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Clinton moves on Medicare, touting reform

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is offering to restrict Medicare spending over the next six years by $138 billion, a move welcomed by congressional Republicans as a helpful first step.

On the first full day of his second term, Clinton also called Tuesday for campaign reforms he promised but failed to achieve in his first four years.

The administration also announced it was would tighten up on access to the White House after last year's disclosure that at least one convicted felon and a Chinese arms dealer had attended campaign-related events there.

All White House guests will have to provide a Social Security number to obtain entrance. Foreign nationals would have to obtain access through the National Security Council, and names of guests to social events must be received by the White House social secretary far enough in advance to allow adequate screening.

But spokesman Mike McCurry said Clinton still will feel free to invite big-money contributors to sleep over in the White House in the Lincoln bedroom, as high rollers did in his first term. "He has a right as a human being and as president to say thank you," McCurry told reporters.

The president said he was "meeting the Republicans halfway" by offering to scale down Medicare spending by $100 billion over five years to balance the budget by 2002. "I hope they'll meet me halfway."

The savings would be $138 billion over six years. The savings are substantially more than Clinton proposed when budget talks collapsed last January.

Most of Clinton's savings would be achieved by reducing payments to doctors and hospitals. But a portion of it — $10 billion over five years — would come from recipients by increasing the premium they would pay for coverage beginning in 1999.

The president renewed his support of a bill co-sponsored by Sens. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Russell Feingold, D-Wis., seeking to ban political action committee contributions to all federal candidates and end unlimited soft money donations.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "An old-timer is one who remembers when the town square was a place, not a person."

They shouldn't let country boys go to town.

Having almost always lived in a small town, we have a hard time breaking one of our bad habits — leaving keys in the ignition.

In the city, ole what's-her-name will normally remind us to lock the door, but now she'll have to remind us to remove the keys also.

An extra set always comes in handy.

According to police in metropolitan areas, cars left running to warm up in cold weather are favorite targets of thieves.

A guy who sells vehicle-tracking devices in Washington, D.C. learned the hard way that it pays to use your own product.

The man is president of a firm that sells a $2,395 electronic tracking device that sends a signal via satellite that allows lost or stolen cars to be located nationwide.

During the holidays, the company CEO was warming up his new Ford Expedition for a family ski trip and left the keys in the ignition while he went back indoor.

When he came back out, the car was gone. Unfortunately, the man had not yet moved his tracking device from his old vehicle to the new one.

After filing a stolen vehicle report with police, he waited with no results. He then placed an ad offering a $5,000 reward for information leading to the thief's arrest. He also set up a telephone hotline and followed up on tips.

About 15 calls came in. One said he knew who had stolen the vehicle, but it had subsequently been carjacked by another bad guy.

While checking out some of the leads, the man spotted his vehicle, and backup set of keys came in handy.

The only damage done to the sports utility vehicle was 2,500 miles and a bad-smelling air freshener hanging from the rear-view mirror.

If you must warm up your cars, do it with the doors locked — and an extra set of keys in your pocket.

Cars left running reminds us of the Iowa bank robber who had planned out almost everything.

He had disabled the bank's alarm, had loot in hand and raced to his getaway car. It was a no-brainer as the keys were in the iginition — with the doors locked.

Realtor Doris Beard, following Tuesday night's basketball games with Levelland, offered this advice as we left the gym:

"If you say something about the referee, spell it with a little r."

SHS ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAM — Snyder High School's academic decathlon team won third place in regional competition over the weekend. Members of the team and coaches include, from left, front row, coach Beth Bowen, Christy Garner, Melanie Gibson and coach Cindy Herridge; and second row, Matt Hester, Jim Caldwell and Nickolas Means; and back row, Mary Higby, L.S. McClain and Ryan Landes. Not pictured is Jessica Mills. (SDN Staff Photo)

Decathlon team third in key meet

Snyder High School's academic decathlon team captured third place in regional competition over the weekend, finishing behind Grapevine and Southlake Carroll high schools.

The team has been in existence for three years, say sponsors Beth Bowen and Cindy Herridge.

"For the team to finish as high as third against the competition they had is a real honor," said Bowen.

Earning high point honors for the Snyder team were Jim Caldwell in varsity competition, Jessica Mills in scholastic competition and Nickolas Means in honors competition.

Other members of the team are Christy Garner, Melanie Gibson, Matt Hester, Mary Higby, L.S. McClain and Ryan Landes.

The team amassed 31,240 points, with each member participating in all 10 areas of competition. The team is composed of a group of students with A to C averages. There are three students from each grade category.

Individual honors went to Caldwell and Mills for third place in essays in the varsity and scholastic division respectively, and Gibson in second place in the honors division. Mills also won second place in the scholastic divison for speech, while McClain won third place in the varsity division for math. Gibson and Means both won third place in the honors division.

Landes captured first place in the scholastic division for math.

Landes and Means also won second place in interviews — Landes in the scholastic division and Means in the honors division. Mills was awarded third place in the scholastic division in social sciences.

Other award winners include Garner in third place in the honors division for science, Mills in second place for language/literature in the scholastic division and Gibson in second place in the same category in the honors division. She also captured third place in the honors division for fine arts.

C/C approves funding requests

Taekwondo tournament, 'Sechaba' and kite exhibit planned

Snyder Chamber of Commerce board, meeting for the first time Tuesday with four new directors, approved $2,962.10 in hotel/motel funding requests.

Gregg Gafford presented a request for $1,500 to help with the cost of hosting a taekwondo tournament Feb. 1 at the coliseum. He projected the event would bring approximately 470 families to Snyder, including some from as far away as Mexico City.

Chamber directors approved $1,400 in funding for the event.

Ann McCabe asked on behalf of Snyder ISD for $1,000 to have the tour group Sechaba perform for some 3,000 students. The event, set for Feb. 7, was not included in the school district's budget, said McCabe, SISD assistant superintendent and treasurer of the chamber board.

A part of the Texas Alliance for Education and the Arts, she said the group would portray a taste of South Africa in music, folk tales and dance.

Her request was granted in full.

Charlene Akers, director of Scurry County Museum, made a request for $562.10 for a March 21-22 kite exhibit and workshop. She said the money would help in targeting out-of-town attendance. Her request was also granted in full.

Salinas Hardwood Floors, owned by Frank Salinas, was welcomed as a new chamber member along with Caprock Securities, owned by Sid and June Wall.

Chamber manager Donna Fowler announced Limmer's Ladies Apparel as business of the month.

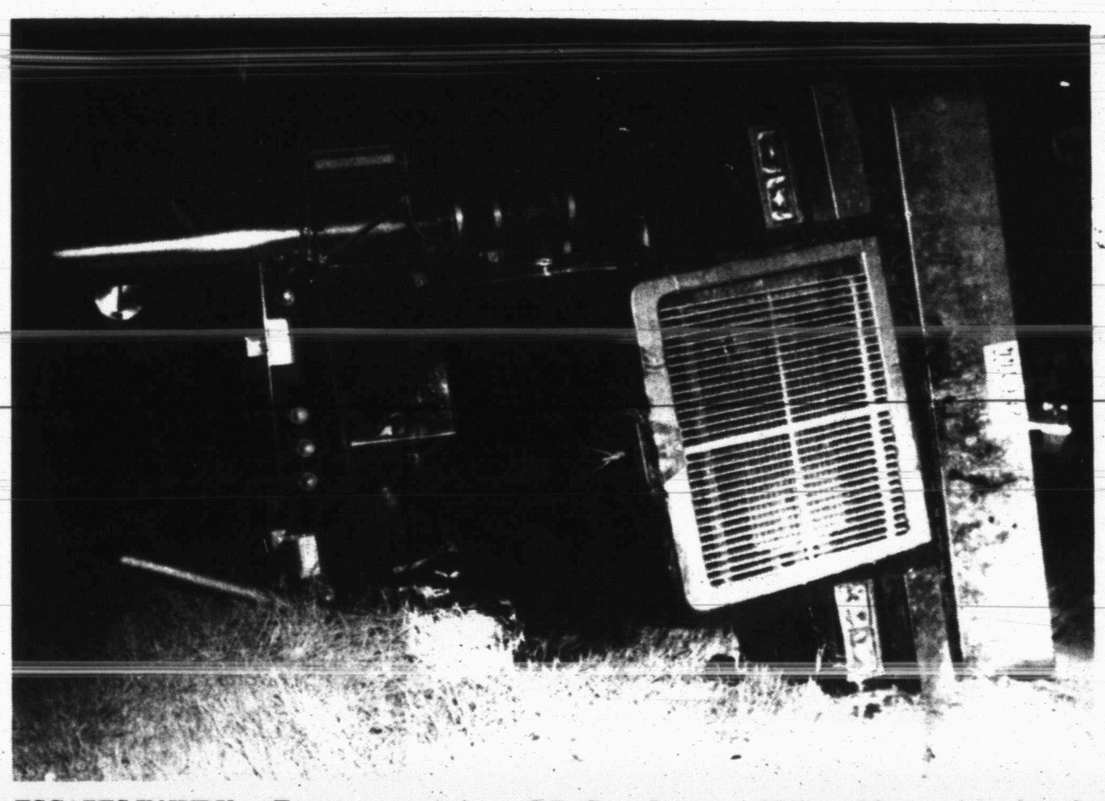
Fowler reminded members of Monday's basketball game here between Western Texas College and Howard College and of the pre-game supper of beans and cornbread in Room A, sponsored by the booster club.

Other upcoming events include the annual Anxiety 4th Hereford sale in the coliseum on Feb. 24 and the Snyder Wheels Car Show and Swap Meet on Feb. 28-March 1.

Fowler announced the chamber banquet set for March 13 will have a "USO-WWII" theme. She asked for memorabilia from this area to be used in decorating. State Comptroller John Sharp will be the speaker.

Board president Jeffrey Martin announced that the first annual audit was to get underway today by Ben Murphy Associates.

New board members welcomed Tuesday were Elois Pruitt, Dr. Marty Akins, Helen McLeod and Trent Diggers. Others attending were Martin, McCabe, Rod Waller, Rob Sanders, Keith Hackfeld, Jack Greene Sr., C.R. Perez and Julie Sentell.



ESCAPES INJURY — Former commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. escaped injury this morning when the 1986 Western Star truck/tractor he was driving failed to negotiate a turn at the intersection of Huffman Avenue and Old Lubbock Highway. All access to the site was blocked for about 30 minutes until it was determined the truck was hauling a non-hazardous material, magnesium chloride. The accident was reported at 6:30 a.m. (SDN Staff Photo)

DCOS set to convene Thursday

Development Corporation of Snyder board members will consider items related to the industrial park when they convene at 4 p.m. Thursday.

It will be the first meeting of the board with new executive director John DeLille.

Among the agenda items are:

—a drainage project at the southeast corner of the industrial park;

—an increase in th Freese & Nichols Economic Development Administration grant contract;

—new capital expenditures for office equipment;

—the annual report to the city;

—Lorber orientation trip;

—financial statements;

—and bills for payment.

The only other items of business are the executive director's report and approval of previous minutes.

ASK US

Q—How much does it cost to rent Texas Stadium?

A—The price varies greatly depending on the function. On the low end, a party held on the field would cost around $2,500 plus catering costs, while the fee for a high school football game would be around $9,000.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 72 degrees; low, 35; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 35; no precipitation; total for 1997, .42 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low, mid 40s. Light wind. Thursday, mostly cloudy. High near 70. S wind 10-20 mph, gusty.

Santino Hermosillo
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 6:10 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:41 a.m.
Of 21 days in 1997, the sun has shone 18 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Formal education will earn you a living, self-education make you a fortune.

- Unknown

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SHS schedules financial aid workshop Thursday

Snyder High School will sponsor a financial aid workshop at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center. Juniors, seniors and parents are invited to attend.

Corky Swanson, financial aid advisor, will conduct the workshop, assisted by Ronnie Barnes with Panhandle Higher Education. Prior to that, he was a financial aid adviser at Texas Tech University for over 20 years.

Swanson will go over the FAFSA step-by-step. Barnes will discuss federal loans for college funding.

All students who plan to attend college should file the FAFSA.

FAFSA applications are available in the counseling office. Students are encouraged to read the form and complete as much as they can before the workshop.

FAFSA APPLICATIONS — These Snyder High School students are working on their FAFSA applications in preparation for a financial aid seminar slated Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Student Center. From left, clockwise are Matthew Miller, Amy Robertson, Ericka Heaton and Kevin Lacik. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Citadel officials informed of harassment months ago

NEW YORK (AP) — Months before a woman cadet dropped out of The Citadel, her parents repeatedly told academy officials that she was being harassed, contradicting school officials' statements.

In one case, the South Carolina military school reduced the charge against a male cadet who had shoved a piece of cardboard into the face of the woman, Jeanie Mentavlos, according to federal court records obtained by The New York Times.

Testimony at a Jan. 8 hearing — part of the Justice Department's oversight of the integration of women at the previously all-male school — conflicts with Citadel officials' claims that they reacted promptly to Ms. Mentavlos' complaints.

The parents of Ms. Mentavlos, who dropped out along with one of the three other women cadets, say they told officials beginning in September about the abuse.

"We were repeatedly told that these incidents were being taken care of," father Nick Mentavlos said. "They obviously were not."

The issue first surfaced last month, when attorney Tim Kulp told The Associated Press that Mentavlos' parents had complained to school officials several times about their daughter's treatment.

"Jeanie called home and said, 'This is going on that is above and beyond knob (underclassmen) life,' " Kulp said. "Her parents then called the TAC (tactical) officers, and before Jeanie even knows they (her parents) have called, she is getting grief (from cadets) for it."

The interim college president, R. Clifton Poole, said no staff officers had received any complaints of hazing. He said a woman military officer checked with the cadets just before Thanksgiving and was told everything was going well.

Girl Scouts slow cookie sales

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — If you're looking for Thin Mints and Samoas in the Philadelphia suburb of Mount Laurel, keep looking.

Leaders of 27 Girl Scout troops in southern New Jersey have begun a sales slowdown as a protest after their governing council denied them an extra dime per box from the proceeds.

The slowdown appears unprecedented in 61 years of annual cookie sales by the 2.5 million-member organization, which sold 174 million boxes of Do-si-dos and other treats in the United States and its territories last year.

"I'm not aware of (anything like) that at all any place in the country," Marianne Ilaw, spokeswoman for the Girl Scouts of the United States of America, said Tuesday.

The trouble in Mount Laurel, a middle-class city of 31,000, began in November when community coordinator Jan Snyder said her troops weren't satisfied with the 50 cents they received per $3 box sold — even though that was up from 40 cents last year.

Snyder requested 60 cents per box from the South Jersey Pines council, in exchange for a guaranteed sales average of 110 boxes per scout.

"We feel (the council) has been taking advantage of them. They need to give us more money and they need to operate on less," Snyder said.

"It was really too late to act on it this year," council spokeswoman Joanne Goldy said, because sales were starting Jan. 10. The council governs 11,000 scouts in six southern New Jersey counties.

Besides, she said, the council administrators did not want to be unfair to other troops. "How would the people in the next town feel if they weren't offered the same thing?"

Twenty-seven Scout troops are selling only the minimum 12 boxes required to participate in other Scout fund-raising. Eight troops in Mount Laurel are ignoring the slowdown. The sale ends Feb. 17.

Currently, the bakery gets 81 cents per box, troops get 50 cents, and the council spends the remaining $1.69 on maintaining three Scout camps and other properties, recruiting and training troop leaders, fund-raising and administration.

Balloonist mistaken for a god

NUNKHAR, India (AP) — Adventurer Steve Fossett packed up his giant silver balloon in rural India on Tuesday, surrounded by villagers who had initially taken the American for a monkey god in a floating temple.

Most villagers had never seen a hot-air balloon until Monday, when Fossett's landed in a mustard field at the end of a failed round-the-world attempt. Many said they took the balloon for a floating temple and its pilot for a human incarnation of their monkey god Hanuman.

"We offered him pure cow milk and we were pleased that he took two sips," villager Shayam Bahadur Singh said.

Fossett's balloon drew so many curious villagers Tuesday that rural police — armed with World War II-vintage guns — were posted to protect it.

A day after touching down in India, his quest to circle the globe foiled by lack of fuel, Fossett packed up his Solo Spirit to ship it back to the United States.

Residents helped Fossett extract the balloon from trees and put it on a truck to Varanasi city, 95 miles away. From there, Fossett is expected to fly the 375 miles northwest to New Delhi, and then head home.

Before leaving the site, he drafted a statement at the request of police because he had landed in India without a visa.

About a thousand men, women and children came from nearby villages. Some managed to slip around the three guards to touch the balloon.

Fossett set off from St. Louis on Jan. 13 in a balloon attached to an unpressurized cabin capped by a Plexiglas bubble. He aimed to fly solo around the world but was forced to land after running low on fuel.

Nonetheless, he matched a six-day, 16-minute endurance mark set in 1995 by Americans Richard Abruzzo and Troy Bradley, then hovered 500- to 1,000 feet in the air for more than an hour to officially break the record.

Fossett also surpassed his own distance ballooning record of 5,435 miles, set during a 1995 flight from Seoul, South Korea, to Canada.

Brown fund is established

Paula Brown, daughter of Mrs. Billie Dupuy and the late Marvin Dupuy, has become eligible to be evaluated for a liver transplant.

She will be traveling to Dallas for a week-long evaulation the first week of February.

There is an account set up at West Texas State Bank for anyone who would like to contribute to a fund to help defray expenses.

Plainview Lions will host supper

PLAINVIEW — Plainview Lions Club will have an all-you-can-eat pancake and sausage supper during the home ballgame with Snyder here on Friday, Jan. 31.

Cost is $4 for adults and $3 for children under age 10. The meal will be held in the Plainview High School cafeteria.

Tony at Subway,
Anything you can do, I can do better.
CR at IGA

Berry's World

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Jan. 23, 1997

In the year ahead, you might make several significant changes. You will orchestrate these adjustments and the results should please you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you don't feel you are getting enough cooperation from associates today, you may not be setting a good example. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today you might be saddled with responsibilities that you did not request. You will rise to the challenge, but it will not be easy.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You might be required to take a stand on an issue which will be debated among your close friends. Try not to hurt anyone's feelings.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) In order to maintain peace and harmony at home today, you might have to pretend not to notice a family member's rude behavior.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Even though you'll have good intentions, take care not to complicate a close friend's problem by offering suggestions that are not based on fact.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You should be wary of any investment tips you get from insiders today. Misery loves company, and someone might try to bring you down with him.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today you might get involved with an individual who dislikes someone you like very much. Do not let this person cause you to doubt your friend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Subdue the inclination to take assignments or activities that should be pleasurable and turn them into tedious tasks. Life is tough enough!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A shift might occur in company politics today, and it could have undesirable effects. You may be assigned something that your fellow workers have been dodging.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Luck might play a role in your affairs today, but the influence could be limited. You must still continue to work hard.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Individuals with limited vision will rub you the wrong way today. Instead of letting them upset you, avoid discussing important issues with them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You must remain logical if you are involved in a business deal today. If you let your emotions interfere, you might lose money.

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	94 Chev. Camaro	Nice Car	SOLD

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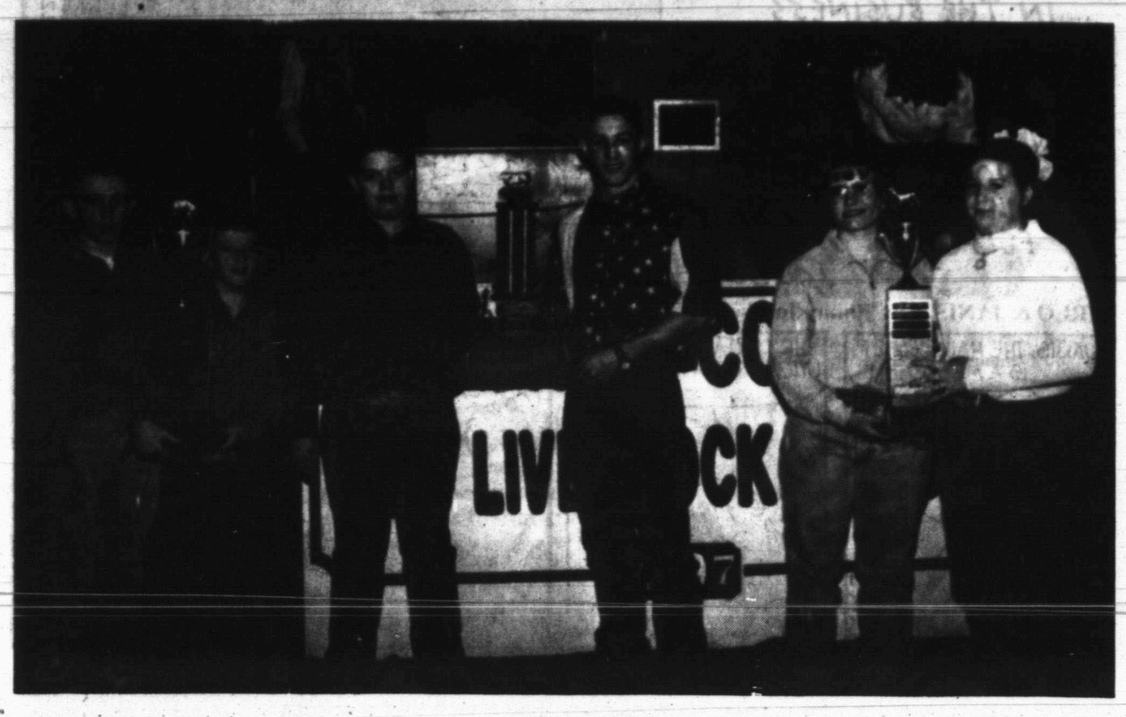

TRAVELING TROPHIES — Traveling trophies in three catagories were given to Scurry County Junior Stock Show participants. Trey Roemisch, last year's recipient, presented the hog trophy to Wesley Kellner. Cody Beaver hands over the steer trophy to Rad Eicke and Jackie Beck presented her lamb trophy to Celeigh Sterling. Others receiving awards for the commercial steer program were Clark Church, first, and Brady Collier, second. They were not present for the picture. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

TOP HAND — Celeigh Sterling, left, Ira FFA, received the Top Hand Award from the queen of the Scurry County Junior Livestock Show held in the coliseum. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Drug can sharply cut risks involved in bypass surgery

CHICAGO (AP) — An experimental new drug given to heart bypass patients before and during surgery can significantly reduce the risk of deadly complications, researchers say.

The drug, Acadesine, was tested from 1990 to 1994, and a analysis of those studies found a 26 percent reduction in deaths, heart attacks and strokes associated with bypass surgery in the first four days after the operation.

"This is the first drug ... ever shown to reduce serious complications after heart surgery even though we've been doing these surgeries for 30 years," said Dr. Dennis T. Mangano, director of the Multicenter Study of Perioperative Ischemia Research Group in San Francisco.

Mangano, whose analysis of the drug appears in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association, said its use would spare 16,000 patients from death or further injury worldwide each year. An estimated 800,000 bypass operations are performed annually.

The research was paid for in part by the manufacturer of the drug, Gensia Pharmaceuticals Inc. of San Diego. A Gensia spokeswoman said development of the drug was on hold.

In bypass surgery, blood flow to the heart is cut off for nearly an hour, endangering the tissue. The drug works by enhancing a naturally appearing hormone, adenosine, that the body releases to protect tissue near an injury.

While the survival rate for young, otherwise healthy patients undergoing bypass is high, Mangano said that the drug's importance will be magnified as the population ages and more elderly people have the surgery.

Dr. Neil Thomas, a heart surgeon at Loyola University Medical Center in suburban Chicago, said that he is fascinated by the concept of the drug but that the research leaves him unconvinced.

Blizzards freezing cattle

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Randy Volk counts five calves, seven cows, two bulls and 20 young pigs that succumbed to the severe winter, many of the dead still strewn across his ranch yard and frozen to the ground.

"I suppose the pigs will eat them, or the coyotes. We'll burn them if we can," said Volk, who ranches near Shields, in southern North Dakota. "I would say they froze their testicles and that killed them, or else the snow rolled into their nostrils and they smothered."

Across the Plains, tens of thousands of cattle are dead or in danger of dying. Some froze in recent blizzards that roared across the region, dumping more than 4 feet of snow in North Dakota alone. Others starved because they could not find feed, or their snowed-in owners were not able to deliver it.

The state office of the federal Farm Service Agency received reports of more than 12,600 cattle deaths in North Dakota this winter. The number is expected to be even higher in South Dakota.

The National Cattlemen's Beef Association doubted the deaths would hurt the national beef supply. Even before the blizzards, beef prices had been rising. But individual ranchers won't be as lucky.

"It's probably going to do some guys in," said David Stark, who ranches near the northwestern North Dakota town of Tolley.

Some farmers may have lost livestock but won't know it until the snow melts. Cattle are roaming off, over fences buried in snow.

Even surviving livestock are in tough shape.

"I've seen more cattle with their feet froze and parts of their ears froze off than ever before," said Gary Willman, whose 100 cattle have barely endured.

Willman's brother and neighbor, William, has to use a chain saw to cut his frozen hay into chunks to feed his cattle. But at least they're alive.

"I'm lucky," he said Tuesday. "My cows got it made better than anybody."

His 28 cattle have survived the ferocious winds and snow behind the shelter of trees on his ranch near Almont, in central North Dakota. But the gravel road leading to his cattle has been packed with snow since November. The two-mile walk to his cattle begins at an 8-foot gate buried in snow.

Senate honors reactivated Sons of Confederate Vets

AUSTIN (AP) — A group dedicated to preserving the history and legacy of the Confederacy has been honored by the Texas Senate, with a black senator casting the lone dissenting vote.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans, a national group, is reinstituting the John B. Hood Camp 50 at Galveston, according to the resolution by Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena.

Hood was commander of Hood's Texas Brigade in the Civil War.

The John B. Hood Camp 50 group of the Sons of Confederate Veterans was first organized at Galveston Jan. 21, 1897. The Great Depression, World War II and the loss of many of the camp's original members led to its demise, according to Patterson's resolution.

The resolution, which was approved by the Senate, designated Tuesday as John B. Hood Camp 50 day in honor of the officers and members of the reactivated group "and in appreciation of their mission to preserve the history and legacy of the late Confederate States of America and the role of Texas therein."

Diabetes Awareness seminar set Saturday in Sweetwater

SWEETWATER — The Sweetwater/Nolan County Diabetes Program is sponsoring a diabetes awareness seminar on Saturday.

The seminar, called "Back to the Basics of Your Future," is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the former National Guard Armory building at 1500 Elm Street in Newman Park.

There is no charge and lunch will be provided with advance registration.

Door prizes will be given, as well as educational information, and product samples will be provided at various booths. For more information, call (915) 235-8594.

Speakers for the seminar include Kathy Wilson, RN, BSN, RD. Wilson has served as the educator for diabetes for the past four years at Abilene Regional Hospital and will begin the seminar with her topic, "Your Future With Diabetes - The Good News."

Dr. Troy Carter, ophthalmologist, TLC Eye Center in Abilene, will speak on diabetic eye retinopathy.

The benefits of exercise for the diabetic patient will be the topic of Wes Bishop, PT, of Rolling Plains Memorial Hospital.

Brenda Hollis, dietary supervisor for Rolling Plains Hospital, will provide information on nutrition and meal planning and Roy Malphurs, PA, with Roscoe Medical Clinic, will speak on the effects of cardio-plumonary disease on diabetes.

Cherly Kelly, FNP, Rolling Plains Rural Clinic, will discuss the importance of foot care for the diabetic.

The closing speaker will be Charles Lewis of Jayton, a Type II diabetic.

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North
♠ 9 3
♥ A 7 5 4 2
♦ A 8 6 5 2
♣ K

West
♠ 6 2
♥ J 9 6
♦ K J 10
♣ J 10 9 8 6

East
♠ 7 5 4
♥ Q 10 8 3
♦ Q
♣ 7 5 4 3 2

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

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ J

Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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Father Should Be Exception To Sons' Silent Punishment

DEAR ABBY: I am the divorced father of two sons, ages 8 and 11. My ex-wife and I are both remarried and I get to see the boys quite often, as their mother and I maintain a fairly civil relationship. The boys live with their mother and her new husband.

Quite often when I call to speak to one (or both) of my sons, I am told they are being punished for some infraction, so they are not allowed to speak to anyone on the phone during this period.

Abby, I contend that I am not just "anyone" — I am their father.

I do not call often, and I like to keep up with their activities. And if they are having some problem, I would like to speak with them about it. I might add that I have no problem with disciplining the boys. They are normally well-mannered.

I feel that I am being used as part of their punishment, which is unfair and I resent it. Am I wrong? I will abide by whatever you think.

A LOVING FATHER

DEAR FATHER: I agree with you. Punishing your sons by refusing to allow them to speak to you on the telephone is not only unfair to you and to them, it also may backfire on your ex-wife. Children of divorced parents need access to both parents without intervention from either one of them. And if they are deprived of it, they often end up resentful of the parent who tries to enforce the separation.

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DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Pet Peeved, Martinez, Calif.," who complained because she has five cats and two dogs destroying her home. She works full time, she's pregnant and worried about her baby's safety.

Abby, she's not the victim; she's part of the problem.

I work full time, have three cats, three dogs, four children and a husband. There's romping and chasing around, but I can thankfully say none of them are destroying the house.

I have found that people with unruly pets generally have unruly children. They didn't come that way, but their parents took the shortcut. Training both children and pets takes time, but the benefits are beyond measure.

Before I married, I took my dog to obedience class. The first thing I was told was that it takes patience to teach a new behavior, consistency in what is expected, and most important — reward the dog with praise, praise, praise for correct behavior. Either ignore the bad behavior or do a quick correction and then stop nagging.

Dog training also taught me how to raise my children. While a child or pet is learning a new behavior or task, we repeat it many times. We never attempt to make corrections when we are stressed or short-tempered. Most children, pets, husbands and wives hear only what they are doing wrong. In our house, if someone makes a mistake, there is a quick correction followed by praise for what they are doing right. No nagging, no reliving it over and over.

It's important, Abby, to save the pets and children that are running wild, not just dispose of the pets and give up on the children.

PATIENCE, CONSISTENCY AND PRAISE IN MINNEAPOLIS

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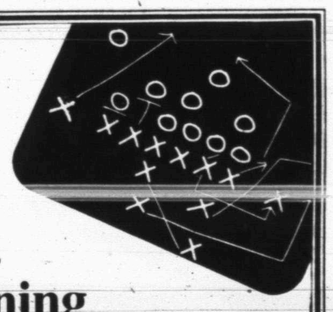
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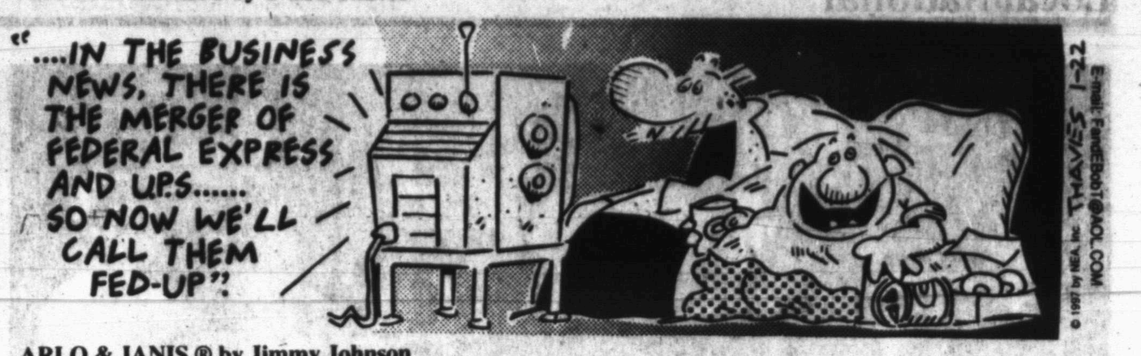

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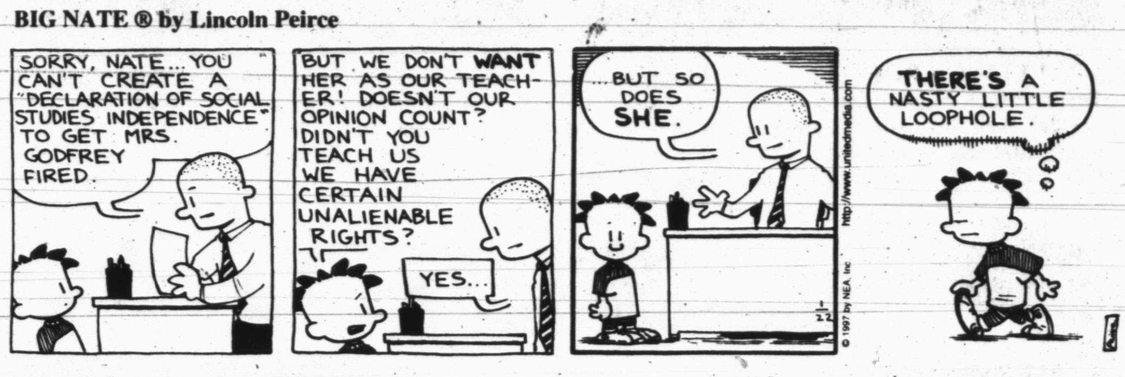

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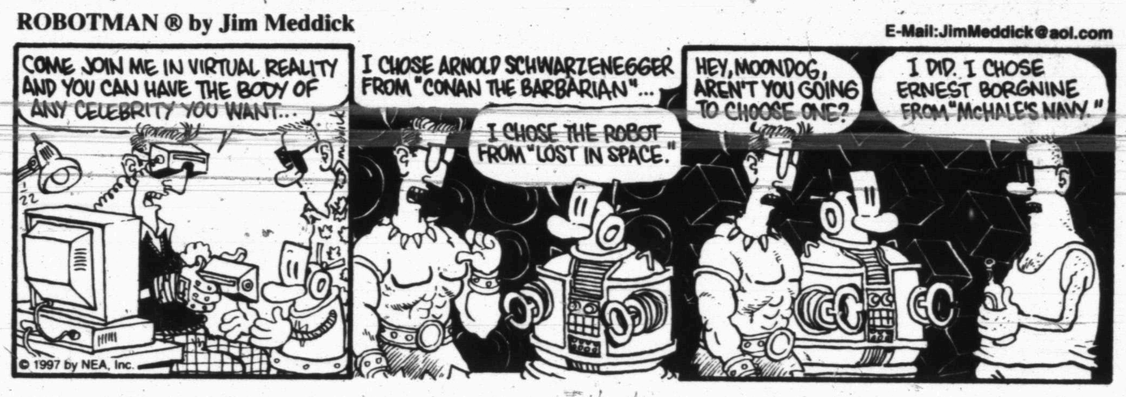

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12 Electric fishes
13 Actress MacGraw
14 Remarkable person
15 Sect members
17 Earthenware vessel
18 Omelet necessity
19 Fragrant
21 High mountain
22 Stop
24 Stabs
26 Actress Joanne —
27 More erotic
28 Soap ingredient
31 Weaken
32 Actor Chaney
33 Mao — -tung
34 Postpone indefinitely
37 Snow runner
40 Covered with heavy board
41 Stalks
43 Home site
44 More foxy
46 Pref. for center
47 Crooked
49 Secured
51 Abound
52 Middle East org.
53 Grant
54 Book of Norse myths
55 Ending for velvet
56 Makes angry

DOWN

1 Sailing ship
2 Combined
3 Fermented drink
4 JFK sight
5 Fertilizer
6 Dozes
7 Most metallic
8 Sticky stuff
9 Entwine
10 Vendor
11 Snares
16 Agricultural tool
20 Houston's state
23 Gloomy
25 Most ready for picking
29 Egg parts
30 Stationery item
34 — down (used the brake)
35 Enmity
36 Fit to be ingested
38 Sharper
39 Hamper
40 Dish
41 Madrid Mrs.
42 Teams
45 Type of jacket
48 Entertainer Sumac
50 Here (Fr.)

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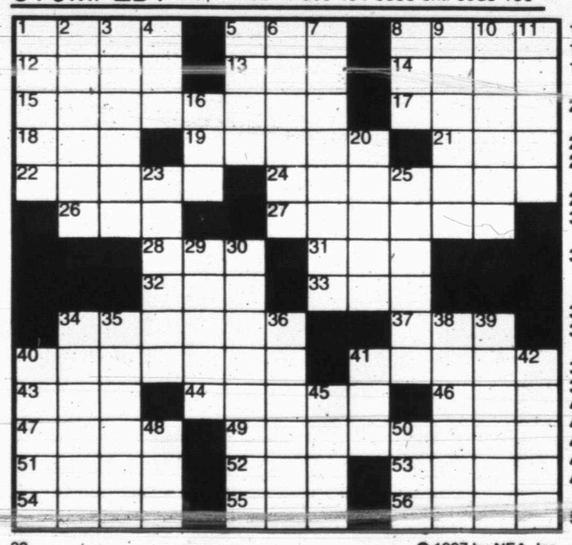

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SPORTS

Edge Levelland, 48-43...

Tigers click in 4th

By Jamie Sharp
Sports Editor

For three quarters it was a sleeper. But when the Tigers awoke in the fourth, it proved fatal for the visiting Levelland Lobos.

Snyder captured its second district win in a row, edging Levelland, 48-43, here Tuesday.

The Tigers' loop record improved to 3-2, while the season mark reached 17-10. Snyder travels to Frenship Friday.

The first quarter was low scoring and saw the Tigers down by one at the buzzer. Levelland knocked down the first five points before Matthew Fambro nailed a jumper to put the Tigers on the board with 4:02 left. Rick Henderson blocked the Lobos' next shot, and the Tigers converted it into two.

With the score 8-6 in the period's final minute, Fambro banged another jumper to bring the Tigers within three. Levelland answered with only a free throw, and the quarter ended with Levelland on top, 9-8.

With cool shooting continuing in the second, the Tigers were lucky to be down by only one at the half. Snyder hit only two of seven attempts to end the quarter with a meek 28 field-goal percentage.

Henderson started the second quarter with a jumper in the lane to give the Tigers their first lead, 10-9. Jimmy Taylor knocked down a free throw, and Snyder went up by two. Neither team scored for two minutes, but Ramsey Castillo nailed a trey that put the Tigers up 16-15 with 30 seconds left. Levelland's Barrett Watkins nailed a jumper in the final seconds that sent the Lobos into the locker room with 17-16 lead.

The Tigers continued their cold shooting in the third, hitting only one out of six. Free throws and good defense kept the Tigers within reach.

The third period started slowly with Henderson and Levelland's Jakiki Garrett converting on free throw attempts. But at the 1:58 mark, the gym started to heat up. Levelland's Jason Pitts nailed consecutive treys that put the Lobos up, 25-18. Henderson, hoping to cool Pitts, answered with Snyder's only bucket of the quarter.

Pitts, however, did not cool, and nailed his third trey, putting the Lobos up, 28-20, with only 45 ticks remaining. Jeremiah Johnson added two free throws for Snyder, and the quarter ended with Levelland up, 28-22.

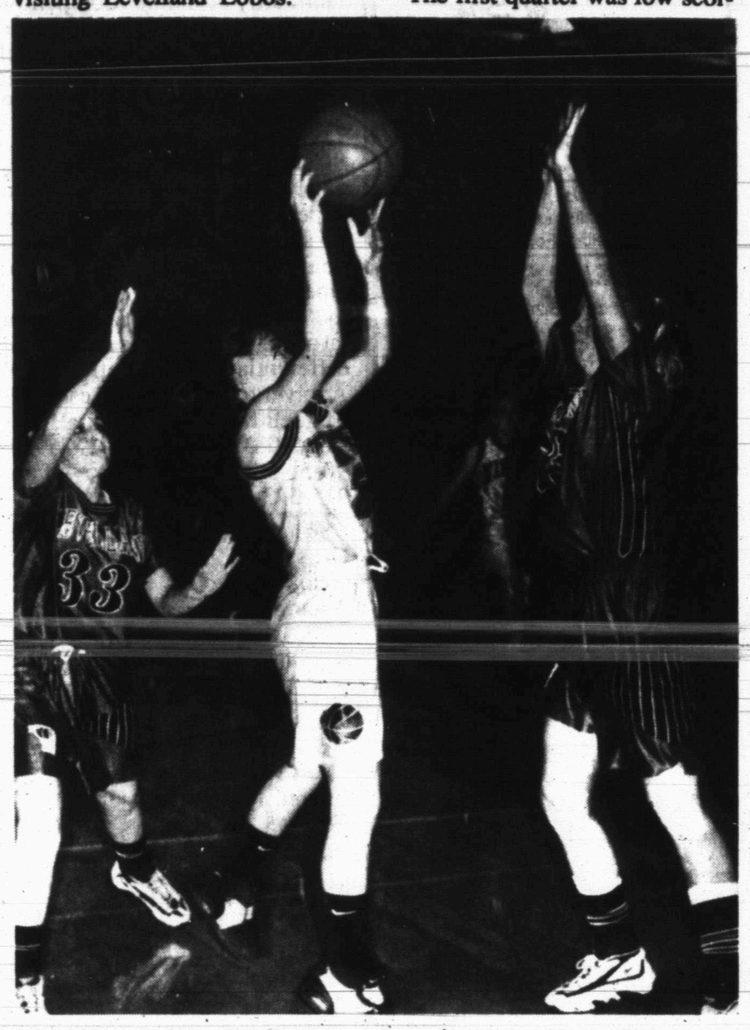
The Tigers came alive in the fourth period and took control of the game. Taylor and Henderson scored the Tigers' first six points, tying the game at 28. Levelland scored its first bucket of the period at the 4:30 mark to take the lead back, 30-28. Taylor then nabbed an offensive board off a Fambro miss and was fouled. Taylor converted both free throws, and the game was tied again. A fifth foul by Lobo Justin Dorman sent Taylor to the line for another charity toss to put Snyder out in front 31-30. The Tigers upped the lead by three when Fambro knocked down a jumper in the lane.

Snyder never relinquished the lead, although Levelland's Creed Haynes attempted to stop the Tiger rally with a jumper that brought the Lobos within one. Fambro hit another jumper to put the Tigers up 35-32. Henderson then blocked Levelland's next shot, and David Smith converted it into two points.

Henderson scored the Tigers' next four points, putting Snyder up 41-33 with 1:45 remaining. Levelland rallied but was forced to foul and Alvin Fabre hit four free throws in a row to seal the Snyder victory.

Henderson led the Tigers' scoring attack with 14, while Fambro knocked down 13. Taylor bagged seven, and Ramsey Castillo and Alvin Fabre each added five. David Smith added two.

Snyder junior varsity carded a 64-51 victory. In other District 2-4A action Tuesday, Lamesa ripped Estacado, 69-57, and Plainview edged Frenship, 50-46.



SPLITTING THE DEFENSE — Snyder's Leslie Daniell (25) splits the Loboette defense in the Lady Tigers' 51-27 District 2-4A loss to Levelland Tuesday night. In the background is Jamie Burleson (31). Daniell finished with five points and Burleson added one. (SDN Photo By Stephanie Whittenburg)

NAILING A JUMPER — Snyder's senior Matthew Fambro (20) nails an uncontested jumper, while Jimmy Taylor awaits the rebound in the Tigers' 48-43 district win over the Levelland Lobos Tuesday night. Fambro scored 13 points, and Taylor, the areas top rebounder, tossed in seven. (SDN Photo By Stephanie Whittenburg)

3rd-ranked Loboettes muscle Snyder Tigers

By Jamie Sharp
Sports Editor

The Levelland Loboettes demonstrated why they are the state's 3rd-ranked team in Class 4-A.

The powerful Levelland girls flexed their muscles with a 51-27 triumph over the Snyder Lady Tigers here Tuesday night in Tiger Gym.

The Loboettes stayed atop the District 2-4A race with a 7-0 loop ledger, while the Lady Tigers are 3-4 in league play and 16-11 for the season. Three district games remain, and Snyder travels to Frenship Friday evening.

Levelland scored the first five points of the contest before Shannon Hall could manage Snyder's initial basket at the 5:02 mark. Snyder's only other field goal of the quarter came when Leslie Daniell knocked down a trey to up the score to 7-5 with 3:48 remaining.

Levelland's Kristi Voss, who finished the night with a game-high 16 points, banged a three at the buzzer, and Levelland ended the quarter with a 15-5 lead.

The Lady Tigers continued their frigid shooting in the second, making good on only one out of six attempts. Snyder's Alicia Peoples started the quarter with a three-point play that narrowed the score to 17-8. The Loboettes then rattled off six consecutive points that upped the score to 23-8 with 3:45 left to play in half.

For the next three minutes, neither team could manage a basket, and with only 45 seconds left in the the half, the score remained 23-8. Levelland once again rattled off a string of baskets that ended the half with the Lobos on top, 32-8.

Snyder managed to sink only three out of 16 attempts to bring their field-goal percentage to an ice-cold 18 per cent. The Tigers' second-half shooting was not much better, ending the night with only nine of 41 attempts for 22 percent from the floor. Levelland's Voss started the third period with her third trey that pushed the lead to 27.

Daniell connected on one of Snyder's four baskets of the quarter, putting the Lady Tigers in double figures for the first time. Snyder started to get things together when Melanie Kidd, Tiffany Garza and Darla Blackwell each knocked down a bucket to bring the score to 37-17, but once again Levelland nailed a bucket at the buzzer to end the quarter with the visitors up, 41-17.

In the fourth, the Lady Tigers executed a flawless 1-3-1 zone that Levelland could not break. Unfortunately, Levelland's patience in trying to break Snyder's zone took precious time off the clock, eliminating any chance of a Tiger comeback.

Snyder's first basket of the fourth came on Erica Garvin's baseline jumper that brought the score to 41-19. Snyder did make some free throws, but its only other basket came on another Garvin jumper with 2:55 left.

Although the Lady Tigers managed only two baskets for the quarter, the Tiger defense allowed only one Lobo bucket.

Garvin led Snyder's scoring with six points. Daniell followed with five, and Haley Brown, Peoples and Garza each ended with three. Mandy Hess, Hall and Blackwell each bagged two, and Jamie Burleson added one.

Levelland's JV topped Snyder, 72-17. In other action Tuesday, Lamesa edged Estacado, 56-52, and Plainview dropped Frenship, 63-56.

Girls basketball 2-4A Glance

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Levelland	7	0	23	2
Plainview	5	2	20	7
Frenship	4	3	18	11
Snyder	3	4	16	11
Lamesa	2	5	10	14
Estacado	0	7	2	22

Tuesday's Results: Levelland 51, Snyder, 27; Lamesa 56, Estacado 52; Plainview 63, Frenship 56.

Friday's Games: Snyder at Frenship; Lamesa at Levelland; Plainview at Estacado.

Boys basketball 2-4A Glance

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Estacado	4	1	12	13
Plainview	4	1	14	11
Snyder	3	2	17	10
Levelland	2	3	10	18
Lamesa	2	3	18	7
Frenship	0	5	11	15

Tuesday's Results: Snyder 48, Levelland 43; Lamesa 69, Estacado 57; Plainview 50, Frenship 46.

Friday's Games: Snyder at Frenship; Lamesa at Levelland; Plainview at Estacado.

Lady golfers score victory

ABILENE — The SHS girls' varsity golf team started its spring season off on the right foot with a win Saturday.

The girls attended a tri-match at the Maxwell Golf Course in Abilene and defeated Abilene High and Highland Park to bring the victory.

"We played consistent as a team," said Coach Matt Glenn, "but we need to get better because of the stronger teams we will face in the future."

The Snyder girls are ranked number one in the state in Class 4A, according to Glenn. This is due in part to experience and leadership returning to the team. Daysha Weaver was all-district and All-Region last year, as was Alissa Wells. Julie Doolittle, Keisha Gafford and Misty Williams are returning from all-district seasons last year.

Weaver led the Tigers, shooting an 82. Gafford fired an 86. Doolittle and Wells each shot an 88 to round out the Tiger card.

Snyder shot a team total of 344, followed by Abilene High with a 345, and Highland Park with a 363. McKenzie Gibson of Highland Park shot a match low, 71.

The Lady Tigers will travel to San Angelo for a two-day tournament starting Jan. 31. District play beings in March.

NBA at glance

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Atlantic Division				
Miami	29	11	.725	-
NewYork	28	12	.700	1
Washington	20	20	.500	9
Orlando	17	19	.472	10
NewJersey	10	27	.270	17½
Boston	9	27	.237	18
Philadelphia	8	31	.205	20½
Central Division				
Chicago	35	5	.875	-
Detroit	28	10	.737	6
Atlanta	26	12	.684	8
Charlotte	23	17	.575	12
Cleveland	22	17	.564	12½
Indiana	19	19	.500	15
Milwaukee	19	20	.487	15½
Toronto	14	25	.359	20½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	31	10	.756	-
Utah	27	13	.675	3½
Minnesota	18	22	.450	12½
Dallas	13	25	.342	16½
Denver	11	29	.275	19½
SanAntonio	10	27	.270	19
Vancouver	8	33	.195	23
Pacific Division				
Seattle	29	11	.725	-
L.A.Lakers	29	12	.707	½
Portland	23	17	.575	6
GoldenState	16	23	.410	12½
Sacramento	16	24	.400	13
Phoenix	15	25	.375	14
L.A.Clippers	14	24	.368	14

Monday's Games
New York 95, Washington 79
Milwaukee 114, Philadelphia 104
Atlanta 106, Charlotte 97
Minnesota 96, San Antonio 83
L.A. Lakers 109, Dallas 99
Denver 132, New Jersey 123
Phoenix 89, Detroit 86
Utah 94, Cleveland 74
Seattle 112, Vancouver 96

Tuesday's Games
Toronto 118, Minnesota 106
Orlando 93, Washington 88
Miami 94, Atlanta 91
Charlotte 114, Houston 108
Chicago 88, New York 87
Indiana 92, Milwaukee 89
Portland 100, L.A. Clippers 82
Golden State 105, Dallas 93

Wednesday's Games
Philadelphia at Boston, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Sacramento, 8 p.m.
New Jersey at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Denver, 9 p.m.
Utah at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Portland at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Miami at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Milwaukee at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
New York at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Seattle vs. L.A. Clippers at Anaheim, Calif., 0:30 p.m.
Detroit at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

During the Thirty Years War (1618-48), about 60 million people died of smallpox in Europe.

Cards split with Highland Hornets

HIGHLAND — The Hermleigh Cardinals opened District 25-A play Tuesday night by splitting varsity games with the Highland Hornets.

Hermleigh's Lady Cards crushed Highland, 47-30, while the boys fell to Highland, 58-35.

In the girls' game, Hermleigh led all the way and enjoyed a 32-14 halftime lead.

Senior Michelle Roemisch led the Lady Cards' scoring with 14 points while junior Melissa Brasuel hit for 12. Kelly Gonzalez was also in double figures with 10.

In the boys' game, Highland led the entire contest and went to the dressing room at halftime with a 33-13 advantage.

Top scorer for the Cardinals was Mario Gonzalez with 11. Caleb Callaway and Andy Luna each put in 10.

Ira Bulldogs drop pair to Westbrook

IRA — The Ira Bulldogs suffered losses Tuesday night in the District 27-A opener.

The Lady Bulldogs bowed to Westbrook, 60-54, while the young boys varsity team fell to Westbrook, 102-74.

The Lady Bulldogs, 9-10 and 0-1, led by two points at the end of the first quarter, but trailed by two at intermission. Westbrook increased its advantage to four going into the final period which the visitors won by 19-17.

Rikki Wilkes paced Ira's offense with 20 points while Terry Robinson and Amber Haarmeyer were both in double figures with 10. Jamee Goolsby chipped in seven while Audra Oliver contributed four and Lisha Leatherwood added three.

Ira plays with six freshmen. Two of them, Richard Wilkins and Logan Daves each put in 19 points. Freshman Jerek Brown had 10 points while Jose Juarez and Thad Davis each posted eight. Drew Wall put in four and Josh Long added one.

Both Ira varsity hoop teams travel to Grady for district encounters Friday night.

Novice lifters perform well

MERKEL — The SHS powerlifting squad traveled to Merkel Saturday, giving its novice lifters a chance to compete.

Novice lifters includes a girls' squad. K.K. McClain won first with a total lift of 735 pounds. Mary Hollis placed fifth with a 375-pound total. Anna Hanna did not place, but made a good showing with a total lift of 355.

In the men's division, Snyder consistently placed in the top five. Cory Chesser was fifth in the 181-class with a total lift of 835 pounds. In the 198½-pound class, Damon Early placed fourth with a total lift of 700 pounds. Joe Esparza placed fourth in the 242-pound class with a total lift of 800.

In the 275-pound division, Dustin Fish garnered fifth with a total lift of 1,035 pounds.

Coach Joe Granato also praised Randy Green, Kevin Kerr and Scott Love for their efforts. Green, a 165-pounder, lifted a total of 675. Kerr, also 165, lifted a total of 755 pounds. The powerlifting team will continue their season Saturday in Sweetwater.

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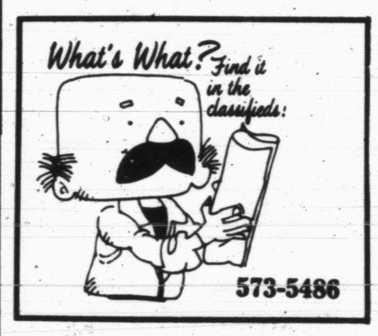

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Food Lion to get $5.5 million in damages

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — A federal jury today awarded Food Lion more than $5.5 million in punitive damages from ABC and two network employees for a hidden-camera expose on the grocery store chain's sanitation practices.

The jury deliberated six days before ordering Capital Cities/ABC Inc. to pay $4 million to Food Lion because employees had committed fraud, trespass and breach of loyalty during the 1992 investigation at Food Lion stores.

The U.S. District Court jury also ordered the network to pay Food Lion $1.5 million for the "PrimeTime Live" segment.

A Nov. 5, 1992, report on "PrimeTime Live" accused Food Lion of selling old meat and working employees unfairly. The grocery store chain denied the allegations, but lost millions of dollars in sales and stock value.

Former executive producer Richard Kaplan was ordered to pay $35,000 in punitive damages and Ira Rosen, the head of the show's investigative unit, was told to pay $10,750 to Food Lion.

Food Lion had suggested that it should receive anywhere from $52.5 million to $1.9 billion in punitive damages.

Producers Lynne Dale and Susan Barnett, who used fakes references and backgrounds to get jobs at Food Lion stores, will not have to pay punitive damages.

Barnett worked in a Myrtle Beach, S.C., deli-bakery and Dale worked as a meat wrapper at two stores at Hickory and Newton in western North Carolina.

The producers wore tiny cameras hidden in wigs and microphones inside their clothing. Small video decks were strapped to their bodies and activated by a switch in their pockets.

Jurors began deliberations on the punitive damages Jan. 14 and three times last week said they were unable to make progress on a verdict. On Tuesday, the jury foreman said the panel had broken its stalemate.

The jury had to determine whether a defendant willfully violated the law and profited from the segment in order to award punitive damages.

Food Lion was awarded $1,402 in compensatory damages in early January to cover paychecks for the two women and administrative costs.

Attorneys for ABC had said that the network had learned its lesson with the Dec. 20 verdict against the company and the compensatory damages.

The grocery chain, which operates 1,112 stores, suggested $50,000 in damages each against two senior producers, but did not specify any amounts against Barnett and Dale.

The report alleged that Food Lion sold cheese that had been gnawed by rats and bleached spoiled meat to kill the odor. The report also said Food Lion made employees clock out and continue to work after their shifts.

Food Lion denied the allegations and its attorneys pointed out during the trial that none of the videotape secretly shot by ABC showed unsanitary conditions.

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AirTouch		24¼	23¾	24⅛
Albertsons	35¾	34⅞	34⅞	—1
AlldSignal	72¼	71⅝	71⅝	— ⅜
Alltel	32¼	31⅞	32⅛	+ ⅛
AmerOnline	40⅛	39¼	40⅝	+ ⅜
AmStores	42¼	41⅞	42⅛	+ ⅛
Ameritech	60	59⅝	59⅞	+ ¼
Amoco	85⅛	84⅝	85¼	+ ¼
AndarkPtr	68¼	67⅞	67⅞	— ⅜
AmocoInc	4⅛	4⅛	4⅛	+ ¼
AtlRichfld	137⅞	135⅝	137	+1⅛
ATMOS Egy		22¼	22⅛	22¼
Aviall	11⅛	10⅞	11	— ⅛
BakerHughes	38	36⅛	36⅝	—1⅛
BellAtl	67⅝	66⅝	67⅛	+ ⅛
BellSouth	44	43⅞	44	+ ⅛
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Dillard	30¼	30	30⅛	+ ⅛
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Haliburtn	71⅜	70¼	70¼	—1
Hanson ADSs	7⅜	7⅜	7⅜	+ ⅛
HarteHanks	25⅞	25⅞	25⅞	— ⅛
HoustonInds	23¼	23	23⅛	+ ¼
IBM	159⅞	155	158⅞	—9⅛
IntlPaper	42⅝	42⅛	42⅝	— ⅜
JohnsnJn s	57	54⅜	56½	+3
K mart	11⅜	11⅛	11⅛	— ⅛
Kroger	47⅞	46¼	47⅝	+1½
Litton		46⅞	46⅞	46⅞
LockhdMart	90⅛	89	89⅝	+ ⅞
Lowes Cos	35⅜	35⅜	35½	+ ¼
Lubys	20⅜	20⅛	20⅛	— ⅛
LucentTech n	55⅜	53⅞	55⅜	+1⅜
MayDeptStrs	46⅝	46⅛	46⅛	— ⅛
Medtronic	68⅜	68	68⅜	+ ¼
Mobil	131	129⅜	130⅛	+ ¼
Monsanto s	38	37⅜	37⅞	— ⅛
Motorola	69⅜	68⅞	69½	+1¼
NCR Corp n	41⅜	39	40⅝	+1⅛
Nationsbk	107	106⅛	106⅞	+ ⅛
Navistar		10	9⅞	9⅞
NoramEngy		15⅜	15⅛	15⅛
Norwest	47⅛	46⅝	47	+ ⅜
Nynex	51	50¼	50⅞	+ ½
OryxEngy	25	24⅜	24⅞	— ⅛
PacTelesis		38	37½	37⅜
PanEnergy	46⅜	45⅞	46⅛	+ ⅜
Penney JC	49⅜	48⅞	48⅞	+ ¼
Pennzoil	62⅞	62⅛	62⅝	— ⅜
PepBoys	31	30¼	30⅝	— ⅜
PepsiCo s		32	31½	31⅜
PhelpDodge	74	73¼	73⅞	— ¼
PhilipPet	46⅛	46¼	46¼	— ½
PilgrmPrd	10	9⅝	9⅝	— ⅛
Polaroid	46	45⅜	45⅜	— ¼
Praxair	46⅞	46⅜	46⅜	+ ⅛
ProctGamble	111½	110⅝	111⅛	— ⅜
PubSNwMx	19	18⅞	19	+ ⅛
RoyalDutch	175⅜	174⅜	174⅜	— ⅜
SBC Comm	52⅞	52½	52⅝	+ ¼
SaraLee	38⅜	38¼	38⅜	+ ¼
SearsRoeb	50⅝	49⅞	50⅛	+ ⅜
SherwinW		55	54⅞	55
SmthBchADS	70¼	68⅞	70	+1½
SouthernCo		23	22⅞	22⅞
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Sprint	40⅝	39⅞	40	— ⅜
SunCo	26⅜	25⅞	26⅛	+ ⅛
TNP Ent	26⅝	26⅛	26⅝	— ⅛
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Tenneco	44¼	43⅞	44⅛	— ⅛
Texaco	108¼	107⅞	107⅞	— ¼
TexasInd	56	54⅞	55½	+1
TexasInst	64⅛	62¼	64⅛	+1⅛
TexUtil	41⅞	41⅛	41½	— ⅛
Textron	96⅜	95⅞	96⅜	+ ⅛
Travelers s	54	51⅜	53⅜	+2⅜
TrinityInds	35	34¼	34¼	— ¼
TritonEngy	52⅛	51⅛	51⅛	— ⅜
Tyler	2⅜	2⅛	2⅛	— ⅛
US WestCm		33⅜	32⅞	33⅛
USWstMds	18⅜	18⅛	18½	+ ⅛
USX Delhi		16	16	16
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USX-USS		31⅜	31⅛	31⅜
UnCarbde		43⅞	43⅜	43⅞
UnPac s		63⅜	63	63
UnitedTech s	67⅜	66⅞	67⅜	— ¼
Unocal	43¼	42⅞	43	— ¼
WalMart		23	22⅞	22⅞
WstnGasRs	20	19⅞	19⅞	— ⅛
WestghEl	19⅜	19⅜	19⅜	+ ⅛
WinnDixie	32¼	32⅛	32⅛	+ ¼
Woolworth	21⅛	21	21	— ¼
XeroxCp s	59	58¼	58¼	—1⅜
ZenithE		11⅛	11⅛	11⅜

Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

Is bottled water opinion all wet?

DEAR DR. GOTT: Your recent comments on bottled water being a "fad" really irked me. Many public water supplies have excessive lead levels. Cryptosporidium problems leading to public outbreaks of sickening symptoms are common. Some water actually tastes and smells foul. So, before you bash an industry that employs thousands of people, maybe you should stick to medical questions or fully research a topic before writing to the public. I know I won't see this letter in your column!

DEAR READER: Well, here it is.

Since I wrote my original column debunking the fad of drinking bottled water with designer labels, there have been several reports in the media questioning the safety of municipal — as well as residential — water supplies.

Microcontaminants, including the diarrhea-causing cryptosporidium microorganism, may be more common in supposedly safe drinking water than was previously recognized. Thus, in some communities, tap water could be harmful to health.

This is by no means a blanket condemnation of all public water supplies, most of which are perfectly potable, but some health officials are having second thoughts about the safety of such supplies. And, I understand, both state and federal regulations will force water companies to clean up their acts.

As yet, I'm not sure why bottled water should be any cleaner than tap water. After all, filtration and purification technology is equally accessible to both private and public purveyors. I've always been told that bottled water tastes better, a claim that I question.

Citizens who are concerned about drinking-water quality can order a complete analysis through their state health departments. This seems to me to be a fair and equitable approach that solves the problem for a few dollars — and it's cheaper in the long run than buying bottled water, which continues to be, in my opinion, a fad.

However, I should add that people under medical supervision for health problems, such as immune deficiency, may appropriately choose bottled water because of its purity. Also, consumers who are worried about water quality can purchase special filters that can be attached to the faucets in their houses. Obviously, tap water that has a strange smell or a foul taste should be avoided and the system tested by a competent authority.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have suffered from disabling arthritis for years, despite various drug therapies. I read in your column that Certo may help me. It did. My joints no longer hurt and I feel 20 years younger. Many people have been praying for me. Your column has been an answer to these prayers. God certainly does work in wondrous ways. Thank you. Remember: If your joints seem to hurt-o, go buy some Certo.

DEAR READER: No one knows the reason why drinking juice spiked with Certo, a harmless product used for making jelly, helps relieve the pain of arthritis in some people. However, judging from the avalanche of testimonials I have received, it does (Two tablespoons dissolved in three ounces of unsweetened grape juice three times a day). To my knowledge, the product has not been scientifically tested but, in my opinion, it should be.

Thanks for the doggerel.

Date Book

Jan. 22, 1997

Today is the 22nd day of 1997 and the 33rd day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1968, "Rowan and Martin's Laugh-in" premiered on television.

On this day in 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court handed down its historic Roe v. Wade decision.

On this day in 1980, Soviet dissidents Andrei Sakharov and Yelena Bonner were exiled to Gorky.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Francis Bacon (1561-1626), philosopher; George Gordon, Lord Byron (1788-1824), poet; Richard Upjohn (1802-1878), architect; August Strindberg (1849-1912), playwright; D.W. Griffith (1875-1948), director; Piper Laurie (1932-), actress, is 65; Sam Cooke (1935-1964), singer; Joseph Wambaugh (1937-), novelist, is 60; Mike Bossy (1957-), hockey player, is 40; Linda Blair (1959-), actress, is 38; Michael Hutchence (1960-), singer, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1973, George Foreman won the heavyweight boxing title by knocking out Joe Frazier in Kingston, Jamaica.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Nature (in man) is often hidden, sometimes overcome, seldom extinguished." — Francis Bacon

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1993, a house near Hailey, Idaho, that was built to withstand an avalanche did just that when one roared down Carbonate Mountain.

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

TODAY'S MOON: Day before full moon.

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Sale $79.95

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1 Group Men's Nike---Air Penny & Air Zoom Flight
Values To $140 Sale $89.95
1 Group Men's Reebok---Basketball Shoes
Values To $65 Sale $39.95 & $44.95

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Reg. $34.95
Sale $24.95

One Group Ladies Fashion Boots
Reg. $49.95 .... Sale $34.95
Reg $46 Sale $32.95
Reg $39.95 ..... Sale $29.95

One Group Beautiful Leather Tooled Purses 25% Off

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Sale $52

One Group Ladies KED Walkers
Reg. $54.95
Sale $39.95

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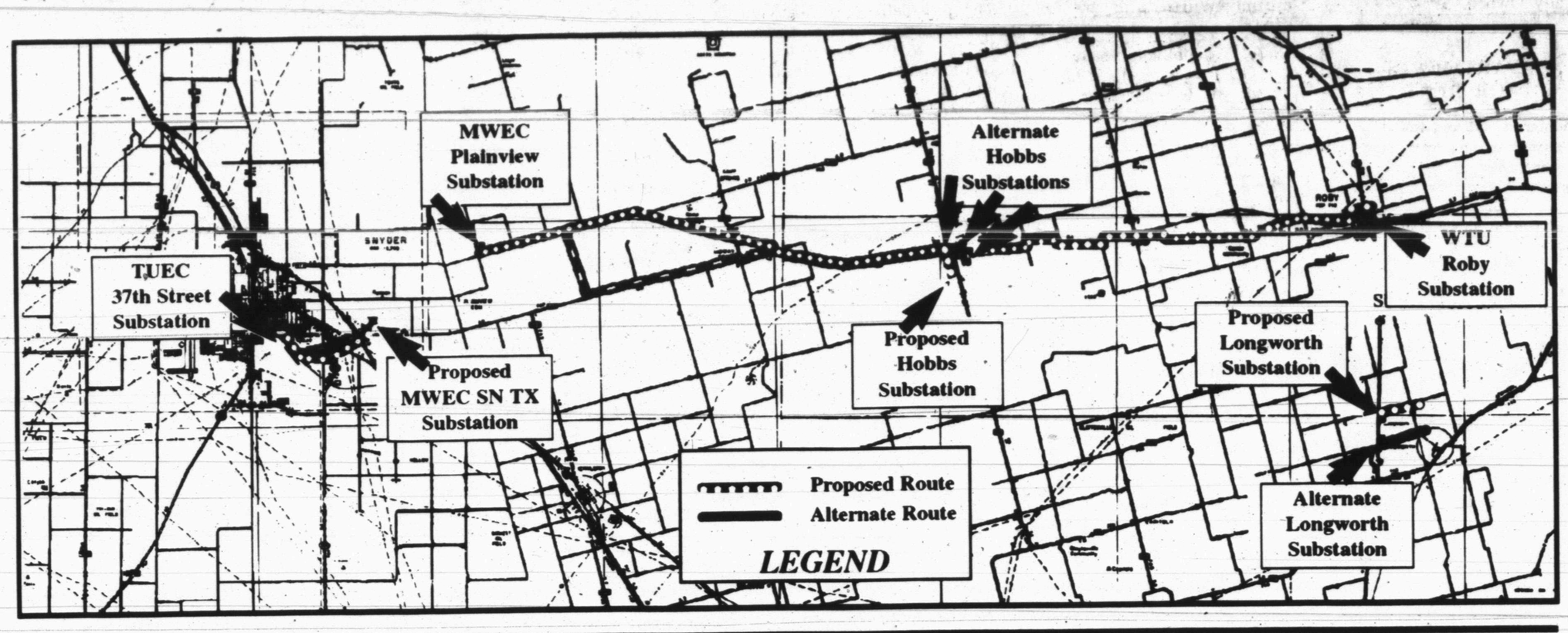

West Texas Utilities Company

APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

Fisher and Scurry Counties
69KV Electric Transmission Line and Substation Project

Pursuant to Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT or Commission) Procedural Rule 22.52(a)(1). notice is hereby given that West Texas Utilities Company (WTU) has filed an application for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) with the PUCT for WTU to construct facilities to provide electrical power delivery at four delivery points in Fisher and Scurry Counties to Midwest Electric Cooperative (MWEC). This will require the construction of three transmission segments. A description of the line route for each of the three segments is provided below. The estimated cost of the project is $ 4.329.000.

Persons with questions about this project should contact Eric Blakey at 915-674-7214. Persons who wish to intervene in the proceeding or comment upon action sought. should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas. at 1701 N. Congress. P.O. Box 13326. Austin. Texas 78711-3326. or call the Public Utility Commission Public Information Office at 512-936-7140 or 512-936-7136 for the text telephone. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is March 19. 1997. (70 days after the date the appli-cation was filed with the commission). and a letter requesting intervention should be received by the commission by that date.

This application is filed in accordance with Sections 2.251. 2.252(a). and 2.255(a)-(c) of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) and the PUCT Substantive Rule (PUCT SUB R.) 23.31(c)(1).

DESCRIPTION OF LINE ROUTES

Longworth Segment:

Proposed Route: This segment will tap WTU's existing Roby to Eskota 69.000 volt transmission line on the south side of County Road 118 approximately 1.5 miles north of the Longworth Community and extend west on the south side of County Road 118 for a distance of approximately 5,000 feet to the intersection with Highway 70 to WTU's new Longworth substation that will be located on the southeast corner of the intersection.

Alternate Route: This segment will tap WTU's existing Roby to Eskota 69.000 volt transmission line on the north side of County Road 120 approximately .5 miles north of the Longworth Community and extend west on the north side of County Road 120 for a distance of approximately 6,400 feet to the intersection with Highway 70 to WTU's new Longworth substation that will be located on the northeast corner of the intersection.

TUEC 37th Street substation in Snyder to MWEC' SN TX substation:

Proposed Route: This segment will exit Texas Utilities Electric Company's (TUEC) substation located on the south side of 37th Street and west of Ave E in the south part of Snyder. Texas. The proposed line will extend south from the substation on the west side of Avenue E for a distance of approximately 1.200 feet paralleling TUEC's existing 69.000 volt transmission line. The proposed line will then turn southeast and parallel the north side of the Roscoe Snyder and Pacific Railway railroad right of way for approximately 3.200 feet. The line will then extends approximately 5.000 feet in a east northeasterly direction to a point where it crosses Highway 208 approximately 2.000 feet south of the intersection of Highways 208 and 401. The line then extends in a northeasterly direction along a low water drainage area on the edge of cultivated fields for approximately 5.800 feet to a point about 150 feet south of Highway 180. In this section. the line will cross Highways 84 and 401 and the AT&SF railroad. The line will then turn north for approximately 2.900 feet crossing Highway 180 and paralleling the east boundary of the SN TX Industrial Park. The line will then turn east for approximately 500 feet on the south edge of the SN TX Industrial Park to the Midwest Electric Cooperative SN TX substation.

Alternate Route: This segment will exit Texas Utilities Electric Company's (TUEC) substation located on the south side of 37th Street and west of Ave E in the south part of Snyder. Texas. The proposed line will extend south from the substation on the west side of Avenue E for a distance of approximately 1.200 feet paralleling TUEC's existing 69.000 volt transmission line. The proposed line will then turn southeast and parallel the north side of the Roscoe Snyder and Pacific Railway railroad right of way for approximately 1.300 feet. The line will then extends approximately 6.400 feet in a east direction to a point where it crosses Highway 208 approximately 1.000 feet south of the intersection of Highways 208 and 401. The line continues in an easterly direction for another 900 feet to a point and then turns south for approximately 800 feet. The line then extends in a northeasterly direction along a low water drainage area on the edge of cultivated fields for approximately 5.000 feet to a point about 150 feet south of Highway 180. In this section. the line will cross Highways 84 and 401 and the AT&SF railroad. The line will then turn north for approximately 2.900 feet crossing Highway 180 and paralleling the east boundary of the SN TX Industrial Park. The line will then turn east for approximately 500 feet on the south edge of the SN TX Industrial Park to the Midwest Electric Cooperative SN TX substation.

WTU's Roby substation to MWEC's Plainview substation:

Proposed Route: This segment will exit the east side of WTU's Roby substation located on the northwest corner of N 3rd Street and Angelo Street in Roby. The line will then extend north for approximately 1.300 feet along the west side of Angelo Street. The line will then turn west for approximately 2.800 feet and crossing Highway 70. The line will then turn south for approximately 1.100 feet to a point on the west side of the intersection of Lawrence Street and N 4th Street. The line will then turn in a westerly direction and parallel a dirt road for approximately 7.200 feet to a point where it crosses a dirt road and then the line continues in a westerly direction for another 7.000 feet as it parallels a waterway until it intersects Highway 180. The line then continues west paralleling the north right of way for 1.000 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 16.000 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 8.000 feet and crossing Highway 1657. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 5.400 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 5.500 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 10.700 feet in a westerly direction to the west side of FM 611. At this point. there is an approximately 800 foot tap line to the south to the location of WTU's new Hobbs substation. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 on the west side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 28.700 feet. The line then turns in a northwesterly direction and continues for approximately 5,000 feet to a point west of FM 1614 where it turns west and continues for approximately 5.800 feet. The line then turns in a northwesterly direction and continues for approximately 10.300 feet to the north side of FM 1673 (Camp Springs Road). The line turns west and parallels the north side of FM 1673 for approximately 29.500 feet to MWEC's Plainview substation located north of the Price Daniels Prison Unit on the east side of Snyder.

Alternate Route: This segment will exit the east side of WTU's Roby substation located on the northwest corner of N 3rd Street and Angelo Street in Roby. The line will then extend north for approximately 1.300 feet along the west side of Angelo Street. The line will then turn west for approximately 2.800 feet and crossing Highway 70. The line will then turn south for approximately 1.100 feet to a point on the west side of the intersection of Lawrence Street and N 4th Street. The line will then turn in a westerly direction and parallel a dirt road for approximately 7.200 feet to a point where it crosses a dirt road and then the line continues in a westerly direction for another 7.000 feet as it parallels a waterway until it intersects Highway 180. The line then continues west paralleling the north right of way for 1.000 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 16.000 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 8.000 feet and crossing Highway 1657. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 5.400 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 5.500 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 10.700 feet in a westerly direction to the west side of FM 611. At this point. there is an approximately 800 foot tap line to the south to the location of WTU's new Hobbs substation. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 on the west side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 30.200 feet. The line then crosses to the south side of Highway 180 and continues for approximately 2.800 feet in a westerly direction. The line then crosses to the north side of Highway 180 and continues in a westerly direction for approximately 23.800 feet to the east side of County Road 1101. The line then turns and parallels the east side of County Road 1101 for approximately 9,500 feet where it crosses to the west side of County Road 1101 and continues north for 500 feet to the north side of FM 1673 (Camp Springs Road). The line turns west and parallels the north side of FM 1673 for approximately 18,500 feet to MWEC's Plainview substation located north of the Price Daniels Prison Unit on the east side of Snyder.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

State said facing water crisis

AUSTIN (AP) — Even with water conservation measures in place, Texas faces a potential shortage of water that could mean up to $40 billion in losses to the state's economy by the year 2010, a Senate committee has been told.

Craig Peterson, executive administrator of the Texas Water Development Board, briefed the Senate Natural Resources Committee on Tuesday on a proposal that recommends the Legislature approve certain transfers of water from one region to another and create a statewide drought management plan.

"Water, more than any other natural resource, will determine Texas' future in the decades to come," Peterson said. "The era of plentiful water when an area's needs could be readily met with development of new supplies are past."

Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, committee chairman, said he would file a comprehensive bill as early as Wednesday addressing the state's water needs.

Brown said his bill wouldn't alter the state's current "right to capture" law, which basically says property owners can pump as much water from their property as they want, regardless of how it affects adjoining property owners.

He expects the bill to be hotly debated.

"Whiskey is for drinking and water is for fighting," Brown said. "Any one of these issues that you take up with Texans being as diverse as they are, there are going to be real strong feelings about leaving things the way they are in some areas.

"I expect there will be a lot of excited discussion once we get started."

Interbasin transfers — the pumping of water from one region of the state to another — is expected to be among the most contentious issues.

"Water is precious," said Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, whose district includes reservoirs being sought for pumping by other regions of the state.

"When one part of Texas is in trouble, the rest of Texas comes to help," Barrientos said. "But before we reach that point, individual areas have to do their part in order to conserve and manage water to the best of their ability."

San Antonio is one city that has been criticized for not doing all it can to take care of its own water needs. Residents of the city twice have voted down referendums to construct a reservoir.

"San Antonio, as I've said for quite some time, does not have a good history of taking care of its own water needs, and I'm the first to admit that," said Sen. Jeff Wentworth, R-San Antonio.

"But what hasn't been recognized is that San Antonio has undergone a thorough reuse project, which along with conservation has gone a long way toward providing for our own water needs. That's generally unrecognized," he said.

Peterson said last year's drought, which forced local governments to limit water use, showed why the Legislature needs to approve a statewide management plan.

House committee OKs stalking bill

AUSTIN (AP) — A state lawmaker says everything possible has been done to rewrite a state anti-stalking law so it will meet constitutional requirements.

Rep. Debra Danburg, D-Houston and a sponsor of the bill, said Tuesday an anti-stalking measure being pushed through the Legislature would protect stalking victims without disturbing other people's freedoms.

A special House committee approved the anti-stalking legislation Tuesday and sent the bill to the full House for debate.

Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, has said he wants the bill considered Thursday.

Gov. George W. Bush has labeled the issue an emergency, allowing immediate consideration by lawmakers.

The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals ruled the state's 1993 anti-stalking law unconstitutionally vague and threw it out last September.

"I think we've done everything humanly possible to make this constitutional and upholdable," Ms. Danburg said after the committee's approval.

She said anti-stalking leaders in the Senate have signed off on two House amendments added to the bill. She said the changes shouldn't delay final approval.

The bill says stalking is action on more than one occasion, and pursuant to the same course of conduct, that is directed specifically at another person and that the offender believes the victim will regard as threatening; causes the victim or victim's family member to fear bodily injury, death or a property offense; and would cause a reasonable person to fear such injury.

Astronaut John Blaha returns to Earth

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Astronaut John Blaha returned to Earth today aboard shuttle Atlantis after four months on the Russian space station Mir, eager to reunite with his wife.

Brenda Blaha watched with daughter Carolyn as Atlantis swooped through a clear sky and landed at Kennedy Space Center at 9:23 a.m.

NASA passed on the first landing attempt just after sunrise because of clouds over the runway. The clouds later drifted away, allowing Atlantis' pilots to fire the braking rockets and slip out of orbit for the final leg of Blaha's long journey.

"Welcome back after a super mission. Fabulous way to start the year 1997," Mission Control said after Atlantis rolled to a stop. "And a special welcome back to John."

"Feels great to be back," Blaha replied.

Blaha left Earth aboard Atlantis on Sept. 16, 128 days ago. He was the third American to live on Mir and, after overcoming depression early in his mission, said he adjusted well to isolated station life although he missed his wife more than he ever imagined.

He circled Earth more than 2,000 times and traveled 49 million miles. To ease the crush of gravity, he returned lying in a recumbent shuttle seat; it will be weeks and probably months before his weightlessness-weakened muscles and bones are back to normal.

Atlantis and six astronauts lifted off Jan. 12 to pick up Blaha and drop off his replacement on Mir, Dr. Jerry Linenger. Two days later, Atlantis docked at the station for the fifth time in 1½ years.

Over five days of joined flight, the seven Americans and two Russians moved nearly 4 tons of supplies and scientific samples between the spacecraft. The shuttle pulled away Sunday.

With his mission, Blaha stretched the number of consecutive days Americans have spent in space to more than 300.

The 54-year-old retired Air Force colonel and former combat pilot maintained the U.S. presence aboard Mir in September when he swapped places with Shannon Lucid following her record six-month stay. The only other American to live on the station, Dr. Norman Thagard, completed a 115-day flight in 1995.

Linenger, a 42-year-old doctor with a toddler son and a pregnant wife, will conduct science experiments on Mir until late May, when Atlantis is scheduled to return for him and leave yet another U.S. astronaut.

While Lucid said in space-to-ground interviews that she missed M&Ms, potato chips, the sun and the wind, Blaha consistently said the only thing he longed for was his wife, Brenda. They have been married for 30 years and have three grown children and a grandson.

Obituaries

Audrey Talbott

1908-1997

OLNEY — Service is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the First United Methodist Church in Megargel for Audrey "Badge" Talbott of Olney. She was 88. The Revs. Edwin Chappell, retired minister from Ruidoso, and Ray Grube, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Megargel Cemetery.

Mrs. Talbott, mother of Cloyce Talbott of Snyder, died Monday, Jan. 20, in Seven Oaks Nursing Home in Olney.

Born on May 9, 1908 in Haskell County, she married H.A. "Allie" Talbott on Jan. 7, 1926 in Westover. He died on April 19, 1994. She was a homemaker and an organist for the Megargel First United Methodist Church for many years. She was also a member of the Megargel 1932 Study Club. Mrs. Talbott was reared in Westover and later moved to Megargel where she lived most of her life.

Other survivors include a daughter, Juanelle Thomsen of Lake Kiowa, Texas, one sister, Leola Hardin of Olney; six grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

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2 abandon young girl; arrested in Big Spring

SWEETWATER (AP) — The mother of an 11-year-old girl remained in jail today after the youngster reported being dumped on the side of a highway by the woman and her boyfriend after a spat.

Ermalinda Martinez, 28, and companion Billy McMillian, 17, were arrested Monday night in Big Spring, 60 miles from the spot on Interstate 20 where authorities said the girl was found.

The girl told sheriff's deputies that she walked three miles for help on Monday.

"It was a long-standing problem between the girl and the boyfriend," said Deputy George Dean of a quarrel that apparently began as the couple, the girl and her 9-year-old brother were traveling from Weatherford to Midland.

The girl said she was forced out of the car, while the couple said she left on her own, Dean said.

"Regardless of whether she got out or was forced out, they drove off and left an 11-year-old in the middle of nowhere," said Dean, who added that both children are in custody of an aunt.

Dean, who retrieved Ms. Martinez and McMillan from Big Spring on Monday night, said the couple told him they planned to have the girl picked up by mental health officials after they got back to Midland.

Big Spring authorities spotted the couple's vehicle after Nolan County deputies alerted officers between Sweetwater and Midland to be on the lookout, Dean said.

Ms. Martinez and McMillan were being held in lieu of $50,000 bond each.

Parole violation prompts arrest

Tuesday was a relatively quiet day for local law enforcement personnel as one person was arrested and dispatchers only received 28 calls.

Officers arrested Joe Garza, 47, of 2704 Ave. J, at 8:04 p.m. in the 2700 block of Avenue J for felony parole violation.

An officer was requested at Snyder One-Stop at 9:20 a.m. in reference to several insufficient checks being passed at the store. An offense report for theft by check was submitted.

At 12:29 this morning, officers arrested a 40-year-old male in the 600 block of 27th Street for public intoxication.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: J.M. Sterling, Coahoma; Loraine Tipping, Ira; Michael Goebel, 3508 Irving; Clarence Hall, 1904 17th.

DISMISSALS: Sandra Arreaga, Quinta Haymond, Griselda Perez and baby girl, John Henderson, Quintella Rose.

CENSUS: 55 (Med., Surg.-15, Long-term Care-39, CCU-1)

Births

Bryan and Karri Brunson of Snyder announce the birth of their son, Brenon James Brunson. He was born, weighing seven pounds, seven ounces, at 2:32 p.m. on Jan. 21 in Rolling Plains Hospital in Sweetwater.

Grandparents are Buddy Blackledge of Natchitoches, La.; Faye Blackledge of Snyder; and Sam and Beth McDaniel of Snyder.

Janice and Monty Smith of Wichita Falls announce the birth of their daughter, Ashley Marie, at 11:39 a.m. on Jan. 6. She weighed six pounds, 13 ounces.

Grandparents are Homer and Jean Godair of Snyder, and Fenton and Patty Smith of Stephenville.

Shawn and Jamie Almond of The Woodlands are parents of an eight-pound, 13-ounce son. Austin Andrew Almond was born on Jan. 21 in a Woodlands Hospital.

Bruce and Debbie Almond, and James and Joan McColloch, all of Odessa, are Austin's grandparents. Great-grandparents are Avon and Wanda Rushing of Snyder; Lou and Melba Blue of Gordon; and Bookie and Zotene Almond of Orange, Calif. Great-great-grandparents are Mrs. Nola Lyles of San Angelo and Artie Mae Rushing of Winnsboro.

What's Up?

Study in England meeting

An informational meeting is set for 5 p.m. today on the Western Texas College campus in 2B110 for persons interested in a two-week study abroad program in England, starting June 9.

The program is for college credit, English 2322. Study leaders are Jana Martin, WTC English instructor, and Beth Bowen, SHS English teacher. Cost of the program is $2,199 plus $97 college tuition.

Hall to teach at Church of the Hill

Dudley Hall will be teaching the Word tonight, at 7 o'clock at the Church of the Hills, 14 miles north on U.S. 84. Turn left at the Fluvanna cut off (Highway 612). The church sits on the left before topping the hill.

Adult education classes

GED and ESL classes are available at Western Texas College. Times are 8-11 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday and 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact the college continuing education department for more information.

Donkey basketball coming

Snyder High School girl's basketball program will bring donkey basketball to Tiger Gym at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 30. Ticket information will be announced soon.

Circus tickets being sold

Representatives from Circus Gatti will be contacting local residents offering tickets to the circus, which will held at Scurry County Coliseum on Feb. 18. Scurry County Sheriff's Posse is sponsoring the event.

Volunteer help sought by museum

Scurry County Museum is seeking a volunteer or volunteers to help assemble a large pre-cut doll house. If you are interested, please call the museum at 573-6107.

Windbreak trees deadline

The deadline for ordering windbreak trees is Jan. 31. For more information or to place an order, come by the Upper Colorado SWCD office at 5309 Big Spring Hwy. or call 573-6317.

Yearbook deadline nears

Time is running out to buy a 1997 Snyder High School yearbook. Books purchased before Thursday will have the buyer's name on the cover. After that date, it will not. Yearbooks will not be sold after Feb. 1. The price is $40. Anyone who has put a deposit down on a book is reminded that the balance is due by Feb. 3.

Scurry Youth Center

Scurry Youth Center, located at the Boys & Girls Club, is open Friday and Saturday evenings from 7 until 11. To participate, you must have a current Boys & Girls Club membership or pay $1 admission.

FCA area rally

Snyder will host an area rally of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at 7 p.m. Monday in the Worsham Auditorium. Guest speaker will be Alan Lee, a former major league baseball player. Music and games will be provided by Snyder's Michael Howard. Admission is free and everyone is invited.

Bible study video tapes

Bible study video tapes are airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. They are followed by a new series titled The Story of the Bible. The program continues at 7 p.m. Monday. The next tape is "The View from the Cross," followed by Lesson Two in The Story of the Bible: "The Chosen."

Grief support group

The grief support group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the First Presbyterian Church.

SNS needs financial help

Snyder Neighbors Sharing, which repairs homes of persons over 65 or disabled, is in need of donations for the April 26 workday. Donations can be mailed to SNS, P.O. Box 541, Snyder, or dropped off at Sam Robertson's Insurance or the West Elementary School office.

Central Elementary yearbooks

Central Elementary is selling yearbooks for $6. Orders will be taken until Feb. 3.

Horseshoe pitchers to meet

The National Horseshoe Pitching Association will meet at the chamber of commerce next Tuesday at 7 p.m. Johnny Davenport, a NHPA sanctioned pitcher, will serve as president. The purpose of the meeting is to elect officers.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

4-7-3

(four, seven, three)

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 4-7-19-28-30.
Number matching five of five: 2.
Prize per winner: $85,050.
Winning ticket(s) sold in: Houston, Vernon.
Matching four of five: 659. Prize: $387.
Matching three of five: 18,365. Prize: $23.

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Scurry County Country

Stored grain seminar scheduled January 30

AMARILLO — Post harvest problems affecting stored grain will top the agenda for the 1997 Texas High Plains Grain Elevator Workshop scheduled at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center, Jan. 30.

The event will feature education updates on damage resulting from diseases, insects and rodents, and will address fumigation concerns, in addition to all laws and regulations of interest in the grain storage and processing industry.

The workshop is sponsored each year by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the Tri-State Chapter of the Grain Elevator and Processing Society (GEAPS).

It will be held from 8 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. The workshop has been accredited by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) for five continuing education units (CEUs) and will be offered for commercial, non-commercial and private pesticide applicator recertification requirements. Categories and units will be given in integrated pest management (1.0), laws and regulations (1.0) and general topics (3.0).

Gred Cronholm, Extension pest management entomologist from Plainview will open the morning session with a general conference overview at 8:45 a.m. Don Shaheen, with DeGesch American Inc. from Weyers Cave, Vir., will discuss toxicology, a new phosphine generator and phosphine corrosion issues.

Larry Whitlock with the Texas State Chemist's Office at College Station will present sampling data from 1992-96 on aflatoxin in grain and whole seed. The final speaker before a break for lunch at 11:30 a.m. will be Scott Hyngstrom, Extension wildlife damage specialist with the University of Nebraska from Lincoln, who will discuss rodent control in stored grain facilities.

The afternoon program will begin at 12:45 p.m. with David Hoffman, GEAPS Tri-State Chapter president, Amarillo, as moderator. Gerrit Cuperus with the Oklahoma Cooperative Extension Service at Stillwater will address integrated pest management issues in stored grain.

David Kostroun with TDA in Austin will provide a Karnal Bunt disease report. The final presentation on pesticide handling laws and regulations will be presented by Don Renchie, Texas Extension Service specialist from College Station.

The workshop will adjourn following the evaluation and CEU certification at 3:45 p.m.

Old age and new technology cause decrease in hog farms

PEORIA, Ill. (AP) — Illinois is losing its small hog farms to old age and new technology, raising questions about the long-term health of the state's $3.3 billion hog business.

"That's a major concern to everybody in the industry," said Pete Merna of the Illinois Pork Producers Association. "If production continues to shift out of Illinois, the allied industries are going to move, too. Packers are going to build facilities where the hogs are."

Illinois had only 4 million hogs as of December, according to a report from the Agriculture Department. That was 8 percent below December 1995 and the lowest number since 1937.

The drop is partly a result of short-term problems.

Grain prices rose dramatically last year, increasing the cost of feeding hogs. Many farmers chose to sell their hogs rather than continue paying high feed prices. And some farmers raising both grain and hogs have decided to cut back on hogs to find more profitable uses for their corn and soybeans.

But larger trends are driving the decline, too.

Factory-like farms that raise pigs from start to finish are taking over in the South. Their lower costs and technological innovations make it hard for small farms to compete.

And Illinois has many older farmers who don't want to invest in the new equipment and learn the new techniques needed in the hog industry today. They just get out of the business, experts say.

Roger Phillips, who farms near Baylis, found out in 1994 how rough the business can be. Hog prices fell dramatically and he sold all he had to cut his losses but was still left with a $15,000 debt for feed.

Phillips works with organizations trying to keep huge hog facilities out of Illinois. He predicts these "mega hog farms" will squeeze out small farmers by undercutting prices and replacing the buying stations where farmers sell their hogs.

But the Pork Producers Association says such operations may be the future for the Illinois hog industry. With small farmers getting out of the business, the state needs to bring large farmers in, Merna said.

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 325 head of cattle for the Thursday, Jan. 16 Sale. Cows were $2 to $3 better. Yearlings and calves were steady. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 31 to 36; Canner and low cutters 24 to 31; Slaughter bulls 40 to 45.50.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 62.50 to 74.50; 400 to 500, 60 to 70; 500 to 600, 60 to 68.50; 600 to 700, 62 to 65; 700 to 800, 61 to 63.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 55 to 61; 400 to 500, 55 to 59; 500 to 600, 55 to 60; 600 to 700, 55 to 60; 700 to 800, 52.50 to 56.50.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 52.50 to 60; 700 to 800, 50 to 57.50.

Cow and calf pairs: good 400 to 500 grade 320 to 400.

Springers: 250 to 475; baby calves 50 to 90 doodlers 60 to 125.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 871 head of cattle at the Saturday, Jan. 18 sale. Steer calves and yearlings $4 to $7 higher. Feeder heifers and stocker heifer calves $2 to $4 higher. Packer cows and bulls $2 to $4 higher. Demand and quality very good.

Heifers: 200 to 400, 58 to 71; 400 to 600, 58 to 70; 600 to 800, 56 to 67.50.

Steers: 200 to 400, 61 to 82; 400 to 500, 60 to 80; 500 to 600, 60 to 76.50; 600 to 800, 60 to 74.50.

Young bred cows 380 to 540.

Medium age to older bred cows: 350 to 470

Young cows and calves: 410 to 620.

Packer cows: 28 to 42.25.

Packer bulls: 39 to 47.

Oregon floods bring damage

CORVALLIS, Ore. (AP) — Flooding in Oregon's Willamette Valley over the past two months has damaged crops and even stripped fields of some of their fertile soil.

"This is severe," said Tim Winn, pointing to areas where several inches of topsoil have been washed away by the Willamette River. "The crop loss and the soil damage ... (are) significant."

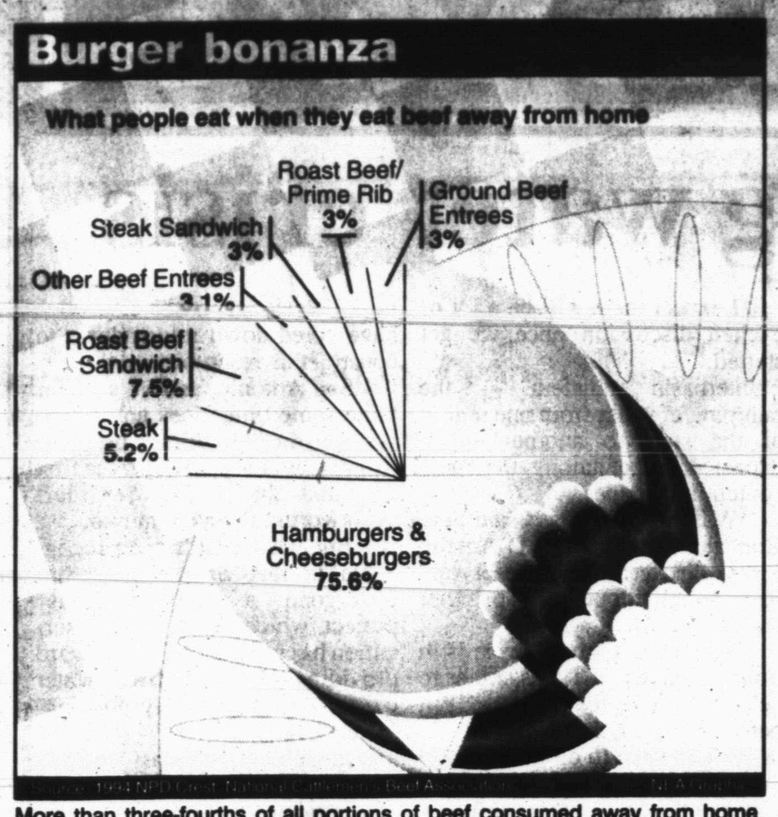
Winn, president of the Benton County Farm Bureau, estimates he has lost about 25 acres of winter wheat and sugar beets. About 100,000 acres of wheat are grown in the valley.

Water still stands on many fields in the mid-valley, and farmers only now are beginning to realize the extent of damage.

In some areas, floodwaters rushed into fields faster because dikes and levees had been swept away in February.

But perhaps the biggest cause of the recent crop and soil damage was prolonged high water.

"Normally, if you had flooding like this for just a few days, the significance would be very little, but the river has been out of its banks for weeks," Kiger Island farmer JoAnn Hathaway said.



More than three-fourths of all portions of beef consumed away from home is consumed in the form of hamburgers or cheeseburgers. Roast beef sandwiches and steak lag far behind.

Farm & Ranch Show set

ABILENE — The 5th Annual Big Country Farm and Ranch Show scheduled for Feb. 12 and 13 at the Taylor County Fair Grounds in Abilene, will feature the latest in agricultural equipment and offer the attending producers a two-day educational conference.

The exhibit floor will showcase over 350 booths of national manufacturers, dealers and suppliers. The exhibits will range from large hp tractors to seed and chemical companies.

National companies will include: American Cyanamid, Bigham Brothers, Caterpillar, Dekalb, Flexi-Coil, Ford Trucks, John Deere, Melroe and New Holland.

The educational seminars are organized by the Taylor County Agricultural Extension Service. CEU's will be offered for Pesticide Applicators during various meetings. The Rolling Plains Cotton Growers will be holding their annual meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 12.

The 1997 Big Country Farm and Ranch Show is scheduled for Feb. 12 and 13 at the Taylor County Fair Grounds in Abilene. Show hours are 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Sponsors for this year's event include the Abilene Reporter News, KTAB-TV, KEAN-Radio, Taylor County Ag Extension Service and the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers. Admission to the show is free. For more information please call 612-894-8007.

Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Financial literacy for youth

When you were a teenager, did you know how to balance a checkbook or purchase car insurance? Those are things we need to know and there's a push to teach it to high school students right along with reading, writing and arithmetic.

The majority of Americans live in debt either to a mortgage holder, a car dealer or a credit car company. Some people never get out of the red. Young people need to be educated about finances just as they're taught about English and math.

January is designated as Financial Literacy for Youth Month. There is a curriculum enrichment program available to schools to teach teenagers the nuts and bolts of money management.

The average teenager spends 67 dollars a week. To get that money to buy trendy clothes and cars, young people are spending more hours working and less time with school and social activities.

Here's one way for kids to learn and earn. The National Endowment for Financial Education is offering up to five-thousand dollars to essay and poster winners of its High School Financial Literacy Awards. Entries must be submitted by the end of February. Check with your school for details about the awards and the financial planning program.

Financing business topic of workshop

LUBBOCK — There will be a morning workshop on "SBA Financing for Small Business," Wednesday, Jan. 29, in the SBA Conference Room, 1611 10th Street.

The workshop is being sponsored by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and SCORE (Service Corp of Retired Executives). Registration begins at 9 a.m. and the program will conclude at 10.

Subjects for the morning workshop include: "SBA Loan Application," and "Other SBA Programs." There is no registration fee for the workshop but preregistration is encouraged due to limited space.

This workshop will provide financing information relative to starting a business. This is an excellent opportunity for women to learn about financing a business. Statistics of the U.S. Census Bureau and SBA show women are starting businesses at twice the rate of men. Nearly 40 percent of all small businesses will be woman-owned by the year 2000 if the current trend continues.

Reasonable arrangements for persons with disabilities will be made, if requested in advance.

For more information or registration contact Ruby Abarca at 806-472-7462 or 1-800-676-1005.

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