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THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The easiest thing you can do on a shoestring nowadays is trip."

It may be annoying, but telemarketing must be profitable.

Everybody gets the calls. When the phone rings, you wonder if it's important or some joker trying to sell something.

Telemarketers take the hard-sell approach. They figure if they talk to a whole slew of people, someone will eventually buy.

Calls the night before often are the topic of coffee sessions the next morning.

Calls have to be made before 9 p.m. That's the middle of the night for some folks. It seems, however, that most calls come during dinner.

Just the other night we decided to have some fun. It was 7:30. We asked the caller if she knew the time. She did. But we countered that it was nearly midnight in West Texas.

She was apologetic, and promised to promptly tell her supervisor of the time difference.

Ole what's-her-name doesn't like for us to answer the call if it's a salesman. If they want to talk, we'll talk. Just recently a guy called. (He told me he was in Austin.)

The offer was a pre-approved credit card. All you have to do is say "yes." We wanted to know the credit limit.

"Just five thousand," we moaned. "Shore need more than that. Just got layed off, they're about to repossess my car and I'm scare to death they're going to foreclose on my house."

There was dead silence. I thought the guy had hung up on me, but he offered to check on the credit limit issue.

"That would be great, see if they got at least a hundred thousand."

Then came a certain "Click."

The idea is to waste as much of their time as you can. We figure if you make telemarketing unprofitable, they'll quit calling. Hanging up only increases their odds to make a sale.

A guy in the coffee shop said he listenened through the entire pitch before saying, "That sounds interesting, but can you wait a minute, I need to go to the bathroom."

When he returned, he had been disconnected.

Attentive grunting also kills time. Or you can simply say, "Can you read that to me again."

There's actually a point sytem. You get 10 points for each minute you keep 'em on the line. Getting transferred to a supervisor or someone who makes more than minumum wage is 15 points. Getting 'em to repeat part of the script is another five points.

Getting answers to stupid questions is 15 points. Changing the subject racks up an impressive 50 points. If the sales person gets angry, add 175 points. If they hang up, it's worth 750 points. Getting their toll free number and calling back to tell the boss they hung up is worth 1,500 extra points.

If you wife is still in the same room, 500 points.

Tucker looks to Supreme Court for mercy

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Amid cries from her attorneys that Texas was not a forgiving place, convicted pickax killer Karla Faye Tucker looked to the U.S. Supreme Court to keep her out of the death chamber today.

Tucker, 38, whose big smile, dark eyes and flowing dark curls have made her a national television darling, was trying to keep from becoming the first woman executed in Texas since the Civil War. She also would be the second woman in the nation executed since the Supreme Court 22 years ago allowed capital punishment to resume.

Tucker was visiting with her husband, father and sister today but hasn't been eating since arriving in Huntsville on Monday. She had a soft drink and some crackers today, David Nunnelee, a prison spokesman, said.

"She said she was starting to feel a little weak," Nunnelee said. "But she's been calm and quiet." She slept some overnight, he said.

In what was termed her final media interview, aired this morning on "The 700 Club," hosted by Christian Coalition founder Pat Robertson, Ms. Tucker urged conservative Christians who usually support the death penalty to realize that God can redeem anybody.

"My prayer is that it (Tucker's case) would make most especially the body of Christ realize that God can redeem anybody," she said in the interview taped a week ago. "There should always be a place for mercy."

If Christians believe that life is precious and oppose abortion, they also should oppose the death penalty, Ms. Tucker said. She also urged Christians to visit prisons and jails and minister to inmates.

"We are not supposed to condemn people; we are supposed to restore," she said.

On Monday, the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles unanimously refused to recommend clemency for Ms. Tucker to Gov. George W. Bush, leaving the fate of the born-again former prostitute and drug-user in the hands of the high court.

Bush could issue a one-time 30-day reprieve, although Ms. Tucker's attorneys acknowledged it was unlikely.



INFORMATIONAL MEETING — Cotton farmers and landowners with cotton production were attending a meeting today at the county coliseum sponsored by the Rolling Plains Central Boll Weevil Eradication Zone concerning a March 11 referendum on whether to continue the program. Cleve Cleveland, district supervisor with the program in Snyder, visits with Kirby Sterling, left, and Bill Houston, both Scurry County farmers. (SDN Staff Photo)

Impact on local airport is key concern during scoping meeting

An estimated 100 persons — half of them from outside Scurry County — sought information Monday night on an Air Force proposal that would put Scurry County inside a flight training area.

There were no formal presentations, only information stations where interested parties could ask questions about the impact of the proposed Realistic Bomber Training Initiative.

Most frequently-asked questions came from Snyder and Scurry County citizens concerned how the plan would affect air traffic in and out of Winston Field.

Capt. Gordon Greaney, a B-1 bomber crew member from Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene, said all aircraft in the proposed 40 x 80-mile training area would be above 3,000 feet and should not adversely affect traffic at the county airport.

Roy Idom, Precinct 2 County Commissioner and a private pilot, said his main concern had to do with the impact on flights in and out of Winson Field.

Greg Baier, an environmental expert representing the Air Force, said questions about noise have been the primary concern of citizens at other scoping meetings.

Air Force representatives were unable to answer definite questions about noise, saying those answers would come from an environmental impact study yet to be conducted.

Drew and Carol Bullard, Scurry County residents, were unable to get definitive noise information, but were told that all flights would be sub-supersonic.

Snyder is located almost in the geographic center of the proposed training area for B-1 bombers from Dyess AF Base in Abilene.

Capt. Greaney estimated there would be 10 flights per day, each lasting 45 minutes to an hour to complete realistic training maneuvers. Officials said the environmental study would also address anticipated impact on livestock and wildlife in the area.

The area that includes Scurry County actually is one of three under consideration by the Air Force. A fourth alternative would be to do nothing and maintain its present system of training.

Inside each designated training area would be five 15-acre tracts on which the Air Force would establish electronic equipment. The Air Force would be required to lease the 15-acre sites.

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Five indicted by grand jury

Five people were indicted Monday by a Scurry County grand jury.

Enrice Tovar Rodriguez, 31, of 3026 Old Lubbock Highway was indicted on two counts of forgery by passing. Rodriguez is charged with passing a forged check in the amount of $50 on Dec. 24 and another in the amount of $75 on Dec. 30.

He has been arrested and is being held on $5,000 bond on each count.

Don Ringo Constancio is also in jail on $5,000 bond after being indicted for unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. Constancio, 26, of 1202 24th, is charged with being in possession of a firearm on Nov. 16, before the fifth anniversary of being released from supervision on a March 1, 1991, conviction of burglary of a vehicle.

The indictment also lists prior convictions of felony unauthorized use of a motor vehicle and burglary of a habitation on July 11, 1990.

Joel Vernon Nesmith, 39, of 700½ 20th was indicted for a Jan. 21 offense of driving while intoxicated. The indictment states that Newsmith was convicted of DWI on Jan. 16, 1992 in Gillespie County and Oct. 3, 1985 in Scurry County. He is free on $5,000 bond.

Two other individuals indicted by the grand jury have not been arrested.

TU-related rate ordinance OK'd

Presented with two possible ordinances Monday calling for a rate reduction from TU Electric, Snyder City Council instead approved a third version after a spirited discussion.

Throughout the discussion, TU Electric manager Daryl Thomas emphasized that TU was only seeking approval of an ordinance reflecting a rate reduction which includes a four-percent decrease for residential customers this year and a 5.4 percent next year.

"We're not asking the council to express an opinion on future earnings or shifting depreciation to different items," said Thomas. "We are asking for approval of the rate reduction only.

"The only thing cities can approve is the rate reduction. Only the Public Utility Commission can decide the other stipulations," he said.

One of the stipulations he was referring to includes the shifting of depreciation costs from transmission and distribution assets to the company's nuclear power plant at Comanche Peak — a point that has not met with favor with a coalition of cities, of which Snyder is a member.

The coalition had also strongly suggested a "favored nation" clause in the ordinance, as did city council members and City Manager John Gayle.

"Don't you think the favored nation status clause is in the best interest of Snyder?" Gayle asked Thomas.

Thomas agreed, and after more discussion with the council, mitted amendments to the original ordinance whereby electric service in Snyder will not exceed the lowest rates available to other cities served by TU.

The final version of the ordinance also calls for the Public Utility Commission to review depreciation shifting and to determine whether that action would be consistent with sound regulatory and public policy.

The ordinance, which was finally approved on a 3-0 vote with councilman Dayton Robertson abstaining, also calls for a reduction of two percent for commercial customers for each of the next two years while industrial or municipality customers will receive a one-percent decrease.

Before the issue was put to a vote, Robertson questioned Thomas on a statement the TU manager had made.

Thomas said TU would reserve the right to pull the decrease from cities which fail to adopt the ordinance.

While TU billing reflected the ordinance beginning on Jan. 1, a city must have approved the ordinance by March 1 in order for it to remain in effect for two years.

"I'm not for putting the rate decrease at risk," said Robertson. "I want to explore everything. If we have until the 31st of March, then I want until then to find out some answers.

"What TU wants is a lot deeper than just a rate decrease for two years," said Robertson. "There's a hook in there somewhere."

At one time, Robertson suggested the council table any action.

Before the vote was taken, Mayor David Holt asked Thomas if there was anything detrimental in it for the citizens of Snyder.

Thomas replied there was not.

Other action by the council included the approval of the comprehensive annual financial report for the year ending Sept. 30, 1997 and the approval of the audit presented by Becky Roberts of Davis, Kinard & Co.

Roberts said her firm gave the city's audit a "clean opinion."

"This includes the audits of the grants associated with the development of the industrial park," added Roberts.

She also praised the city's accounting department for its record keeping.

"Not many municipal accounting departments keep as detailed records as your city does," Roberts told the council.

The council also approved a change in the city's eligibility requirements for the 1997-98

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Daniel Unit dogs assist in manhunt

GARDEN CITY — Two men who robbed the Glasscock State Bank early Monday remain at-large and likely have left the area, authorities said today.

Following the report of a bank robbery about 9:10 a.m., the dog tracking unit from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Price Daniel unit in Snyder was called to assist investigators.

Senior Warden T.J. Medart, the dog sergeant and two correctional officers spent most of Monday on standby in Glasscock County.

Authorities are looking for two men believed to be in white Jeep stolen in Houston.

One robber was wearing a brown security guard uniform and was armed with a shotgun. The robbers reportedly locked all the tellers in the bank vault. The amount taken had not been determined, investigators said.

ASK US

Q—What is the SHS enrollment for UIL classification?
A—The enrollment was 997.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 63 degrees; low, 33; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 35; no precipitation; total for 1998, 1.20 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy. Low 30-35. NE-E wind 5-15 mph. Wednesday, cloudy, cooler, 20% rain chance. High near 50. E-SE wind 10-20 mph.



Jordan Stansell
Rain chance

Sunset: 6:20 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:34 a.m.
Of 33 days in 1998, the sun has shone 33 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The miracle is this...the more we share, the more we have.

Leonard Nimoy

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Budget seeks money for food stamps and water projects

WASHINGTON (AP) — From Border Patrol agents to new transit buses for Houston, President Clinton's $1.7 trillion budget for fiscal 1999 is dotted with billions of dollars in spending that would affect the daily lives of Texans.

Release of the president's budget is just the first step in an annual Washington ritual.

Congress now begins a months-long process of imposing its own financial priorities on federal spending. While the GOP-led Congress will no doubt frequently diverge from the Democratic president's wish list, the budget does represent a starting point for the deliberations.

And how the budget is shaped by Washington policymakers is of keen importance to Texas, which received nearly $87 billion in direct federal payments in 1996, covering everything from government workers' salaries to weapons acquisition and farm payments.

Republicans professed little excitement Monday upon release of the Clinton budget, which is the first balanced budget submission in 30 years.

"It may sound like a political cliche, but this budget comes as close to a tax-and-spend budget as any budget we've seen since ... Jimmy Carter was president," said Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, estimating that the budget includes $130 billion in new spending and $115 billion in added taxes.

"I believe we can and will stand up and say 'No' to this budget," Gramm added.

Said Rep. Kay Granger, R-Fort Worth: "What we're seeing is all sorts of new programs and that's certainly not in keeping with ... where the Republicans are going in the Congress."

Democrats, predictably, were more complimentary.

"The president has presented a budget that balances while still proposing admirable investments in education, child care, worker training and medical research," said Rep. Ken Bentsen, D-Houston, a member of the House Budget Committee.

To the delight of anti-hunger and immigrant advocates, Clinton proposed restoration of food stamps to 730,000 of the 935,000 legal immigrants drummed from the federal rolls as part of Congress' 1996 welfare overhaul. The price tag would be $2.4 billion over five years.

Texas is among 10 states that have stepped in to provide food stamps to some of the most vulnerable legal immigrants. That aid, however, is reaching only a fraction of the noncitizens who lost food stamps. In Texas, for example, the state help will cover 28,000 of the 168,000 immigrants dropped from the federal program.

The president of Bread for the World, an anti-hunger advocacy group, applauded Clinton's action. "I am hopeful that Congress will retain this vital provision," said David Beckmann.

In matters military, the armed services' continued focus on air power bodes well for defense contractors in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

The $252.6 billion defense budget earmarks billions for continued development of the F-22 fighter and V-22 Osprey, which have major ties to the Fort Worth area. Hundreds of millions of dollars more are allocated for high-tech missiles and munitions assembled in North Texas.

The budget also seeks a 3.1 percent pay raise for military personnel.

More ominously for defenders of Texas military bases, the budget includes a proposal to hold new base-closing rounds in 2001 and 2005. Congress shot down a similar recommendation last year.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, said her priority will be increasing defense readiness. "As we approach a possible conflict with Iraq, there are a number of troubling indicators that 12 straight years of defense cuts and diversion of resources to missions in Somalia, Haiti and Bosnia, have eroded our military readiness," she said.

While military spending would remain largely unchanged, the administration is advocating major increases in other arenas.

One beneficiary would be the nation's immigration agency. The White House is proposing a sizeable boost for the Immigration and Naturalization Service, swelling its budget by 10 percent. The administration is seeking to add 1,000 new Border Patrol agents next year — mirroring Congress' orders to do so. Most of those agents would be deployed to Texas and other Southwest border states.

Other funding requests with significant Texas ties include:

—$2.3 billion for continued development of the international space station. The program is being managed by NASA officials at the Johnson Space Center near Houston.

—A $737 million increase over five years to retrain workers harmed by NAFTA and other trade agreements.

—$154.4 million for Army Corps of Engineers water projects in Texas, including $18 million for operation of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway and $5 million to continue expansion of the Houston Ship Channel.

—$106.4 million for improvements at Texas military bases, half of which is earmarked for construction improvements at Fort Hood in Central Texas.

—$69 million for the Houston Regional Bus project.

Some budget items would benefit state

By The Associated Press

President Clinton's $252.6 billion defense budget for fiscal 1999 includes funding requests for the following programs of significance to Texas:

—F-22 advanced tactical fighter, being designed in part by Lockheed Martin at its Fort Worth and Georgia plants: $2.39 billion, which includes $811 million for low-rate initial production of two F-22s, and $1.58 billion for continued research and development of the next-generation fighter, which is poised to go into full production.

—V-22 Osprey, manufactured in part at Bell Helicopter Textron's Fort Worth facility: $1.06 billion for procurement of seven copies of the craft, which takes off like a helicopter and flies like a plane, and continued research and development funding.

—C-17 cargo plane, for which Northrop Grumman's commercial aircraft division in Grand Prairie is a major subcontractor: $3.2 billion to procure 13 of the aircraft and provide for continued research and development funding.

—Javelin antitank missiles manufactured by a joint venture of Texas Instruments in Lewisville and Lockheed Martin in Orlando, Fla.: $413.5 million for procurement of 3,316 missiles and launch units for the Army; and 741 missiles for the Marine Corps.

—Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles manufactured by Stewart & Stevenson in Sealy: $336.3 million for procurement of 2,038 of the diesel-powered trucks.

—Joint Standoff Weapon munitions, whose prime contractor is Texas Instruments in Lewisville: $265.9 million for 428 warheads for the Navy and Air Force, along with continued research and development and military construction needed to support the program.

—ATACMS missiles built by Lockheed Martin Vought Systems in Grand Prairie: $142.4 million for procurement of 126 of the surface-to-surface guided missiles and continued research and development.

—MLRS missile developed mainly by Lockheed Martin Vought Systems near Dallas: $129 million for procurement of 522 rockets and 24 launchers.

—F-16 fighters built in Fort Worth by Lockheed Martin: $125.1 million for upgrades to existing copies of the veteran fighter plane.

—OH-58D Kiowa Warrior scout-attack helicopter manufactured in Fort Worth by Bell Helicopter Textron: $40.4 million for upgrades.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

The following budget requests were made for construction projects at Texas defense installations:

—Dyess Air Force Base in

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Study shows increase in state property values

AUSTIN (AP) — Property owners should look at whether they're due for a rate cut from their school districts in the wake of a report showing property values are up, says Senate Education Committee Chairman Teel Bivins.

Preliminary school district property values totaled $714.1 billion in 1997, according to the state comptroller. The increase is an 8 percent jump from the previous year.

It is the first time values have topped $700 billion since 1985, before values were pulled down by an economic bust.

The figures sent to state officials by Comptroller John Sharp are in a draft obtained Monday by The Associated Press.

School districts would take in more revenue if they maintained the same tax rate on higher property values.

"If I were a resident of a school district where property values have gone up highly, I would be talking to my school board members about what we could be doing to cut the tax rate — because clearly the increase in property values is going to generate more revenue to school districts," said Bivins, R-Amarillo.

He said, however, that the effect has to be looked at district-by-district. "In some districts, particularly in West Texas, we haven't seen values go up nearly like we have in some of the urban districts," he said.

The study found taxable values up in 949 school districts, about 92 percent of all districts. In 1996, 71 percent of districts saw increases.

The average increase was 11.2 percent, compared with the 1996 average of 7 percent.

Values dropped by an average of about 3.3 percent in 87 school districts. In 1996, values dropped in 301 districts by an average of about 5 percent.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman Bill Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, welcomed the news.

"There were a number of years in the '80s and early 90s when property values in Texas were dropping. Enrollment was going up ... and school districts as a result had no alternative but to raise (tax) rates," he said.

"That's good news that the economy in Texas is strong enough that total property values are up. Hopefully that means that school districts can stabilize their tax rates because the base is

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Feb. 4, 1998

Long-standing allies will be even more helpful to you than usual in the year ahead. It behooves you to do everything in your power to keep building upon and improving these relationships.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In your commercial dealings today you'll be practical — up to a point. Then you may act foolishly at a critical moment and adversely affect your efforts. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You may be more effective today running things for others than you will be in managing your own interests. Be equally attentive in both areas.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be able to distinguish between genuine optimism today and merely wishful thinking. The first expands chances for success, the second diminishes them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You could generate reasonable profits from your commercial endeavors today, but if you're expecting something for nothing, you'll be disappointed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Conditions in general should be pleasant for you today, with the exception of competitive situations. Measure your opponents realistically.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your instincts might provide you with false insights today, so don't rely upon them too heavily. Important evaluations should be based on logic.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Not everyone who promises to do things for you today will live up to his or her commitment. In fact, those who talk the loudest might deliver the least.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your achievement potential is running high again and significant goals can be attained, even if you have to drag along some nonproductive people.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Co-workers will be annoyed with you today if you do not do your fair share of the workload. Be a producer and not a slacker.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Resist talking prematurely today about something impressive you hope to accomplish. You will feel foolish later if things don't happen as anticipated.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Strive to be cooperative with others today, but don't let yourself be maneuvered by an individual who no one seems able to please.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Ambitious expectations can be gratified today, but it might require a lot more work than you realize. Do not take anything for granted.

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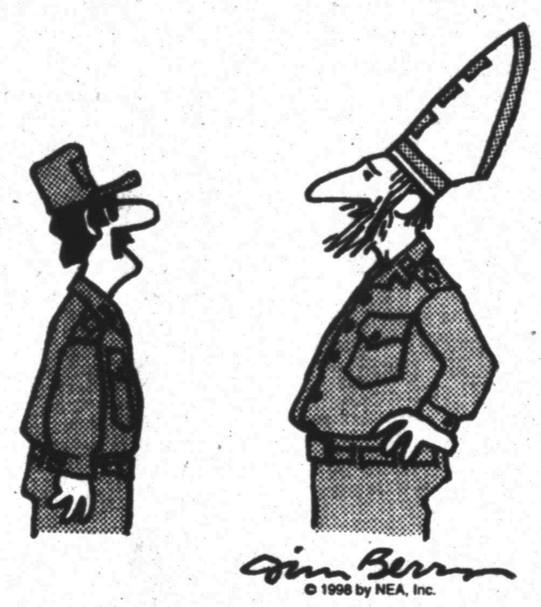
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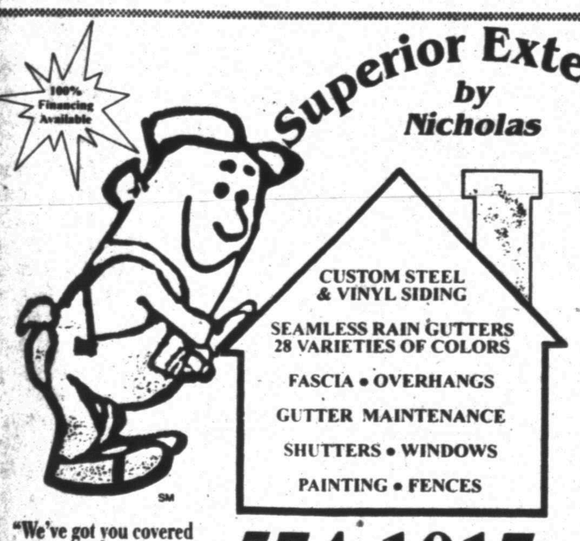
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5 ♦	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: ♥ K

The other answers

By Phillip Alder

Now for the answers to the tie-breaker questions in the Christmas competition.

There are more possible auctions than deals. The former is a 48-digit number, whereas the latter is "only" a 29-digit number.

The oldest publication is Bridge Magazine, from England, which started in May 1926. Its first editor, A.E. Manning-Foster, died in August 1939, a month before the outbreak of World War II, and it didn't reappear until January 1949. The Bridge World, which is published in New York, didn't begin until October 1929, but wasn't interrupted by the War. So, BW has put out (I think) 58 more issues.

Here's a deal from the 300-board match in the Waldorf Hotel between England and Austria in 1937. Big crowds attended every session, the visiting European champions winning handily.

Nowadays, South would double four hearts for takeout, which North would happily pass. Then Walter Herbert (South) orchestrated an exciting auction.

Declarer ruffed the heart lead, played a spade to dummy's 10, cashed the spade ace, finessed his club queen, took the club ace, and discarded dummy's last club on the spade king. East ruffed and returned a trump, but South won with his 10, ruffed a club, ruffed a heart, and ruffed a club. That was nine tricks in, and South still held the king-queen of diamonds. (In the other room, the English declarer finessed spades the wrong way, going one down.)

East's Christmas never came. And West was left to rue his ill-advised double.

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Doctor's discovery may end obesity

HILTON HEAD, S.C. -- A doctor has discovered that an ingredient found in a small fruit grown in Asia, combined with an ingredient praised by the U.S. Department of Agriculture can help cause significant weight loss.

In a study reported in a prestigious American medical journal, Dr. Anthony A. Conte, M.D. reported that the formula, now called Bio-Rex 3000, caused patients to lose more than twice as much weight as a control group on the same fat reduced diet. Neither group was instructed to decrease the amount of food they ate or to increase their exercise levels. An article published in the *American Journal of Clinical Nutrition* confirms that you don't have to reduce the amount of food you eat to lose weight, provided that you limit the fat.

Scientists suggest that the mechanism behind the weight reduction may include decreasing sugar cravings and interruption of the "Krebs Cycle". an important step in the body's fat storage process. "The best part of this unique discovery is that it is not a drug, but a safe dietary food supplement" says Dr. Conte. The Asian fruit, called garcinia, is similar to citrus fruit found in the United States with one big exception -- it may help some people fight obesity! While Dr. Conte's study may be preliminary, the exclusive North American distributor, Phillips Gulf Corp., is calling the Bio-Rex 3000 supplement "Nature's Ideal Diet Aid."

According to a spokesperson for the company, Bio-Rex 3000 is now available through pharmacies and nutrition stores or call 1-800-729-8446 or internet at www.phillipsgulf.com/biorex3000.

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RELINQUISH CROWN — Loretta Worthen, 1997 Beta Sigma Phi Valentine Queen, will surrender her crown to a new queen to be revealed by secret ballots next Tuesday at a candlelight dinner. The coronation will be held at the Ritz Diner. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

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

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

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

Hermleigh Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

WEDNESDAY

First Presbyterian Church Women's Group; MAWC; 12:30 p.m.

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Garden Club; MAWC; program "Gardening on the Internet," by Bullard's Computers; hostesses, Wyvone Davis and Lanette Patterson; noon.

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

"A company of Women International" Prophetic Voice to the Nations, for mature Christian women; Union Community Center, Hwy. 180; potluck supper; 6 p.m.

Deep Creek Chapter of ABWA; The Shack; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 p.m.).

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

SATURDAY

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 5 p.m.

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

Washington's army starved at Valley Forge because Pennsylvania farmers preferred to sell food to the British for ready cash.

Old time recipe

The following recipe was taken from a booklet, *Amish and Depression Era Recipes* which includes easy, low cost recipes.

AMISH POOR MAN'S STEAK

1 pound ground beef
1 cup milk
1 cup cracker crumbs
¼ teaspoon pepper
1 teaspoon salt
1 small onion, chopped
1 can mushroom soup
1 can of water or milk

Mix all ingredients (except mushroom soup and can of milk) well. Shape into a narrow loaf. Let it set for at least 8 hours or overnight.

Cut the loaf into slices and fry in a skillet on both sides until brown. Then put the slices into a baking dish. Mix the soup and water or milk and spread or pour over each piece. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour.

State garden show in Waco coliseum

WACO — Time is here again for the Garden Show of Texas! The show will be at a new location — Heart of Texas Coliseum General Exhibits Building, March 21-22.

The show boasts a two-day get-down-in-the-dirt seminar schedule and an exhibit hall full of all the gardening supplies and necessities gardeners need .for a successful season — all in one stop!

This year, the first 500 gardeners ordering tickets by Feb. 15 will receive a free antique rose cutting. Tickets are $5 for both days including seminars.

The seminar schedule is kicked off Saturday at 9 a.m. with talks on landscaping, spring vegetable gardening, herbs, soil preparations, attracting/discouraging wildlife, etc.

The exhibit hall will be packed with all the tools gardeners need to get their season off to a good start. Exhibitors will be on hand with power equipment, organic products, natives, herbs, books and much more.

Show hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 12-5 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $5 for adults and are good for the entire weekend, including seminars.

For advance tickets to the State Garden Show of Texas, call 800-727-9020 (credit card orders only) or 254-722-1270, or mail your request for tickets to P.O. Box 9005, Waco 76714.

If you are one of the first 500 ordering by Feb. 15, you will receive a free antique rose cutting.

'Most hideous' room makeover

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Picture a living room with the olive-green carpet, pink couches and Pittsburgh Steelers pillows. Now picture something even worse.

Voters for the ugliest decor passed up that room in a contest that offered a $10,000 makeover for the most hideous room in the region.

The winner was Jan Nixon, whose spare bedroom is graced with a green carpet remnant from the 1964 New York World's Fair and two different types of wood paneling — plus some drywall — on the walls.

She even cleaned the room before taking the contest picture.

"My husband is Mr. Neat, so he's going to be thrilled," she said upon learning the news Monday. "He's been a great sport for the last 30 years."

The contest was a promotion for the opening of a Lazarus Furniture Showroom. Five judges waded through the entries — clutter and fire damage did not count — and picked out five finalists to post on a bulletin board in the new store Saturday. The winner was chosen by public vote.

"It was really fun looking through all of this," said Alex Sanders, a Lazarus employee and contest judge. "What really stood out were people who really made an effort to do something, and it still looked bad."

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) is the popular name for TOPS Club Inc., a noncommercial, nonprofit, weight-loss support group. Founded in 1948, TOPS was the first major weight-control organization in the world. Founder Esther S. Manz saw the group grow from four overweight housewives seated around a kitchen table in Milwaukee, Wis., to the international organization it is today. There are currently almost 300,000 members in 11,300 chapters in the United States, Canada and many other countries. International headquarters remain in Milwaukee.

The state bird of New Jersey is the Eastern goldfinch.

Austin visits local center

Residents and guests at Snyder Healthcare Center were treated to music from the 1996 A.I.R.A. male vocalist of the year nominee, Steve Austin.

Austin, from Nashville, Tenn., has opened shows for Kathy Mattea, Patty Loveless, Roy Clark, Charlie Daniels and many other singing stars. He has appeared on TNN and other local, regional and cable TV shows.

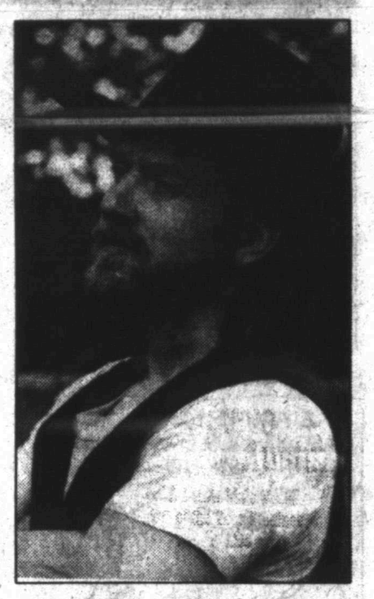
Austin said he likes to visit and perform at nursing homes while en route to his shows. "One of the pleasures of my job is seeing how the magic of music can bring light and life into people's eyes," he said.

Austin picked his quitar, played his harmonica, sang and clogg danced for a receptive audience at Snyder Healthcare Center Thursday on his way to a Big Spring show. A one-man band, Austin also enjoys performing at schools, fairs, clubs and church concerts.

Named after the founder of Texas, he has roots in Texas and has lived near Lubbock and Austin.

His song "Sundown Highway" made several charts and he is writing all the songs for his sixth album which he says are 90 percent love songs.

He and his wife, Tara, are expecting their first child in March and they have already picked out a name — Matthew.



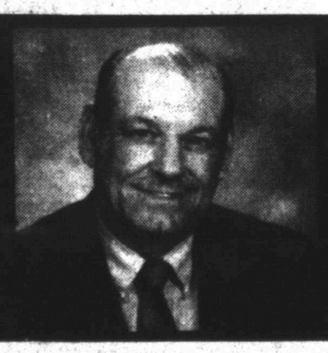
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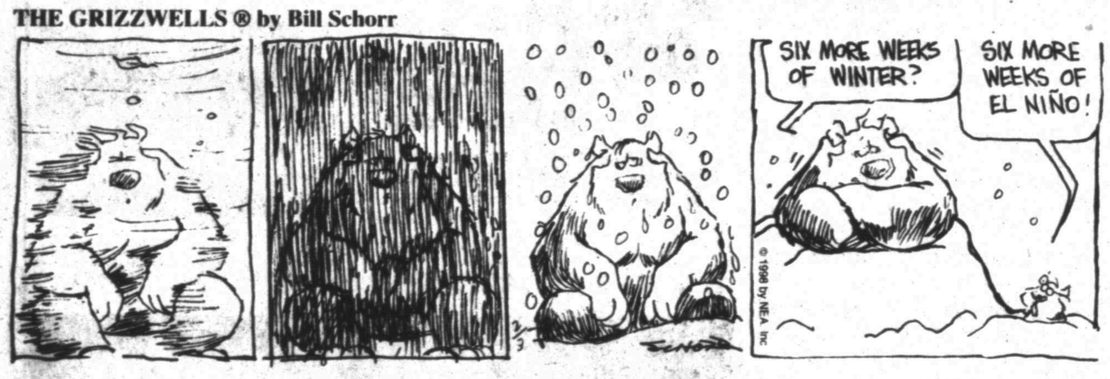
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15 For each
16 Summer on the Seine
17 Danson or Koppel
19 TV equine (2 wds.)
20 Garishly
23 Hardware purchases
26 Compass pt.
27 Dance step
30 Stir
32 Like doctors often (2 wds.)
34 Repressed
35 Queasy feeling
36 Ninny
37 Mal de —
39 Brief preface
40 Orbit point
42 Possessive pronoun
45 Govt. agcy.
46 Off — wall
49 Quorum of a sort
51 Nevertheless
54 Niche
55 Team of three
56 Colt's father
57 Starts a poker pot

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2 Dill seed
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8 At any time
9 Potato

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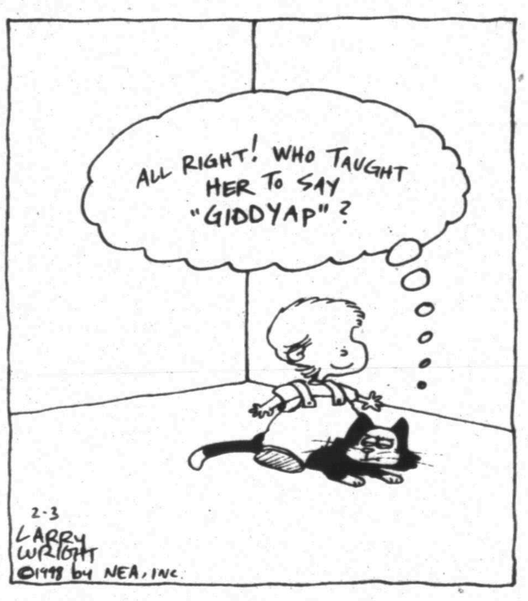
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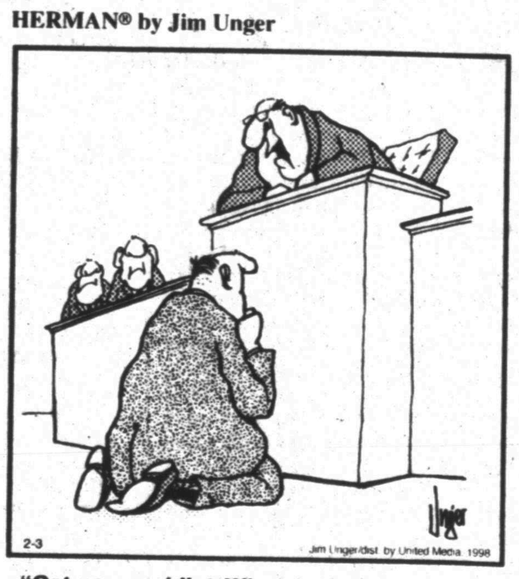
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SPORTS

SHS hoopsters to battle Estacado Mats tonight

It doesn't matter in District 2-4A — boys or girls — it's always a battle.

Snyder High School's hoop squads travel to Lubbock tonight for match-ups with the Estacado Matadors. The varsity girls are slated for 6:30, with the boys tipping off at 8 o'clock.

For the Lady Tigers, it could be another physical contest.

The last time these two teams met, it was a heated affair won by the Lady Tigers, 71-48.

It could be another war tonight, with both squads looking to end losing skids.

Estacado has won only one district contest, while the Lady Tigers are coming off a loss to Frenship.

In boys action, the outcome couldn't mean more to either team.

Both the Tigers and the Matadors desperately need a victory to stay alive in the playoff race.

Each squad carries a 3-3 mark into tonight's battle, just one game behind second-place Plainview.

Another key match-up this evening will be between 6-0 Lamesa and 4-2 Plainview.

The Golden Tors are the state's No. 9 team and put away the Bulldogs in Week 2 at Lamesa.

But Plainview has been on fire of late, posting a 50-point victory over Frenship, then taking care of Estacado by 22 points.

Following their contest with Estacado, the Lady Tigers will wrap up their season Friday by hosting Plainview at 6:30.

The Tigers will host the Bulldogs at 8 p.m., before traveling to Lamesa on Tuesday.

New districts: tougher competition

As the dust began to settle from Monday's UIL realignment, one thing seemed clear to many football coaches — the districts are more competitive.

For Snyder, it's an entirely new district. The Tigers will now go to battle with Andrews, Big Spring, Sweetwater, San Angelo Lake View and Fort Stockton.

"Either way we went, north or south, we were going to face some good ballclubs," said Snyder Coach David Baugh. "But I was a little surprised that we were placed in 5-4A. Now we have to get a whole new non-district schedule."

The Tigers have tentatively scheduled Littlefield, Frenship, Abilene Wylie, Seminole and Monahans for non-district match-ups, with scrimmages against Plainview and Slaton.

As for the other 5-4A coaches, the talk was about the competitiveness of the new league.

"From a football standpoint, the addition of Snyder will make our district tougher," Lake View Coach Kyle Gandy said. "But luckily for us, we only have to find one game for next year.

According to Gandy, the Chiefs are likely to fill the Week 4 slot, formerly occupied by Snyder, with Pampa.

Andrews expressed the same sentiments as Lake View.

"I really was surprised at how it turned out," Mustang Coach Mike Lebby remarked. "There's no doubt it will be tougher to make the playoffs now."

Andrews is scrambling to find a season opener. The Mustangs will likely battle an El Paso school, according to Lebby.

Smaller schools weren't left out of the mix on Monday, as Hermleigh, Ira and Borden County will find itself competing in a new football and basketball district in the fall of '98.

Gone from the gridiron district are Highland and Loraine and in are Grady and Sands.

"Our football district got a lot stronger with the addition of Sands," Hermleigh Coach Juan Rios said. "It's going to be a war every week next year."

When the action turns to the hardwood, Hermleigh will now take on Trent in addition to old foes Blackwell, Loraine and Highland.

In District 18-A, Ira and Borden County will compete for a league title, with Sands, Grady and Westbrook added to the mix.

"I kind of like our basketball situation," Rios remarked. "The only advantage to having a four-team instead of the new five-team district is that you don't have any open dates with only four schools."

Teams should have their schedules secured over the next few days. District 5-4A coaches were to have met this morning to draw dates for next season's match-ups.

Rain, wind make course difficult for Westerners

MELBOURNE, Fla. — The weather won the first round of the Brevard College Invitational that started here Monday.

Rains and high winds interrupted the second round Monday afternoon. Prospects for continuing today were questionable.

After 18 holes, Western Texas College was in seventh place in the 15-team field.

WTC shot 318 Monday and had improved slightly when play was suspended with four holes to play in the second round.

Fredrik Widmark paced the Westerners with a 77 while Michael Stenger was one shot back at 78. Jonas Wahlstedt shot an 81 and Andreas Lungren fired an 82. Thomas Korberg finished the opening round with an 84.

Donahue has third interview

IRVING (AP) — All signs are pointing to Terry Donahue as the next Dallas Cowboys coach after the former UCLA coach spent a day at Jerry Jones' mansion for a third interview.

Jones isn't saying yet who will succeed Barry Switzer as coach, but he promised an announcement by mid-week. A team spokesman said that announcement could come as early as today.

The fourth week of Jones' coaching search started Monday with three candidates still publicly on the list.

Donahue, who previously was interviewed once in Dallas and once in California, arrived in Dallas on Monday and immediately began talks at Jones' Highland Park mansion.

The Dallas Morning News and Fort Worth Star-Telegram said today that the team has purchased tickets for Donahue and assistant head coach Hudson Houck for a flight from Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport to Indianapolis on Thursday. Indianapolis is the site of the NFL scouting combine.

In terms of interviews, Donahue is one-up on former San Francisco 49ers coach George Seifert and Green Bay offensive coordinator Sherman Lewis, who spent several days in the area last week and stayed overnight at Jones' home.

Lady Chaps top WTC

MIDLAND — One number can describe the Lady Westerners' loss Monday to first-place Midland — 29.

WTC shot 29 percent from the field, as the Lady Chapparrals capped a perfect first half of conference play with 101-51 victory.

The Lady Westerners slide to 1-6 in WJCAC competition and 6-17 overall, while Midland improves to 7-0, 18-5.

The buckets just wouldn't fall for WTC, as the Lady Chaps jumped to a 36-28 halftime advantage.

Five Midland players finished in double digits, but it was Lady Westerner Christy Wells who posted the night's highest numbers.

Wells poured in 24 points, including a three-pointer to lead all scorers.

In other action around the conference, South Plains outlasted Clarendon in overtime, 74-64. Howard trounced Frank Phillips, 101-36 and New Mexico topped Odessa, 84-59.

WTC wraps up a three-game road stint Thursday, when they visit New Mexico at 5:50 local time.

The Lady Westerners then return home Monday to host Howard, beginning at 7:30.

WTC (51)
Vizcorrondo 3 0-0 6, Wells 9 2-2 21, Shuttlesworth 2 1-2 6, Otuoro 1 2-2 4, Odhuoug'o 2 3-9 7, Kilibwa 2 3-3 7. Totals 19 11-18 51.

Midland (101)
Holiday 1 2-2 5, Finley 3 3-4 10, Alderman 4 0-0 8, Hunter 6 2-5 14, Ndoye 3 0-0 6, Davis 4 2-4 13, Mitchell 1 0-0 2, Bowman 3 1-1 7, Turnbough 0 2-2 2, Levy 4 0-0 8, Thomas 7 0-0 14, Kane 6 0-0 12. Totals 42 12-18 101.

Halftime score: Midland 36, WTC 18. Three-point goals: WTC 2 (Wells, Shuttlesworth). Total fouls: WTC 11, Midland 17. Fouled out: none.

Local Sports Schedule

Today

Snyder JV and varsity girls at Estacado, 5 p.m., 6:30.

Snyder JV and varsity boys at Estacado 5 p.m., 8 p.m.

Wesbrook at Ira varsity girls and boys, 6:30, 8 p.m.

Hermleigh varsity boys and girls at Highland, 6:30, 8 p.m.

Thursday

WTC at New Mexico JC, Hobbs, 6:50.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	28	17	.622	-
NewYork	25	19	.568	2½
NewJersey	26	20	.565	2½
Washington	24	23	.511	5
Boston	21	24	.467	7
Orlando	21	25	.457	7½
Philadelphia	14	30	.318	13½
Central Division				
Indiana	32	12	.727	-
Chicago	34	14	.708	-
Charlotte	27	18	.600	5½
Cleveland	27	18	.600	5½
Atlanta	28	19	.596	5½
Milwaukee	23	22	.511	9½
Detroit	21	25	.457	12
Toronto	10	35	.222	22½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
SanAntonio	33	14	.702	-
Utah	30	14	.682	1½
Minnesota	25	20	.556	7
Houston	21	23	.477	10½
Vancouver	13	34	.277	20
Dallas	9	36	.200	23
Denver	4	41	.089	28
Pacific Division				
Seattle	36	10	.783	-
L.A.Lakers	33	11	.750	2
Phoenix	30	14	.682	5
Portland	25	19	.568	10
Sacramento	19	27	.413	17
L.A.Clippers	10	37	.213	26½
GoldenState	8	36	.182	27

Monday's Games
Washington 113, Detroit 101
Phoenix 106, Philadelphia 97
Miami 90, Atlanta 83
Cleveland 109, Minnesota 99
Dallas 104, Vancouver 90
Chicago 111, Denver 72

Tuesday's Games
Phoenix at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Boston at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Orlando, 7 p.m.
New York at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Portland, 9 p.m.
Utah vs. L.A. Clippers at Anaheim, Calif., 9:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

BOYS' LITTLE DRIBBLERS' RESULTS

MIDGET LEAGUE

Bucks 12, Kings 6
Bucks: Brandon Hill, 8; Dustin Murdock, 4.
Kings: Chad Franks, Jacob Scifres and Jimmie Schooler, 2.

Sonics 30, Grizzlies 10
Sonics: Lance Day, 16; Brandon Jones, 8; Ryan Claxton, 6.
Grizzlies: Colton Brewster, 8; Levi Parks, 2.

Suns 13, Kings 6
Suns: Joel Rocha, 4; Colton Harper, 3; Kaden Billingsley, Kyler Hatley and Jacob McFatridge, 2.
Kings: Chad Franks, 4; Mark Barnes, 2.

Bucks 16, Sonics 16
Bucks: Brandon Hill, 11; Jesse Conner and Miller Valentine, 2; Dustin Murdock, 1.
Sonics: Lance Day, 12; Brandon Jones and Quentin Shafer, 2.

MINOR LEAGUE

Rockets 24, Heat 20
Rockets: Kennon Garcia, 12; Danny Ortegon, 10; Nolan Grady, 2.
Heat: Kelton Clayton, 8; Andrew Dupree, 6; Tyler Driggers, Allen Jones and Cody Reed, 2.

Pistons 35, Hornets 31
Pistons: Cale Lancster and Kyle Sanchez, 12; Jason Cave, 11; Donald Jeffery, 10.
Hornets: Dustyn Williams, 15; Bryan Clifton, 8; Jamie Arnold and Corbin Clements, 4.

Knicks 31, Lakers 29
Knicks: Cade Simpson, 23; Jonathan McClure and Pedro Villa, 4.
Lakers: Jeremy Reed, 16; Garrett Pinson, 13.

Heat 28, Nuggets 23
Heat: Kelton Clayton, 15; Tyler Driggers, 11; Cody Reed, 2.
Nuggets: Tyler Hogan, 11; Cartavious Groage, 6; Ross Taylor, Charone Hill and Brooks Gafford, 2.

Bulls 43, Pistons 24
Bulls: Blake Seale, 13; Jay Weaver and Eric Martinez, 12; Jared Scott, 4; Austin Lyle, 2.
Pistons: Jason Cave, 17; Donald Jeffery, 4; Cale Lancaster, 3.

Lakers 32, Rockets 28
Lakers: Garrett Pinson, 24; Jeremy Reed, 8.
Rockets: Barrett Bowlin, 20; Kennon Garcia, 6; Danny Ortegon, 2.

Knicks 38, Hornets 28
Knicks: Cade Simpson, 20; Stetson Kincheloe and Brent Bollinger, 6; Jonathan McClure, 4; Pedro Villa, 2.
Hornets: Corbin Clements, 10; Bryan Clifton and Dustyn Williams, 8; Marcus Torres, 2.

Pistons 29, Nuggets 15
Pistons: Jason Cave, 10; Cale Lancaster, 9; Donald Jeffery, 8; Michael Mann, 2.
Nuggets: Tyler Hogan, 8; Brooks Gafford, 5; Andy Garvin, 2.

Lakers 36, Heat 13
Lakers: Garrett Pinson, 29; Jeremy Reed, 7.
Heat: Kelton Clayton, 10; Cody Reed, 2; Syd Wiggins, 1.

Bulls 34, Knicks 29
Bulls: Eric Martinez, 17; Blake Seale, 9; Jay Weaver, 5; Austin Lyle, 3.
Knicks: Cade Simpson, 17; Jonathan McClure, 8; Stetson Kincheloe and Jeremy Ruiz, 2.

MAJOR LEAGUE

Sixers 27, Jazz 20
Sixers: Joel Silva, 14; Justin Boyd, Andrew Bane, Brock Tyrell and Rankin Hardin, 4; Garrick Clayton, Billy Duck and Chance Squires, 2; Jonathan Guy, 1.
Jazz: Lee Scott, 15; Antwoine Jeffery, 3; Kyle Dortch, 2.

T'wolves 52, Celtics 40
T'wolves: Kenneth Fabre, 26; Clint Blume, 11; Zach Cain, 10; Zac Garcia, 5.
Celtics: Colter Williams, 29; Jordan Dea, 9; Dustin Babcock and Austin McCormack, 1.

Warriors 52, Pacers 27
Warriors: Blake Grimmett, 19; Kris Hatley and Isaac Ramon, 10; Israel Sosa, 6; Josh Pickerel, 5; Justin Stoker, 2.
Pacers: Jess Wall, 18; Brandon Crane, 4; Nathan Wilkins, 3; Jake Barnes, 2.

Warriors 39, Magic 19
Warriors: Kris Hatley, 18; Blake Grimmett, 10; Isaac Ramon, 6; Josh Pickerel, 3; Israel Sosa, 2.
Magic: Marcus Villarreal, 11; Eric Gonzales, 4; Wesley Kellner and Jeffery Gibson, 2.

Jazz 44, Spurs 15
Jazz: Lee Scott 30, Kevin Fenner, 8; Bubba Walker, Antwoine Jeffery and Kyle Dortch, 2.
Spurs: Peter Perez, 10; Clayton Floyd, 4; Jarrod Fletcher, 1.

Sixers 45, Pacers 24
Sixers: Andrew Bane, 13; Joel Silva, 8; Brock Tyrell and Billy Duck, 6; Justin Boyd and Garrick Clayton, 4; Joe Maldanado and Jonathan Guy, 2.
Pacers: Jess Wall, 14; Nathan Wilkins and Conor Johnson, 4.

Raptors 46, T'wolves 28
Raptors: Jed Nartin, 16; Tanner Reed, 8; Joseph Ynguanzo, Jason Ramos and Brad English, 6; Ty Collier, 3; Jacob Rodriquez, 1.
T'wolves: Kenneth Fabre, 15; Clint Blume, 7; Zac Garcia, 4; Zach Cain, 2.

Pacers 41, Celtics 36
Pacers: Jess Wall, 18; Jake Barnes, 12; Nathan Wilkins, 9; James Nussey, 2.
Celtics: Demetris Horn, 17; Colter Williams, 15; Luis Silva and Jordan Dea, 2.

T'wolves 39, Spurs 9
T'wolves: Kenneth Fabre, 18; Clint Blume, Zach Cain and Zac Garcia, 5; Jonathan Hembree, 4; Tyler Thompson, 2.
Spurs: Peter Perez, 5; Jarrod Fletcher and Clayton Floyd, 2.

Warriors 43, Jazz 26
Warriors: Isaac Ramon, 11; Kris Hatley, 10; Israel Sosa and Blake Grimmett, 8; Josh Pickerel, 6.
Jazz: Lee Scott, 20; Kyle Dortch, 4; Austin Hatfield, 2.

Sports Briefs

Senior League baseball

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Also, anyone interested in managing a Sr. League team can pick up an application at McDonald's restaurant located at 3414 College Ave.

Girl's Little Dribblers

Sign-ups for girl's little dribblers will be held Friday from 5:30-7:30 and Saturday from 10 a.m. until noon at the West Elementary cafeteria.

Registration will also be held Feb. 20-21. Each child must be accompanied by a parent or guardian and must bring their birth certificate.

For more information call 573-5356.

Girls' Softball Association

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010 LEGAL NOTICES

BID NOTICE

The City of Snyder is accepting bids for the construction of a training smoke house that will be used by the Snyder Volunteer Fire Department. The bids will be accepted until Tuesday, February 17, 1998 at 3:00 p.m. The plans for this building are available at the City Hall in the Accounting Department. The City of Snyder reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

ANADARKO PETROLEUM CORPORATION P.O. BOX 1330, HOUSTON, TX 77251-1330, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the **Clearfork** Formation, **Bishop B Lease, Well Number 3R.** The proposed injection well is located **9.8 miles southwest of Snyder, Texas in Diamond-M-(Clearfork)** Field, in **Scurry County.** Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth intervals from **2200 to 3500 feet.**

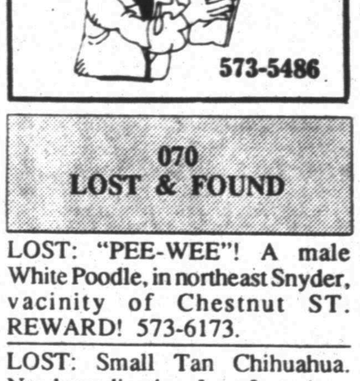
LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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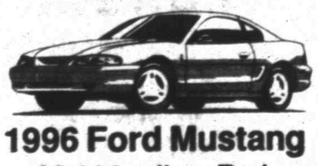
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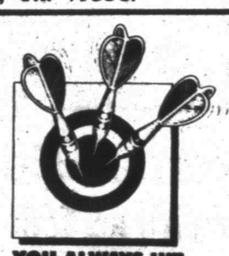
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Former firefighter gets 366 day term

WHEELING, W.Va. (AP) — A man who supplied copies of blueprints of a FBI center to a militia renounced his anti-government beliefs before becoming the first person sentenced under a 1994 anti-terrorism law.

James "Rich" Rogers, a former Clarksburg firefighter, was sentenced Monday to a year and a day in federal prison.

Rogers told the judge he got swept up in anti-government conspiracy theories and that he was sorry he became involved in the Mountaineer Militia.

"Many of the things I said and did were foolish and stupid," he said. "I realize how foolish it is. Most of it is based on half-truths and misinformation. I'm sorry I had anything to do with it."

U.S. District Judge Frederick Stamp Jr. rejected a defense recommendation of probation and a prosecutor's recommendation that Rogers serve the maximum 10

Markets

NEW YORK (AP)

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AMR Corp	126⅝	125	15-16	126⅝+ 1-16
AT&T Corp	62	15-16	62⅛	62⅛—11-16
AirTouch		46	44⅝	45⅛+ ⅞
Albertsons		49⅛	48¾	49 — ⅛
AlldSignal s		40⅝	40	3-16 40⅝— ⅛
Alltel		43	1-16	42¾ 42⅝— ⅛
AmerOnline		100	7-16	99¾ 99⅝— ⅛
AmStoress		22⅛	21⅜	22⅛+ 1-16
Ameritech s		43⅜	42¾	43 1-16— ⅛
Amoco	83	5-16	82¾	82 13-16— 5-16
AndarkPtr		60	11-16	59¾ 60⅜+ 1⅜
AmncoInc			4¾	4⅜ 4⅜— 1-16
AtlRichfld s		73	7-16	72 73 7-16— ⅛
ATMOS Egy		27⅜	27	7-16 27 7-16— ⅛
Aviall			14	3-16 14 14 — ⅛
BakerHughes			39	5-16 38 38⅛+ ⅛
BellAtl		93	9-16	92⅝ 93 7-16+ 9-16
BellSouth			61⅜	61 7-16 61⅜— ⅜
BethSteel		10	5-16	10 10 3-16— 3-16
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Caterpillar s			51	1-16 50 51 + ⅛
CenSoWst			27	7-16 27¼ 27 5-16
Chevron		75	11-16	74⅜ 75 9-16— 1-16
Chrysler		35	15-16	35 7-16 35⅜+ 5-16
Coastal			59⅜	59¼ 59¼+ 1-16
CocaCola			67¼	66⅜ 67 + 5-16
ColgatePalm s		75⅛	73¼	74 1-16— 7-16
ComclMetals			31¼	31¼ 31⅛+ ⅛
CooperIn		54	7-16	53⅜ 54 1-16— 3-16
CyprusAmax		16	3-16	15 15-16 15 15-16— 1-16
DallSemicn		47	11-16	46¾ 47 11-16+13-16
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EDS Corp		43	7-16	42¼ 43⅛+ ⅜
Entergy		29	3-16	29 29 + 1-16
Exxon s			60⅜	60 3-16 60⅛
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FordMotor			52	51 9-16 51⅛
GTE Cp		54	13-16	54⅛ 54 11-16— 5-16
GenDynam		88	9-16	88⅛ 88 5-16— ⅛
GenElecs		77	15-16	77 77⅛—15-16
GenMills		73	7-16	72¾ 72 15-16— ⅛
GenMotors		61	60	1-16 60 13-16+ 5-16
GaPacGP s			56¾	56⅜ 56⅜
GlobalMar		23	3-16	22 9-16 23⅛+ 9-16
Goodrich			43¾	42¼ 42 13-16— ⅜
Goodyear s			63¾	63¼ 63⅜
GtAtlPac			29¾	29¼ 29¼— ⅛
Halliburtn s		45	3-16	44¼ 44⅝+ ⅛
Hanson ADS			23¾	23⅛ 23¼
HarteHanks		40	7-16	40¼ 40 7-16— 3-16
HomeDepot s		61	11-16	61 7-16 61 9-16— ⅛
HoustonInds		26¼	25	15-16 26 1-16— 1-16
IBM s			100¼	99¾ 100 — 9-16
IntlPaper			48¼	47 7-16 48⅛+ ⅛
JohnsonJn		68	13-16	68 5-16 68⅝— 3-16
K mart			11⅜	11 3-16 11⅜— ⅛
Kroger s		41	13-16	40¾ 40⅝— 7-16
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TNP Ent	33	11-16	33	3-16 33 11-16+ ⅜
Tandy s			40¾	40 1-16 40⅜+ ⅛
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TexasInst s			57⅛	55⅞ 57⅛+ 2
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Statistics show turnaround in fighting AIDS

CHICAGO (AP) — The stunning turnaround in the war on AIDS has become even more obvious with the latest national statistics — deaths from the disease fell almost in half during the first half of last year.

The figures released Monday show that a smaller downturn in 1996 was no fluke. The decline in AIDS deaths is accelerating.

Experts agree that the improvement is caused almost entirely by powerful combinations of medicines that first came into widespread use less than two years ago. Almost immediately, they changed AIDS from a death sentence to a chronic illness — at least for now.

Many quietly wonder, though, how long this will last. Will people who were rescued from what seemed like certain death continue to thrive? Or will the virus eventually find a way to elude the drugs that thwart it?

"Are we in a honeymoon period? Is there something bad on the horizon?" asked Dr. Harold Jaffe of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Despite his apprehension, nothing in the CDC's figures foretell even a hint of gloom. The news is stunningly good.

Deaths from AIDS peaked in 1994 and 1995, then nosed downward 21 percent in 1996. Last year, that fall accelerated.

The latest CDC figures show that 12,040 Americans died of AIDS in the first half of last year, down 44 percent from the 21,460 deaths in the first half of 1996.

Experts said this does not mean that AIDS is no longer a problem. The virus continues to spread and between 400,000 and 650,000 Americans are infected. However, the disease is far different than it was even just three or four years ago.

"We can't see the end of the epidemic, but it's the beginning of a new era," said the CDC's Dr. Kevin DeCock.

Prescriptions of so-called three-drug cocktails — two older AIDS drugs plus one of the newer class of medicines called protease inhibitors — have revolutionized AIDS care. Typically people start on them as soon as they learn they are infected, even before they get sick.

When all goes well, these medicines drive the amount of virus in the bloodstream so low that it cannot be measured. Many who were deathly ill when the combination therapy came into widespread use two years ago are now in outwardly good health.

Still, the drugs fail for some, and the most common reason is that people stop taking the medicines. Patients must swallow 20 or so pills a day on a precise time schedule; missing even a few can allow mutant unkillable strains to emerge in the body.

The total nationwide figures for last year will not be tallied until July. However, they are already in for New York City — home to 16 percent of all U.S. AIDS cases — and they show an even more impressive change.

Experts from the city's Department of Health reported that AIDS deaths there fell 48 percent in 1997. This comes on top of a 29 percent decline in New York AIDS deaths in 1996.

The New York data show that both men and women and people of all races are benefiting from the lifesaving breakthroughs in AIDS treatment.

"We didn't see a big decline in women a year ago. The good news is this year, they are beginning to catch up," said Dr. Mary Ann Chiasson of the New York City department.

About 100,000 New Yorkers have had AIDS, and 65,000 have died of the disease. In 1995, there was 19 AIDS deaths per day in New York. Last year, that had fallen to seven.

Between 1995 and 1997, AIDS deaths in the city have declined 71 percent among men and 63 percent among women. Among women during this time, they fell 73 percent among whites, 66 percent among Hispanics and 59 percent among blacks.

The new treatments are also credited with keeping HIV-infected people well so they do not develop full-blown AIDS.

Nationwide, the CDC reported that the number of new AIDS cases diagnosed in the first six months of 1997 fell 12 percent. With fewer dying, the number of Americans living with AIDS is increasing, up 13 percent to 259,000.

'Titanic' has huge numbers at box office

LOS ANGELES (AP) — No new film appears capable of sinking James Cameron's "Titanic," the blockbuster predicted to lead the box-office lists well into March and maybe even April.

"This thing has built momentum like we've never seen before," Gerry Rich, president of worldwide marketing for MGM, said Monday. "I don't see anything in the near horizon that will knock it off its perch."

For the seventh weekend in a row, the disaster epic was by far the nation's most popular film. And it's headed for a potential worldwide theatrical gross of a record $1 billion, surpassing all-time leader "Jurassic Park" at $913 million.

The past weekend's returns of $25.9 million were off just 9 percent from the film's Dec. 19 debut weekend. A co-production of Viacom's Paramount Pictures and News Corp.'s 20th Century Fox, "Titanic" has domestic ticket sales of $308.1 million to date, seventh on the all-time U.S. list.

Made for a record $200 million, "Titanic" now seems certain of passing No. 2 "E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial" and No. 3 "Jurassic Park" on the domestic box-office charts, which grossed a respective $399.8 million and $357.1 million.

A film of "Titanic's" popularity would typically lose about 15 percent of its ticket sales over the next several weekends. (If the movie wins the best picture Oscar on March 23, that formula won't hold.) Yet even with that steady erosion, "Titanic" could pass "Star Wars" by midsummer to become the top domestic film of all time.

Including its 1997 re-release, 1977's "Star Wars" grossed $461 million in domestic theaters.

An informal survey of Hollywood executives suggests "Titanic" may be the nation's No. 1 film until at least March 6, when Warner Bros. releases "The Fugitive" sequel "U.S. Marshals," starring Tommy Lee Jones and Wesley Snipes.

If that film doesn't capsize "Titanic," it may be March 13's "The Man in the Iron Mask" that finally emerges as the new top movie. The only reason the 17th century drama is expected to do well: It stars "Titanic's" Leonardo DiCaprio in not one, but two, roles.

If DiCaprio's new movie doesn't bump "Titanic," it could be in first place through April 3, when "Lost in Space" premieres.

The record for consecutive weeks in the top spot is held by "Home Alone" at 12 weeks. It would exceed that mark if it were No. 1 through March 13.

Some prognosticators believe the romantic comedy "The Wedding Singer" will topple "Titanic" over the weekend of Feb. 13-15. The problem is Oscar nominations are read Feb. 10, where "Titanic" is expected to dominate.

Counting international sales, "Titanic" has a worldwide theatrical gross exceeding $608 million, even though it has not opened in some foreign territories and has played only a few weeks in some countries. It is about to open in both China and the former Soviet Union.

"This film has broken every rule and every other record," said Jim Gianopulous, president of Fox International Theatrical. He added the movie is grossing about $50 million a weekend overseas. "I don't see any record out of reach."

Much of the movie's American patrons are repeat customers, particularly teen-age girls, many of whom have seen the movie five times or more. But older professionals are still discovering the movie.

"It was so well-written and so well-filmed," said Shaun Grady, a San Gabriel doctor who saw the movie with his wife, Dina, in a jam-packed theater Sunday. "You felt like you were a passenger on the boat."

Budget items benefit Texas

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Abilene: $9.4 million for family housing construction.

—Fort Hood in Central Texas: $53.2 million, including $21.6 million for family housing replacement, $17.5 million for a rail facility, $11 million for a primary care facility and $3.1 million for a blood donor center.

—Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio: $21.8 million for barracks construction.

—Lackland AFB in San Antonio: $14.9 million, including $8.1 million for a training annex and $6.8 million for a dormitory.

—Navy Reserve Center Galveston: $4 million for reserve center.

—Randolph AFB in San Antonio: $3.1 million for an operations facility.

Property values increase

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increasing," he said.

Higher values also means school districts are less likely to bump up against a state cap on property tax rates, Ratliff added.

The study also found that the extra $10,000 homestead property tax exemption Texans voted themselves last year took $35.3 billion in value from school district tax rolls statewide. That brought total tax exemptions to $91.9 billion.

The extra $10,000 brought the minimum homestead property tax exemption to $15,000. The plan backed by Gov. George W. Bush included sending school districts $1 billion over two years to replace local tax revenues that otherwise would be lost to the bigger exemption.

Sharp sent the preliminary determination of school district property values to Education Commissioner Mike Moses and to the Legislative Budget Board. State law requires the comptroller's estimates of taxable wealth to be used to determine state aid payments.

School districts, appraisal districts and some taxpayers may protest the preliminary findings until March 11. Final values are expected to be certified by July 1.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Woman Puts Her Life on Hold Waiting for Man to Leave Wife

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DEAR ABBY: I met a 30-year-old woman who has been waiting four years for her "boyfriend" to leave his wife. She is not the typical mistress type and receives no money or gifts from him. She has a great job and owns her own home. She has given up most of her friends because he doesn't want her to see them, and admits that she has had to change because of him.

This man is 15 years her senior, married 20 years, and has children in college. He is separated from his wife (not legally), and claims he'll get a divorce when his wife can handle it. The wife does not know he has been dating the younger woman, and the younger woman thinks he has fallen out of love with his wife. Abby, this man socializes publicly with his wife and sneaks around with my friend.

She's a beautiful girl, and a very nice one. How do I get her to open up her eyes and see that she does not "have" him? All she has is a snake that slithers from one woman to the other. When she asks me for advice and I tell her what I see, she agrees for the moment, but seems to forget it the minute he calls. Her life is passing her by while she sits around waiting for the "man of her dreams" to leave the wife he obviously still loves. Your thoughts, please.

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DEAR FRIEND: Love is blind. It's also deaf and sometimes stupid. That's why your otherwise intelligent friend is disregarding your message. It's entirely possible that the wife knows all about her, and that this arrangement will last until one of them gives this man an ultimatum — at which point he'll dump your friend in order to save his assets. That's the most common scenario.

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DEAR ABBY: The letter in your column about donating used wedding dresses to the local little theater prompts this letter.

My sister-in-law, Mary, thought of a unique way to recycle her wedding dress. When her twin daughters made their first communion, Mary used it to make a dress for each girl.

Later, one of my nieces had her first communion dress made into a christening dress for her children.

ARDELL NADESAN,
BEMIDJI, MINN.

DEAR ARDELL: That's a clever idea for anyone who has a talent for sewing — convert the gown into a family heirloom.

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DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Chatty Catherine" in Nashville.

If talking to oneself is a sign of senility or insanity, then I have been one or the other since age 7. (I am now 44.) My earliest recollection is being reminded by my mother not to answer myself.

Over the years, I've made peace with my tendency to talk to myself out loud. I used to do it because I was uncomfortable with silence. As my spiritual growth has progressed over the years, I've discovered it is a way of maintaining a closer relationship with God, as I perceive him. Thinking of it as prayer, I am perfectly at peace with my chatty nature.

My mother always said, when caught talking to herself, "I'm talking to someone I know has some sense!"

Abby, please tell Catherine that there's nothing wrong with us — we simply like who we're with!

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Date Book

Feb. 3, 1998

Today is the 34th day of 1998 and the 45th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1956, Elvis Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, Carl Perkins and Johnny Cash recorded together at Sun Studios.

On this day in 1973, the Endangered Species Act was signed into law by President Nixon.

On this day in 1986, President Reagan appointed a 12-member commission to investigate the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Horace Greeley (1811-1872), editor; Gertrude Stein (1874-1946), writer; Norman Rockwell (1894-1978), painter; James A. Michener (1907-1997), novelist; Simone Weil (1909-1943), writer-French Resistance activist; Fran Tarkenton (1940-), football player, is 58; Bob Griese (1945-), football player, is 53; Dave Davies (1947-), guitarist, is 51.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1956, Toni Sailer won the Olympic downhill race to become the first skier to sweep the three alpine events.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The illusion that times that were are better than those that are has probably pervaded all ages." — Horace Greeley

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1901, a tornado destroyed homes and barns between Celeste and Pecan Gap, Texas.

SOURCE: 1998 Weather Guide Calendar, Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: First quarter.

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Jesus said, "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly" (John 10:10). It was never the intention of Jesus that the Christian life be pinched, cramped, or unhappy. If you ever had to deal with unhappy good people, you can understand the little girl's prayer, "Oh God, make all the bad people good, and make all the good people nice." Seemingly, she had run into some people who found goodness a chore rather than a blessing. Many fail to get beyond the self-pitying emphasis on what they have "given up." But if we are to be full grown in Christ, we must progress beyond the half-way stage to the full joy of serving our Lord.
Full-grown Christians cultivate the habit of finding the good in people and beauty in the world about them. There is beauty and value about us if we train ourselves to detect it. Life is a peculiar mixture. In the long run, most people get their share of good fortune and ill. Primarily, happiness and a full life in Christ will depend upon our insight and our capacity to find in any situation those elements that make it worthwhile.



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Ex-Arizona governor sentenced to 2½ years in prison

PHOENIX (AP) — Prosecutors say the 2½-year prison sentence that former Gov. Fife Symington received is ample punishment for a developer convicted of cheating lenders. Kari Esper says otherwise.

"Two-and-a-half years? That's not even a slap on the hand," she said. "If it had been you or I or another person, we'd be doing a lot more than 30 months."

Esper was packing boots and hats Monday in a western wear store that was going out of business at the Phoenix Mercado, one of the failed real estate ventures that led to Symington's fraud conviction.

The Mercado was supposed to help revitalize downtown Phoenix. Today it's nearly vacant and owned by the union pension funds that loaned Symington money to build it.

All but one of Symington's projects were sold at a loss or returned to lenders. Symington resigned as governor after his conviction in September on seven counts of providing false financial statements to lenders to win loans and gain concessions for his shaky real estate empire. One count was later dropped.

In his sentencing Monday, U.S. District Judge Roger Strand also ordered Symington to pay a $60,000 fine and serve five years' probation. He was ordered to report to a minimum-security federal work camp on March 20.

Symington hugged his wife, Ann, and consoled his 14-year-old son, Tommy, who sobbed uncontrollably.

"Could've been worse," said Symington, whose lawyer promised an appeal.

Prosecutors wanted 10 years for Symington, but insisted that 2½ years is no small accomplishment.

"Mr. Symington's status as governor has played no role whatsoever ... in this prosecution, and it played no role in our position regarding sentencing," said lead prosecutor David Schindler. "We believe Mr. Symington should be treated like any other defendant."

But Symington's status made it easier to say that the government did its job even though the sentence was less than hoped for, added Laurie Levenson, associate dean of the Loyola Law School in Los Angeles and a former federal prosecutor.

"A 30-month sentence against a governor in a white-collar crime is not insignificant," she said.

Strand said he opted for a lighter sentence because prosecutors seriously overstated how much Symington's crimes contributed to the lenders' losses. Strand said a large portion of the losses were caused by the depression in the Phoenix real estate market.

Strand turned over the question of restitution to U.S. Bankruptcy court, where Symington faces trial on charges of giving false financial information to a group of union pension funds to get a $10 million loan.

Symington's voice broke and his eyes filled with tears as he stood before the judge and acknowledged mistakes — without admitting he committed any crime. He said he never meant to mislead anyone and should have paid closer attention when preparing his financial statements.

"The legal avalanche that has resulted from my mistakes has been the most brutal experience of my life," Symington said. "It's sometimes hard to believe that from such stupid mistakes a nightmare was born and flourished."

Tobacco deal would help pay for budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is gambling that Congress will pass the long-shot tobacco deal: He's already banking on the money to increase cancer research, hire new teachers, and pay for a list of other programs.

But even Democrats have doubts.

"I am not as optimistic as I was about a tobacco agreement," said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota.

The budget that Clinton sent to Congress Monday depends on $65.5 billion over five years in tobacco industry money, including $9.8 billion next year alone. And administration officials acknowledge if Congress doesn't approve that tobacco money, they don't know yet how they'd make up the difference.

"We expect them to do it. And the American people demand that they do it," Donna Shalala, the secretary of health and human services, said of congressional tobacco legislation. If not, she added, Clinton officials would have to hunt for more budget savings to pay for the new programs.

But Congress is far from certain to pass the complicated deal that cigarette makers proposed last year as a way of ending 40 state anti-tobacco lawsuits.

"The president is putting the cart before the horse," said Rep. Thomas Bliley, R-Va. "So far he's negotiated it ... and promoted it. He's even spent the proceeds. The one thing he hasn't done is send Congress a tobacco bill."

Clinton's plans for spending tobacco money include:

—$3.6 billion for scientific research next year and $25.3 billion over five years. Much would go to cancer research as part of Clinton's goal to increase cancer spending by 65 percent by 2003.

—A $750 million, three-year pilot program allowing Medicare recipients to try experimental cancer therapies.

—$2.3 billion next year and $14.8 billion over five years for states to hire 100,000 new teachers and improve child care.

—$900 million over five years to enroll 3 million poor children who are eligible for Medicaid but are not receiving the federal help.

—An extra $100 million for the Food and Drug Administration to enforce a federal ban on tobacco sales to minors and begin steps to make cigarettes safer.

—$22 billion by 2003 for states to spend mostly as they choose, as their share of the deal.

Money for these programs would come from raising cigarette prices by 65 cents a pack next year and $1.10 a pack by 2003.

In the settlement proposed last summer, tobacco companies promised to pay $368 billion over 25 years and curb tobacco marketing, in return for significant legal protections and limits on FDA regulation.

Photographers found guilty in Schwarzenegger run-in

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Arnold Schwarzenegger and wife Maria Shriver hope the conviction of two photographers who chased them down sends a message to "those who hunt down celebrities."

Giles Harrison, 29, and Andrew O'Brien, 31, were found guilty Monday of misdemeanor false imprisonment stemming from a May run-in with the famous couple.

The photographers were accused of boxing in the couple's Mercedes-Benz with their car in an effort to videotape them outside their son's Santa Monica preschool. The photographers wanted to get the first pictures of Schwarzenegger after he underwent heart valve surgery.

Superior Court Judge Robert Altman convicted the men on two counts of false imprisonment. Harrison also was convicted of one count of reckless driving.

The men face a maximum two years in jail for the false imprisonment convictions and Harrison faces 90 days for reckless driving. They are to be sentenced Feb. 23. Both men plan to appeal.

"We hope this ruling sends a strong message to those who hunt down celebrities, and to the organizations who pay them enormous bounties for their material," Schwarzenegger and Ms. Shriver said in a statement.

Ms. Shriver testified that she was terrified while driving her son to school and fearful for her husband, who was recovering from heart surgery. She was pregnant at the time.

"You're like a caged animal. Both of these men (were) running across the street. My son was sitting in the car bewildered," she said.

Pupfish could be placed on endangered list

ODESSA (AP) — A 2-inch striped minnow — the Pecos pupfish — may soon be added to the federal list of endangered species.

"It's likely to go extinct in the foreseeable future," Hans Stuart of the New Mexico field office of the U.S. Parks and Wildlife Service told the Odessa American on Monday.

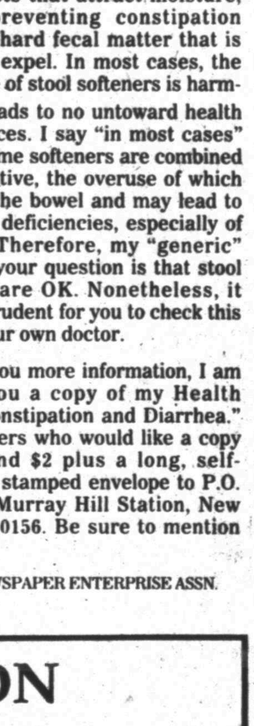
At one time, the pupfish thrived in the Pecos River from the Bitter Lake National Wildlife Refuge north of Roswell, N.M., to Independence Creek, south of Sheffield in Pecos County.

Now, the genetically pure pupfish exists in only two places in West Texas — an old gravel quarry near Grandfalls and in the upper reaches of Salt Creek in the northern corner of Reeves County. Grandfalls is 40 miles east of Pecos and 215 miles east of El Paso.

"Those aren't huge populations, but they're in pretty good shape," said Jim Brooks, a project leader with the New Mexico field fisheries office of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Rape causes long-term damage

DEAR DR. GOTT: When a woman is raped, what are the long-term effects? Is the damage permanent?

DEAR READER: To begin with, rape can lead to unwanted pregnancy. Although many states permit abortion in such circumstances, a child who is the product of rape can certainly be considered a significant consequence.

Second, venereal diseases can be spread by rape. Although many of these diseases are treatable and curable (such as gonorrhea), some are not (for example, herpes). The possibility of sexually transmitted diseases, which can lead to ill health and infertility, is another serious consequence of rape.

Third, genital injury, which is common during rape, rarely leads to permanent problems, unless the victim is a child. In most instances, the tissues heal with time.

The emotional effects, however, do not heal as quickly, and for many women, these effects are far more devastating than the physical consequences. Feelings of violation, loss of control, helplessness, shame, anger and embarrassment may plague a rape victim for decades. Some experts believe that these emotional scars are permanent and often interfere with the psychological healing process. This is why counselling is so beneficial.

The phenomenon of rape is almost as complex as the effects it has. Now believed to be an act of violence rather than a means of sexual gratification, forceful intercourse has been a historical reality for centuries. Regrettably, until recently, rape victims were often blamed or held accountable for the crime — and still are in many countries. However, in the developed world, more people consider rape to be what it is: a despicable act of violence and dominance perpetrated on helpless women and children — and sometimes, men — leading to profound post-traumatic effects, usually psychological. Rape victims deserve our support, respect and encouragement, along with medical attention.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Ever since I had a colon cancer removed several years ago, I have regularly used a stool softener. Any harm in this?

DEAR READER: Stool softeners are products that attract moisture, thereby preventing constipation caused by hard fecal matter that is difficult to expel. In most cases, the chronic use of stool softeners is harmless and leads to no untoward health consequences. I say "in most cases" because some softeners are combined with a laxative, the overuse of which can harm the bowel and may lead to nutritional deficiencies, especially of vitamins. Therefore, my "generic" answer to your question is that stool softeners are OK. Nonetheless, it would be prudent for you to check this out with your own doctor.

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

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Albright said winding up six-day trip

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Wind- g up a six-day trip, Secretary of ate Madeleine Albright sought Egypt's support today for U.S. efforts to force Iraq to allow U.N. inspections of its weapons sites.

After winning qualified back- ing from Saudi Arabia and Bahrain, Albright was meeting today with President Hosni Mubarak, who has been conduct- ing his own furious diplomacy on the Iraq crisis.

Bahrain backed the United States in warning Iraq of "grave consequences" if it fails to heed U.N. demands that it open suspect weapons sites to unconditional inspection. A day earlier, Saudi Arabia said Iraq bears responsibil- ity if diplomacy fails to end the inspection impasse. But the Saudis stopped short of granting U.S. warplanes use of their air bases for possible strikes against Iraq.

Mubarak has been an ardent supporter of using diplomacy with President Saddam Hussein of Iraq.

Albright first met with Egyptian Foreign Minister Amr Moussa in a splendid palace in the heart of this teeming city on a warm Egyptian evening.

After the talks, she planned to head home to join President Clin- ton in meeting with British Fore- ign Secretary Tony Blair, a strong supporter of the U.S. position on Iraq.

Citizens speak at AF scoping meeting

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Each site would contain elec- onic equipment for simulated reats, sites for emitters and pport facilities. The Air Force is oking for terrain offering varia- lity needed for realistic, inte- ated training.

If a new training area is lected, there would also be 50 vilian jobs to operate the five onitoring stations on a 24-hour sis. Air Force officials said ese employees would decide here to live based on schools and her quality-of-life issues.

Lt. Don Kerry, public affairs fficer at Dyess, said the purpose the series of public scoping eetings is to get feedback on the oject. Those attending Monday ere able to give written mments.

Dyess pilots currently have to fly to Wyoming and Utah for training exercises, and a nearby training area would mean substan- tial savings for the Air Force.

The training area that includes Scurry County also takes in parts of Dawson, Borden, Fisher, Lynn, Garza, Kent and Stonewall counties.

Elaine Talley, a representative of Rep. Charles Stenholm's office, was present and said the congress- man had not yet taken a position on any of the proposals. "We're here to listen like everybody else," Talley said.

Rep. Stenholm was present for a Dec. 16 meeting on the project, held in the chamber of commerce building. At that meeting, Lt. Col. Greg Mason, a B-1 instructor pilot, indicated a warehouse to serve the training sites is a possibility.

Bob Stanfield, a local pilot, and Doug Flynn, a retired school administrator, said early informa- tion seems to point that the plan would be "good for our area."

If one of the three sites is selected, construction would not begin until 2000, officials said.

Opposition to the military plan followed from Alpine where a scoping meeting was held last week. Bryan Kelly of Alpine said his group's opposition is based on several factors.

Kelly passed out literature at the meeting, but like the Air Force, did not make a presentation.

Kelly said expansion of military airspace would disrupt the peace and quiet, pollute the environment and endanger both humans and livestock.

Obituaries

Willie Ramos

1925-1998

Willie R. Ramos, a former resi- nt of Snyder, died Monday, eb. 2, in a Midland hospital.

Rosary for Mr. Ramos, 72, is t for 7 tonight in the Pipkin uneral Home Chapel.

Mass for Mr. Ramos will be eld at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Our ady of Guadalupe Catholic hurch in Snyder. Fr. Patrick aher will officiate. Burial will llow in the Snyder Cemetery nder the direction of Pipkin uneral Home.

Born Feb. 10, 1925 in Anson, r. Ramos grew up in Anson and Snyder. He married Sotera una on Dec. 22, 1945 in Snyder.

A U.S. Navy veteran, Mr. amos had lived in Midland for years and had worked for the ty of Midland street depart- ent, retiring in 1986.

Survivors include his wife, tera Ramos of Midland; a son, illie R. Ramos Jr. of Lawton, kla.; two daughters, Savina mos and Margaret Ramos- tchover, both of Midland; two others, Paul Ramos of Midland d Juan Ramos of Snyder; two ters, Maria Ramos of Snyder d Lorenza Ramos of Midland; ne grandchildren; and four eat-grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Jacob Rodriquez III, Ricky Rodriquez, Albert Rodriquez, Saul Natividad Jr. and Juan Ramos Jr.

T.L. Lilly Sr.

1910-1998

Service for T.L. 'Troy' Lilly Sr. was to be held this morning in the Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Chuck Sammons, pastor of Primi- tive Baptist Church, was to offici- ate. Burial was to follow in Hill- side Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Lilly, 88, died Sunday, Feb. 1, in Cogdell Memorial Hosptial after a lengthy illness.

He was born on Jan. 25, 1910 in Nacogdoches and married Ruby Jane Smith on Aug. 4, 1934 in Nacogdoches. She died on Nov. 20, 1985. Mr. Lilly retired as foreman at the Monsanto Plant. He was a member of the Union Baptist Church.

Mr. Lilly was also preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Troy Jr. and Triesta Lilly of Ira; a daughter and son-in-law, Shirley and Tommy Pate of Snyder; a sister, Lorine Hutchins of Victoria; five grand- daughters, Peggy Pate, Penny Roberson and Patricia West, all of Snyder, and Sarah Lilly and Audra Lilly, both of Ira; and three great-grandchildren, Monica Roberson, Eric Roberson and Rebecca West, all of Snyder.

Failure to go to school places youth under arrest

Not going to school resulted in a Snyder youth being arrested Monday afternoon. Deputies took the 17-year-old male into custody at the sheriff's office at 4:40 p.m. on an outstanding warrant for failure to attend school.

One other person was arrested by deputies Monday. A 28-year- old female was taken into custody at the adult probation office at 2 p.m. on five outstanding warrants for the issuance of bad checks.

In other activity, deputies are investigating a missing Longhorn cow from a location on Camp Springs Road. R.C. Pavlovsky reported the cow missing at 1:20 p.m. An offense report for felony theft was submitted.

Brenda Ingram told officers that her daughter's car had been burglarized while parked at Wal- Mart. An offense report for burg- lary of a vehicle was submitted at 1:16 p.m.

Officers were notified around 9 a.m. of a mirror being broken on a vehicle while parked in the 600 block of 28th Street. However, the owner did not want to file an offense report.

Deputies investigated a complaint at 10 a.m. of someone taking motor parts from a vehicle parked at Avenue O and Lear. The owner also refused to file an offense report.

Officers were called to the 2900 block of Avenue N at 6 p.m. in reference to juveniles breaking windows in a vacant house. Three juveniles were apprehended and transported home to their guar- dians. Officers are to contact the city about having the delapidated house condemned.

The fire department responded to a vehicle fire at 6:33 this morn- ing at the Cooper Apartments on Highway 208 North. A 1989 Oldsmobile, owned by Jimmy Cotton of Roscoe and occupied by Robert White of Snyder, sustained heavy damage to the engine compartment and moderate fire damage to the passenger compartment. No inju- ries were reported.

Births

Mike and Amy Cline are parents of a seven-pound, seven- ounce daughter, Grace Elizabeth Cline. She was born at 12:15 p.m. on Jan. 27 in Women's Renais- sance Hospital in Austin.

Grandparents are Thomas and Sandi McDorman of Abilene, Kenny and Debbie Miller of Snyd- er, Gaynel Cline and John and Linda Cline, all of Snyder.

Great-grandparents include Hollis and Mary Ward of Snyder, and Melvin and Juanita Miller of Haskell. Her great-great- grandmother is Mae Cline of Plainview.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Jan. 30-James Floyd, Elnora Hamilton, Charles Thompson; Jan. 31-Olveyne Hall, Carolyn May, Charles Thomas; Feb. 1-Sarah Carne, Jose Facundo of Fluvanna, Barbra Jones, Genaro Laycano, Mary Wilson; Feb. 2-Lucille Beurelein, Laura Hall, Catherine Hall, Martha Schiebel, Lewie Thomas.

DISMISSALS: Jan. 30-John Buchanan, Arvel Hall, Charlie Sumruld, Torres Dominga; Jan. 31-Brennon Brunson, Elnora Hamilton, Jared Johnson, Sabrina Torres; Feb. 1-Parnell Robertson; Feb. 2-Charles Thomas.

CENSUS: 50 (Med., Surg.-24; Long-term Care-26; CCU-2; OB-2).

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Donations could be doubled

According to Scurry County Ministerial Alliance, millionaire Alan Feinstein has pledged to match donations of $25 or more to food banks across the country between Wedneday and Feb. 14. If you want to help the local Food Cupboard, send your check to SCMAFC, c/o Jerry Vestal, treasurer, 3011 Ave. X, Snyder 79549. Make your check to the Food Cupbard.

Women and Heart Health

"Women and Hearth Health," presented by the American Heart Asso- ciation, will air at 10 a.m. each Wednesday during February on Channel 2. February is Heart Month.

Central Parent Council

Central Parent Council will meet at 8 a.m. Friday in the school library. All parents are urged to attend.

Financial aid information

Texas Association of Financial Aid Administrators, with assistance from EducationFirst, will conduct a financial aid information line Satur- day and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The toll free number is 800 323-3961. Two $500 scholarships will be awarded from the names of people who call.

Retired teachers

The Retired Teachers Association will meet at noon Monday at the Senior Center. Members will be asked to turn in their volunteer hours at this meeting.

Student Valentine Dance

Snyder High School softball team will sponsor a Student Valentine Dance from 8 to midnight Feb. 12 in the student center. Admission is $3 per person or $5 a couple.

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval by the American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ACS Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

Adult basic education

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

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

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

Circus Gatti

Scurry County Sheriff's Posse will be sponsoring the annual Circus Gatti production Feb. 18. Representatives from the production will work on ticket sales in the coming weeks.

Support group ministry

Three support groups for divorce recovery, cancer/grief and caring for aging parents will meet every second Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. Please enter on the east side, which faces the Family Life Center. Everyone is welcome; child care will be provided. For more information, call 573-2631.

College games free

Western Texas College has announced that there will be no admission charge during the remainder of the Lady Westerners' home basketball games.

Pick 3

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

9-4-7

(nine, four, seven)

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery:

5-6-25-30-31

(five, six, twenty-five, thirty, thirty-one)

City approves ordinance

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merit raise plan which affected some seven employees at an addi- tional cost of $7,980 to the city.

The original requirement called for the employee to be eligible after completing one year as of Oct. 1, 1997. The new require- ment calls for all employees, except new-hires, to be eligible after completing one year as of Oct. 1, 1997.

New-hires will be eligible on their first anniversary date and then each Oct. 1 that a bonus or merit is approved by the city council.

Also approved was the first reading of an ordinance which amends appropriations for the current fiscal year for the city.

The council accepted bids on rental uniforms for city employees for a one-year period for $23,434 from UniFirst of Abilene. A bid was received from the current provider in the amount of $22,588, but their service had been deemed unsatisfactory by the city.

The council also approved the purchase of 104 three-yard dump- sters at a cost of $327 each, and approved reinstating fees at the landfill for the disposal of tires.

Approval was also given to the utility department to contract with a collection agency to aid in collecting delinquent bills.

Action on ordering the general election on May 2 was tabled because the agenda had failed to list the District 3 seat as being on the ballot.

Holt presided at the meeting and council members in atten- dance were Robertson, Vernest Tippens, Jerry Webb and Terry Martin. I.E. Martin was absent.

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