robert Schuller

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Republic trials may signal end to turbulent times

ALPINE, Texas (AP) — Separatist leader Richard McLaren and his chief lieutenant will be the first members of their group to go on trial for their roles in a weeklong standoff with law officers, a judge decided this morning.

McLaren and Robert Otto, who have court-appointed attorneys but are insisting on representing themselves, objected to the proceedings. They told Judge Kenneth DeHart that he has no jurisdiction over them, that the court is not operating under the Texas Constitution, and that their rights were being violated.

In addition to deciding to try McLaren and Otto as soon as a jury can be seated, DeHart also tentatively scheduled the trial for defendants Gregg Paulson and his wife, Karen, for the second week of December.

All four are charged with engaging in organized criminal activity for allegedly plotting to kidnap Joe and Margaret Rowe in the incident last spring that sparked the siege outside Fort Davis.

They face five to 99 years or life in prison and up to a $10,000 fine if convicted of the first-degree felony.

Richard Frank Keyes III, accused along with the Paulsons of carrying out the abduction, will go to trial later.

McLaren immediately began making objections before DeHart could finish his first statement.

"I seem to have some real major problems that this court does not have jurisdiction ... I consider this nothing but kidnapping," McLaren said.

The judge warned McLaren that he would be removed from the courtroom if he continued to interrupt.

Otto told DeHart, "I'm not expecting any kind of justice out of this operation whatsoever."

Both defendants told the judge they wouldn't participate in the trial.

"You can stick your two monkeys in our place. I don't care," McLaren said, referring to the court-appointed lawyers.

Meanwhile, about 200 prospective jurors arrived this morning at the Brewster County Courthouse in Alpine, nearly 30 miles north of Fort Davis.

The trial brings the hope of relief to those who suffered as McLaren waged paper war on his neighbors before actual gunplay that resulted in the weeklong standoff.

"We'd like to think we'd be rid of his shadow hovering over us," Joe Rowe said.

Authorities say Keyes and the Paulsons were retaliating for the arrest of a group member April 27 when they shot their way into the Rowes' house in the Davis Mountains Resort, a rural subdivision 175 miles southeast of El Paso.

By the time the siege ended May 3 with the group's surrender, 300 state troopers, Texas Rangers and other officers had poured into the area where McLaren had set up an "embassy" in a trailer and wooden cabin.

Republic followers believe Texas was never legally annexed by the United States and remains an independent nation.

The trial was drawing keen interest in the resort, where residents have watched closely as their one-time tormentors make their way through the legal system.

McLaren was generally viewed for years as a thorn in the community's side, making life miserable by filing liens on people's property and harassing them through lawsuits they had to waste time and money to fight.

The locals called it paper terrorism.

Resort residents later came to consider McLaren an outright threat as he helped launch the statewide Republic movement and surrounded himself with armed supporters, his so-called embassy forces.

Author discusses selling movie rights

AUSTIN (AP) — Your book is going to be turned into a film. Dream come true, nightmare or something in between?

"Selling your work is selling your baby," says author Mary Willis Walker, whose "Under the Beetle's Cellar" was purchased by ABC.

"I think it's really difficult to let go for me, and mere money can't compensate for it."

People who attend the second annual Texas Book Festival this weekend can hear a discussion of the book-to-movie process by Ms. Walker; Janice Woods Windle, whose "True Women" was a CBS miniseries; and Doug Richardson, a screenwriter who just had his first novel published.

Their Sunday talk is among numerous panels on topics ranging from true crime to Texana to twinship to teeing off.

More than 100 authors will participate in panels or give readings during the Saturday and Sunday festival based at the Texas Capitol. Honorary chairman is Laura Bush, a former librarian and the state's first lady.

There will be a literary street fair, book signings, a children's tent with visits from storybook characters, entertainers and special exhibits including the Gutenberg Bible. Except for a Saturday night black-tie gala, all the events are free.

After expenses are covered, proceeds from the gala and from book and merchandise sales go to benefit public libraries. Last year's festival raised $127,000.

As Ms. Walker prepares to participate in her panel, the process of transforming her book into a movie still is ongoing. She said the screenwriter is allowing her to have input, even though it's not contractually required. An air date hasn't been set

She and Mrs. Windle noted the restructuring that's needed to transform a book into screenplay.

"Of necessity, it has to eliminate subplots and there has to be lots of condensing of things and still it has to make sense," Ms. Wood said. She said the TV movie format requires seven acts, each ending with a cliffhanger.

Mrs. Windle also learned some tricks of the trade: Because so many of her characters had names starting with "M," a couple of minor characters were rechristened so viewers could keep up — even if they took a refrigerator break.

She also was allowed to review the screenplay before shooting started, and she and her husband were invited to be on the set during filming. Mrs. Windle said she was able to make suggestions to preserve the film's authenticity.

"For instance, women didn't use the word 'slaves.' That was a vulgarism they would not have used, and it was also too painful," she said. "One of the things 'True Women' showed was the women were also enslaved within the confines of their restrictions in society ...

"They would say 'my folks, my people' (to refer to slaves). It showed a kinship, yet it was very patronizing. There were things like that I was keenly interested in seeing they were done right because it would add to the authenticity."

Mrs. Windle said bringing "True Women" to television "broke every stereotype I held about Hollywood."

"I had a preconceived notion that the people would be difficult, perfectionist types," she said. "What I found them to be was highly professional and really hardworking."

Mrs. Windle said when people tell her they liked the book or film better, "I'm always reminded that it's completely different art forms.

"You have a canvas and you paint on it, and a sculptor comes along and admires your theme and idea and says, 'I'm going to interpret it in sculpture.'"

The festival is sponsored by NationsBank of Texas, with additional support from AT&T; promotional sponsorship by the Austin American-Statesman, KGSR radio and Texas Monthly magazine; and contributions by other companies and groups.

(More information about the book festival is available by computer at http://link.tsl.state.tx.us/bookfest or by telephone at 512 477-4055).

Twister that struck Jarrell in May didn't fit a pattern

AUSTIN (AP) — A scientist studying the tornado that devastated Jarrell last May says the twister had several unusual aspects that contributed to its deadliness.

The May 27 storm killed 27 people in the central Texas town, leaving nothing behind of several homes but their concrete foundations.

Baylor University meteorology professor Don Greene spent six days studying the tornado's path. It was his first opportunity to investigate an F5, the rarest and most powerful of tornadoes.

He plans to present his findings to the Texas Academy of Sciences at a meeting next spring.

Only one in 200 tornadoes is powerful enough to be classified as F5, with winds blowing at least 261 mph — strong enough to carry away sturdy frame houses, turn cars into missiles and suck trees out of the ground.

Greene discovered other oddities:

— For such a powerful tornado, the Jarrell twister didn't travel far — about five miles.

"When an F5 does form, the (thunderstorm) is usually so large that the tornado will be long-lasting, covering 50 miles or better," Greene said.

— The tornado took 11 to 18 minutes to travel one mile through the Jarrell neighborhood, a remarkably slow speed.

"The average speed of a tornado is 30 mph, and sometimes they'll go 60 mph or better. But this one, you're only talking about going 4 mph," Greene said.

— The tornado traveled southwest — the opposite direction of the vast majority of U.S. tornadoes, which typically travel northeast.

"Because this one was going 180 degrees in the wrong direction, that could explain why it had such a slow velocity," Greene said, adding that the southwest-bound storm had to fight against upper-level winds moving east.

'I Know What You Did' remains first in theatres

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The teen-scream movie "I Know What You Did Last Summer" held on to the No. 1 spot at the box office during the weekend, while "Boogie Nights" stole the show in limited release, industry analysts said Sunday.

The movie about the pornography industry came in at No. 12 with an estimated $1.9 million in receipts, but its $15,323 per-location average was nearly three times the $5,190 average for the weekend's top movie.

"Boogie Nights," starring Mark Wahlberg and Burt Reynolds, opens in wide release next weekend.

Overall, the box-office take remained higher than the same weekend last October despite a snow storm that shut down much of the western Plains.

"Business continues to be upbeat," noted John Krier of Exhibitor Relations, which tracks movie grosses.

While ticket sales for most movies dropped off only slightly, the three new films in the top 10, released nationally but not extremely wide, garnered only fair business.

The new films were "Gattaca," the genetic thriller starring Ethan Hawke and Uma Thurman, which earned $4.4 million for fifth place; the period children's film "Fairy Tale: A True Story," which came in at No. 6 with $3.4 million, and "A Life Less Ordinary," a black comedy starring Cameron Diaz which pulled in $2.1 million for ninth place.

The weekend was good for Sony, which had three films in the top five, including the No. 1 movie — a thriller about four teen-agers who are stalked after trying to cover up a hit-and-run accident. "I Know What You Did Last Summer" earned an estimated $13.1 million in its second weekend.

Sony also had the No. 4 film, "Seven Years in Tibet," with $4.8 million and the No. 5 film "Gattaca."

"Devil's Advocate" was second with $10.3 million, followed by "Kiss the Girls," which earned $5.2 million.

The comedy "Bean," released in Canada only, continued to do solid business, earning $1.6 million overall and $6,500 per location.

The final weekend box office figures were to be released Monday.

Here are estimates for Friday through Sunday for movies released in North America:

1. "I Know What You Did Last Summer," $13.1 million.
2. "Devil's Advocate," $10.3 million.
3. "Kiss the Girls," $5.2 million.
4. "Seven Years in Tibet," $4.8 million.
5. "Gattaca," $4.4 million.
6. "Fairy Tale: A True Story," $3.4 million.
7. "In & Out," $2.86 million.
8. "Soul Food," $2.2 million.
9. "A Life Less Ordinary," $2.1 million.
10. "L.A. Confidential," $2 million.

Big prize does not turn lottery around

AUSTIN (AP) — Excitement about last week's $55 million jackpot failed to reverse a seven-week decline in lottery receipts.

Through Thursday, ticket sales for this week were only $37 million, a figure that could mean the slowest week since $48.8 million worth of tickets were sold in April 1995.

Last week's lotto fever outbreak produced $91.3 million in sales for all games, including those unrelated to the big prize.

But that was millions less than the spending before previous megaprizes.

In the week before May 17, when the jackpot hit $50 million, the Texas Lottery sold $103 million in tickets. A $45 million prize March 29 drew $95 million in sales.

"Any time we have a decrease in sales it's a cause for concern," said Linda Cloud, the lottery's deputy executive director.

Lottery sales must average $77 million a week to meet state budget projections. Last week's $91.3 million in sales marked the first time that target was reached since the budget year began Sept. 1.

The week ending Oct. 11, with a $27 million jackpot and $68.1 million in sales, was the second-best in the period.

The near-consistent weekly shortfall has kept the total for the first seven weeks of the budget year at only $468.8 million, $70 million short of projections.

The Texas Lottery Commission will conduct a staff analysis of the sales slump when it meets Wednesday and will hear from lottery operator GTECH.

"We are extremely concerned about the recent decline in sales," said company spokesman Marc Palazzo, adding that GTECH will be ready with options to boost sales.

Cloud said sliding instant ticket sales brought down overall receipts during a big-jackpot week.

Instant ticket sales totaled $36.4 million last week, down 3.6 percent from the previous week. It was also the lowest since December 1995.

Some lottery officials have attributed the slump in part to legislative mandates cutting prize payouts and reducing the advertising budget.

Date Book

Nov. 3, 1997

Today is the 307th day of 1997 and the 44th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1507, Leonardo da Vinci was commissioned to paint the "Mona Lisa."

On this day in 1796, John Adams was elected the second president of the United States.

On this day in 1975, "Good Morning, America" premiered on ABC-TV.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Stephen Austin (1793-1836), Texas hero; William Cullen Bryant (1794-1878), poet; Bronko Nagurski (1908-1990), football star; Bob Feller (1918-), baseball great, is 79; Charles Bronson (1922-), actor, is 75; Michael Dukakis (1933-), politician, is 64; Tom Shales (1948-), television critic, is 49; Roseanne Barr (1952-), actress, is 45.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1973, Roy Bentley set an endurance record by running 161 miles in one day in Surrey, England.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Truth, crushed to earth, shall rise again." — William Cullen Bryant

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1984, lightning hit a radio antenna on a house in Tacoma, Wash., and blew a hole in one of its walls.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Oct. 31) and first quarter (Nov. 7).

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Oil Patch News

Mitchell County

Pioneer Natural will drill the No. 51 W.W. Watson in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Planned for a depth of 3,400 feet, location is in Section 20, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Pioneer will drill the No. 437 Mary Foster in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Also planned for a depth of 3,400 feet, drill site is in Section 18, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Pioneer will drill the No. 51 W.W. Watson in the Iatan East Howard field, nine miles southwest of Westbrook. Planned for a depth of 3,400 feet, location is in Section 19, Block 29, T1S, T&P survey.

Garza County

Patterson Petroleum Inc. has completed the No. 5 John in the Happy field, 15 miles south of Post. The well was finaled to produce 128 barrels of oil and no water. Perforations were from 4,938-994 feet, and location is in Section 29, Block 2, T&NO survey.

Borden County

Sharp Image Energy will drill the No. 1-N Gail, a 9,000-foot wildcat located six miles northeast of Gail. Location is in Section 4, Block 30, T5N, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Pecos Valley Management Co. has completed the No. 5 Monroe in the Lake Trammel south field, 10 miles south of Roscoe. The well was finaled to produce 113 barrels of 42 gravity oil and no water. Perforations were from 5,299-393 feet, and location is in Section 32, Block X, T&P survey.

Berry's World



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Texans trek to Philadelphia for march

DALLAS (AP) — Furiously snapping pictures of the thousands of black women around her, Dallas resident Sadiyah Muhammad marveled at the making of history at the Million Women March in Philadelphia.

Ms. Muhammad and hundreds of thousands of black women converged on the city for Saturday's march, the first gathering of its kind celebrating the sisterhood of African descendants.

"The men made their statement," said Ms. Muhammad, a caseworker for the Dallas County mental health department. "Now it's time for women to come together and bring about change because society is not working."

Organizers of the event said they had more than two million participants at the march, which featured remarks from South African activist Winnie Madikizela-Mandela, U.S. Rep. Maxine Waters, D-Calif., rap artist Sister Souljah and Dorothy Height, president of the National Council of Negro Women.

Police, meanwhile, would only estimate that the spirited crowd of women and men ranged from 300,000 to one million.

The day was an experience that Fort Worth resident Yolanda Winston said she will always remember.

"When we first got to the morning prayer, we were really sleepy because we didn't go to bed until after 2:30 in the morning because we were so excited," Ms. Winston, 26, said.

"We held hands, sang old spirituals and embraced one another."

Some Texans who began the trip as strangers made friends quickly.

"We autographed shirts, books, posters, and took pictures with complete strangers," said Arlington resident Ruth Jackson, 46.

At the end of the day, participants walked away energized.

"I've never been in the midst of anything like this," yelled Diane Ragsdale, calling from a telephone deep in the crowd. "This was exceptional and inspirational."

Ms. Ragsdale, a former Dallas City Council member, and more than two dozen other Dallas-area women were picked up Thursday at St. Luke "Community" United Methodist Church by a busload of women from Houston.

Saturday's two-mile trek began near the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall. Participants, including many with young children, snaked past City Hall, ornate museums and five-star hotels before ending in front of the steps made famous by the movie "Rocky."

Speeches about the plight of children and the need to strengthen families struck a chord in Marvelle Williams, a Dallas businesswoman.

She attended the rally with her own sisters who came in from New Haven, Conn., and was encouraged by the thousands of young girls who attended with their mothers and grandmothers.

"Our children are bright," Ms. Williams said. "If they can understand Nintendo and Sega, then IBM and Microsoft can help our children so they can be at the top of the 21st century."

Vote!

Snyder Daily News is presenting the following information prepared by the Free Market Foundation in order for voters to become more knowledgeable about the propositions on the Nov. 4 ballot.

Prop 7

Summary: **Allows the Water Development Board to issue all existing bond authority and give local officials control over dispensing funds into different projects.**

For: Enables the Water Development Board the ability to make long-term water plans by allocating funds to areas of greatest need. Can maximize the funds available to local government which will not increase the state's debt limit.

Against: Voters have already approved the designated bonds, by transferring all bonds from the different allocated projects; therefore it voids the voted and approved upon budget of each individual project. Designating this much control to the Water Development Board makes the board more susceptible to political pressure from special interest groups.

Prop 8

Summary: **Expand extensions of credit and reverse mortgages on homesteads at the owner's discretion.**

For: Gives home owners the decision in using their homes for collateral for secondary loans. The state is not responsible for parenting its citizens. A loan against one's homestead is considered a secured loan which is deductible for federal income tax purposes.

Against: By removing the boundaries of this amendment, many citizens may risk losing their homes through foreclosure due to deceitful or high-pressured sales tactics. Proposition 8 will contribute to a society of debt which will not produce a sound economy.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Oct. 28, 1997

Powerful desires for self-improvement and material gratification may be triggered in the year ahead. These dynamic urges will blend together effectively.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You are apt to feel very protective of people in your charge today. You may go to unusual lengths to safeguard their interests and security. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Despite your strong emotions about your beliefs today, you're not likely to be unreasonable if your concepts are challenged by others.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone you know only casually could become one of your staunchest allies soon. The relationship could go from ground zero to ten starting today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your leadership skills could be your long suit today if associates are indecisive. Your instincts might urge you to take over the situation.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A condition that has been impeding your progress might be alleviated today. Your progress will be more rapid once you're free of this restriction.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Make a concerted effort today to arrange a social function. Let the guest list include your most exciting or unusual friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today, focus your efforts and energies on things you can do to enhance your career. Try something new; remember, nothing ventured, nothing gained.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may be challenged on an issue with which you're very familiar and about which you feel strongly. Your knowledge wins out on all counts today.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Friends who feel they are victims of circumstance should look to you for inspiration today. You will know how to help others help themselves.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You should be at your best today if pressed into a corner where quick answers are required. The tougher the involvement, the better you're apt to perform.

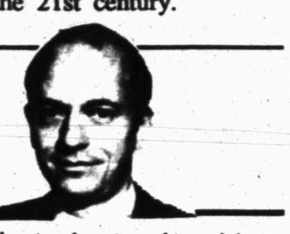
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You could be highly motivated to be the leader among your peers today. You might use some clever ploys to avoid being numbered among the ranks.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you don't take yourself or what you do too seriously today, friends and co-workers will copy your behavior instead of resisting it.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 11-03-97
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♣ Q J 10 4

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♦ K Q 10 9 4
♣ A 3 2

East
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♥ K 7 6
♦ A 8 6 3
♣ 7 6 5

South
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♣ K 9 8

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Dealer: West

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4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

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The holiday season approaches

As we move ever closer to the end of the year, it is time to mention a few products that might make good gifts for a bridge addict.

Last year, I recommended "Famous Bidding Decisions" by Terence Reese and David Bird. Now they have published (posthumously, in Reese's case) the logical sequel, "Famous Play Decisions" (Gollancz). The book contains 60 declarer-play problems taken from top national and international events. You choose from a list of suggested lines, but you must allow for the possibility that not one of the proposals are correct. The deals are difficult, but the explanations excellent.

This tester, the easiest in the book, arose during the 1980 Sunday Times International Pairs. You reach four spades. West leads the diamond king, which you ruff. Next, do you (a) play a trump to the queen, (b) run the heart jack, (c) play on clubs, or (d) follow some other line?

With this layout, playing a trump is fatal. Every time you lose a trick, the defenders will lead a diamond. You run out of trumps before taking 10 tricks.

P.P. Assumpcao, from Brazil, ran the heart jack at trick two. Back came a diamond. Declarer ruffed and drove out the club ace. Another diamond tapped South again. But Assumpcao had one last chance. He cashed the club and heart winners, luckily finding both suits splitting 3-3. Then declarer ruffed his last heart with dummy's spade queen. East could overruff, but Assumpcao had 10 tricks via six spades, two hearts and two clubs.

The book is $16 postpaid from The Bridge World, 39 West 94th Street, New York, NY 10025-7124.

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Singer speaks out on domestic abuse

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — After decades of silence, singer Linda Ronstadt revealed more about the domestic violence that once touched her life.

Ronstadt, one of several speakers at a forum held Friday night in connection with Domestic Violence Awareness Month, said the husband of a family member was abusive to his wife and her three children.

The man also slapped a teenage Ronstadt during a disagreement, but she never told — something she regrets, she said.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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

Al-Anon meeting (smoke Free), brown bag lunch; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information, call 573-1579 or 573-5525; noon to 1 p.m.

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

TUESDAY

American Cancer Society; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 5 p.m.

Dialogue, cancer support group board of CMH; 7 to 8 p.m.

Scurry County Genealogical Society; Scurry County Library; "Maternal Great-grandfather Night," program; visitors are urged to come and bring their great-grandfather information to share in discussion; 7 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-9458, 573-8626 or 573-8929; 8 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag. Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 6:30 p.m.

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

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

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd. Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

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

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

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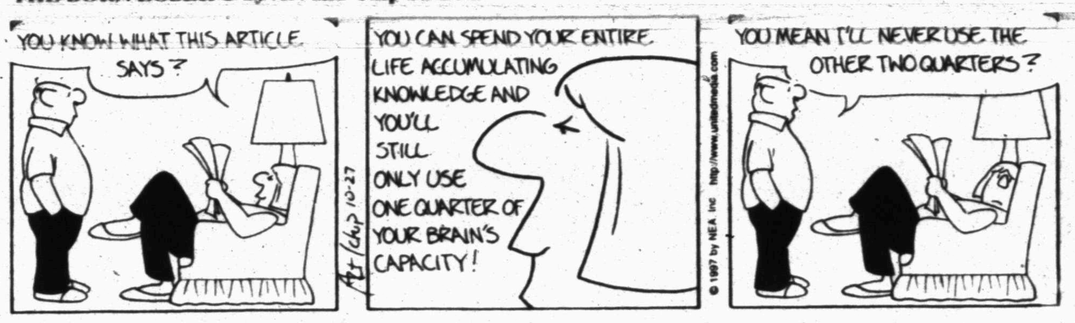
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8 Motion picture
12 Oriental sash
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16 Making designs on (skin)
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20 Annapolis grad
21 Indigo dye
23 Arizona college town
27 Leavening agent
30 Grayish-red (2 wds.)
32 Eye layer
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35 Spanish hero El —
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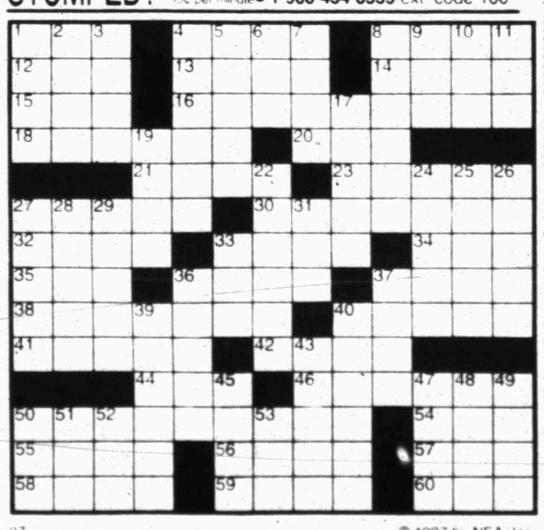
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17 Mutiny — — Bounty
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22 Food-storage area
24 Tooth
25 Religious poem
26 Scary .
27 Desert plant
28 Bad things
29 Mosquito genus
31 Take to court
33 U.S. soldiers
36 Got into the poker game
37 Castle ditch
39 Make fizzy
40 Bank employee
43 Cut in two
45 Non-profit org.
47 Hula —
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49 Flying prefix
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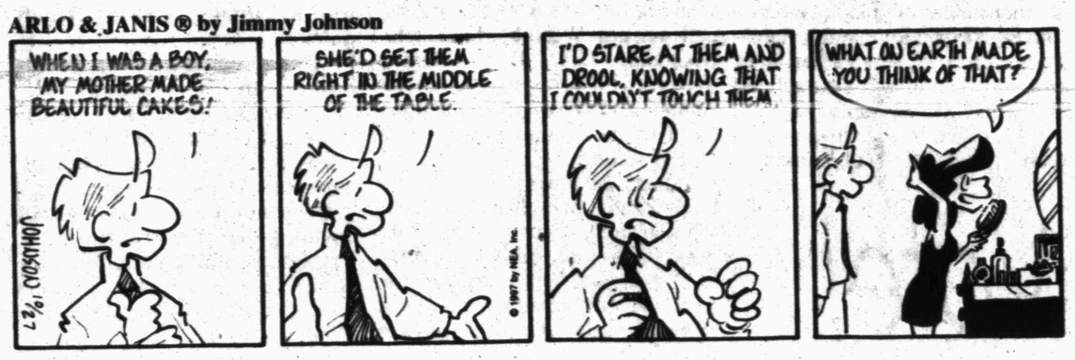


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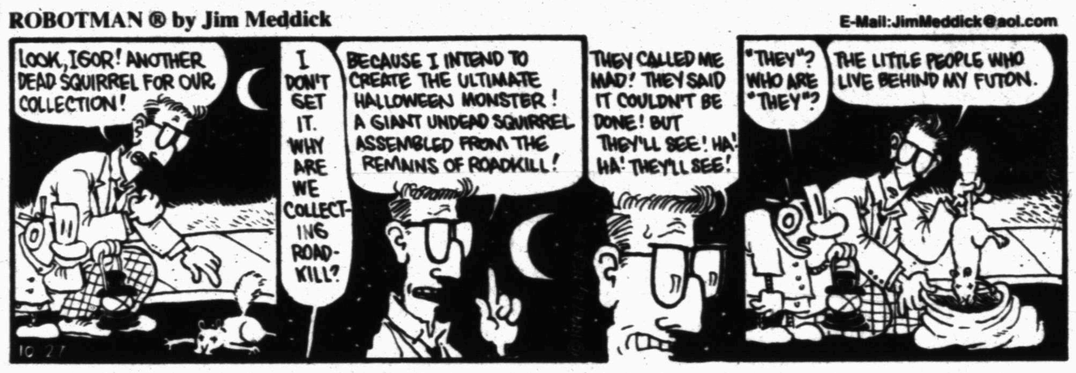


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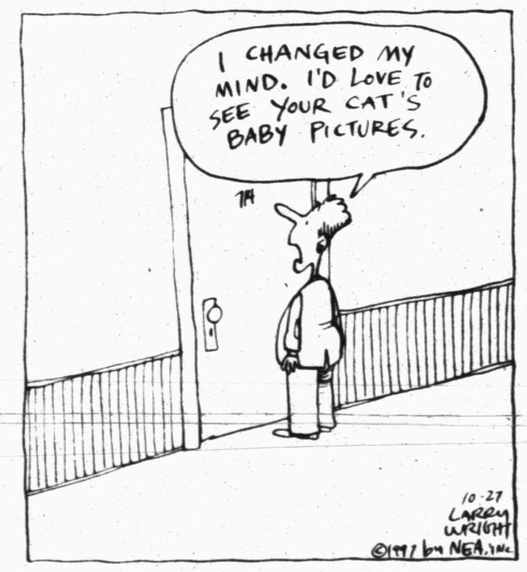
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SPORTS

Lady Tigers advance, await next opponent

The Lady Tigers are sure of one thing — they are advancing as the district's No. 2 team. They're just not sure who's going with them or who they're next opponent is.

By virtue of its 15-3, 15-3 victory over Plainview on Saturday, Snyder wrapped up second place in District 2-4A.

"The girls are playing good volleyball right now," Snyder coach Patty Grimmett said. "This was a good win for us, because now we know we get to play the third place team out of District 1."

What the Lady Tigers don't know is who that third place team will be.

Hereford, Dumas and Canyon Randall are all tied for District 1-4A's top spot. The three teams will play tonight and Tuesday to decide the rankings.

Also advancing from Snyder's district will be first place Lamesa. But behind the Tors and Lady Tigers is a three-way tie for the final playoff spot.

Estacado will face Frenship tonight, with the winner meeting Levelland on Tuesday. The winner of Tuesday's match will advance as the No. 3 team from District 2-4A.

For the Lady Tigers on Saturday, Traci Eicke led the way from the service line, while Halea Huestis had a strong outing along the net.

Eicke finished with eight points, as Huestis registered seven kills.

Snyder finished district competition with a 7-3 mark and will play the third place team from District 1-4A on either Friday or Saturday.

Snyder def. Plainview 15-3, 15-3
Snyder service pints: Traci Eicke, 8; Amanda Huff, 6; Lila King, 4; Bradi Johnson and Michelle Lewallen, 3; Felsha Biggers and Amy Ricks, 2; Halea Huestis and Keila Helms, 1. **Kills:** Huestis, 7; Helms, 3; Huff, 2; Johnson, Ricks, Darci Purcell, Alicia Peoples and Leslie Daniell, 1. **Blocks:** Peoples, 1.

2-4A Volleyball

Team	W	L
Lamesa	8	2
Snyder	7	3
Levelland	5	5
Estacado	5	5
Frenship	5	5
Plainview	0	10

Saturday's results: Snyder def. Plainview 15-3, 15-3; Frenship def. Lamesa 16-18, 18-16, 16-14; Estacado def. Levelland 15-7, 17-15.

Dallas can't find endzone, surrenders late TD in loss

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — As Emmitt Smith says, the Dallas Cowboys might have the NFL's best offense between the 20-yard lines.

The final 20 yards to paydirt, however, keeps killing them.

The problem that has dogged Dallas since last season — scoring touchdowns from inside the red zone — continued Sunday in a 13-12 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles.

Most notably, the Cowboys shifted into reverse on their last drive through a series of penalties and execution errors, turning a first-and-goal from the Eagles' 4 into a 43-yard field goal.

Philadelphia responded with a 74-yard drive and the game's only touchdown — Rodney Peete's 8-yard touchdown pass to rookie Chad Lewis with 45 seconds left — as the Eagles handed the league's most prolific field-goal machine its fourth defeat.

"I don't know if it's become a mental block or not," Smith said of Dallas' struggles inside the 20.

"For some reason we're still having situations down there that are keeping us out of the end zone, whether or not it be a penalty or a missed assignment. And, that's one thing we definitely got to concentrate on a little bit harder."

"We actually beat ourselves. We didn't execute when it counted."

Dallas played most of the game without quarterback Troy Aikman, who left in the first quarter with a concussion. The offensive results were about the same with backup Wade Wilson.

"It's the same story we've had all season long," Wilson said. "We got down in there and had to come away with field goals."

"It's hard to go from first and goal at the 3 to kicking a 43-yard field goal, but those are things we've been dealing with all season and we did it again today."

Head coach Barry Switzer was livid about several aspects of his team's play.

"The reason we lost the ball game was because we couldn't tackle the damn backs," Switzer said. "We couldn't line up right, and we made damn mistakes. That's why we lost the ball game."

With backup Ty Detmer warming up on the sideline, Peete directed the scoring drive that moved Philadelphia back into the pack of NFC East contenders.

The Eagles, Cowboys and Washington Redskins are all 4-4, 1½ games behind the first-place New York Giants (6-3). Dallas has lost to each of its divisional rivals.

"Coming back from 2-4 to get to this point with eight games to go puts us in pretty good shape," Peete said. "This is two weeks in a row where we've come back and scored points when we had to, and that gives you the feeling that, no matter what the situation is, you can win."

Peete played poorly in his first start of the season last week against Arizona, but he led the Eagles to a tying field goal late in the fourth quarter and the game-winner in overtime.

On Sunday, he helped the Eagles avenge their painful 21-20 loss at Dallas earlier this season. Philadelphia lost that game when it botched the snap on a chip-shot field goal on the final play.

"He finds a way to win," coach Ray Rhodes said of Peete, who finished 13-for-31 for 126 yards. "He comes up with big plays when it's time to make big plays and that's what counts in this business."

Aikman wasn't around at the finish because he was knocked out of the game by a first-quarter sack.

After going helmet-to-helmet with former Cowboy Jimmie Jones, Aikman left with a mild concussion and a neck strain, although he said he could have returned.

"I felt I could have gone back in in the second half," said Aikman, who added that doctors wouldn't let him re-enter the game. "I have every intention of playing next week."

Wilson finished 11-for-16 for 108 yards in relief of Aikman. Smith ran for 126 yards on 25 carries.

While Peete and the Eagles' offense was stymied most of the game, the Philadelphia defense was holding the Cowboys to four field goals by Richie Cunningham.

Credit the Eagles defense for some of that. They recorded six sacks, the most against Dallas this season, and limited the Cowboy offense to 244 yards, their second lowest total of the year.

"They lost Troy Aikman (but) that's football," said Rhett Hall, who led Philadelphia with 3½ sacks. "I will not let that damper the way we feel about this victory."

Lowrance leads Lady Raiders to school record

PALO ALTO, Calif. — Snyder's Brooke Lowrance fired a two-under par 71 on Sunday, leading the Texas Tech women's golf team to a sixth-place finish at the Stanford Women's Intercollegiate golf tournament.

Lowrance, a junior, finished tied for seventh in the individual standings with a three-round total of 219.

The Lady Raiders' score of 896 broke the all-time school record.

Host Stanford (865) won the title by 13 shots over second place Arizona State (878). Big 12 teams Texas A&M and Oklahoma State finished ninth and 10th respectively.

"What a great week this was," Tech coach Jeff Mitchell said. "We beat four top 25 teams in the tournament and set a record in the process."

Marlins capture Series' crown

MIAMI (AP) — This is what baseball is all about.

Coming oh so close and falling oh so far.

The exuberance of youth fulfilling dreams.

A curse seemingly dooming one of baseball's oldest teams to unending failure.

It was one of the great ones Sunday, a seventh game of the World Series going to extra innings for only the fourth time. And in the end, eight months after the season's start, baseball had its youngest champion — a Cuban defector who relished in rewards and reunion all at once, and a team that just couldn't believe what slipped through its hands.

"I guess every little boy imagines this might happen at one time. It's a total fantasy for me," Marlins manager Jim Leyland said after Florida's incredible 3-2, 11-inning victory over Cleveland.

A fantasy for one team was a nightmare for another.

Two more outs. That was all Cleveland needed in the ninth inning to wrap up its first World Series title since 1948.

But singles by Moises Alou and Charles Johnson, and Craig Counsell's sacrifice fly tied the score against Jose Mesa in the ninth. And Tony Fernandez's error in the 11th set up a Edgar Renteria's game-winning hit off Charles Nagy.

In just their fifth season, the Marlins had won it all, the fastest title ever for any franchise in the majors. The $89 million they spent on free agents last winter showed money can buy success in baseball these days.

"I'm very disappointed that we lost. I can't describe how disappointed," Indians manager Mike Hargrove said on his unhappy 48th birthday. "I don't really know what to tell the team, other than they played hard all year long."

Only once had baseball's season been stretched this far, in 1924; when the Washington Senators beat the New York Giants in the 12th inning of Game 7. The tension in extra innings was immeasurable. Players knew even the tiniest mistake could blow it apart — just look at the way Cleveland right fielder Manny Ramirez nearly let Alou's two-out, two-on fly in the 10th pop out of his glove.

"I was too nervous to watch," Florida first baseman Jeff Conine said. "I don't think you can find a better finish than that."

The World Series had been bashed for 10 days: The Marlins were a wild-card team than finished nine games out of first; the Indians, at 86-75, had just the fourth-best record in the American League; neither team could manage a well-pitched game; television ratings were at an all-time low.

Well, all of that was true. Yet none of it mattered Sunday night.

Players and fans spend their entire lives hoping for night like this. Most never make it.

"We haven't given up all year," Leyland said, "and tonight wasn't a night to give up."

Fernandez had the biggest turnaround of all. His two-run single off Al Leiter had put Cleveland ahead in the third. Jim Thome walked, Marquis Grissom singled and Jaret Wright moved the runners over.

For most of the night, it appeared Wright would become the first rookie to win Game 7 since Babe Adams led Pittsburgh over Detroit 8-0 with a six-hitter in 1909.

He gave up two hits in 6 1-3 innings. One of them turned out to be critical — a leadoff homer by Bobby Bonilla in the seventh. Because of what happened in the ninth, none of what Wright did mattered.

"My performance is separate," Wright said. "It's a team. We go out there together. Next year, there'll be a fire to go out there and celebrate like the Marlins did tonight. All you can do now is wait."

Hargrove, like he has through the postseason, used a bunch of pitchers to get to the ninth, trying to get to Mesa with a lead. Paul Assenmacher, Mike Jackson and Brian Anderson followed Wright with scoreless relief.

For Cleveland, it all came down to whether Mesa could hold the lead for three final outs. Finally, the curse of Colavito would end, the one that supposedly began with Rocky's 1960 trade to Milwaukee.

In 1995, Mesa converted 46 of 48 save chances — a record. This year, he began the season in a courtroom facing rape charges, was acquitted, then stumbled and wound up with only 21 saves in 26 tries.

He already had wasted two in six chances this October. This is the one that will be remembered. As Mitch Williams found out after a disasterous Series in 1993, when closers fail in October, they may never bounce back.

Alou, his first batter, singled up the middle. He struck out Bonilla, but Johnson singled to right. Counsell's fly to right was deep enough that Ramirez had no chance.

All of a sudden, the play in the top of the inning when Renteria threw out Sandy Alomar at the plate on an infield grounder was all-important.

"This has been a crazy year for us ... an adventure year," Alomar said.

Cleveland didn't get a runner past first in the 10th or 11th off Rob Nen or Jay Powell. Florida's two-on threat in the 10th was snuffed when Nagy threw a third strike past John Cangelosi, then got Alou to fly out.

Both teams and their fans will replay the 11th for a long time.

Bonilla singled to center, Gregg Zaun popped up a bunt and Counsell hit a grounder to the right side that rolled past Fernandez at second.

"It was a play I should have made," Fernandez said. "It wasn't going to be a DP. All I wanted to do was get the lead runner. I gambled. I tried something I shouldn't have by charging. It was my decision, my fault."

Then came Renteria's hit up the middle.

JV spikers end season with win over Plainview

Although Snyder varsity volleyball coach Patty Grimmett is busy concentrating on this year's playoffs, she must be delighted at thoughts of next year's prospects.

Snyder's junior varsity volleyball team finished its season on Saturday with a 15-4, 15-4 trouncing of Plainview, giving the Lady Tigers a 19-9 final season record.

Snyder breezed past the Lady Bulldogs, behind the serving of Christy Tomlinson.

Tomlinson served up eight aces and 12 total points for her squad, while Cara Best added another eight.

Tessa Hidlebrand and Kameron Kallemeyn gave strong performances at the net, combining for seven of Snyder's 13 kills.

Snyder JV def. Plainview 15-4, 15-4
Snyder service points: Christy Tomlinson, 12; Cara Best, 8; Callie Bane and Tessa Hildebrand, 3; Kristin Martinez, 2; Leslie Rollins, 1. **Kills:** Hildebrand, 4; Kameron Kallemeyn, 3; Courtney Rinehart, 2; Best, Rollins, Ashley Deice and Christina Holder, 1.

"Start-Smart" program ready for first session

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One parent must commit to attend each session with their child.

JV gridders stun Estacado with last-second touchdown

In order to compile a 7-1 record, a football team needs good talent, solid coaching — and sometimes a little luck.

Snyder's junior varsity has had the first two all season. On Friday night it got some of the last.

Snyder QB Sonny Cumbie hit Adam Beck for a 5-yard TD pass in the final seconds to put away Estacado 18-12 at Tiger Stadium.

With the game knotted at 12-12, the Tiger defense forced Estacado to punt from inside its own 10-yard line with just 8 seconds remaining in the game.

But instead of kicking, the Matador punter hesitated, then fell to the ground.

Snyder was in business at the Estacado 5 with 2 seconds still left on the clock. Cumbie then found Beck in the endzone for the game winner, moving Snyder's record to 7-1 on the season.

The Tigers opened the scoring on a 22-yard pass from Brady Hackfeld back to Cumbie.

Snyder added to its lead when Cumbie threw a 35-yard strike to Bebos Martinez. Both conversions failed, giving the Tigers a 12-0 lead heading into the final quarter.

But two Snyder fumbles, one on a punt, deep in its own territory, allowed the Matadors to even the score at 12-12.

Snyder's next contest will be a 7:30 match-up at Plainview on Thursday.

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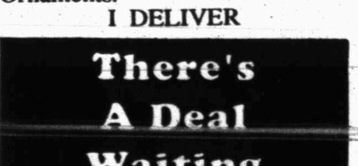
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Gridlocked Congress delaying items

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican congressional leaders can recite a litany of remaining "must do" items, from fast-track trade authority to a huge transportation bill.

In the face of the usual developing gridlock, House Republican Whip Tom Delay of Texas is adamant: "The Senate wants to go home. We want to fight."

But as a Nov. 7 adjournment target approaches, more and more lawmakers are reflecting the sentiments of Democratic Rep. David Obey of Wisconsin: "There is absolutely no reason for this Congress to continue to be in session."

People are getting anxious to quit for the year — even if that means postponing action on politically appealing items until 1998.

Already deferred are an overhaul bill for the Internal Revenue Service, a challenge to President Clinton's veto of a ban on certain late-term abortions and a bill to implement the tobacco-litigation settlement.

Fast-track legislation, which would give President Clinton renewed authority to negotiate trade deals with a minimum of congressional involvement, is hanging by a thread, The same is true of a Democrat-supported bill for campaign-finance overhaul that faces formidable opposition from GOP leaders in both the House and Senate.

And both houses are bogged down in partisan wrangling.

In the Senate, a $145.7 billion, six-year bill to fund highway projects with wide bipartisan support has been held up for days in a Democratic filibuster over campaign-finance reform.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., failed in three separate votes last week to win the 60 votes required to break the filibuster. He tries again Tuesday.

The dispute threatens to put off the transportation bill to next year.

The campaign-finance bill also looks dead for the year. Lott so far has refused to allow the Senate to vote on it.

In the House, GOP leaders also refuse to bring it up. Supporters are circulating a so-called "discharge petition" to force a vote but so far haven't gotten the necessary 218 votes.

"You can proceed with your discharge petition, and we will proceed with the business of the House, and we will see if either of us will get to something," Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, testily told House Democratic Whip David Bonior, D-Mich., in a floor exchange Friday.

House Democrats, meanwhile, are engaging in delaying tactics to protest the continued GOP-led investigation into last November's election of Democratic Rep. Loretta Sanchez of California. She defeated Republican Rep. Bob Dornan in a 1996 election in which voter fraud has been alleged.

Against this backdrop of partisan acrimony, about all leaders can agree to is the need to finish work on 13 appropriations bills needed to finance the government in the fiscal year that began Oct. 1.

Eight Cabinet agencies have yet to have their operating funds approved, although two more spending bills on Clinton's desk are expected to be signed Monday.

School lunch break recess and Ritalin

KENNEBUNK, Maine (AP) — Like a small herd of buffalo, the five children charged into the office of school nurse Florine LaPointe, fussing and fidgeting, vying to be the center of attention.

LaPointe, used to this wiggly bunch, calmly hands out cups of water and each child gulps down a pill, tosses the cups and rushes out to recess.

The students at the Sea Road Elementary School don't come to LaPointe for Band-Aids, aspirin or a sick call home to mom. Every day at noon, they need their Ritalin.

The scene is the same in schools across the country. Ritalin, prescribed to help children with attention and hyperactivity disorders, has turned many nurses into case managers.

Melissa Cash, a nurse at the Academy at Robinson in Akron, Ohio, said she handed out medicine to only a handful of children when she started her job seven years ago. Now she has to make sure almost 35 students receive their prescription drugs daily, mostly for asthma inhalers and Ritalin.

At Sea Road, 23 of the 450 students take Ritalin. Others take psychotropic drugs like Prozac and Zoloft to control depression or obsessive compulsive disorders.

"We have a lot of kids on heavy duty medication," LaPointe said. "I hope it slows down. I don't like the quick fix."

Although critics have suggested that Ritalin is overprescribed for children, a study last December found that doctors use about 2½ times more Ritalin for hyperactive and inattentive children than in 1990 — a much smaller increase than feared.

The research, reported in the December issue of Pediatrics, said some 1.5 million young people ages 5 through 18, or 2.8 percent of the nation's school-age children, take the drug.

The National Association of School Nurses, based in Scarborough, Maine, said the number is more like 3 million.

"This really is a very common problem in American schools affecting a lot of children," said Doris Luckenbill, the association president. "Almost every teacher in the world has a child in his or her classroom with this problem."

Ritalin is so commonly prescribed to school children that the association recently sent information packages about the drug to 11,000 members. It includes tips on how to recognize symptoms and how to store the drug.

Whatever the numbers, school nurses say they are swamped by the increase in students' medication, forced to curtail or reschedule other programs such as vision and hearing screening or faculty flu shots.

Discussions promised by Sec. Albright

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chinese leader Jiang Zemin will get a firsthand look at democracy as Americans speak out about China's human rights record, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright says.

"They (the Chinese) chose the itinerary," Albright said Sunday of Jiang's eight-day trip to the United States, which began Sunday in Honolulu.

"I think that they will probably see what America's really like ... And if they are not prepared for it, they ought to be because I think that Americans feel very strongly" about the human rights issue.

Albright, interviewed on NBC's "Meet the Press," said that when Jiang meets President Clinton on Wednesday, they will cover a whole gamut of issues, including trade, terrorism and arms proliferation.

But she stressed that Clinton "will clearly raise human rights issues," the area that has most strained relations between the two countries since the 1989 Tiananmen Square crackdown on pro-democracy demonstrators. "We have never minced words about how we feel on their human rights records and we will not now," she said.

"We will never have a completely normal relationship with them until they have a better human rights policy," Albright said.

What Jiang, the first Chinese leader to visit Washington since the crackdown, does not hear from Clinton he will get from promised protests during stops in Williamsburg, Va., Washington, Philadelphia, Boston, New York and Los Angeles.

In Washington on Sunday, nine demonstrators were arrested in front of the White House during a protest over what they called a red-carpet welcome for a tyrant who condoned religious persecution and forced abortions.

"This is a day of disgrace and a day of shame," said Randall Terry, founder of the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue. He was arrested along with Rev. Patrick Mahoney, director of the Christian Defense Coalition and Loyal Opposition.

Six weekend arrests made by local officers

Six people were arrested over the weekend, five on alcohol-related charges.

Officers were called to the Latin American Center shortly after 11 p.m. Saturday in reference to a fight. Three people were arrested for public intoxication. Taken into custody were a 25-year-old male, a 22-year-old male and an 18-year-old male who also had an outstanding city warrant for public intoxication.

Two 17-year-old females were arrested at 5:54 p.m. Saturday near the entrance of Western Texas College on College Avenue after police received a report of the two drinking in their vehicle.

The other person taken into custody over the weekend was an 18-year-old female who was arrested at 1:06 p.m. Sunday at the sheriff's office on a misdemeanor revocation of probation warrant.

A report for Class A assault was made at 1:35 p.m. Sunday from the 1200 block of 19th Street in reference to a 43-year-old man being assaulted. The man was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Hospital where he was treated and released.

Deputies were called to a residence on Pate Avenue in Hermleigh at 4:45 p.m. Sunday after a person reported hearing gunshots in the area. Residents said shots were fired from a small blue two-door car.

In other activity, a person requested to speak to an officer at 3:10 p.m. Saturday to investigate harassing telephone calls.

Mark Bishop reported at 3:42 p.m. Saturday that someone had killed his dog in his backyard at 3104 Ave. U. An offense report for cruelty to animals was submitted.

A bicycle that had been reported stolen on Oct. 21 was located at 7:15 p.m. Saturday.

Officers were called to the 3200 block of Avenue T at 12:40 a.m. Sunday due to a noise disturbance at a party.

A report of a prowler was made at 2:10 a.m. Sunday from the 2200 block of Peyton.

Several dumpsters were reported turned over early Sunday morning in the 200 to 600 block of 25th Street.

A person went to the police department at 8:31 a.m. Sunday and told officers that she was being harassed.

Michele Garza reported a window to her residence in the 4400 block of Avenue U was broken at 8:31 a.m. Sunday morning. An offense report for Class C criminal mischief was submitted.

Officers were called to a Snyder residence at 12:47 p.m. Sunday as an 18-year-old female was threatening to harm herself. She was transported to a hospital in San Angelo.

A report for possible prowlers was made at 1:23 p.m. Sunday in the 200 block of 25th Street.

A report for a gas drive-off was made at 2:34 p.m. Sunday from Skinny's on Coliseum Drive.

A report for loud music was made at 8:20 p.m. Sunday from the 3800 block of Avondale.

A person told deputies at 9 p.m. that she had been receiving harassing telephone calls.

Markets

Midday Stocks

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High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp		0	118¾ 115¾ 115 15-16— 2¾
AT&T Corp			50 3-16 48 13-16 49⅛—13-16
AirTouch			39⅝ 38⅞ 38 13-16—15-16
Albertsons			37⅞ 36¾ 36¾— 7-16
AlldSignal s			38 1-16 37 1-16 37⅛— 1
Alltel			36½ 36 1-16 36 7-16— ¼
AmerOnline			86¼ 81¼ 81¼—5 7-16
AmStoress			25⅜ 25¼ 25¼ 9-16
Ameritech			67 7-16 66¼ 66⅜ ⅛
Amoco			94¾ 93⅛ 93⅛ ⅛
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ArmcoInc			5⅜ 5 9-16 5⅜ 5-16
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Aviall			13 15-16 13¾ 13¾ 13-16
BakerHughes			47 46 46 + 3-16
BellAtl			83 5-16 81¼ 82¼+ ⅛
BellSouth			50 48⅜ 49⅝+13-16
BethSteel			10 9-16 10⅜ 10⅜ 7-16
BritPet s			87¼ 86 86⅛ ⅜
BurlNoSFe			98 15-16 96⅛ 96⅝ 2 3-16
Caterpillar s			57¼ 56¼ 57 1-16 ¼
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Chrysler			35¼ 35¼ 35 9-16 ⅜
Coastal			62 5-16 61¼ 61 13-16 ¾
CocaCola			56 3-16 55 7-16 55¾+ ⅜
ColgatePalm s			71 1-16 69 15-16 70 5-16 1 5-16
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DresserInd			42¾ 41¼ 41¼ 1 11-16
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Exxon s			63 13-16 62 11-16 62 15-16+ 5-16
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Fire damages local residence

The fire department responded to a house fire at 9:39 p.m. Sunday in the 1000 block of 33rd Street.

The house is owned and occupied by Howard Smith and his wife. The fire started at a wall next to the fire place. The wall and ceiling sustained heavy damage. The remainder of the house sustained smoke damage. There were no injuries.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Oct. 24 — Evelyn Elliott, Pamela Griswold, Latreei Hammitt, Linda Kiddy, Jose Lara, Allen Rogers, Belinda, Tavarez, Kimberly White. Oct. 25 — John McHaney. Oct. 26 — Gina Lunsford.

DISMISSALS: Oct. 24 — Essie Dawson, Virginia Escareno. Oct. 25 — Allen Rogers, Jeffrey Stewart. Oct. 26. — Derrick Birmingham.

CENSUS: LTC 30; Med. 3, 10; ICU 1; TOTAL: 41.



SIXTH GRADE OFFICERS — Officers for Hermleigh's sixth grade class for the current school year are from left, Valerie West, secretary; Dustin Williamson, president; Courtney Bridges, vice president; and Justin Williamson, treasurer. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Promise of college money inspires Amarillo students

AMARILLO (AP) — The odds were stacked against Amanda Polk and Natalie Guerra when it came to going to college.

The girls' parents never finished high school. Miss Polk's older siblings dropped out. Miss Guerra's older siblings graduated from high school, but none went on to college.

Miss Guerra says she never thought about going to college until she heard about a unique program at Palo Duro High School. The program rewards students with free local college tuition if they maintain at least an 80 percent grade point average and a 95 percent attendance rate all four years of high school.

She admits she didn't believe the offer at first.

"I thought it was a hoax," she says.

Miss Guerra and Miss Polk are among 13 early graduates of the program who are enrolled at Amarillo College or West Texas A&M University.

They entered Palo Duro as freshmen in 1994 and were among the 344 students who first pledged themselves to the Achievement through Commitment to Education program.

Of the original group, 142 students remain in the program. Some students have left because of bad grades and attendance while others have moved, dropped out of school or failed to sign the annual pledge form, school officials said.

To begin the program, the Amarillo Area Foundation and the Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation set aside $1.5 million and more than matched that amount with community funds, said Jim Allison, executive director and president of the foundations.

Scholarship money comes from interest on the $3.2 million endowment fund, he said.

Any other scholarships or financial aid available to a student must be applied first. And beginning with this year's freshman class, ACE scholarship money will be limited to $8,000 over four college years.

"So many of these students are being amazed at how much they're eligible for," said Molly Mason, a program coordinator. "ACE is helping students utilize the system that's in place."

Tammy Board, the other coordinator, said parents call to find out how absences, such as doctor appointments, will affect their children's attendance records.

"To promise access to a college education, that's as much incentive as dollars," she said. "We say we will get the papers for you. We will help you fill them out. We will do what is necessary to get your children a college education."

Palo Duro Principal Stan Chatman wants every freshman to sign the pledge form.

"The kids in the ACE program are more conscientious about what they're doing," he said.

"I know the students I work with are a lot more conscious of getting attendance problems taken care of," added school counselor Barbara Riggan. "Parents are more involved. I have more drop-in parents than I did a few years ago. Everybody's working together for the good of kids."

Five decades later, Hollywood looks back at its darkest days

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Fifty years after the blacklist, Hollywood is honoring the living screenwriters caught up in the Red Scare-era witch hunts. Still, the decades have not healed all wounds, and the two surviving members of the Hollywood Ten remain angry over their very different roles in naming names to congressional investigators.

A commemorative event on Monday comes on the golden anniversary of the hearings of the House Un-American Activities Committee, during which Hollywood filmmakers were questioned about — and persecuted for — their politics.

The Hollywood Ten, a group of distinguished writers and directors, were cited for contempt of Congress and jailed for failing to cooperate with the committee.

Blacklisting of Hollywood writers suspected of communist leanings or affiliations began with the committee's hearings in October 1947. Hollywood blacklisting flourished into the 1950s.

Only one of the living members of the 10 — Ring Lardner Jr. — will attend Monday's event. Lardner, the co-screenwriter of "Laura" and "Woman of the Year," will read a statement the committee refused to let him deliver after he declined to testify.

"I think it's appropriate for the occasion. They escorted me out of the hearings, and I never could read it," Lardner said, adding that he had lost the text but archivists found it.

The other living member, writer-director Edward Dmytryk, was invited but declined to attend. He served six months in jail, but upon his release he testified as a friendly witness, was removed from the blacklist and returned to work, making "The Sniper" and "The Caine Mutiny."

"I understand the amount of pressure he was under," Lardner, 82, said of Dmytryk. "I still think it was wrong."

Dmytryk said he didn't want to sacrifice himself for a cause and tactics he didn't believe in. By refusing to speak candidly about the Communist Party, filmmakers demonized it and sealed their fate, he said.

"I think it's silly — Hollywood apologizing to itself," the 89-year-old Dmytryk said. "These people are still being asked to be recognized as martyrs. Having been one of them, I can tell you, we're not martyrs."

Monday's event will include film clips, commentary and reenactments of committee hearings. Several actors, including Kathy Baker, Kevin Spacey, David Hyde Pierce and Alfre Woodard, will participate.

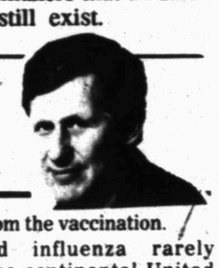
It's being organized by Hollywood's four leading talent guilds, some of which were hardly courageous in supporting their members during the investigations.

Only on Friday did the Directors Guild of America restore membership to blacklisted director Herbert Biberman ("Salt of the Earth"). Biberman, who died in 1971, was expelled from the guild following his Hollywood Ten conviction.

"I think people will feel good, some effort has been made to correct the record," said blacklisted writer Paul Jarrico ("Tom, Dick and Harry"), noting that the Writers Guild of America has been restoring dozens of credits to movies written by screenwriters who wrote under different names while blacklisted.

Besides recognizing the damage caused by the anti-Communist panic, ceremony organizers and participants hope the anniversary will remind today's filmmakers that threats to expression still exist.

Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.



DEAR DR. GOTT: About a year ago, my teen-age daughter was killed by a commercial truck driver who fell asleep at the wheel. In view of the fact that 110,000 people are injured — 5,000 of them fatally — every year in the United States in truck accidents, I hope you will alert your readers to this menace. At present, there are two public organizations that have been founded to combat this problem: Parents Against Tired Truckers and Victims of Irresponsible Drowsy Drivers. Thank you for addressing the issue.

DEAR READER: Mothers Against Drunk Driving has proved to be a valuable political force in obtaining needed changes in state drunken-driving laws. Now the two groups you mention also hope to raise public awareness about the dangers posed by sleep-deprived drivers.

You may be interested to learn that the New England Journal of Medicine carried in its Sept. 11 issue a study from several medical centers that focused on the very problem you mention.

The findings were startling. Eighty long-haul truckers were monitored continuously while they drove. All had obtained less sleep (on average about 4.75 hours per day) than they should have. More than half actually fell asleep while driving; fortunately, however, no accidents occurred. Other studies have shown that sustained wakefulness for 17 hours decreases judgment and performance as much as a blood alcohol concentration of.05 percent, the legal limit for driving in many European countries. (In the United States, .08 to.10 percent is the legal definition of impairment.) Moreover, the effects of lost sleep accumulate over time. Fatigue is the leading cause of truck crashes.

The National Transportation Safety Board has established guidelines to identify fatigue as a prominent cause of human error. Authorities have estimated that drowsy driving costs about $12.4 billion a year. Up to 56 percent of the general public occasionally drives while drowsy.

Finally, the New England Journal article reported that all the drivers who were studied had time in their demanding schedules to obtain adequate sleep. Why they didn't is anyone's guess, but "26 percent of American adults believe you cannot be successful in a career and get enough sleep." Is being sleep-deprived a macho badge of honor?

Perhaps it is time to address the relation between fatigue and driving, and to equate drowsy driving with drunken driving inasmuch as the tragic consequences are identical.

Several studies have confirmed that people's tendency to fall asleep during the day increases dramatically if they have slept less than six hours. Judgment and ability are impaired if a driver has slept less than five hours for two or more consecutive nights.

Therefore, drowsy driving is a concern for any adult who operates a motor vehicle; it is not just a problem for the trucking industry. We all share the responsibility, and it is a responsibility of deadly seriousness.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: After a biopsy, does the finding "abnormal tissue" always mean cancer?

DEAR READER: No, it doesn't. It just means that the biopsy specimen contains tissue that is abnormal. While this could reflect a malignancy, it also could indicate infection, inflammation, a benign growth, or a host of other noncancerous abnormalities. The report of "abnormal tissue" must always be defined further before a diagnosis is established.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What's in this year's flu vaccine, and who should be immunized?

DEAR READER: This year's vaccine contains three strains of influenza virus: A/Johannesburg, A/Nanchang and B/Harbin. Experts predict that these virus strains (and their close relatives) are the ones most likely to cause disease during the winter of 1997-1998.

Flu shots are recommended for the elderly, for health-care workers and for high-risk patients (people with chronic lung disorders, heart disease and other afflictions). Public health authorities believe that healthy working adults and pregnant women would also benefit from the vaccination.

Widespread influenza rarely appears in the continental United States until December; the season peaks between January and March. Therefore, it's important for people to maintain immunity until early spring.

Flu vaccine takes about two weeks to become active. Although most recipients benefit from its effects for about six months, some patients lose their immunity after only four months. Consequently, the ideal time to be vaccinated is from October to mid-November.

Remember that the vaccine is made from inactivated viruses, so it cannot cause disease, although low-grade fever and achiness may occur in a small percentage of people for a day or two. People who are sensitive to egg products should avoid getting flu shots, because the viruses are grown on eggs.

In summary, most adults would probably benefit from influenza vaccinations. The risks are small, and the advantages are substantial.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: I must commute long distances by auto. I have the habit of carrying my wallet in my back pocket. For the past month, my behind under the billfold has been extremely sensitive and painful. Is there a relation?

DEAR READER: Yes, there is.

When a wallet is carried in a back pocket, it is easily compressed by seats and chairs. In turn, this pressure is transmitted to the nerves and tissues of the buttock, leading to significant pain and nerve damage that may, in some instances, resemble sciatica. Known medically as a "compression neuropathy," billfold-bottom (as I prefer to call it) is common in men who sit (or drive) for extended periods.

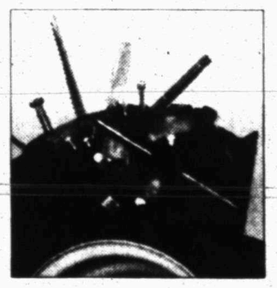
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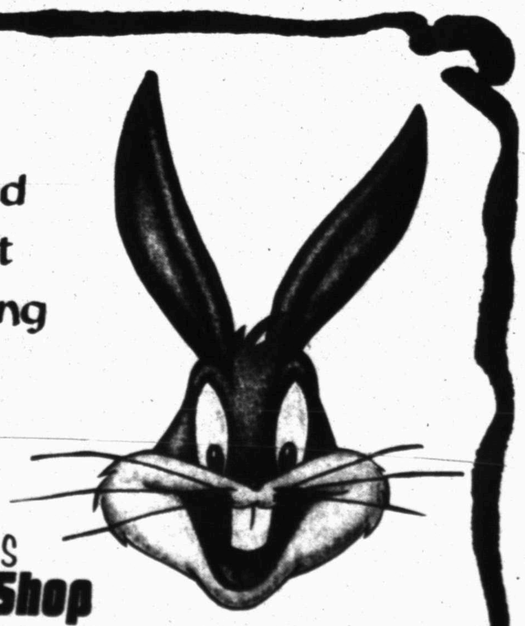
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Rail-car shortage jeopardizes grain exports

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Record grain harvests aren't unusual. Neither are periodic shortages of rail cars to ship the grain.

But this year, particularly bountiful corn, wheat and soybean crops are piling up on the ground because a sort of railroad traffic jam between the nation's fields and key grain ports on the Gulf of Mexico has spread along the rails of the newly enlarged Union Pacific.

Farmers, grain elevator managers and politicians blame the rail tie-ups on Union Pacific's purchase of Southern Pacific Railroad that created the nation's largest railroad. They think the railroad is overwhelmed.

Union Pacific said the congestion would be worse if it had not purchased the Southern Pacific and its key lines, but agrees there were problems.

Farm experts fear the backlog will ruin the nation's international markets and could sink grain prices.

"It is a terrible mess, the worst we've ever seen," said Bill Sebree of NIK Marketing, which coordinates grain shipments for 112 elevators in Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas.

"We are running better than 30 days behind schedule for guaranteed grain trains to arrive and we have loaded trains sitting still for up to two weeks," he said. "Elevators are losing up to $30,000 on each train that's late."

The problem is already affecting or expected to affect most of the nation's grain-producing states, and the grain piles are a visible sign of shipping problems that federal regulators will discuss at a hearing Monday in Washington.

"It's so political and I don't want to upset the railroads by saying anything," said Rick Sorenson, manager of the Continental Grain Co. Outside his elevator in Shelton, about 150 miles west of Omaha, 700,000 bushels of grain stood in a pile nearly three stories high on a lot half the size of a city block.

Sales of soybeans for export have reached only about half the amount sold by this time last year, said Bill Biedermann, a commodity analyst with Allendale Inc. in Crystal Lake, Ill. And only about 20 percent of what's been sold overseas has actually been shipped so far.

"The demand for U.S. grain is good but the guys on the dock are not delivering," Biedermann said.

"Our foreign customers will be forced to go to other countries for their imported grain if they have to wait much longer," Biedermann said. "This is a huge problem for U.S. agriculture."

Union Pacific cites problems affecting its merger partner.

Railroad spokesman John Bromley said floods and derailments in Texas happened at the same time shipping business increased and that all combined to overwhelm the Southern Pacific.

Union Pacific sent some of its people, locomotives and equipment to help, but that diversion meant the traffic jams spread.

Now loaded grain cars wait in rail yards for locomotives, which may be busy elsewhere. Heavy traffic along the routes to the Gulf ports mean it takes longer for the grain trains that are moving to make the trip, which delays the return of locomotives and empty cars.

The timing couldn't be worse for farmers who are reaping an expected record soybean crop, the third-largest corn crop and above-average milo and wheat crops.

"Rail-car shortages are not new. What makes this year so odd is the amount of grain coming in," said Don Roose at U.S. Commodities Inc. of West Des Moines, Iowa. "It's a strange phenomenon."

"People are worried they will have to sit on their grain for a while, especially if prices are affected," said Howard Lefler, a corn farmer near Fairmont.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Schooling at Home Gets Low Marks From Teachers

DEAR ABBY: I had to write you after reading the column on the merits of home-schooling. I am a fourth-grade teacher who has taught for many years.

Abby, I cringe every time I hear the words "home-schooling." I am sure that the students who wrote you were sincere; and yes, there are some advantages to being home-taught.

However, my experience has taught me that without exception, children who come into my class after being home-taught have large gaps in their education. They tend to read well and write using proper grammar and spelling, but their writing is stilted and disorganized. Social sciences are lacking and science is a foreign word. Furthermore, they can't problem-solve in cooperative groups, which is an essential skill in the job market of today.

Today's education involves more than just the basics. Students need to understand concepts, and that problems can be approached in more than one way and can have more than one solution.

Teaching is a full-time job, and I have never met a parent who can give his/her children the quality of education I can offer.

BETTY MONTGOMERY,
DIAMOND BAR, CALIF.

DEAR BETTY: Thank you for writing. I heard from many enthusiastic home-schooled students; however, it is important to hear the views of professional educators. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Parents who teach their children at home should think carefully about what they're trying to accomplish and examine the teaching materials. The content and quality of teaching materials are rarely mentioned in judging home-schooling but are extremely important. Books used at home are usually well-written and illustrated, but those published by the fundamentalist movement may be slanted to their beliefs, and parents should examine them carefully to make sure the material is compatible with their own beliefs.

For example, one social studies book makes negative comments about Catholicism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Shintoism, Greek Orthodoxy and Islam.

A book on science claims that God created the universe from nothing in six days; that evolution is an imagined process in which things form by themselves without a creator and somehow keep improving; that problems on the Earth are due to God's cursing it; and that the age of the Earth and fossils is merely guesswork.

A book on history and geography claims that Indians declined after Adam's fall, remembered the Flood, worshiped spirits and lived in fear of nature; it minimizes Puritan intolerance and omits their witch-hunts. Some books on American literature contain sermons as examples. These books provide few discussion questions to develop critical thinking.

Some home-schooling has a narrow agenda that deprives students of a well-rounded education.

HUGO BORRESEN, RETIRED
TEACHER, GAINESVILLE, FLA.

DEAR MR. BORRESEN: I agree with you that, if possible, the parents should be familiar with what their children are learning. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: It's amazing that so many readers give home-schooling high marks. I never would have attempted it. In high school I had four years of English, French and history; two years of Latin, chemistry and physics; and one year of algebra, plane and solid geometry and trigonometry. Not many parents are qualified to teach these subjects more than 20 years later.

When our son was enrolled in advanced biology, his teacher held up the textbook and said, "More than half the contents of this book are new since your parents attended high school."

A high level of literacy is commendable, as is an early foundation in the humanities, but I doubt that would have been sufficient for our two children to gain admission to, let alone graduate with honors from, two Ivy League colleges.

DALLAS DAD

Taiwanese doctors reattach arms

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — Doctors on Sunday reattached the arms of two men whose limbs were torn from their bodies during a tug-of-war contest involving 1,600 people.

City worker Chen Ming-kuo and former councilor Yang Chung-ming had wrapped the rope around their left arms to better their grip. The limbs were ripped off Saturday when the rope snapped seconds after the contest began.

The men were expected to recover 70 percent of the use of their arms after the seven-hour operation, said doctors at McKay Memorial Hospital.

Forty-five others also were injured.

The contest was sponsored by the city to celebrate the 52nd anniversary of the end of the Japanese colonial rule in Taiwan. Mayor Chen Shui-bian apologized and City Hall spokesman Luo Wen-chia resigned over the accident.

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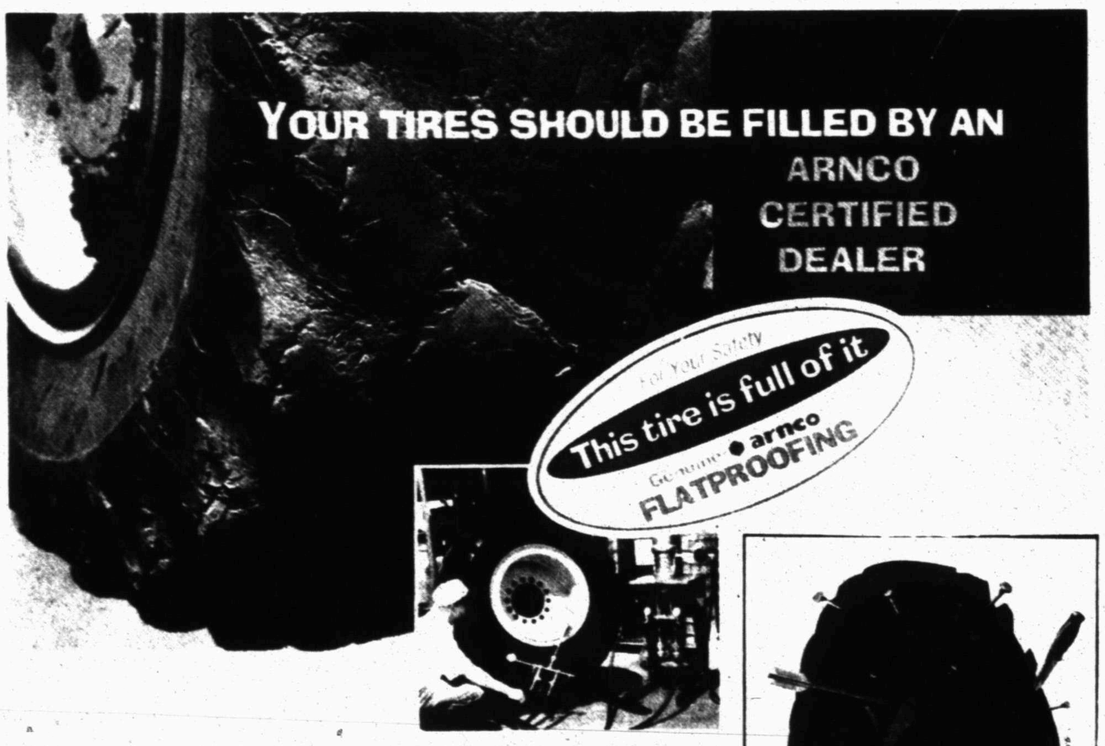
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British au pair tesifies today

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — British au pair Louise Woodward admilted today she used a fake ID to get into bars and once left children unattended while she did laundry, as a prosecutor tried to cast doubt on her testimony that she never harmed an infant in her care.

Last week, Woodward got to tell jurors her side of what happened to 8-month-old Matthew Eappen on Feb 2. Guided by the gentle questioning of her attorney, the teen-ager testified she never struck or violently shook the boy.

Today, she continued to calmly defend herself as Assistant Middlesex District Attorney Gerard Leone Jr. began cross-examination. He pounded away at Woodward about her late hours and other behavior that prompted the Eappens to give her an ultimatum to shape up.

Woodward said Sunil Eappen, Matthew's father, returned one day to find the children unattended while Woodward did the laundry.

'He was a bit unhappy, yeah," she said.

She also admitted to lying about her age and using fake identification to get into bars. Woodward is now 19. The legal age to buy alcoholic beverages in Massachusetts is 21.

Prosecutors say Woodward fatally shook and slammed the baby out of frustration with her job and impatience with a fussy baby.

Expert witnesses called by the defense said the injuries that led to Matthew's death were caused about three weeks before he died, and not the day that he was left alone with Woodward.

On Thursday, Woodward also said she enjoyed her job as caretaker to Matthew and his 2½-year-old brother, describing the days she spent reading and singing to the boys, taking them for walks and dancing with them in the playroom.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Stock prices fall across Asia today

HONG KONG (AP) — Stock prices fell across Asia today as investors registered their pessimism on the odds the region will return to its fast-track growth any time soon. Markets in Europe also followed suit and the selling spread into U.S. trading, where the Dow Jones industrial average was off more than 180 points at one point.

Hong Kong, whose 10 percent crash Thursday sent shivers around the world, again led the way with a 5.8 percent plunge in the blue-chip Hang Seng Index. It lost 646.14 points to end at 10,498.20 — almost wiping out the nearly 7 percent recovery it made Friday.

Shares moved sharply lower on the London Stock Exchange, Europe's biggest market, and tumbled on the New York Stock Exchange.

At one point, the Dow had plunged almost 186 this morning, and then seesawed between being down 120 points to down 160 points by early afternoon. The world's best-known stock indicator had lost anmost 320 points over the previous two sessions, and now is off 5.7 percent since the turmoil flared in Hong Kong.

At the London Stock Exchange, Europe's biggest market, the Financial Times-Stock Exchange 100-share index dropped 129.5 points, or 2.6 percent, to close at 4,840.7 after a midafternoon comeback fizzled.

"The slide isn't going to go in a straight line. It's going to get hit today and then over the next two or three weeks we'll continue the slide," predicted Glen Poulter, a stock salesman at Schroders in London.

Frankfurt's DAX index closed with a loss of 4.2 percent, while the CAC 40 in Paris finished with a loss of 2.8 percent.

The unsettled markets in Hong Kong also sent ripples spreading closer to home, in Tokyo, Seoul and Sydney.

Tokyo's benchmark 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average lost 325.38 points, or 1.87 percent, closing at 17,038.36 points — the lowest in more than two years.

"People can't buy shares until (markets in) Asia stabilize," said Seiji Fujimoto, a manager at the stock trading division of Tokyo Securities.

The Korea Stock Exchange's key index was down 3.3 percent, or 18 points, closing at a five-year low of 530.47. A major factor was the decline of the South Korean won to 942.9 to the U.S. dollar, from a Friday closing value of 929.5.

And in Sydney, the All Ordinaries Index was down 3.3 percent, led by an 11-percent fall in gold shares that wiped U.S. $690 million off their value. The Australian dollar has lost 2 cents since Friday to be worth 68.7 U.S. cents.

U.S. Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said again today that because Hong Kong's market upheaval is only part of financial turmoil that has spread through Asia since summer, there will be no direct U.S. financial aid package like the bailout of Mexico in 1994. He said the United States would work with the International Monetary Fund and World Bank, as it already is in the cases of Thailand, the Philippines and Indonesia.

"The countries of Southeast Asia have very great long-term strengths, and the thing what we all need to do now is work to re-establish their financial stability," Rubin said in New York before U.S. markets opened.

Alaska displays many marvels at Museum of Natural History

WASHINGTON (AP) — America's biggest state is showing off its marvels to the capital, from the primitive religious masks of the Yup'ik Eskimos to the huge oil pipeline that helped bring each Alaskan a cash payment of $1,296.54 this year.

For many of the 25,000 Yup'iks — the name means "the Real People" — the payment is the main source of money income. "The Living Tradition of Yup'ik Masks," on display at the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of Natural History, reflects the spiritual life of the Yup'iks, who descend from some of the first wanderers who crossed into America from Asia in prehistoric times.

The show also has a title in the Yup'ik language: "Agayuliyararput" — "Our way of making prayer."

The Yup'iks used the masks in ceremonial dances still performed to encourage the harvest of fish, birds, berries and driftwood essential to their life. Among the poorest people on the continent, they cannot afford much else.

Some of the masks are borrowed from European museums and from collectors who fancied surrealism in writing and painting.

Taxes on the oil that the pipeline brought to market have built a $22 billion "permanent fund" for Alaska. This year, 550,000 Alaskans are expected to get payments from it. The Alyeska Pipeline Service Co. also has promised to spend $25 million by 2007 on hiring Alaska natives.

Obituaries

Wylene Smith

1918-1997

Wylene Smith, 79, died Saturday, Oct. 25, at her home in Snyder after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Smith is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Officiating will be the Rev. Gary Hubbard, chaplain of the Hospice of Big Spring, and the Rev. Tommy Culwell, pastor of Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Interment will follow at 2:30 p.m. in Slaton's Englewood Cemetery.

Born April 16, 1918 in New Market, Iowa, she married William V. Smith on Dec. 24, 1936 in Oklahoma.

Mrs. Smith worked for the City of Slaton, retiring in the early 1980s. She moved to Snyder in 1995.

A resident of Slaton since the early 1950s, Mrs. Smith was a longtime member of the Slaton First Baptist Church and the Slaton Garden Club. In Snyder, she was a member of Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Mrs. Smith was preceded in death by her husband, William Smith in 1974, and by a brother, Glenn Lewellen.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Bill Harris of Snyder; a son and daughter-in-law, the Rev. Ronald and Jinnie Smith of Indianapolis, Ind.; four grandchildren, Stacy Haley and Megan Harris, both of Snyder; Shey Jones of Pegram, Tenn., and Amy Smith of Minneapolis; and two step grandchildren, Megan and Hanna Remtema of Indianapolis.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimers Society at Texas Tech, 3601 4th St., Lubbock, 79430; or Family Hospice, 3210 East 11th, Big Spring, 79720.



Wylene Smith

Garth Boyles

1916-1997

MIDLAND — Garth Dalmon Boyles, a former resident of Snyder, died this morning, Oct. 27, in Midland Memorial Hospital.

Graveside service for Mr. Boyles, 81, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Divide Cemetery in Coke County. Surry Gillum of Snyder will officiate and Ellis Funeral Home of Midland is in charge of arrangements.

Born Feb. 21, 1916 in Brady, he married Tommie Jo Kerley on Feb. 10, 1940 in San Angelo. He was a retired farmer and stockman.

The Boyles lived in Snyder for 30 years and in Grand Prairie for 10 years before moving to Midland in 1987. He was a member of the Golf Course Road Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Tommie Jo Boyles of Midland; a daughter, Joetta Hollis of Loraine; two brothers, Dennis Boyles of Lubbock and R.V. Boyles of Mt. Enterprise, Tex.; two grandchildren, Shane Hollis of Tulsa and Vanessa Hollis of Big Spring; and one great-grandson, Zachary Hollis of Tulsa.

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11 deaths reported in recent blizzard

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Emergency shelters supplied warmth today for some of the hundreds of thousands of people left without power by the season's first blizzard, a record storm that paralyzed the Plains.

Most highways were reopened today, but broken trees still littered Omaha streets and many traffic lights were blacked out.

"The city looks as though a tornado has hit on every street," acting Gov. Kim Robak said after touring storm damage Sunday.

The first big snowstorm of the season dumped 22 inches of snow on Denver, the city's worst for October. Record amounts also fell in parts of Iowa and Nebraska. The blizzard knocked out power to hundreds of thousands from the Plains to the Great Lakes, including 230,000 homes and businesses blacked out today in Michigan. More than 70,000 were without power in Nebraska, and utility officials said repairs might not be completed until Wednesday.

At least 11 deaths were linked to the weather, including an Illinois state trooper killed today when he slid on ice and fell off a bridge while directing traffic on an icy highway.

Hundreds of people had spent part of the weekend snowbound in airports, bus terminals and along highways. About 1,000 would-be travelers were still stranded today at Denver International Airport as airlines ran sharply reduced schedules.

Crews resumed searching for a few hunters reported missing in Colorado, said David Holm, chief of operations for the state's Office of Emergency Management.

Schools in many communities were closed from eastern Colorado into Iowa. Major highways had reopened, but several roads were still blocked by 15-foot drifts in southeastern Colorado.

The heaviest snow was in the Colorado foothills, with 50 inches in Coal Creek Canyon about 20 miles west of Denver.

Major ski resorts in the Colorado mountains usually don't open until Thanksgiving, but most got about a foot of snow to help build up their base. Loveland and Keystone, the only ski areas that have opened, were able to use more slopes during the weekend.

The storm's biggest benefit for ski areas was the "priceless publicity," which had already produced calls for reservations, said Jim Felton,

Scholarships

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we might be able to use in this area."

In other business this morning, Patricia Claxton told the board that the scholarship foundation currently has $847,737.

Director of Financial Aid Kathy Hall said some $10,000 in scholarships were awarded this fall to students.

"Sixty-eight students received scholarships," said Hall. "And I know they are all appreciative."

Wilson presided this morning. Member in attendance included Darryl Calley, Helen McLeod, H.W. Cargile, Lee Presswood and Bill Jones. Pat Falls and Bill Seale were absent.

WTC staff at the meeting were Krenek, Claxton, Hall, Bettie McQueen, Sara Fritz and George Cormack.

Plainview and Canyon bands advance to state

AMARILLO — Plainview and Canyon High School bands were selected to advance to the state level in marching competition here Saturday.

Alternates in the 4A Area Contest chosen were Frenship and Big Spring.

Snyder High School band, under the direction of Walter Reneau, was the last band to perform in the contest, held under less than desirable conditions. Snyder took the field at Dick Bivins Stadium after 10 p.m., with winds gusting more than 30 miles per hour and a wind chill below freezing.

Others competing were Pampa, Parkland, Canutillo, Andrews, Hereford, Borger, Levelland and Dumas.

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Trinity United Methodist revival

Trinity United Methodist Church is hosting a revival through Friday featuring John Sheasby. Weekday services begin at 7 p.m. Praise and worship music will begin each service, and will be led by musicians from community churches.

Each weekday, Sheasby and his wife, Beverly, will conduct a noon Bible study. The noon meal will be brown bag with drinks furnished.

Bible study tapes on TV

Bible study video tapes run weekly on TCA able TV Channel 2. The next tape, "Following God's Plan," will air at 7 this evening.

Hermleigh Booster Club

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 tonight in the school cafeteria.

Ira Council of Excellence

ICE will meet at 7:30 tonight in the school cafeteria to finalize plans for the Fall Festival.

County Appraisal District

Scurry County Appraisal District board will meet at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday. Business items include the audit report for 1996 tax collections for Hermleigh and Ira ISDs, new changes in the operation and reponsibility of the appraisal district as required by the Legislature, and bills payable.

Snyder Drama Patrons

Snyder High Drama Patrons will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the drama room. All parents of drama students are invited.

Genealogical Society

Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the county library. The program will be Maternal Great-grandfather Night. Visitors are urged to come and bring their "great-grandfather information" to share.

WTC Halloween Carnival

Western Texas College will host its annual halloween carnival for kids from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday in the Student Center. Kids can trick or treat in the haunted dorm and participate in a dart throw, pie throw, jail, Coke bottle craft and more.

Blood pressure clinic

Total Home Health Care of Post will have a free blood pressure clinic at the Fluvanna Cafe from 9-10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4.

Hoops Club meeting

Snyder Girls Hoops Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the high school student center.

Fall Festival of Fun

First Baptist Church will presents its annual Fall Festival of Fun from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday at the Family Life Center. The event is open to children from pre-school to the sixth grade. There is no admission charge. The festival features 24 booths where children can compete for candy and other prizes. A concession stand will be open and door prizes will be given away.

RVOS Lodge to meet here

RVOS Lodge 203 will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Snyder Savings & Loan building.

Healthcare spookhouse

Snyder Healthcare, 5311 Big Spring Highway, will have a spookhouse from 7-9 p.m. Friday.

Grace Lutheran annual bazaar

Grace Lutheran Church Women's Group is planning its autumn bazaar from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday. The bazaar will be held at the church, 5500 College Avenue, near Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Adult basic education

Adult basic education classes are underway at Western Texas College for those seeking their GEDs.

Classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays are held from 8-11 a.m.

ESL (English as a Second Language) and GED courses are offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8:30 p.m. ESL classes are only offered at night. For more information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Club plans garage sale

Phi Theta Kappa, WTC's international honor society, is planning a garage sale Saturday and is requesting donated items. Call Stacey and Lacey Parker at 573-5259. All money raised will be used toward the Nashville trip.

Driver's license office

The Texas Department of Public Safety driver's license office will be closed each Monday through Jan. 9.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery in order:
8-9-2

Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 01-26-28-30-32-37. Estimated jackpot: $4 million.

Number matching six of six: none; matching five of six: 68, prize: $2,184; matching four of six: 4,410, prize: $121; matching three of six: 86,327, prize: $3. Next Lotto Texas game: Wednesday night. Estimated jackpot: $10 million.